



# CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

## Sport Fishing

Items Reported by License Year  
AS OF 1/31/2024

Licenses	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Resident Fishing *	1,191,929	1,136,664	994,137	1,076,671	75,992	-	-	-	-	-
Resident Fishing Voucher *	52,318	43,228	36,614	50,576	1,265	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Fishing *	15,751	16,574	17,437	24,253	3,525	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Resident Fishing *	16,123	15,935	14,788	16,266	781	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Resident Fishing (10 Day)	13,218	16,182	16,064	15,605	233	-	-	-	-	-
1-Day Sportfishing (Res/Nonres)	540,998	494,879	453,899	389,869	10,189	-	-	-	-	-
2-Day Sportfishing (Res/Nonres)	92,241	80,792	75,428	62,332	753	-	-	-	-	-
Disabled Veteran Fishing *	19,505	19,856	19,677	23,261	2,515	-	-	-	-	-
Recovering Service Member *	12	10	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reduced Fee Low Income Senior *	1,259	1,038	1,129	2,027	454	-	-	-	-	-
Free Sport Fishing *	15,765	14,860	13,815	15,122	2,066	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub Total - Licenses</b>	<b>1,959,119</b>	<b>1,840,018</b>	<b>1,642,994</b>	<b>1,675,984</b>	<b>97,773</b>	-	-	-	-	-
Second Rod Sport Fish Validation *	342,801	370,136	322,197	335,688	34,643	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Second Rod Sport Fish Validation *	5,568	5,848	5,718	8,602	1,300	-	-	-	-	-
Spiny Lobster Report Card (Full Season)	45,756	35,524	33,847	32,956	-	-	-	-	-	-
Abalone Report Card	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Coast Salmon Report Card	19,816	19,327	18,254	7,195	1,118	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime North Coast Salmon Report Card	2,261	2,252	2,323	2,277	1,500	-	-	-	-	-
Steelhead Report Card	49,450	52,486	46,680	41,423	12,577	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Steelhead Report Card	2,334	2,293	2,345	2,409	1,615	-	-	-	-	-
Sturgeon Fishing Report Card	43,005	45,585	39,464	34,531	6,244	-	-	-	-	-
Recreational Crab Trap Validation *	N/A	23,253	45,023	43,464	5,593	-	-	-	-	-
Ocean Enhancement Validation *	302,562	308,726	263,811	279,993	22,306	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Ocean Enhancement Validation *	5,378	5,654	5,529	8,207	1,228	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub Total - Validations &amp; Report Cards</b>	<b>818,931</b>	<b>871,084</b>	<b>785,191</b>	<b>796,745</b>	<b>88,124</b>	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Fishing Package - Age 0 to 9	461	466	460	383	18	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Fishing Package - Age 10 to 39	450	482	515	408	28	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Fishing Package - Age 40 to 61	479	564	512	338	24	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Fishing Package - Age 62 and Over	364	356	367	295	27	-	-	-	-	-
Lifetime Fishing Privilege Package	548	575	520	407	34	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub Total - Lifetime Fishing Packages</b>	<b>2,302</b>	<b>2,443</b>	<b>2,374</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>131</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL SPORT FISHING</b>	<b>2,780,352</b>	<b>2,713,545</b>	<b>2,430,559</b>	<b>2,474,560</b>	<b>186,028</b>	-	-	-	-	-

\* Effective January 1, 2023, the CDFW implemented 365-day sport fishing licenses and validations and discontinued annual sport fishing licenses and validations (AB-817).