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#### Alabama By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Alabama welcomes **1 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$45.6 million** in local economies and support **740 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Alabama by \$56.4 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$7.5 billion in consumer spending and \$2 billion in wages in Alabama in 2012, which in turn created 86,000 direct jobs in the state and \$494 million in state and local tax revenue.



Little River Canyon National Preserve



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Alaska welcomes **2.8 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$1,298.3 million** in local economies and support **18,940 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Alaska by \$1,857 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$9.5 billion in consumer spending and \$2.6 billion in wages in Alaska in 2012, which in turn created 92,000 direct jobs in the state and \$711 million in state and local tax revenue.



Denali National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Arizona welcomes **12 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$995.9 million** in local economies and support **15,648 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Arizona by \$1,472.3 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$10.6 billion in consumer spending and \$3.3 billion in wages in Arizona in 2012, which in turn created 104,000 direct jobs in the state and \$787 million in state and local tax revenue.



Canyon de Chelly National Monument



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#### **Arkansas By the Numbers**

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Arkansas welcomes **3.8 million** visitors every year, who spend \$203.3 million in local economies and support **3,268 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Arkansas by \$251.9 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$10.0 billion in consumer spending and \$2.9 billion in wages in Arkansas in 2012, which in turn created 126,000 direct jobs in the state and \$696 million in state and local tax revenue.



Ouachita National Forest



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#### **California By the Numbers**

- The <u>National Park System</u> in California welcomes **42 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$2,005.9 million** in local economies and support **28,935 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in California by \$2,911.2 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated **\$85.4 billion in consumer spending** and **\$27.0 billion in wages** in California in 2012, which in turn created **732,000 direct jobs** in the state and **\$6.7 billion in state and local tax revenue**.



Yosemite National Park



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### **Colorado By the Numbers**

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Colorado welcomes 7.5 million visitors every year, who spend \$485.8 million in local economies and support 7,427 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Colorado by \$722 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$13.2 billion in consumer spending and \$4.2 billion in wages in Colorado in 2012, which in turn created 125,000 direct jobs in the state and \$994 million in state and local tax revenue.



Rocky Mountain National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Connecticut welcomes **39,080 visitors** every year, who **spend \$2.3 million** in local economies and support **33 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Connecticut by \$3.1 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$6.9 billion in consumer spending and \$2.2 billion in wages in Connecticut in 2012, which in turn created 71,000 direct jobs in the state and \$502 million in state and local tax revenue.



Weir Farm National Historic Site



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 Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$4.0 billion in consumer spending and \$1.1 billion in wages in Delaware in 2012, which in turn created 39,000 direct jobs in the state and \$304 million in state and local tax revenue.



Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail



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### Florida By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Florida welcomes **10.9 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$653.6 million** in local economies and support **9,972 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Florida by \$949.1 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$38.3 billion in consumer spending and \$10.7 billion in wages in Florida in 2012, which in turn created 329,000 direct jobs in the state and \$2.5 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Gulf Island National Seashore



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Georgia welcomes **7 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$374.8 million** in local economies and support **6,087 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Georgia by \$532.8 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$23.3 billion in consumer spending and \$7.0 billion in wages in Georgia in 2012, which in turn created 231,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.4 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Chattahoochee River



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### Hawaii By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Hawaii welcomes **5.8 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$394.4 million** in local economies and support **4,793 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Hawaii **by \$486.4 million.**
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$6.7 billion in consumer spending and \$2.1 billion in wages in Hawaii in 2012, which in turn created 65,000 direct jobs in the state and \$478 million in state and local tax revenue



Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail



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- These parks increase economic output in Idaho by \$39.7 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$6.3 billion in consumer spending and \$1.8 billion in wages in Idaho in 2012, which in turn created 77,000 direct jobs in the state and \$461 million in state and local tax revenue.



Hagerman Fossil Beds



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Illinois welcomes **239,719 visitors** every year, who **spend \$14.6 million** in local economies and support **225 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Illinois by \$21.6 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$22.0 billion in consumer spending and \$6.7 billion in wages in Illinois in 2012, which in turn created 204,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.6 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Lincoln's Home



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- These parks increase economic output in Indiana by \$109.4 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$9.4 billion in consumer spending and \$2.7 billion in wages in Indiana in 2012, which in turn created 106,000 direct jobs in the state and \$705 million in state and local tax revenue.



Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore



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- These parks increase economic output in Iowa by \$17.8 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$6.1 billion in consumer spending and \$1.7 billion in wages in Iowa in 2012, which in turn created 75,000 direct jobs in the state and \$433 million in state and local tax revenue.



Effigy Mounds National Monument



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- These parks increase economic output in Kansas by \$7.7 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$7.1 billion in consumer spending and \$2.0 billion in wages in Kansas in 2012, which in turn created 85,000 direct jobs in the state and \$477 million in state and local tax revenue.



Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Kentucky welcomes 1.9 million visitors every year, who spend \$121.8 million in local economies and support 1,899 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Kentucky by \$155.7 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$8.4 billion in consumer spending and \$2.5 billion in wages in Kentucky in 2012, which in turn created 105,000 direct jobs in the state and \$552 million in state and local tax revenue.



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Louisiana welcomes **500,798 visitors** every year, who **spend \$29.3 million** in local economies and support **449 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Louisiana by \$38 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$15.1 billion in consumer spending and \$4.6 billion in wages in Louisiana in 2012, which in turn created 146,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.1 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Barataria National Preserve



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- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$5.3 billion in consumer spending and \$1.5 billion in wages in Maine in 2012, which in turn created 65,000 direct jobs in the state and \$382 million in state and local tax revenue.



Acadia National Park



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- These parks increase economic output in Maryland by \$309.7 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$9.5 billion in consumer spending and \$2.8 billion in wages in Maryland in 2012, which in turn created 85,000 direct jobs in the state and \$686 million in state and local tax revenue.



Catoctin National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Massachusetts welcomes 10.1 million visitors every year, who spend \$521.6 million in local economies and support 7,220 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Massachusetts by \$696.6 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$10.0 billion in consumer spending and \$3.5 billion in wages in Massachusetts in 2012, which in turn created 90,000 direct jobs in the state and \$739 million in state and local tax revenue.



Cape Cod National Seashore



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#### Michigan By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Michigan welcomes **2.7 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$235 million** in local economies and support **3,767 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Michigan by \$333.6 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$18.7 billion in consumer spending and \$5.5 billion in wages in Michigan in 2012, which in turn created 194,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.4 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Isle Royal National Park



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#### Minnesota By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Minnesota welcomes 1 million visitors every year, who spend \$56.2 million in local economies and support 897 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Minnesota by \$79.7 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$11.6 billion in consumer spending and \$3.4 billion in wages in Minnesota in 2012, which in turn created 118,000 direct jobs in the state and \$815 million in state and local tax revenue.



Voyageurs National Park



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- These parks increase economic output in Mississippi by \$220.9 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$4.9 billion in consumer spending and \$1.3 billion in wages in Mississippi in 2012, which in turn created 58,000 direct jobs in the state and \$329 million in state and local tax revenue.



Natchez Trace National Scenic Trail



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Missouri welcomes **2.8 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$196.8 million** in local economies and support **3,449 jobs**.
- These parks increase economic output in Missouri by \$283.9 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$11.2 billion in consumer spending and \$3.3 billion in wages in Missouri in 2012, which in turn created 111,000 direct jobs in the state and \$780 million in state and local tax revenue.



Ozark National Scenic Riverway



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- These parks increase economic output in Montana by \$762.3 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$5.8 billion in consumer spending and \$1.5 billion in wages in Montana in 2012, which in turn created 64,000 direct jobs in the state and \$403 million in state and local tax revenue.



Glacier National Park



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#### Nebraska By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Nebraska welcomes **307,207 visitors** every year, who **spend \$14.8 million** in local economies and support **241 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Nebraska by \$19 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$5.7 billion in consumer spending and \$1.7 billion in wages in Nebraska in 2012, which in turn created 74,000 direct jobs in the state and \$396 million in state and local tax revenue.



Scotts Bluff National Park



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### Nevada By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Nevada welcomes **5.5 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$242.9 million** in local economies and support **3,122 jobs**.
- These parks increase economic output in Nevada by \$292.3 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$14.9 billion in consumer spending and \$4.8 billion in wages in Nevada in 2012, which in turn created 148,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.0 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Great Basin National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in New Hampshire welcomes **42,377 visitors** every year, who **spend \$2.1 million** in local economies and support **36 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in New Hampshire by \$3.2 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$4.2 billion in consumer spending and \$1.2 billion in wages in New Hampshire in 2012, which in turn created 49,000 direct jobs in the state and \$293 million in state and local tax revenue.



Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in New Mexico welcomes 1.9 million visitors every year, who spend \$108.4 million in local economies and support 1,685 jobs.
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Carlsbad Caverns National Park



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- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$33.8 billion in consumer spending and \$12.4 billion in wages in New York in 2012, which in turn created 305,000 direct jobs in the state and \$2.8 billion in state and local tax revenue.



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in North Carolina welcomes 18.5 million visitors every year, who spend \$1,269.6 million in local economies and support 21,001 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in North Carolina by \$1,775.8 million.
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Blue Ridge Parkway



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- These parks increase economic output in North Dakota **by \$61.4 million.**
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$2.2 billion in consumer spending and \$606 million in wages in North Dakota in 2012, which in turn created 28,000 direct jobs in the state and \$189 million in state and local tax revenue.



Theodore Roosevelt National Park



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#### **Ohio By the Numbers**

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Ohio welcomes **2.8 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$96.4 million** in local economies and support **1,602 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Ohio by \$131.6 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$17.4 billion in consumer spending and \$5.1 billion in wages in Ohio in 2012, which in turn created 196,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.3 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Cuyahoga Valley National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Oklahoma welcomes **1.7 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$27.2 million** in local economies and support **304 jobs.**
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- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$8.4 billion in consumer spending and \$2.5 billion in wages in Oklahoma in 2012, which in turn created 95,000 direct jobs in the state and \$584 million in state and local tax revenue.



Chickasaw National Recreation Area


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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Oregon welcomes **1.3 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$97.5 million** in local economies and support **1,640 jobs**.
- These parks increase economic output in Oregon by \$138.4 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$12.8 billion in consumer spending and \$4.0 billion in wages in Oregon in 2012, which in turn created 141,000 direct jobs in the state and \$955 million in state and local tax revenue.



Crater Lake National Park



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## Pennsylvania By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Pennsylvania welcomes 11 million visitors every year, who spend \$516.4 million in local economies and support 8,568 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Pennsylvania by \$742.4 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$21.5 billion in consumer spending and \$7.2 billion in wages in Pennsylvania in 2012, which in turn created 219,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.6 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Gettysburg National Military Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Rhode Island welcomes **65,587 visitors** every year, who **spend \$3.8 million** in local economies and support **54 jobs**.
- These parks increase economic output in Rhode Island by \$5.1 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$2.4 billion in consumer spending and \$737 million in wages in Rhode Island in 2012, which in turn created 24,000 direct jobs in the state and \$145 million in state and local tax revenue.



Blackstone River Valley National Historic Site



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- These parks increase economic output in South Carolina by \$119.6 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$18.0 billion in consumer spending and \$4.7 billion in wages in South Carolina in 2012, which in turn created 201,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.0 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Congaree National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in South Dakota welcomes 4.5 million visitors every year, who spend \$292.6 million in local economies and support 4,938 jobs.
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- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$3.7 billion in consumer spending and \$1.0 billion in wages in South Dakota in 2012, which in turn created 44,000 direct jobs in the state and \$243 million in state and local tax revenue.



Badlands National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Tennessee welcomes 9.4 million visitors every year, who spend \$664.7 million in local economies and support 10,239 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Tennessee by \$920.7 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$8.2 billion in consumer spending and \$2.5 billion in wages in Tennessee in 2012, which in turn created 83,000 direct jobs in the state and \$535 million in state and local tax revenue.



Great Smoky Mountains National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Texas welcomes **5.4 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$288.5 million** in local economies and support **4,445 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Texas by \$410.3 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$28.7 billion in consumer spending and \$8.9 billion in wages in Texas in 2012, which in turn created 277,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.9 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Big Bend National Park



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## Utah By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Utah welcomes **14.4 million visitors** every year, who **spend \$1,059.6 million** in local economies and support **17,914 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Utah **by \$1,597.5 million.**
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$12.0 billion in consumer spending and \$3.6 billion in wages in Utah in 2012, which in turn created 122,000 direct jobs in the state and \$856 million in state and local tax revenue.



Arches National Park



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## Vermont By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Vermont welcomes **55,716 visitors** every year, who **spend \$3.3 million** in local economies and support **50 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Vermont by \$4.1 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$2.5 billion in consumer spending and \$753 million in wages in Vermont in 2012, which in turn created 34,000 direct jobs in the state and \$176 million in state and local tax revenue.



Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park



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- These parks increase economic output in Virginia by \$1,456 million.
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Shenandoah National Park



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- The <u>National Park System</u> in Washington welcomes 8.5 million visitors every year, who spend \$526.2 million in local economies and support 7,072 jobs.
- These parks increase economic output in Washington by \$708 million.
- <u>Outdoor recreation</u> as a whole generated \$22.5 billion in consumer spending and \$7.1 billion in wages in Washington in 2012, which in turn created 227,000 direct jobs in the state and \$1.6 billion in state and local tax revenue.



Mount Rainier National Park



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New River Gorge National Park



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## Wisconsin By the Numbers

- The <u>National Park System</u> in Wisconsin welcomes **537,926 visitors** every year, who **spend \$44.4 million** in local economies and support **744 jobs.**
- These parks increase economic output in Wisconsin by \$60.4 million.
- Outdoor recreation as a whole generated \$11.9 billion in consumer spending and \$3.6 billion in wages in Wisconsin in 2012, which in turn created 142,000 direct jobs in the state and \$844 million in state and local tax revenue.



Apostle Island National Lakeshore



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- These parks increase economic output in Wyoming by \$1,180.4 million.
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Devil's Tower National Park