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## Interesting Facts About Wisconsin Christmas Trees

Economic impact of the Christmas tree industry in Wisconsin	\$50 million
Christmas trees harvested in Wisconsin annually	1.8 million
Number of wreaths & garland made each year in Wisconsin	over 600,000
Acres of Christmas trees in Wisconsin	36,000
Christmas tree farms in Wisconsin	1,387

Size of farms: 39% of farms are less than 10 acres, 24% are 10-19 acres, 24% are 20-49 acres, 13% are 50+ acres.

Principal trees grown in Wisconsin: Balsam Fir, Fraser Fir, Scotch Pine, White Pine and Spruce, including White, Black Hills, Colorado Blue

Wisconsin is ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the number of trees harvested across the nation. The top five are Oregon, North Carolina, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.

Wisconsin members have won the National Christmas Tree Contest six times and had the privilege of presenting a tree to the President of the United States for display in the Blue Room at The White House. The most recent was in 2003.

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