

National Park Service-2023 Visitor Use and Acreage Data-Top Parks

Rank	Park	State(s)	Total NPS Recreational Visits
1	Blue Ridge Parkway	NC/VA	16,757,635
2	Golden Gate NRA	CA	14,953,882
3	Great Smoky Mountains NP	NC/TN	13,297,647
4	Gateway NRA	NY/NJ	8,705,329
5	Gulf Islands NS	FL/MS	8,277,857
6	Lincoln MEM	DC/MD/VA	8,099,148
7	George Washington MEM PKWY	DC/MD/VA	7,391,260
8	Natchez Trace PKWY	AL/MS/TN	6,784,853
9	Lake Mead NRA	AZ/NV	5,798,541
10	Glen Canyon NRA	AZ/UT	5,206,934

Rank	Park	State(s)	Total NPS Recreational Days
1	Blue Ridge Parkway	NC/VA	8,669,293
2	Great Smoky Mountains NP	NC/TN	8,173,636
3	Yellowstone NP	ID/MT/WY	6,806,451
4	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	6,171,077
5	Yosemite NP	CA	4,338,092
6	Lake Mead NRA	AZ/NV	3,570,699
7	Glen Canyon NRA	AZ/UT	3,515,276
8	Golden Gate NRA	CA	3,253,566
9	Glacier NP	MT	2,728,322
10	Sequoia NP	CA	2,684,838

Rank	Park	State(s)	Overnight Stays-NPS Campground-Tent
1	Yosemite NP	CA	275,278
2	Great Smoky Mountains NP	NC/TN	207,070
3	Joshua Tree NP	CA	200,056
4	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	159,019
5	Glacier NP	MT	132,219
6	Shenandoah NP	VA	122,031
7	Olympic NP	WA	121,314
8	Acadia NP	ME	120,615
9	Zion NP	UT	100,411
10	Cape Hatteras NS	NC	75,521

Rank	Park	State(s)	Overnight Stays-NPS Campground-RV
1	Yosemite NP	CA	196,092
2	Great Smoky Mountains NP	NC/TN	158,211
3	Gulf Islands NS	FL/MS	142,094
4	Glacier NP	MT	132,336
5	Joshua Tree NP	CA	101,514
6	Olympic NP	WA	91,536
7	Cape Hatteras NS	NC	86,961
8	Zion NP	UT	85,948
9	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	84,332
10	Death Valley NP	CA	79,442

Rank	Park	State(s)	Overnight Stays-NPS Backcountry
1	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	299,725
2	Olympic NP	WA	158,254
3	Yosemite NP	CA	103,997
4	Saint Croix NSR	WI/MN	94,726
5	Great Smoky Mountains NP	NC/TN	84,532
6	Canyonlands NP	UT	68,953
7	Shenandoah NP	VA	67,738
8	Big Bend NP	TX	58,919
9	Point Reyes NS	CA	57,984
10	Mount Rainier NP	WA	53,949

Rank	Park	State(s)	Overnight Stays-Concession Lodging
1	Yellowstone NP	ID/MT/WY	640,582
2	Yosemite NP	CA	565,644
3	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	530,029
4	Grand Teton NP	WY	188,653
5	Glacier NP	MT	114,718
6	Zion NP	UT	95,381
7	Olympic NP	WA	69,534
8	Glen Canyon NRA	AZ/UT	68,503
9	Golden Gate NRA	CA	56,961
10	Bryce Canyon NP	UT	49,131

Rank	Park	State(s)	Overnight Stays-Concession Camping
1	Yellowstone NP	ID/MT/WY	412,586
2	Grand Teton NP	WY	362,545
3	Lake Mead NRA	AZ/NV	185,123
4	Everglades NP	FL	68,954
5	Crater Lake NP	OR	41,037
6	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	37,380
7	Pinnacles NP	CA	32,221
8	Glen Canyon NRA	AZ/UT	31,310
9	John D. Rockefeller Jr. MEM PKWY	WY	21,599
10	Denali NP & Pres	AK	20,069

Rank	Park	State(s)	Gross Area-Acres by Park (Total)
1	Wrangell-St. Elias NP	AK	8,323,146.48
2	Gates of the Arctic NP	AK	7,523,897.45
3	Noatak NP	AK	6,587,071.39
4	Wrangell-St. Elias NP	AK	4,852,644.89
5	Denali NP	AK	4,740,911.16
6	Katmai NP	AK	3,674,529.33
7	Death Valley NP	CA	3,408,445.63
8	Glacier Bay NP	AK	3,223,383.43
9	Bering Land Bridge NP	AK	2,697,391.01
10	Lake Clark NP	AK	2,619,816.49

11	Yukon-Charley Rivers NP	AK	2,526,512.44
12	Yellowstone NP	ID/MT/WY	2,219,790.71
13	Kobuk Valley NP	AK	1,750,716.16
14	Mojave NP	CA	1,549,709.37
15	Lake Mead NRA	AZ/NV	1,495,855.53
16	Lake Clark NP	AK	1,410,293.68
17	Everglades NP	FL	1,400,539.30
18	Denali NP	AK	1,334,117.80
19	Glen Canyon NRA	AZ/UT	1,254,116.62
20	Grand Canyon NP	AZ	1,201,647.03

Rank	State	State	Gross Area-Acres by State (Total)
1	Alaska	AK	54,653,962.13
2	California	CA	8,211,586.87
3	Arizona	AZ	2,948,392.73
4	Florida	FL	2,638,605.42
5	Wyoming	WY	2,396,430.71

Sources: National Park Service, *Statistical Abstract 2023* (www.nps.gov/subjects/socialscience/visitation.htm) and www.nps.gov/subjects/wcf/accreagereports.htm

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