



## **2012 State-Licensed Commercial Fishing Data for Michigan**

This report contains a full breakdown of the harvest and dockside value of the 2012 state-licensed commercial fishery, as well as the harvest and value breakdown for each of the Great Lakes.

Entire State-Licensed Commercial Fishery			
2012			
SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	1,915	\$0.50	\$958
BUFFALO	226,548	\$0.47	\$106,478
BULLHEAD	25,274	\$0.47	\$11,879
BURBOT	511	\$1.00	\$511
CARP	519,424	\$0.27	\$140,244
CHANNEL CATFISH	297,212	\$0.51	\$151,578
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	308	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	583	\$2.46	\$1,434
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	110,800	\$0.20	\$22,160
GOLD FISH	57,041	\$0.99	\$56,471
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	120,309	\$0.32	\$38,499
ROCK BASS	1,688	\$0.92	\$1,553
SHEEPHEAD	171,985	\$0.22	\$37,837
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	18,456	\$0.19	\$3,507
WHITE BASS	101,151	\$0.69	\$69,794
WHITE PERCH	27,852	\$0.50	\$13,926
WHITEFISH	1,997,409	\$1.61	\$3,215,828
YELLOW PERCH	85,563	\$2.52	\$215,619
FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)			3,762,114
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE			\$4,087,317
2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE			
1)	WHITEFISH		\$3,215,828
2)	YELLOW PERCH		\$215,619
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH		\$151,578
4)	CARP		\$140,244
5)	BUFFALO		\$106,478
2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT			
1)	WHITEFISH		1,997,409
2)	CARP		519,424
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH		297,212
4)	BUFFALO		226,548
5)	SHEEPHEAD		171,985

NOTE: Dressed Wt. = 1.17 conversion factor

Lake Michigan (State License Only)

2012

SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	0	\$0.50	\$0
BUFFALO	0	\$0.47	\$0
BULLHEAD	0	\$0.47	\$0
BURBOT	32	\$1.00	\$32
CARP	106	\$0.27	\$29
CHANNEL CATFISH	43	\$0.51	\$22
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	308	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	0	\$2.46	\$0
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	0	\$0.20	\$0
GOLD FISH	0	\$0.99	\$0
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	0	\$0.32	\$0
ROCK BASS	0	\$0.92	\$0
SHEEPHEAD	0	\$0.22	\$0
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	0	\$0.19	\$0
WHITE BASS	0	\$0.69	\$0
WHITE PERCH	0	\$0.50	\$0
WHITEFISH	704,817	\$1.61	\$1,134,755
YELLOW PERCH	0	\$2.52	\$0

FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)	705,306
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE	\$1,134,838

NOTE: Dressed Wt. = 1.17 conversion factor

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE

1)	WHITEFISH	\$1,134,838
2)	CHANNEL CATFISH	
3)	CARP	
4)	GOLD FISH	
5)	YELLOW PERCH	

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT

1)	WHITEFISH	704,817
2)	CARP	
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH	
4)	SHEEPHEAD	
5)	BUFFALO	

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2012

SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	0	\$0.50	\$0
BUFFALO	5,291	\$0.47	\$2,487
BULLHEAD	824	\$0.47	\$387
BURBOT	479	\$1.00	\$479
CARP	9,621	\$0.27	\$2,598
CHANNEL CATFISH	162,167	\$0.51	\$82,705
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	583	\$2.46	\$1,434
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	0	\$0.20	\$0
GOLD FISH	0	\$0.99	\$0
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	27,894	\$0.32	\$8,926
ROCK BASS	1,688	\$0.92	\$1,553
SHEEPHEAD	33,308	\$0.22	\$7,328
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	5,684	\$0.19	\$1,080
WHITE BASS	4,220	\$0.69	\$2,912
WHITE PERCH	1,771	\$0.50	\$886
WHITEFISH	923,412	\$1.61	\$1,486,693
YELLOW PERCH	85,563	\$2.52	\$215,619

FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb) 1,262,505  
 FISHERY TOTAL VALUE \$1,815,086

NOTE: Dressed Wt. = 1.17 conversion factor

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE

1)	WHITEFISH	\$1,486,693
2)	YELLOW PERCH	\$215,619
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH	\$82,705
4)	QUILLBACK	\$8,926
5)	SHEEPHEAD	\$7,328

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT

1)	WHITEFISH	923,412
2)	CHANNEL CATFISH	162,167
3)	YELLOW PERCH	85,563
4)	SHEEPHEAD	33,308
5)	QUILLBACK	27,894

Lake Superior (State License Only)

2012

SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	0	\$0.50	\$0
BUFFALO	0	\$0.47	\$0
BULLHEAD	0	\$0.47	\$0
BURBOT	0	\$1.00	\$0
CARP	0	\$0.27	\$0
CHANNEL CATFISH	0	\$0.51	\$0
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	0	\$2.46	\$0
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	0	\$0.20	\$0
GOLD FISH	0	\$0.99	\$0
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	0	\$0.32	\$0
ROCK BASS	0	\$0.92	\$0
SHEEPHEAD	0	\$0.22	\$0
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	0	\$0.19	\$0
WHITE BASS	0	\$0.69	\$0
WHITE PERCH	0	\$0.50	\$0
WHITEFISH	362,744	\$1.61	\$584,018
YELLOW PERCH	0	\$2.52	\$0

FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb)	362,744
FISHERY TOTAL VALUE	\$584,018

NOTE: Dressed Wt. = 1.17  
conversion factor

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE

1)	WHITEFISH	\$584,018.00
2)	CHANNEL CATFISH	
3)	CARP	
4)	GOLD FISH	
5)	YELLOW PERCH	

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT

1)	WHITEFISH	362,744
2)	CARP	
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH	
4)	SHEEPHEAD	
5)	BUFFALO	

Lake Erie (State Licenses Only)

2012

SPECIES	lb (ROUND)	PRICE/POUND (AVG)	TOTAL \$
ALEWIFE	0	NA	\$0
BOWFIN	1,915	\$0.50	\$958
BUFFALO	221,257	\$0.47	\$103,991
BULLHEAD	24,450	\$0.47	\$11,492
BURBOT	0	\$1.00	\$0
CARP	509,697	\$0.27	\$137,618
CHANNEL CATFISH	135,002	\$0.51	\$68,851
CHUB (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
CRAPPIE	0	\$2.46	\$0
GAR PIKE	0	NA	\$0
GIZZARD SHAD	110,800	\$0.20	\$22,160
GOLD FISH	57,041	\$0.99	\$56,471
LAKE HERRING (Dressed Wt.)	0	NA	\$0
LEAN LAKE TROUT	0	NA	\$0
MENOMINEE	0	NA	\$0
QUILLBACK	92,415	\$0.32	\$29,573
ROCK BASS	0	\$0.92	\$0
SHEEPHEAD	137,677	\$0.22	\$30,289
SMELT	0	NA	\$0
SUCKER	12,772	\$0.19	\$2,427
WHITE BASS	96,931	\$0.69	\$66,882
WHITE PERCH	26,081	\$0.50	\$13,041
WHITEFISH	6,436	\$1.61	\$10,362
YELLOW PERCH	0	\$2.52	\$0

FISHERY TOTAL PRODUCTION (ROUND lb) 1,430,559  
 FISHERY TOTAL VALUE \$553,155

NOTE: Dressed Wt. = 1.17 conversion factor

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN VALUE

1)	CARP	\$137,618.00
2)	BUFFALO	\$103,991
3)	CHANNEL CATFISH	\$68,851
4)	WHITE BASS	\$66,882
5)	GOLD FISH	\$56,471

2012: TOP 5 SPECIES IN ROUND POUNDS CAUGHT

1)	CARP	509,697
2)	BUFFALO	221,257
3)	SHEEPHEAD	137,677
4)	CHANNEL CATFISH	135,002
5)	GIZZARD SHAD	110,800