



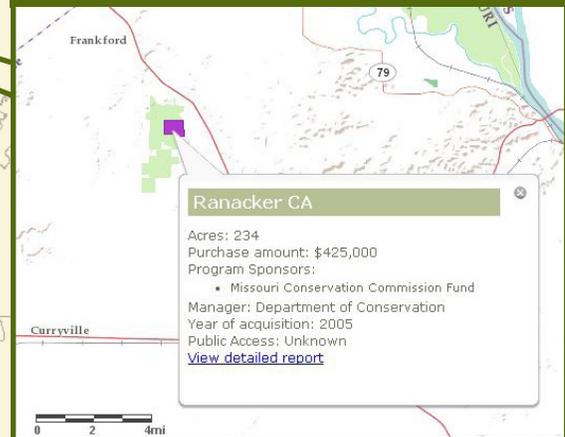
CONSERVATION ALMANAC

Tracking Investments in Protected Lands

State Dollars Spent and Acres Conserved (1998-2011)

State	Dollars	Acres
Illinois	\$282,586,576	75,734
Missouri	\$49,160,428	40,750
Arkansas	\$55,596,967	83,497
Kansas	\$7,631,409	6,229

Example Almanac Parcel Map



STATE HIGHLIGHTS IN CONSERVATION: *Missouri*

Conservation in Missouri

Missouri voters approved a permanent 1/8th of one cent sales tax for land conservation and wildlife management in 1976; today it generates approximately \$100 million annually. A total of 259,960 acres were conserved in the state from 1998-2011, and nearly \$278 million was invested in conservation and natural resource protection.

Spending for acquisition by level of government, 1998-2011*



State Investment in Land Conservation

Missouri funds conservation mainly with revenue from a conservation sales tax and a parks sales tax. In-lieu mitigation fees also fund land conservation and habitat restoration.

- Conservation Commission Fund – permanent 1/8th of one cent sales tax approved by voters in 1976. Generates \$90-100 million/yr. for land conservation, restoration, and management of natural resources.
- Division of State Parks – funded mainly by revenue from voter-approved 1/10th of one cent parks, soils, and water sales tax. First authorized in 1984.
- Stream Stewardship Trust Fund– voluntary in-lieu fee mitigation program established in 2000. Funds 30-year conservation agreements/ permanent easements; stream improvements.

Local Investment

Counties and municipalities in Missouri have uniform authority to issue sales taxes and bonds, revenue from which may fund parks and open space.

In collaboration, residents of St. Louis City, St. Louis County and St. Charles County approved a 1/10th of one cent sales tax in 2000. This measure created the Great Rivers Greenway District and provides annual funding for parks and recreation. In 2013, voters in St. Louis County and City approved a rate increase to 3/16th of one cent to fund regional parks and trails, and improvements to the Gateway Arch grounds.

In total, voters approved 24 measures for land conservation in 17 local jurisdictions since 1988.

Federal Investment

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

- Natural Resources Conservation Service
 - Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program
 - Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)
 - Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - LWCF Federal
 - North American Wetlands Conservation Act
 - Section 6 Grant
- U.S. Forest Service - LWCF Federal
- U.S. National Park Service
 - LWCF Federal and LWCF Stateside

Note: Parcel-level spatial data is not available for all records included in the Conservation Almanac. In Missouri we have mapped 17 percent of acres and 23 percent of dollars, shown as points on this map.

Statistics are generated using data collected for and included in the Conservation Almanac. Almanac data collection efforts focus on land conserved using public dollars: contributions funded by private and non-governmental organizations may not be comprehensive. Data current as of September 2014.

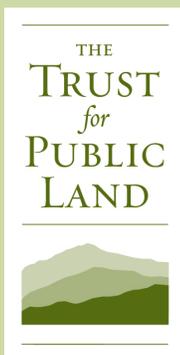
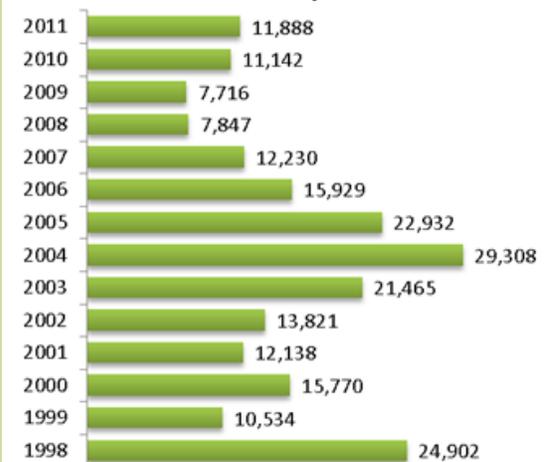
Conservation Snapshot

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, 1998-2011*



Total Acres Conserved Annually, 1998-2011*



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