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FIGURE 1. VISITS TO REPORTING AREAS 1977 - 79

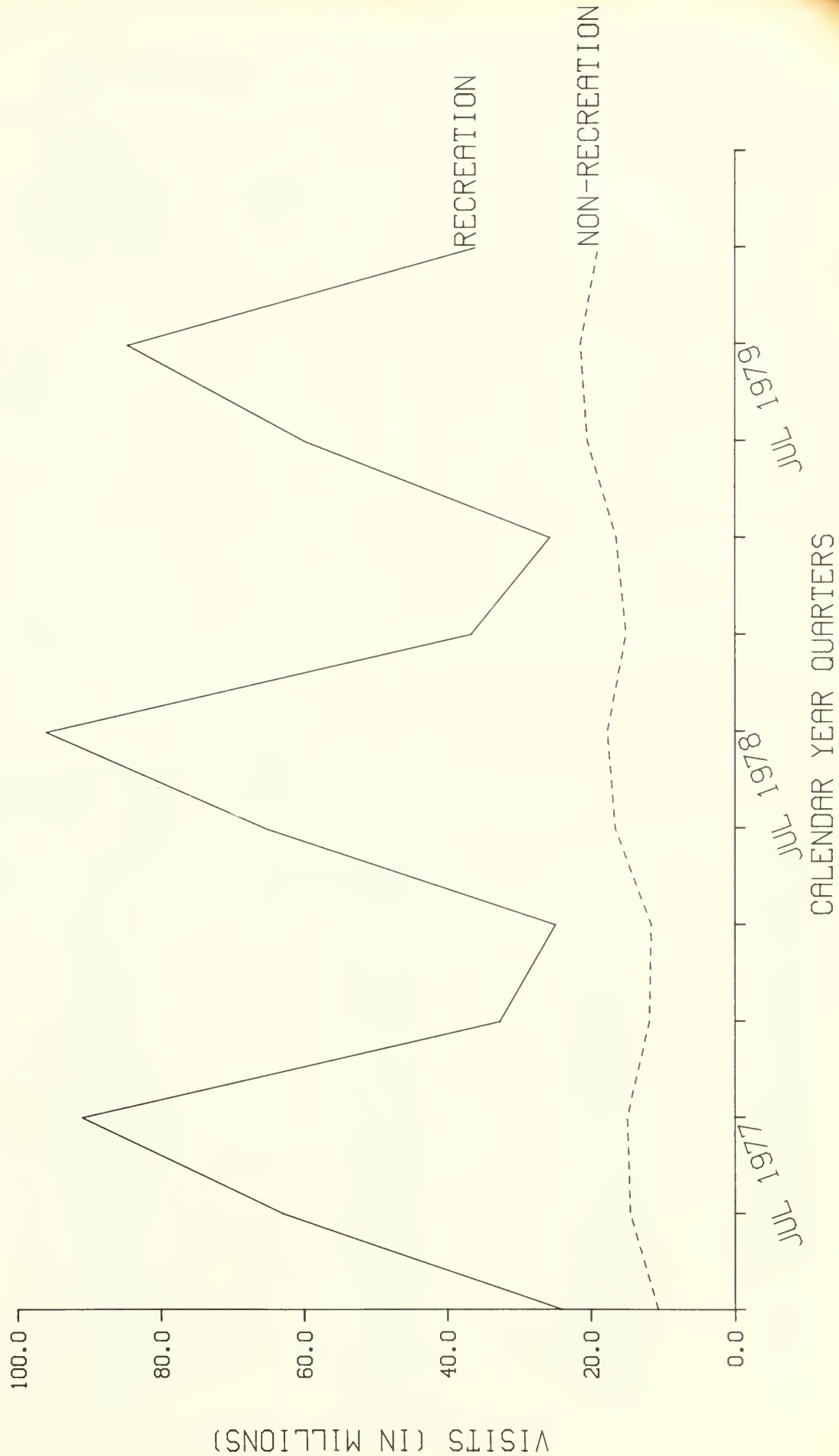


TABLE 1. SUMMARY OF VISITOR USE

	1977	1978	1979
VISITS, TOTAL	262,603,433	283,090,141	282,435,101
Recreation Visits	210,569,712	222,184,026	205,369,794
Nonrecreation Visits	52,033,721	60,906,115	77,065,306
OVERNIGHT STAYS, TOTAL	17,557,622	17,567,605	15,978,911
Recreation Overnight Stays	17,178,257	17,069,888	15,413,942
Nonrecreation Overnight Stays	379,365	497,717	564,969
VISITOR-HOURS, TOTAL	1,156,144,962	1,186,346,177	1,070,623,662
Recreation Visitor-Hours	1,123,288,857	1,151,935,372	1,027,513,317
Nonrecreation Visitor-Hours	32,856,105	34,410,805	43,110,345

TABLE 2. OVERNIGHT STAYS
IN NPS-OPERATED CAMPGROUNDS (IN THOUSANDS)

YEAR	TENTS	RECREATION VEHICLES	TOTAL	AREAS REPORTING
1960	3,585.5	1,260.2	4,845.7	73
1961	3,586.7	1,473.2	5,059.9	70
1962	4,307.4	1,811.6	6,119.1	71
1963	4,621.2	2,149.5	6,770.7	73
1964	5,043.8	2,413.8	7,457.6	75
1965	5,104.4	2,980.5	8,084.8	80
1966	5,062.1	3,938.3	9,000.5	81
1967	4,715.3	4,594.3	9,309.7	90
1968	4,788.1	4,623.0	9,411.1	88
1969	4,390.1	4,659.1	9,049.2	85
1970	4,684.6	4,339.3	9,023.8	87
1971	3,482.5	4,451.7	7,934.3	86
1972	3,651.6	4,731.4	8,383.0	88
1973	3,801.8	4,883.3	8,685.1	90
1974	3,791.5	4,620.3	8,411.8	89
1975	3,735.3	5,081.7	8,817.0	89
1976	3,870.3	5,397.0	9,267.3	92
1977	3,973.2	5,345.4	9,318.6	93
1978	3,775.5	5,353.6	9,129.1	94
1979	3,420.7	4,450.4	7,871.1	92

**FIGURE 2. RECREATION VISITS BY MONTH
1977 - 1979**

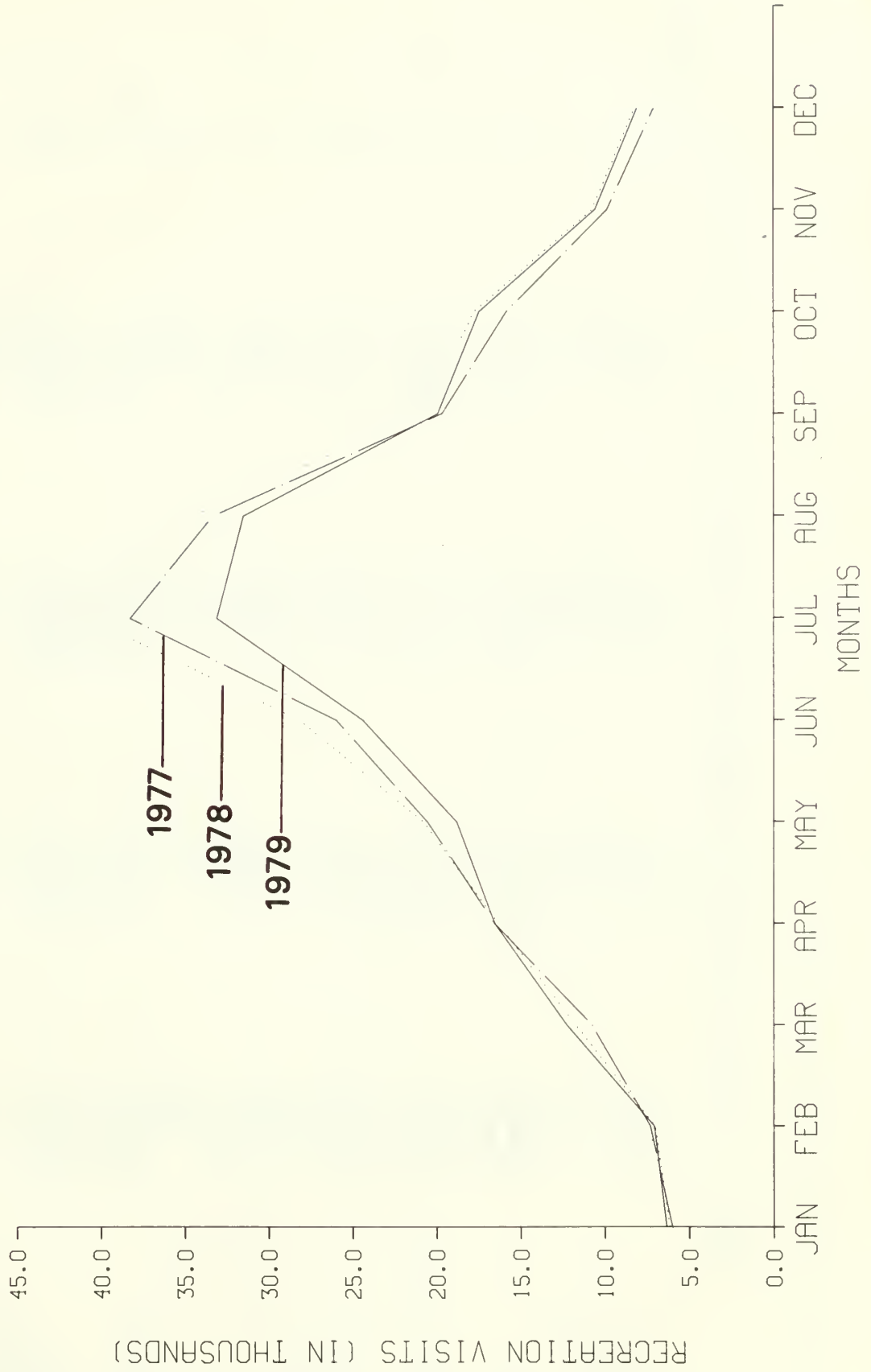


TABLE 3. RECREATION VISITS TO NATIONAL PARK AREAS BY STATE (IN THOUSANDS)

	1976			1977			1978			1979			AREAS REPORTING	
													1978	1979
Alabama	708.2			780.2			790.9			751.4			4*	4*
Alaska	302.6			364.8			398.3			422.0			4	4
Arizona	6,450.8			6,254.4			6,602.7			5,437.2			20*	20*
Arkansas	1,698.4			1,711.0			2,151.0			2,040.9			5	5
California	15,340.4			19,798.0			22,569.2			23,678.1			18	18
Colorado	5,890.1			6,138.6			6,157.1			4,905.7			11*	10*
District of Columbia	20,739.6			16,262.9			16,777.2			16,933.0			12	11
Florida	5,223.8			5,648.2			6,514.0			5,412.6			9*	9*
Georgia	2,378.9			2,467.9			2,585.0			2,472.7			7*	7*
Hawaii	2,455.0			2,537.3			2,951.8			2,737.7			4	4
Idaho	438.0			412.7			279.6			383.4			2	2
Illinois	492.1			480.4			450.2			403.2			1	1
Indiana	524.0			579.9			985.3			1,922.7			3	3
Iowa	375.2			356.5			363.5			264.1			2	2
Kansas	21.6			20.7			21.9			34.9			1	2
Kentucky	2,549.7			2,629.9			2,489.1			2,109.0			3	3
Louisiana	269.6			291.2			294.9			193.1			1	1
Maine	2,353.3			2,734.6			2,684.9			2,787.4			1	1
Maryland	7,778.8			6,256.3			7,415.1			6,121.8			12*	12*
Massachusetts	9,106.7			8,185.5			8,556.6			7,300.7			9	10
Michigan	1,038.0			1,149.4			1,063.0			1,018.6			3	3
Minnesota	468.0			468.0			579.8			572.0			4*	4*
Mississippi	8,338.2			9,298.1			9,464.5			8,809.7			5*	5*
Missouri	4,756.9			4,975.9			4,195.3			3,442.1			4	4
Montana	3,443.2			3,489.0			3,391.4			2,838.2			5*	6*

TABLE 3. RECREATION VISITS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	AREAS REPORTING					
	1976	1977	1978			
Nebraska	243.0	231.0	246.0	199.5	3	3
Nevada	6,747.2	6,342.4	6,689.8	6,185.0	2	2
New Hampshire	13.6	11.5	24.2	31.8	1	1
New Jersey	3,637.3	3,558.3	3,661.3	3,783.5	4*	4*
New Mexico	2,077.4	1,973.4	1,940.5	1,765.2	11	11
New York	11,019.5	10,213.9	10,364.3	10,445.6	14*	14*
North Carolina	14,498.1	14,710.2	14,653.9	13,291.1	9*	9*
North Dakota	944.6	834.0	832.4	598.0	2	2
Ohio	178.3	196.4	688.9	728.8	4	4
Oklahoma	2,027.5	1,950.5	1,155.1	1,434.5	1	1
Oregon	895.6	941.8	936.4	725.5	4	4
Pennsylvania	7,682.0	3,922.3	7,313.6	7,026.5	8*	8*
Puerto Rico	1,034.4	1,249.8	1,374.8	1,458.8	1	1
Rhode Island	0.0	0.0	0.0	27.8	0	1
South Carolina	465.0	392.3	449.7	476.9	3	3
South Dakota	3,485.8	3,676.2	3,625.2	2,637.8	4	4
Tennessee	7,353.0	7,462.8	7,211.8	6,737.0	7*	7*
Texas	4,899.7	4,454.5	4,831.2	4,760.4	9	9
Utah	4,247.8	5,214.5	5,442.1	4,550.1	13*	13*
Virginia	28,386.0	25,987.0	26,598.6	23,330.8	16*	16*
Virgin Islands	277.8	412.3	636.9	722.9	3	3
Washington	5,643.2	5,870.0	6,121.2	5,500.6	7	8
West Virginia	824.9	706.2	629.7	437.4	1	1
Wisconsin	181.4	189.1	189.7	271.5	2*	2*
Wyoming	6,219.1	6,778.0	6,835.7	5,212.8	7*	7*

*States with one or more multistate parks.

FIGURE 3.
PERCENT OF RECREATION VISITS
BY LOCATION - 1979

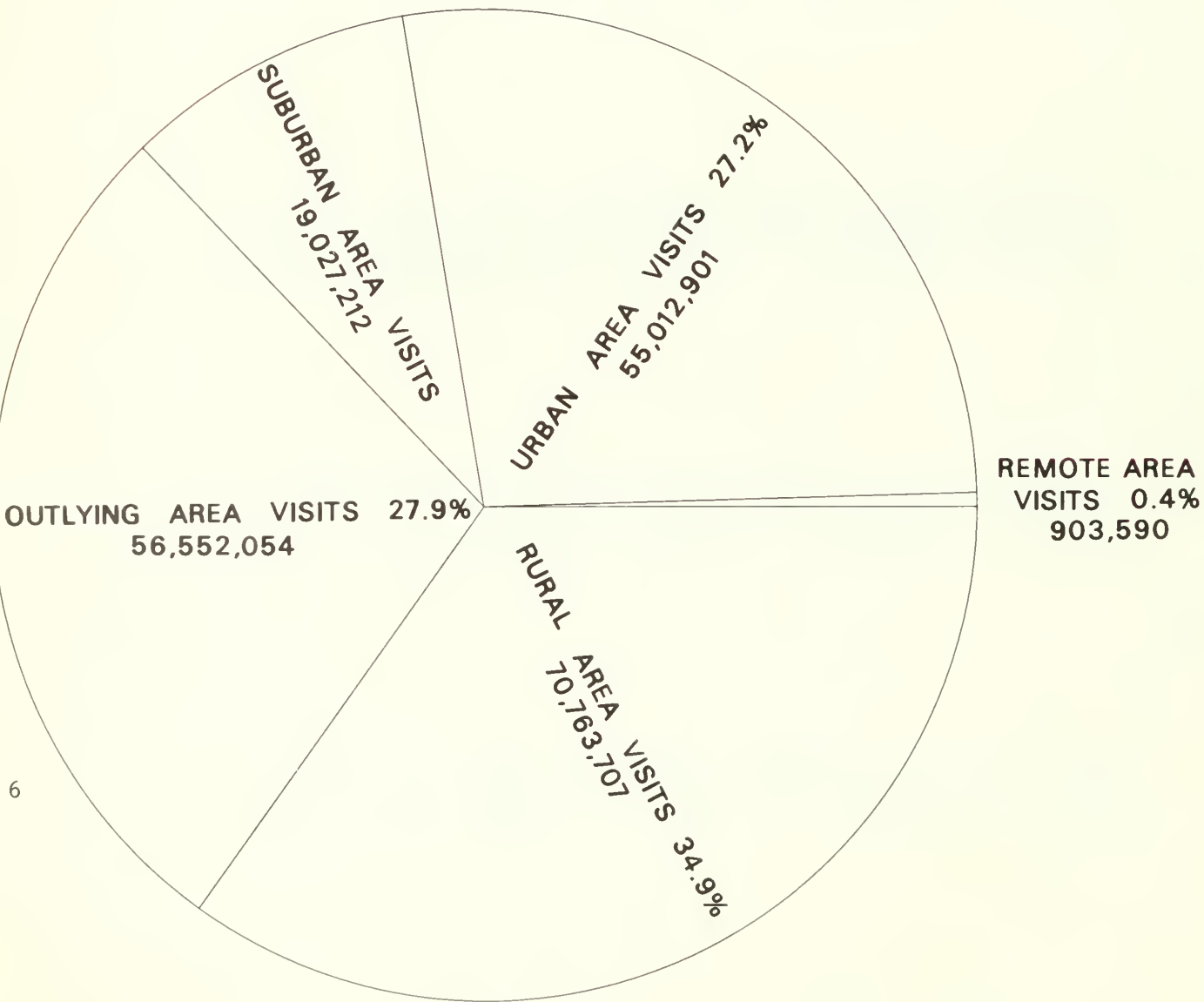


FIGURE 4.
PERCENT OF AREAS BY LOCATION
1979

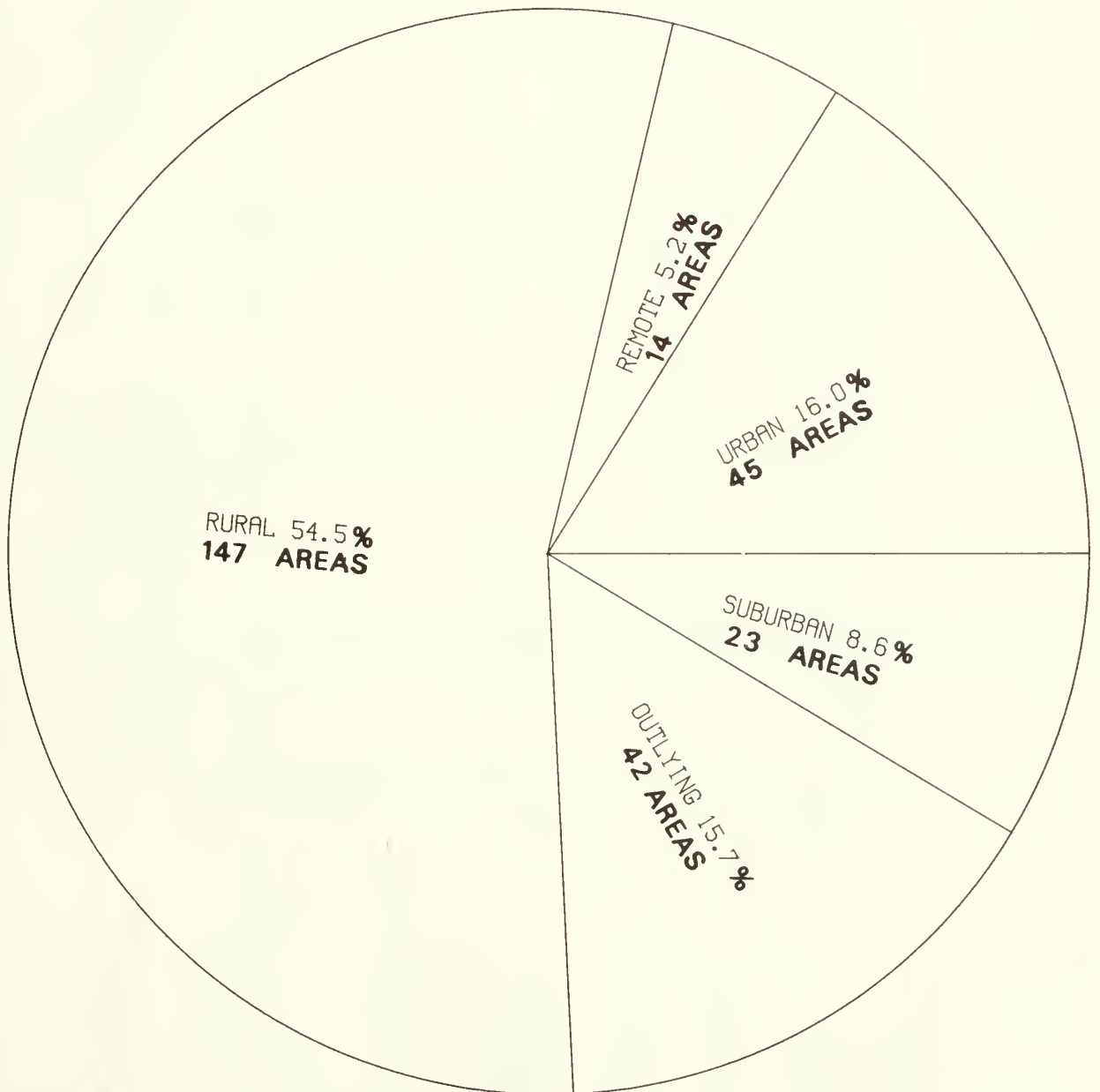


TABLE 4. VISITATION FORECAST BY LOCATION
(PERCENT CHANGE OF RECREATION VISITS)

	URBAN	SUBURBAN	OUTLYING	RURAL	REMOTE	TOTAL CHANGE
Actual: 1978-79	+1.4%	+1.0%	-7.5%	-15.1%	-7.7%	-7.6%
Forecast: 1979-80	+1.0%	+1.0%	+1.5%	+5.0%	+1.0%	+2.5%

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS ADMINISTERED BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (IN THOUSANDS)

	1977		1978		1979	
	NON RECREATION		NON RECREATION		NON RECREATION	
	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM	210,569.7	52,033.7	222,184.0	60,906.1	205,369.8	77,065.3
TOTALS						
Abraham Lincoln BPL NHS	KY 396.6	0.0	355.7	0.0	271.2	0.0
Acadia NP	ME 2,734.6	466.7	2,684.9	445.2	2,787.4	395.9
Adams NHS	MA 21.9	9.1	21.4	10.2	34.3	12.2
Agate Fossil Beds NM	NE 11.1	*	10.7	*	8.1	*
Alibates Flint Quarries NM	TX 2.2	0.0	2.5	0.0	1.9	0.0
Allegheny Port RR NHS	PA 64.4	0.2	58.4	0.3	58.2	0.5
Amistad NRA	TX 979.2	14.4	1,235.1	40.1	1,261.8	28.5
Andersonville NHS	GA 229.0	0.0	194.3	0.0	151.1	0.0
Andrew Johnson NHS	TN 45.6	0.0	42.6	0.0	47.7	0.0
Antietam NB	MD 524.4	0.0	504.4	0.0	319.6	0.0
Apostle Islands NL	WI 90.0	1.2	88.1	1.2	75.6	1.0
Appomattox Court House NHP	VA 263.1	0.0	259.0	0.0	208.4	0.0
Arches NP	UT 313.4	0.0	326.9	0.0	269.8	0.0
Arkansas Post NMem	AR 58.9	0.0	61.9	0.0	61.5	0.0
Arlington Hse, R E Lee NMem	VA 514.0	0.0	513.1	0.0	459.3	0.0
Assateague Island NS	MD-VA 1,936.6	2.6	2,133.3	2.6	1,674.9	3.1
Aztec Ruins NM	NM 71.3	0.0	70.3	0.0	58.1	0.0
Badlands NM 8/	SD 1,305.4	12.0	1,234.9	12.0	858.0	12.0
Bandelier NM	NM 136.4	1.0	153.8	0.8	161.3	0.8
Bent's Old Fort NHS	CO 100.5	0.0	91.8	0.0	94.7	3.1
Big Bend NP	TX 334.0	68.4	301.2	61.7	282.9	57.7
Big Hole NB	MT 51.6	0.0	53.0	0.0	41.2	0.0
Bighorn Canyon NRA	WY-MT 348.6	32.1	277.9	30.8	297.2	30.8
Biscayne NM	FL 205.9	0.0	177.4	0.0	202.9	0.0
Black Canyon OTG NM	CO 310.5	0.0	271.9	0.0	234.3	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977		1978		1979	
	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Blue Ridge Parkway	12,482.1	2,728.5	12,687.4	2,664.3	11,700.2	3,065.9
Booker T. Washington NM	24.2	0.2	30.3	0.2	25.5	0.2
Boston NHP	1,523.2	0.0	2,425.2	323.9	1,777.4	505.1
Brices Cross Roads NBS	2.2	0.0	1.8	0.0	1.9	0.0
Bryce Canyon NP	611.5	1.3	679.3	1.1	558.1	1.0
Buck Island Reef NM	60.2	7.0	85.2	10.2	82.4	10.8
Buffalo NR	331.5	0.0	645.3	0.0	675.8	0.0
C&O Canal NHP	2,562.9	73.3	3,182.1	90.7	2,832.6	81.6
Cabrillo NM	1,141.6	79.9	1,266.1	72.1	1,196.4	73.4
Canaveral NS	845.9	0.0	882.6	0.0	859.9	0.0
Canyon De Chelly NM	361.1	477.2	351.6	467.6	328.1	395.5
Canyonlands NP	75.5	0.1	85.9	0.4	74.5	0.6
Cape Cod NS	5,318.4	30.4	4,996.0	29.9	3,922.0	25.4
Cape Hatteras NS	1,786.5	249.6	1,799.9	243.4	1,516.9	193.7
Cape Lookout NS	37.6	7.8	50.7	3.6	50.1	4.0
Capitol Reef NP	428.8	39.1	392.4	35.3	288.9	28.2
Capulin Mountain NM	47.9	0.0	49.6	0.0	44.3	0.0
Carl Sandburg Home NHS	38.2	0.0	39.1	0.0	34.1	0.0
Carlsbad Caverns NP	862.8	0.0	867.3	0.0	721.6	0.0
Casa Grande NM	123.2	2.1	135.6	2.1	112.5	2.1
Castillo De San Marcos NM	689.6	13.8	759.4	15.2	650.1	13.0
Castle Clinton NM	175.0	1.1	227.5	1.0	217.0	1.0
Catoctin Mountain Park	472.8	113.0	538.9	113.0	431.5	109.7
Cedar Breaks NM	351.1	5.0	347.7	3.8	362.2	4.0
Chaco Canyon NM	42.8	1.9	42.7	1.3	48.8	3.1
Chalmette NHP 8/	291.2	9.6	294.9	9.6	0.0	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977		1978		1979	
	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Chamizal NMem	120.1	1.0	118.9	1.6	111.1	1.1
Channel Islands NM	87.2	18.8	46.4	9.7	82.9	20.6
Chick Chatt NMP	1,061.5	12,326.3	967.9	12,284.5	867.0	12,604.6
Chickasaw NRA	1,950.5	2,261.3	1,155.1	2,136.0	1,434.5	2,559.6
Chiricahua NM	42.7	0.0	49.1	0.0	49.5	0.0
Christiansted NHS	63.0	0.0	70.0	0.0	90.8	0.0
Clara Barton NHS	4.3	0.0	4.3	0.0	7.5	0.0
Colonial NHP	7,393.5	3,168.7	7,570.5	3,233.7	7,172.1	3,073.8
Colorado NM	553.2	212.4	561.4	193.8	290.6	475.2
Coronado NMem	61.9	1.7	60.2	1.9	59.8	1.8
Coulee Dam NRA	676.8	3.2	712.5	4.0	794.7	4.3
Cowpens NB	25.3	0.0	28.0	0.0	78.4	0.0
Crater Lake NP	558.3	59.2	553.4	26.7	410.7	35.6
Craters of the Moon NM	258.4	0.0	152.4	0.0	220.7	0.0
Cumberland Gap NHP	427.0	1.8	492.7	1.4	452.9	1.2
Cumberland Island NS	25.2	0.0	36.4	0.0	35.8	0.0
Curecanti NRA	865.9	0.0	729.3	0.0	809.0	0.0
Custer Battlefield NM	328.8	1.8	270.3	2.7	203.8	2.1
Cuyahoga Valley NRA 1/	0.0	0.0	496.4	0.0	543.0	0.0
DeSoto NMem	157.3	0.0	142.2	0.0	179.7	0.0
Death Valley NM	620.4	25.9	673.6	28.1	631.2	26.3
Delaware Water Gap NRA	1,518.2	0.0	1,697.7	1.9	2,002.5	0.0
Devils Postpile NM	108.9	0.0	98.0	0.0	81.3	0.0
Devils Tower NM	153.9	2.4	271.2	1.5	226.1	1.5
Dinosaur NM	399.7	13.1	415.5	14.7	295.8	16.0
Edison NHS	52.4	0.0	49.7	0.0	53.0	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977			1978			1979		
	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION
	RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION	
Effigy Mounds NM	65.3	*	67.6	0.0	59.1	0.0	59.1	0.0	
El Morro NM	30.3	2.9	33.3	2.6	29.6	2.5	29.6	2.5	
Everglades NP	948.0	119.8	923.7	212.4	718.1	120.5	718.1	120.5	
Federal Hall NMem	90.9	2.9	97.4	2.8	83.7	2.9	83.7	2.9	
Fire Island NS	453.1	180.0	486.4	150.7	465.3	205.4	465.3	205.4	
Florissant Fossil Beds NM	63.3	0.4	63.3	0.2	46.9	0.0	46.9	0.0	
Ford's Theatre NHS	561.8	0.3	597.6	0.3	518.3	0.3	518.3	0.3	
Fort Bowie NHS	5.8	*	5.2	*	5.8	0.1	5.8	0.1	
Fort Caroline NMem	139.8	0.0	168.0	0.0	169.2	0.0	169.2	0.0	
Fort Clatsop NMem	96.3	0.0	88.7	0.0	93.5	0.0	93.5	0.0	
Fort Davis NHS	69.6	0.4	68.2	0.1	72.5	0.3	72.5	0.3	
Fort Donelson NMP	386.1	740.0	342.0	668.0	317.4	755.5	317.4	755.5	
Fort Frederica NM	318.7	0.5	335.4	0.5	392.4	0.5	392.4	0.5	
Fort Jefferson NM	11.6	9.8	10.4	8.4	9.1	10.6	9.1	10.6	
Fort Laramie NHS	115.9	0.4	112.4	0.4	106.6	0.4	106.6	0.4	
Fort Larned NHS	20.7	0.0	21.9	0.0	22.9	0.0	22.9	0.0	
Fort Matanzas NM	330.3	0.0	293.5	0.0	251.5	0.0	251.5	0.0	
Fort McHenry NM & HS	430.9	0.7	527.1	0.7	543.5	0.7	543.5	0.7	
Fort Necessity NB	150.9	1.0	158.9	0.1	108.1	0.1	108.1	0.1	
Fort Point NHS	828.1	0.0	806.0	0.0	872.2	0.0	872.2	0.0	
Fort Pulaski NM	267.1	4.8	344.1	4.8	276.6	7.1	276.6	7.1	
Fort Raleigh NHS	375.7	0.2	345.6	3.6	305.2	3.6	305.2	3.6	
Fort Scott NHS 1/	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.0	0.6	12.0	0.6	
Fort Smith NHS	98.2	0.0	104.5	0.0	90.6	0.0	90.6	0.0	
Fort Stanwix NM	102.0	0.0	87.0	0.0	68.3	0.0	68.3	0.0	
Fort Sumter NM	202.3	0.0	204.9	0.0	185.6	0.0	185.6	0.0	

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977			1978			1979		
	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION
	RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION	
Fort Union NM	13.9	0.0	13.8	0.0	10.4	0.0	10.4	0.0	
Fort Union Trad Post NHS	5.6	0.4	6.5	0.3	6.4	0.3	6.4	0.1	
Fort Vancouver NHS	216.1	32.3	168.1	55.9	156.7	55.9	156.7	46.9	
Fort Washington Park 3/	717.7	0.0	739.3	0.0	496.9	0.0	496.9	0.0	
Fossil Butte NM	12.0	0.3	14.4	0.2	13.7	0.2	13.7	0.4	
Fred Spot NMP	1,163.2	52.7	1,109.0	99.8	1,010.7	99.8	1,010.7	99.8	
Frederick Douglass Home 3/	24.1	0.0	20.8	0.0	34.1	0.0	34.1	0.0	
Gateway NRA	8,716.1	505.4	8,636.0	381.5	8,773.1	381.5	8,773.1	322.5	
General Grant NMem	73.7	0.2	46.5	0.2	35.1	0.2	35.1	0.2	
Geo Washington BPL NM	129.2	7.2	133.6	3.7	122.6	3.7	122.6	4.2	
Geo Washington Carver NM	44.0	0.0	45.5	0.0	49.1	0.0	49.1	0.0	
Geo Washington Mem Pkwy	5,100.4	0.0	5,855.9	0.0	4,678.0	0.0	4,678.0	0.0	
George Rogers Clark NHP	69.1	0.3	67.3	0.2	78.7	0.2	78.7	0.2	
Gettysburg NMP	1,527.9	74.4	1,491.6	74.4	994.0	74.4	994.0	74.4	
Gila Cliff Dwellings NM	46.2	0.0	40.2	0.0	31.9	0.0	31.9	0.0	
Glacier Bay NM	88.4	32.1	81.5	28.0	91.0	28.0	91.0	31.6	
Glacier NP	1,654.5	1.7	1,582.6	0.4	1,446.1	0.4	1,446.1	0.2	
Glen Canyon NRA	2,066.0	61.4	2,136.4	75.4	1,656.0	75.4	1,656.0	77.3	
Golden Gate NRA	6,300.2	0.0	8,960.9	0.0	11,321.1	0.0	11,321.1	0.0	
Golden Spike NHS	49.4	28.3	49.4	28.8	46.7	28.8	46.7	26.6	
Gran Quivira NM	40.6	0.0	31.3	0.0	26.7	0.0	26.7	0.0	
Grand Canyon NP	2,627.2	221.4	2,748.6	237.5	2,131.7	237.5	2,131.7	178.6	
Grand Portage NM	40.1	0.0	42.2	0.0	36.9	0.0	36.9	0.0	
Grand Teton NP	3,258.0	715.7	3,160.0	999.5	2,446.2	999.5	2,446.2	1,020.2	
Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS 1/	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.3	0.0	21.3	0.0	
Great Sand Dunes NM	227.9	0.7	277.6	0.4	162.5	0.4	162.5	0.2	

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977		1978		1979	
	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Great Smoky Mountains	9,173.6	2,448.0	8,695.5	2,859.8	8,019.8	3,167.2
Greenbelt Park	160.0	766.6	495.0	108.3	250.6	14.2
Guadalupe Mountains NP	92.2	0.0	108.8	0.0	110.5	0.0
Guilford Courthouse NMP	105.7	415.7	188.3	611.9	161.5	653.0
Gulf Islands NS	2,900.0	25.6	3,946.0	25.6	2,965.0	17.3
Haleakala NP	626.5	24.6	712.8	27.0	674.0	12.5
Hamilton Grange NMem	5.5	0.2	4.9	0.2	0.4	*
Hampton NHS	48.9	0.5	39.8	0.5	33.3	0.4
Harpers Ferry NHP	706.2	212.5	629.7	187.1	437.4	127.6
Hawaii Volcanoes NP	1,446.2	370.7	1,728.3	593.7	1,632.6	633.8
Herbert Hoover NHS	291.2	18.0	295.9	18.3	205.0	18.0
Home of F D Roosevelt NHS	311.3	0.0	360.6	0.0	266.8	0.0
Homestead NM of America	15.9	0.0	17.8	0.0	18.1	0.0
Hopewell Village NHS	156.8	1.4	144.3	1.8	133.5	1.3
Horseshoe Bend NMP	62.7	481.6	65.4	437.0	50.6	359.1
Hot Springs NP	1,127.0	4,025.1	1,229.2	4,192.1	1,118.8	4,030.1
Hovenweep NM	16.4	1.8	17.5	0.4	14.8	0.2
Hubbell Trading Post NHS	38.4	33.0	35.1	32.0	36.3	37.1
Independence NHP	1,520.4	1,931.3	1,785.6	2,154.9	2,002.3	2,120.5
Indiana Dunes NL 5/	264.1	306.0	677.5	353.8	1,606.2	410.6
Isle Royale NP	16.7	0.0	16.4	0.0	14.8	*
Jean Lafitte NHP & Preserve 8/LA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	193.1	9.6
Jefferson Memorial	1,696.2	0.0	2,263.5	0.0	2,328.1	0.0
Jefferson NEM NHS	3,490.6	120.2	2,654.8	100.3	1,859.4	39.0
Jewel Cave NM	105.0	0.2	101.1	0.6	76.9	0.4
JFK Ctr for the Perf Arts	4,833.9	0.0	3,948.5	0.0	4,130.6	0.0

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977			1978			1979		
	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION
	RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION	
J. D. Rockefeller, Jr., Pkwy	1,861.7	0.0	1,866.9	0.0	1,356.0	0.0	1,356.0	0.0	
John Day Fossil Beds NM ^{4/}	106.3	0.0	122.0	0.0	90.5	0.0	90.5	0.0	
John F. Kennedy NHS	23.8	0.0	21.3	0.0	19.3	0.0	19.3	0.0	
John Muir NHS	29.8	0.7	26.1	0.6	24.9	0.6	24.9	1.4	
Johnstown Flood NMem	61.6	0.2	42.9	0.3	42.2	0.3	42.2	0.3	
Joshua Tree NM	745.6	2.9	602.5	2.7	590.5	2.7	590.5	2.4	
Katmai NM	10.0	0.1	11.3	0.1	10.7	0.1	10.7	*	
Kennesaw Mountain NBP	734.9	5,748.0	862.5	5,748.0	876.4	5,748.0	876.4	5,748.0	
Kings Canyon NP	1,041.0	5.6	864.7	5.1	804.2	5.1	804.2	5.1	
Kings Mountain NMP	164.7	164.7	216.8	216.8	212.9	216.8	212.9	212.9	
Klondike Gold Rush NHP ^{1/}	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.6	0.0	37.6	0.0	
Lake Mead NRA	6,301.3	228.5	6,649.6	230.3	6,155.1	230.3	6,155.1	223.2	
Lake Meredith NRA	1,630.8	0.0	1,782.3	0.0	1,849.4	0.0	1,849.4	0.0	
Lassen Volcanic NP	381.2	0.0	442.2	0.0	380.0	0.0	380.0	0.0	
Lava Beds NM	102.3	42.6	110.1	45.9	96.6	45.9	96.6	40.2	
Lehman Caves NM	41.1	0.6	40.3	0.6	29.9	0.6	29.9	0.6	
Lincoln Boyhood NMem	246.7	0.9	240.5	0.4	237.8	0.4	237.8	7.6	
Lincoln Home NHS	480.4	0.0	450.2	0.0	403.2	0.0	403.2	0.0	
Lincoln Memorial	2,350.9	0.0	2,424.5	0.0	3,352.3	0.0	3,352.3	0.0	
Longfellow NHS	14.0	0.0	16.5	0.0	17.7	0.0	17.7	0.0	
Lowell NHP ^{1/}	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	92.8	0.0	92.8	0.0	
Lyndon B. Johnson NHS	390.1	0.0	353.5	0.0	295.3	0.0	295.3	0.0	
Mammoth Cave NP	1,806.3	173.1	1,640.7	173.1	1,384.9	173.1	1,384.9	173.1	
Manassas NBP	760.8	0.0	1,033.8	0.0	778.4	0.0	778.4	0.0	
Mesa Verde NP	663.7	1.2	653.1	1.1	473.7	1.1	473.7	0.8	
Minute Man NHP	989.1	0.0	724.9	0.0	957.0	0.0	957.0	0.0	

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(CONTINUED)

	1977		1978		1979	
	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION	RECREATION	NON RECREATION
Montezuma Castle NM	495.2	1.4	458.0	1.4	382.1	1.4
Moore's Creek NMP	56.2	0.0	57.0	0.0	44.3	0.0
Morristown NHP	684.8	0.0	679.1	0.0	554.1	0.0
Mound City Group NM	84.1	0.2	70.5	0.3	51.5	0.4
Mount McKinley NP	183.2	324.4	223.0	237.7	251.1	287.3
Mount Rainier NP	1,819.6	617.7	1,607.0	487.4	1,516.7	464.8
Mount Rushmore NMem	1,733.1	538.7	1,750.1	546.5	1,245.4	397.3
Muir Woods NM	1,003.6	6.0	1,211.5	6.0	1,227.2	6.0
Natchez Trace Pkwy	9,770.8	4,885.4	9,730.1	4,865.1	9,475.3	4,737.7
National Capital Parks	2,869.6	0.0	3,336.0	0.0	2,811.0	0.0
National Visitor Center	942.0	0.0	794.2	0.0	281.9	0.0
Natural Bridges NM	74.9	0.3	69.7	0.2	78.6	1.8
Navajo NM	50.4	28.7	43.1	38.9	41.3	49.8
Nez Perce NHP	154.2	17.1	127.2	13.9	162.7	17.5
North Cascades NP <u>2/</u>	682.3	7.4	917.6	13.9	743.0	22.2
Ocmulgee NM	86.4	0.0	76.8	0.0	81.6	0.0
Olympic NP	2,293.9	365.0	2,534.7	461.9	2,078.8	510.6
Oregon Caves NM	180.9	1.0	172.3	0.8	130.7	0.6
Organ Pipe Cactus NM	137.6	2.3	147.9	2.4	131.6	2.4
Ozark NSR	1,398.4	386.9	1,422.4	470.2	1,453.0	454.6
Padre Island NS	836.3	6.0	860.7	6.3	774.9	8.6
Pea Ridge NMP	95.4	0.0	110.0	0.0	94.2	0.0
Pecos NM	58.9	0.0	58.0	0.0	51.5	0.0
Perry's Victory & IPM	108.7	0.0	118.5	4.2	129.8	0.0
Petersburg NB	611.4	0.0	665.9	0.0	577.3	0.0
Petrified Forest NP	857.3	8.2	951.4	6.4	671.6	3.6

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(CONTINUED)

	1977			1978			1979		
	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION	NON		RECREATION
	RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION		RECREATION	RECREATION	
Pictured Rocks NL	294.7	2.5	270.4	287.4	2.5	270.4	270.4	2.0	270.4
Pinnacles NM	160.5	0.0	153.7	155.8	0.0	153.7	153.7	0.0	153.7
Pipe Spring NM	26.7	0.1	24.9	28.0	0.1	24.9	24.9	0.1	24.9
Pipestone NM	188.5	0.0	144.0	180.6	0.0	144.0	144.0	0.0	144.0
Piscataway Park <u>3/</u>	171.2	0.0	138.0	137.5	0.0	138.0	138.0	0.0	138.0
Point Reyes NS	1,785.2	25.8	1,489.1	1,920.0	25.8	1,489.1	1,489.1	25.8	1,489.1
Prince William Forest Park	510.7	0.5	499.2	521.0	0.5	499.2	499.2	0.5	499.2
Pu'uhonua o Honaunau NHP	446.6	0.0	409.4	492.0	0.0	409.4	409.4	0.0	409.4
Puukohola Heiau NHS <u>6/</u>	18.0	0.0	21.7	18.8	0.0	21.7	21.7	0.0	21.7
Rainbow Bridge NM	87.3	0.0	97.1	95.5	0.0	97.1	97.1	0.0	97.1
Redwood NP	477.9	32.8	413.9	448.0	65.4	413.9	413.9	66.4	413.9
Richmond NBP	329.1	70.2	265.8	286.1	71.0	265.8	265.8	66.1	265.8
Rock Creek Park <u>3/ 4/</u>	721.3	0.0	1,156.6	862.9	0.0	1,156.6	1,156.6	14,846.1	1,156.6
Rocky Mountain NP	2,882.1	12.9	2,568.5	3,024.9	13.0	2,568.5	2,568.5	11.5	2,568.5
Roger Williams NM <u>1/</u>	0.0	0.0	27.8	0.0	0.0	27.8	27.8	0.2	27.8
Russell Cave NM	21.6	0.5	18.5	19.6	0.6	18.5	18.5	0.7	18.5
Sagamore Hill NHS	224.1	0.0	167.5	187.3	0.0	167.5	167.5	0.0	167.5
Saguaro NM	422.5	0.0	566.5	549.1	0.0	566.5	566.5	0.0	566.5
Saint Croix NSR	198.2	12.0	391.7	203.1	11.9	391.7	391.7	22.8	391.7
Saint-Gaudens NHS	11.5	0.0	31.8	24.2	0.0	31.8	31.8	0.0	31.8
Salem Maritime NHS	252.6	0.0	431.8	300.2	0.0	431.8	431.8	22.7	431.8
San Juan Island NHP	61.7	0.0	92.5	76.4	0.0	92.5	92.5	0.0	92.5
San Juan NHS	1,249.8	0.0	1,458.8	1,374.5	0.0	1,458.8	1,458.8	0.0	1,458.8
Saratoga NHP	102.6	154.4	97.2	131.1	146.8	97.2	97.2	132.7	97.2
Saugus Iron Works NHS	42.6	3.6	32.8	37.4	5.9	32.8	32.8	21.4	32.8
Scotts Bluff NM	204.0	0.0	173.3	217.5	0.0	173.3	173.3	0.0	173.3

TABLE 5. VISITS TO AREAS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1977		1978		1979	
	NON		NON		NON	
	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION
Sequoia NP	978.2	0.4	973.1	0.4	799.6	0.4
Shadow Mountain NRA 7/	168.5	0.0	168.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Shenandoah NP 4/	2,789.1	265.9	2,002.2	89.3	1,521.5	104.3
Shiloh NHP	230.6	235.5	332.1	262.7	318.9	253.6
Sitka NHP	83.2	3.9	82.4	3.9	69.2	2.9
Sleeping Bear Dunes NL	838.0	0.0	759.1	0.0	733.5	0.0
Springfield Armory NHS	0.0	0.0	13.8	0.0	15.6	0.0
Statue of Liberty NM	1,394.1	0.0	1,507.9	0.0	1,661.4	0.0
Stones River NB	138.3	1.0	128.4	1.0	122.0	1.0
Sunset Crater NM	323.8	10.2	330.0	10.3	308.7	10.2
Theo Roosevelt BPL NHS	11.7	0.9	12.7	1.1	13.2	0.9
Theo Roosevelt Inaugural NHS	16.6	1.8	17.0	3.5	15.9	4.1
Theo Roosevelt Island	105.1	0.0	75.9	0.0	72.5	0.0
Theo Roosevelt NP 8/	828.4	3.1	826.0	7.3	591.6	7.5
Timpanogos Cave NM	102.9	0.0	118.6	0.0	125.1	0.0
Tonto NM	69.4	0.0	71.1	0.0	69.8	0.0
Tumacacori NM	74.0	0.0	76.6	0.0	59.0	0.0
Tupelo NB	0.7	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0
Tuskegee Institute NHS	11.9	0.0	24.8	0.0	18.9	0.0
Tuzigoot NM	81.5	5.2	77.5	3.5	68.7	3.0
Valley Forge NHP 1/	0.0	0.0	3,139.7	8,116.3	3,107.4	826.9
Vanderbilt Mansion NHS	280.4	0.0	289.0	0.0	335.3	0.0
Vicksburg NHP	898.6	164.7	888.8	135.7	634.0	337.3
Virgin Islands NP	289.1	165.6	481.7	162.1	549.7	185.2
Voyageurs NP	140.3	0.0	255.4	4.6	195.3	6.1
Walnut Canyon NM	75.2	0.2	78.9	0.1	69.7	0.9

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(CONTINUED)

	1977		1978		1979	
	NON		NON		NON	
	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION
Washington Monument	1,230.9	0.0	1,451.3	0.0	1,304.8	0.0
Whiskeytown NRA	1,613.8	2.8	1,395.0	9.4	1,162.4	9.1
White House	1,304.3	0.0	1,333.2	0.0	1,313.0	0.0
White Sands NM	622.3	4.6	580.2	10.6	580.8	5.1
Whitman Mission NHS	119.5	1.1	105.0	1.6	118.1	1.8
William Howard Taft NHS	3.5	0.8	3.5	1.0	4.4	0.8
Wilson's Creek NB	42.9	0.0	72.6	0.0	80.6	0.0
Wind Cave NP	532.7	518.9	539.1	539.7	457.4	494.4
Wolf Trap Farm Park	499.2	0.0	568.0	0.0	589.0	0.0
Wright Brothers NMem	535.0	0.1	481.1	2.4	396.3	2.2
Wupatki NM	215.2	6.5	234.7	5.5	186.9	4.6
Yellowstone NP	2,481.9	5.2	2,618.4	4.8	1,892.9	2.3
Yosemite NP	2,392.6	143.2	2,569.3	99.9	2,350.8	90.6
Zion NP	1,105.9	103.7	1,193.2	114.7	1,040.5	105.0

* Less than 50.

FIGURE 5.
**VISITS TO SELECTED PARKS
 1979**

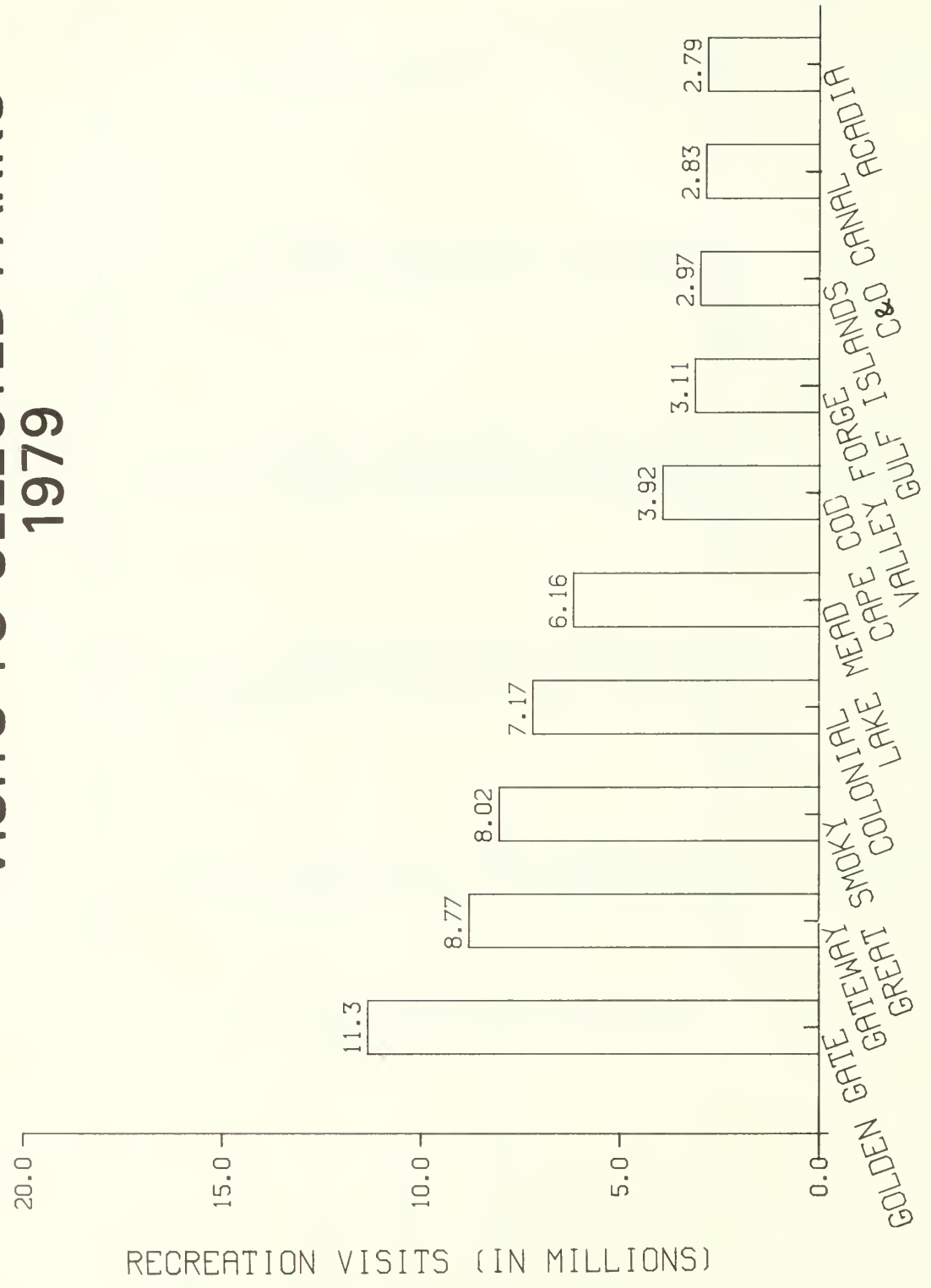


TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	NON-RECREATION
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		
			TENTS	RV'S				
Acadia NP	0	0	139,708	74,279	0	0	213,987	
Allegheny Portage RR NHS	0	0	33	0	0	0	33	
Amistad NRA	0	0	23,968	50,588	17,757	0	92,313	
Antietam NB	0	0	0	0	0	1,649	1,649	
Apostle Islands NL	0	0	3,312	0	1,093	9,207	13,612	
Appomattox Court House NHP	0	0	0	0	0	122	122	
Arches NP	0	0	18,772	17,605	2,332	3,759	42,468	
Assateague Islands NS	0	0	24,421	16,959	11,506	14,326	67,212	
Badlands NP 8/	3,595	0	3,786	3,496	856	0	11,733	
Bandelier NM	0	0	11,121	6,791	3,938	0	21,850	
Big Bend NP	24,440	14,589	38,013	44,730	33,927	43,349	199,047	
Bighorn Canyon NRA	0	0	2,715	13,932	528	1,492	18,667	
Biscayne NM	0	0	2,232	0	0	53,844	56,076	
Black Canyon OTG NM	0	0	11,925	11,652	1,404	0	24,981	
Blue Ridge Parkway	64,138	0	71,698	112,759	1,531	4,485	254,611	
Bryce Canyon NP	26,145	0	47,916	48,403	871	8,794	132,129	
Buck Island Reef NM	0	0	0	0	0	3,046	3,046	
Buffalo NR	7,343	0	24,885	30,564	6,595	31,828	101,215	
Canyon De Chelly NM	17,855	0	13,855	21,281	131	3,285	56,407	1
Canyonlands NP	0	0	7,223	5,213	39,819	2,374	54,629	
Cape Cod NS	8,811	0	0	0	0	27,731	36,542	4,8
Cape Hatteras NS	0	0	145,399	119,103	0	21,004	285,506	2,5
Cape Lookout NS	10,807	0	0	0	3,103	7,411	21,321	
Capitol Reef NP	0	0	10,976	16,501	2,063	2,023	31,563	
Carlsbad Caverns NP	0	0	0	0	1,570	0	1,570	

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS

(CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	NON-RECREATI
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		
			TENTS	RV'S				
Catoctin Mountain Park	0	0	6,925	4,593	190	42,575	54,283	
Cedar Breaks NM	0	0	447	885	0	0	1,332	
Chaco Canyon NM	0	0	6,095	3,328	0	1,735	11,158	
Channel Islands NM	0	0	1,938	0	0	8,293	10,231	7,5
C & O Canal NHP	0	0	12,199	3,011	47,263	0	62,473	
Chick Chatt NMP	0	0	0	0	0	1,865	1,865	
Chickasaw NRA	0	0	38,556	37,318	0	25,947	101,821	
Chiricahua NM	0	0	3,667	8,616	0	375	12,658	
Colorado NM	0	0	9,271	10,495	89	0	19,855	
Coulee Dam NRA	0	0	29,204	88,645	0	22,382	140,231	
Crater Lake NP	18,097	0	8,320	34,677	2,692	0	63,786	
Craters of the Moon NM	0	0	3,909	9,177	252	361	13,699	
Cumberland Gap NHP	0	0	4,604	6,008	2,322	2,300	15,234	
Cumberland Island NS	0	0	10,061	0	0	7,165	17,226	
Curecanti NRA	0	0	10,570	87,037	356	0	97,963	
Death Valley NM	25,906	4,431	63,050	231,902	636	6,263	332,188	
Delaware Water Gap NRA	472	0	0	0	39,815	28,810	69,097	
Devils Postpile NM	0	0	980	654	1,426	0	3,060	
Devils Tower NM	0	0	10,107	9,256	0	0	19,363	
Dinosaur NM	0	0	15,250	17,416	25,411	997	59,074	
El Morro NM	0	0	965	1,208	0	153	2,326	
Everglades NP	43,141	0	28,775	72,065	17,909	3,978	165,868	
Fire Island NS	0	0	12,654	0	0	50,691	63,345	
Fort Donelson NMP	0	0	0	0	0	52	52	
Fort Jefferson NM	0	0	2,108	0	0	11,181	13,289	10,9

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS

(CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	NON-RECREATI
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		
			TENTS	RV'S				
Fort Necessity NB	0	0	0	0	0	0	303	
Fort Point NHS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,018	
Fort Washington Park 3/	0	0	0	0	0	0	287	
Gateway NRA	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,840	
Gettysburg NMP	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,829	
Glacier Bay NM	11,737	0	1,399	0	3,028	13,050	29,214	13,13
Glacier NP	93,386	0	92,000	134,647	25,439	0	345,472	
Glen Canyon NRA	110,109	58,004	45,325	289,069	725,302	8,754	1,236,563	13,73
Golden Gate NRA	0	0	0	0	0	5,177	5,177	
Gran Quivira NM	0	0	0	0	0	95	95	
Grand Canyon NP	439,933	34,883	111,022	35,752	120,472	0	742,062	22,08
Grand Portage NM	0	0	0	0	386	0	386	1
Grand Teton NP	184,331	55,227	122,465	117,590	24,558	28,110	532,281	
Great Sand Dunes NM	0	0	17,194	14,915	387	4,924	37,420	
Great Smoky Mountains NP	7,532	0	213,565	215,495	80,970	28,485	546,047	
Greenbelt Park	0	0	15,342	34,074	0	1,456	50,872	
Guadalupe Mountains NP	0	0	8,435	8,366	3,090	0	19,891	
Guilford Courthouse NMP	0	0	0	0	0	77	77	
Gulf Islands NS	0	0	37,563	90,103	0	12,542	140,208	
Haleakala NP	0	0	9,755	3,251	5,163	3,863	22,032	
Hawaii Volcanoes NP	31,909	0	4,282	1,618	7,010	35,938	80,757	
Hot Springs NP	0	0	1,606	7,431	0	0	9,037	
Hovenweep NM	0	0	1,191	2,086	0	0	3,277	5
Indiana Dunes NL 5/	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	410,62
Isle Royale NP	9,657	333	27,140	0	21,144	5,736	64,010	63

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS

(CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER		NATIONAL PARK SERVICE				TOTAL	NON-RECREATION
	LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		BACK-COUNTRY	MISC.		
			TENTS	RV'S				
Petrified Forest NP	0	0	0	0	602	0	602	10
Pictured Rocks NL	0	0	8,096	5,187	8,854	538	22,675	
Pinnacles NM	0	0	5,970	2,369	0	67	8,406	
Point Reyes NS	0	0	0	0	27,602	4,367	31,969	
Prince William Forest Park	0	23,953	18,194	3,951	746	41,143	87,987	
Pu'uhonua o Honaunau NHP 6/	0	0	0	0	0	419	419	
Redwood NP	0	0	1,501	0	1,894	5,262	8,657	
Rocky Mountain NP	0	0	138,381	170,300	56,560	11,236	376,477	
Saguaro NM	0	0	0	0	3,622	0	3,622	
Saint Croix NSR	0	0	0	0	7,606	0	7,606	61,30
Sequoia NP	85,622	0	118,332	92,107	75,002	0	371,063	
Shenandoah NP 4/	111,258	0	140,955	107,016	62,831	12,727	434,787	
Shiloh NMP	0	0	0	0	0	11,101	11,101	
Sleeping Bear Dunes NL	0	0	22,713	23,412	6,803	3,006	55,934	
Stones River NB	0	0	0	0	0	77	77	
Sunset Crater NM	0	0	1,334	4,749	0	0	6,083	
Theodore Roosevelt NP 8/	0	0	15,924	15,422	624	0	31,970	
Vanderbilt Mansion NHS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Virgin Islands NP	29,130	47,095	0	0	1,224	58,895	136,344	7,04
Voyageurs NP	10,356	133	24,686	0	11,576	21,227	67,978	6,12
Whiskeytown NRA	0	0	32,718	40,531	1,860	14,771	89,880	
White Sands NM	0	0	0	0	621	0	621	
Wind Cave NP	0	0	6,814	4,750	0	0	11,564	
Wupatki NM	0	0	0	0	142	0	142	
Yellowstone NP	537,607	102,910	219,297	358,266	46,142	10,199	1,274,421	

TABLE 6. NATIONAL PARK AREAS WITH OVERNIGHT STAYS (CONTINUED)

	CONCESSIONER	NATIONAL PARK SERVICE					TOTAL	NON-RECREATION
		LODGING	CAMPGRD	CAMPGROUNDS		MISC.		
				TENTS	RV'S			
Yosemite NP	881,342	0	282,075	273,374	72,901	0	1,509,692	
Zion NP	41,562	0	69,712	95,746	8,964	10,492	226,476	
TOTALS	3,151,721	838,932	3,424,681	4,446,370	2,397,098	1,155,140	15,413,942	

FIGURE 6.
TREND OF OVERNIGHT STAYS BY TYPE
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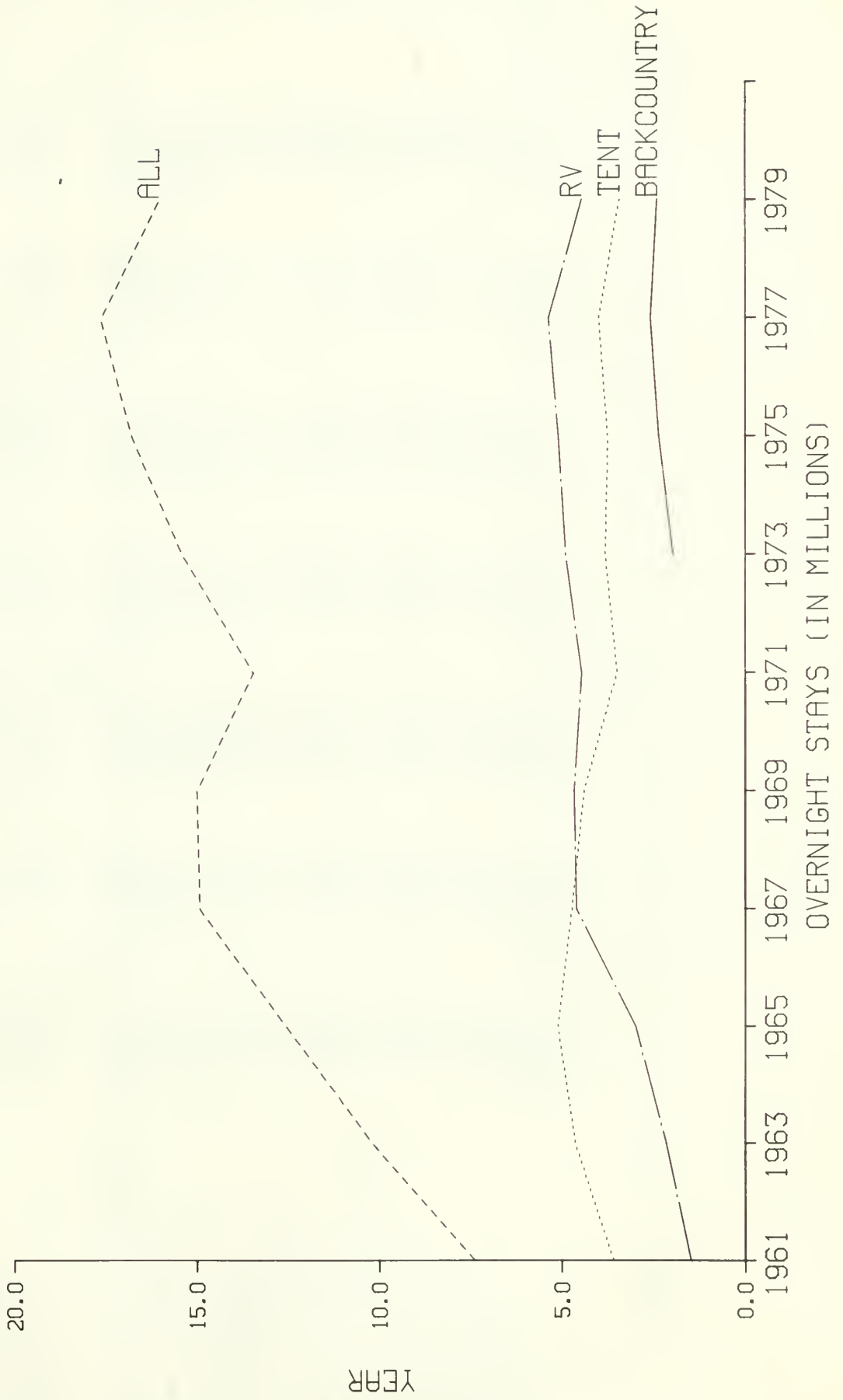


TABLE 7. RECREATION VISITS AND OVERNIGHT STAYS IN THE 39 NATIONAL PARKS (IN THOUSANDS)

	1976		1977		1978		1979	
	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS
Acadia NP	2,353.3	236.3	2,734.6	239.7	2,684.9	236.3	2,787.4	214.0
Arches NP	294.8	39.4	313.4	41.9	326.9	44.9	269.8	42.5
Badlands NP 8/	1,210.0	44.0	1,305.4	49.5	1,234.9	42.7	858.0	11.7
Big Bend NP	378.6	248.6	334.0	235.1	301.2	221.7	282.9	199.0
Bryce Canyon NP	625.6	64.0	611.5	138.3	679.3	134.7	558.1	132.1
Canyonlands NP	80.0	57.5	75.5	47.2	85.9	55.1	74.5	54.6
Capitol Reef NP	425.1	30.5	428.8	32.3	392.4	33.4	288.9	31.6
Carlsbad Caverns NP	876.5	2.6	862.8	2.9	867.3	2.5	721.6	1.6
Crater Lake NP	532.7	70.7	558.3	78.9	553.4	62.8	410.7	63.8
Everglades NP	955.7	178.2	948.0	189.4	923.7	176.4	718.1	165.9
Glacier NP	1,661.2	392.8	1,654.5	461.8	1,582.6	391.9	1,446.1	345.5
Grand Canyon NP	2,791.6	1,024.6	2,627.2	1,027.8	2,748.6	985.0	2,131.7	742.1
Grand Teton NP	2,834.7	607.6	3,258.0	605.5	3,160.0	555.5	2,446.2	532.3
Great Smoky Mountains NP	8,991.5	626.1	9,173.6	576.5	8,695.5	587.8	8,019.8	546.0
Guadalupe Mountains NP	81.4	13.2	92.2	15.2	108.8	17.5	110.5	19.9
Haleakala NP	650.3	25.4	626.5	25.9	712.8	24.0	674.0	22.0
Hawaii Volcanoes NP	1,430.5	96.4	1,446.2	92.9	1,728.3	93.5	1,632.6	80.8
Hot Springs NP	1,117.9	25.4	1,127.0	21.9	1,229.2	10.9	1,118.8	9.0
Isle Royale NP	17.0	66.0	16.7	72.6	16.4	67.5	14.8	64.0
Kings Canyon NP	1,127.9	315.1	1,041.0	240.5	864.7	254.6	804.2	287.5
Lassen Volcanic NP	461.4	110.4	381.2	92.2	442.2	101.2	380.0	91.1
Mammoth Cave NP	1,748.9	153.7	1,806.3	128.8	1,640.7	106.9	1,384.9	89.1
Mesa Verde NP	675.1	225.9	663.7	224.1	653.1	217.6	473.7	155.0
Mount McKinley NP	157.6	146.4	183.2	134.6	223.0	147.4	251.1	146.0
Mount Rainier NP	1,414.5	151.4	1,819.6	154.4	1,607.0	143.2	1,516.7	127.6

TABLE 7. VISITS AND OVERNIGHT STAYS (IN THOUSANDS)

(CONTINUED)

	1976		1977		1978		1979	
	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS	VISITS	O/N STAYS
North Cascades NP 2/	765.6	126.0	682.3	97.9	917.6	130.3	743.0	123.2
Olympic NP	2,327.4	500.5	2,293.9	536.0	2,534.7	465.9	2,078.8	401.5
Petrified Forest NP	1,066.2	0.3	857.3	0.3	951.4	0.5	671.6	0.6
Redwood NP	421.7	8.4	477.9	9.6	448.0	8.6	413.9	8.7
Rocky Mountain NP	2,727.9	308.1	2,895.0	333.3	3,024.9	319.8	2,568.5	376.5
Sequoia NP	1,040.6	449.4	978.2	357.7	973.1	344.7	799.6	371.1
Shenandoah NP 4/	2,448.6	593.3	2,789.1	590.9	2,002.2	545.4	1,521.5	434.8
Theodore Roosevelt NP 8/	937.6	39.2	831.5	42.7	833.3	43.8	591.6	32.0
Virgin Islands NP	182.6	101.3	289.1	111.6	481.7	138.2	549.7	136.3
Voyageurs NP	121.2	15.4	140.3	21.4	255.4	31.0	195.3	68.0
Wind Cave NP	458.1	17.3	432.7	14.3	539.1	15.3	457.4	11.6
Yellowstone NP	2,519.2	1,506.7	2,481.9	1,472.6	2,618.4	1,486.1	1,892.9	1,274.4
Yosemite NP	2,682.4	1,809.2	2,392.6	1,769.5	2,569.3	1,800.7	2,350.8	1,509.7
Zion NP	1,090.0	230.6	1,105.9	252.5	1,193.2	267.3	1,040.5	226.5
TOTALS	51,683.0	10,515.2	52,823.9	10,540.1	52,825.1	10,312.6	45,250.5	9,149.4

TABLE 8. RECREATION VISITS, ACREAGE,
AREAS ADMINISTERED AND AREAS REPORTING VISITS
IN THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM BY CLASSIFICATION

<u>CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>RECREATION VISITS</u>	<u>ACREAGE^{1/}</u>	<u>AREAS ADMINISTERED</u>	<u>AREAS REPORTING VISITS</u>
National Battlefields	1,327,776	10,514.40	9	8
National Battlefield Parks	1,920,589	6,685.18	3	3
National Battlefield Sites	1,903	12.36	1	1
National Historic Sites	9,040,531	17,958.97	59	47
National Historical Parks	20,735,021	104,588.04	22	19
National Lakeshores	2,685,634	196,406.30	4	4
National Memorials	9,931,001	8,245.66	22	19
National Military Parks	4,705,381	34,730.12	11	11
National Monuments	8,214,251	54,615,320.54	92	77
National Parks	45,250,345	16,039,704.71	39	39
National Parkways	27,209,546	160,854.45	4	4
National Preserves	--	654,550.00	2	--
National Recreation Areas	38,059,932	3,661,664.79	17	13
National Seashores	13,753,874	598,089.29	10	10
National Rivers (include Wild and Scenic Rivers and Riverways)	2,520,549	525,443.33	10	3
National Scenic Trails	--	52,034.25	1	--
National Capital Parks	2,810,962	6,468.82	1	1
National Mall	--	146.35	1	--
National Visitor Center	281,883	0.00 ^{2/}	1	1
Parks - Other	8,185,884	32,019.48	10	10
White House	1,313,017	18.07	1	1
TOTALS	205,369,795	76,725,455.11	320	271
Affiliated areas, not part of the system			23	

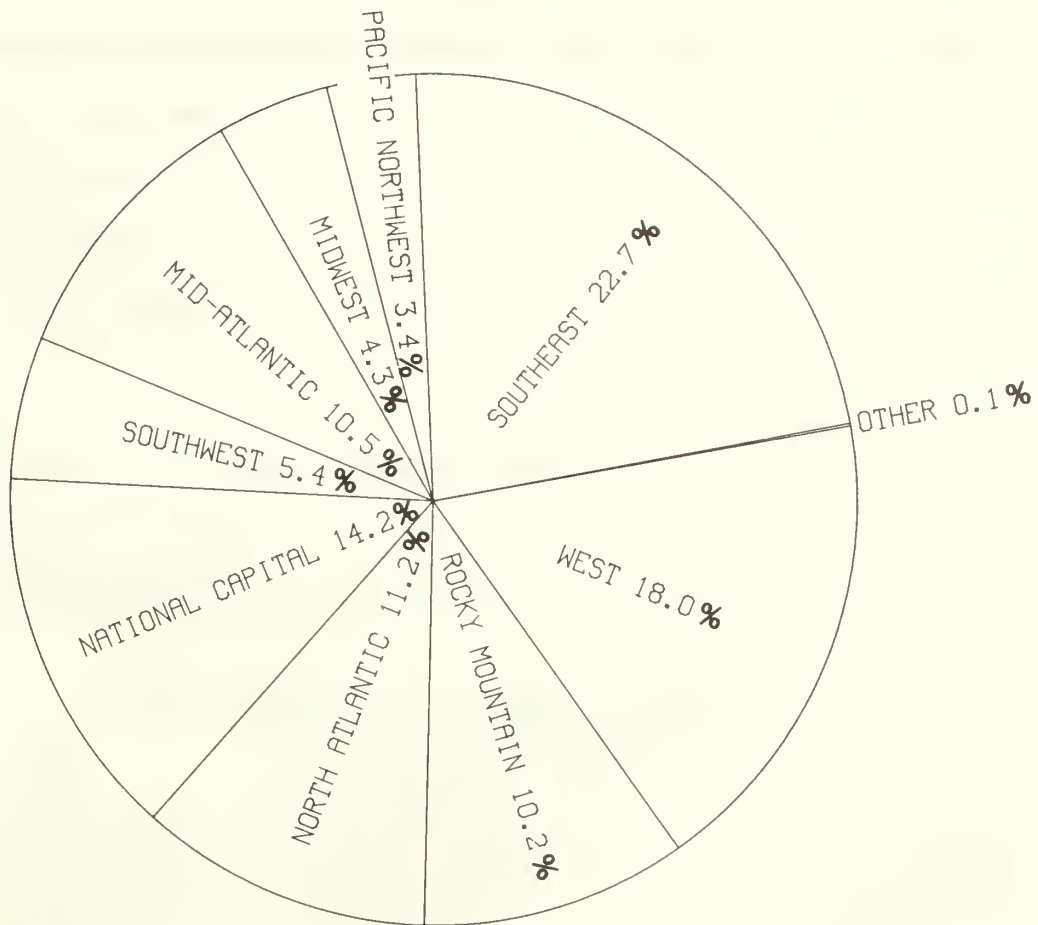
1. Acreage as of December 31, 1979

2. Counted in National Capital Parks

TABLE 9. RECREATION VISITS BY REGION

	1977	1978	1979
Mid-Atlantic	20,124,435	23,275,799	21,603,869
Midwest	8,647,252	8,783,570	8,857,493
North Atlantic	23,625,961	24,085,979	22,954,989
Pacific Northwest	7,589,251	7,735,468	7,069,067
Rocky Mountain	26,322,230	26,482,782	20,900,056
Southwest	11,369,517	11,367,231	11,095,451
Southeast	49,794,987	50,991,525	46,688,184
Western	33,751,164	37,620,168	36,979,263
National Capital	29,344,915	31,189,698	29,221,423
TOTALS	210,569,712	222,184,026	205,369,795

FIGURE 7. PERCENT OF RECREATION VISITS BY REGION
1979



1979 RECREATION VISITS

METHODS

Information reported here is collected monthly by all units reporting visits of the National Park Service, United States Department of Interior. This information results from a variety of methods ranging from visual counts to electromagnetic traffic counters. In each unit of the park system, the method of learning about public use is selected to preserve a balance between cost effectiveness and concern for the best accuracy possible. Many problems complicate the counting effort such as "open" parks which have multiple, random access points. Irregular park boundaries and boundaries which include residencies or even small population centers make it difficult to actually count visits. In such cases, local estimates are designed to adjust for the circumstances. Estimates of other types are also reported here. The reports of "recreational" use and visitor hours are derived from a variety of estimates. Visitor surveys are periodically conducted to establish the basis of estimating as well as to change the estimates as the patterns of travel and public use are changing.

The statistical data reported here are constantly subject to study, verification, correction, and improvement. Overall, the guidelines for National Park Service statistical policy and standards are derived from the following:

"Many parks have unique and complicated patterns of public use not to mention physical conditions which make complete and accurate counting difficult and costly....

It should be kept in mind that partial counts are better than none at all. If it is not possible to measure or estimate total public use, a partial counting system will be used where it is feasible to conduct a limited effort which is believed to create conservative figures.

There may be occasions when it is unclear if an activity should be counted as a visit to be entered on the Monthly Public Use Report. The following underlying principle will apply: The purpose of collecting these statistics is to measure the impact of public use on the park and its resources. Any use which requires the application of public funds or manpower of the National Park Service for its support is a reportable use."

-Reports Management Handbook, NPS AM-5

In this context, the National Park Service attempts to serve the many interests in the vitality of outdoor recreation travel in America. We believe these data to be among the very best indicators of their kind. The data reported here are suitable for most general purposes and are comparable over time. (Users should always pay special attention to footnotes when making comparisons over time.) For work needing greater detail a more intensive Public Use Monitoring Program is available at many larger areas.

DEFINITIONS

VISITOR. Any person, except Service personnel, who enters the lands or waters administered by the National Park Service.

SERVICE PERSONNEL. (a) employees of the Service who are assigned to the park or are visiting the park in connection with their duty assignments; (b) NPS contractors, concessioners, cooperating associations; (c) the households of Service employees resident in the parks. All such "Service personnel" are not reportable as public use.

VISIT. The entry of any person, except Service personnel, onto lands or waters administered by the National Park Service. A visitor may enter several parks during a trip and generate a "visit" for each entry (multiple visitation). A visitor may enter a single park several times during a reporting period and generate a visit for each entry (repeat visitation). Visits may occur as recreation visits or nonrecreation visits.

RECREATION VISIT. The entry of any person, except Service personnel, onto lands or waters administered by the National Park Service for recreation purposes.

NONRECREATION VISITS. Reportable nonrecreation visits include: (a) commuters, inholders, and other through traffic (except Service personnel) using Service-administered roads or waterways through a park for their convenience; (b) any tradesmen servicing facilities within or making deliveries to destinations within a park or inholding; (c) employees of any other Federal, State or local agency on business in the park.

Nonreportable nonrecreation visits are entries by the Service's vehicles and trips to or from work assignments or residences in the park by Service personnel; everybody else using Service-administered roads, waters, etc., is either a recreation or a nonrecreation visitor, unless a negligible transit occurs as defined below.

NEGLIGIBLE TRANSIT. A brief, incidental entry into a park by through traffic (pedestrian or vehicular) which uses Service-administered roads or walkways.

VISITOR-HOUR. The presence of one or more persons (excluding Service personnel) in a park for continuous, intermittent or simultaneous periods of time aggregating one hour (e.g., one person for one hour, two persons for one-half hour, n persons for 1/n hours).

OVERNIGHT STAY. The passing of one night within a park by a visitor. This excludes non-Service territory, (i.e., inholdings) and non-visitors (i.e., persons making only nonreportable visits, whether engaged in recreation or nonrecreation); but it includes use of concessioner facilities by all except Service personnel.

TENTS. Camping in tents erected on a campsite or attached to a car or station wagon, but excluding tent trailers; also includes sleeping on the ground in cars or in trucks without camper bodies.

RECREATION VEHICLES. Any enclosed vehicle used for camping which is more elaborate than a simple truck or car, such as pickup trucks with camper bodies, pop-up tent trailers, travel trailers, buses, coaches, mobile homes, etc.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE. An agency of the Department of Interior which administers more than two dozen types of federal land use classifications. The National Park Service does not administer National Forests (United States Department of Agriculture/Forest Service), Wildlife Refuges (United States Department of Interior/Fish and Wildlife Service), or a variety of other federal lands used for outdoor recreation.

CLASSIFICATION. The differences in the classifications are generally reflected in the titles listed below. A detailed description of each classification may be found in the publication, Index, National Park System and Related Areas, 1979.

National Battlefields	(NB)	National Parkways
National Battlefield Parks	(NBP)	National Preserves
National Battlefield Sites	(NBS)	National Recreation Areas (NRA)
National Historic Sites	(NHS)	National Rivers (NR)
National Historical Parks	(NHP)	National Scenic Trails (NST)
National Lakeshores	(NL)	National Seashores (NS)
National Memorials	(NMEM)	National Capital Parks (NCP)
National Memorial Parks	(NMEMP)	National Mall
National Military Parks	(NMP)	National Visitor Center
National Monuments	(NM)	Parks - Other
National Parks	(NP)	White House

REGIONS. National Park Service Regions include the following states:

Mid-Atlantic - DE MD PA VA WV

Midwest - IA IL IN KS MI MN MO NE OH WI

National Capital Parks - DC

North Atlantic - CT MA ME NH NJ NY RI VT

Pacific Northwest - AK ID OR WA

Rocky Mountain - Part of AZ CO MT ND SD UT WY

Southeast - AL FL GA KY MS NC PR SC TN VI

Southwest - AR Part of AZ LA NM OK TX

Western - AZ CA HI NV

MISCELLANEOUS ABBREVIATIONS

BPL Birthplace
Abraham Lincoln BPL NHS
Theodore Roosevelt BPL NHS

C & O Chesapeake and Ohio
C & O Canal NHP

Chick Chatt Chickamauga and Chattanooga
Chick Chatt NMP

Fred Spot Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania
Fred Spot County Battlefields Mem NMP

HS Historic Shrine
Fort McHenry NM & HS

IPM International Peace Memorial
Perry's Victory & IPM

J.D. John D.
listed as, J.D. Rockefeller Pkwy.
full name, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Memorial Parkway

JFK Ctr,
Perf John Fitzgerald Kennedy Center
JFK Ctr for the Performing Arts

NEM National Expansion Memorial
Jefferson NEM NHS

OTG of the Gunnison
Black Canyon OTG NM

FOOTNOTES

* Less than 50 visits or overnight stays

1. The following areas' first data series started later than January 1978. Cuyahoga Valley NRA (January 1978), Valley Forge NHP (January 1978), Lowell NHP (January 1979), Roger Williams NM (January 1979), Grant-Kohrs Ranch NHS (January 1979), Fort Scott NHS (June 1979), Klondike Gold Rush - Seattle, (July 1979).
2. Data for North Cascades NP, Ross Lake NRA and Lake Chelan NRA are shown combined; no breakdown available.
3. Areas formerly included in National Capital Parks are now listed as separate units of the National Park System.
4. The 1979 Visits figures for these areas are not strictly comparable to the 1978 figures, due to changes in the counting procedures.
5. Nonrecreation visits and overnight stays reflect use by persons occupying dwellings owned by the NPS but leased back to occupants.
6. City of Refuge NHP changed to Pu'uhonua o Honaunau NHP, October 1, 1978.
7. Shadow Mountain NRA no longer administered by the National Park Service.
8. Theodore Roosevelt NMemP and Badlands NM redesignated National Parks, and Chalmette NHP redesignated Jean Lafitte NHP and Preserve, November, 1978.

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