

## HIGHLIGHTS OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION IN WISCONSIN

**Recreation** — Wisconsin's recreational assets include more than 14,000 lakes, 2,000 miles of trout streams, almost 6,000 state-owned campsites and 6 million acres of hunting land. Wisconsin currently operates 43 state parks, 12 state forests, 25 state trails and 5 recreation areas. The parks range in size from Devil's Lake with 9,097 acres to Heritage Hill with 55 acres. The largest single state recreational facility is the Northern Highland-American Legion Forest with 222,808 acres. A total of 25 state trails are open to the public, covering more than 753 miles.

Visitors to Wisconsin's state parks, recreational forests, trails and recreation areas numbered more than 17 million in 1998, and 2.5 million used the northern state forests.

Hunting and fishing are major recreational activities. Recently, approximately 60 million fish and 3 million game animals of various species have been taken annually. Nearly 543,000 boats were registered in 1997, and 181,948 annual and 306,081 daily park motor vehicle admission stickers were sold in 1997.

**Land Acquisition** — From 1961 through 1992, the Outdoor Recreation Act Program (ORAP) acquired 586,378 acres at a cost of almost \$175 million. Since 1992, when the legislature created the current Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship Program, the stewardship fund has spent over \$96 million to acquire an additional 140,000 acres for conservation and recreation.

**Resource Management** — A total of \$110.9 million was spent in the resource management program in fiscal year 1996-97. Of this, \$26.3 million came from the general fund and another \$84.5 million from various segregated funds. The largest revenue sources were the forestry mill tax (\$31.5 million) and hunting and fishing licenses (\$24.5 million). Expenditures included \$27.2 million spent on forestry, \$21.6 million on resource acquisition and development, \$17.2 million on fish management, \$11.6 million on parks and \$12.2 million on wildlife management.

**Environmental Quality** — A total of \$67.5 million was spent in the environmental quality programs in fiscal year 1996-97. Solid waste programs received the largest share of funding (\$22.1 million), followed, in decreasing order, by expenditures for water resources, air management, wastewater management and water supply programs.

The following tables present selected data. Consult footnoted sources for more detailed information about conservation and recreation.

## FISH AND GAME HARVESTED AND STOCKED

Catch and Harvest Data for Wisconsin Fish, 1996-97					
	Catch	Harvest		Catch	Harvest
Panfish (bluegill, perch, crappie, sunfishes) . . . . .	110,000,000	58,000,000	Walleye . . . . .	3,850,000	432,000
Bass (largemouth and smallmouth) . . . . .	1,650,000	118,900	Muskellunge . . . . .	192,000	7,200
Northern Pike . . . . .	3,400,000	631,000	Great Lakes trout . . . . .	211,000	169,000
			Great Lakes salmon . . . . .	332,000	292,000
Harvest Indicators, 1998					
Wild turkey . . . . .		37,181	Raccoon . . . . .		211,810
Pheasant . . . . .		200,291	Red fox . . . . .		9,311
Ruffed grouse . . . . .		460,115	Gray fox . . . . .		2,242
Gray partridge . . . . .		2,809	Coyotes . . . . .		8,810
Bobwhite quail . . . . .		936	Deer (with guns) . . . . .		332,254
Woodcock . . . . .		66,087	Deer (with bows) . . . . .		75,301
Squirrels . . . . .		600,560	Bear . . . . .		3,184
Cottontail rabbit . . . . .		206,221	Ducks* . . . . .		394,700
Snowshoe hare . . . . .		44,084	Canada geese* . . . . .		78,900
Furbearer Harvest, 1997					
Muskrats . . . . .		245,347	Bobcat . . . . .		216
Mink . . . . .		12,177	Opossum . . . . .		5,692
Beaver . . . . .		37,235	Skunk . . . . .		335
River otter . . . . .		1,994	Fisher . . . . .		3,644
Total value of all pelts purchased by licensed Wisconsin fur buyers . . . . .					\$5,421,522
Trees Planted and Fish and Wildlife Stocked					
Wild pheasants (Iowa strain) released at 6 sites (1998) . . . . .					3,220
Game farm pheasants released (1998) . . . . .					53,040
Trees and shrubs distributed from state nurseries (1998) . . . . .					19,630,222
Warmwater fish, produced and distributed (annual average) . . . . .					3,143,000
Warmwater fish fry, produced and distributed (annual average) . . . . .					19,801,000
Coldwater fish (annual average) . . . . .					7,254,000

\*Harvest data from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1997.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, departmental data, May 1999.

## FISH AND GAME LICENSES AND RECREATION PERMITS

### Number Issued, 1992 – 1997

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Boats registered . . . . .	512,234	515,342	531,686	540,349	540,835	543,034
Snowmobiles registered . . . . .	167,847	179,719	180,772	191,082	202,061	205,772
All terrain vehicles registered . . . . .	57,170	62,226	72,567	80,883	79,245	87,103
Annual park admission stickers for motor vehicles . . . . .	162,089	163,657	190,150	199,394	177,845	181,948
Daily park admission for motor vehicles . . . . .	319,607	301,361	343,797	341,527	314,215	306,081
Deer hunting and license tags including nonresident . . . . .	483,099	511,713	530,547	541,197	528,502	526,845
Small game hunting license tags including nonresident . . . . .	113,144	134,053	139,642	139,865	138,729	140,777
Resident annual fishing licenses . . . . .	524,030	565,069	558,331	521,199	509,374	505,441
Resident husband and wife fishing licenses . . . . .	109,622	114,774	123,948	122,641	118,951	118,110
Resident senior/junior fishing licenses . . . . .	4,948	12,425	20,239	56,317	65,540	71,883
Nonresident annual fishing licenses . . . . .	110,708	109,286	107,846	106,086	105,578	98,936
Nonresident family annual fishing licenses . . . . .	32,515	31,132	31,603	30,727	30,348	31,204
15-day nonresident family fishing licenses . . . . .	20,521	19,194	18,888	18,124	17,357	19,885
15-day nonresident fishing licenses . . . . .	37,547	35,336	35,327	33,902	33,975	33,977
4-day nonresident fishing licenses . . . . .	146,161	140,223	145,321	139,261	137,253	131,082
Resident sports licenses . . . . .	180,626	128,535	115,663	108,820	104,655	95,048
Resident archer's licenses . . . . .	212,445	206,685	202,777	203,981	186,338	181,645
Nonresident archer's licenses . . . . .	5,535	5,080	5,354	5,517	5,862	6,143
Guide licenses . . . . .	902	897	947	1,003	1,009	1,053
Conservation patron licenses . . . . .	2,847	12,243	24,566	34,927	43,915	50,040

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, departmental data, May 1999.

## WISCONSIN STATE FORESTS, PARKS, TRAILS AND RECREATION AREAS

Name	Location and Highway Connection <sup>1</sup>	Dominant Features	Established	Acres	Number of visitors <sup>2</sup>				
					1970	1980	1990	1995	1998
<b>NORTHERN FORESTS</b>									
Black River	SE of Black River Falls USH 12, STH 27 & 54	Abundance of wildlife and scenery	1957	66,981	189,126	288,300	238,311	195,579	218,375
Brule River	S of Brule, STH 27	Excellent fishing and canoeing	1907	40,730	51,312	54,639	141,113	125,339	130,491
Flambeau River	23 mi. W of Phillips CTH W	Outstanding canoeing river	1931	90,147	30,900	103,995	154,685	162,665	155,215
Governor Knowles	1 mi. W of Grantsburg STH 70	River scenery	1970	19,732	—	15,505	73,755	89,714	94,970
Northern Highland-American Legion	SE Iron, WC Vilas, NC Oncida Counties	Scenic lakes and forests	1925	222,808	1,193,999	1,315,690	1,796,734	2,050,151	1,912,648
<b>TOTAL</b>				440,398	1,465,337	1,778,129	2,404,598	2,623,448	2,511,699
<b>SOUTHERN FORESTS</b>									
Havenwoods	Milwaukee, N. Hopkins St.	A nature preserve in the city	1978	218	—	—	55,961	60,461	60,405
Kettle Moraine North	N of Kewaskum, STH 45, 23 & 67	Glacial formations	1936	29,113	714,795	668,601	613,657	921,634	935,842
Kettle Moraine South	Whitewater USH 12, STH 59/67	Glacial topography	1936	20,284	402,077	1,290,848	1,270,800	1,225,384	1,228,220
Lapham Peak	S of Delafield, CTH C	Highest point in co., glacial formations	1985	1,006	—	—	—	200,033	234,384
Loew Lake	10 mi. W of Menomonee Falls CTH Q	Kettle lake, glacial valley	1987	1,086	—	—	—	—	—
Pike Lake	2 mi. E of Hartford STH 60	Glacial lake	1960	678	151,529	196,253	187,804	154,890	157,404
Point Beach	4 mi. N of Two Rivers STH 42	Sand beach, natural history	1938	2,903	—	242,746	242,615	360,119	383,807
<b>TOTAL</b>				55,070	1,268,401	2,398,448	2,370,837	2,922,521	3,000,062
<b>STATE PARKS</b>									
Amnicon Falls	10 mi. SE of Superior USH 2	Scenic waterfalls, covered bridge	1961	825	58,147	57,850	47,495	74,389	83,950
Aztalan	4 mi. E of Lake Mills CTH Q	Ancient Native American village	1947	172	60,173	77,302	15,935	49,150	55,835
Big Bay	On Madeline Island in Lake Superior	Sand beach, natural history	1963	2,418	4,336	47,191	72,053	125,772	130,225
Big Foot Beach	1 mi. S of Lake Geneva STH 12 & 120	A beach park	1949	271	288,959	130,074	172,679	161,457	189,264
Blue Mound	1 mi. NW of Blue Mounds STH 18 & 151	Highest point in southern Wisconsin	1959	1,153	86,063	126,869	163,283	157,349	237,810
Brunet Island	1 mi. NW of Cornell	River island park	1936	1,225	131,071	119,114	216,619	244,720	192,372
Buckhorn	13 mi. N of Mauston STH 58, CTH G	River scenery	1971	2,512	—	30,000	58,517	84,549	142,435
Copper Culture <sup>4,5</sup>	W of Oconto STH 22	Archaeological site	1959	42	—	—	—	—	—
Copper Falls	4 mi. N of Mellen STH 13 & 169	River gorge, waterfalls	1929	2,676	145,887	100,458	120,038	140,773	136,487
Council Grounds	1 mi. NW of Merrill STH 137	River scenery	1938	503	67,589	154,919	207,720	205,806	213,740
Devil's Lake	3 mi. S of Baraboo STH 123	Bluffs, mountain scenery	1911	9,097	1,459,560	1,107,259	1,118,901	1,117,887	1,476,955
Governor Dodge	5 mi. E of Dodgeville STH 23	Rocky promontories	1948	5,029	444,882	408,054	335,889	417,934	665,372
Governor Nelson	5 mi. E of Middleton CTH M	Wooded lakeshore, Indian effigy mounds	1975	421	—	—	146,451	183,830	203,512
Harrington Beach	10 mi. N of Port Washington I 43, CTH D	Lake Michigan shoreline	1966	636	—	56,321	95,094	115,064	123,915
Hartman Creek	6 mi. W of Waupaca STH 54	Lake scenery, pine plantation	1962	1,417	109,418	148,816	222,928	224,388	253,317
Heritage Hill	S Green Bay STH 57	Restored early American buildings	1973	55	—	45,673	55,813	—	36,835
High Cliff	9 mi. E of Menasha STH 114	Wooded bluffs, Lake Winnebago	1954	1,147	567,425	510,235	602,217	687,235	720,974
Interstate	St. Croix Falls USH 8	River gorge, rocky bluffs, glacial features	1900	1,330	290,980	339,700	230,215	320,649	372,073
Kinnickinnic	6 mi. W of River Falls CTH F	River scenery	1972	1,239	—	—	101,265	211,800	228,200
Kohler-Andrae	4 mi. S of Sheboygan STH 141	Lake Michigan sand dunes	1928	924	274,027	220,861	298,858	330,471	353,882
Lake Kegonsa	3 mi. N of Stoughton CTH N	Prairie and lakeshore	1962	343	97,066	175,298	262,141	180,218	188,478
Lake Wissota	5 mi. NE of Chippewa Falls STH 29 CTH K & O	Lake scenery	1962	1,062	19,282	205,968	122,246	118,707	114,207
Merrick	1 mi. N of Fountain City STH 35	Mississippi River, birds	1932	297	94,595	119,151	93,212	81,024	68,403
Mill Bluff	4 mi. W of Camp Douglas USH 12 & 16	Rocky bluffs	1936	1,258	88,270	66,549	22,259	30,350	31,800
Mirror Lake	1 mi. S of Lake Delton	Lake scenery	1962	2,162	178,760	220,774	231,167	260,113	312,928
Natural Bridge	15 mi. NW of Sauk City CTH C	Natural rock bridge	1972	530	—	30,545	15,373	27,314	76,229
Nelson Dewey	1 mi. N of Cassville CTH VV	Home of first governor, river bluffs	1935	756	116,153	45,169	66,177	43,722	57,083
New Glarus Woods	1 mi. S of New Glarus STH 69 & CTH NN	Wooded valleys, natural oak woods	1934	411	31,734	16,196	8,698	27,711	257,454
Newport	2 mi. SE of Gill's Rock STH 42	Lake scenery, forests	1964	2,373	50,718	119,108	142,217	204,466	187,460
Pattison	10 mi. S of Superior STH 35	Highest waterfall in Wisconsin	1920	1,376	172,165	124,183	137,066	145,583	145,500
Peninsula	N of Fish Creek STH 42	Green Bay, limestone bluffs	1910	3,775	851,637	1,239,543	839,437	944,655	1,102,047
Perrot	1 mi. N of Trempealeau STH 35	River scenery, wooded bluffs	1918	1,243	170,915	262,609	328,243	309,449	264,129

## WISCONSIN STATE FORESTS, PARKS, TRAILS AND RECREATION AREAS—Continued

Name	Location and Highway Connection <sup>1</sup>	Dominant Features	Established	Acres	Number of visitors <sup>2</sup>				
					1970	1980	1990	1995	1998
Potawatomi	2 mi. NW of Sturgeon Bay STH 42	Limestone bluffs	1928	1,225	202,139	215,333	192,928	233,139	245,057
Rib Mountain	4 mi. SW of Wausau CTH N	Wisconsin's 3rd highest place, views	1927	1,172	221,149	199,224	157,602	214,205	232,881
Roche-A-Cri	2 mi N of Friendship STH 13	Woodlands, 300-ft.-high rock outcropping	1948	460	37,789	35,145	38,668	93,569	85,200
Rock Island <sup>3</sup>	Ferry (no vehicles) from Washington Island	Landscape scenery, historic stone buildings	1965	912	15,125	29,489	12,946	16,201	18,555
Rocky Arbor	1 mi. NW of Wisconsin Dells USH 12	Rocky ledges, wooded valleys	1932	225	68,906	73,648	55,528	66,117	63,267
Tower Hill	3 mi. S of Spring Green STH 23 & CTH C	Historic shot tower, panoramic views	1922	77	76,957	31,202	49,114	61,492	57,135
Whitefish Dunes	10 mi. NE of Sturgeon Bay STH 57	Lake Michigan, sand dunes	1967	863	—	49,988	157,532	264,523	147,547
Wildcat Mountain	3 mi. S of Ontario STH 33	Bluff lands, Kickapoo River	1948	3,530	71,854	129,414	130,800	150,200	134,910
Willow River	NE of Hudson CTH A	River scenery, waterfalls, lake	1967	2,891	57,607	214,145	293,559	231,118	282,892
Wyalusing	12 mi. S of Prairie du Chien USH 18 & CTH C&X	Junction of Wis. and Miss. Rivers	1917	2,087	131,042	148,571	185,102	184,116	166,485
Yellowstone Lake	7 mi. NW of Argyle CTH N	Lake scenery, wooded valleys	1970	885	80,604	344,563	255,614	228,551	259,254
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>63,003</b>	<b>6,822,984</b>	<b>7,776,511</b>	<b>8,080,599</b>	<b>8,964,766</b>	<b>10,315,854</b>
<b>STATE TRAILS<sup>3</sup></b>									
"400"	Reedsburg STH 23/33 to Elroy STH 80/82	23 miles of trail, bluffs	1988	413	—	—	—	24,494	29,125
Ahnapee <sup>4</sup>	Sturgeon Bay STH42/57 to E of Luxemburg CTH A	18.6 miles of trail, river scenery	1970	353	—	13,858	3,896	—	—
Bearskin-Hiawatha	Minocqua to CTH K & Heartford Jct. to Tomahawk	24.6 miles of trail, forests	1973	498	—	22,341	30,840	39,835	28,820
Buffalo River	Fairchild to Mondovi, USH 10	36.4 miles of trail, rural scenery	1976	424	—	—	31,580	28,960	26,515
Chippewa River	Eau Claire SW to Red Cedar Trail, STH 85	20 miles of trail, river scenery	1990	273	—	—	—	171,899	157,477
Elroy-Sparta	Elroy STH 80/82 to Sparta STH 71	32.5 miles of trail, hills, valleys, tunnels	1965	639	15,373	44,877	46,500	59,250	63,625
Gandy Dancer <sup>4</sup>	St. Croix Falls USH 8 to S of Superior CTH C	66 miles of trail, forests, MN connections	1989	809	—	—	—	—	—
Glacial Drumlin	Waukesha CTH X to Cottage Grove CTH N	49 miles of trail, Ice Age features, views	1984	651	—	—	39,626	109,239	81,086
Great River	Onalaska USH53 to NW Trempealeau STH35/54	24 miles of trail, river and bluffs	1986	256	—	—	40,000	23,200	52,910
Green Circle	Circles Stevens Point area	Rivery scenery	1992	—	—	—	—	—	Locally owned and operated
Hillsboro <sup>4</sup>	Union Center to Hillsboro, STH 33/80/82	4.3 miles of trail, rural scenery	1988	66	—	—	—	—	—
Ice Age	Sturgeon Bay to St. Croix Falls	Moraines and other glacial features	1988	—	Various owners and operators (National Scenic Trail) <sup>5</sup>				
La Crosse River	Sparta STH 16 to NE of La Crosse	24.5 miles of trail, broad river valley	1978	360	—	—	20,000	27,750	33,540
Military Ridge	Verona USH 18/151 to Dodgeville STH 23	39.9 miles of trail, most on crest of ridge	1981	515	—	—	41,447	60,073	54,273
Mountain-Bay <sup>4</sup>	Wausau CTH SS to Green Bay CTH HS	80.5 miles of trail, varied landscape	1993	1,062	—	—	—	—	—
Old Abe	NE of Chippewa Falls CTH S - Cornell STH27/64	17 miles of trail, Chippewa River	1990	255	—	—	—	—	—
Pecatonia <sup>4</sup>	Belmont E to Calamine, CTH G	10 miles of trail, stream	1974	212	—	—	—	—	—
Red Cedar	Menomonie STH 29 S to Chippewa River Trail	14.5 miles of trail, river, bluffs	1973	427	—	—	24,545	38,490	42,880
Saunders <sup>4</sup>	S of Superior CTH C SW to MN border	8.4 miles of trail, wet woods	1991	207	—	—	—	—	—
Sugar River	New Glarus STH 39/69 to Brodhead STH 11	23.5 miles of trail, farms, prairies, woods	1972	265	—	36,851	36,050	42,275	33,805
Tomorrow River <sup>4</sup>	Plover to Portage-Waupaca County line	15 miles of trail, glacial terrain	1996	211	—	—	—	—	—
Tuscolonia	Park Falls CTH B to Rice Lake CTH SS	74 miles of trail, forests	1974	836	—	26,091	19,150	45,250	37,250
Wild Goose <sup>4</sup>	Fond du Lac USH 41/151 to STH 60 S of Juneau	32 miles of trail, Horicon Marsh	1986	411	—	—	—	—	—
Wild Rivers <sup>4</sup>	Solon Springs CTH A to Rice Lake	63.5 miles of trail, woods	1993	789	—	—	—	—	—
Wiuowash <sup>4</sup>	Oshkosh-Hortonville, Split Rock-Aniwa	51.6 miles of trail, prairies, woods	1992	228	—	—	—	—	—
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>8,550</b>	<b>15,373</b>	<b>144,018</b>	<b>292,187</b>	<b>670,715</b>	<b>641,216</b>
<b>RECREATION AREAS</b>									
Bong	8 mi. SE of Burlington STH 142	Small lakes, open space, varied recreation	1963	4,515	—	21,250	278,264	544,090	504,425
Brownstown-Cadiz Springs	6 mi. W of Monroe STH 11	Spring-fed lakes	1970	644	35,255	76,023	51,637	97,379	100,898
Chippewa Moraine	6 mi. E of New Auburn CTH M	Kettle lakes, other glacial features	1974	3,063	—	—	—	12,125	16,510
Fischer Creek <sup>4</sup>	12 mi. N of Two Rivers STH 42	Lake Michigan shoreline	1991	124	—	—	—	—	—
Hoffman Hills	8 mi. NE of Menomonie CTH B or E	Wooded hills	1980	707	—	—	18,275	23,330	24,980
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>9,052</b>	<b>35,255</b>	<b>97,273</b>	<b>348,176</b>	<b>676,924</b>	<b>646,813</b>

<sup>1</sup>Abbreviations: USH - United States Highway; STH - State Trunk Highway; CTH - County Trunk Highway. <sup>2</sup>Computed estimates derived by multiplying the number of cars by 3.5 (average number of persons per car). <sup>3</sup>Not accessible by vehicle. <sup>4</sup>Operated locally or by county. <sup>5</sup>No attendance information available.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Parks and Recreation, departmental data, May 1999.

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES EXPENDITURES

### Fiscal Years 1980-81 – 1996-97

(In Thousands)

Program	1980-81	1985-86	1990-91	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
<b>Resource Management</b>								
Acquisition/development	\$19,167	\$21,506	\$34,434	\$29,452	\$19,090	\$22,860	\$22,559	\$21,559
Aeronautics	—	—	—	1,131	1,173	1,221	1,259	725
Endangered resources	347	583	1,233	1,857	1,806	1,733	2,030	2,458
Engineering	998	1,217	1,064	—	—	—	—	—
Fish management	6,961	10,664	14,622	16,746	17,608	18,187	16,833	17,180
Forestry	13,355	17,634	19,259	24,278	25,058	27,058	26,829	27,236
Fox River management	—	132	138	81	—	—	—	—
License administration	—	—	—	2,017	2,203	2,466	2,705	2,664
Parks	5,295	7,701	9,319	10,690	10,745	11,888	12,412	11,561
Property management	—	—	—	1,348	4,869	5,071	4,824	5,485
Real estate	283	310	—	—	—	—	—	—
Research	1,846	2,599	4,201	5,578	5,950	6,050	5,753	5,877
Southern forests	1,281	2,124	2,500	2,757	2,945	3,005	3,117	3,079
Wildlife management	4,691	7,103	9,509	11,745	11,460	12,672	11,426	12,185
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$54,626*</b>	<b>\$71,575</b>	<b>\$97,668</b>	<b>\$111,199</b>	<b>\$103,109</b>	<b>\$111,964</b>	<b>\$110,408</b>	<b>\$110,853</b>
<b>Environmental Quality</b>								
Air management	\$3,177	\$4,422	\$7,286	\$10,421	\$11,914	\$6,619	\$14,340	\$13,521
Debt service	—	—	—	80	505	652	750	941
Solid waste management	2,353	5,097	17,815	20,774	21,545	32,280	21,828	22,147
Technical services	—	1,802	896	1,215	1,234	1,420	1,792	1,717
Wastewater management	—	4,339	6,115	7,306	7,837	8,710	8,387	8,637
Water resources management	8,135	5,418	8,112	11,636	13,305	15,323	15,112	13,977
Water supply	—	2,944	3,847	5,596	6,050	6,623	6,546	6,596
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,666</b>	<b>\$24,022</b>	<b>\$44,070</b>	<b>\$57,028</b>	<b>\$62,391</b>	<b>\$71,626</b>	<b>\$68,756</b>	<b>\$67,536</b>

\*Total includes \$400,000 for inland lake renewal.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, departmental data, May 1999.



**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**SOURCES OF FUNDING**  
**Fiscal Years 1980-81 – 1996-97**  
**(In Thousands)**

Source of Funding	1980-81	1990-91	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY</b>						
<b>Segregated funds</b>						
Nonpoint source account	—	—	\$291.3	\$252.3	\$459.8	\$401.8
Transportation fund	—	\$43.2	54.4	55.4	55.7	58.8
Groundwater account	—	—	—	2,577.8	2,571.3	2,521.0
Waste management fund	—	6.3	—	—	—	—
Federal aids	—	—	—	—	1,712.5	1,786.0
Water resources account	—	835.6	1,048.1	1,257.5	1,382.4	1,278.6
Gifts and donations	—	6.5	10.7	13.7	7.2	6.4
Petroleum storage environmental cleanup fund	—	94.3	3,481.7	4,315.8	4,392.0	3,836.0
Clean water fund	—	686.8	930.5	931.8	894.7	437.1
Environmental repair account	—	11,006.1	10,187.8	9,945.9	5,965.1	5,411.5
Recycling fund	—	502.9	1,036.2	1,146.5	1,151.7	1,229.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>\$13,181.7</b>	<b>\$17,040.7</b>	<b>\$20,496.7</b>	<b>\$18,592.5</b>	<b>\$16,966.9</b>
<b>General funds</b>						
GPR – taxes	\$7,418.7	\$18,593.6	\$18,690.5	\$20,150.0	\$20,104.6	\$18,970.0
Program revenues	311.3	3,793.8	13,200.9	15,795.6	15,904.4	16,791.9
Program revenue – service	—	97.5	380.2	349.1	336.4	183.4
Federal aids	5,935.9	8,403.6	13,078.3	14,835.0	13,817.7	14,624.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,665.8</b>	<b>30,888.4</b>	<b>45,349.8</b>	<b>51,129.7</b>	<b>50,163.2</b>	<b>50,569.3</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,665.8</b>	<b>\$44,070.1</b>	<b>\$62,390.5</b>	<b>\$71,626.4</b>	<b>\$68,755.7</b>	<b>\$67,536.2</b>
<b>RESOURCEMANAGEMENT</b>						
<b>Segregated funds</b>						
Nonpoint source	—	—	\$32.0	\$103.2	\$263.8	\$258.5
Fishing, hunting licenses	\$12,001.0	\$19,883.3	25,807.9	26,696.2	24,618.9	24,456.8
Trout stamp	551.6	299.1	670.2	747.2	984.1	1,196.7
Great Lakes trout and salmon stamp	—	440.2	801.2	946.7	1,658.8	884.3
Waterfowl stamp	192.5	231.4	327.5	340.8	310.7	222.8
Forestry mill tax	17,572.7	22,121.1	28,837.0	29,956.7	31,153.6	31,473.1
Park stickers	2,590.6	4,674.1	5,652.4	6,768.3	7,006.7	6,390.3
Federal aids	6,236.2	10,865.0	13,374.8	15,483.0	14,557.7	13,923.1
Boat registration fees	—	—	856.8	903.8	1,005.2	1,017.9
Snowmobile registration fees	47.6	89.4	311.4	360.9	403.6	380.7
Transportation fund	—	1,709.9	1,651.0	1,801.2	1,597.2	1,679.2
Endangered resources checkoff	—	640.8	600.6	651.7	788.4	1,365.3
Program revenue – service	—	140.4	266.3	357.5	—	338.2
All-terrain vehicle registration fees	—	28.5	115.8	161.7	165.6	153.5
Motorcycle account	—	—	—	—	—	6.6
Water resources	—	190.7	376.3	174.6	390.9	324.1
Heritage state parks and forest fund	—	—	—	—	—	30.0
Recycling fund	—	—	68.8	68.8	—	14.0
Gifts and donations	—	—	276.5	293.0	474.5	400.9
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$39,192.2</b>	<b>\$61,565.4</b>	<b>\$80,026.6</b>	<b>\$85,815.3</b>	<b>\$85,379.8</b>	<b>\$84,516.0</b>
<b>General funds</b>						
GPR – taxes	\$1,098.3	\$16,604.9	\$20,911.1	\$24,355.9	\$23,722.3	\$25,107.0
Program revenues	—	83.8	0.4	0.1	3.4	690.4
Program revenue – service	—	1,258.2	2,170.7	1,792.8	1,302.5	539.8
Federal aids	145.0	—	—	—	—	—
ORAP formula	8,015.7	—	—	—	—	—
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,258.9</b>	<b>\$17,946.9</b>	<b>\$23,082.2</b>	<b>\$26,148.8</b>	<b>\$25,028.2</b>	<b>\$26,337.2</b>
<b>Capital improvement fund</b>						
Resource acquisition and development	—	—	—	—	—	—
ORAP 200 bonding	\$6,084.9	\$99.5	—	—	—	—
ORAP 2000 bonding	—	5,048.5	—	—	—	—
General obligation bonding	—	1,902.0	—	—	—	—
DNR recreation development	—	451.1	—	—	—	—
DNR Wis. heritage program bonding	—	480.1	—	—	—	—
DNR land acquisition bonding	—	—	—	—	—	—
DNR stewardship bonding	—	9,824.5	—	—	—	—
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,084.9</b>	<b>\$17,805.6</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
Building trust funds	90.3	349.8	—	—	—	—
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$54,626.3</b>	<b>\$97,667.7</b>	<b>\$103,108.8</b>	<b>\$111,964.1</b>	<b>\$110,408.0</b>	<b>\$110,853.2</b>

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, departmental data, May 1999.

## NATURAL RESOURCES LAND ACQUISITIONS

### Fiscal Years 1980-81 – 1997-98

Fiscal Year	Fisheries Management	Northern Forests	Parks	Natural Areas	Southern Forests	Wildlife Management	Rivers and Resource Areas	Others	Total
<b>ACRES ACQUIRED</b>									
<b>OUTDOOR RECREATION ACT PROGRAM (ORAP)</b>									
1980-81	1,277	2,228	704	172	593	4,495	160	4	9,633
1981-82	2,184	2,115	960	403	220	3,586	722	111	10,300
1982-83	2,408	2,184	1,127	4,186	189	6,388	197	186	16,866
1983-84	2,202	4,950	1,139	326	126	4,050	261	11	13,066
1984-85	3,237	4,275	857	321	614	5,116	456	—	14,876
1985-86	2,692	3,030	1,050	505	290	4,717	104	297	12,685
1986-87	2,195	874	713	1,968	523	2,940	184	1	9,399
1987-88	1,328	918	439	1,543	727	1,932	37	69	6,993
1988-89	1,734	979	7,675	796	61	8,556	967	80	20,848
1989-90	2,137	972	724	901	283	4,269	2,501	—	11,787
1990-91	278	245	4,038	2,926	272	773	560	0	9,091
1991-92	51	0	0	280	0	0	39	0	370
TOTAL*	70,456	105,829	67,617	17,971	24,132	235,697	29,539	4,575	555,816
<b>STEWARDSHIP FUND</b>									
1990-91	999	684	1,407	1,569	1,295	5,257	7,262	52	18,524
1991-92	1,563	791	373	2,095	156	3,912	15,195	164	24,250
1992-93	1,240	721	624	2,502	298	4,635	4,307	189	14,517
1993-94	2,440	355	1,754	1,477	306	2,752	2,965	434	12,483
1994-95	7,891	371	284	1,901	370	4,288	762	377	16,246
1995-96	2,070	915	1,206	5,150	395	2,980	1,675	375	14,766
1996-97	1,230	213	880	140	160	2,180	2,025	125	6,953
1997-98	925	275	108	1,080	80	3,740	9,770	245	16,223
TOTAL*	18,358	4,325	6,636	15,914	3,060	29,744	43,961	1,961	123,962
<b>COST TO ACQUIRE (in thousands)</b>									
<b>OUTDOOR RECREATION ACT PROGRAM (ORAP)</b>									
1980-81	\$1,027	\$1,485	\$1,034	\$209	\$927	\$2,428	\$302	\$47	\$7,460
1981-82	1,122	899	916	174	445	1,587	393	—	5,535
1982-83	2,142	1,307	1,526	1,187	314	3,584	273	15	10,348
1983-84	1,875	2,308	1,457	233	239	2,564	337	1	9,014
1984-85	2,032	1,766	1,076	187	1,548	2,888	470	—	9,968
1985-86	1,788	1,878	1,680	291	924	2,790	132	16	9,500
1986-87	1,472	645	830	1,215	580	1,526	253	3	6,524
1987-88	917	489	689	642	1,412	666	34	—	4,849
1988-89	1,005	405	7,901	554	87	1,485	388	123	11,947
1989-90	1,810	405	735	610	490	1,880	2,208	—	8,138
1990-91	112	97	1,890	656	222	338	317	0	3,632
1991-92	17	0	1	336	0	0	24	0	377
TOTAL*	\$28,894	\$24,833	\$42,839	\$8,268	\$14,233	\$42,619	\$9,093	\$401	\$171,180
<b>STEWARDSHIP FUND</b>									
1990-91	\$1,157	\$288	\$369	\$1,477	\$1,453	\$2,688	\$3,982	\$1,550	\$12,964
1991-92	1,301	416	467	845	398	2,829	5,569	0	11,825
1992-93	1,066	547	566	1,473	249	1,616	1,972	5	7,494
1993-94	1,847	178	898	725	793	2,035	1,718	0	8,194
1994-95	3,328	640	764	3,422	1,315	3,655	1,138	1	14,263
1995-96	2,337	542	2,758	3,100	1,035	2,594	1,290	42	13,698
1996-97	1,490	377	1,160	588	617	1,994	1,439	14	7,679
1997-98	1,127	136	362	2,067	293	4,136	11,021	1,162	20,304
TOTAL*	\$13,653	\$3,124	\$7,344	\$13,697	\$6,153	\$21,547	\$28,129	\$2,774	\$96,421

Note: In addition, easements for 51,965 acres have been acquired since 1961 at a cost of \$8,571,434. Easements on 1,284 acres were acquired in 1997-98 at a cost of \$789,405.

\*Total reflects all transactions since 1961. Columns may not add to totals due to rounding.

Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Facilities and Lands, departmental data, May 1999.

## CONSERVATION AND RECREATION LAND IN WISCONSIN

### Acres By Ownership, December 31, 1997

County <sup>1</sup>	Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources						Total
	Federal Government <sup>2</sup>	Forests and Wild Rivers	Natural and Park Areas	Fisheries and Wildlife	Total DNR	County Parks and Forests	
Adams	344	0	4,471	8,741	13,212	134	13,690
Ashland	216,763	756	5,191	6,696	12,643	33,239	262,645
Barron	0	60	131	6,027	6,217	15,366	21,583
Bayfield	277,053	49	7,850	10,211	18,110	167,307	462,470
Brown	0	0	274	2,034	2,308	3,728	6,036
Buffalo	9,334	0	343	12,509	12,852	2	22,188
Burnett	5,633	14,958	411	54,360	69,729	106,307	181,669
Calumet	0	0	1,072	9,501	10,573	200	10,773
Chippewa	0	0	6,200	3,232	9,432	32,470	41,902
Clark	0	0	6	266	272	132,861	133,133
Columbia	2,001	0	455	19,603	20,058	104	22,163
Crawford	15,060	5,337	1,601	2,454	9,392	450	24,902
Dane	1,465	3,829	1,841	13,411	19,081	1,907	23,154
Dodge	20,913	0	277	22,980	23,257	267	44,367
Door	29	0	9,552	3,416	12,968	548	13,545
Douglas	0	40,753	3,530	6,591	50,874	269,032	319,906
Dunn	821	0	1,800	10,922	12,722	61	13,604
Eau Claire	0	0	148	2,468	2,616	52,222	54,837
Florence	85,028	5,276	4,300	42	9,618	36,726	131,372
Fond du Lac	1,116	10,689	297	12,519	23,504	938	25,558
Forest	344,028	25	1	2,966	2,992	10,848	357,868
Grant	6,465	13,686	3,319	383	17,388	59	23,912
Green	0	0	1,282	3,617	4,898	4	4,902
Green Lake	0	0	292	17,282	17,574	264	17,838
Iowa	0	7,753	6,563	3,883	18,199	120	18,319
Iron	0	53,571	748	7,657	61,976	174,089	236,065
Jackson	1,697	66,645	522	7,213	74,380	119,754	195,831
Jefferson	250	3,379	531	10,504	14,414	129	14,793
Juneau	79,831	0	3,527	3,184	6,711	17,773	104,315
Kenosha	0	0	4,767	1,943	6,710	1,320	8,030
Kewaunee	0	0	194	2,353	2,547	256	2,803
La Crosse	12,298	2,972	368	3,766	7,106	1,869	21,273
Lafayette	0	0	1,513	4,048	5,561	166	5,727
Langlade	0	3	126	15,912	16,041	126,653	174,941
Lincoln	0	348	610	3,826	4,784	98,831	103,615
Manitowoc	120	2,903	148	6,072	9,123	200	9,443
Marathon	0	168	1,359	23,117	24,644	27,354	51,998
Marinette	0	4,233	1,883	9,609	15,725	231,627	247,352
Marquette	1,145	0	769	9,734	10,503	186	11,834
Milwaukee	0	218	4	0	221	11,253	11,474
Monroe	15,529	0	1,466	3,502	4,968	6,585	27,081
Oconto	141,498	0	151	5,045	5,196	41,998	188,692
Oneida	11,180	63,200	1,906	4,465	69,571	82,219	162,970
Outagamie	35	0	903	7,076	7,979	509	8,523
Ozaukee	536	0	2,294	164	2,458	681	3,675
Pepin	0	0	1,184	3,269	4,453	81	4,534
Pierce	0	0	2,509	1,311	3,820	44	3,864
Polk	1,085	4,864	1,619	12,624	19,107	16,199	36,391
Portage	0	0	852	26,511	27,363	1,327	28,690
Price	151,315	9,027	267	9,852	19,146	92,714	263,175
Racine	0	0	0	3,059	3,059	1,517	4,576
Richland	0	5,788	0	1,185	6,973	36	7,009
Rock	297	0	161	6,490	6,651	618	7,566
Rusk	0	15,165	115	3,217	18,498	88,883	107,381
St. Croix	4,333	0	3,654	5,559	9,213	717	14,263
Sauk	0	4,369	14,240	4,163	22,772	1,398	24,170
Sawyer	126,685	71,809	728	8,774	81,311	113,703	321,699
Shawano	108	0	1,046	13,782	14,828	511	15,447
Sheboygan	302	15,520	919	3,288	19,727	6,994	27,023
Taylor	123,910	0	1	7,545	7,546	17,587	149,034
Trempealeau	4,207	58	1,592	4,393	6,043	84	10,334
Vernon	6,863	52	4,577	1,375	6,005	69	12,937
Vilas	54,536	138,433	727	8,181	147,341	40,351	242,228
Walworth	0	6,414	1,019	4,085	11,518	150	11,668
Washburn	0	155	651	5,065	5,872	148,877	154,749
Washington	0	3,869	686	6,491	11,046	637	11,683
Waukesha	0	11,342	459	4,622	16,424	2,324	18,843
Waupaca	0	0	1,598	6,614	8,212	270	8,482
Waushara	232	0	144	16,368	16,511	442	17,185
Winnebago	2,078	0	72	8,104	8,176	430	10,684
Wood	2,312	173	24	14,502	14,699	37,754	54,765
STATE	1,760,682	587,854	123,834	555,730	1,267,419	2,382,964	5,411,065

<sup>1</sup>Land in Menominee County that is not privately owned is held by the Menominee Nation.

<sup>2</sup>Federal lands include national parks, national forests and lands controlled by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.  
Source: Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, departmental data, January 1999.