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Representing Over 7,500 Recreational Anglers

RI Recreational Saltwater Fishing Licenses Annual Report Released

Shows number of licenses sold, fees collected, 2018 expenditures, and 2019 proposed expenditures to improve fishing opportunities



During 2018 Rhode Island issued **50,795** recreational saltwater fishing licenses resulting in \$330,444 gross revenue and \$233,934 in net revenue.

Of those, 12,198 were purchased by non-RI residents.



The Rhode Island Recreational Saltwater License Program, which was enacted into law in 2010, has an “Accountability and Oversight” section which mandates that, on an annual basis, RIDEM shall provide a report detailing the number of licenses issued, total revenue and expenditures made and plans to allocate and use the fee revenue during the next year. (to page 25)

Junior Member
Hayes Jansen

and his brother Flynn caught plenty of shad last fall while fishing with his grandfather, member **RICK BLACK**, in Point Judith Pond.



Recreational fishing is worth \$412 MILLION to the Rhode Island economy and over 4,000 jobs!

16 YEARS! NEW ENGLAND **SALTWATER FISHING SHOW** March 22 - 24, 2019 NESaltwaterShow.com

2019 Saltwater Fishing Show Sets Another New Attendance Record

At the end of each day of the three-day show we were told the count showed an increase in attendance, and this unofficial count put the attendance to 15,500. Everyone on the Show Committee was pleased that we beat the 2018 record attendance of 15,400.

But then, days later, when the official count came in, we learned that the actual attendance was 15,600!

While the public has proven they love this show, there is no shortage of exhibitors who also want to be part of it, and every year there is a waiting list of exhibitors wanting to be part of the show, since all spaces always are sold.

RISAA has already contracted with the Rhode Island Convention Center for the next show: **March 27-29, 2020!**