



# Wisconsin

## Contributions to the American System of Conservation Funding

Through the American System of Conservation Funding (comprised of revenue from sporting licenses and Pittman-Robertson and Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux funds), sportsmen and women contribute billions of dollars to conservation. The System is a “user-pays, public-benefits” model, wherein sportsmen and women provide the vast majority of the funding for state fish and wildlife agencies – the primary stewards of our nation’s fish and wildlife resources. The revenue generated through this System helps to conserve fish and wildlife, provide clean water and healthy landscapes, and maintain access to these resources for the public at large, not just hunters and anglers.

	Hunting Licenses	Fishing Licenses	Pittman-Robertson	Dingell-Johnson/Wallop-Breaux	Total
2019 Funding	\$38.66 M	\$40.81 M	\$19.74 M	\$11.86 M	\$111.07 M
2019 National Rankings	4	3	8	6	3
Historical Funding Total	\$1.26 B	\$1.04 B	\$372.14 M	\$325.10 M	\$2.99 B
Historical Funding US Rank	3	3	6	6	3

### Wisconsin sportsmen and women’s contributions to the American System of Conservation Funding:

- Wisconsin has built and maintained over 2,000 fishing and boating access sites and 100 shore fishing sites.
- Wisconsin has 241 Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), averaging approximately 3,000 acres that provide over 700,000 acres of public hunting area.
- The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources manages 12 hatcheries, egg collection facilities and rearing stations that stock millions of fish every year into waters across the state to enhance recreational angling.
- The Wisconsin DNR owns and maintains 10 public shooting ranges across the state.
- Wisconsin’s current Black Bear Population Monitoring Program is utilizing the ASCF to administer two research projects.

This report is made possible thanks to:



**2019 Certified Paid License Holders**  
 Fishing: 1,373,300  
 Hunting: 692,209

**2019 Total Licenses/Permits/Tags**  
 Fishing: 3,923,031  
 Hunting: 1,712,556