

Idaho Fish & Game

**Director's
Annual Report
to the Commission**

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2012 Idaho Fish & Game Organizational Chart

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Panhandle Region Coeur d'Alene	Clearwater Region Lewiston	Southwest Region Nampa/McCall McCall Sub Region	Magic Valley Region Jerome	Southeast Region Pocatello	Upper Snake Region Idaho Falls/Salmon Salmon Sub Rgion	Salmon Region Salmon
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Cover photo:
*The wild Selway River draws anglers into the heart of Idaho.
Photo by Mike Demick*

A Message from the Director



Virgil Moore, Director IDFG

To Commissioners and all Idahoans who Care About Wildlife:

I am excited to share some of Fish and Game's many accomplishments during the past year. Foremost was the Idaho Wildlife Summit in August.

Nearly 500 wildlife enthusiasts attended at venues across our state. Another 3,000 participated on-line. One of the goals was to inspire renewed enthusiasm for wildlife conservation in Idaho. Through presentations by thought-provoking and inspiring speakers and dynamic discussions among participants, it was obvious to me that Idahoans are very enthusiastic about their wildlife.

Another Summit goal was for wildlife enthusiasts to understand the common ground they share. In spirited conversations, hunters, anglers, wildlife watchers, wildlife photographers and others discussed this common ground. More important, they began to explore how they could work together

to sustain it for future generations. I was struck by the range of wildlife-related activities in which Idahoans participate. Hunters go fishing, anglers go bird watching, wildlife photographers enjoy hunting, anglers go hunting and the list goes on. I believe this diversity of shared interests is a great strength that we can build upon. In fact, most Summit participants expressed a desire to be a part of the conversation the Summit inspired. Together, we can ensure that our children and grandchildren will continue to enjoy an abundant and vibrant wildlife resource.

Part of that resource is our elk herd. The current elk plan is under revision to address emerging issues. These include declining elk populations in the backcountry, the impact of wolves and the expansion of noxious weeds and other negative impacts to elk habitat. The goal of the revision is to remain responsive to hunter expectations and to restore certain herds and maintain sustainable elk populations across the state. New technologies will help us track and monitor elk populations. The knowledge gained will allow for more proactive response to changing population levels.

Another of Idaho's iconic wildlife species, the sage-grouse, benefited from Fish and Game's leadership with the Governor's Sage-grouse Alternative. This process established three distinct sage-grouse management zones recommended for federal lands: core habitat, important habitat and general habitat. These designations allow for maximum flexibility in management while protecting core habitat. We believe that establishing these zones will conserve at least 65 percent of the known sage-grouse leks in Idaho, precluding the need to list the greater sage-grouse under the ESA. It will also support sage-grouse hunting opportunities where populations are stable.

I am excited about a new program that takes effect in January. The "Hunting Passport" will allow any first-time hunter to hunt under the guidance of a mentor for one year before taking hunter education. During this year of mentorship, participants will have many opportunities to learn hunting skills from an experienced mentor. I believe the shared experiences of the Hunting Passport program will help ensure the future of Idaho's hunting heritage.

In that same vein, I am gratified by the recent Supreme Court decision that will once again allow public access to the Panhandle Region's Farragut Shooting Range. The court acknowledged Fish and Game's actions in recent years to ensure the range is safe for shooting sports, sighting-in for hunting season and hunter education and other firearms programs.

Many of Fish and Game's programs are directed toward the future. A new season for kokanee will open in 2013 on Lake Pend Oreille, bringing back an important fishery closed in 2000. Wolf trapping classes continue to help hunters learn responsible and ethical methods of hunting this big game species. New urban fisheries in five Idaho communities provide children and families a chance to fish close-to-home. The new Springfield Fish Hatchery will expand production of sockeye salmon, continuing the work of recovering this magnificent fish. These and other programs are success stories that reflect the enthusiasm we saw at the Summit. I look forward to working with all Idahoans to continue this wildlife conservation work and meet our future challenges.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Virgil Moore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Virgil Moore, Director
Idaho Department of Fish and Game

Decline in Nonresident Tag Sales

When the economy went into recession near the end of 2008, the sale of Idaho nonresident deer and elk tags began to decline as fewer sportsmen came to Idaho from out of state. The cumulative loss of revenue for Idaho Fish and Game since 2008 equates to \$9.3 million – an average loss of \$2.3 million annually. More importantly, the impact is felt by businesses and towns throughout our state, particularly in rural Idaho. A 2009 survey of nonresident hunters listed three reasons why they are staying home: wolf impacts on elk populations, the 2009 increase in nonresident tag fees and the economy. Things have changed since the survey was conducted; hunters are helping us bring the wolf population into better balance with prey, and the economy, hopefully, is beginning to improve. In fall 2011, Idaho Fish and Game launched the “I Hunt Idaho” and “I Fish Idaho” marketing campaign placing online and print ads in states around Idaho and in hunter rich states, such as Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. The campaign appears to be helping to stem the decline. Nonresident tag sales are still down, but the drop seems to be leveling off in conjunction with the marketing campaign and improvement to the economy.

Wildlife Diversity Program

Maintaining state authority for managing Idaho’s wildlife is essential. The Wildlife Diversity Program is key to maintaining that authority through its work on preventing

at-risk species, such as the greater sage-grouse, from becoming federally listed as threatened or endangered. From southern Idaho ground squirrels to long-billed curlews, the Diversity Program relies on federal funding matched with nongame dollars to operate and implement conservation actions to benefit rare species and bolster state management. But federal funding for the Diversity Program is becoming increasingly unstable and nongame revenues continue to decline. Most Idaho residents (91 percent) consider the state’s abundant wildlife as an important reason to live in Idaho when compared to other reasons. Yet in 2011, 78 percent had not participated in existing funding mechanisms (donations, tax check-off, purchasing a wildlife license plate) which funds the Wildlife Diversity Program. The challenge is to find broadly acceptable alternative sources of revenue to maintain and expand the program in order for Fish and Game to retain state management and meet its mission to manage and conserve all wildlife for all Idahoans.

Wolf Management Costs

Idaho hunters and trappers bought 43,213 tags to hunt and trap wolves in fiscal year 2012, generating more than \$500,000 in revenue. But wolves are expensive to manage, and tag sales paid only about half the cost incurred during the fiscal year to monitor, manage and control wolves to meet state objectives. Federal funding for wolf management is decreasing. Two years from now it is scheduled to end, meaning more sportsmen license dollars could be directed away from other programs toward wolf management and control.

Depredation Costs

The current depredation prevention program is funded based on \$.75 from each deer, elk and pronghorn tag sold. This value was set in 1989 when the program was created. Inflation has greatly reduced the buying power of this fund source through time. To meet both the needs of the private landowners and hunters, Fish and Game will need additional management tools and resources to ensure, deer, elk and pronghorn numbers are managed to provide desired hunting experiences while preventing depredation on private property.

Summit Costs

More than 30 organizations and businesses contributed nearly \$120,000 to sponsor the Wildlife Summit. Summit expenses to date total \$192,000 and we still are soliciting contributions to cover the entire cost. We can’t afford continual Wildlife Summits, but we are committed to building on the interest and enthusiasm generated at the Summit for finding ways to improve and fund wildlife conservation in Idaho.



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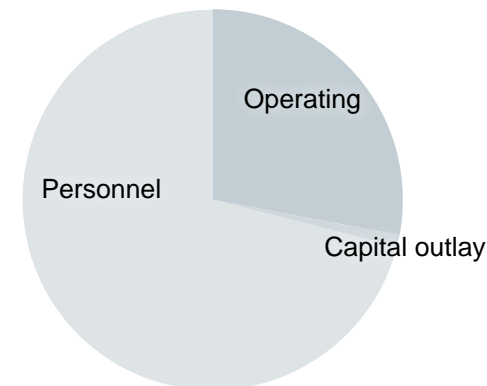
Provides direction and leadership for agency staff

14 full-time employees

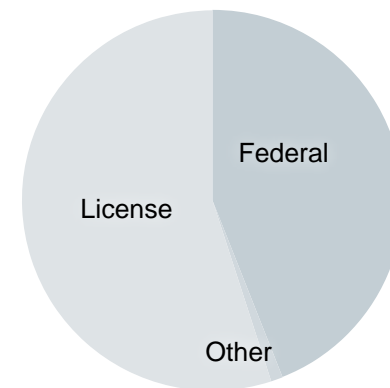
The Director's Office is the top leadership and management of Idaho Fish and Game. The director is appointed by and functions as the secretary of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission and is responsible for carrying out the policies adopted by the commission. The office also coordinates with the Idaho Legislature and with other state and federal agencies.

In addition to the director and his immediate support staff, the Director's Office includes two deputy directors and additional related administrative support staff. The deputy director of operations oversees the law enforcement, wildlife fisheries bureaus and regions; and the deputy director of programs and policy oversees information systems, engineering, administration, communications, technical services, legal counsel and intergovernmental policy coordination.

Director
Virgil Moore
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DIRECTOR'S OFFICE SPENDING		
	Personnel	\$1,678,066
	Operating	\$638,911
	Capital outlay	\$3,584
Total		\$2,320,561



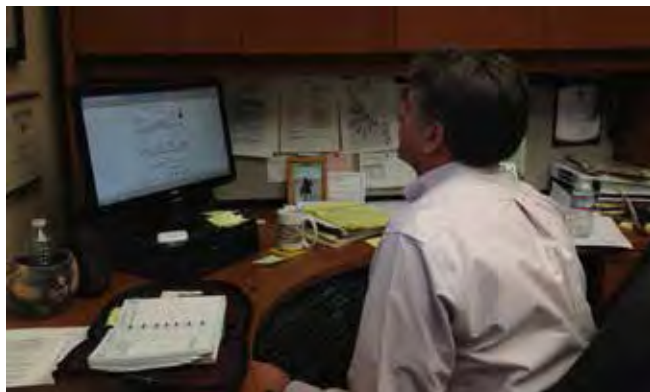
REVENUE SOURCES		
	License	\$1,283,439
	Federal	\$1,024,724
	Other	\$12,398
Total		\$2,320,561

The Director's Office includes:

- Director
- Two deputy directors and administrative staff.
- Human resources: four full-time employees.
- Budget covers expenses of seven commissioners, the department's representative on the board of Outfitters and Guides.
- Two employees of the attorney general's office.
- The human resources office allows Fish and Game to operate with delegated authority from the state Division of Human Resources and provides in-house expertise to manage the department's staff of full-time personnel and part-time seasonal staff.



Fish and Game Director Virgil Moore and deputy directors Sharon Kiefer and Jim Unsworth recognize Rep. Bert Stevenson (R-Rupert) for his years of service on the Idaho House Resources and Conservation Committee.



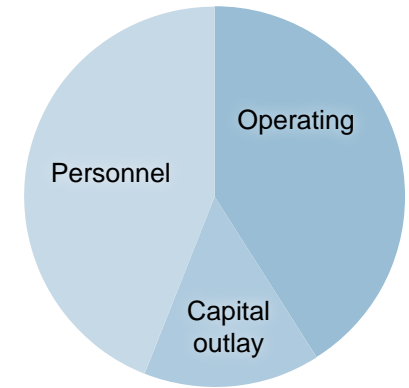
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Developed four new community fishing waters around the state

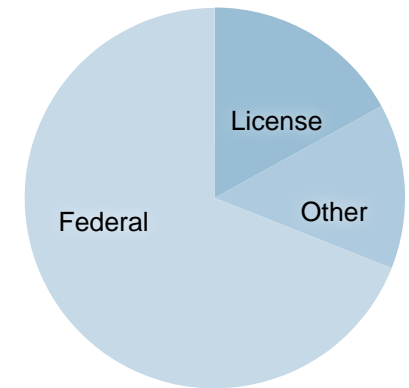
161 full-time employees.

The Fisheries Bureau manages fisheries in public waters across the state, including angling opportunities for about 40 species of game fish in lowland and mountain lakes, rivers, streams, ponds and reservoirs. Fisheries staff is divided among administrative functions, resident fish management, anadromous fish management, hatchery management and fisheries research.

Bureau Chief
Ed Schriever
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FISHERIES SPENDING		
Personnel		\$14,659,661
Operating		\$13,601,151
Capital outlay		\$4,927,269
Total		\$33,181,081



REVENUE SOURCES		
License		\$5,778,181
Federal		\$22,751,161
Other		\$4,658,739
Total		\$33,188,081

Highlights

- Developed four new community fishing waters in 2012, including: Edson Fichter Pond in the Southeast Region, Deyo Reservoir in the Clearwater Region, Wieser Pond in the Southwest and Becker Pond in the Upper Snake.
- Anglers fished more than 285,793 hours to harvest 12,315 adult and 1,031 jack spring and summer Chinook salmon from the Clearwater, Snake and Salmon rivers.
- Anglers in the Snake River from Lewiston to Hells Canyon Dam fished more than 64,322 angler-hours to harvest 230 adult and 429 jack fall Chinook salmon in the fall 2011 season.

- Anglers harvested an estimated 67,549 steelhead during the fall 2011 and spring 2012 steelhead seasons. Steelhead anglers fished an estimated 259,748 angler-days during the fall and spring seasons.
- With money from the Bonneville Power Administration, a new hatchery being built near Springfield will facilitate a five-fold increase in the production capacity of the sockeye recovery effort and allow the program to focus on recovery goals.

Fisheries Management

Fisheries monitors and manipulates fish populations to maintain or create public fisheries, protect and enhance fish habitat, develop angler access and angler information, coordinate with the general fishing public, and develop fishing and harvest rules. The bureau provides diverse angling



opportunities for about 40 species in a variety of habitats, including streams and rivers, ponds, lowland lakes, reservoirs and high mountain lakes.

Fish Hatcheries

Fisheries manages 10 resident fish hatcheries and 14 anadromous fish hatcheries and satellite facilities. The hatcheries section includes a fish health unit, which identifies and treats fish diseases.

Fisheries Research

Fisheries research develops tools for management and answers to specific biological questions that may be limiting fishery program benefits to anglers. This section includes a genetics laboratory.

Activities by Major Program

Fishing and Boating Access

Fish and Game manages more than 350 fishing and boating access sites statewide. Some are owned by Fish and Game, others are managed under agreements with local agencies or private entities. Funding comes mostly from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Federal Sportfish Restoration Program. Hunting and fishing license revenues provide the needed 25 percent match for federal grants. Set-aside funds from the sale of the salmon-steelhead permits helps

maintain 45 access sites used by anglers for salmon and steelhead fishing.

Fish Health

8 full-time employees

Fish and Game's fish health program diagnoses and prescribes treatments to control or eliminate diseases in the hatchery system. The program also supports field fish managers when investigating fish kills or evaluating transportation of fish by outside entities.

Fish Marking

In fiscal year 2012, the fish marking program handled more than 15 million salmon and steelhead. Marking allows anglers to identify and harvest hatchery raised salmon and steelhead without jeopardizing wild stocks. All marking is done by contract labor.

Monitoring, Evaluation, Special Projects

20 full-time employees

Fish and Game's fisheries research, monitoring and evaluation section tests various methods and ideas to resolve fish management problems or limitations. Researchers develop ways to produce sterile fish to eliminate the risk of cross-breeding with wild fish

populations, or they evaluate various strains of rainbow trout to see which ones are more readily caught by anglers. The anadromous and resident fish mitigation components of the program are federally funded. Resident fish research is funded through the federal Sportfish Restoration programs with statewide hunting and fishing license sales funding the 25 percent match.



Regional Support and Coordination

20 full-time employees

Headquarters staff members provide program planning, coordination, supervision and administrative support for anadromous and resident fish management, program research, monitoring and evaluation, fish hatcheries and fish health, and fisheries administration.

Resident Fish Hatcheries

26 full-time employees

Fish and Game operates 10 resident hatcheries that produce fish for stocking in more than 500 state waters. These fish are stocked in lakes, reservoirs and streams and are intended to be harvested by anglers. Most fish stocking takes place where existing fish habitat won't support fish harvest associated with angling pressure. Funding for resident fish hatcheries is provided mostly through the sale of licenses.

Anadromous Fish Hatcheries

39 full-time employees

Fish and Game manages 14 anadromous fish hatcheries built as mitigation for production and survival lost to the construction and operation of hydropower projects in the Snake River drainage. Salmon and steelhead hatcheries produce, mark and stock about 10 million Chinook salmon, 5 million steelhead and 200,000 sockeye salmon annually.

Anadromous Fishery Management

10 full-time employees

Anadromous fishery staff monitors and evaluates trends in salmon and steelhead abundance, productivity and distribution. Trapping and tagging juvenile fish provide important life-cycle survival measures. Staff also measures hatchery effectiveness and supports harvest management.

Fish Screens and Diversions

6 full-time employees

This program operates and maintains 230 fish screens, 307 pump intake screens, three formal fishways and numerous rock step pool fishways. The program originally was designed to protect anadromous fish within the Salmon and Clearwater basins, but in recent years work has included screening to protect resident fish populations and technical assistance to private landowners and other local agencies.



Photo courtesy Ryan Hardy



Regional Fisheries

Fish management staff members are stationed in each regional office and several satellite offices. Their duties include fish population management, habitat protection and enhancement, angler surveys, recommending fish rules, technical expertise and fabrication of fish screens and public outreach.

Fisheries population management is implemented at the regional level. Coordination occurs through anadromous and resident species management sections at headquarters.

Panhandle Region

4 full-time employees

The Panhandle Region includes:

- Kootenai River.
- Pend Oreille River.
- Priest River.
- Spokane River.
- About 5,414 miles of fishing, numerous high mountain lakes, 52 lowland lakes, reservoirs and ponds and 14 “family fishing waters.”

Clearwater Region

6 full-time employees

The Clearwater Region includes:

- Clearwater River drainage.
- Snake River to Hells Canyon Dam.
- Salmon River and north-side tributaries upstream to the Middle Fork Salmon River.
- More than 7,728 miles of fishing, 18 lowland lakes, reservoirs, ponds, high mountain lakes and eight “family fishing waters.”

Southwest Region (including McCall Subregion)

6 full-time employees

The Southwest Region includes:

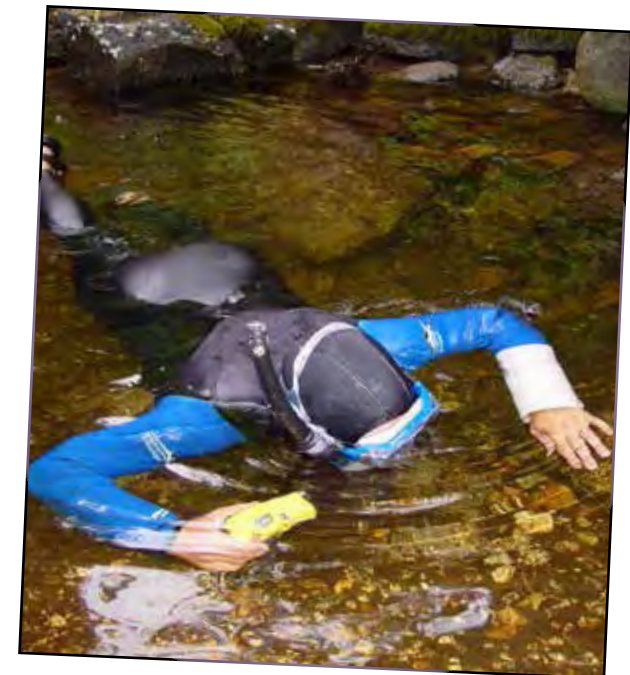
- Portions of the Boise River drainage.
- Weiser and Payette river systems and sections of desert streams.
- Snake River from Hells Canyon Dam to CJ Strike Dam.
- Portions of the Salmon River and its tributaries.
- About 8,352 miles of flowing water, 28 lowland lakes, reservoirs, ponds, many high mountain lakes and 18 urban ponds and “family fishing waters.”

Magic Valley Region

2 full-time employees

The Magic Valley Region includes:

- Snake River from CJ Strike Reservoir to and including Minidoka Reservoir.
- Sections of the Boise, Bruneau and Jarbidge rivers and the Big Wood River.
- Spring-fed systems, include Billingsley Creek and Silver Creek.
- About 3,485 miles of flowing water, about 38 lowland lakes, reservoirs, ponds and 11 “family fishing waters.”



Southeast Region

4 full-time employees

The Southeast Region includes:

- Snake River from Minidoka Reservoir to just downstream of Idaho Falls.
- Bear River.
- Blackfoot River.
- Portneuf River.
- About 2,496 miles of flowing water, about 30 lowland lakes, reservoirs and five “family fishing waters.”

Upper Snake Region

4 full-time employees

The Upper Snake Region includes:

- Henrys Fork Snake River.
- South Fork Snake River.
- Teton River.
- Willow Creek.
- Sinks Drainage – Medicine Lodge Creek, Birch Creek, Lost River, and Camas Creek.
- About 3,287 miles of fishing, 18 lowland lakes, reservoirs, ponds and 10 “family fishing waters.”

Salmon Region

6 full-time employees

The Salmon Region includes:

- Salmon River and tributaries from the mouth of the Middle Fork Salmon River, including Middle Fork and east-side tributaries, to the headwaters in the Stanley Basin.
- About 5,057 miles of flowing water, a number of high mountain lakes, 32 lowland lakes, reservoirs, ponds and 11 “family fishing waters.”

Survey Estimates Economic Impact of Sport Fishing

Fishing in Idaho generated about \$548,351,483 in statewide retail sales in 2011, says an economic report on fishing.

Anglers spent an additional \$14,962,572 for fishing licenses and permits. They fished 3,661,837 days on 2,772,547 trips with an average of 1.3 days per trip and 5 hours per day and \$197.78 per trip.

In 2011, Idaho Fish and Game mailed out 59,200 surveys to Idaho fishing license holders. The report is based on the result of 25,919 surveys completed and returned.

The report shows anglers statewide spent:

- **\$122,320,859** on food and beverages in stores.
- **\$50,786,724** on food and beverages in restaurants.
- **\$61,604,699** on fishing supplies.
- **\$64,964,154** on other equipment and supplies.
- **\$144,707,440** on round-trip transportation.
- **\$43,178,093** on outfitters and/or guides.
- **\$36,305,558** on motels.
- **\$13,524,046** on public and/or private campgrounds.
- **\$10,959,910** on access fees at boat launches, parking, etc.
- **\$14,962,572** on fishing licenses and permits.

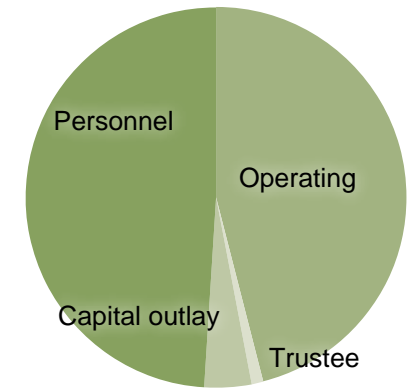
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Managed
70 game species
& 500 more
species for 1.6
million
Idahoans.

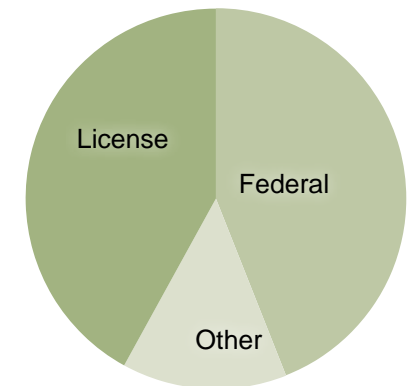
133 full
time
employees

The Bureau of Wildlife responsibilities include developing harvest opportunity of more than 70 wildlife species for more than 250,000 hunters; managing, improving and providing technical assistance for 83,000 square miles of wildlife habitat across the state; monitoring status of 533 animal species and five Endangered Species Act protected plant species; and responding to nuisance and depredate wildlife.

Bureau Chief
Jeff Gould
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WILDLIFE SPENDING		
Personnel		\$10,100,716
Operating		\$9,554,699
Capital outlay		\$885,728
Trustee		\$268,670
Total		\$20,809,813



REVENUE SOURCES		
License		\$8,807,282
Federal		\$9,107,386
Other		\$2,895,145
Total		\$20,809,813

Highlights

- Reinstated hunting and initiated trapping of wolves to address conflicts with livestock and elk. Implemented targeted control of wolves in the Lolo Elk Management Zone to help restore elk populations.
- Mule Deer Initiative staff worked with the Bureau of Land Management, grazing associations, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Pheasants Forever to remove invading junipers from 16,379 acres of sage-grouse and mule deer habitat.
- Completed a wildlife underpass on Highway 21 near Boise, reducing mule deer road-kill mortality in the area.
- Provided hunter and angler access to more than 448,000 acres of private property, and improved access to 475,000 acres of public land through the Access Yes! program.



- Initiated a cooperative project with USDA Wildlife Services to remove nuisance urban deer from Riggins to control spread of an exotic biting louse.

Habitat Management

58 full-time employees

The program is responsible for 32 wildlife management areas, totaling more than 360,000 acres, for use by hunters, anglers and the public. An estimated 700,000 visitor-days were spent on these Fish and Game owned properties. The program also provides technical assistance to private and public land managers, oversees the Access Yes! program on more than 448,000 acres of private land, develops and oversees private land habitat programs and landscape-scale habitat initiatives, and conducts wildlife habitat mitigation and protection actions.

Fish and Game pays a fee-in-lieu of taxes of \$165,178 to counties. The habitat program pays an annual fire protection assessment of \$42,691 to the Idaho Department of Lands.

Game Management

30 full-time employees

Fish and Game managers oversee the biologists who collect, analyze and report on the population status data of 12 big game, 11 upland game, 9 furbearer, 19 migratory bird, and other harvested species, and who trap and transplant wildlife. Managers recommend harvest opportunities, solicit public involvement in wildlife management

and develop species management plans.

In addition, game managers coordinate development of rules brochures, including 325,000 big game, 1,500 Landowner Appreciation Program, 120,000 waterfowl brochures annually, and 400,000 moose, bighorn sheep and mountain goat, and 285,000 upland game brochures biennially.

Headquarters game management program staff is responsible for administering and coordinating harvest estimates from 221,300 big game tag purchasers, 43,600 upland game bird hunters and 22,600 waterfowl hunters. More than 248,000 license purchasers hunted wildlife more than 2.07 million days in Idaho.

Wildlife Diversity

21 full-time employees

The Wildlife Diversity program is responsible for collecting, analyzing, and reporting data on at-risk species, and for providing technical assistance on appropriate management actions to ensure conservation and retention of state-management authority for 229 species of greatest conservation need. A core responsibility of the Diversity Program is therefore to implement those elements of Fish and Game's strategic plan (The Compass) that relate to these species (i.e. rare, public trust "nongame" and unprotected animals and native plants). The Diversity Program is also responsible for monitoring and providing technical assistance on five federally listed threatened plant species and two candidate species.



The Wildlife Diversity Program is funded with federal grants, the nongame trust account composed of wildlife license plate and Idaho income check-off revenues, and private and local sources. No hunter or angler dollars are directed to Wildlife Diversity.

Wildlife Research

7 full-time employees

The wildlife investigations program develops reliable knowledge and tools to help wildlife managers meet population objectives. The program focuses on complex management

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issues, requiring in-depth analysis beyond the capability of routine management activities. A significant portion of the wildlife investigations program is dedicated to capturing and monitoring more than 1,000 individual animals annually.

Wildlife Health

4 full-time employees

The wildlife health program monitors and develops responses to wildlife diseases, performs and coordinates animal health diagnostics. The program also provides training in animal immobilization and restraint, conducts necropsies and provides veterinary support for regional animal handling projects.

The wildlife health program also works with the Idaho State Department of Agriculture on management responses to diseases potentially affecting wildlife and domestic livestock.

Winter Feeding/Depredation Control

7 full-time employees

The winter feeding and depredation program provides technical assistance and materials to reduce or prevent depredation losses. The program responds to 500 to 1,500 nuisance or depredation complaints annually, and administers the emergency winter feeding policy in coordination with regional winter feeding advisory committees. About 30 depredation complaints annually result in request for compensation. Personnel responded to 737 complaints of

wildlife damage. After preventive measures were adopted to stop or mitigate damage, 22 claims were filed at a cost of \$103,700. Program personnel administered winter feeding operations at one site south of Pocatello to aid mule deer during emergency winter conditions on a winter range that had burned. And personnel administered one operation west of Ketchum for 200 elk to prevent property damage.

Administration/Coordination

6 full-time employees

The administration and coordination program supervises all wildlife bureau programs, administers the wildlife bureau budget, coordinates federal aid, provides administrative support, and provides policy support for the Fish and Game director and the Idaho Fish and Game Commission.





Enforcement

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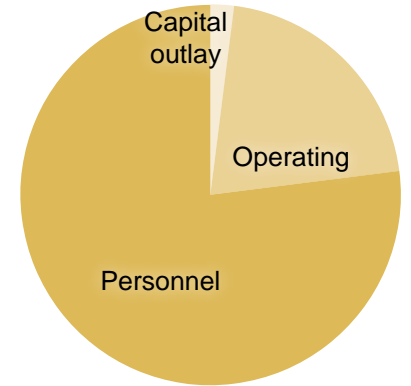
Checked licenses or otherwise interacted with 134,000 people

115 full-time employee

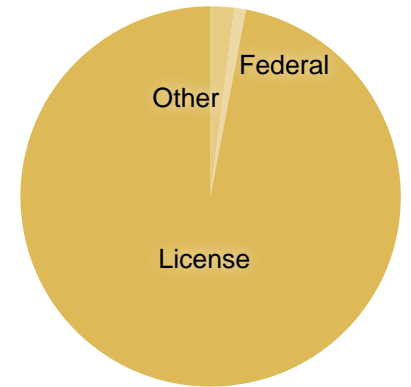
The Bureau of Enforcement provides program direction and support for 112 conservation officers. Officers are responsible for compliance patrols of hunters, anglers and trappers, investigating reports of wildlife crimes in urban, rural and remote backcountry environments.

Officers participate in hunter education programs and youth mentored hunting and fishing. They also provide fish and wildlife educational programs for youth and community organizations. Officers also respond to landowner requests for relief from wildlife damage to crops and removal of nuisance wildlife.

Bureau Chief
Jon Heggen
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ENFORCEMENT SPENDING		
	Personnel	\$7,085,982
	Operating	\$1,980,757
	Capital outlay	\$147,545
Total		\$9,214,284



REVENUE SOURCES		
	License	\$8,974,505
	Federal	\$56,591
	Other	\$183,188
Total		\$9,214,284

Highlights

- Conducted 67,294 compliance checks on licensed hunters, anglers and trappers.
- Contacted and interacted with an additional 66,313 people.
- Contacted 2,103 boats, 2,148 OHV (ATV, UTV, trail bikes) and 269 snowmobiles.
- Issued 2,292 citations, 2,036 written warnings, documented 387 incidents, and investigated more than 3,824 reports of violations.
- The Citizens Against Poaching program received 350 calls reporting fish and game violations, resulting in 109 citations issued and paying out \$13,400 in reward money.
- Conducted 416 youth related events, including hunter safety courses, youth fishing clinics, and mentored youth hunt activities, involving 14,180 youths.
- Responded to 12,242 calls for service from the public relating to nuisance wildlife, reports of violations, general information inquiries.



Headquarters Enforcement Operations

3 full-time employees

- Bureau chief, administrative assistant, office specialist, and one part-time employee, office specialist-data entry.
- Provide program oversight and direction and administration of various court-ordered penalties and dispositions.

Enforcement Special Operations

3 full-time employees

- Assistant chief and two special investigators
- Coordinate statewide special investigation unit detecting and prosecuting habitual wildlife criminals and illegal commercial wildlife violations.
- Coordinate the Citizens Against Poaching (CAP) program.
- Statewide Enforcement Training
- All conservation officers are Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) certified with full peace officer authority. They also meet minimum POST-required law enforcement training every two years. Their focus is compliance with and education in fish and game laws and rules. In addition, many officers obtain training to assist fish and wildlife management, such as animal immobilization, aerial survey and fish surveys.

Assistant Chief-Operations

2 full-time employee

- Coordinates recruitment, hiring and training of new conservation officers.
- Administers the health and wellness program and LE fitness program.
- Supervises the forensic and wildlife health lab manager.

Regional Enforcement

Each region has a regional conservation officer. The regional conservation officer, a regional investigator and two to three district conservation officers – first line supervisors. Each supervisor is assigned four to seven senior conservation officers or conservation officers. The average conservation officer patrol area exceeds 1,000 square miles.

Panhandle Region

- 15 officers: The Panhandle region has two specially funded conservation officers. One is funded through Avista for bull trout enforcement and education; and one is funded through private, federal, state grants for grizzly bear enforcement and education.

Clearwater Region

- 16 officers

Southwest Region

- 23 officers

Magic Valley Region

- 15 officers

Southeast Region

- 13 officers

Upper Snake

- 14 officers

Salmon Region

- 11 officers

Conservation Officer Receives Idaho Medal of Honor



Idaho Fish and Game conservation officer Paul Alexander received the Idaho Medal of Honor on May 18, 2012, for saving the life of a man whose car went into Black Canyon Reservoir.

While on patrol along the reservoir a little after 5 p.m. on April 15, 2011, Alexander, a senior conservation officer, saw a vehicle in the water. When he turned around to investigate, the vehicle was completely submerged and the driver was struggling to swim to shore. After the man had gone under a third time, Alexander dove into the 40-degree water and swam 30 yards to pull him back to the surface and to safety.

Alexander was one of 10 peace officers and two firefighters who received the Idaho Medal of Honor this year for their extraordinary heroism above and beyond the call of duty.

“The Idaho Medal of Honor is the state’s highest honor to recognize the extraordinary bravery of law enforcement officers, firefighters and EMS providers,” said Lawrence Wasden, Idaho attorney general and Medal of Honor Commission chairman. “These 12 professionals have gone above and beyond the call of duty in their commitment to the service of others.”

Additional information about the 2012 recipients and previous recipients is available on the Idaho Medal of Honor Commission website at

www.medalofhonor.idaho.gov.



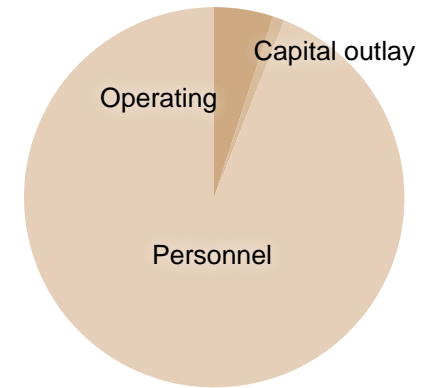
FAST FACTS

Improved boating & fishing access at 20 sites.

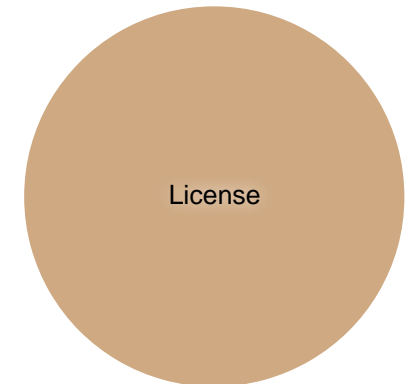
14 full time employees

The Engineering Bureau provides engineering services on infrastructure projects and has six areas of responsibility: engineering management, warehouse operation, Boise mechanical shop, Boise construction, Salmon construction and Salmon mechanical shop.

Bureau Chief
Michael Maffey
208-334-3730



ENGINEERING SPENDING		
Personnel		\$816,839
Operating		\$43,614
Capital outlay		\$6,600
Total		\$867,053



REVENUE SOURCES		
License		\$867,053
Federal		\$0
Other		\$0
Total		\$867,053

Highlights

Provided engineering services for the boating and fishing access program that includes improving facilities at 20 sites.

Panhandle Region: Sportsman's Park Boating Access, Dawson Lake Road and entrance, Jewel Lake.

Clearwater Region:

- Deyo Reservoir
- Lenore Access
- Twin Bridges

Southwest Region:

- Highway 52 Bridge
- Boating Access
- Bernard Landing
- Martin Fishing Access
- Lava Point Access.

Magic Valley Region:

- Billingsley Creek WMA

Southeast Region:

- Treasureton Reservoir
- Edson Fichter Pond

Upper Snake Region:

- Ashton Reservoir
- Fun Farm Bridge
- South Shore Henry's Lake

Salmon Region:

- Deer Gulch
- Carmen Bridge Access Site
- Pahsimeroi Fishing Dock

The Engineering Bureau also provided engineering services on such typical infrastructure projects as:

- Project to construct two rock weirs in the creek and install steel baffles in BMP pipe for fish passage at Brown Creek.
- Construct a new 55-acre family fishing reservoir at Deyo Reservoir.
- Road improvements at Dawson Lake.
- Repair entrance road, parking, restroom and new gangway at Jewel Lake.

- A new shop at Centennial Marsh.
- Demolition of old May House.
- Office improvements and ADA improvements at the Pocatello Regional office.
- Replace water control outlet structures at two ponds at Sand Creek WMA
- Replace a failed a septic system at the house on the Sand Creek WMA.
- Replace pipes, valves, and water control structures at Hayden Ponds Fishing Access.
- Construct a shed for irrigation pipe and other equipment at Pahsimeroi.
- New Residence at Andrus WMA
- New Storage Building at Clearwater





Fish Hatchery

- New Shop at the Southeast Region office complex

Boise Warehouse

1 full-time employee

- Based in the Garden City Warehouse Facility. This employee procures and stores supplies and issues them to Fish and Game employees statewide; also processes and maintains inventory records, provides critical support for the fleet program and assists the Boise Construction Crew.

Construction/Support

9 full-time employees

- Includes a team of seven construction professionals based in Boise who travel the state providing construction services to Fish and Game facilities including in-stream projects. The one-third full-time position consists of four fisheries employees who work on regional projects for one-month each and are based in Salmon.

The bureau employs two mechanics – one in Garden City and one in Salmon to maintain Fish and Game vehicles and heavy equipment.

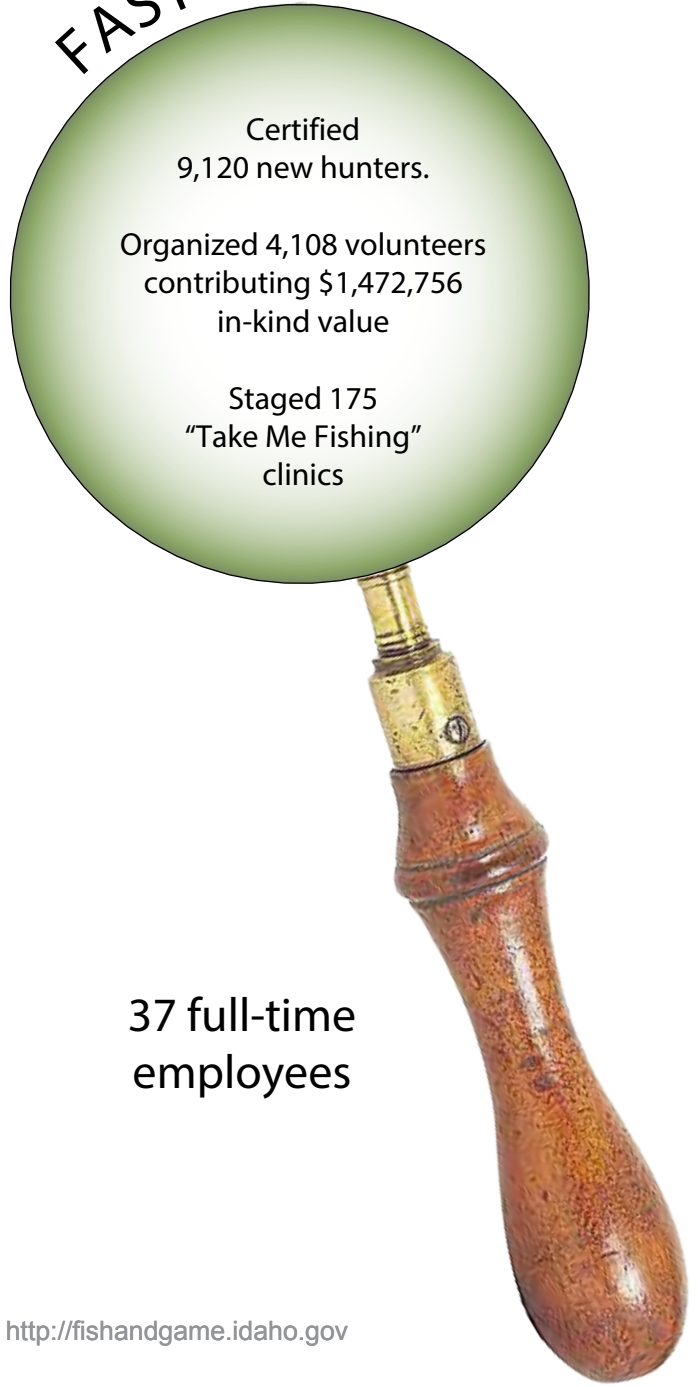
Engineering Management

4 full-time employees

- Three licensed professional engineers and an office administrator provide professional engineering services to Fish and Game, including design, permitting, contracts and project construction management. Projects include administrative buildings, hatcheries, wildlife management areas, residences, fishing and boating access, dams, roads and bridges, habitat work, fish passage and various others. The team prepares projects to be built by the Boise construction crew, while most construction projects are bid through the public works bidding process.



FAST FACTS



Certified
9,120 new hunters.

Organized 4,108 volunteers
contributing \$1,472,756
in-kind value

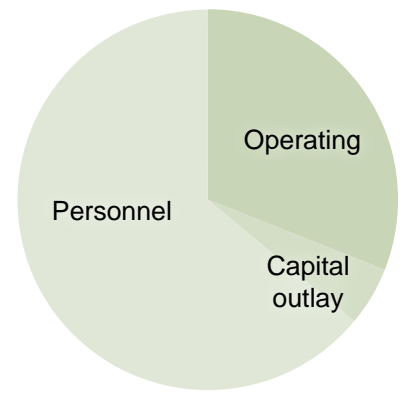
Staged 175
"Take Me Fishing"
clinics

37 full-time
employees

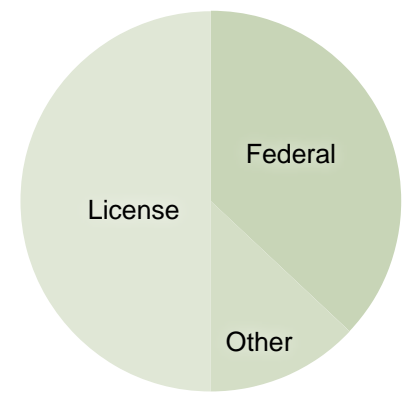
The Bureau of Communications produces a variety of printed, video and education material to inform, educate and involve Idahoans and hunters and anglers in Fish and Game operations and activities. The bureau also provides customer service at Fish and Game headquarters in Boise.

In 2012, communications recruited and coordinated 4,108 volunteers statewide who contributed 64,302 hours worth about \$1.5 million to assist with various habitat and other labor-intensive improvement projects.

Bureau Chief
Michael Keckler
208-334-3746



COMMUNICATION SPENDING		
	Personnel	\$2,274,001
	Operating	\$1,079,494
	Capital outlay	\$169,697
Total		\$3,523,192



REVENUE SOURCES		
	License	\$1,764,060
	Federal	\$1,286,092
	Other	\$473,039
Total		\$3,523,192

Highlights

- Played a major role in organizing and publicizing the 2012 Idaho Wildlife Summit.
- Continued efforts to get children interested in fish and wildlife and hunting and fishing included Take Me Fishing Trailer events around the state, the “Kid’s Bluegill Fishing Clinic” and white-tailed deer hunting academy in the Panhandle Region, and increased conservation officers’ involvement in events for youth.
- Online marketing campaign increased sales of Super Hunt tickets by 20 percent. Proceeds from the Super Hunt drawing benefit Fish and Game’s Access Yes! Program.

Communications Functions and Programs

Customer Service

3 full-time employees

Communications operates the front desk in the Fish and Game headquarters building in Boise, answering customer calls and requests for information from throughout the state, nation and world. The customer service staff also sells licenses, tags and maps.

Graphics Design and Publications

1 full-time employee

Design, produce and coordinate printing of regulations, pamphlets, guidebooks signs, and presentations. Also maintains Fish and Game social media platforms.

Internet Services

2 full-time employees

Design and maintain the Fish and Game Website, averaging nearly 265,000 hits per month. The website received more than 3.1 million visits in FY11.

Conservation Information

4 full-time employees, 1 part time employee
Production and distribution of hunting and fishing rule books, write news releases; develop publications, edit online content. Respond to customer e-mail inquiries. Create videos highlighting programs and opportunities for the Fish and Game website; for public service announcements for television stations statewide; and training for Hunter Education instruction. Other duties include marketing programs, such as Super Hunt, Family Fishing Waters.

Strategic Planning/Human Dimensions

1 full time employee

Monitor hunting and angling demographic, economic and participation trends in order to integrate social sciences with biological sciences into Fish and Game decision making. Develops the annual performance measure report for the legislature, the Directions document for employees,

and leads Fish and Game’s strategic planning efforts.

Conservation Education

9 full-time employees, 3 part-time employees
This program coordinates and presents wildlife-related educational programs to increase public understanding and enjoyment of Idaho’s wildlife. More than 9,100 new hunters were certified through the hunter and bowhunter education programs, which also coordinated the efforts of nearly 1,000 volunteer instructors. The MK Nature Center staff in Boise provides programming to about 10,000 students annually and offers educational opportunities for more than 150,000 visitors each year. Nearly 430 teachers learned how to integrate wildlife into their lesson plans through participation in Project WILD. Project Nose-to-Nose provided 189 programs to 8,586 elementary students and produced Wildlife Express, reaching about 120 classrooms statewide. The aquatic education program encompasses the “Take Me Fishing” trailers as well as “Trout in the Classroom,” which reaches 109 schools across Idaho.



Regional Programs

Regional programs are led by regional conservation educators who manage information and education and supervise volunteer services coordinators, wildlife educators and hunter education volunteer instructors.

Panhandle Region

3 full-time employees

In calendar year 2011, the region's volunteer services coordinator recruited 778 volunteers for habitat improvement projects, contributing \$352,499 in-kind value. In FY12, 1,098 new hunters were certified. The watchable wildlife coordinator conducts programs for about 11,000 area school children annually and manages wildlife education displays at local county fairs. The region also staged 40 "Take Me Fishing" clinics for 2,669 participants during the fiscal year.

Clearwater Region

2 full-time employees

In calendar year 2011, the region's volunteer services coordinator recruited 212 volunteers for habitat improvement projects, contributing \$146,996 in-kind value. The region certified 418 new hunters and staged 28 "Take Me Fishing" clinics for 1,852 participants during the fiscal year.

Southwest Region

5 full-time employees

In calendar year 2011, the region's two volunteer services coordinators recruited 1,592 volunteers for habitat improvement projects, contributing \$590,429 in-kind value. The region certified 4,234 new hunters and also staged 55 "Take Me Fishing" clinics for 2739 participants during the fiscal year.

Magic Valley Region

2 full-time employees

In calendar year 2011 the volunteer services coordinator recruited 1,072 volunteers for habitat improvement projects, contributing \$167,208 in-kind value. The region certified 1,025 new hunters and also staged 28 "Take Me Fishing" clinics for 1,883 participants during the fiscal year.

<http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>



Southeast Region

2 full-time employees

In calendar year 2011, the volunteer services coordinator recruited 116 volunteers for habitat improvement projects, contributing \$26,616 in-kind value. The region certified 914 new hunters and also staged 19 “Take Me Fishing” clinics for 984 participants during the fiscal year.

Upper Snake Region

2 full-time employees

In calendar year 2011, the volunteer services coordinator recruited 295 volunteers for habitat improvement projects, contributing \$162,791 in-kind value. The region also certified 1,345 new hunters and staged four “Take Me Fishing” clinics for 240 participants during the fiscal year.

Salmon Region

none

The region’s part-time communications position was eliminated in FY10 to help meet required personnel cuts. Other bureaus helped recruit 43 volunteers in calendar year 2011 to help with habitat improvement projects worth \$26,217 in-kind value. The region also certified 86 new hunters and staged one “Take Me Fishing” clinic for 55 participants during the fiscal year.



FAST FACTS

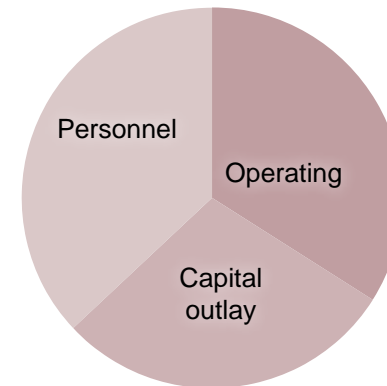
Sold
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58 full-time
employees.

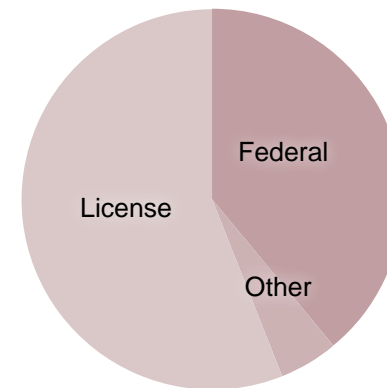
The Administration Bureau manages Fish and Game's day-to-day affairs. The bureau maintains the department's infrastructure of financial controls. It manages the department's licensing operations and is responsible for managing the department's fleet of motorized equipment.

Regional supervisors and front desk support staff at regional offices are included with administrative expenses.

Bureau Chief
Michael Pearson
208-334-3781



ADMINISTRATION SPENDING		
Personnel		\$3,005,374
Operating		\$2,644,084
Capital outlay		\$2,430,004
Total		\$8,079,463



REVENUE SOURCES		
License		\$4,558,254
Federal		\$3,120,080
Other		\$401,128
Total		\$8,079,463

Highlights

- Successfully negotiated a contract to move Fish and Game support bureaus to a new building that has more space and slightly lower cost. The location is still within walking distance of the original Fish and Game headquarters where the operational bureaus are housed.
- Personnel vacancies within Fish and Game remained open for at least six months unless the director granted a waiver.
- Financial position of Fish and Game remains stable today.
- Fish and Game did not use reserve funds during the past fiscal year.
- In FY12, more than 1.4 million transactions were processed through the automated system with our system uptime exceeding 99 percent.

Financial Management & Reporting

20 full-time employees

- Fiscal management includes accounting and budgeting, management and billing of federal and private grants, cash management and accounts payable.
- The budget includes cost of the headquarters facility, mailroom and interior and exterior maintenance.
- Reporting includes financial statements, submitted to the State Controller's Office, which are included with the statewide financial report.

Purchasing

5 full-time employees

- Oversees purchasing contracts.
- Operates mailroom.
- Building and grounds maintenance.
- Conduct auctions for used equipment.

License Operations

5 full-time employees

- Licensing system is provided by a contractor at \$2 million annually, which includes all hardware, software and supplies.
- License staff operates 10 hours a day during the week and half a day on Saturday to support vendors who sell licenses to and answers questions from the general public.

Fleet Management

1 full-time employee

- The fleet management program:
- Centralizes all costs and purchases at headquarters.
- Charges internal rent to every user of motorized equipment.
- Minimizes the life-cycle cost of vehicles by ensuring they are well maintained and replaced regularly to maximize proceeds from the sale of used vehicles.
- History and cost is available in a separate report.

Regional Operations

27 full-time employees

- Regional supervisors and front desk staff at each regional office are included in the administrative cost of regional operations.
- Largest expenditure is the rent and utilities costs of facilities around the state.

Regional Supervisors:

Chip Corsi

Panhandle Region

Dave Cadwallader

Clearwater Region

Scott Reinecker

Southwest Region
& McCall Subregion

Jerome Hansen

Magic Valley Region

Mark Gamblin

Southeast Region

Steve Schmidt

Upper Snake Region
& Salmon Region

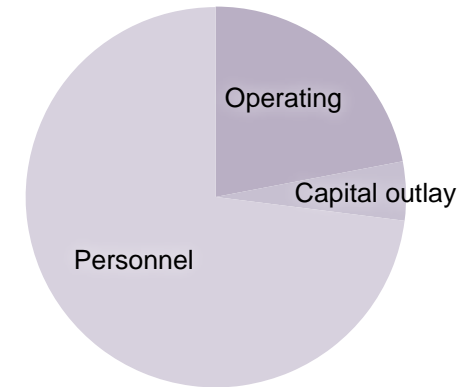
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Enhanced
Hunter
Education system
to let customers
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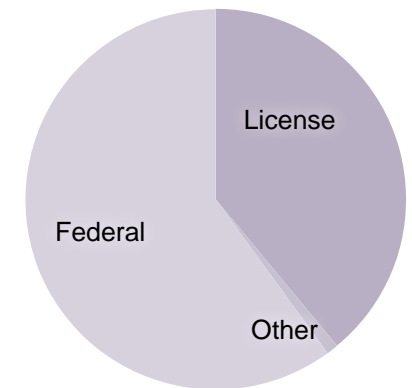
38 full-time
employees

Information Systems manages, develops and maintains all department hardware requirements, and software and GIS applications statewide. Operates and maintains agency networks and website.

Bureau Chief
Craig Potcher
208-287-2851



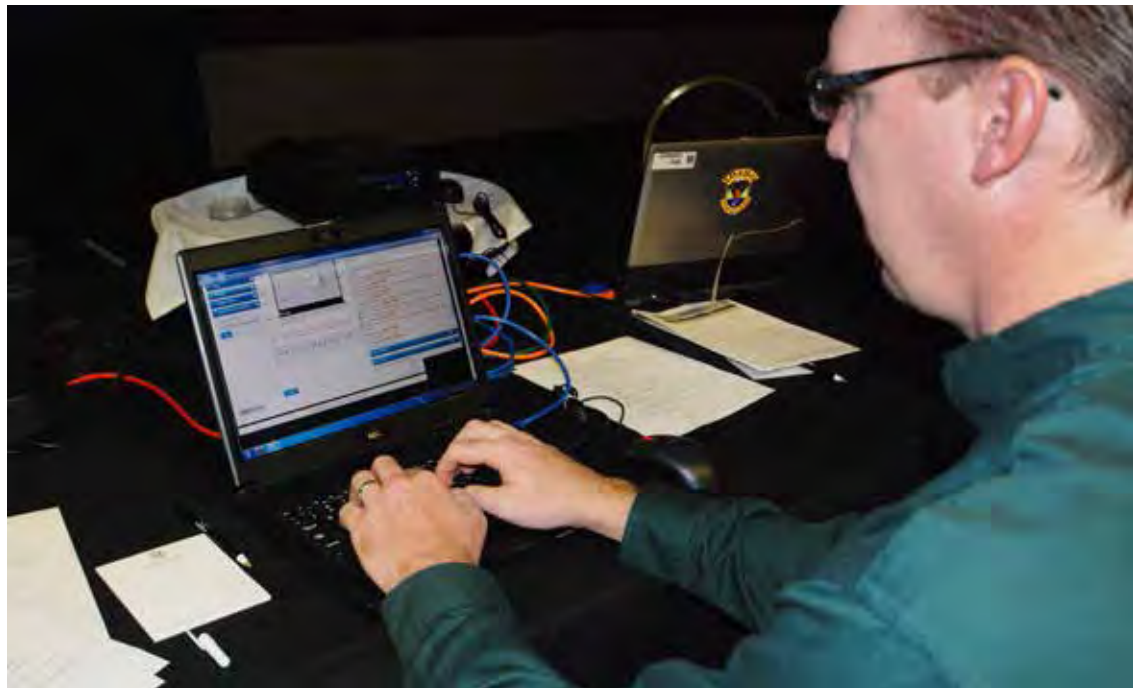
INFORMATION SYSTEMS SPENDING		
	Personnel	\$2,043,077
	Operating	\$674,622
	Capital outlay	\$19,483
Total		\$2,737,182



REVENUE SOURCES		
	License	\$1,019,638
	Federal	\$1,678,307
	Other	\$39,237
Total		\$2,737,182

Highlights

- Introduced video conferencing and has all regions linked for video conferencing capability, significantly reducing in-state travel time and cost. The video conferencing capability has also been shared with other state agencies.
- Installed an Internet based phone system that will result in significant future savings in communications expense.
- Converted the Fish and Game website to a database driven archive, making the system faster and easier for outside users.
- The Hunt Planner had 348,000 visits, and the Fishing Planner had 43,896 site visits.



IS Operations

38 full-time employees

- Develops and maintains all department hardware requirements and software applications statewide.
- Manages the growing database of all fish and wildlife information gathered by the department. It is federally funded and may be shared with third parties.



IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
 FY 2012 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES REPORT (Includes Encumbrances)

ADMINISTRATION FUNCTIONS									
BUREAU / SECTION / PROGRAM	LICENSE FUND	LICENSE SET-ASIDE	FEDERAL PR/DJ	FEDERAL GRANTS	PRIVATE & LOCAL	NON-LICENSE SET-ASIDE	DEPREDEATION FUND	TRUST FUNDS	TOTAL
DIRECTOR'S OFFICE	1,283,439	-	571,334	453,390	12,398	-	-	-	2,320,561
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	939,493	3,238	140,941	902,131	400,613	2,403	180	1,638	2,390,637
FLEET MANAGEMENT	500,011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	500,011
INFORMATION SYSTEMS	1,019,638	-	338,576	1,339,732	39,237	-	-	-	2,737,182
REGION OFFICE OPERATIONS	1,674,196	-	368,323	747,808	(3,739)	-	-	33	2,786,622
SPORTSMAN'S DATABASE, LICENSING, CONTROLLED HUNTS	1,441,316	-	317,090	643,788	-	-	-	-	2,402,193
Total	6,858,093	3,238	1,736,263	4,086,849	448,510	2,403	180	1,671	13,137,206

COMMUNICATIONS									
BUREAU / SECTION / PROGRAM	LICENSE FUND	LICENSE SET-ASIDE	FEDERAL PR/DJ	FEDERAL GRANTS	PRIVATE & LOCAL	NON-LICENSE SET-ASIDE	DEPREDEATION FUND	TRUST FUNDS	TOTAL
AQUATIC EDUCATION	17,846	-	488,232	6,125	-	54,974	-	41,204	608,380
HEADQUARTERS INFORMATION & EDUCATION	1,003,774	-	-	-	10,721	-	-	4,134	1,018,628
HUNTER EDUCATION	-	-	682,019	-	81,902	-	-	76	763,997
OTHER EDUCATION	1,830	-	-	(10)	164,585	62,528	-	33,526	262,459
REGIONAL PROGRAMS	740,610	-	22,102	87,625	-	-	-	19,390	869,727
Total	1,764,060	-	1,192,353	93,740	257,208	117,502	-	98,329	3,523,192

ENFORCEMENT

BUREAU / SECTION / PROGRAM	LICENSE FUND	LICENSE SET-ASIDE	FEDERAL PR/DJ	FEDERAL GRANTS	PRIVATE & LOCAL	NON-LICENSE SET-ASIDE	DEPREDAATION FUND	TRUST FUNDS	TOTAL
ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS	283,839	-	-	8,926	23,919	7,860	-	25,314	349,858
ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL OPERATIONS	296,880	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	296,913
REGIONAL ENFORCEMENT	8,317,248	-	-	47,666	30,441	-	-	3	8,395,358
STATEWIDE ENFORCEMENT TRAINING	76,538	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	76,538
T & E ENFORCEMENT AND EDUCATION	-	-	-	-	95,617	-	-	-	95,617
Total	8,974,505	-	-	56,591	149,977	7,860	-	25,351	9,214,283

FISHERIES

BUREAU / SECTION / PROGRAM	LICENSE FUND	LICENSE SET-ASIDE	FEDERAL PR/DJ	FEDERAL GRANTS	PRIVATE & LOCAL	NON-LICENSE SET-ASIDE	DEPREDAATION FUND	TRUST FUNDS	TOTAL
ACCESS	408,852	-	1,239,822	-	243,580	-	-	-	1,892,254
ANADROMOUS FISH HATCHERIES	-	-	-	3,038,288	1,259,096	-	-	-	4,297,384
FISH HEALTH	90,297	-	34,770	439,495	146,903	-	-	-	711,464
FISH MARKING	-	-	-	1,046,494	836,537	-	-	-	1,883,031
FISH POPULATION MANAGEMENT	1,268,655	-	2,479,138	648,299	1,562,731	-	-	5,748	5,964,569
FISH SCREENS AND DIVERSION	-	-	-	2,359,817	55	-	-	-	2,359,872
MONITORING, EVALUATION, SPECIAL PROJECTS	400,869	-	805,046	8,184,248	141,546	17,949	-	60,425	9,610,084
REGIONAL SUPPORT & COORDINATION	636,714	475,993	254,898	1,675,740	360,969	856	-	15	3,405,187
RESIDENT FISH HATCHERIES	2,496,800	-	469,686	75,420	22,329	-	-	-	3,064,236
Total	5,302,188	475,993	5,283,360	17,467,801	4,573,746	18,805	-	66,188	33,188,081

WILDLIFE									
BUREAU / SECTION / PROGRAM	LICENSE FUND	LICENSE SET-ASIDE	FEDERAL PR/DJ	FEDERAL GRANTS	PRIVATE & LOCAL	NON-LICENSE SET-ASIDE	DEPREDAATION FUND	TRUST FUNDS	TOTAL
ADMINISTRATION / COORDINATION	410,983	-	79,596	-	-	-	-	-	490,579
WILDLIFE DIVERSITY	-	-	-	1,774,448	33,147	686,822	-	3,073	2,497,491
MANAGING WILDLIFE HABITAT	4,026,279	228,969	1,892,707	2,260,447	521,784	-	-	359,708	9,289,894
MANAGING WILDLIFE POPULATIONS	2,542,635	-	1,839,152	157,274	762,940	9,558	-	65,224	5,376,782
WILDLIFE HEALTH	133,615	-	209,526	78,939	23,134	5,543	-	56,072	506,829
WILDLIFE RESEARCH	676,783	-	801,366	13,932	137,336	-	-	122,347	1,751,764
WINTER FEEDING / DEPREDAATION CONTROL	495,878	292,141	-	-	-	-	108,456	-	896,475
Total	8,286,173	521,109	4,822,346	4,285,040	1,478,341	701,924	108,456	606,424	20,809,813

ENGINEERING									
BUREAU / SECTION / PROGRAM	LICENSE FUND	LICENSE SET-ASIDE	FEDERAL PR/DJ	FEDERAL GRANTS	PRIVATE & LOCAL	NON-LICENSE SET-ASIDE	DEPREDAATION FUND	TRUST FUNDS	TOTAL
ENGINEERING									
BOISE WAREHOUSE	66,021	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,021
CONSTRUCTION/ SUPPORT	459,212	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	459,212
ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT	341,820	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	341,820
Total	867,053	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	867,053

Grand Total	32,052,071	1,000,341	13,034,32	25,990,020	6,907,781	848,494	108,636	797,964	80,739,629
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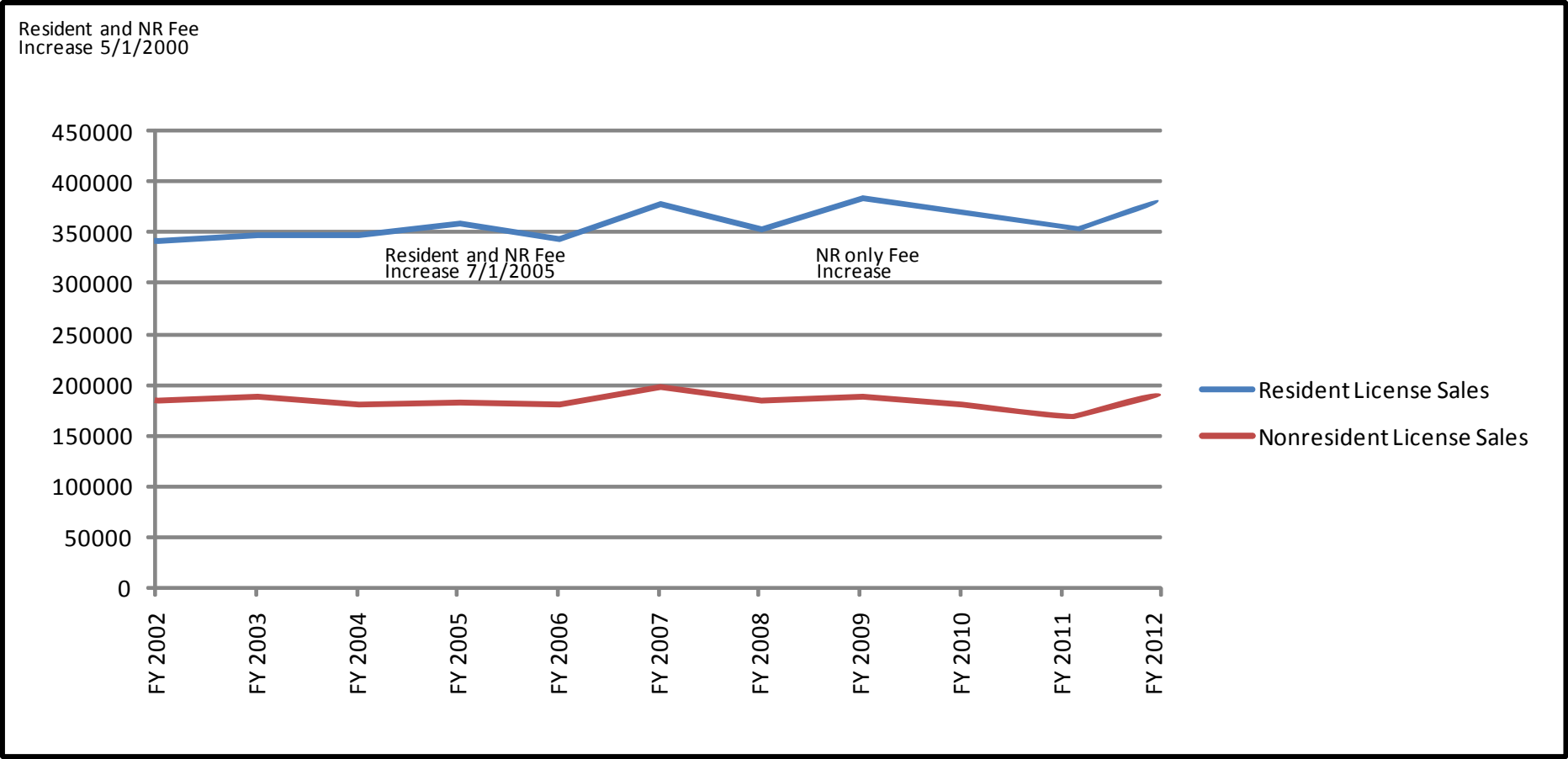
License Sales

Description	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	Change	Percent
												02 to 12	Change
Resident Combination	133,816	131,072	129,426	136,769	126,958	137,481	130,552	141,786	139,825	139,716	156,212	22,396	16.7%
Res. Sportsman's Package	17,389	17,464	18,502	19,419	19,923	20,338	19,936	19,412	19,093	18,783	19,072	1,683	9.7%
Resident Season Fishing	121,875	125,416	123,221	128,400	124,135	146,119	132,332	151,320	143,966	130,185	148,971	27,096	22.2%
Resident Short Term Fishing	7,408	7,709	7,692	7,853	8,024	8,582	8,220	7,545	6,913	6,934	7,331	(77)	(1.0%)
Resident Hunting	61,621	65,455	68,386	66,819	63,936	64,242	62,573	62,648	58,873	56,892	57,086	(4,535)	(7.4%)
Total Resident Licenses	342,109	347,116	347,227	359,260	342,976	376,762	353,613	382,711	368,670	352,510	388,672	46,563	13.6%
Nonresident Combination	1,635	1,744	1,936	2,200	2,472	2,806	2,879	2,633	1,928	1,764	1,875	240	14.7%
Nonresident Season Fishing	17,399	18,375	19,569	21,161	21,715	23,975	22,290	23,259	20,759	19,215	22,126	4,727	27.2%
Nonresident Short Term Fishing	132,346	134,036	123,435	120,452	117,633	131,488	119,857	128,607	127,816	121,218	130,164	(2,182)	(1.6%)
Nonresident Hunting *	32,464	33,549	34,878	37,588	37,972	38,864	38,053	33,977	30,022	28,991	30,877	(1,587)	(4.9%)
Total Nonresident Licenses	183,844	187,704	179,818	181,401	179,792	197,133	183,079	188,476	180,525	171,188	185,042	1,198	0.7%
Resident Tags	206,185	202,273	196,862	192,364	193,840	195,490	202,452	197,191	225,795	197,322	223,412	17,227	8.4%
Resident Tags in Sportsman's Pak**	76,329	79,071	82,198	93,552	96,025	97,529	96,895	94,904	92,268	91,460	90,142	13,813	18.1%
Nonresident Tags	31,480	32,563	34,446	37,509	37,587	39,638	39,223	35,385	28,637	25,024	29,750	(1,730)	(5.5%)
Miscellaneous Permits	150,479	149,643	157,836	139,015	139,180	143,023	150,339	177,408	180,937	170,830	179,507	29,028	19.3%
Miscellaneous Permits in Sportsman's Pak**	66,794	67,111	70,665	73,874	75,441	76,807	75,402	73,711	72,266	71,110	72,125	5,331	8.0%
Miscellaneous Permits issued at \$0	61,915	70,969	70,678	67,378	68,057	68,894	64,282	61,725	81,747	82,969	74,165	12,250	19.8%
Controlled Hunt Applications	111,852	109,834	117,402	128,899	134,184	133,224	139,577	142,001	149,519	154,581	166,204	54,352	48.6%
Total	1,230,987	1,246,284	1,257,132	1,273,252	1,267,082	1,328,500	1,304,862	1,353,512	1,380,364	1,316,994	1,409,019	178,032	14.5%

* Includes all hunting licenses (Big Game, Small Game, Nongame, and Shooting Preserve)

** Fees were collected in the sale of the sportsman package license sale, tags and permits included in the package were issued at \$0.00

License Sales



Fish and Game Receipts (\$ in Millions)

Description	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	Change 02 to 12	Percent Change
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual		
Fish and Game Fund													
Licenses & Permits	\$28.576	\$28.860	\$28.350	\$29.551	\$33.421	\$32.777	\$35.309	\$34.143	\$32.814	\$30.029	\$32.457	\$3.881	13.6%
Federal Reimburs.	22.841	25.765	28.716	27.043	25.389	27.035	30.709	32.869	33.799	35.555	37.812	\$14.970	65.5%
Priv. & Loc. Reimburs.	2.154	2.317	2.731	3.146	5.030	4.380	4.516	5.514	6.075	6.023	6.312	\$4.158	193.0%
Priv. & Loc. Trusts	.923	.644	.487	.739	.759	.840	.728	1.091	.642	3.589	.923	(\$.000)	(0.0%)
Primary/Sec. Depred.	.195	.158	.151	.136	.150	.156	.168	.122	.098	.088	.077	(\$.119)	(60.7%)
Miscellaneous Income	1.514	1.364	1.295	1.351	1.967	1.569	2.054	1.137	1.029	1.383	1.368	(\$.145)	(9.6%)
Total Fish & Game:	\$56.203	\$59.107	\$61.730	\$61.966	\$66.715	\$66.757	\$73.484	\$74.876	\$74.458	\$76.667	\$78.948	\$22.746	40.5%
Set-Aside Funds:													
Habitat Acq. and Devel.	.419	.541	.365	.419	.476	.473	.484	.830	.460	.408	.425	.006	1.6%
Salmon & Steelhead Tag	.203	.412	.316	.271	.294	.282	.308	.311	.373	.300	.314	.111	54.8%
Winter Feed/Hab. Impr.	.427	.401	.463	.414	.485	.409	.410	.360	.337	.322	.314	(.112)	(26.3%)
Nongame Programs	.071	.049	.052	.056	.058	.042	.017	.009	.020	.028	.015	(.056)	(78.8%)
Meat Proc. Charges	.012	.008	.011	.012	.013	.013	.012	.010	.011	.011	.011	(.001)	(9.5%)
Adjustments	(.014)	(.007)	(.006)	(.004)	.002	.002	.003	.002	(.000)	.001	.002	.016	(114.7%)
Total Set-Aside:	\$1.118	\$1.404	\$1.201	\$1.168	\$1.327	\$1.222	\$1.233	\$1.521	\$1.201	\$1.071	\$1.081	(\$.051)	(4.5%)
Grand Total	\$57.320	\$60.511	\$62.931	\$63.134	\$68.042	\$67.979	\$74.717	\$76.397	\$75.659	\$77.738	\$80.030	\$22.695	39.6%



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Cost to Hunt for a Resident 2012
(Includes licenses, tags & vendor fees)

Rank	Deer		Elk		Sheep		Pronghorn	
1	\$31.00	MT	\$39.00	MT	\$134.50	WY	\$29.00	MT
2	\$32.50	ID	\$43.50	ID	\$140.00	MT	\$44.00	ID
3	\$44.00	CO	\$50.40	WA	\$160.00	OR	\$44.00	CO
4	\$44.90	WA	\$59.00	CO	\$166.00	NV	\$50.50	WY
5	\$54.00	OR	\$69.50	WY	\$180.00	NM	\$80.00	NM
6	\$55.50	WY	\$72.00	OR	\$185.75	ID	\$82.00	OR
7	\$61.00	NM	\$81.00	UT	\$264.00	CO	\$86.00	UT
8	\$71.00	UT	\$110.00	NM	\$304.75	AZ	\$106.00	NV
9	\$74.83	CA	\$153.75	AZ	\$332.00	WA	\$117.25	AZ
10	\$74.50	AZ	\$171.00	NV	\$434.23	CA	\$188.68	CA
11	\$76.00	NV	\$456.98	CA	\$544.00	UT	NA	WA
Average	\$56.29		\$118.74		\$258.66		\$82.74	

Cost to Hunt for a Nonresident 2012
(Includes licenses, tags & vendor fees)

Rank	Deer		Elk		Sheep		Pronghorn	
1	\$338.00	UT	\$463.00	UT	\$671.15	CA	\$225.00	MT
2	\$338.50	WY	\$497.00	WA	\$775.00	MT	\$298.50	WY
3	\$359.00	NM	\$571.50	ID	\$1,355.00	NV	\$359.00	NM
4	\$359.00	CO	\$589.00	CO	\$1,449.00	OR	\$359.00	CO
5	\$384.00	AZ	\$603.50	WY	\$1,558.75	AZ	\$363.00	UT
6	\$395.00	NV	\$624.00	NM	\$1,588.00	UT	\$455.00	NV
7	\$418.53	CA	\$641.00	OR	\$1,652.00	WA	\$466.50	ID
8	\$434.30	WA	\$746.25	AZ	\$1,929.00	CO	\$482.00	OR
9	\$456.50	ID	\$813.00	MT	\$2,271.25	ID	\$579.65	CA
10	\$516.00	OR	\$1,360.00	NV	\$2,278.50	WY	\$636.25	AZ
11	\$576.00	MT	\$1,397.15	CA	\$3,249.00	NM	NA	WA
Average	\$415.89		\$755.04		\$1,706.97		\$422.39	

Cost to Fish for an Idaho Resident 2012

Rank	State	License	1 Day	2 Day	3 Day
1	Idaho	\$25.75	\$11.50	\$16.50	\$21.50
2	Montana	\$26.00		\$13.00	
3	Utah	\$26.00	\$8.00		
3	New Mexico	\$29.00	\$16.00		
5	Washington	\$29.50	\$11.35	\$15.75	\$19.05
6	Oregon	\$33.00	\$16.75	\$31.50	
7	Colorado	\$36.00	\$19.00		
8	Wyoming	\$36.50	\$6.00		
9	Nevada	\$39.00	\$9.00	\$12.00	\$15.00
10	Arizona	\$39.25	\$16.25	\$24.25	\$32.25
11	California	\$44.85	\$14.30	\$22.42	
Average		\$26.69	\$11.83	\$14.75	\$21.50

Cost to Fish for a Nonresident 2012

Rank	State	License	1 Day	2 Day	3 Day
1	New Mexico	\$60.00	\$16.00		
2	Colorado	\$66.00	\$19.00		
3	Montana	\$70.00		\$25.00	
4	Utah	\$70.00	\$12.00		
5	Nevada	\$79.00	\$18.00	\$25.00	\$32.00
6	Washington	\$84.50	\$20.15	\$28.95	\$35.55
7	Idaho	\$98.25	\$12.75	\$18.75	\$24.75
8	Wyoming	\$104.50	\$14.00		
9	Oregon	\$106.25	\$16.75	\$31.50	\$46.25
10	California	\$120.14	\$14.30	\$22.42	
11	Arizona	\$128.00	\$17.25	\$26.25	\$35.25
Average		\$92.66	\$16.02	\$25.41	\$34.76

IDAHO BIG GAME HARVEST HISTORY: 1935-PRESENT

Year	Deer	Elk	Pronghorn	Moose	Black bear	Bighorn sheep	Mtn. goat	Mtn. lion
1935	7,659	1,821	144		8	1	24	
1936	7,800	1,917	124		79	4	81	
1937	8,795	2,133			133	6	62	
1938	11,597	2,298			49	12	61	
1939								
1940			400					
1941								
1942	4,952		700					
1943	11,095	2,398			61		23	
1944	13,982	2,874	1,470		118		33	
1945	21,263	4,392	650		150		59	
1946	26,936	5,435	0	26	233	13	125	
1947	18,895	6,549	461	24	406	15	67	
1948	21,924	5,944	419	27				
1949	22,285	5,395	383	27				
1950	22,578	7,165	539	50			8	
1951	33,250	7,492	1,349	28			21	
1952	30,454	8,792	1,520	71	500	13	14	
1953	47,200	12,600	1,254	91	500	18	21	
1954	51,400	12,451	970	105	2,600	13	27	
1955	64,074	15,799	822	108	2,450	22	51	
1956	71,862	15,910	919	134	3,124	20	61	
1957	62,154	13,568	1,001	91	3,045	29	78	
1958	71,013	16,450	821	77	3,709	37	59	
1959	70,237	13,865	679	59	2,367	59	59	119
1960	75,213	16,545	701	40	3,373	62	114	83
1961	76,001	16,572	579	46	2,218		140	164
1962	66,645	13,653	549	45	3,951		144	98
1963	63,546	14,542	774	52	2,444	49	171	162
1964	67,379	13,835	839	59	3,419	35	161	127
1965	56,438	14,064	977	51	2,861	53	214	108
1966	64,629	14,631	1,219	55	3,386	14	161	156
1967	66,350	13,397	1,286	50	2,700	32	127	109
1968	78,441	17,064	1,294	53	2,597	47	161	164

Year	Deer	Elk	Pronghorn	Moose	Black bear	Bighorn sheep	Mtn. goat	Mtn. lion
1969	67,176	12,415	1,472	74	3,085	46	168	143
1970	77,087	14,146	1,551	81	3,404	64	151	114
1971	54,927	11,009	1,465	86	3,786	13	137	303
1972	47,599	9,324	1,486	88	3,783	21	152	70
1973	54,014	12,374	1,237	96	1,430	15	128	87
1974	42,026	8,712	1,301	112	1,747	16	121	112
1975	40,102	8,981	1,314	93	2,285	32	102	142
1976	25,427	4,135	1,380	94	2,516	38	103	123
1977	39,834	6,353	1,250	95	2,173	27	117	160
1978	39,879	7,662	1,345	99	2,300	38	106	167
1979	42,549	6,344	1,430	104	1,718	42	79	31
1980	45,988	8,303	1,498	118	1,619	32	47	97
1981	50,580	9,903	1,837	114	1,918	46	65	198
1982	48,670	12,485	2,112	147	1,584	64	32	189
1983	50,600	12,700	2,400	229	2,100	60	41	167
1984	42,600	15,600	2,070	268	2,100	70	52	400
1985	48,950	15,550	2,190	297	1,700	79	38	170
1986	59,800	15,500	2,540	355	2,150	79	56	250
1987	66,400	16,100	2,600	363	1,950	77	70	300
1988	82,200	20,400	2,800	399	1,900	76	62	550



Year	Deer	Elk	Pronghorn	Moose	Black bear	Bighorn sheep	Mtn. goat	Mtn. lion	Gray Wolf
1989	95,200	22,600	3,500	400	2,100	98	79	340	
1990	72,100	21,500	3,180	422	2,300	92	76	350	
1991	69,100	24,100	2,950	428	2,100	97	85	171	
1992	61,200	26,600	3,150	420	2,800	106	67	330	
1993	45,600	20,800	2,470	579	1,260	80	66	450	
1994	56,900	28,000	1,835	558	2,250	78	69	450	
1995	48,400	22,400	1,540	637	2,040	57	44	700	
1996	50,800	25,600	1,460	583	1,740	48	48	635	
1997	38,600	18,500	1,300	638	1,538	61	61	834	
1998	39,000	18,750	1,150	612	1,973	63	57	804	
1999	43,300	17,500	1,150	775	1,819	50	48	652	
2000	45,200	20,200	1,325	774	1,855	50	48	728	
2001	53,000	19,500	1,350	918	1,887	48	48	628	
2002	44,650	18,400	1,350	870	2,390	34	41	514	
2003	43,500	18,400	1,300	933	2,415	36	33	569	
2004	46,160	20,800	1,340	928	2,443	46	32	459	
2005	54,050	21,470	1,410	835	2,425	42	48	466	
2006	51,700	20,040	1,480	811	2,231	48	46	480	
2007	54,200	19,100	1,460	847	2,660	57	36	440	
2008	43,605	16,017	1,427	794	2,169	48	39	416	
2009	42,189	15,813	1,335	781	2,091	53	42	432	
2010	44,360	17,470	1,453	767	2,508	49	39	469	181
2011	41,805	15,155	1,329	701	2,249	53	45	449	376



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