

# Minnesota sportsmen

1.28 million hunters & anglers spending \$9.5 million a day



TOTAL SPENDING \$3.4 billion

Casting benefits throughout the economy.

- Sportsmen support as many jobs in Minnesota as the University of Minnesota, Hormel Foods, and 3M Corporation combined (55,000 jobs).
- Annual spending by Minnesota sportsmen is more than revenues of St. Paul-based St. Jude Medical (\$3.5 billion vs. \$3.3 billion).
- Annual spending by Minnesota sportsmen is more than the cash receipts from corn and dairy products - the state's #1 and #4 agricultural commodities (\$3.5 billion vs. \$3.1 billion).
- Minnesota sportsmen spend \$244 million annually on outboard boats and engines to get out on the water and around the marshed for fishing and hunting.
- Minnesota sportsmen outnumber the populations of the ten largest cities in the state (1.28 million vs. 1.24 million).

Lots of bang. Even more bucks.

Jobs	55,000
Salaries and wages	\$1.6 billion
Federal Taxes	\$430 million
State and Local Taxes	\$415 million
Ripple Effect	\$5.8 billion



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 billion	\$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 Minnesota's anglers and hunters.

PARTICIPATION		RANK
Resident sportsmen	1.28 million	# 7
Resident anglers	1.1 million	# 5
Resident hunters	508,000	# 6
Out of state hunters	26,000	# 32
Out of state anglers	319,000	# 4
Days afield	6.3 million	# 11
Days on the water	22.3 million	# 4

SPENDING		RANK
Sportsmen	\$3.4 billion	# 5
Fishing	\$2.8 billion	# 3
Hunting	\$637 million	# 12

  

JOBS		RANK
Sportsmen	55,000	# 4
Fishing	43,000	# 3
Hunting	12,000	# 13

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 Minnesota voted in the 2004 presidential election, they would have equaled 76% of the entire vote.

1 out of 3 residents hunt and 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.