



State Highlights in Conservation: South Dakota

Profile of State Program(s)

South Dakota Game Fish and Parks – Wildlife

Division: The Wildlife Division funds land acquisition through the sale of hunting and fishing licenses.

South Dakota Game Fish and Parks – Parks Division:

The Parks Division occasionally acquires land through the sale of park entrance licenses and camping permits.

Local Financing Enabled

Though not often utilized, counties or municipalities in South Dakota have the authority to pass bonds, sales taxes or property taxes for the purposes of funding land conservation. A 60 percent majority vote is necessary to pass a bond.

Local Programs Included

No county-level conservation finance measures have been approved by voters in South Dakota. For more information, visit www.landvote.org.

Federal Partnerships

Federal agencies and programs that have conserved land in South Dakota include:

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Migratory Bird Conservation Fund (MBCF)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA)
- U.S. Forest Service
- U.S. National Park Service
- U.S. National Park Service – LWCF Stateside
- U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service – Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)
- U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service – Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)

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The Conservation Almanac

A comprehensive database of land conservation and public conservation funding in America, the Conservation Almanac provides a context for assessing impacts of conservation and the growing conservation finance movement. The Almanac offers information on public dollars spent and acres conserved, details on local, state, and federal conservation programs, and geospatial mapping of conserved land.

Almanac data collection efforts focus on land conserved using public dollars; contributions funded by private and non-governmental organizations are not tracked comprehensively. Federal data is complete from 1998-2017. State and local data is complete from 1998-2011. In the tables and charts below, acres are allocated to each program proportionate to the size of the contributions to each acquisition. For example, if an acquisition had two contributions, and each program contributed equal dollar amounts, each program receives 50% of the acres. If you have questions or want to provide updated information, please contact Jessica Welch at jessica.welch@tpl.org.

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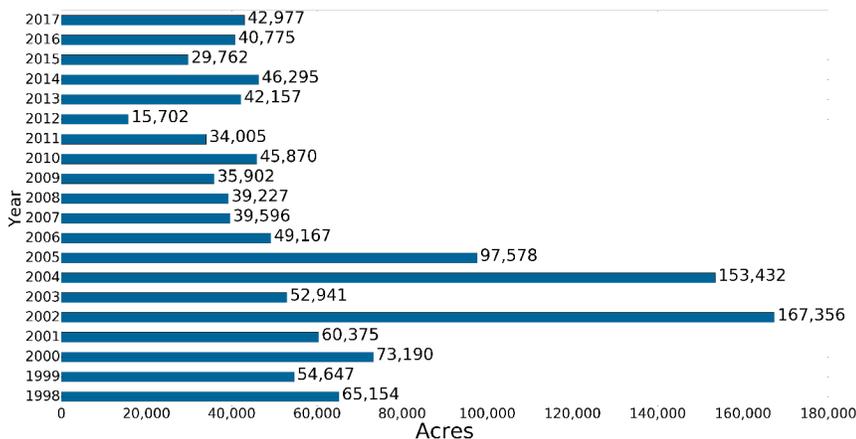
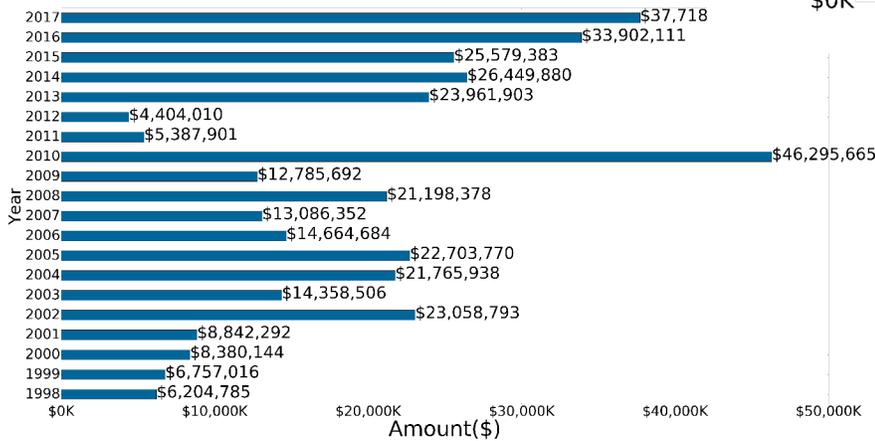
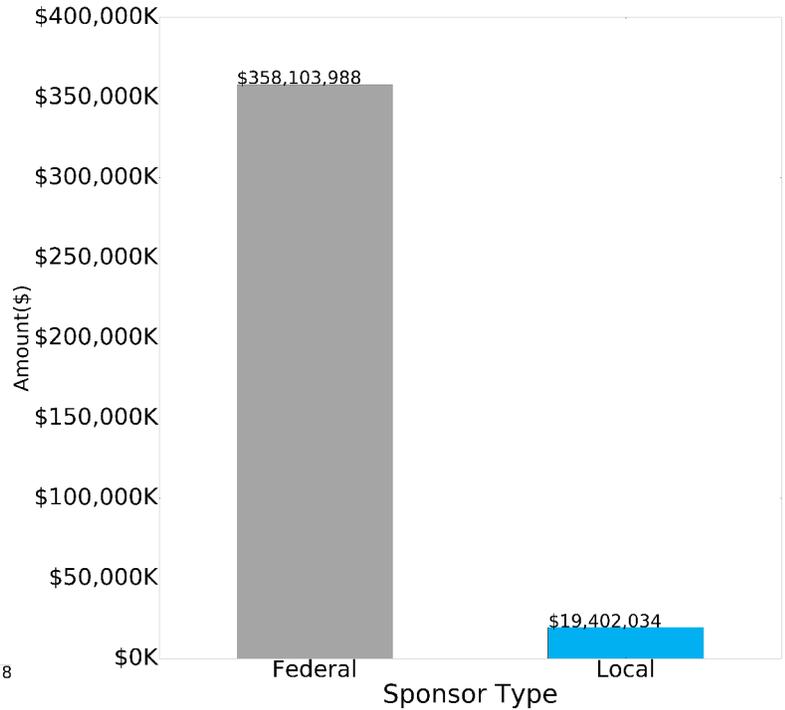
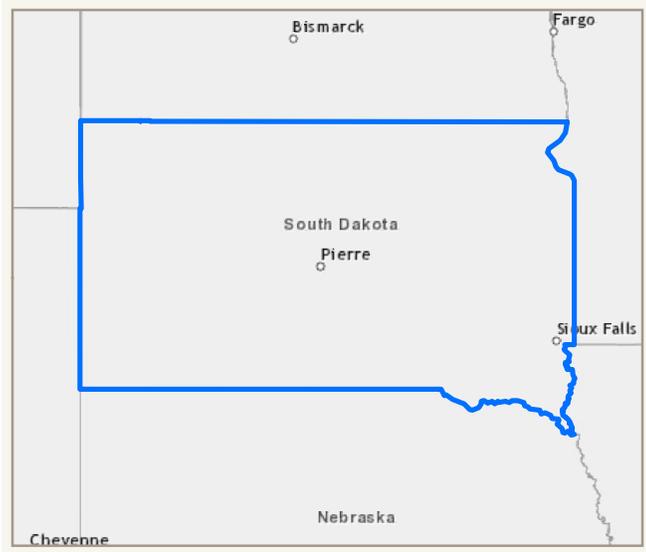
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