



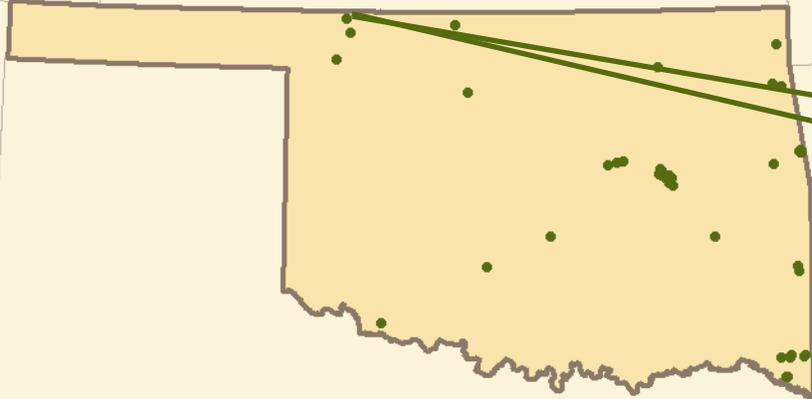
# CONSERVATION ALMANAC

Tracking Investments in Protected Lands

## State Dollars Spent and Acres Conserved (1998-2011)

State	Dollars	Acres
Arkansas	\$55,064,566	78,660
Oklahoma	\$25,019,456	40,181
Texas*	\$22,028,821	115,873
Kansas	\$7,631,409	6,229

\*Data through 2008



### Example Almanac Parcel Map

**Cimarron Hills WMA**

Acres: 3,759  
 Purchase amount: \$2,639,000  
 Program Sponsors:  
 • Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation  
 • U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Manager: Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation  
 Year of acquisition: 2008  
 Public Access: Seasonal  
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## STATE HIGHLIGHTS IN CONSERVATION: *Oklahoma*

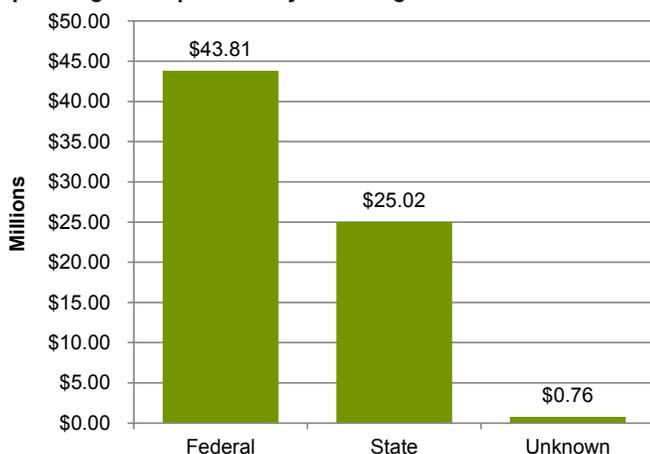
### Conservation in Oklahoma

In Oklahoma, the Department of Wildlife Conservation works actively to acquire land. A total of 125,974 acres were conserved in the state from 1998-2012 using funds from the Department and other sources. Nearly \$69.6 million was invested in land conservation and natural resource protection in the same period.

### State Investment in Land Conservation

The Department of Wildlife Conservation is the only state agency that actively acquires land for conservation in Oklahoma. Funded mainly by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses, other income comes from lease of lands for agriculture and oil/gas production, and sale of timber.

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



The Department receives no appropriations from general state tax revenue.

## Local Investment

Oklahoma authorizes counties and municipalities to issue debt to be used by public utilities, including public parks. Counties may also levy a general sales tax, up to 2 percent. Any county sales tax must be approved by a majority of voters at the ballot.

The following municipalities have approved one or more conservation finance measures at the ballot:

- Bartlesville
- Cushing
- Durant
- Edmond
- Moore
- Sand Springs

## Federal Investment

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

- 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

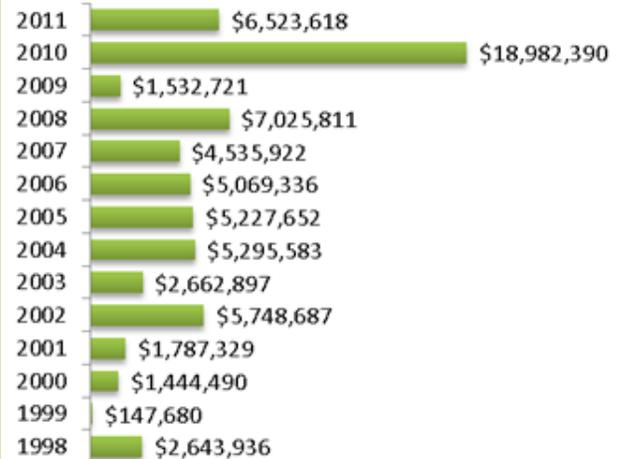
Note: Parcel-level spatial data is not available for all records included in the Conservation Almanac. In Oklahoma we have mapped 25 percent of acres and 23 percent of dollars, shown as points on this map.

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.

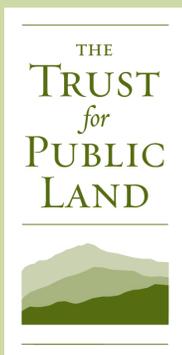
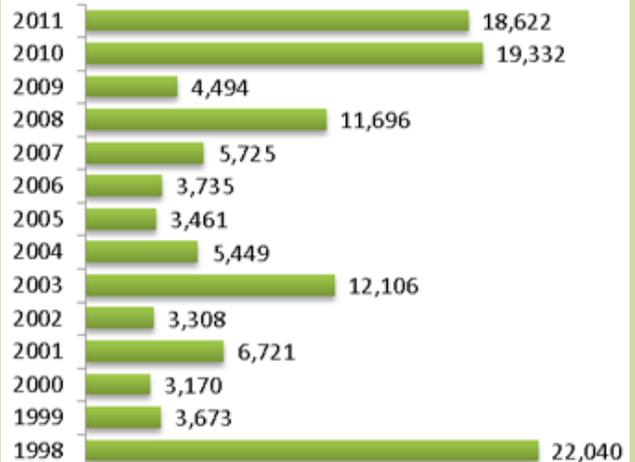
## Conservation Snapshot

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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## THE CONSERVATION ALMANAC

A comprehensive database of land conservation and 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 provides geospatial mapping of conserved land.