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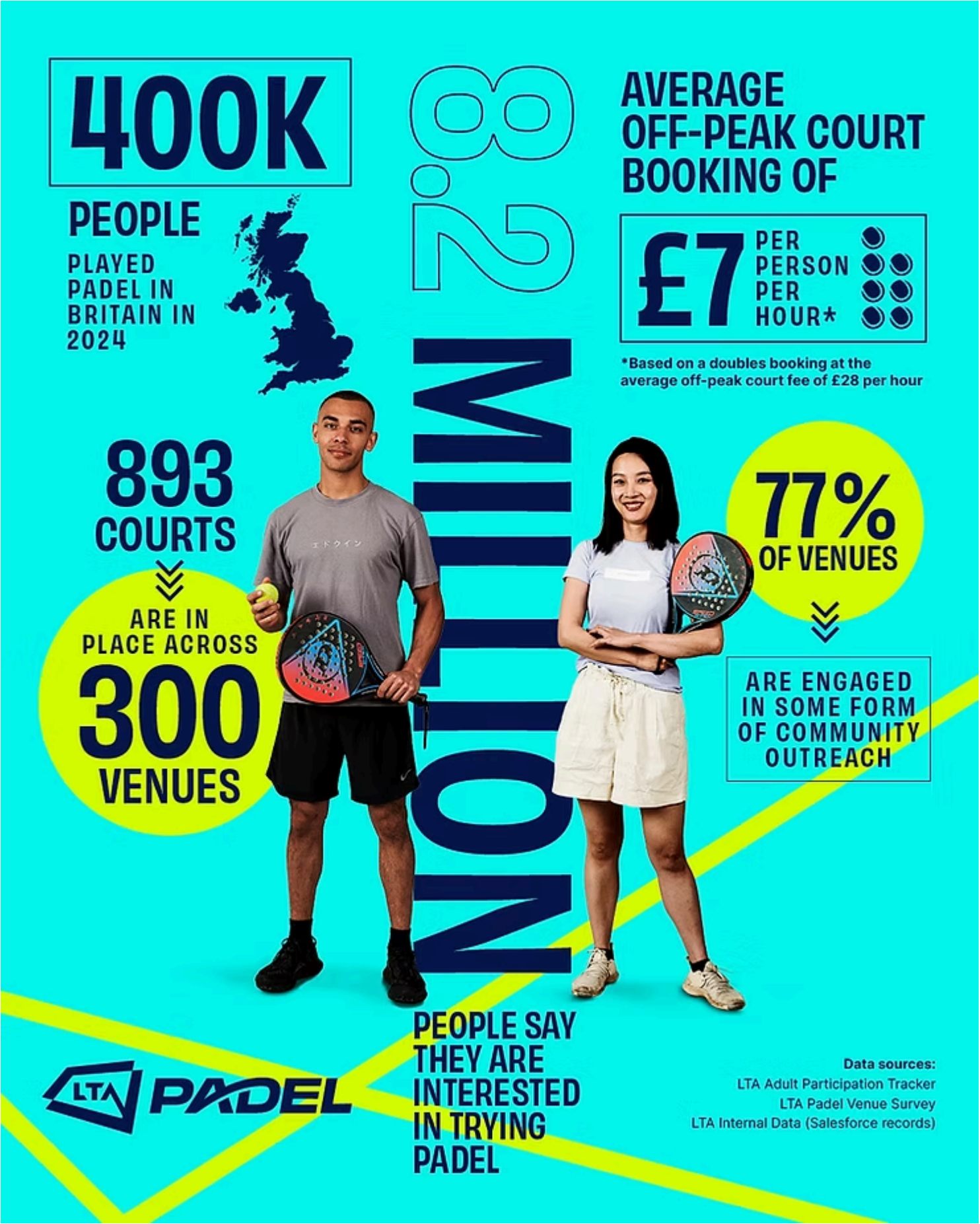
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# Over 400,000 players: LTA unveils latest figures on growth of Padel in Britain

*Over 400,000 adults and juniors in Great Britain played padel in 2024.*

- *893 padel courts now available across 300 venues across Great Britain.*
- *LTA Padel social media channels and website launch.*



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Padel is continuing to grow in popularity across Great Britain, with new figures collected and analysed by the LTA, revealing that participation more than trebled last year, alongside a major spike in public awareness and interest.

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## Rapid Growth in Player Numbers

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Padel is one of the fastest growing sports in Britian. New figures released today by the LTA show that at the end of 2024, just over 400,000 adults and juniors in Great Britain played padel at least once in the preceding 12 months. Up from 15,000 in 2019, 89,000 in 2021, and 129,000 at the end of 2023. Meanwhile Sport England who use a different metric – recorded the number of adults who play twice monthly - doubling from 23,000 in 2022-23 to 51,000 in 2023-24, as per their Active Lives annual survey that was released two weeks ago.

## Expansion of Court Infrastructure

This growth is supported by a rapidly expanding infrastructure, with 893 padel courts now available across 300 venues across Britain. As of February 2025, the LTA has invested more than £6 million in the growth of padel across Britain, including £4.5 million towards the development of 80 courts at 42 venues—representing approximately 10% of all padel courts nationwide.

## Community Engagement and Accessibility

Padel is playing an increasingly active role within our communities. The LTA is passionate about opening up padel to a more diverse audience, including those from underserved communities across the country, so everyone can enjoy the physical and mental benefits of staying active. More than three-quarters of all padel venues are involved in some form of community outreach, from local school partnerships to free sessions and coaching for underserved groups. Research shows that an average off-peak court booking costs £7 per person per hour (based upon doubles.)

## Awareness and Interest Reach New Heights for Padel in Britain

Awareness of padel among adults reached 43% of the population (approximately 23 million individuals) in the first quarter of 2025, representing a significant increase from 23% (12 million) during the same period in the previous year. Interest in playing padel across GB continues to increase, with over eight million Britons expressing a desire to try padel, which is up by 60% over the past 12 months, reflecting its accessible, social nature and appeal to all age groups.

### ABOUT THE LTA:

*The LTA is the National Governing Body of tennis and padel in Great Britain, governing and growing the sport from grassroots participation through to the professional game.*