

**Table 1216. Participants in Wildlife-Related Recreation Activities: 2006**

[In thousands (33,916 represents 33,916,000). For persons 16 years old and over engaging in activity at least once in 2006. Based on survey and subject to sampling error; see source for details]

Participant	Number	Days of participation	Trips	Participant	Number	Days of participation
<b>Total sportspersons</b> <sup>1</sup> . . .	<b>33,916</b>	<b>736,707</b>	<b>588,891</b>	<b>Wildlife watchers</b> <sup>1</sup> . . .	<b>71,132</b>	<b>(X)</b>
Total anglers . . . . .	29,952	516,781	403,492	Away from home <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	22,977	352,070
Freshwater . . . . .	25,431	433,337	336,528	Observe wildlife . . . . .	21,546	291,027
Excluding Great Lakes . . .	25,035	419,942	323,265	Photograph wildlife . . . . .	11,708	103,872
Great Lakes . . . . .	1,420	18,016	13,264	Feed wildlife . . . . .	7,084	77,329
Saltwater . . . . .	7,717	85,663	66,963	Around home <sup>3</sup> . . . . .	67,756	(X)
Total hunters . . . . .	12,510	219,925	185,399	Observe wildlife . . . . .	44,467	(X)
Big game . . . . .	10,682	164,061	115,255	Photograph wildlife . . . . .	18,763	(X)
Small game . . . . .	4,797	52,395	40,856	Feed wild birds . . . . .	55,512	(X)
Migratory birds . . . . .	2,293	19,770	16,390	Visit public parks . . . . .	13,271	(X)
Other animals . . . . .	1,128	15,205	12,898	Maintain plantings or natural areas . . . . .	14,508	(X)

X Not applicable. <sup>1</sup> Detail does not add to total due to multiple responses and nonresponse. <sup>2</sup> Persons taking a trip of at least 1 mile from home for activity. <sup>3</sup> Activity within 1 mile of home.

Source: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, *2006 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife Associated Recreation*, October 2007. See <[http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/NationalSurvey/nat\\_survey2006\\_final.pdf](http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/NationalSurvey/nat_survey2006_final.pdf)> and <<http://federalaid.fws.gov/surveys/surveys.html>>.