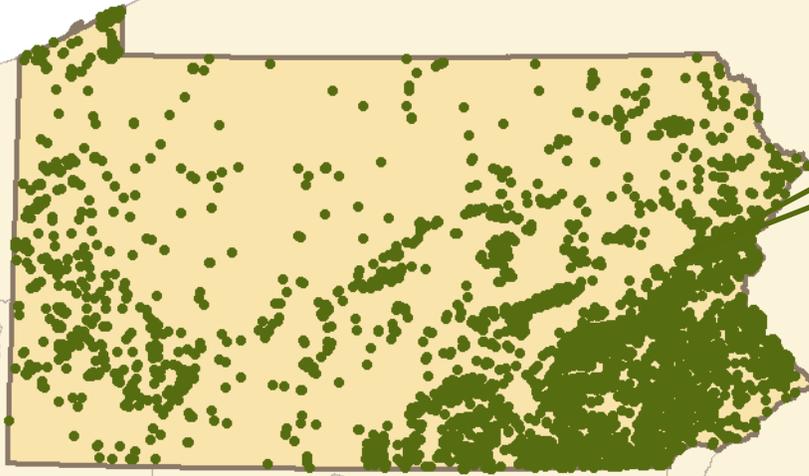




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Tracking Investments in Protected Lands

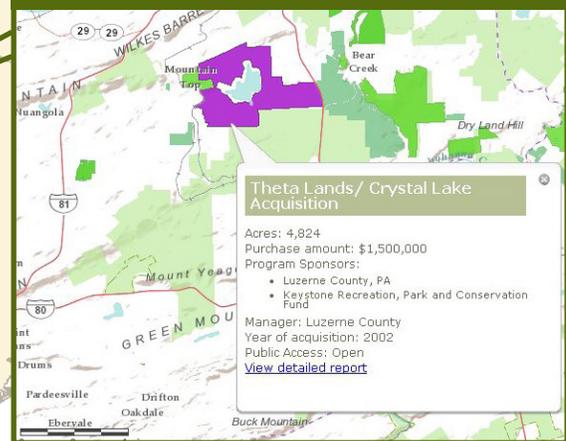


State Dollars Spent and Acres Conserved (1998-2011)

State	Dollars	Acres
New Jersey*		
New York	\$1,157,279,097	562,561
Pennsylvania	\$926,458,496	335,853
Ohio	\$472,110,866	132,690

*Update in progress

Example Almanac Parcel Map

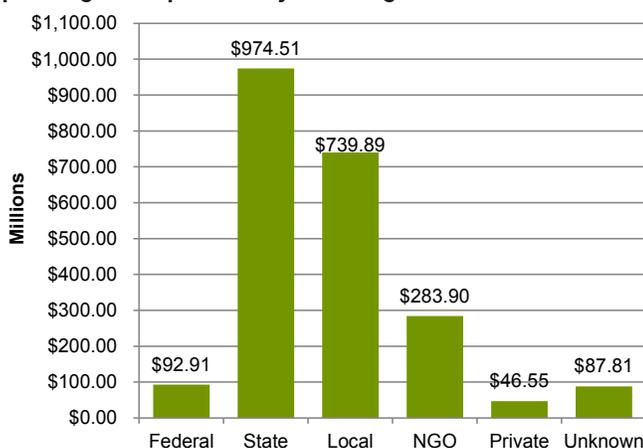


STATE HIGHLIGHTS IN CONSERVATION: *Pennsylvania*

Conservation in Pennsylvania

Since 1988, Pennsylvania State Government and voters have shown continued approval of and investment in statewide land conservation programs: a total 656,914 acres were conserved in the state 1998-2011. Over \$2.22 billion was invested in land conservation and natural resource protection in the same period.

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



State Investment in Land Conservation

Pennsylvania funds conservation with direct appropriations from the general fund, bonds, and revenue from refuse tipping fees, the cigarette tax, and a portion of the real estate transfer tax.

- Act 13 of 2012 –Legislation increased portion of oil and gas extraction revenue for conservation, authorized drilling impact fees. Funds state and local conservation programs.
- Growing Greener II approved in 2005 (expired 2012). \$625 million statewide bond dedicated nearly \$300 million for conservation.
- Growing Greener I (Environmental Stewardship Fund) created in 1999. Dedicated \$650 million in bonds for farmland preservation/open space conservation. Extended through 2012.
- Key 93 – approved by voters in 1993. Five year \$50 million bond, dedicated 15% of state's share of real estate transfer tax for land acquisition and preservation.

Local Investment

Pennsylvania authorizes municipalities to adopt real estate transfer or earned income taxes; local governments may also issue general obligation bonds for conservation.

Since 1998, 104 measures have been approved by voters in 7 counties and 77 municipalities.

Federal Investment

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

- Natural Resources Conservation Service
 - Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program
 - Grassland Reserve Program (GRP)
 - Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - LWCF Federal
 - National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grants
 - North American Wetlands Conservation Act
- U.S. National Park Service
 - LWCF Federal and LWCF Stateside

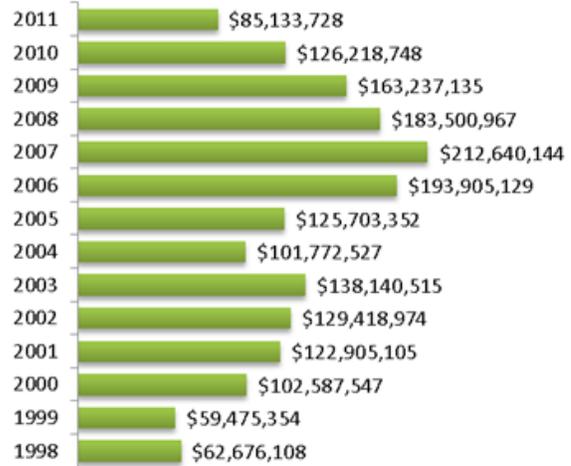
Note: Parcel-level spatial data is not available for all records included in the Conservation Almanac. In Pennsylvania we have mapped 66 percent of acres and 63 percent of dollars, shown as points on this map.

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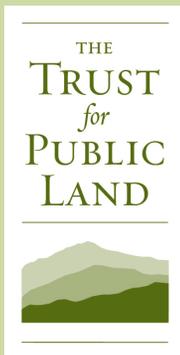
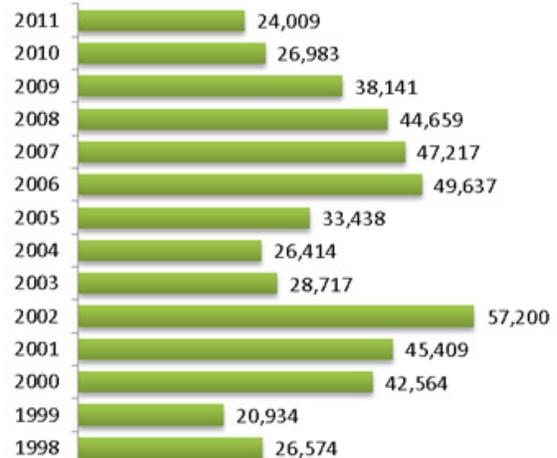
Conservation Snapshot

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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