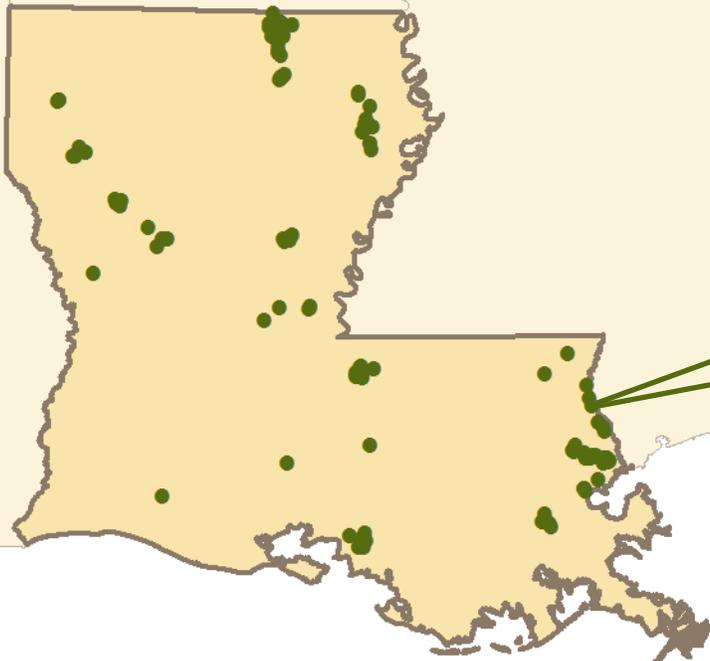


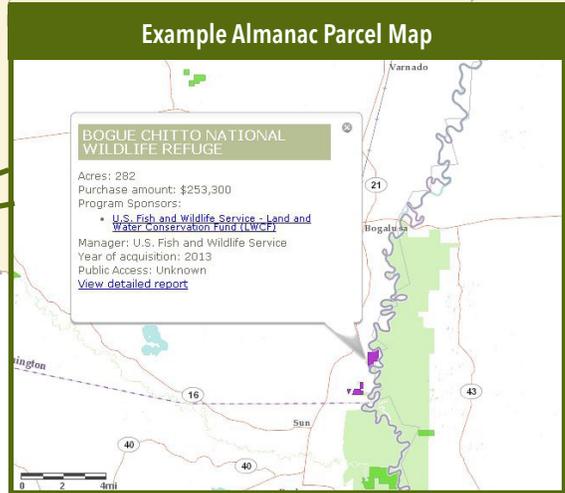


CONSERVATION ALMANAC

Tracking Investments in Protected Lands



State Dollars Spent and Acres Conserved (1998-2011)*		
State	Dollars	Acres
Alabama	\$142,262,301	140,590
Arkansas	\$55,189,451	78,839
Mississippi	\$24,531,541	26,341
Louisiana	\$24,369,834	23,121



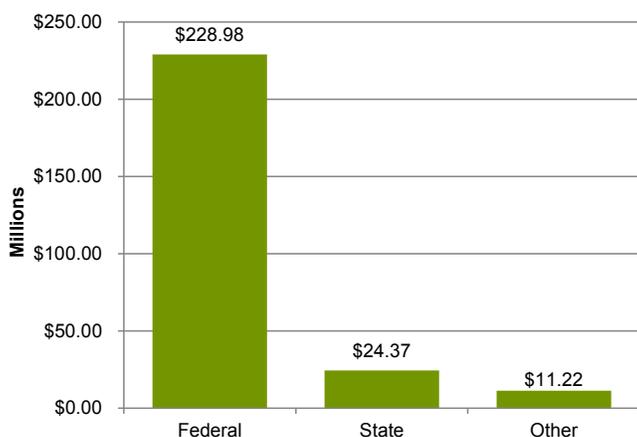
STATE HIGHLIGHTS IN CONSERVATION: *Louisiana*

Conservation in Louisiana

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is responsible for managing and protecting the state's natural resources. Private donations fund a significant portion of the land acquisition transactions conducted by the department.

A total of 583,296 acres were conserved in the state

Spending for acquisition by level of government, 1998-2013**



from 1998-2013, and over \$264 million was invested in land conservation and natural resource protection.

State Investment in Land Conservation

Louisiana funds conservation using private donations, revenue from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, general obligation bonds, and severance taxes on offshore oil drilling.

- Louisiana Duck Stamp Fund - acquires land using revenue from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses.
- Wildlife Habitat and Natural Heritage Trust Fund - established in 1998 to conserve critical wildlife habitat and unique natural areas. Funds come from a severance tax on offshore oil drilling.
 - The severance tax also funds wetland restoration through the Wetland Conservation and Restoration Trust Fund.
- Office of State Parks - has used some state general obligation bond funds to acquire land. Park user fees fund operations and maintenance costs.

Local Investment

Local governments in Louisiana are authorized to use general obligation bonds, an annual mill rate allocation, sales tax districts, or parish-wide recreation district property taxes to fund land acquisition. They may also use bonds to fund capital improvements.

Federal Investment

The following federal programs and federal agencies have contributed funds and conserved land in Louisiana:

- Natural Resources Conservation Service
 - Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)
- NOAA - Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - LWCF Federal
 - Migratory Bird Conservation Fund (MBCF)
 - North American Wetlands Conservation Act
- U.S. National Park Service - LWCF Stateside

Note: Parcel-level spatial data is not available for all records included in the Conservation Almanac. In Louisiana we have mapped 15 percent of acres and 28 percent of dollars, shown as points on this map.

*2011 is the year through which most states are updated.
**Statistics are generated using data collected for and included in the Conservation Almanac. Almanac data collection efforts focus on land conserved using public dollars. 'Other' includes contributions funded by private, NGO and unknown funders, and may not be comprehensive.
***Data current as of August 2015.

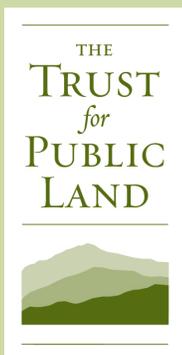
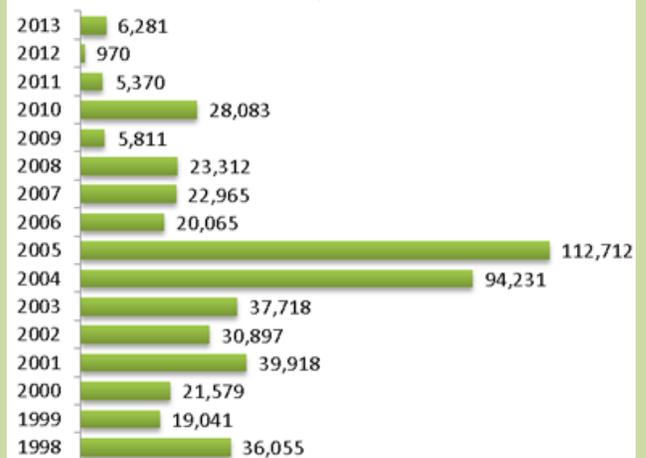
Conservation Snapshot

The tables below provide a snapshot look at land conservation activity through the most common available metrics: public dollars spent and acres conserved. These charts omit parcels not classified as fee simple purchases or conservation easements.

Public Dollars Spent Annually for Conservation, 1998-2013**



Total Acres Conserved Annually, 1998-2013**



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