AMERICAN SYSTEM OF CONSERVATION FUNDING

DELAWARE

The three pillars to the American System of Conservation Funding include revenue from sporting licenses, and excise tax revenue from both the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs. These state-specific documents are designed to provide essential information to our partners and the public to help them more thoroughly understand the contributions that sportsmen and women, and associated industries, make to conservation in all 50 states.

Please note that there is a two-year lag for license data, so costs and number of license holders for 2025 represent license sales that occurred in 2023.

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2025	Hunting Licenses	Fishing Licenses	Pittman-Robertson	Dingell-Johnson	TOTAL
Funding	$1.5 M	$1.5 M	$5.4 M	$4.2 M	$12.5 M
National Ranking	48	48	46	41	48
Historical Funding Total	$36.3 M	$30.1 M	$105.4 M	$121.3 M	$293.1 M
Historical Funding U.S. Rank	48	48	48	47	48

98,491 2025 Paid License Holders

161,159 2025 Total License Permits/Tags

65% Of Delaware's Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control's budget is comprised of sportsmen and women-generated dollars