



# Fishing is Serious Business



Fishing is more than a sport for the majority of anglers – so much so that their love of fishing influences their retirement, vacation and spending decisions.

## Economic Impact of Fishing Industry



**33 million**  
anglers in the U.S.

**SPEND**

**\$48 billion**  
per year

**SUPPORTING**

**828,000 jobs\***

**55%** Would rather buy new fishing gear than other items

## Time to Go Fishing



Anglers would spend their free time:



- Fishing 73%
- With family 10%
- Hunting 6%
- At a sporting event 4%
- Other 7%

**2/3** admit to missing work

**54%** would give up a chance to meet the president in exchange for a perfect fishing day



## Vacation and Retirement



**VACATION**

Most anglers have taken a fishing vacation.

**71%** Anglers **87%** Advanced Anglers

Of anglers who have not planned a fishing vacation

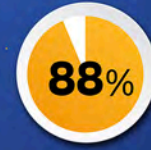
**79%**

say they chose to spend time fishing on past vacations, even when their travel companions didn't want to.

**RETIREMENT**



**83%** will shape their retirement plans around fishing



**88%** of those anglers want to fish more often in retirement



**96%** of retired anglers fish as much, if not more, than they did before

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Source: Online survey of 506 "avid" anglers – those who had fished in the past year on at least a minimum of 10 days, considered themselves at least of regular skill level, and fished either fresh or saltwater – conducted during the second quarter of 2014. Survey fielded by Southwick Associates, Inc.

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