

# Wyoming Game and Fish Commission Revenue

The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission's (Commission) revenue is generated from fish and wildlife constituents, associated federal funding sources, grants, donations, and from Commission owned property. The Commission receives no State General Funds. Revenue can be broken into five main categories and is reflective only of revenue that can be expended.

<b>License Revenue</b> This includes hunting and fishing licenses sales, conservation stamps and fees, preference point sales, boat registration fees and the <a href="#">Super Tag program</a> .	\$56,363,841
<b>Federal Aid (PR/DJ)</b> Federal aid includes Pittman-Robertson (PR) and Dingell Johnson (DJ) funds from federal excise tax on sporting arms, ammunition and fishing and boating equipment. Funds are apportioned to state wildlife agencies for conservation work, hunter education programs, operation of archery and shooting ranges, and sport fisheries work. The Commission must match funds derived from PR/DJ at a rate of 25% state and 75% federal.	\$19,400,000
<b>Grants</b> Grant funds awarded to the Department from conservation and other partners to achieve specific outcomes that benefit the Department's mission.	\$6,400,000
<b>Interest</b> Interest generated from Commission accounts.	\$2,700,000
<b>Other</b> Revenue generated from Commission owned property, magazine publication sales, Access Yes donations and other miscellaneous items.	\$3,700,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$88,563,841</b>

The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission's yearly revenue is approximately \$88.5 million. This includes hunting and fishing licenses, conservation stamps and fees, preference points, boat registration, Super Tag and Federal Aid. The majority of the revenue, \$75.7 million or 85%, comes from hunters, anglers, recreational shooters, and boaters.

Of the \$56.3 million that comes from license revenue, approximately 77% comes from nonresidents.

Prior to the current fiscal year, the Commission received approximately \$800,000 annually from the State General Fund for license recoupment to offset the revenue lost from free and reduced price licenses. This year General Fund support was eliminated to aid in the State's current financial crisis.

The Commission's budget is based on needs and identified priorities. When revenue exceeds the budget, the Commission places those funds in a reserve similar to a personal savings account. This reserve is for emergencies and allocating funding to significant projects, including capitol construction, wildlife crossings and wildlife research.

All funds tied to license revenue must be controlled by the Commission and spent on approved wildlife related activities to meet the requirements of Federal Aid.



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## Current License Revenue

Product Type	Nonresident Sales	Resident Sales	Total	% of Revenue from Nonresidents
Antelope	\$ 6,658,986	\$ 916,345	\$ 7,575,331	88%
Archery	\$ 377,700	\$ 232,868	\$ 610,568	62%
Bighorn Sheep	\$ 99,760	\$ 19,608	\$ 119,368	84%
Black Bear	\$ 176,429	\$ 191,102	\$ 367,531	48%
Deer	\$ 8,062,641	\$ 1,949,569	\$ 10,012,210	81%
Elk	\$ 8,295,614	\$ 2,818,404	\$ 11,114,018	75%
Fishing	\$ 5,317,794	\$ 2,181,663	\$ 7,499,457	71%
Furbearing/Trapping	\$ 11,703	\$ 105,600	\$ 117,303	10%
Game Bird/Small Game	\$ 342,314	\$ 362,298	\$ 704,612	49%
Gray Wolf	\$ 28,798	\$ 36,372	\$ 65,170	44%
Moose	\$ 126,848	\$ 37,392	\$ 164,240	77%
Mountain Goat	\$ 47,564	\$ 12,312	\$ 59,876	79%
Mountain Lion	\$ 105,835	\$ 78,744	\$ 184,579	57%
Wild Bison	\$ 134,818	\$ 49,884	\$ 184,702	73%
Wild Turkey	\$ 138,084	\$ 93,566	\$ 231,650	60%
License to Capture Falcon	\$ 2,241	\$ 1,209	\$ 3,450	65%
Fur Dealer	\$ 3,705	\$ 864	\$ 4,569	81%
Taxidermist	\$ 1,446	\$ 14,904	\$ 16,350	9%
Applications	\$ 1,888,125	\$ 778,915	\$ 2,667,040	71%
Conservation Stamps			\$ 899,156	NA
Preference Points	\$ 12,091,618	\$ 101,983	\$ 12,193,601	99%
Watercraft Registration			\$ 655,340	0%
Super Tag			\$ 1,141,900	NA
Tags and Permits			\$ 466,980	NA
Other Licenses			\$ 90,062	NA
License Agent Commissions	- \$318,938	- \$384,144	- \$703,082	45%
License Agent Commissions not resident specific			- \$82,140	NA
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 43,593,085</b>	<b>\$ 9,599,458</b>	<b>\$ 56,363,841</b>	<b>77%</b>

