

# Alaska sportsmen

149,000 hunters & anglers spending \$1.8 million a day



TOTAL SPENDING \$662 million

Casting benefits throughout the economy.

- Sportsmen support more jobs in Alaska than the Anchorage International Airport, one of the state's largest employers (10,000 jobs vs. 9,450).
- Annual spending by Alaska sportsmen is 89% of the Gross State Product from manufacturing in the state (\$662 million vs. \$745 million).
- Annual spending by Alaska sportsmen is more than the cash receipts of commercial seafood landings at Dutch Harbor, Kodiak, Sitka, King Salmon, Seward, Alaska and Homer combined (\$662 million vs. \$504 million).
- Alaska sportsmen outnumber the combined populations of Fairbanks, Juneau, Sitka, Wasila, Kenai, Ketchikan, Palmer, Kodiak and Bethel - 9 of the top 10 biggest cities in the state (149,000 vs. 114,000).

Lots of bang. Even more bucks.

Jobs	10,000
Salaries and wages	\$299 million
Federal Taxes	\$65 million
State and Local Taxes	\$71 million
Ripple Effect	\$962 million



CSF and NASC are the most respected and trusted hunting and fishing organizations in the political arena. With support from every major hunting and fishing organization, we are the leader in promoting sportsmen's issues with elected officials. CSF works directly with the bi-partisan Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus in the U.S. Congress; NASC works with affiliated state sportsmen's caucuses in state legislatures around the country.

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If the \$76 billion that sportsmen spend on hunting and fishing were the Gross Domestic Product of a country, sportsmen as a nation would rank 57 out of 181 countries.

PARTICIPATION	SPENDING	JOBS	SALARIES/WAGES	FEDERAL STATE & LOCAL TAXES
Sportsmen 34 million	\$76 billion	1.6 million	\$60 billion	\$25.6 billion
Anglers 30 million	\$42 billion	1 million	\$38 million	\$16.4 billion
Hunters 12.5 million	\$23 billion	600,000	\$21 billion	\$9.2 billion

Every single state makes a contribution through revenue, taxes, and jobs. Here are the facts on Alaska's anglers and hunters.

PARTICIPATION			RANK		SPENDING			RANK	
Resident sportsmen	149,000	# 42	Sportsmen	\$662 million	# 35				
Resident anglers	137,000	# 41	Fishing	\$530 million	# 31				
Resident hunters	53,000	# 44	Hunting	\$132 million	# 44				
Out of state hunters	Sample size too small	# ***	<b>JOBS</b>						
Out of state anglers	156,000	# 18	Sportsmen	10,000	# 37				
Days afield	758,000	# 43	Fishing	8,000	# 31				
Days on the water	1.9 million	# 42	Hunting	2,000	# 43				



The majority of all sportsmen consider themselves "likely voters" and 8 in 10 say that a candidate's position on sportsmen's issues is important in determining for whom they will vote.

If all hunters and anglers living in Alaska voted in the 2004 presidential election, they would have equaled 73% of the entire vote.

Nearly 1 out of 3 residents hunt or fish.

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\*A respondent who is both a hunter and an angler is counted in each category, but only once for total participation numbers.

\*\*Money spent on an item for both hunting and fishing is only counted for in the total spending category.

\*\*\*Sample size too small to be reliable.

Statistics come from the U.S.F.W.S. 2006 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, Southwick and Associates, American Sportfishing Association, and Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. For further information, contact CSF at 202-543-6850.