

2004 KDWP ANNUAL REPORT

The Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks is a century old this year. Reviewing the accomplishments of 2004 provides a sense for the similarities — and the differences — between our first year and our 100th year.

In many respects, our challenges today are much the same as those that faced our forebears in 1905. We still must accommodate the divergent opinions and preferences of Kansans to ensure fair distribution of outdoor recreation opportunities. We still must work to minimize the effects of environmental degradation and conversion of wildlife habitats to other uses. And we still are challenged by changes in our society. Through it all, we are committed to the same vision that guided our predecessors: To conserve and enhance our state's diverse natural resources, and to provide opportunities for public enjoyment of those resources.

Listed below are a few highlights of 2004.

- KDWP's Environmental Services Section completed the tenth year of its stream survey program. More than 1,000 surveys have been completed, documenting aquatic life and habitat quality in river basins around the state.

- The Kansas Hunter Education Program surpassed an impressive milestone, with more than 400,000 students having completed the course since its inception in 1973. Volunteer instructors provide the training for about 12,000 hunters annually.

- The number of certified Outdoor Wildlife Learning Sites (OWLS) surpassed 200, enhancing environmental education at schools across Kansas.

- Using 75 percent federal funding, the department completed 30 boating access projects (boat ramps, courtesy docks, toilets, and parking lots) in 2004. The department maintains more than 230 boat ramps, and associated facilities on public land.

- Tuttle Creek and Milford state parks added rental cabins in 2004, joining Cheney, Lovewell, Cedar Bluff, Eisenhower, Webster, and El Dorado state parks already providing cabins. Cabins are scheduled for construction at Perry, Cross Timbers and Prairie Dog state parks in 2005.

- The popular Walk-In Hunting Areas (WIHA)

program opened more than 1 million acres of the state to hunting access in 2004. In addition, the department leases private land for spring turkey WIHA areas (about 115,000 acres annually).

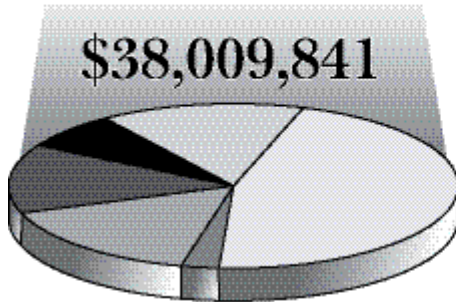
- The Fishing Impoundments and Stream Habitats Program — the angling counterpart to WIHA — opens more than 1,200 acres of private ponds and 87 miles of privately-held streams to public fishing access from April through October.

- In 2004 and 2005, the department negotiated agreements with local communities to eliminate access fees at 206 community lakes in Kansas. The cost of the Community Fisheries Assistance Program (CFAP) is paid by Federal Sportfish Restoration funds. Anglers benefit by removal of fees, and participating community lakes receive enhanced department fisheries management.

- Each year, the department's four fish hatcheries (Pratt, Milford, Meade, and Farlington) have cultured and distributed 100 million fry, one-half million fingerlings and 250,000 intermediate sportfish to public fishing waters around the state.

- In 2004, the department contracted with a private company to develop an automated licensing system (Kansas Outdoor Automated Licensing System). Licenses, permits and registrations issued by the department are now processed through a centralized, secure database. The system substantially enhances sales, accounting, and law enforcement capabilities of the department. Once a customer record is entered into the system, vendors will no longer need to hand-write customer information for each issuance they sell; the database will contain that information, which can be easily recalled for any subsequent purchase by that customer. Real time monitoring of license and permit sales will enhance management of resources and facilities by allowing department staff to adjust immediately to fluctuations in demand, as reflected in sales figures. Law enforcement effectiveness will be enhanced, since an officer will be able to cross check information contained in the database to confirm license and permit information any time of the day, any day of the year.

Revenue



Hunt/Fish License Sales	\$17,444,252	46 %
Hunt/Fish Federal Aid	\$7,552,590	20 %
Park Permits	\$4,990,512	13 %
Boat Registrations	\$801,195	2 %
Other Federal Aid	\$1,222,973	11 %
State General Fund	\$2,998,319	8 %
Totals	\$38,009,841	100 %

FISHING, HUNTING, FURHARVESTING

License/permit	Number sold	Revenue
Resident Fish (\$18.00)	161,661	\$2,909,898
Combination Fish/Hunt (\$36)	37,280	\$1,342,080
]Nonresident Fish (\$40)	8,565	\$342,600
Five-Day Trip Fish (\$20)	4,603	\$92,060
24-Hour Fish (\$5)	60,252	\$301,260
Trout Stamp (\$10)	7,173	\$71,730
Lifetime Fish (\$300)	232	\$69,600
Lifetime Comb. Fish/Hunt (\$600)	571	\$342,600
Lifetime Hunt (\$300)	1,077	\$304,800
Resident Hunt (\$18)	83,880	\$1,509,840
Nonresident Hunt (\$70)	53,890	\$3,772,300
Nonresident Junior Hunt (\$35)	2,062	\$72,170
Controlled Shooting Area (\$15)	9,354	\$140,310
48-Hour Waterfowl (\$25)	671	\$16,775
Deer Permit (variable)	156,722	\$4,794,195
Turkey Permit (variable)	70,121	\$1,263,340
Adult Furharvester (\$18)	5,383	\$96,894
Junior Furharvester (\$10)	180	\$1,800
TOTAL	663,677	\$17,444,252

THREE- YEAR BOAT REGISTRATIONS

Registration Type	Number Sold	Revenue
Boats under 16 feet (\$20)	16,641	\$332,820
Boats over 16 feet (\$25)	18,735	\$468,375
TOTAL	35,376	\$801,195

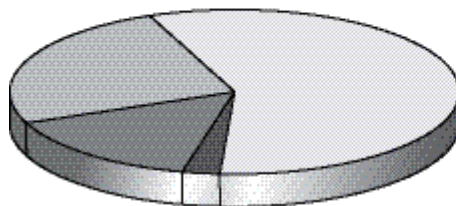
STATE PARKS

Permit Type	Number Sold	Revenue
Annual Vehicle (variable)	35,889	\$1,264,564
Annual Camp (\$150)	3,066	\$459,900
Second Vehicle (variable)	3,797	\$257,943
Duplicate Vehicle (\$10)	1,005	\$10,050
Daily Vehicle (variable)	212,381	\$1,134,809
Daily Camp (variable)	86,615	\$599,342
14-Day Camp (variable)	2,174	\$154,100
Utility (1-\$5.50)	14,122	\$77,671
Utility (2-\$7.50)	114,580	\$859,350
Utility (3-\$8.50)	20,244	\$172,074
Group Camping (variable)	292	\$709
TOTAL	494,165	\$4,990,512

FEDERAL AID

Coast Guard (boating safety)	\$ 6 2 1 , 7 8 3
Dingell-Johnson (fish)	\$3,657,056
Pittman-Robertson (wildlife)	\$3,895,534
Other	\$3,601,010
TOTAL	\$11,775,383

Expenditures



Fish & Wildlife	62 %
Parks	25 %
Administration	10 %
Boating	3 %
Totals	100 %