



**INITIATION OF
HUNTER EDUCATION RULE
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USA TODAY
American hunter is a vanishing breed
By Greg Savel, USA TODAY
States that why an estimated 10 million of hunters in hunting license fees annually to pay for environmental conservation are being...


ATLANTIC COUNTY
"They don't want to hunt anymore."
Veteran hunters blame distracted youth for decline in numbers

Idaho Statesman
Oregon's decline in hunting and fishing highlights the importance of healthy wildlife and access

The Washington Times
Fewer hunters, anglers hurts wildlife agency

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State and nationwide decline in hunting participation

The New York Times
As Hunting Declines, Conservation Efforts Suffer

Post INDEPENDENT CITIZEN TELEGRAM
Serving Glenwood Springs and Rifle, CO
Hunter numbers are on the decline

MADISON.COM
Expert: Decline in hunting numbers real concern

CBSNEWS
Number Of Hunters In U.S. Declining

REALTREE
Are Small Game Hunters Going Extinct?
Participation in small-game hunting continues to decline

Missoulian
Census: More people fishing, fewer hunting in Montana

capital public radio | NEWS
Hunting On The Decline In California

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette
post-gazette.com
Decline in anglers reflected in spending on trout stocking

OWATONNA.com | Peoples Press
Study finds fewer young anglers

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PRIMARY REASONS FOR DECLINE

HUNTING

- Competing Interests
- Lack of Opportunity
- Lack of Mentors
- Hunter Ed Requirements
- Lack of Exposure
- Lack of Hunting Success
- Lack of Family Incentives
- Urbanization
- Schools No Longer Teach Conservation
- Negative firearms Attitudes
- Regulation Complexity
- Lack Skills-Based Training
- Cost to Participate

FISHING

- Not Enough Time
- Health/Age
- Takes Time Away From Family
- Other Interests
- Cost of License
- Work/School Obligations
- Costs Associated with Boating
- Cost of Equipment
- No One to Fish With
- Access to Fishing Areas
- License Requirements & Regulations
- Don't Catch Enough Fish

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-  States with Apprentices Program
-  States with NO Program or Measure

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