



USFWS Data Management Plan

Project Information

Project Title

National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation

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Project Description

The National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (Survey) has been conducted since 1955 and is one of the oldest and most comprehensive continuing recreation surveys. The Survey collects information on the number of anglers, hunters, and wildlife watchers, how often they participate, and how much they spend on their activities in the United States. The Survey reports results from interviews with U.S. residents about their fishing, hunting, and wildlife watching. While those who were interviewed revealed their affinities for the outdoors and how they spent their money on these pursuits, the Survey data demonstrate yet again that fishing, hunting, boating, and watching wildlife are part of the American lifestyle, and that these pursuits fuel economies and create enduring social and cultural bonds. The 2022 Survey focuses on participation and expenditures of persons 16 years of age and older. It also provides information on participation in wildlife-related recreation in 2021, including that of persons 6 to 15 years of age. These include estimates for motorized boating, archery, and target shooting with firearms.

FWS Cost Center

FF09W13000

Primary USFWS Program

Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration

Primary USFWS Region

Region 9 Headquarters

Partner Organizations

Keywords

Fishing Hunting Recreation Wildlife viewing
Statistics

Roles and Responsibilities

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Data Management Timeline

Project Timeline

Planned Timeline

Project Start Date

2025-01-01

Project End Date

2029-12-31

Data Review Schedule

Annual

Data Acquisition and Collection

Types of Data to be Collected

Survey123

Existing Data

1991, 1996, 2001, 2006, 2011, 2016, 2022 ASCII and SAS

Data Storage and Access

Data Storage Location

Shared Drive, Local Storage

Project Reference Number

Unknown

Data Storage Links

<https://www.fws.gov/program/national-survey-fishing-hunting-and-wildlife-associated-recreation-fhwar>

Data Access

Open

Data Access Justification

Public website for public access of public use data file

Required Resources

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Adobe reader for reports and statistical software for data sets

Data and Metadata Standards

Data Standard

Calendar Year, Geopolitical Entity Name and Code

Metadata Standard

Not Applicable

Quality Assurance and Quality Control

Data Quality Assurance

Data collector and FWS coordination team have quality controls

Data Quality Control

Range edits and time of filling out questionnaires are the tools of data quality measures

Records Management

Records Schedule

Have digital records from 1991 to present. Will maintain records indefinitely

Records Types

pdf reports and ASCII data sets

Records Disposition

maintain indefinitely for longitudinal trends analysis

Additional Information

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