

Washington sportsmen

764,000 hunters & anglers spending \$4 million a day



TOTAL SPENDING \$1.4 billion

Casting benefits throughout the economy.

- Sportsmen support more jobs in Washington than Boeing and Washington State University combined (19,800 jobs vs. 16,500).
- Annual spending by Washington sportsmen is seven times more than the cash receipts of the state's commercial seafood landings (\$1.4 billion vs. \$193 million).
- Washington sportsmen annually spend the same as the cash receipts from apples - the state's most valuable agricultural commodity (\$1.4 billion).
- Washington sportsmen annually spend \$156 million on outboard boats and engines to get out on the water and around the marshes for fishing and hunting.
- More Washington residents hunt and fish each year than attend Seattle Supersonics basketball games (764,000 vs. 654,000).

Lots of bang. Even more bucks.

Jobs	19,800
Salaries and wages	\$689 million
Federal Taxes	\$163 million
State and Local Taxes	\$123 million
Ripple Effect	\$2.2 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 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 Washington's anglers and hunters.

PARTICIPATION		RANK
Resident sportsmen	764,000	# 17
Resident anglers	641,000	# 16
Resident hunters	179,000	# 27
Out of state hunters	***	# ***
Out of state anglers	95,000	# 32
Days afield	2.1 million	# 28
Days on the water	8.2 million	# 23

SPENDING		RANK
Sportsmen	\$1.4 billion	# 17
Fishing	\$1.03 billion	# 16
Hunting	\$394 million	# 25

JOBS		RANK
Sportsmen	19,800	# 25
Fishing	14,250	# 19
Hunting	5,600	# 32



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 Washington voted in the 2004 presidential election, they would have equaled 33% of the entire vote.

1 out of 7 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.