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**Title:** The Welfare Effects of Toxic Contamination in Freshwater Fish

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**Abstract:**

The study estimates the benefits of removing toxic contamination from New York state water bodies by linking the Environmental Protection Agency's Aquatic Based Recreation Survey with water quality data from the New York Department of Environmental Conservation.

It was found that the elimination of toxic contamination from New York lakes and ponds would generate an annual benefit of about \$63 per New York resident, per season.