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**ESTIMATED RECREATIONAL USE OF BLM ADMINISTERED PUBLIC LANDS
FOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES UNDER VARIOUS FEE AUTHORIZATIONS,
FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Recreation Activities /a/	Fee Sites & Areas /b/		Special Recreation Permitted Activities /c/		Areas without Permits or Fees /d/		Total Public Lands	
	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Thousands</i>	<i>Percent</i>
	Visitor Days /e/	of total Visitor Days	Visitor Days	of total Visitor Days	Visitor Days	of total Visitor Days	Visitor Days	for Activity Group
Land Based Activities								
Camping & Picnicking	5,728	8.6%	1,736	2.6%	22,005	33.0%	29,469	44.2%
Non-Motorized Travel	674	1.0%	744	1.1%	4,674	7.0%	6,092	9.1%
Off-highway Travel	1,052	1.6%	34	0.0%	4,791	7.2%	5,877	8.8%
Driving for Pleasure	188	0.2%	5	0.0%	2,620	4.0%	2,813	4.2%
Viewing Public Land Resources	333	0.5%	210	0.3%	2,835	4.3%	3,378	5.1%
Interpretation and Education	154	0.2%	1,357	2.0%	415	0.6%	1,926	2.9%
Hunting	131	0.2%	49	0.1%	5,375	8.1%	5,555	8.3%
Specialized Sports, Event & Activities	1,477	2.2% (1)	445	0.7%	3,326	5.0%	5,248	7.9%

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Water Based Activities

Boating/ Motorized	199	0.3 %	53	0.1%	1,385	2.1%	1,637	2.5%
Boating/ Row/Float/Paddle	88	0.1%	196	0.3%	1,182	1.8%	1,466	2.2%
Fishing	319	0.5%	26	0.0%	1,570	2.4%	1,915	2.9%
Swimming & other water activities	88	0.1%	4	0.0%	625	0.9%	717	1.0%

Snow & Ice Based Activities

Snowmobile & motorized travel	5	0.0%	3	0.0%	188	0.3%	196	0.3%
Other winter activities	10	0.0%	247	0.4%	127	0.2%	384	0.6%
TOTAL /f/	10,446	15.0%	5,109	8.0%	51,118	77.0%	66,673	100.0%

(1) In Fiscal Year 2002, 0.0% was entered in error; it should have been 2.8%.

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- /a/ This table shows participation levels for various activity groups. Types of recreational activities and duration (visitor days) are recorded at fee and non-fee sites and areas, and for special recreation permits. Visitor days, grouped into Activity Groups (summarized from a list of 87 separate recreational activities), are based on registrations, permit records, observations, post-season permittee reports and professional judgment of the field staffs.
- /b/ Visitor days occurring at designated fee sites and areas with entrance permits, recreational use permits, and special area permits, usually with fee collection at the site.
- /c/ Visitor days occurring on public lands which are subject to authorization under the Special Recreation Permit regulations, including the activities of private parties, commercial outfitters and guides, competitive events, organized groups and events.
- /d/ Visitor days occurring at non-fee sites and dispersed areas when neither permits nor fees are required.
- /e/ A visitor day is a common unit of measure of recreation used among Federal agencies. One visitor day represents an aggregate of twelve visitor hours to a site or area.
- /f/ Column totals for percentages rounded to the closest whole percent.

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