



Annual Visitation Report 2023

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Boulder County Parks & Open Space
in 2023 was 1,823,431.*



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Visitation Spotlight

About 1.8 million visits in 2023

Overall visitation increased from the previous year

Visitation was estimated at 23 properties and 6 regional trails

13 vehicle and 22 trail counters were monitored at 35 access points



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After a 45% increase in visitation in 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic, visitation decreased in both 2021 and 2022. This year, in 2023, there was small 3% increase in visitation from the previous year's visitation number of 1,779,529.

All trail and vehicle counters are TrafX counters that record timestamped hourly data for visitation. These counters make it possible to monitor hourly, daily, weekly, and monthly visitation at properties to identify trends.

Methodology

Education & Outreach and Resource Protection staff are assigned property-specific data collection duties. At the beginning of every month, staff download data from each counter. Counter data is uploaded to TRAFx DataNet, a web-based system to view and analyze the count data. Each month, the following adjustments are applied:

$$\frac{\{(Counter\ data) \times (Average\ \# \text{ visitors per vehicle at park})\}}{2} = \text{Total for that month}$$

Counter data is divided by two for any trails and parking lots where visitors enter and exit from the same access point. For parking lots with one-way entrances, the counter's number is not divided by two. For vehicle counters, the data is multiplied by the average number of visitors per vehicle. That adjustment is calculated for each property using the 2021 BCPOS Five Year Study visitor survey. For trail counters, the average number of visitors per vehicle in that park is not applied.

Data from 2022 was used in instances when a trail or vehicle counter was malfunctioning for a month or longer. When a counter was malfunctioning for a shorter period of time, an average daily traffic adjustment for that month was used for individual days.

After the adjustments are completed, each month's data is assigned to the appropriate season, which is calculated as follows:

- Winter = January, February and December
- Spring = March, April and May
- Summer = June, July and August
- Fall = September, October and November

These calculations give us a minimum estimated number of visits to parks with active counters. Please note that "number of visits" is not equal to "number of visitors." That is, the same visitor may visit the same park many times throughout the year.

Parks fall into three categories for visitor use:

- Low use < 50,000 visits per year
- Medium use 50,000 - 100,000 visits per year
- High use > 100,000 visits per year

Since 11 public parks and neighborhood trails do not have counters, their visitation must be estimated. The annual estimates provided by observational studies at Twin Lakes (103,139 visits) and the Coal Creek, Rock Creek, and LOBO trails (268,000 total visits) have been adjusted to reflect the overall percent change in visitation estimated by properties with counters and included in the overall minimum estimated number of visits. Visitation at the Beech property is calculated using picnic shelter reservations, since the trails are managed by the City of Boulder.

For the properties where observational data has not been collected, estimates are based on averages from properties with similar visitation that do have counters. Using data from those counters, we estimate the average visitation for other parks in that visitor-use category and apply that average to each of the parks in categories that do not have counters.

Notes for Properties with Counters

The year began with cold temperatures from January to March. Then late season snow and rain in the spring and early summer contributed to an overall wetter than normal year. Summer was just slightly cooler than average, with a total of 33 days over 90 degrees reported in the City of Boulder.

The Coalton Trailhead and the Coalton and Meadowlark trails were closed for trail improvements and cattle grazing from October 9 through the end of the year.

Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain was closed Monday and Tuesday, January 1 to January 29, and October 2 to December 31 for elk management. If the hunters were successful, the park was opened the following day. The park was also open for Thanksgiving week, Christmas week, and Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Hall Ranch, Heil Valley Ranch, and Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain experienced intermittent muddy trail closures from January through April, June, and October through December.

At Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat many vehicles drive through both parking lots during a trip to the property, passing through the lot at Wally Toevs Pond on the way to park at the Cottonwood Trailhead. Some visitation from October 2 through the end of the year includes construction traffic passing through the Cottonwood Trailhead for the City of Boulder's Main Sewer Improvements Project.

Caribou Ranch has an annual closure from April 1 through June 30, which is reflected in the low number of estimated visits for the spring season.

More detailed information about specific properties can be found in individual property reports.



Park Visitation

The estimates provided here are minimum estimates. Visitation numbers may be higher, but they are probably not any lower. Some parks have separate access points without counters, or they receive visitors who are biking, running, riding or walking, rather than driving a vehicle into a park with a vehicle counter. Additionally, vehicle counters are calibrated to estimate visits from people arriving in cars, SUVs, and small trucks, not longer vehicles like school buses or RVs. The properties are listed from highest to lowest estimated number of visits in 2023.

Estimated Number of Visits at Properties with Counters

	Winter	Spring	Summer	Fall	Total 2023	Total 2022	Total 2021
Pella Crossing	35,861	53,088	49,632	47,792	186,373	177,502	171,729
Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat	23,342	35,644	27,306	31,960	118,252	116,769	142,313
Carolyn Holmberg Preserve	14,465	29,289	28,381	24,394	96,529	97,445	111,933
Heil Valley Ranch	8,895	24,667	27,983	23,922	85,467	66,356*	38,008*
Betasso Preserve	7,314	19,056	28,135	19,295	73,800	80,674	94,881
Hall Ranch	6,231	22,963	22,520	20,145	71,859	65,626	85,570
Walker Ranch	8,536	17,991	26,135	17,029	69,691	69,213	84,617
Lagerman Agricultural Preserve	13,068	19,361	17,140	19,928	69,497	65,395	83,340
Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain	13,883	21,881	17,884	15,315	68,963	65,059	77,549
Boulder Canyon Trail	5,047	16,031	24,550	18,242	63,870	55,585	59,188
Mud Lake	6,487	9,917	22,592	17,926	56,922	59,100	62,000
Hessie Trailhead	1,416	5,158	30,408	17,518	54,500	58,360	58,130
Anne U. White Trail	2,682	9,243	22,770	9,157	43,852	43,478	50,138
Legion Park	7,502	10,703	10,576	9,396	38,177	39,490	46,534
Coalton Trailhead	2,666	9,577	11,714	4,440	28,397	31,935	47,466
Caribou Ranch	3,823	631	5,919	7,451	17,824	21,794	24,862
Bald Mountain Scenic Area	2,017	3,806	4,480	3,914	14,217	13,105	16,312
Flagg Park	1,728	4,474	4,391	3,086	13,679	11,869	17,711
Total	164,963	313,480	382,516	310,910	1,171,869	1,138,755	1,272,281

* The south side of Heil Valley Ranch was closed in 2021 because of the Cal-Wood Fire and reopened June 16, 2022. The Picture Rock Trailhead visitation total is shown for Heil Valley Ranch in the table in 2021.

Overall Visitation at Properties with Counters

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2021	94,784	59,233	75,003	107,817	126,574	135,533	133,212	124,247	118,737	125,398	98,625	73,118	1,272,281
2022	57,274	47,279	81,042	110,728	116,618	124,863	125,996	118,258	114,055	124,265	64,478	53,899	1,138,755
2023	46,055	52,925	77,369	116,084	120,027	125,042	136,005	121,469	124,977	108,665	77,268	65,983	1,171,869

Busiest month

July
136,005 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
21% of total visitation

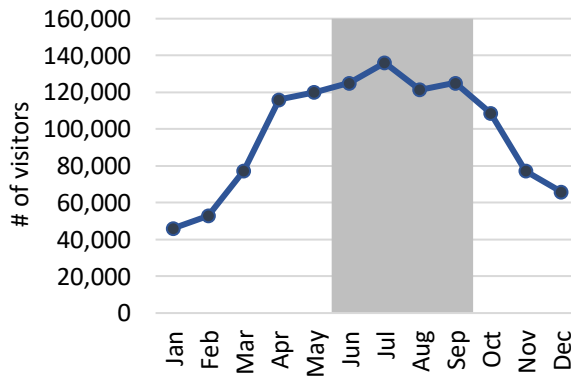
Busiest hour of the day

11 am on weekends
Noon on weekdays

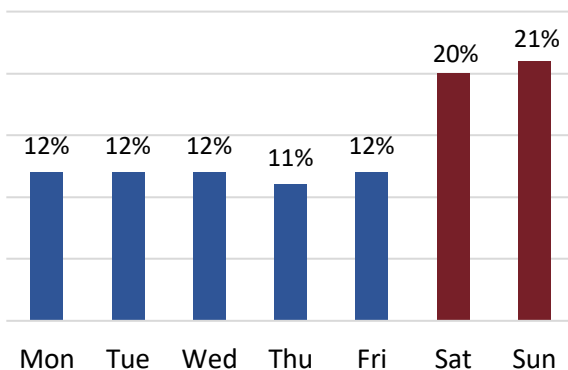
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, June 18
Father's Day
7,713 visits

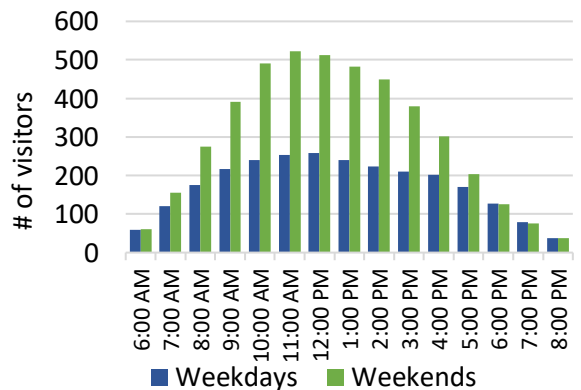
Visitation by Month



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour



Visitation at Properties without Counters

Category of Visitor Use	Property	Total 2023
Low Visitation	Cattail Pond	26,024
	Harney Lastoka	26,024
	Reynolds Ranch	26,024
	Sugarloaf Mountain	26,024
	Dodd Reservoir	26,024
	Beech Shelter	1,134
Medium Visitation	Niwot Trails	71,110
High Visitation	Regional Trails (LOBO, Coal Creek, and Rock Creek)	324,305
	Twin Lakes	124,893
Total		651,562

In 2012, an observational spot study was completed at Twin Lakes to estimate annual visitation. The annual visitation at three regional trails was estimated by a 2013 small grant study conducted by Schulte and Flohr. The annual estimates provided by these studies for Twin Lakes (103,139 visits) and the Coal Creek, Rock Creek, and LOBO trails (268,000 total visits) have been adjusted to reflect the average percent change in visitation at properties with counters in the years since the research was conducted. Visitation at the Beech property is calculated using picnic shelter reservations since the trails are managed by the City of Boulder.

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Total Visitation	
Vehicle and Trail Counters	1,171,869
Properties without Counters	651,562
Total 2023 Visitation	1,823,431

Park Visitor Activities

Paid staff and Volunteer Ranger Corps (VRC) volunteers observed 34,252 visitors on BCPOS lands that were open to the public in 2023. This table summarizes park visitors' activities at those areas. These numbers reflect only the visitors that were seen by staff and volunteers. The data was mostly collected during the warmer months and often on weekends. See the results of the [Five Year Visitor Study](#) for a system-wide representative sample of visitor activities, demographics, and opinions.

	2023	2022	2021
Hiking	61%	61%	63%
Biking	22%	21%	19%
Running	8%	7%	7%
Fishing	2%	2%	3%
Picnicking	1%	1%	2%
Relaxing/Doing	1%	1%	2%
Viewing Wildlife	1%	2%	3%
Sightseeing	1%	<1%	<1%
Other	<1%	1%	<1%
Riding a Horse	<1%	1%	1%
Nature Studies	<1%	1%	1%
E-bike	<1%	<1%	<1%
Photography/Art	<1%	<1%	<1%
Boating	<1%	<1%	<1%
Climbing	<1%	<1%	<1%
Snowshoeing	<1%	<1%	<1%
Skiing	<1%	<1%	<1%

Dog-on-Leash Regulation Compliance

	2023	2022	2021
Leashed Dogs	96% (3,179 dogs)	95% (3,656 dogs)	93% (2,903 dogs)
Unleashed Dogs	4% (141 dogs)	5% (201 dogs)	7% (204 dogs)

Top Three Activities at Parks

Park/Trail	Primary Activity	Second Activity	Third Activity	All Visitors Observed
Anne U. White	Hiking (95%)	Running (2%)	Relax/Nothing (1%)	3,635
Bald Mountain Scenic Area	Hiking (85%)	Picnicking (7%)	Relax/Nothing (5%)	137
Betasso Preserve	Hiking (54%)	Biking (33%)	Running (9%)	3,952
Boulder Canyon Trail	Hiking (43%)	Biking (28%)	Running (9%)	59
Caribou Ranch	Hiking (79%)	Sightseers (8%)	Running (4%)	1,584
Carolyn Holmberg Preserve	Biking (39%)	Hiking (36%)	Running (12%)	1,719
Coal Creek Trail	Biking (46%)	Hiking (38%)	Running (14%)	1,884
Coalton	Biking (47%)	Hiking (28%)	Running (14%)	500
Hall Ranch	Biking (48%)	Hiking (40%)	Running (8%)	1,972
Heil Valley Ranch	Biking (53%)	Hiking (35%)	Running (9%)	2,264
Lagerman Agricultural Preserve	Biking (39%)	Hiking (27%)	Running (21%)	1,602
LoBo Trail	Biking (58%)	Hiking (23%)	Running (20%)	650
Mud Lake	Hiking (70%)	Biking (11%)	Picknickers (7%)	1,917
Niwot Trails	Hiking (61%)	Biking (20%)	Running (16%)	177
Pella Crossing	Hiking (72%)	Fishing (12%)	Running (3%)	3,222
Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain	Hiking (87%)	Running (5%)	Biking (3%)	3,948
Twin Lakes	Hiking (61%)	Running (20%)	Sightseers (11%)	296
Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat	Hiking (66%)	Birding (11%)	Fishing (6%)	1,926
Walker Ranch	Hiking (80%)	Biking (9%)	Running (6%)	2,501
All Other Properties ⁺	Biking (50%)	Running (25%)	Hiking (21%)	307
TOTAL:	Hiking (80%)	Biking (22%)	Running (8%)	34,252

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Anne U. White Trail

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595	1,022	1,055	2,913	5,275	8,226	8,349	6,195	4,843	2,561	1,753	1,065	43,852

Busiest month

July
8,349 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
25% of total visitation

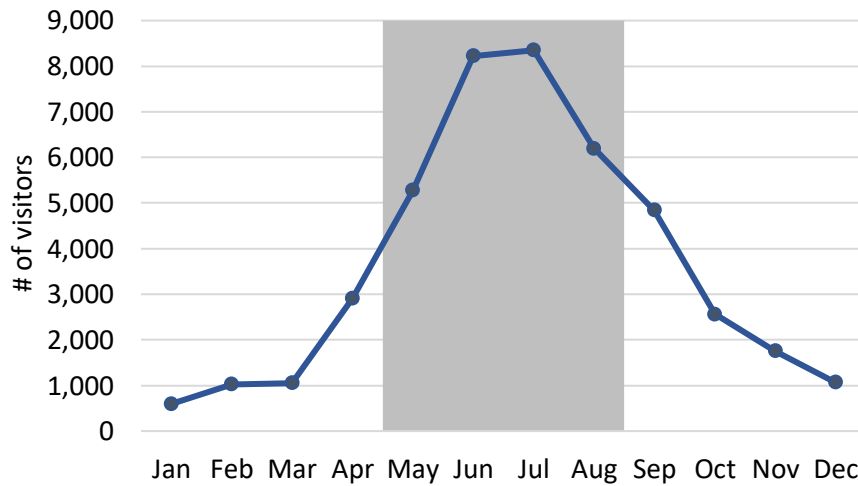
Busiest hour of the day

11 a.m. on weekends
10 a.m. on weekdays

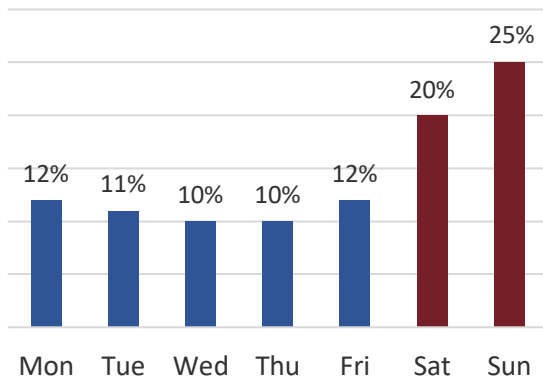
Busiest day of the year

Father's Day
Sunday, June 18
660 visits

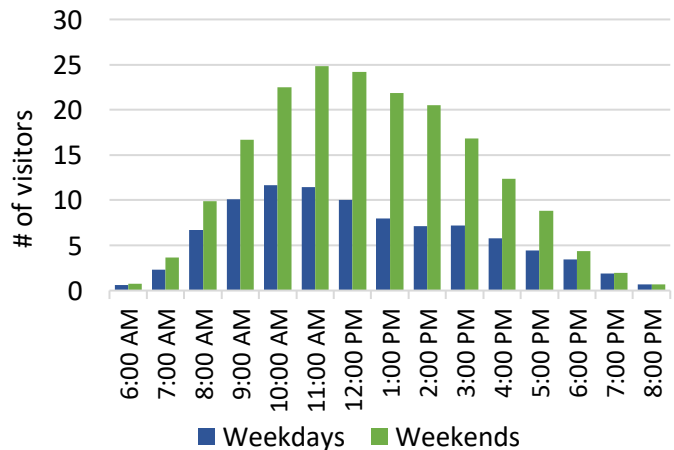
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Visitation by Hour





Bald Mountain Scenic Area

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Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
568	745	965	1,457	1,384	1,422	1,496	1,562	1,516	1,329	1,069	704	14,217

Busiest month

August
1,562 visits

Busiest day of week

Saturday and Sunday
23% of total visitation each day

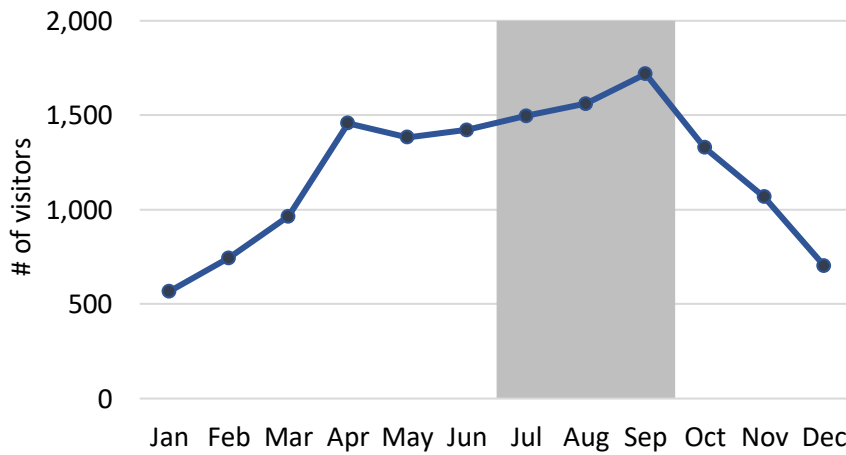
Busiest hour of the day

10 a.m. on weekdays
11 a.m. and noon on weekends

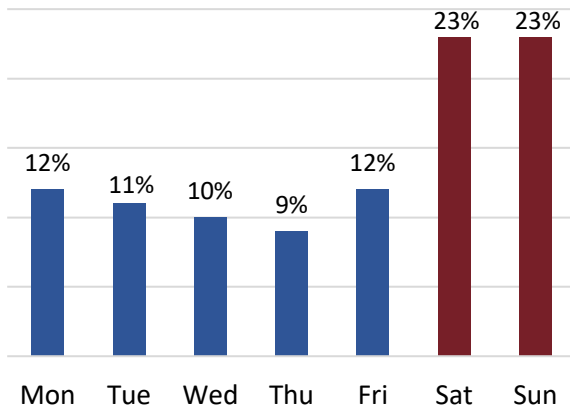
Busiest day of the year

Father's Day
Sunday, June 18
182 visits

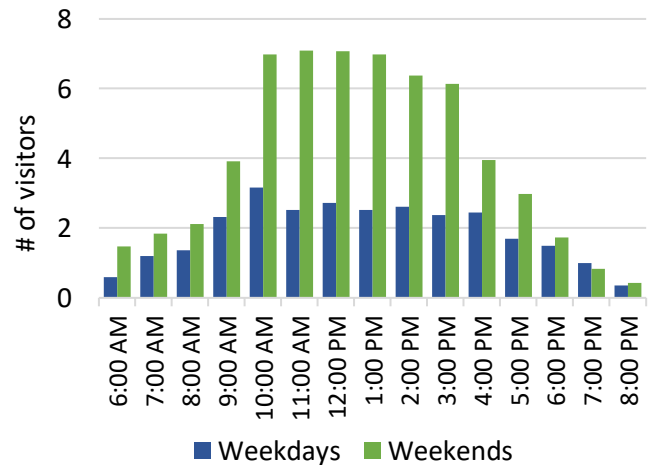
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Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Betasso Preserve

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Main Trailhead	1,776	1,927	2,481	4,646	6,278	6,781	7,539	6,835	6,095	4,629	3,452	1,939	54,378
Fourmile Link	187	247	353	1,064	1,368	1,203	1,120	1,135	1,190	967	803	311	9,948
Betasso Link	71	165	323	828	885	957	405	438	504	505	408	167	5,656
Bummers Rock	139	227	204	291	335	373	801	548	309	223	210	158	3,818
Total	2,173	2,566	3,361	6,829	8,866	9,314	9,865	8,956	8,098	6,324	4,873	2,575	73,800

Busiest month

July
9,865 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
23% of total visitation

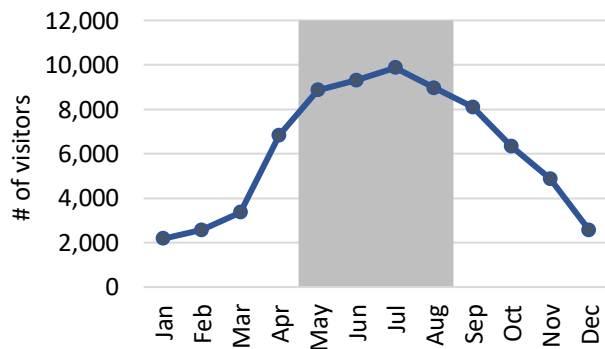
Busiest hour of the day

11 a.m. on weekends
5 p.m. on weekdays

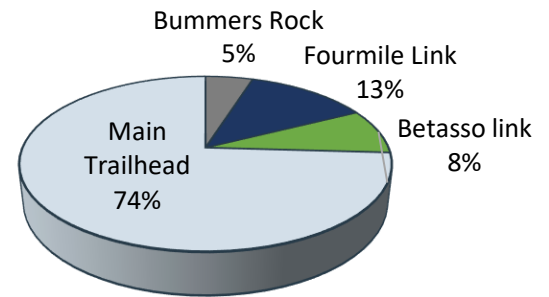
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, May 7
668 visits

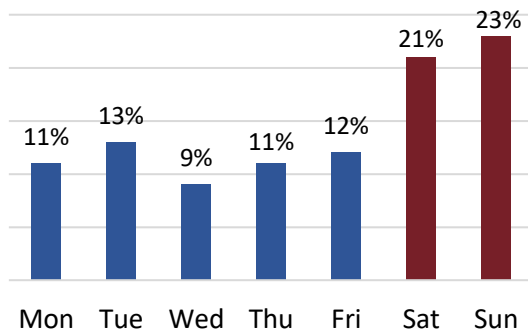
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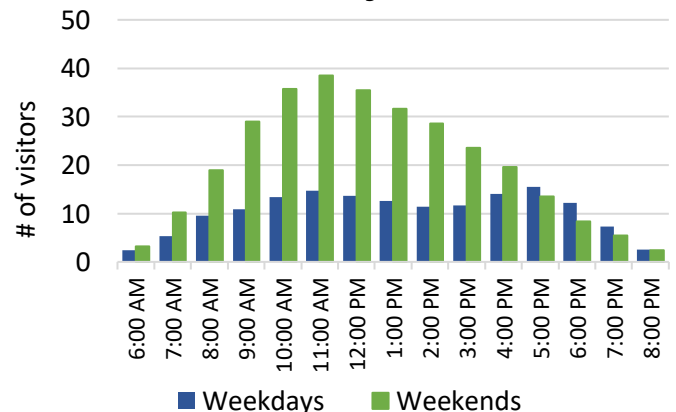
Visitation by Location



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Boulder Canyon Trail

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
1,301	1,875	3,146	5,774	7,111	7,782	9,249	7,519	7,807	6,453	3,982	1,871	63,870

Visitation is estimated for the portion of the trail Boulder County manages. The Boulder Canyon Trail connects to the Boulder Creek Path, managed by the City of Boulder.

Busiest month

July
9,249 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
22% of total visitation

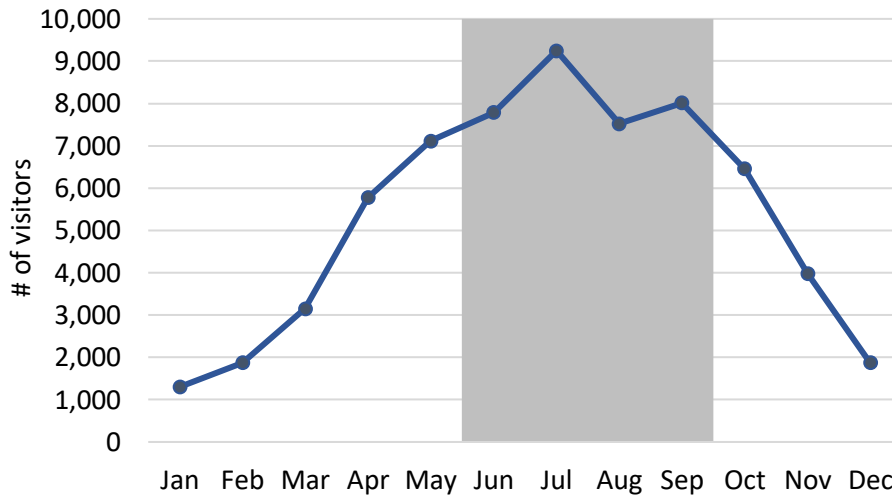
Busiest hour of the day

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Noon on weekdays

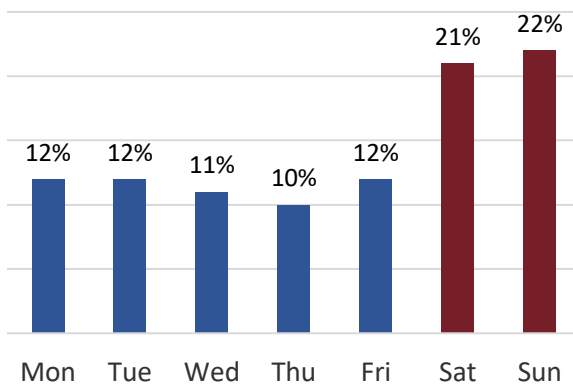
Busiest day of the year

Father's Day
Sunday, June 18
607 visits

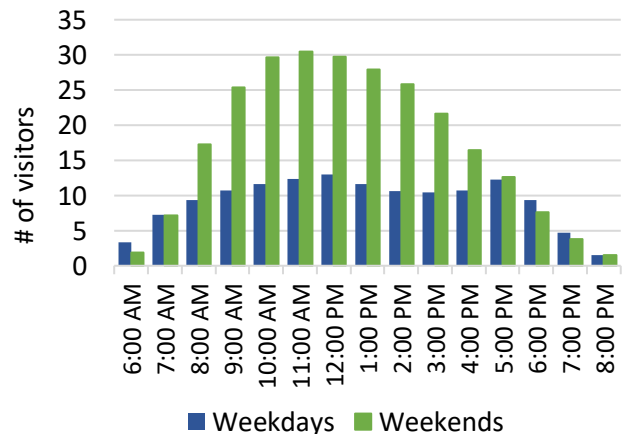
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Visitation by Hour





Caribou Ranch

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Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
1,849	1,230	631	Seasonal Closure migratory birds & elk calving/rearing			3,589	2,330	3,730	3,074	647	744	17,824

Busiest month

September
3,704 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
26% of total visitation

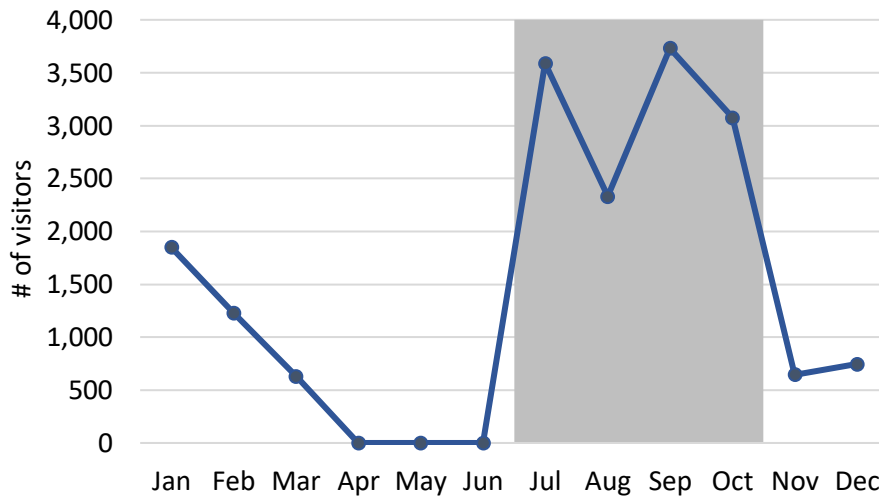
Busiest hour of the day

Noon on both weekends
and weekdays

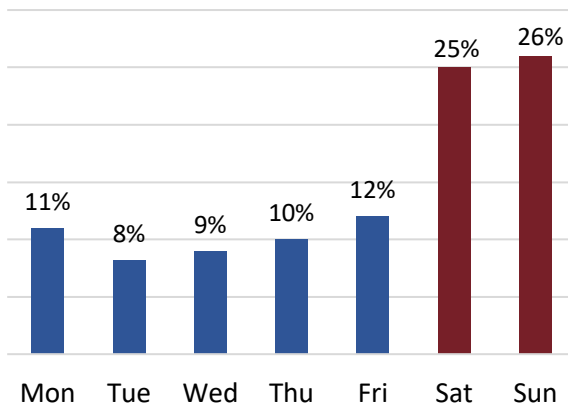
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, September 24
439 visits

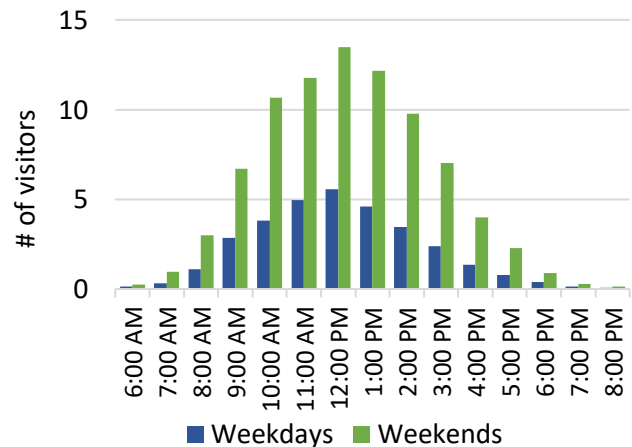
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Carolyn Holmberg Preserve at Rock Creek Farm



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Main Trailhead	1,775	2,370	3,859	6,012	4,589	3,810	3,888	3,654	3,281	3,594	2,969	2,570	42,371
Mary Miller Trail	243	551	1,320	2,223	1,270	1,728	2,014	1,565	1,441	1,246	1,550	1,682	16,833
Loc Amora Link	551	743	1,229	1,899	1,839	1,782	1,822	1,771	1,620	1,498	1,487	1,358	17,599
Cradleboard Trail	482	782	1,350	1,910	1,789	2,036	2,020	2,291	2,196	2,020	1,493	1,358	19,727
Total	3,051	4,446	7,758	12,044	9,487	9,356	9,744	9,281	8,538	8,357	7,499	6,968	96,529

Busiest month

April
12,044 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
20% of total visitation

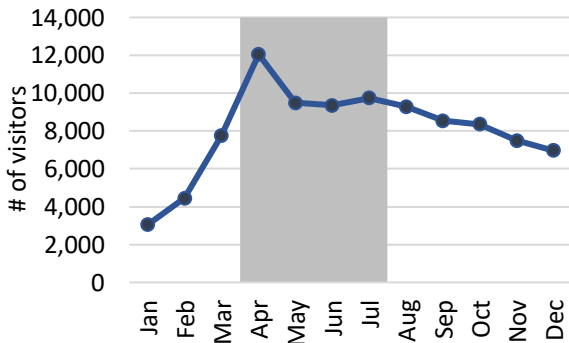
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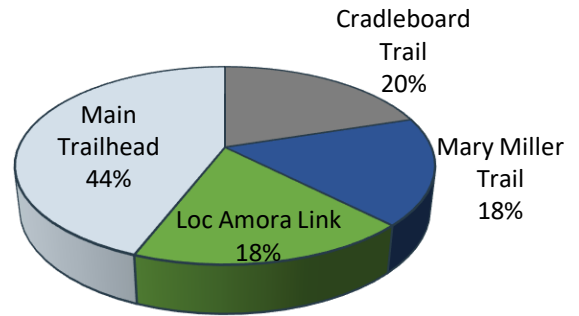
Busiest day of the year

Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 9
822 visits

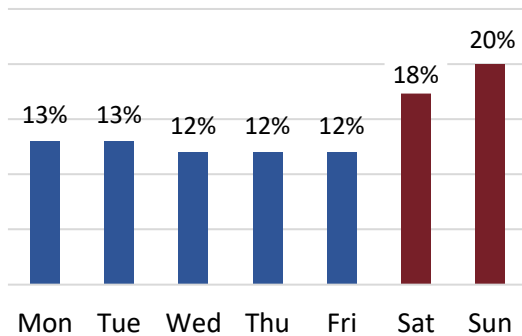
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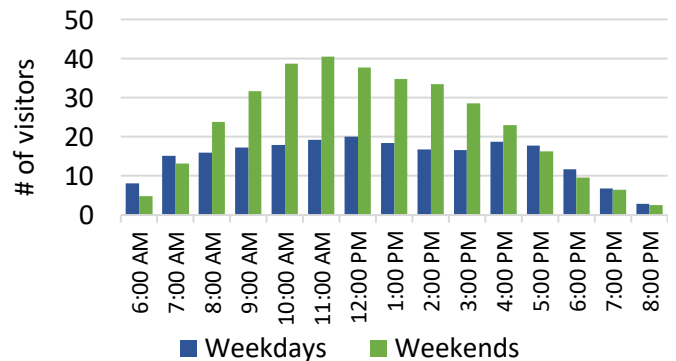
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Coalton Trailhead

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1,125	1,541	2,440	3,346	3,791	3,897	3,661	4,156	3,517	923	Trailhead closed Oct 9 through Dec		28,397

Busiest month

August
4,156 visits

Busiest day of week

Saturday and Sunday
21% of total visitation

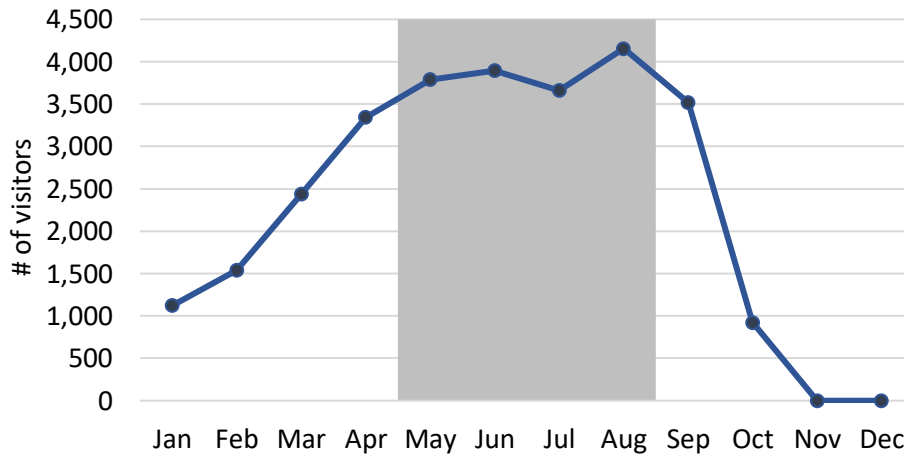
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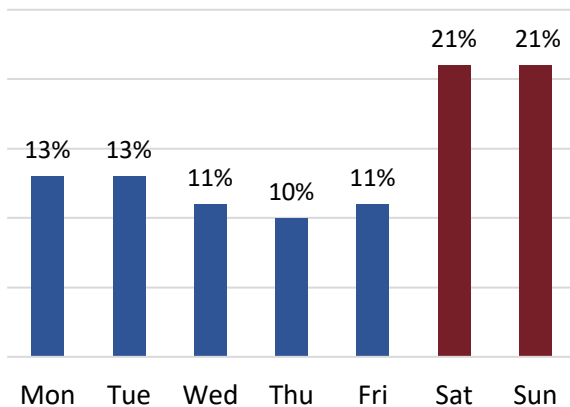
Busiest day of the year

Saturday, August 19
"Meet the Goats" event
326 visits

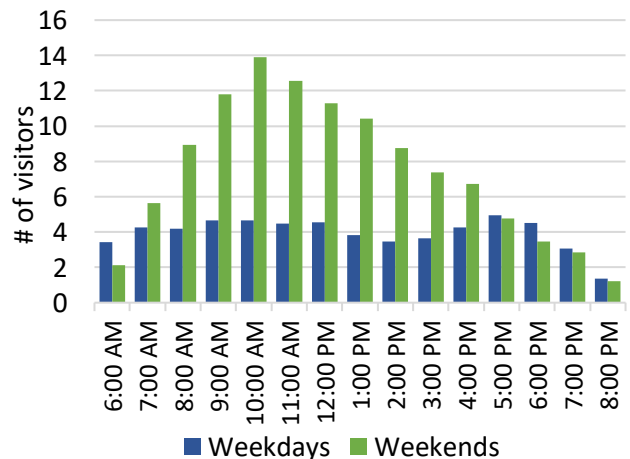
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Visitation by Hour





Flagg Park

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447	620	1,039	1,546	1,889	1,887	1,525	979	1,285	1,095	706	661	13,679

Busiest month

May
1,889 visits

Busiest day of week

Saturday & Sunday
20% of total visitation

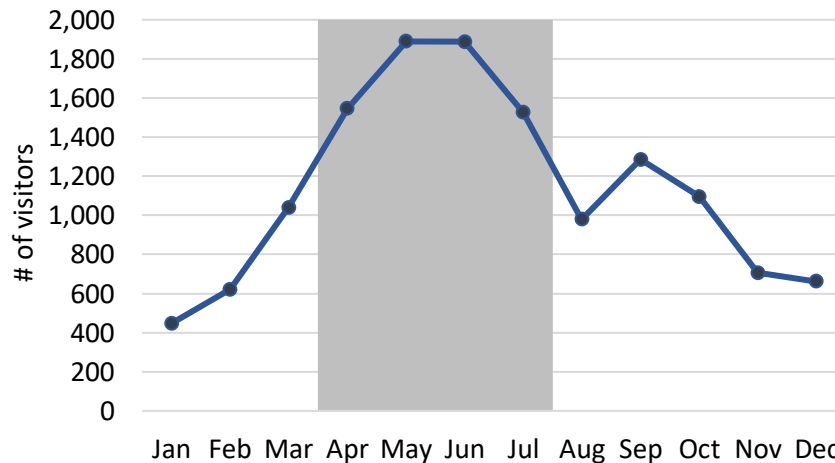
Busiest hour of the day

11 a.m. on both weekends
and weekdays

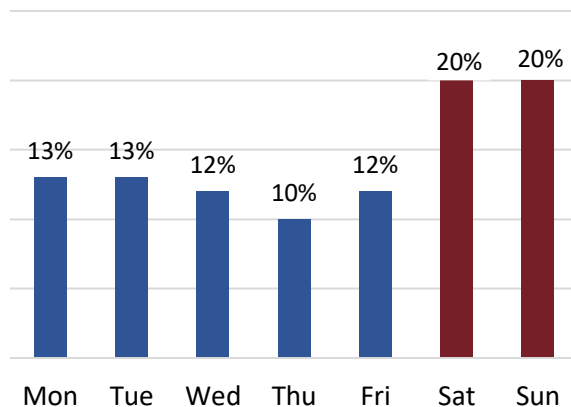
Busiest day of the year

Wednesday, June 7
110 visits

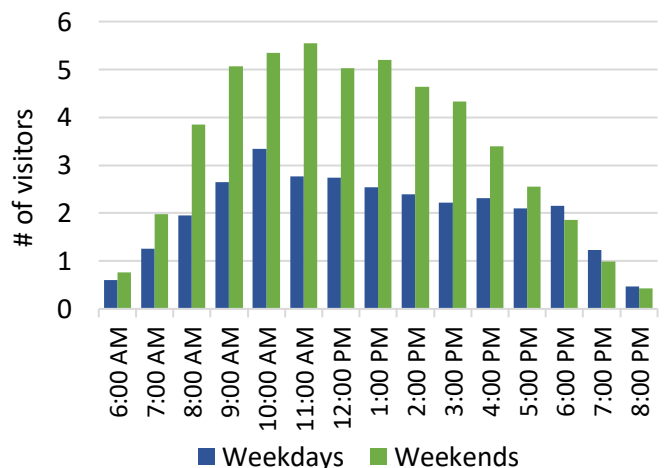
Visitation by Month



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Hall Ranch

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Main Trailhead	1,410	1,407	4,336	5,917	5,286	4,403	4,459	4,142	4,611	4,041	4,064	2,599	46,676
Antelope Trailhead	387	118	283	3,411	3,276	3,213	2,942	2,896	2,730	2,269	2,033	133	23,691
Button Rock Trail	51	52	78	188	188	183	154	128	144	118	134	74	1,492
Total	1,848	1,577	4,697	9,516	8,750	7,799	7,555	7,166	7,485	6,428	6,232	2,806	71,859

Busiest month

April
9,516 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
23% of total visitation

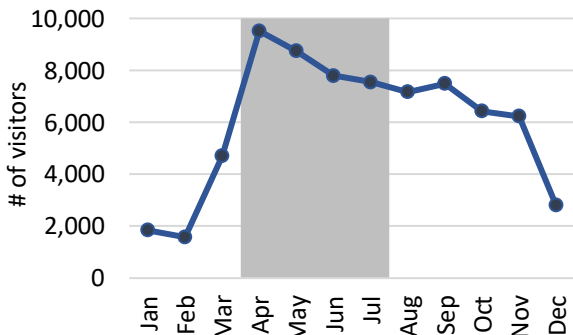
Busiest hour of the day

Noon on weekends
11 a.m. on weekdays

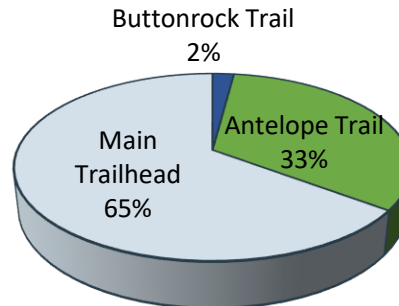
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, April 16
690 visits

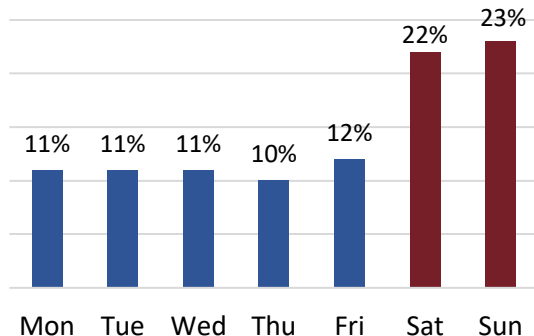
Visitation by Month



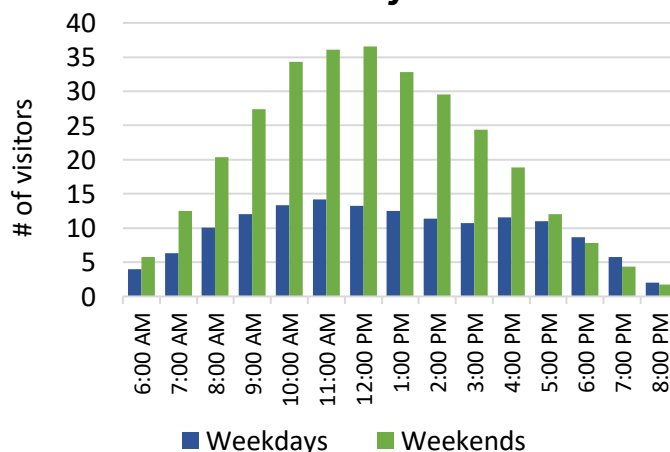
Visitation by Location



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Heil Valley Ranch

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Main and Corral Trailhead	2,559	2,537	3,581	4,866	5,153	4,938	4,718	4,186	4,445	3,947	3,216	3,023	47,169
Picture Rock Trailhead	634	81	517	5,313	5,237	4,867	4,867	4,407	4,546	4,323	3,445	61	38,298
Total	3,193	2,618	4,098	10,179	10,390	9,805	9,585	8,593	8,991	8,270	6,661	3,084	85,467

Busiest month

May
10,390 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
21% of total visitation

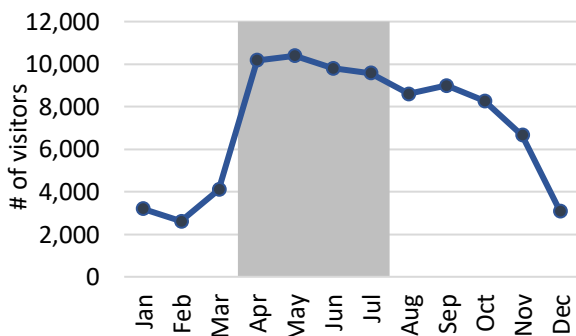
Busiest hour of the day

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11 a.m. on weekends

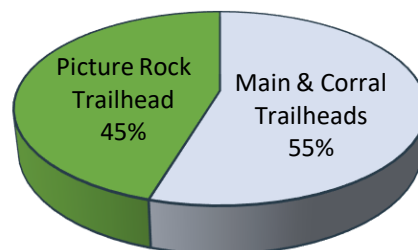
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, April 30
707 visits

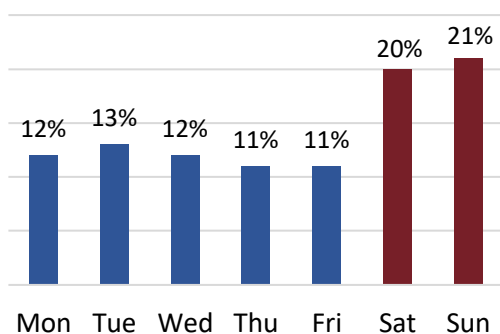
Visitation by Month



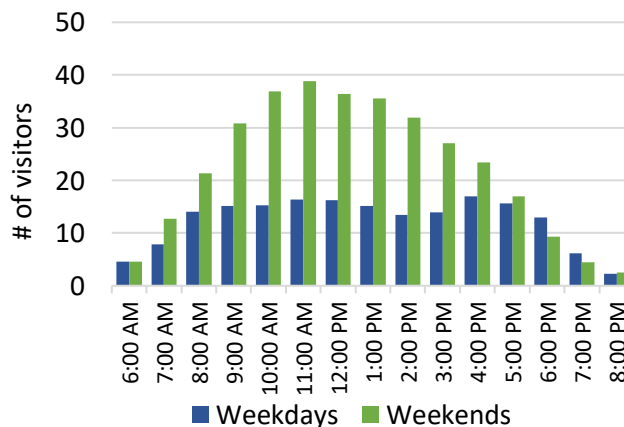
Visitation by Location



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Hessie Trailhead

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
478	484	416	1,108	3,634	6,974	14,164	9,270	9,382	6,184	1,952	454	54,500

Busiest month

July
14,164 visits

Busiest day of week

Saturday
30% of total visitation

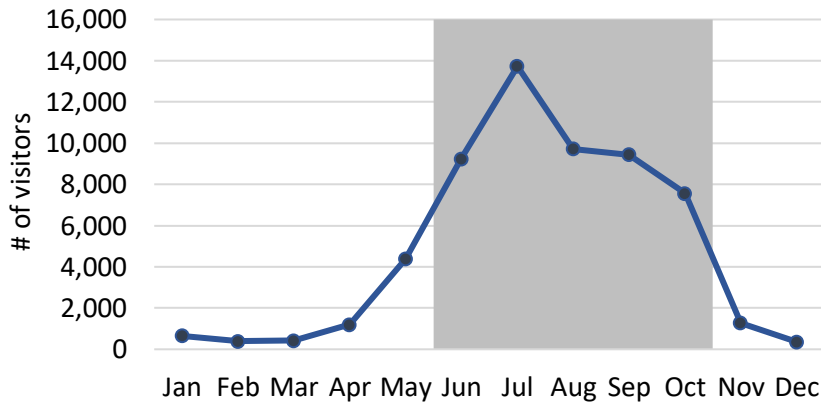
Busiest hour of the day

Noon on both weekends
and weekdays

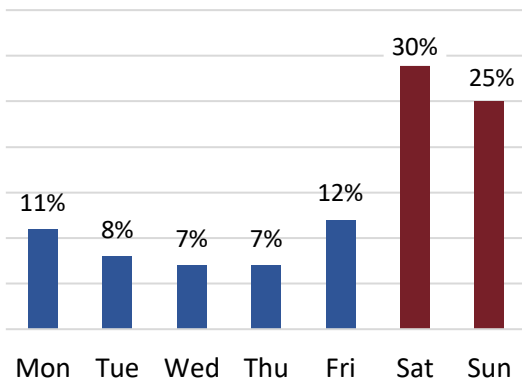
Busiest day of the year

Saturday, July 2
1,041 visits

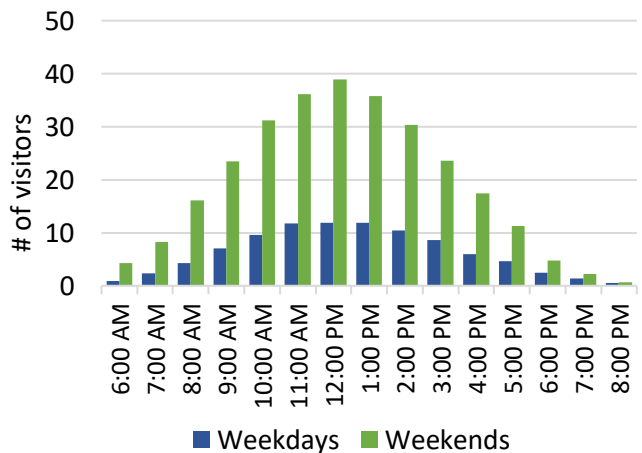
Visitation by Month



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Lagerman Agricultural Preserve

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Main Trailhead	2,747	2,872	4,171	4,522	3,801	3,879	3,742	3,958	4,357	4,018	3,886	4,086	46,039
Open Sky Loop	254	401	887	1,575	1,409	1,235	1,082	1,207	1,738	1,612	1,499	1,374	14,273
Link Trail	134	280	647	1,337	1,012	612	686	739	827	978	1,013	920	9,186
Total	3,135	3,553	5,705	7,434	6,222	5,726	5,510	5,904	6,922	6,608	6,398	6,380	69,497

Busiest month

April
7,434 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
19% of total visitation

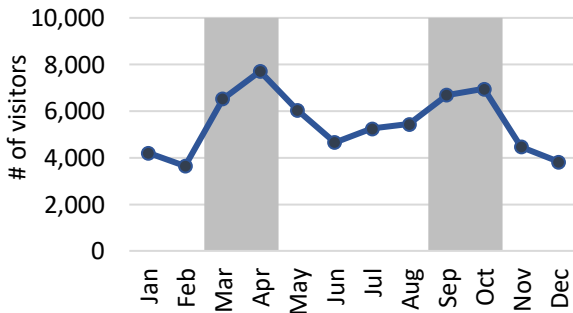
Busiest hour of the day

11 a.m. on weekends
Noon on weekdays

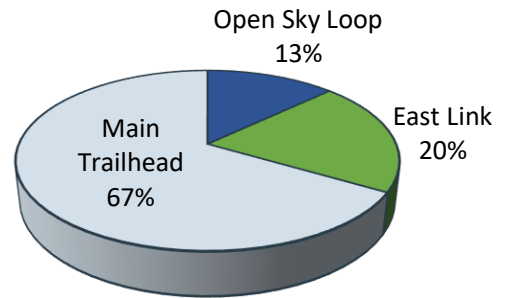
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, April 9
Easter Sunday
470 visits

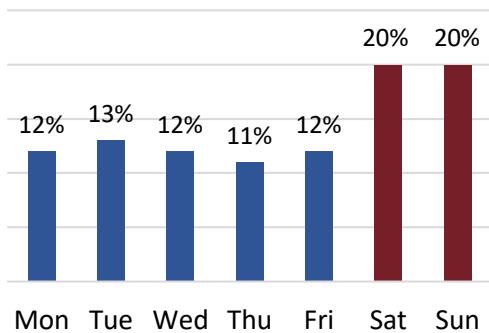
Visitation by Month



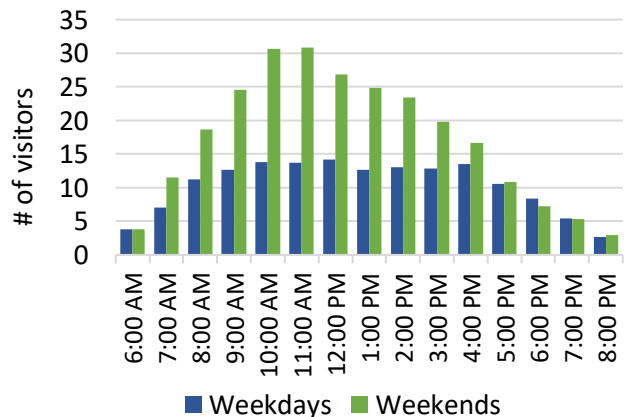
Visitation by Location



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Legion Park

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Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2,309	2,645	3,310	3,541	3,852	3,722	3,350	3,504	3,192	3,366	2,838	2,548	38,177

Busiest month

May
3,852 visits

Busiest day of week

Tue, Wed, and Thur
15% of total visitation each day

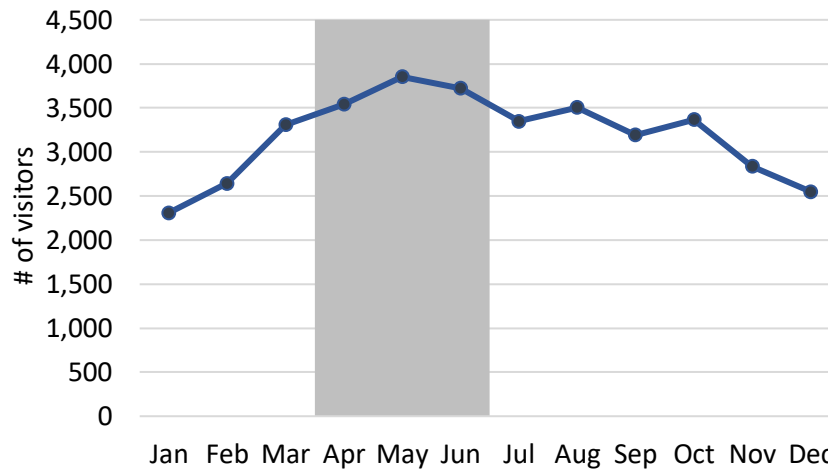
Busiest hour of the day

3 p.m. on weekends
Noon on weekdays

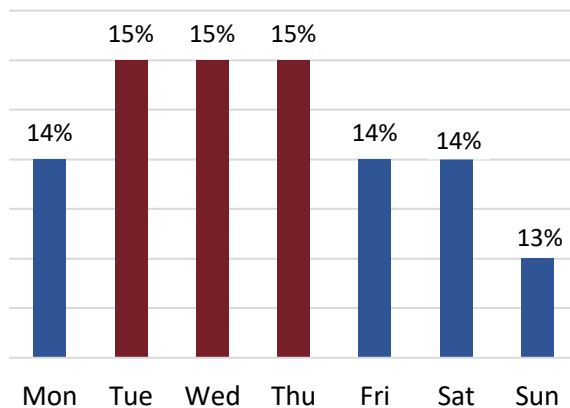
Busiest day of the year

Wednesday, May 17
183 visits

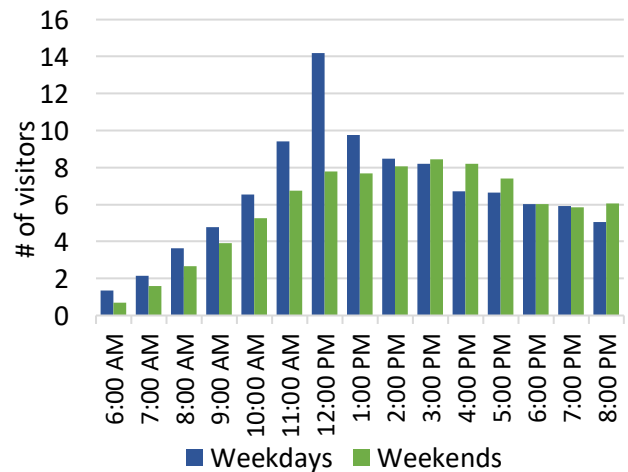
Visitation by Month



Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Mud Lake

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Main Trailhead	2,317	2,026	1,997	2,882	4,638	6,665	8,345	6,160	8,089	6,532	2,113	2,069	53,833
Sherwood Gulch Trails	24	34	8	15	377	488	508	426	649	443	100	17	3,089
Total	2,341	2,060	2,005	2,897	5,015	7,153	8,853	6,586	8,738	6,975	2,213	2,086	56,922

Busiest month

July
8,853 visits

Busiest day of week

Saturday & Sunday
22% of total visitation each day

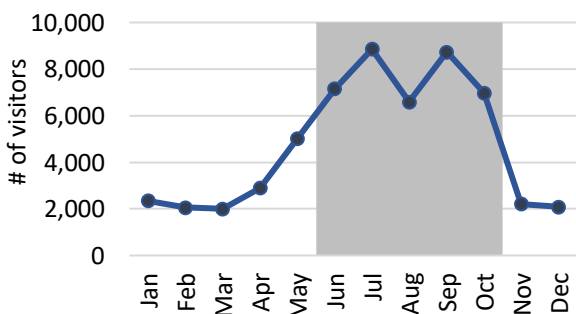
Busiest hour of the day

Noon
on weekends & weekdays

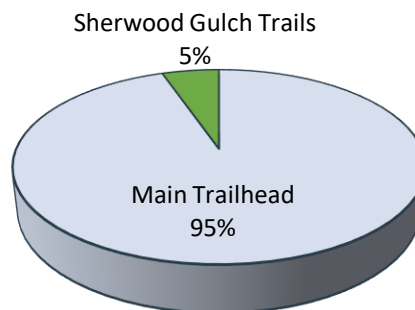
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, October 1
853 visits

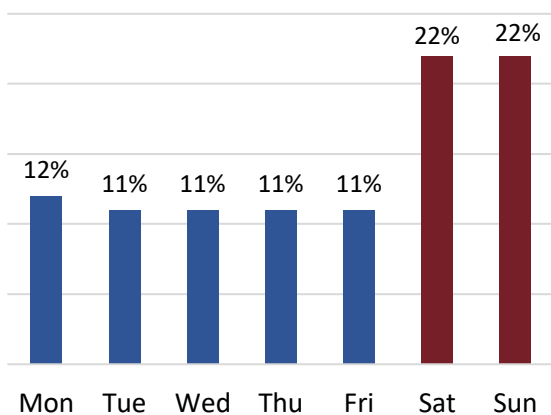
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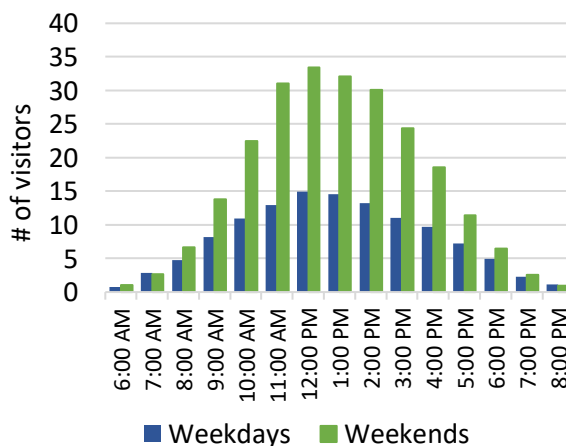
Visitation by Location



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Visitation by Hour





Pella Crossing

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
9,382	10,511	16,003	19,048	18,037	17,357	15,947	16,328	17,018	18,416	12,358	15,968	186,373

Busiest month

April
19,048 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
18% of total visitation

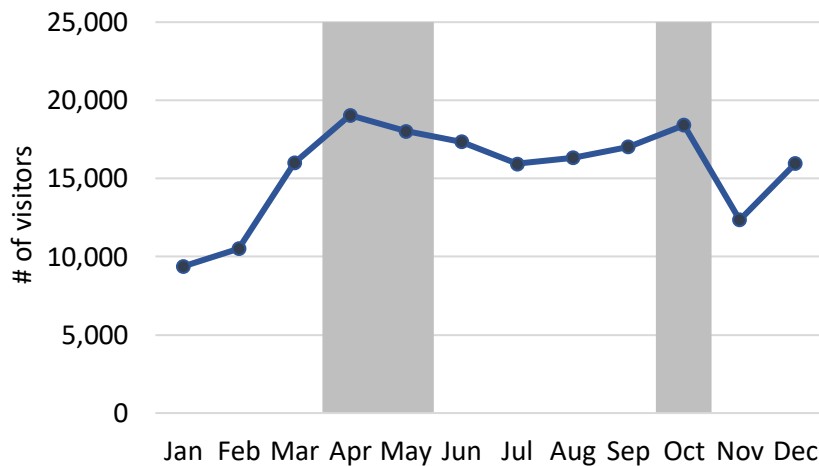
Busiest hour of the day

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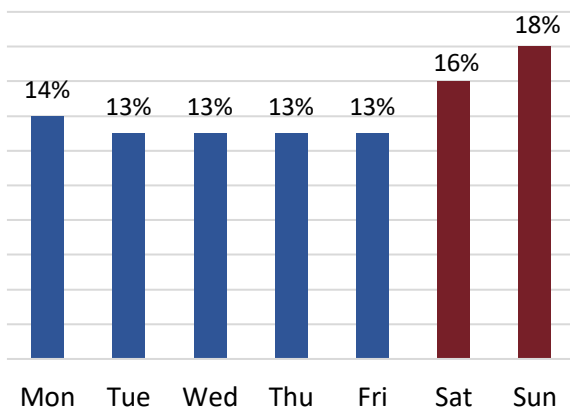
Busiest day of the year

Saturday, April 4
989 visits

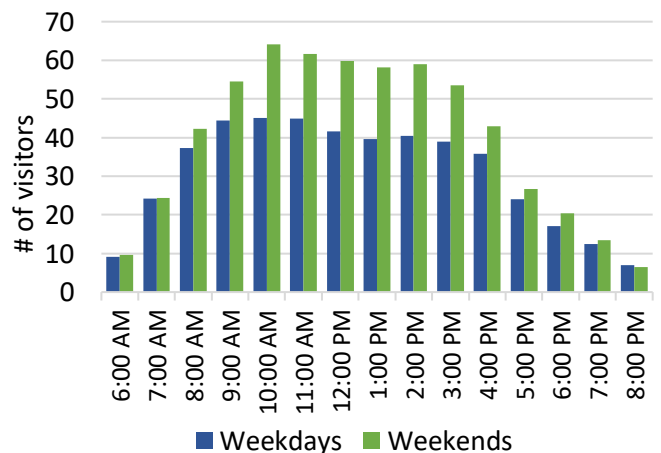
Visitation by Month



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Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain

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Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
3,528	4,800	6,973	8,583	6,325	6,293	5,805	5,786	5,914	4,820	4,581	5,555	68,963

Busiest month

March
8,583 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
23% of total visitation

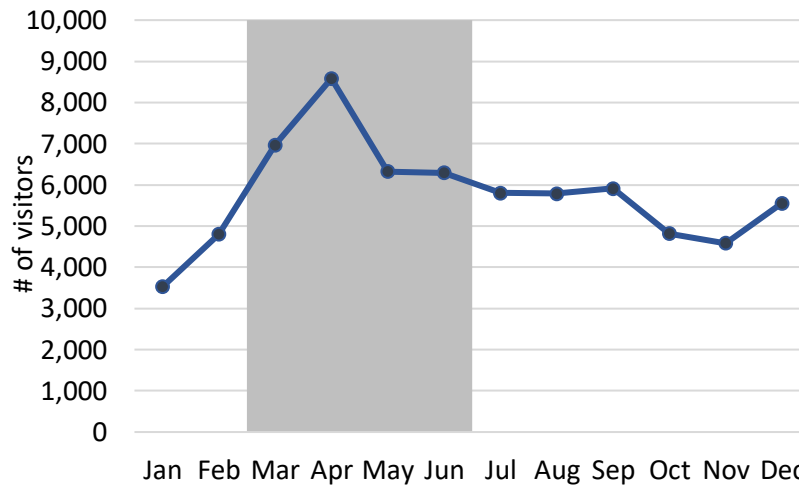
Busiest hour of the day

11 a.m. on both weekends
and weekdays

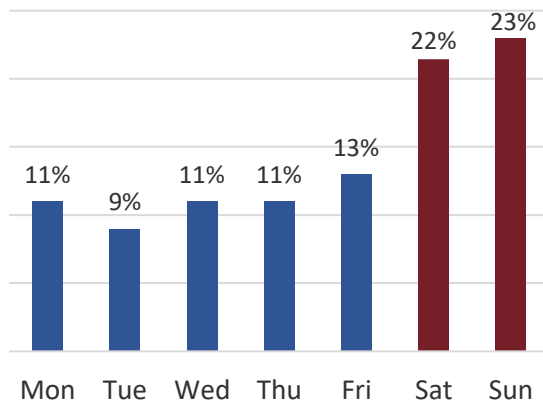
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, April 2
592 visits

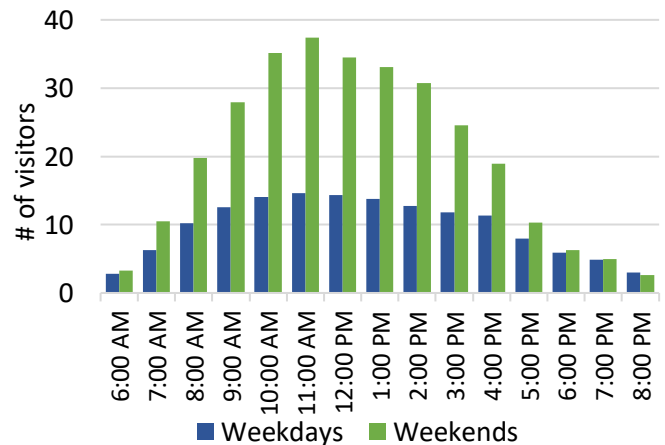
Visitation by Month



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Visitation by Hour





Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat

The minimum estimated visits to Boulder County Parks & Open Space in 2023 was 1,823,431 visitors.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Cottonwood Trailhead	4,015	4,496	6,331	8,298	7,528	6,224	4,893	5,160	6,232	6,121	4,703	5,684	69,684
Wally Toevs Pond Trailhead	2,228	2,733	3,778	5,082	4,627	3,956	3,071	4,002	4,579	5,755	4,570	4,186	48,568
Total	6,243	7,229	10,109	13,380	12,155	10,180	7,964	9,162	10,811	11,876	9,273	9,870	118,252

Busiest month

April
13,380 visits

Busiest day of week

Sunday
16% of total visitation

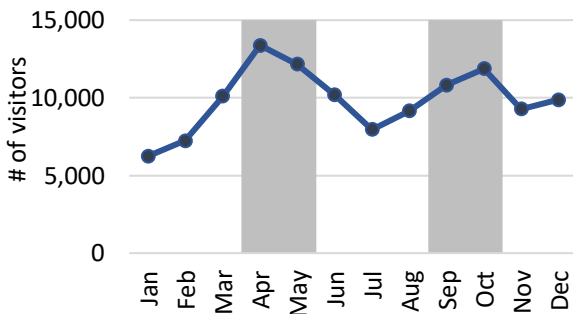
Busiest hour of the day

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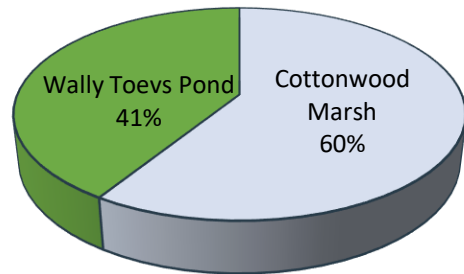
Busiest day of the year

Sunday, April 23
654 visits

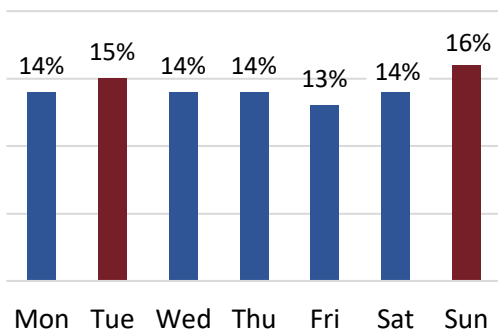
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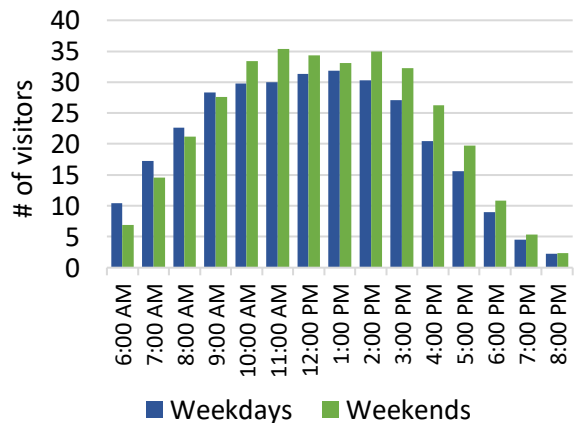
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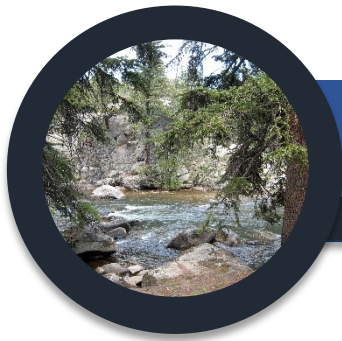


Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour





Walker Ranch

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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Walker Ranch Loop Trailhead	1,540	2,286	2,692	4,762	5,556	5,617	6,033	5,312	4,743	3,861	2,764	1,765	46,931
Ethel Harrold Trailhead	413	431	481	969	1,310	1,522	2,304	1,674	1,443	894	843	412	12,696
Meyers Gulch Trailhead	387	536	281	517	548	666	1,075	741	696	588	468	357	6,860
Josie Heath Trail	149	150	204	241	430	344	382	465	308	263	158	110	3,204
Total	2,489	3,403	3,658	6,489	7,844	8,149	9,794	8,192	7,190	5,606	4,233	2,644	69,691

Busiest month

July
9,794 visits

Busiest day of week

Saturday and Sunday
25% of total visitation each day

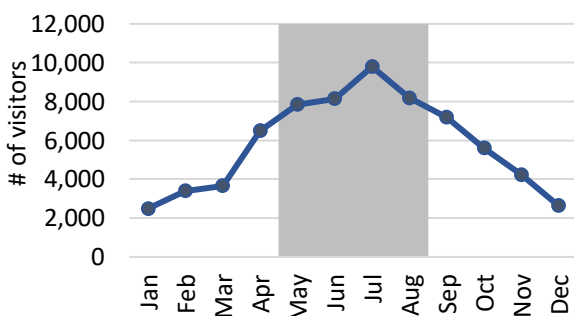
Busiest hour of the day

Noon
on weekends & weekdays

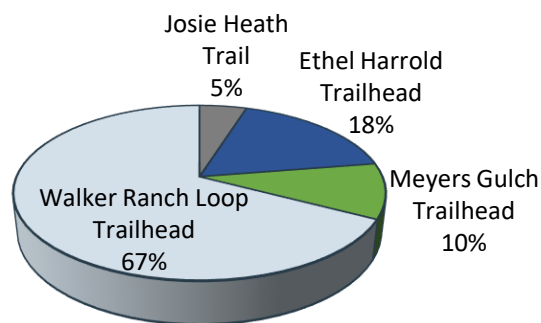
Busiest day of the year

Father's Day
Sunday, June 18
738 visits

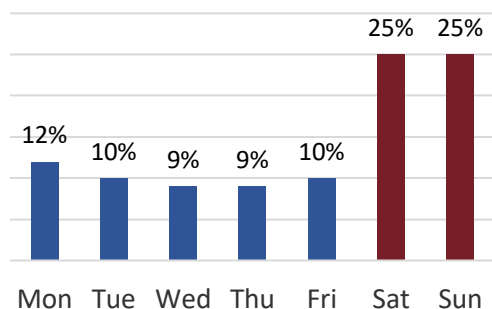
Visitation by Month



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Visitation by Day of Week



Visitation by Hour

