

CENTURY CODE - CHAPTER 20.1-02 (2005)

GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT

20.1-02-16.5. Motorboat programs and safety account - Use.

The director shall deposit all motorboat license fees in a special account within the game and fish fund to be known as the motorboat programs and safety account. Funds placed in the motorboat programs and safety account may be used only for construction and installation of boat launching facilities, fish cleaning and comfort stations, boating enforcement, boating safety education, and boat licensing administration. All money derived from the investment of the account, or portions of the account, must be credited in accordance with section 20.1-02-16.1.

20.1-02-16.6. Motorboat programs and safety account - Transfer from highway tax distribution fund.

On July first of each year the state treasurer shall transfer from the highway tax distribution fund, before allocation of the fund under section 54-27-19, to the motorboat programs and safety account an amount equal to two dollars and fifty cents multiplied by the number of motorboats licensed with the game and fish department as of July first of that year.

North Dakota Boat Gas Tax

	1996	2016
Gallons Used*	68	90
State Gas Tax	\$0.18	\$0.23
Avg Boat Gas Tax	\$12.24	\$20.70
NDCC 20.1-02-16 Provision	\$2.50	\$2.50

**internal estimate for 2016*

National Study

New Study Reveals 142 Million Americans Went Boating in 2016

- On average, active boaters spend an average of 71.5 boating hours per season.
- There is a strong connection between fishing and boating: 83 percent of active anglers were also active boaters.
- Boating is a social pastime. Almost all active boaters say they spend time with friends or family while boating (95 percent). Enjoying nature (94 percent) and relaxing (93 percent) are also nearly universal boating experiences.