

**Table 4-1 ESTIMATED RECREATIONAL USE OF PUBLIC LANDS  
ADMINISTERED BY THE BLM, FISCAL YEAR 2003**

FY2003	BLM Recreation Sites /b/ <i>Thousands</i>		BLM Dispersed Areas /c/ <i>Thousands</i>		Recreation Lease Sites /d/ <i>Thousands</i>		Recreation Partnership Sites /e/ <i>Thousands</i>		Total <i>Thousands</i>	
	Visits /f/	Visitor Days /g/	Visits	Visitor Days	Visits	Visitor Days	Visits	Visitor Days	Visits	Visitor Days
Alaska	344	270	605	1,205	0	0	0	0	949	1,475
Arizona	1,133	3,512	1,081	1,472	2,684	8419	203	141	5,101	13,544
California	3,197	6,692	5,845	8,420	0	0	224	41	9,266	15,153
Colorado	1,870	1,124	2,470	2,424	0	0	552	103	4,892	3,651
Eastern States	160	9	0	0	0	0	10	2	170	11
Idaho	2,215	1,161	3,668	3,334	0	0	63	22	5,946	4,517
Montana	756	727	2,220	1,920	0	0	15	7	2,991	2,654
Nevada	1,992	898	4,453	4,647	0	0	8	1	6,453	5,546
New Mexico	1,012	611	1,170	1,907	0	0	8	2	2,190	2,520
Oregon	2,825	1,869	4,055	4,061	0	0	56	45	6,936	5,975
Utah	2,611	1,855	3,224	6,928	11	4	100	493	5,946	9,280
Wyoming	767	532	1,261	1,811	0	0	7	4	2,035	2,347
<b>Total</b>	18,882	19,260	30,052	38,129	2,695	8,423	1,246	861	52,875	66,673

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- /a/ Arizona State Office administers BLM public lands in California along the Colorado River; the California State Office administers BLM public lands in Nevada; the Eastern States Office administers BLM public lands in the 31 States east of and bordering on the Mississippi River; the Montana State Office administers BLM public lands in North and South Dakota; the New Mexico State Office administers BLM public lands in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas; the Oregon State Office administers BLM public lands in Washington; and the Wyoming State Office administers BLM Public Lands in Nebraska.
- /b/ Recreation sites and other specific areas on public lands, directly managed by BLM, that are recognized as A managerially significant, where management actions are required to provide specific recreation setting or activity opportunities, to protect resource values, or to provide visitor safety. Visitation estimates are based on a variety of methods at such sites and areas, including sampling, fee receipts, registrations, traffic counts, observations, or best estimates based on local knowledge.
- /c/ Dispersed areas are the remaining public lands open to recreation use, but do not contain developed or managerially significant recreation sites. Visitation estimates in dispersed areas are generally best estimates based on local knowledge.
- /d/ Recreation Lease Sites are long term authorizations, granted under the authority of the FLPMA (Sections 302, 303 and 310), to private entities for the purpose of providing recreation facilities and services to the public. Visitation estimates in recreation leases are based on a variety of methods.
- /e/ Recreation Sites, primarily managed by another public entity, under the authority of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and similar agreements, but where BLM has a major presence on the leased parcel (e.g. ranger patrol, signs, brochures, etc.). Visitation estimates in recreation leases are based on a variety of methods.
- /f/ A visit is the entry of any person for recreational purposes onto lands and related waters administered by the BLM regardless of duration.
- /e/ A visitor day is a common unit of measure of recreation use among federal agencies. One visitor day represents an aggregate of twelve visitor hours to a site or area.

Source: BLM Recreation Management Information System Reports (Fiscal Year 2003).