

20XX Marine Recreational Fishing Expenditure Survey - Highly Migratory Species

How much do you spend on marine recreational fishing?



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Section A: Tackle, Equipment and Durable Fishing-Related Expenses

In this section, we would like to know about your annual expenses related to marine recreational fishing for **all types of finfish**, including both migratory species and non-migratory species. We are interested in your expenses **during the past 12 months** on fishing tackle, fishing-related equipment, and large durable items such as boats, vehicles, and vacation homes.

- “**Marine**” means open ocean or any portion of a bay, sound, or river that is saltwater or brackish water.
- A **day of HMS fishing** is *any portion of a day* spent fishing for **highly migratory species (HMS)**. HMS species include tuna, swordfish, sharks, marlin, sailfish, or spearfish.
- Except when asked, please do not include any information for other household members or other fishing party members.
- Please print clearly and mark boxes with an X where appropriate to indicate your response.

1. During the past 12 months, did you spend any money on fishing tackle or fishing gear?

Yes
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No



Please go to question 2 on the next page

1a. Please complete the table below with the amount of money you **PERSONALLY** spent in the past 12 months on the following items of **fishing tackle**.

- If you spent nothing, please write "0" for that item.
- In column C, indicate the **percentage of your expense** (from column B) that was spent in the state in where you do most of your HMS fishing (i.e., the state where you launch your boat). (For example, if all expenses of a given type occurred in that state, write “100”. If none occurred in that state, write “0”.)

In which state do you do most of your HMS fishing? STATE: _____

- In column D, indicate the **percentage of each item’s usage** that was for marine recreational fishing *regardless of the state where you used the item*. (For example, if the item was used 10 days for freshwater fishing and used 10 days for marine fishing (for a total of 20 days of use), write “50%” as the percentage of use for marine fishing.)

(A) Type of Expense	(B) Your Personal Expense	(C) % Spent in the State Where You Do Most of Your HMS Fishing (0-100%)	(D) % of Use for Marine Fishing (0-100%)
Rods, poles, reels, and components for rod-making	\$_____.00	_____%	_____%
Tackle and gear (lures, hooks, leaders, sinkers, flies and fly tying supplies, fishing line, tackle boxes, nets, knives, gaffs, etc.)	\$_____.00	_____%	_____%

2. Please complete the table below with the amount of money you **PERSONALLY** spent in the past 12 months on the following **fishing-related** items.

- If you spent nothing, please write “0” for that item.
- In column C, indicate the **percentage of your expense** (from column B) that was spent in the state where you do most of your HMS fishing. (For example, if all expenses of a given type occurred in that state, write “100”. If none occurred in that state, write “0”.)
- In column D, indicate the **percentage of each item’s usage** that was for marine recreational fishing *regardless of the state where you used the item*. (For example, if the item was used 10 days for freshwater fishing and used 10 days for marine fishing (for a total of 20 days of use), write “50%” as the percentage of use for marine fishing.)

(A) Type of Expense	(B) Your Personal Expense	(C) % Spent in the State Where You Do Most of Your HMS Fishing (0-100%)	(D) % of Use for Marine Fishing (0-100%)
Marine fishing licenses, fishing stamps or fees	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %
Special marine fishing clothing (foul weather gear, boots, waders, masks, wetsuits, etc.)	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %
Books, magazine, newspaper, and electronic subscriptions devoted to recreational fishing	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %
Camping equipment (sleeping bags, packs, tents, coolers, etc.)	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %
Binoculars, field glasses, etc.	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %
Dues or contributions to recreational fishing clubs or organizations	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %
Processing or taxidermy fees	\$ _____ .00	_____ %	_____ %

If you had none of the above expenses, check here:

3. Have you owned a boat that you personally used for marine recreational fishing in the past 12 months?

Yes
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No → Please go to question 4 on the next page

3a. How long is the boat you used most often for marine recreational fishing in the past 12 months? _____ Feet

3b. Is the boat you used most often motorized? Yes
 No

3c. Please complete the table below with the amount of money you **PERSONALLY** spent in the past 12 months on **boats and boating accessories** that you used for marine recreational fishing. Please include expenses for all boats that you used.

Type of Expenditure	Personal Expenditure	State Where Expenditure Occurred	Purchase Financed? (check one)	Purchased New or Used? (check one)	Purchased from a Broker/Dealer or Private Party? (check one)
Purchase of a motor boat(s) and accessories	\$_____.00	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	<input type="checkbox"/> Broker/Dealer <input type="checkbox"/> Private Party
Purchase of a non-motorized boat(s) (canoe, kayak)	\$_____.00	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	<input type="checkbox"/> Broker/Dealer <input type="checkbox"/> Private Party
Boat electronics and accessories purchased separately from boat(s) (ex: GPS, fish finders, radios, ropes, etc.)	\$_____.00	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	<input type="checkbox"/> Broker/Dealer <input type="checkbox"/> Private Party
Boat and trailer maintenance and repairs	\$_____.00	_____	_____ % of repairs done by you		
Boat mooring, storage, and haul out/launch fees	\$_____.00	_____			
Boat Insurance	\$_____.00	_____			
Boat and trailer license and registration	\$_____.00	_____			

3d. Thinking about the total usage of your boat(s) used for marine recreational fishing, what percentage of the time in the past 12 months did you use this boat(s) for marine recreational fishing compared to other boating activities?

_____ %

4. Have you owned a vehicle (car, truck, motor home or RV, off-road vehicle, etc.) that you personally used for marine recreational fishing in the past 12 months (for example, do you drive your car to a fishing site or do you use your truck to pull a boat)?

Yes
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No → Please go to question 5 on the next page

4a. Please complete the table below with the amount of money you **PERSONALLY** spent in the past 12 months on **vehicles** that you used for marine recreational fishing. Please include expenses for all vehicles that you used.

Type of Expenditure	Personal Expenditure	State Where Expenditure Occurred	Purchase Financed? (check one)	Purchased New or Used? (check one)	Purchased from a Broker/Dealer or Private Party? (check one)
Purchase of vehicles used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	<input type="checkbox"/> Broker/Dealer <input type="checkbox"/> Private Party
Repair and maintenance for vehicles used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____	_____ % of repairs done by you		
Insurance for vehicles used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____			
License and registration for vehicles used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____			

4b. Thinking about the total usage of your vehicle(s) used for marine recreational fishing, what percentage of the time in the past 12 months did you use this vehicle(s) for marine recreational fishing compared to other vehicle activities?

_____ %

5. Have you owned a second home (i.e., cabin, single family home, timeshare, etc.) that you personally used for marine recreational fishing in the past 12 months?

Yes
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No → Please go to Section B on the next page

5a. Please complete the table below with the amount of money you **PERSONALLY** spent in the past 12 months on a second home that you used for marine recreational fishing.

Type of Expenditure	Personal Expenditure	State Where Expenditure Occurred	Purchase Financed? (check one)	Purchased New or Used? (check one)	Purchase made with a Real Estate Agent? (Check one)
Purchase of second home used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Repair and maintenance for homes used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____	_____ % of repairs done by you		
Insurance for homes used for marine recreational fishing	\$_____.00	_____			

5b. Thinking about your total usage of this second home, what percentage of time in the past 12 months did you use this home for marine recreational fishing?

_____ %

Section B: About You and Your Household

Different types of anglers may have different expenditure patterns. The following questions will help us to ensure that we have a representative sample of anglers, and to see how expenditure patterns vary across types of anglers. Your answers are strictly confidential.

In questions 1 below, please refer to the state in which you do most of your HMS fishing.

1a. During the past **12 months**, how many days have you spent marine fishing for finfish?

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Number of days (count partial days as full days)

1b. In the past 12 months, how many total days did you go fishing for highly migratory species?
(enter zero if you had no HMS trips)

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Number of days (count partial days as full days)

2. Are you male or female? Male Female

3. In what year were you born?

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 (Year)

4. How many years have you been marine recreational fishing?

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 (Number of years)

5. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

Yes, of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin

No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin

6. What is your race? (please mark all that apply)

White

Black, African American

Asian

American Indian or Alaskan Native

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

7. Which of the following categories best describes your household's **total annual income before taxes** in 20XX? (Please mark only **one** category)

- Less than \$20,000 \$80,000-\$99,999
- \$20,000-\$39,999 \$100,000-\$149,999
- \$40,000-\$59,999 \$150,000-\$199,999
- \$60,000-\$79,999 \$200,000 or more

8. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (Please mark only **one** category)

- 12th Grade or less
- High school graduate or GED
- Associate or technical school degree or college coursework
- Bachelor's degree (ex: BA or BS)
- Advanced, professional, or doctoral degree or coursework

Thank You For Completing This Survey!

We appreciate your participation in this survey. If you would like further information on prior surveys or economic information related to marine recreational angling, please visit our website at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/socioeconomics/marine-angler-surveys>

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