

Comparison of U.S. Wildlife Watching and Hunting Participation, 1996

	Population	Number of Participants (000s)		Percent of Population		Participant Ratio	
	(000s)	Wildlife Watchers	Hunters	Wildlife Watchers	Hunters	Wildlife Watchers/ Hunters	Ratio Ranking by State
United States, total	201,472	62,868	13,975	31%	7%	4.5	N/a
Alabama	3,306	988	347	30%	10%	2.8	30
Alaska	432	216	73	50%	17%	3.0	26
Arizona	3,234	999	167	31%	5%	6.0	9
Arkansas	1,914	658	379	34%	20%	1.7	43
California	23,777	5,959	515	25%	2%	11.6	5
Colorado	2,929	1,244	454	42%	16%	2.7	33
Connecticut	2,514	774	62	31%	2%	12.5	4
Delaware	560	192	40	34%	7%	4.8	17
Florida	11,239	2,840	184	25%	2%	15.4	3
Georgia	5,544	1,622	403	29%	7%	4.0	20
Hawaii	900	123	23	14%	3%	5.3	13
Idaho	879	355	248	40%	28%	1.4	45
Illinois	8,979	3,137	432	35%	5%	7.3	8
Indiana	4,456	1,542	357	35%	8%	4.3	19
Iowa	2,174	828	368	38%	17%	2.3	40
Kansas	1,916	607	275	32%	14%	2.2	41
Kentucky	3,001	951	377	32%	13%	2.5	34
Louisiana	3,227	861	352	27%	11%	2.4	36
Maine	966	443	195	46%	20%	2.3	38
Maryland	3,912	1,323	160	34%	4%	8.3	7
Massachusetts	4,726	1,638	84	35%	2%	19.5	1
Michigan	7,267	2,585	934	36%	13%	2.8	31
Minnesota	3,473	1,325	588	38%	17%	2.3	39
Mississippi	2,032	458	433	23%	21%	1.1	48
Missouri	4,056	1,623	552	40%	14%	2.9	27
Montana	672	315	195	47%	29%	1.6	44
Nebraska	1,232	428	176	35%	14%	2.4	37
Nevada	1,214	258	52	21%	4%	5.0	14
New Hampshire	887	394	84	44%	9%	4.7	18
New Jersey	6,129	1,574	95	26%	2%	16.6	2
New Mexico	1,276	370	97	29%	8%	3.8	23
New York	13,944	3,169	642	23%	5%	4.9	15
North Carolina	5,605	1,984	370	35%	7%	5.4	12
North Dakota	483	112	88	23%	18%	1.3	46
Ohio	8,522	2,816	479	33%	6%	5.9	11
Oklahoma	2,484	860	297	35%	12%	2.9	29
Oregon	2,472	1,048	293	42%	12%	3.6	25
Pennsylvania	9,298	3,442	879	37%	9%	3.9	21
Rhode Island	759	243	26	32%	3%	9.3	6
South Carolina	2,842	829	300	29%	11%	2.8	32
South Dakota	541	165	186	30%	34%	0.9	50
Tennessee	4,120	1,507	408	37%	10%	3.7	24
Texas	14,186	3,553	911	25%	6%	3.9	22
Utah	1,396	415	143	30%	10%	2.9	28
Vermont	455	217	106	48%	23%	2.0	42
Virginia	5,168	1,905	392	37%	8%	4.9	16
Washington	4,207	1,621	271	39%	6%	6.0	10
West Virginia	1,467	452	369	31%	25%	1.2	47
Wisconsin	3,897	1,651	665	42%	17%	2.5	35
Wyoming	366	143	136	39%	37%	1.1	49

Population: Population age 16 years and older

Participants: Population age 16 years and older, by state of residence

Note: US totals include responses from participants residing in the District of Columbia.

Source: National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2006.



Comparison of U.S. Wildlife Watching and Hunting Expenditures, 1996

	Population	Total Expenditures (\$000s)		Average Exp. per Person (\$)		Expenditure Ratio	
	(000s)	Wildlife Watchers	Hunters	Wildlife Watchers	Hunters	Wildlife Watchers/ Hunters	Ratio Ranking by State
United States, total	201,472	29,227,888	20,613,412	465	1,475	1.4	N/a
Alabama	3,306	278,944	610,308	282	1,759	0.5	48
Alaska	432	780,531	198,436	3,614	2,718	3.9	10
Arizona	3,234	787,484	220,438	788	1,320	3.6	11
Arkansas	1,914	191,386	338,855	291	894	0.6	43
California	23,777	2,396,809	854,958	402	1,660	2.8	13
Colorado	2,929	792,115	659,711	637	1,453	1.2	22
Connecticut	2,514	453,347	42,187	586	680	10.7	3
Delaware	560	63,880	28,499	333	712	2.2	15
Florida	11,239	1,677,170	341,311	591	1,855	4.9	8
Georgia	5,544	834,547	843,658	515	2,093	1.0	29
Hawaii	900	295,429	16,436	2,402	715	18.0	1
Idaho	879	146,105	246,139	412	992	0.6	42
Illinois	8,979	710,456	469,850	226	1,088	1.5	19
Indiana	4,456	285,665	272,693	185	764	1.0	27
Iowa	2,174	190,718	212,851	230	578	0.9	31
Kansas	1,916	105,292	312,868	173	1,138	0.3	50
Kentucky	3,001	336,522	342,868	354	909	1.0	30
Louisiana	3,227	198,679	577,091	231	1,639	0.3	49
Maine	966	220,158	284,172	497	1,457	0.8	37
Maryland	3,912	505,512	78,898	382	493	6.4	4
Massachusetts	4,726	595,300	106,001	363	1,262	5.6	6
Michigan	7,267	1,271,330	1,197,274	492	1,282	1.1	26
Minnesota	3,473	383,237	529,765	289	901	0.7	39
Mississippi	2,032	299,336	576,290	654	1,331	0.5	44
Missouri	4,056	507,926	683,161	313	1,238	0.7	38
Montana	672	218,864	215,878	695	1,107	1.0	28
Nebraska	1,232	92,474	189,093	216	1,074	0.5	45
Nevada	1,214	262,798	94,915	1,019	1,825	2.8	14
New Hampshire	887	282,377	65,816	717	784	4.3	9
New Jersey	6,129	1,800,691	163,771	1,144	1,724	11.0	2
New Mexico	1,276	428,835	85,756	1,159	884	5.0	7
New York	13,944	1,262,616	762,537	398	1,188	1.7	17
North Carolina	5,605	509,725	463,096	257	1,252	1.1	24
North Dakota	483	35,984	57,741	321	656	0.6	41
Ohio	8,522	454,910	514,681	162	1,074	0.9	32
Oklahoma	2,484	201,797	426,803	235	1,437	0.5	46
Oregon	2,472	692,734	614,335	661	2,097	1.1	23
Pennsylvania	9,298	858,355	691,546	249	787	1.2	21
Rhode Island	759	124,362	20,728	512	797	6.0	5
South Carolina	2,842	298,701	349,675	360	1,166	0.9	34
South Dakota	541	151,172	176,212	916	947	0.9	33
Tennessee	4,120	439,583	632,260	292	1,550	0.7	40
Texas	14,186	1,175,239	1,413,306	331	1,551	0.8	35
Utah	1,396	236,626	132,248	570	925	1.8	16
Vermont	455	92,932	116,405	428	1,098	0.8	36
Virginia	5,168	698,245	518,891	367	1,324	1.3	20
Washington	4,207	959,805	327,374	592	1,208	2.9	12
West Virginia	1,467	113,030	239,662	250	649	0.5	47
Wisconsin	3,897	912,597	855,289	553	1,286	1.1	25
Wyoming	366	234,616	148,830	1,641	1,094	1.6	18

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Expenditures: Population age 16 years and older, by state where spending took place

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