



2018 State-Licensed Commercial Fishing Data for Michigan

This report contains harvest and dockside value statistics for the 2018 state-licensed commercial fishery, summarized each of the Great Lakes.

Lake Michigan (State License Only)			
2018			
SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	0	\$0.30	\$0
BUFFALO	0	\$0.67	\$0
BULLHEAD	0	\$0.61	\$0
BURBOT	0	\$1.24	\$0
CARP	0	\$0.27	\$0
CHANNEL CATFISH	0	\$0.56	\$0
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	140	\$4.11	\$575
CRAPPIE	0	\$4.48	\$0
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	0	NA	\$0
GOLD FISH	0	\$1.00	\$0
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	0	\$0.55	\$0
ROCK BASS	0	\$1.52	\$0
SHEEPHEAD	0	\$0.35	\$0
SMELT	17,711	\$1.25	\$22,139
SUCKER	59	\$0.35	\$21
WHITE BASS	0	\$1.62	\$0
WHITE PERCH	0	\$1.49	\$0
WHITEFISH	839,065	\$1.99	\$1,669,739
YELLOW PERCH	0	\$3.43	\$0
FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)			856,975
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE			\$1,692,474
2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE			
1)	WHITEFISH		\$1,669,739
2)	SMELT		\$22,139
3)	CHUB		\$575
4)	SUCKER		\$21
5)			
2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT			
1)	WHITEFISH		839,065
2)	SMELT		17,711
3)	CHUB		140
4)	SUCKER		59
5)			

NOTE: Beginning in 2017
Dressed Wt. = 1.13 conversion
factor

Lake Huron (State License Only)

SPECIES	2018		
	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	360	\$0.30	\$0
BUFFALO	3,677	\$0.67	\$2,464
BULLHEAD	2,163	\$0.61	\$1,319
BURBOT	462	\$1.24	\$573
CARP	2,722	\$0.27	\$735
CHANNEL CATFISH	49,571	\$0.56	\$27,760
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	399	\$4.48	\$1,788
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	0	\$0.10	\$0
GOLD FISH	0	\$1.00	\$0
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	16,127	\$0.55	\$8,870
ROCK BASS	2,160	\$1.52	\$3,283
SHEEPHEAD	31,260	\$0.35	\$10,941
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	5,455	\$0.35	\$1,909
WHITE BASS	473	\$1.62	\$766
WHITE PERCH	802	\$1.49	\$1,195
WHITEFISH	1,013,541	\$1.99	\$2,016,947
YELLOW PERCH	40,457	\$3.43	\$138,768

FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)	1,169,629
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE	\$2,217,317

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2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE

1)	WHITEFISH	\$2,016,947
2)	YELLOW PERCH	\$138,768
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH	\$27,760
4)	SHEEPHEAD	\$10,941
5)	QUILLBACK	\$8,870

2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT

1)	WHITEFISH	1,013,541
2)	CHANNEL CATFISH	49,571
3)	YELLOW PERCH	40,457
4)	SHEEPHEAD	31,260
5)	QUILLBACK	16,127

Lake Superior (State License Only)			
2018			
SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	0	\$0.30	\$0
BUFFALO	0	\$0.67	\$0
BULLHEAD	0	\$0.61	\$0
BURBOT	0	\$1.24	\$0
CARP	0	\$0.27	\$0
CHANNEL CATFISH	0	\$0.56	\$0
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	0	\$4.48	\$0
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	0	\$0.10	\$0
GOLD FISH	0	\$1.00	\$0
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	0	\$0.55	\$0
ROCK BASS	0	\$1.52	\$0
SHEEPHEAD	0	\$0.35	\$0
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	0	\$0.35	\$0
WHITE BASS	0	\$1.62	\$0
WHITE PERCH	0	\$1.49	\$0
WHITEFISH	137,308	\$1.99	\$273,243
YELLOW PERCH	0	\$3.43	\$0
FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)			137,308
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE			\$273,243
2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE			
1)	WHITEFISH		\$273,243.00
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2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT			
1)	WHITEFISH		137,308
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Lake Erie (State License Only)			
2018			
SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	0	\$0.30	\$0
BUFFALO	11,182	\$0.67	\$7,492
BULLHEAD	4,645	\$0.61	\$2,833
BURBOT	0	\$1.24	\$0
CARP	34,721	\$0.27	\$9,375
CHANNEL CATFISH	51,828	\$0.56	\$29,024
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	0	\$4.48	\$0
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	118,000	\$0.10	\$11,800
GOLD FISH	11,428	\$1.00	\$11,428
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	11,335	\$0.55	\$6,234
ROCK BASS	0	\$1.52	\$0
SHEEPHEAD	4,549	\$0.35	\$1,592
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	149	\$0.35	\$52
WHITE BASS	50,444	\$1.62	\$81,719
WHITE PERCH	4,747	\$1.49	\$7,073
WHITEFISH	4,100	\$1.99	\$8,159
YELLOW PERCH	0	\$3.43	\$0
FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)			307,128
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE			\$176,782
2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE			
1)	WHITE BASS		\$81,719
2)	CHANNEL CATFISH		\$29,024
3)	GIZZARD SHAD		\$11,800
4)	GOLD FISH		\$11,428
5)	WHITEFISH		\$8,159
2018: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT			
1)	GIZZARD SHAD	118,000	
2)	CHANNEL CATFISH	51,828	
3)	WHITE BASS	50,444	
4)	CARP	34,721	
5)	GOLD FISH	11,428	

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