

Recreational Boating

AN AMERICAN PASTIME & ECONOMIC ENGINE

CHICAGO METRO

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ANNUAL ECONOMIC
IMPACT IN CHICAGO

**\$2.1
BILLION**

INCLUDES MANUFACTURERS
AND SUPPLIERS, SALES AND
SERVICES, BOATING ACTIVITIES,
AND BUSINESS TAX REVENUE

SUPPORTS

8,533

CHICAGO JOBS

5,612 DIRECT JOBS &
2,921 INDIRECT JOBS

436

BUSINESSES IN
CHICAGO



141.6 MILLION

AMERICANS GO BOATING EACH YEAR



U.S. BOATING
IS A NET EXPORTER

\$1.5 BILLION
ANNUAL BOAT EXPORTS



245,621

REGISTERED BOATS IN ILLINOIS



ANNUAL RETAIL SALES
OF NEW BOATS, ENGINES
& MARINE ACCESSORIES
IN ILLINOIS

\$499 MILLION



95%

OF BOATS SOLD IN THE
U.S. ARE
made in the U.S.



62%

OF BOAT OWNERS HAVE
AN ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD
INCOME OF
\$100,000 or less



84%

OF U.S. BOAT
MANUFACTURERS ARE
small businesses



95%

OF BOATS IN THE U.S. ARE
SMALL, TOWABLE BOATS
under 26ft