



# Illinois sportsmen & women

## 1,309,000 hunters & anglers spent \$2.34 billion in 2011

1.31 million people (residents and non-residents) hunted or fished in Illinois in 2011, more than the combined populations of the Peoria, Rockford, Champaign/Urbana and Springfield Metropolitan Statistical Areas (1.31 million vs. 1.17 million).

There are more people who hunted in Illinois in 2011 than the number of people who attended Chicago Bears home games that year (511,800 hunters vs. 497,166 fans).

Sportsmen and women spent \$2.34 billion on hunting and fishing in Illinois in 2011, nearly as much as the receipts for all livestock and associated products produced in the state (\$2.34 billion vs. \$2.6 billion in livestock product receipts).

Hunters and anglers support 31,597 jobs in Illinois - that is more than the combined employment of the University of Illinois-Chicago and the University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign (31,597 vs. 22,000 combined jobs).

Spending by sportsmen and women in Illinois generated \$277 million in state and local taxes in 2011, enough to support the average salaries of about 4,800 teachers.

### SPORTSMEN BENEFIT THE STATE ECONOMY

**Every single state makes a contribution.  
Here are the facts on Illinois' anglers and hunters.**

SEGMENT	PARTICIPANTS	DAYS	SPENDING	JOBS
Total Sportsmen *	1,309,000	16.5 million	\$2.34 billion	31,597
Total Anglers *	1,043,800	13.3 million	\$1.02 billion	13,548
Total Hunters *	511,800	3.2 million	\$1.32 billion	18,049

\*Data includes both residents and non-residents age 16 and up, and is a snapshot of participation and spending for 2011.  
Total Sportsmen does not equal the sum of Anglers and Hunters as some individuals both hunt and fish.

### Illinois Sportsmen & Women Support

Spending per Day  
**\$6.4 million**

Salaries and Wages  
**\$1.25 billion**

Federal Taxes  
**\$317 million**

State and Local Taxes  
**\$277 million**

Ripple Effect  
**\$3.9 billion**

# AN OUTDOOR NATION

Sportsmen and women spent \$90 billion in 2011, that's more than the combined global sales of Apple's iPhone® and iPad® the same year.



## NATIONAL STATISTICS

PARTICIPANTS	SPENDING	JOBS	SALARIES / WAGES	TOTAL TAXES
<b>Sportsmen:</b> 37.4 million *	\$90.0 billion **	1.5 million	\$61.7 billion	\$26.7 billion
<b>Anglers:</b> 33.1 million	\$47.7 billion	828,000	\$35.3 billion	\$14.9 billion
<b>Hunters:</b> 13.7 million	\$38.3 billion	681,000	\$26.4 billion	\$11.8 billion

## ILLINOIS STATISTICS & NATIONAL RANK

1,309,000 #11	\$2.34 billion #10	31,597 #16	\$1.25 billion #9	\$594 million #9
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 \*\* Total angling and hunting expenditures do not add to Total Sportsmen spending due to expenditures not categorized specifically for either pursuit.



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Sources: Hunting in America: An Economic Force for Conservation, National Shooting Sports Foundation; Fishing in America: An Economic Force for Conservation, American Sportfishing Association; 2011 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife Associated Recreation, US Fish & Wildlife Service. Specific sources for state comparisons available on request, 202-543-6850.