

NONRESIDENT FISHING LICENSE FEES 2018-2022

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QUESTION:

How many nonresident daily fishing licenses and nonresident annual fishing licenses were purchased from the Wyoming Game and Fish in the past 5 years, and how much revenue did the sales generate?

ANSWER:

Two tables below display the five categories of nonresident fishing licenses administered by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, how many licenses were sold each year, and the revenue generated from the sales. Note that the fee for a nonresident adult annual fishing license increased from \$92.00 to \$102.00, and the fee for a nonresident youth annual fishing license increased from \$14.00 to \$15.00 in 2018.

Table 1: Nonresident Fishing Licenses Sold Each Year

Nonresident Fishing License Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Daily Fishing (\$14.00)	166,456	161,051	167,524	169,656	151,396
Five (5) Day Fishing (\$56.00)	17,513	18,409	25,014	26,745	23,902
Fishing Annual (\$92.00)	320				
Fishing Annual (\$102.00)	16,390	19,363	23,744	24,345	22,334
Youth Fish Annual (\$14.00)	1				
Youth Fish Annual (\$15.00)	4,127	3,810	4,128	3,907	3,361
Total	204,807	202,633	220,410	224,653	200,993

Source: Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

Table 2: Revenue of Nonresident Licenses Sold Each Year

Nonresident Fishing License Type	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Daily Fishing (\$14.00)	\$2,330,384.00	\$2,254,714.00	\$2,345,336.00	\$2,375,184.00	\$2,119,544.00
Five (5) Day Fishing (\$56.00)	\$980,728.00	\$1,030,904.00	\$1,400,784.00	\$1,497,720.00	\$1,338,512.00
Fishing Annual (\$92.00)	\$29,440.00	\$0.00			
Fishing Annual (\$102.00)	\$1,671,780.00	\$1,975,026.00	\$2,421,888.00	\$2,483,190.00	\$2,278,068.00
Youth Fish Annual (\$14.00)	\$14.00	\$0.00			
Youth Fish Annual (\$15.00)	\$61,905.00	\$57,150.00	\$61,920.00	\$58,605.00	\$50,415.00
Total	\$5,074,251.00	\$5,317,794.00	\$6,229,928.00	\$6,414,699.00	\$5,786,539.00

Source: Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

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