

## Report of PVS Webmaster PVS House of Delegates Meeting May 25, 2004

PVS officially established its website in November, 1997. Statistics on the use of the PVS Swimming website ( <http://www.pvswim.org> ) and its supplemental website (<http://www.pvswim2.org>) since then are shown below:

<b>Time Period</b>	<b>Hits</b>	<b>Average Hits/Day</b>	<b>Page Views</b>	<b>Average Page Views Per day</b>	<b>Data Download (Mb)</b>	<b>Data Download per day (Mb)</b>
<b>1997 (from Nov 21)</b>	144529	3212	34131	758	457.30	10.16
<b>1998</b>	1888236	5173	453654	1243	7735.77	21.19
<b>1999</b>	3672684	10062	883589	2421	17114.98	46.89
<b>2000</b>	4516377	12340	1291998	3530	25251.58	68.99
<b>2001</b>	5832419	15979	1745958	4783	36791.09	100.80
<b>2002</b>	6939979	19066	1795586	4933	47627.96	130.85
<b>2003</b>	7927332	21719	2283713	6257	61560.48	168.66
<b>2004 (thru Apr)</b>	4035272	33349	1286396	10631	40822.00	337.37
<b>Total</b>	<b>34956828</b>	<b>14831</b>	<b>9775025</b>	<b>4147</b>	<b>237361.15</b>	<b>100.70</b>

In addition to the above activity, the searchable data base is located on a separate server and that activity is measured separately. The primary data base now contains all Individual swim times involving PVS from September 1999 forward. It now contains 625295 records involving 537232 times (the rest being NS's and DQ's) This data base is being accessed by about 190 users each day who access an average of 557,000 time records per day. This translates to over 203 million times being downloaded over the last 12 months.

It is quite likely PVS will need to move the searchable data base to a new provider for the 2004-2005 competitive season. If so, we will endeavor to move at least the 2003-04 times to the new database. Persons needing access to older times in this format are urged to access and retain them for their own use as soon as practical.

In addition, USA Swimming has expanded considerably the use of its SWIMS database so that all Official Times from May 2003 are now also available on that site.

Use of the pvswim.org website continues to grow (based on annual utilization rates) continues to grow, but at slower rate than was initially the case in 1998 and 1999.

March 2004 saw the largest usage of the website to date (average of 46361 hits/day), page views (14971/day), and the largest download to date (560.95 MB/day.) This clearly is attributable to the large

degree of interest in meet results and psych sheets for the many championship and other meets that occurred that month.

PVS reached capacity in terms of amount of information it could store on its current site (pvswim.org). A second site (pvswim2.org) to which historical files were moved was started. This was a more economical alternative than expanding the space available on the current site. Links from the current site were retained and the change was made seamless to the user. Given the current financial condition of the firm hosting pvswim.org, we may need to move this URL to a new web hosting service. We should so be able to do this so its occurrence is seamless to the user.

We have been advised indirectly that USA Swimming will be activating its new website on May 26 with further enhancements coming in mid-June. We have also learned indirectly that current links we have to specific pages will no longer be valid. It will take us a period of time to reestablish these links.

PVS continues to also host the Eastern Zone homepage on its site.