



\$6.1 MILLION
STATE AND LOCAL
TAX REVENUE



\$90 MILLION
SPENT ON FISHING
ANNUALLY



987
JOBS SUPPORTED
BY FISHERIES




Estimates based on data from the American Sportfishing Association

HOOKED ON CLEAN WATER

**INVESTING IN CLEAN WATER KEEPS DELAWARE'S
ECONOMY AND FISHERIES HEALTHY**

A healthy fish population depends on clean water. Local planning decisions that prioritize sustainable development and land conservation are vital for a stable fish habitat, which provide economic and environmental benefits to the community. These decisions help decrease flooding, control erosion and reduce pollution flowing into local waterways. Access to clean water and healthy fisheries encourage people to contribute to the economy by purchasing fishing licenses, visiting local businesses and increasing tourism to the area.

**PERCENTAGE OF COUNTY
POPULATION LICENSED
FOR RECREATIONAL OR
COMMERCIAL FISHING**

-  11% – 15%
-  6% – 10%
-  1% – 5%

Source: 2017 Fishing license sales from DE Dept. of Natural Resources & Environmental Control and population estimates from U.S. Census Bureau



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