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MORE THAN 5,150,000 HUNTING LICENSES ISSUED LAST YEAR

More than 5,150,000 hunting licenses were taken out during the season 1925-26 by sportsmen throughout the United States, including Alaska, and the returns to State treasuries amounted to more than \$6,800,000. Although data are lacking from four States, detailed figures for the season compiled by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture show increases in the numbers of licenses issued and fees received over the two years preceding. In the 1923-24 season, the licenses numbered 4,395,038 and the fees paid were \$5,594,982. One year later 4,904,740 hunters paid for their licenses a total of \$6,190,863.94. During the 1925-26 season the license figures were 5,168,353 and the fees paid totaled \$6,872,812.-59. Pennsylvania with 525,045 licenses and fees of \$646,467.25 headed the list both in licenses and returns to the State treasury. The complete figures are given in the following table:

HUNTERS' LICENSES

Hunters' licenses issued by States, with total money returns,
for the season 1925-26.

State	Resident	Nonresident and alien	Money returns <u>1/</u>
Alaska <u>2/</u>	----	137	9,210.00
Alabama <u>5/</u>	----	---	-----
Arizona.....	29,738	388	44,312.50
Arkansas.....	3,624	565	12,217.00
California.....	229,266	1,973	251,951.30
Colorado.....	<u>3/</u> 97,217	371	224,373.00
Connecticut.....	34,688	399	38,678.00
Delaware.....	<u>3/</u> 2,109	390	6,414.90
Florida <u>4/</u>	56,561	361	144,704.00
Georgia.....	65,862	190	78,825.80
Idaho.....	<u>3/</u> 66,169	669	126,604.45
Illinois.....	295,440	2,050	242,020.00
Indiana.....	<u>3/</u> 197,078	355	182,750.70
Iowa.....	155,889	277	158,659.00
Kansas.....	114,910	118	116,680.00
Kentucky.....	88,654	458	78,790.90
Louisiana.....	91,334	320	99,334.00
Maine.....	<u>3/</u> 36,122	3,436	46,002.40
Maryland.....	65,773	2,147	121,073.82
Massachusetts.....	107,453	1,357	219,098.30
Michigan.....	288,090	2,190	355,306.57
Minnesota.....	171,893	417	239,365.75
Mississippi <u>5/</u>	-----	---	-----
Missouri.....	<u>3/</u> 237,590	2,230	269,216.50
Montana.....	71,249	205	146,628.00
Nebraska.....	<u>3/</u> 139,282	<u>3/</u> 452	143,805.00
Nevada <u>5/</u>	-----	---	-----
New Hampshire.....	<u>3/</u>	---	-----
New Jersey.....	<u>3/</u> 153,960	<u>3/</u> 1,607	270,907.50
New Mexico.....	14,847	625	45,642.00

Continued:

State	Resident	Nonresident and alien	Money returns <u>1/</u>
New York.....	335,913	3,234	454,849.25
North Carolina <u>5/</u>		...	
North Dakota.....	35,983	178	54,791.00
Ohio.....	361,030	68	362,050.00
Oklahoma.....	<u>3/</u> 91,900	275	96,025.00
Oregon.....	53,353	715	199,916.50
Pennsylvania.....	521,855	3,190	646,467.25
Rhode Island.....	10,659	254	13,070.00
South Carolina.....	75,810	1,024	117,142.00
South Dakota.....	84,241	1,141	119,052.00
Tennessee.....	44,089	218	62,055.00
Texas.....	71,745	325	139,877.25
Utah.....	<u>3/</u> -----	---	-----
Vermont.....	<u>3/</u> 38,387	<u>3/</u> 1,109	54,275.45
Virginia.....	91,483	2,005	154,533.00
Washington.....	<u>3/</u> 181,814	<u>3/</u> 3,336	339,046.50
West Virginia.....	123,551	105	132,781.00
Wisconsin.....	164,488	396	184,283.00
Wyoming.....	<u>3/</u> 24,572	922	69,962.00
Total.....	5,125,671	42,682	6,872,812.59

1/ Includes amounts received from combined hunting and fishing licenses, but not from licenses to fish only.

2/ No resident license required.

3/ Combined hunting and fish license.

4/ Department of game and fresh-water fish created in 1925.

5/ Figures not available.