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NB: The table in the book includes some "non-member" organizations, but the overall totals are not much different.

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**Table 3.1 Membership Trends of Selected Environmental Organizations, 1950-2003\***

<b>Organization</b>	<b>1950-51</b>	<b>1960-61</b>	<b>1965-66</b>	<b>1970-71</b>	<b>1975-76</b>	<b>1980-81</b>	<b>1985-86</b>	<b>1991-92</b>	<b>1996-97</b>	<b>2002-03</b>
Sierra Club	7,000	16,500	31,000	124,000	165,000	246,000	378,000	615,000	569,000	736,000
National Audubon Society	17,000	32,000	40,500	115,000	321,000	400,000	500,000	600,000	550,000	550,000
National Parks Conservation Association	5,400	15,000	31,000	49,000	45,000	27,500	45,000	230,000	375,000	375,000
Izaak Walton League	40,000	51,000	52,000	54,000	50,000	47,930	45,000	51,000	42,500	45,000
The Wilderness Society	5,000	10,000	28,000	62,000	62,500	52,000	145,000	365,000	237,000	225,000
National Wildlife Federation**			256,000	540,000	612,000	818,000	900,000	997,000	650,000	650,000
Ducks Unlimited								469,000	600,000	656,000
Defenders of Wildlife				13,000		50,000	75,000	77,000	215,000	463,000
The Nature Conservancy				22,000		80,000	365,000	545,000	865,000	972,000
World Wildlife Fund--US							450,000	970,000	1,200,000	1,200,000
Environmental Defense				20,000	37,000	46,000	65,000	175,000	300,000	350,000
Friends of the Earth#				7,000		25,000	15,000	30,000	20,000	35,000
<i>Environmental Action</i> †				7,000	20,000	21,000	15,000	19,000	12,000	n/a
Natural Resources Defense Council				5,000		40,000	65,000	170,000	260,000	450,000
League of Conservation Voters						35,000		25,000	30,000	60,000
Greenpeace USA						250,000	800,000	2,225,000	400,000	250,000
Earthjustice								120,000		70,000
Clean Water Action							400,000	600,000	600,000	600,000
Ocean Conservancy								105,000	110,000	100,000
American Rivers								110,000	20,000	30,000
Sea Shepherd Conservation Society								16,000	36,000	35,000
Center for Health, Environment and Justice								20,000		28,000
Earth Island Institute								32,000	24,000	20,000
National Park Trust										33,000
Rainforest Action Network								32,500	30,000	35,000
Conservation International								55,000	4,000	70,402
<b>Total</b>	<b>74,400</b>	<b>124,500</b>	<b>438,500</b>	<b>1,018,000</b>	<b>1,312,500</b>	<b>2,138,430</b>	<b>4,263,000</b>	<b>8,653,500</b>	<b>7,149,500</b>	<b>8,038,402</b>

\* Figures are two-year averages and sometimes are approximations based on conflicting data, nonuniform reporting dates, and elastic definitions of the term *member*.

Gaps in data may reflect lack of available data, that the organization did not recruit dues-paying members, or that it didn't count donors as members.

\*\*The NWF claims nearly four million "members and supporters, but these figures include schoolchildren in Ranger Rick programs, members of affiliate state organizations, and even individuals who purchased merchandise. Data prior to the mid-1990s are from the NWF; for 2002-03 it is an estimate arrived at by dividing revenues from dues by the lowest possible amount designating one as a member. Lowry (1993) calculated even lower figures for the late 1970s and early 1990s.

# Merged with Environmental Policy Center in 1989.

† Closed in 1996.

**Sources:** Annual reports; IRS Form 990; guidestar.org; Stephen Fox, John Muir and His Legacy: The American Conservation Movement (Little, Brown, 1981), 315; Ronald Shaiko, Voices and Echoes for the Environment (Columbia University Press, 1999), 40-43; Robert Cameron Mitchell et al., "Twenty Years of Environmental Mobilization: Trends among National Environmental Organizations," in American Environmentalism: The U.S. Environmental Movement: 1970-1990, ed. Riley E. Dunlap and Angela G. Mertig (Taylor and Francis, 1992), 13; Tom Knudsen, "Environment, Inc.," *Sacramento Bee*, April 22, 2001; Public Interest Profiles (Washington, D.C.: Foundation for Public Affairs/CQ Press); Encyclopedia of Associations (Detroit: Gale Research); Robert C. Lowry, The Political Economy of Environmental Citizens' Groups (doctoral dissertation, Harvard University, 1993).