



West Virginia sportsmen & women

447,000 hunters & anglers spent \$870 million in 2011

**SPORTSMEN
BENEFIT
THE
STATE
ECONOMY**

447,000 people (resident and non-resident) hunted or fished in West Virginia in 2011, more than the population of Charleston, the state's largest Metropolitan Statistical Area (447,000 vs. 304,000).

West Virginia's resident sportsmen and women could fill the West Virginia Mountaineers' home football stadium more than five times (322,000 vs. 60,000).

Sportsmen and women spent \$870 million on hunting and fishing in West Virginia in 2011, more than the combined receipts for all agricultural commodities produced in the state that year (\$870 million vs. \$564 million).

Hunters and anglers supported 12,600 jobs in West Virginia in 2011, nearly twice the number of people employed by the Ruby Day Surgery Center, the state's largest employer (12,600 vs. 6,700).

Sportsmen and women in West Virginia generated \$81 million in state and local taxes in 2011 - that is enough to support the average salaries of more than 2,200 policemen in the state.

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

SEGMENT	PARTICIPANTS	DAYS	SPENDING	JOBS
Total Sportsmen *	447,000	16.7 million	\$870 million	12,585
Total Anglers *	305,100	4.5 million	\$448 million	7,208
Total Hunters *	246,900	12.2 million	\$422 million	5,377

*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.

**West Virginia
Sportsmen & Women
Support**

Spending per Day
\$2.4 million

Salaries and Wages
\$353 million

Federal Taxes
\$81 million

State and Local Taxes
\$81 million

Ripple Effect
\$1.18 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
Sportsmen: 37.4 million *	\$90.0 billion **	1.5 million	\$61.7 billion	\$26.7 billion
Anglers: 33.1 million	\$47.7 billion	828,000	\$35.3 billion	\$14.9 billion
Hunters: 13.7 million	\$38.3 billion	681,000	\$26.4 billion	\$11.8 billion

WEST VIRGINIA STATISTICS & NATIONAL RANK

447,000 #35	\$870 million #34	12,585 #35	\$353 million #40	\$162 million #39
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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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