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# Viessmann FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2023/24

**TV Media Evaluation – Event Summary** 



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## Introduction

Study scope

Object of investigation/event:	FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2022/23 (Men, Women and Mixed)
Monitoring period:	2023/24 Season
Sponsors:	Viessmann, FIS App
Markets*:	Austria, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Norway, Switzerland, USA
TV program types:	Live, Delayed, Relive, Highlights, Sport Magazines, Magazines, News
Sources of audience data:	Mediametrie/Eurodata TV, The Nielsen Company, MMS, TNS Gallup   Adults 3+   Estimations by Nielsen Sports

\*Note: Russia is excluded from this year's analysis and has been so since the 2022/23 season. All multi-year comparisons are excluding the Russian market.



## **Presentation of results**



## **Global Overview**

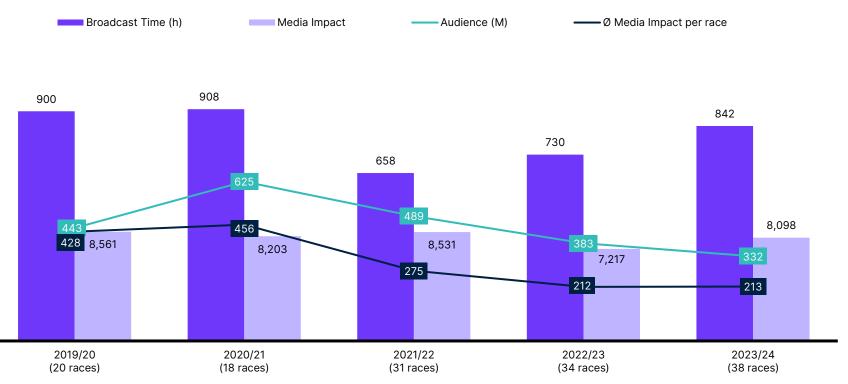
FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2023/24 - Men, Women & Mixed

		Live	Non-Live	TOTAL	TOTAL 2022/23	TREND
eq	Cumulative Audience* (M)	88	244	332	383	-12%
ombin	Number of Broadcasts (#)	652	1,008	1,660	1,554	+7%
dic Cc VC	Broadcast Time (hrs)	480	362	842	731	+15%
FIS Nordic Combined WC	Actual Playing Time (hrs)	389	276	665	584	+14%
	Event Impressions (M)	5,736	2,362	8,098	7,217	+12%
Sponsorship Evaluation	Visibility (hrs)	276	193	469	413	+15%
	Sponsorship Impressions (M)	3,784	1,359	5,143	4,120	+25%
	100% Media Equivalency $(M \varepsilon)$	47.6	16.4	64.0	56.4	+14%
	QI Media Value (M€)	8.5	3.0	11.5	10.4	+11%
	Average Sequence Duration (sec.)	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.7	+2%
	Ratio Visibility/Broadcast Time (%)	57.6	53.3	55.8	56.5	-1%



## **Season Comparison**

FIS Nordic Combined World Cup – Men, Women\* & Mixed



\*starting with the 2020/21 season; since the 2021/22 season also including mixed competitions



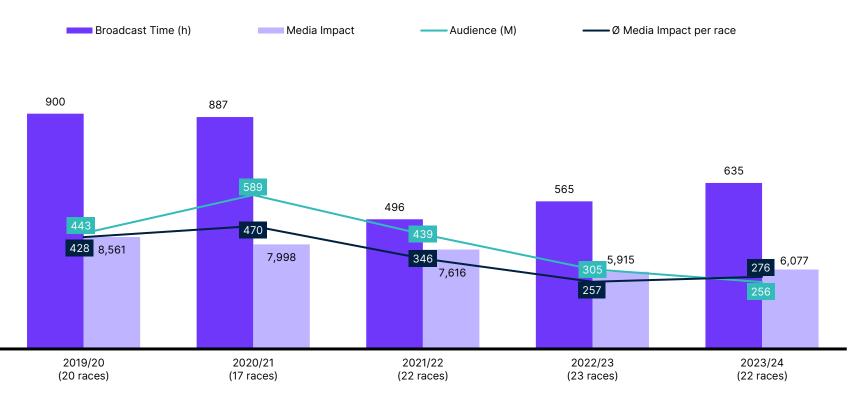
## **Global Overview**

FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2023/24 - Men

		Live	Non-Live	TOTAL	TOTAL 2022/23	TREND
eq	Cumulative Audience* (M)	65	191	256	306	-16%
ombin	Number of Broadcasts (#)	406	793	1,199	1,195	+0%
dic Co WC	Broadcast Time (hrs)	330	305	635	565	+12%
FIS Nordic Combined WC	Actual Playing Time (hrs)	264	230	494	450	+10%
	Event Impressions (M)	4,582	1,495	6,077	5,915	+3%
Sponsorship Evaluation	Visibility (hrs)	183	156	339	314	+8%
	Sponsorship Impressions (M)	2,910	824	3,734	3,190	+17%
	100% Media Equivalency $(M \varepsilon)$	36.5	10.9	47.4	44.4	+7%
	QI Media Value (M€)	6.5	2.0	8.5	8.2	+4%
	Average Sequence Duration (sec.)	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.7	+2%
	Ratio Visibility/Broadcast Time (%)	55.5	51.1	53.4	55.5	-4%

## **Season Comparison**

#### FIS Nordic Combined World Cup – Men





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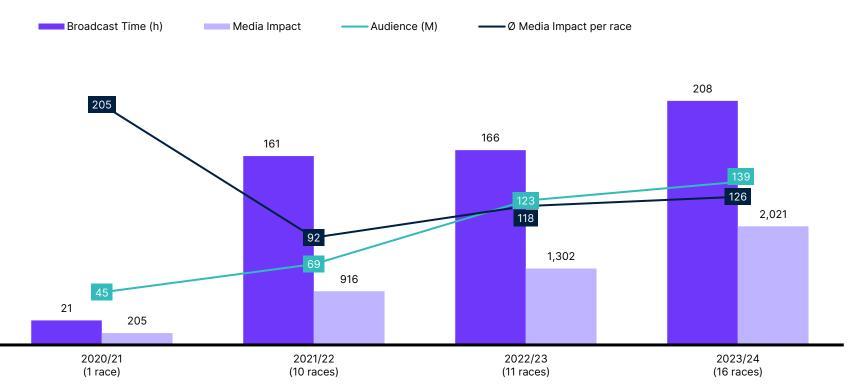
FIS Nordic Combined World Cup 2023/24 - Women & Mixed

		Live	Non-Live	TOTAL	TOTAL 2022/23	TREND
ed	Cumulative Audience* (M)	25	114	139	127	+9%
ombin	Number of Broadcasts (#)	265	323	588	454	+30%
dic Cc V C	Broadcast Time (hrs)	151	57	208	166	+25%
FIS Nordic Combined WC	Actual Playing Time (hrs)	126	46	172	134	+29%
	Event Impressions (M)	1,154	867	2,021	1,302	+55%
Sponsorship Evaluation	Visibility (hrs)	93	37	130	99	+31%
	Sponsorship Impressions (M)	875	534	1,409	930	+52%
	100% Media Equivalency $_{(M\in)}$	11.1	5.5	16.6	12.0	+39%
	QI Media Value (M€)	2.0	1.0	3.0	2.2	+40%
	Average Sequence Duration (sec.)	5.8	5.9	5.8	5.6	+4%
	Ratio Visibility/Broadcast Time (%)	62.1	65.2	62.9	60.0	+5%



## **Season Comparison**

FIS Nordic Combined World Cup – Women & Mixed



Note: Only 1 women event took place in 2020/21 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

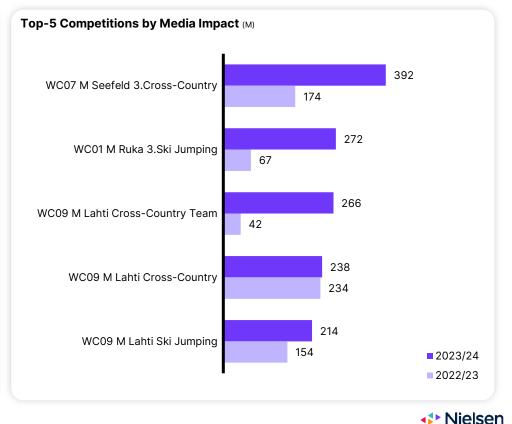


## **Management Summary**

Key Insights

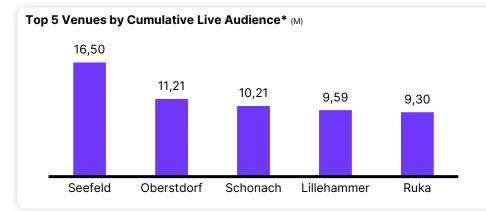
#### Key Takeaways

- Compared to the previous season, Broadcast Time (+15%) and Media Impact (+12%) increase while Cumulative Audience declines (-12%).
- There have been 4 events more than in 2022/23 so that average media impact per event increases by 1%.
- The drop in cumulative audience can be explained by fewer podiums of German athletes (3 vs. 19 in the previous season), leading to a reduced news coverage.
- Yet, media impact in Germany increases (+14%) as live/delayed coverage on ARD/ZDF doubles in broadcast time (but average audience declines from 2.0M to 1.5M).
- While media impact of men's competitions only increases by 3% (1 event less), women and mixed (5 events more) see a 55% increase.
- Looking at the top markets behind Germany, media impact also increases in Finland (+12%), Austria (+6%), and Norway (+15%) while Italy (-35%) is the only market with a decline
- Cross-Country races account for 60% of total media impact, Ski Jumping for the remaining 40% (last season: 63% / 36%).



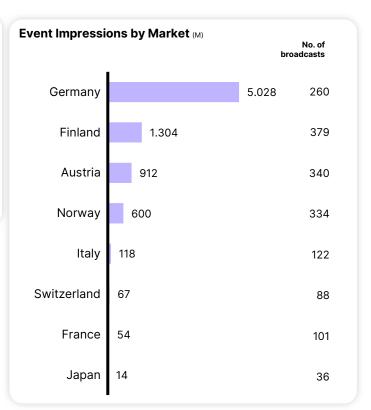
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Media Monitoring



 Seefeld covers the top spot in terms of cumulative live audience, staging the traditional men's "triple" as well as 2 women's competitions. It is up from 4<sup>th</sup> rank in the previous season (10.2M live audience / +62%), having staged the same number of races.

- With a cum. live audience of 10.6M, German ARD accounts for two thirds of total numbers in Seefeld.
- Oberstdorf and Schonach swap places with very similar numbers compared to 2022/23, while last year's top-ranked venue Ramsau only comes in 9<sup>th</sup> this season.
- The country ranking by media impact keeps its order from the previous season. All markets except for Italy and Japan see a positive trend (+12% overall).



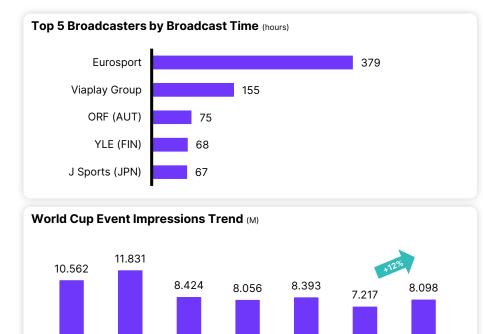


## **Management Summary**

Media Monitoring

2017/18

2018/19

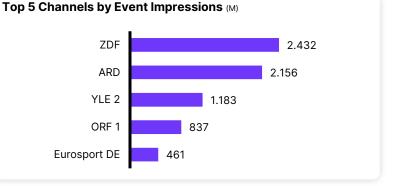


2020/21

2021/22

2022/23

2023/24



- With 379 hours of broadcast time, the various Eurosport feeds account for 45% of total coverage but only 2% of cumulative audience (8M) and 7% of event impressions (583M).
- The top 5 channels in terms of media impact keep their order from last season. German public broadcasters ARD & ZDF see a 12% increase in media impact, Finnish YLE 2 even 22%.
- While Austrian ORF 1 remains fairly stable (+3%), the German Eurosport feed almost doubles in media impact. Number of live broadcasts went up from 20 to 36 with an increase in average audience from 86k to 109k.

2019/20



By country (in alphabetic order) – Men + Women

Country	Number of Broadcasts	Cumulative Audience*	Broadcast Time	Actual Playing Time	Event Impressions
	(#)	(M)	(hh:mm:ss)	(hh:mm:ss)	(M)
Austria	340	36.74	132:47:54	106:16:46	912.22
Finland	379	61.58	199:48:28	163:12:33	1,304.43
France	101	1.23	44:13:06	37:36:10	54.11
Germany	260	202.06	84:39:13	69:48:49	5,028.05
Italy	122	1.47	82:00:58	73:06:43	118.03
Japan	36	0.07	66:54:59	26:29:14	14.35
Norway	334	28.58	173:47:24	139:27:16	600.02
Switzerland	88	0.75	57:21:54	49:20:48	66.90
TOTAL	1,660	332.48	841:33:55	665:18:18	8,098.11



By country (in alphabetic order) – Men

Country	Number of Broadcasts	Cumulative Audience*	Broadcast Time	Actual Playing Time	Event Impressions
	(#)	(M)	(hh:mm:ss)	(hh:mm:ss)	(M)
Austria	227	29.42	88:17:36	70:18:25	670.28
Finland	282	50.96	149:24:18	121:19:10	1,048.59
France	78	1.05	32:39:37	28:37:33	44.21
Germany	186	151.43	60:37:22	50:49:11	3,720.08
Italy	98	1.37	68:31:07	61:02:44	111.60
Japan	36	0.07	66:54:59	26:29:14	14.35
Norway	235	21.06	127:34:25	101:11:53	415.60
Switzerland	57	0.51	40:18:09	33:42:06	52.27
TOTAL	1,199	255.86	634:17:33	493:30:15	6,076.97

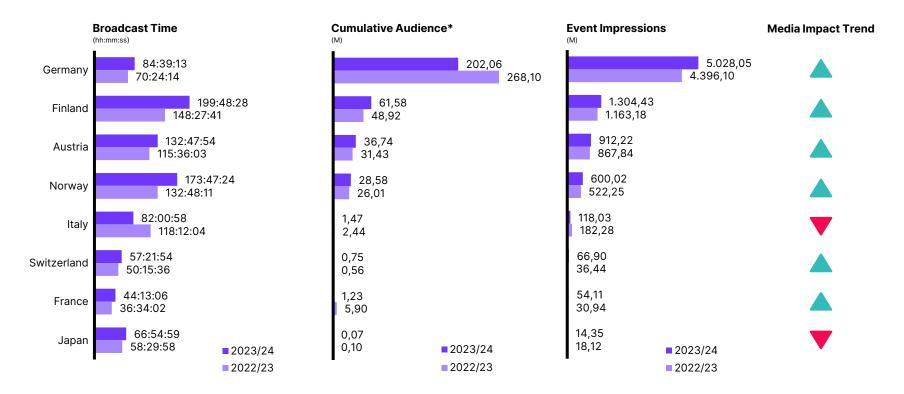


By country (in alphabetic order) – Women (incl. Mixed)

Country	Number of Broadcasts	Cumulative Audience*	Broadcast Time	Actual Playing Time	Event Impressions
	(#)	(M)	(hh:mm:ss)	(hh:mm:ss)	(M)
Austria	132	12.12	44:30:18	35:58:21	241.94
Finland	122	19.00	50:24:09	41:53:23	255.85
France	33	0.37	11:33:29	8:58:38	9.89
Germany	106	90.98	24:01:51	18:59:38	1,307.97
Italy	24	0.10	13:29:51	12:03:59	6.43
Norway	140	16.01	46:12:59	38:15:23	184.42
Switzerland	31	0.24	17:03:45	15:38:42	14.63
TOTAL	588	138.82	207:16:23	171:48:03	2,021.14



Top 8 trending countries by Event Impressions

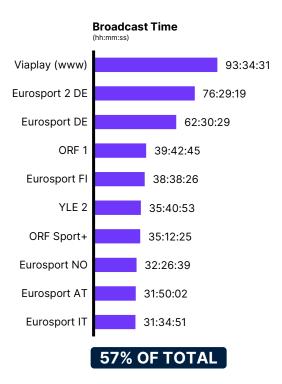


Ranking by trending country – Men and Women

		2022/23			2021/22	
	Cumulative Audience*	Broadcast Time	Event Impressions	Cumulative Audience*	Broadcast Time	Event Impressions
	(M)	(hh:mm:ss)	(M)	(M)		(M)
Country						
Germany	202.06	84:39:13	5,028.05	268.10	70:24:14	4,396.10
Finland	61.58	199:48:28	1,304.43	48.92	148:27:41	1,163.18
Austria	36.74	132:47:54	912.22	31.43	115:36:03	867.84
Norway	28.58	173:47:24	600.02	26.01	132:48:11	522.25
Italy	1.47	82:00:58	118.03	2.44	118:12:04	182.28
Switzerland	0.75	57:21:54	66.90	0.56	50:15:36	36.44
France	1.23	44:13:06	54.11	5.90	36:34:02	30.94
Japan	0.07	66:54:59	14.35	0.10	58:29:58	18.12
TOTAL	332.48	841:33:55	8,098.11	383.48	730:47:50	7,217.16



Top 10 channels



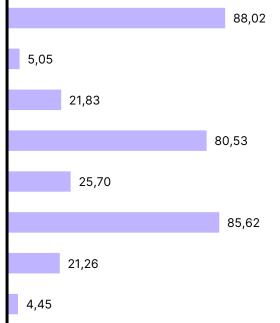




Ranking by program type







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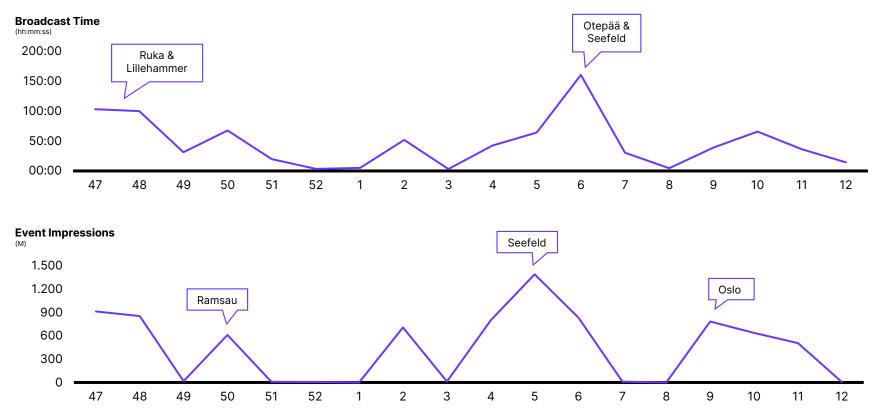


Gender comparison





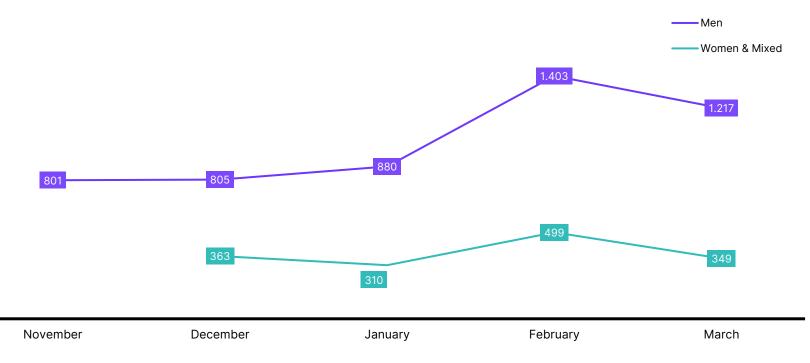
#### Weekly coverage trend



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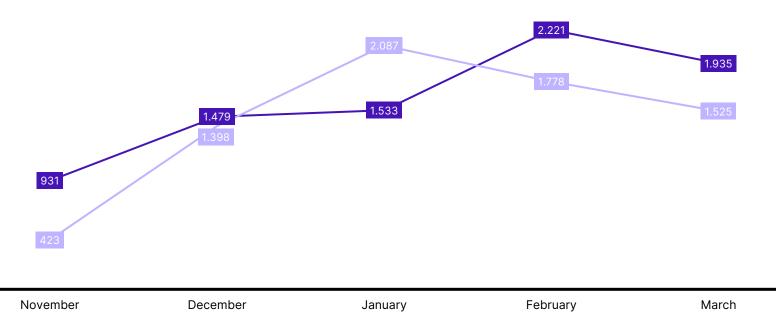
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Gender Comparison by Event Impressions and Month





Season Comparison by Event Impressions





# Methodology & Appendix



## **TV Media Evaluation**

#### Media Monitoring

#### **Media Monitoring**

Media monitoring refers to analyzing all relevant broadcast contents. This involves tracking of various program types covering a specific event, team, match day, or a particular World Cup venue, etc., and requires an actual recording of all those TV broadcasts.

#### **Broadcast Schedule Audit (BSA)**

A TV channel's schedule is taken from online sources or compiled from broadcast data (audience ratings). Please note: This method of data collection only allows to map a specific event coverage, but no secondary coverage (news, etc.).

Specific coverage (primary broadcasting)				
Live	Live broadcasts			
Delayed	First time-delayed broadcasts			
Re-live	Re-broadcasing of a live or delayed content			
HighlightsSports broadcasts, which mainly sHighlightsmatch synopses but also backgroinformation or interviews.				
Secondary coverage (secondary broadcasting)				
Magazine / Sportmagazine	Programs that rarely feature sports content or general sports mix programs			

#### News Contributions in news broadcasts

#### Broadcast Time (BT)

Broadcast time indicates the total amount of time during which the relevant event or club has been exposed.

#### **Actual Playing Time (APT)**

Actual Playing Time is a subset of Broadcast Time. It only includes those parts of broadcast showing competition scenes.

#### **Audience Evaluation**

#### **Broadcast Audience**

Broadcast audience (also known as viewing figures or TV ratings) indicates how many viewers averagely watched a program during a certain period of time. In other words, the calculated figure shows how many viewers were reached during a specific time interval.

#### **Cumulative Audience**

Cumulative audience is calculated by adding up reaches of individual programs. Cumulative audience is always a gross reach, so a TV viewer who watched the news and then a live football match would be counted twice.

#### Market Share

The term market share stands for the percentage of a broadcast's average viewing audience among all TV viewers of all program types at a given time.

#### Audience Data Sources

Nielsen Sports has contracts with official rights holders about distribution of ratings. In Germany, it's the AGF/GfK agency. Internationally, we obtain data from the Eurodata TV/Médiamétrie agency, to name but one.

#### **Estimated Audience**

If some channels are not involved in any official audience measurement, Nielsen Sports applies its own estimation method. The following information is included in calculating an estimated audience: technical reach or number of viewers for a program's weekday and time of the day, program's content, level of interest in a sport discipline in the country of broadcast. Please note: The result is an approximation of TV viewing figures.

#### **Media Impact**

#### **Event Impressions**

Event impressions are an essential metric in media tracking, since they allow to make conclusions about a sponsorship platform's media impact - be it an event, a sport, or a league, etc. When calculating impressions, it is important to remember that the length of a contribution in a program must be always offset against the associated audience of that program. *Formula:* 

Broadcast Time in secs x Audience in M

 $30\ secs$ 

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