

Comparison of U.S. Wildlife Watching and Hunting Participation, 2006

	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	229,245	71,132	12,510	31%	5%	5.7	N/a
Alabama	3,550	1,006	391	28%	11%	2.6	41
Alaska	499	207	71	41%	14%	2.9	38
Arizona	4,585	988	159	22%	3%	6.2	17
Arkansas	2,156	859	354	40%	16%	2.4	43
California	27,299	5,799	281	21%	1%	20.6	4
Colorado	3,605	1,459	259	40%	7%	5.6	19
Connecticut	2,735	1,102	38	40%	1%	29.0	1
Delaware	669	212	42	32%	6%	5.0	22
Florida	14,233	3,520	236	25%	2%	14.9	6
Georgia	6,910	1,819	481	26%	7%	3.8	30
Hawaii	1,014	160	18	16%	2%	8.9	8
Idaho	1,102	432	187	39%	17%	2.3	44
Illinois	9,767	2,355	316	24%	3%	7.5	12
Indiana	4,799	1,825	272	38%	6%	6.7	14
Iowa	2,339	1,111	251	47%	11%	4.4	26
Kansas	2,110	787	271	37%	13%	2.9	39
Kentucky	3,260	1,341	291	41%	9%	4.6	24
Louisiana	3,433	712	270	21%	8%	2.6	40
Maine	1,074	600	175	56%	16%	3.4	36
Maryland	4,333	1,334	161	31%	4%	8.3	9
Massachusetts	5,032	1,725	73	34%	1%	23.6	2
Michigan	7,804	2,947	753	38%	10%	3.9	28
Minnesota	4,021	1,946	535	48%	13%	3.6	33
Mississippi	2,214	618	304	28%	14%	2.0	47
Missouri	4,521	2,059	608	46%	13%	3.4	37
Montana	753	412	197	55%	26%	2.1	46
Nebraska	1,359	438	118	32%	9%	3.7	32
Nevada	1,895	420	63	22%	3%	6.7	15
New Hampshire	1,044	471	61	45%	6%	7.7	10
New Jersey	6,734	1,537	89	23%	1%	17.3	5
New Mexico	1,500	490	99	33%	7%	4.9	23
New York	14,990	3,548	566	24%	4%	6.3	16
North Carolina	6,719	2,267	304	34%	5%	7.5	11
North Dakota	507	134	128	26%	25%	1.0	50
Ohio	8,889	3,379	500	38%	6%	6.8	13
Oklahoma	2,743	1,082	251	39%	9%	4.3	27
Oregon	2,889	1,266	237	44%	8%	5.3	20
Pennsylvania	9,793	3,638	1,044	37%	11%	3.5	34
Rhode Island	842	312	14	37%	2%	22.3	3
South Carolina	3,315	943	208	28%	6%	4.5	25
South Dakota	601	266	171	44%	28%	1.6	49
Tennessee	4,699	1,966	329	42%	7%	6.0	18
Texas	17,076	4,111	1,101	24%	6%	3.7	31
Utah	1,808	574	166	32%	9%	3.5	35
Vermont	506	279	73	55%	14%	3.8	29
Virginia	5,893	2,126	413	36%	7%	5.1	21
Washington	4,980	2,007	182	40%	4%	11.0	7
West Virginia	1,458	585	269	40%	18%	2.2	45
Wisconsin	4,350	1,710	697	39%	16%	2.5	42
Wyoming	405	194	102	48%	25%	1.9	48

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.



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Comparison of U.S. Wildlife Watching and Hunting Expenditures, 2006

	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	229,245	45,654,960	22,893,156	642	1,830	2.0	N/a
Alabama	3,550	450,004	678,024	447	1,734	0.7	43
Alaska	499	581,051	125,112	2,807	1,762	4.6	8
Arizona	4,585	838,307	322,739	848	2,030	2.6	19
Arkansas	2,156	607,073	788,575	707	2,228	0.8	40
California	27,299	4,179,583	813,239	721	2,894	5.1	6
Colorado	3,605	1,387,737	444,061	951	1,715	3.1	14
Connecticut	2,735	509,950	68,530	463	1,803	7.4	5
Delaware	669	130,832	41,381	617	985	3.2	13
Florida	14,233	3,081,496	377,394	875	1,599	8.2	4
Georgia	6,910	1,615,316	677,762	888	1,409	2.4	20
Hawaii	1,014	210,414	21,098	1,315	1,172	10.0	3
Idaho	1,102	265,383	259,718	614	1,389	1.0	36
Illinois	9,767	1,133,856	381,937	481	1,209	3.0	16
Indiana	4,799	933,920	223,023	512	820	4.2	9
Iowa	2,339	318,006	288,324	286	1,149	1.1	35
Kansas	2,110	156,185	248,674	198	918	0.6	45
Kentucky	3,260	542,059	423,439	404	1,455	1.3	33
Louisiana	3,433	312,430	525,505	439	1,946	0.6	47
Maine	1,074	865,643	241,301	1,443	1,379	3.6	12
Maryland	4,333	636,214	210,087	477	1,305	3.0	15
Massachusetts	5,032	754,963	70,824	438	970	10.7	2
Michigan	7,804	1,622,521	915,884	551	1,216	1.8	29
Minnesota	4,021	698,889	494,149	359	924	1.4	30
Mississippi	2,214	175,846	519,808	285	1,710	0.3	49
Missouri	4,521	869,075	1,146,240	422	1,885	0.8	41
Montana	753	376,451	310,540	914	1,576	1.2	34
Nebraska	1,359	141,910	231,032	324	1,958	0.6	46
Nevada	1,895	362,229	129,080	862	2,049	2.8	18
New Hampshire	1,044	273,920	74,467	582	1,221	3.7	11
New Jersey	6,734	537,449	146,001	350	1,640	3.7	10
New Mexico	1,500	297,174	164,308	606	1,660	1.8	28
New York	14,990	1,567,629	715,707	442	1,265	2.2	21
North Carolina	6,719	916,903	430,562	404	1,416	2.1	22
North Dakota	507	22,913	129,114	171	1,009	0.2	50
Ohio	8,889	1,187,703	841,556	351	1,683	1.4	31
Oklahoma	2,743	328,660	476,657	304	1,899	0.7	42
Oregon	2,889	776,414	373,613	613	1,576	2.1	23
Pennsylvania	9,793	1,442,681	1,609,045	397	1,541	0.9	38
Rhode Island	842	214,247	10,186	687	728	21.0	1
South Carolina	3,315	550,777	278,640	584	1,340	2.0	27
South Dakota	601	183,304	185,258	689	1,083	1.0	37
Tennessee	4,699	992,362	488,420	505	1,485	2.0	25
Texas	17,076	2,939,018	2,222,298	715	2,018	1.3	32
Utah	1,808	564,443	273,782	983	1,649	2.1	24
Vermont	506	122,872	189,707	440	2,599	0.6	44
Virginia	5,893	960,190	480,802	452	1,164	2.0	26
Washington	4,980	1,502,311	313,134	749	1,721	4.8	7
West Virginia	1,458	241,601	284,511	413	1,058	0.8	39
Wisconsin	4,350	744,689	1,312,128	435	1,883	0.6	48
Wyoming	405	394,869	137,265	2,035	1,346	2.9	17

Population: Population age 16 years and older

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

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