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The Trust for Public Land conserves land for people to enjoy as parks, gardens, and other natural places, ensuring livable communities for generations to come. The mission of TPL's Center for City Park Excellence is to make cities more successful through the innovative renewal and creation of parks for their social, ecological, and economic benefits to residents and visitors alike.



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# FOREWORD



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Not since the 1890s has there been more recognition of the value of our city parks: mayors once again understand that they can't have a great city without a great park system. They understand that urban parks are all about health—our physical and spiritual health as well as the health of our economies and our environment. Cities are investing as never before in central and neighborhood parks, gardens, greenways, trails, playgrounds, and urban natural areas. And yet reliable data to guide public and private investment and shape the future of our nation's city park systems is very hard to come by.

The Trust for Public Land works to make sure that reliable park data is available to mayors, park directors, and civic leaders who want to leverage their systems to create livable—and lovable—cities. For more than a decade, our Center for City Park Excellence has been methodically searching out and sharing information on urban park systems: acreage, facilities, staffing, budgets, usership, and more. Over that time, we have built a database that has grown from 25 cities and only 33 questions to 126 separate data points on the park systems of the 100 most populous U.S. cities.

Today, urban economies are stressed by depressed property values, stagnant tourism, and reduced tax revenues. At a time when all city infrastructure is at risk—the park systems of the biggest cities alone suffer from at least \$5.8 billion in deferred maintenance cost—the data in this booklet is more important than ever.

The *2011 City Park Facts* report is a shared resource to help cities know where they stand. The Trust for Public Land uses this information to help define our own programs, research, and advocacy. We hope that you, too, will use it to further your own work, your knowledge base, and the overall understanding of city parks.

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Will Rogers, President  
The Trust for Public Land

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# HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

There are more than 20,000 individual parks in the 100 largest U.S. cities (see Reference Map, pages 14–15). These include remote natural areas, playgrounds, flower gardens, paved plazas, sports fields, reflective retreats, bike trails, dog parks, river walks, cemeteries, and boulevards. In order to deal with this mass of information, we have established a set of rules covering our measurements.

When we say “city,” we mean only the municipality, not the metropolitan region. Thus, “Los Angeles” means the city of Los Angeles, not greater Los Angeles, nor Los Angeles County. However, several cities that are included in greater Los Angeles—Long Beach, Anaheim, Santa Ana, and Irvine—happen to be large enough to merit separate inclusion in this booklet and are listed under their own names.

When we say “largest” we are referring to the 2009 population of the city. (City area is based on 2000 census numbers because new areas have not yet been released.) For certain reports, we categorize cities based on their average population density (population divided by municipal land area). The density categories are based on standard deviations from the mean.

When we say “park” we are referring to publicly owned and operated parks. In Report #1, we count every kind of park within the municipal boundary of the city, including national, state, county, regional, and municipal parks. We do not count private golf, tennis, swimming, or other clubs, nor do we count parks in gated communities. In most cases we combine the data from all the different park agencies in the city. In a few reports we separate parks by their management agency. Report #1 is meant to serve as an index for the calculations found in Reports #2-14.

In general, operational spending relates to year-in, year-out work such as landscape and tree maintenance, facility maintenance, trash removal, recreational programming, planning, administration, policing, lighting, marketing, etc. Capital spending relates to one-time special items such as land acquisition, construction, and major roadway or structural repairs. In order to provide greater uniformity between agencies, we do not count the sometimes large expenses associated with zoos, aquariums, professional sports stadiums, museums, and cemeteries in some cities’ parks but not others’. In Report #5, total spending includes both operational spending and capital spending.

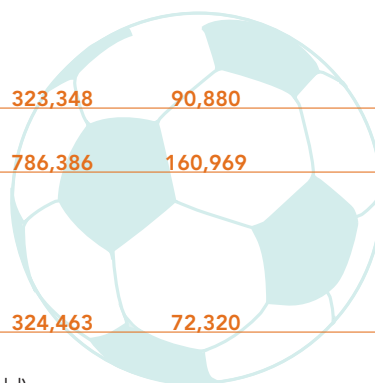
The reports published here constitute only a portion of the data available from the Center for City Park Excellence. For more reports, see [tpl.org/cityparkfacts](http://tpl.org/cityparkfacts). For other studies carried out by the center, go to [tpl.org/CCPE](http://tpl.org/CCPE). For other questions, send an email to [coleen.gentles@tpl.org](mailto:coleen.gentles@tpl.org).

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# REPORT #1: ACRES OF PARKLAND BY CITY AND AGENCY

FY 2010 **KEY** N.A. = Not Available

City	Population	Land Area (acres)	Park Acreage Within City Limits
<b>Akron, Ohio</b>	<b>207,209</b>	<b>39,680</b>	<b>Total Acres: 8,799</b>
Summit County Metro Parks (within city of Akron)			6,554
Akron Recreation Bureau			2,245
<b>Albuquerque</b>	<b>529,219</b>	<b>115,608</b>	<b>32,535</b>
Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department			31,901
Bernalillo County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of Albuquerque)			634
<b>Anaheim</b>	<b>337,896</b>	<b>31,360</b>	<b>926</b>
Anaheim Community Services Department — Parks Division			760
Orange County Parks (within city of Anaheim)			166
<b>Anchorage/Anchorage Borough</b>	<b>286,174</b>	<b>1,258,880</b>	<b>501,725</b>
Chugach State Park			490,125
Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department			11,600
<b>Arlington, Texas</b>	<b>380,085</b>	<b>61,322</b>	<b>4,684</b>
Arlington Parks and Recreation Department			4,684
<b>Arlington, Virginia</b>	<b>217,483</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>1,823</b>
National Park Service (within county of Arlington)			947
Arlington County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources			876
<b>Atlanta</b>	<b>540,922</b>	<b>84,316</b>	<b>3,882</b>
Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs			3,822
National Park Service (within city of Atlanta)			39
Centennial Olympic Park			21
<b>Aurora, Colorado</b>	<b>323,348</b>	<b>90,880</b>	<b>10,155</b>
Aurora Parks, Recreation and Open Space			10,155
<b>Austin</b>	<b>786,386</b>	<b>160,969</b>	<b>28,911</b>
Austin Parks and Recreation Department			19,219
Austin Water Utility, Wildland Conservation Division			8,954
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (within city of Austin)			725
Travis County Parks (within city of Austin)			13
<b>Bakersfield</b>	<b>324,463</b>	<b>72,320</b>	<b>8,354</b>
Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Department			8,109
North of the River Recreation and Park District (within city of Bakersfield)			178
Kern County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of Bakersfield)			67
<b>Baltimore</b>	<b>637,418</b>	<b>51,714</b>	<b>4,905</b>
Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks			4,862
Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine			43
<b>Baton Rouge</b>	<b>225,388</b>	<b>48,640</b>	<b>1,374</b>
The Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge			1,374
<b>Birmingham</b>	<b>230,121</b>	<b>95,360</b>	<b>3,504</b>
Birmingham Park and Recreation Board			1,472
Red Mountain Park Commission			1,108
Ruffner Mountain Nature Coalition, Inc.			924
<b>Boise, Idaho</b>	<b>205,707</b>	<b>40,320</b>	<b>2,775</b>
Boise Parks and Recreation			2,775
<b>Boston</b>	<b>645,169</b>	<b>30,992</b>	<b>4,897</b>
Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (within city of Boston)			2,807
Boston Parks and Recreation Department			1,934
Boston Conservation Commission			88
Boston National Historical Park			35
Massachusetts Port Authority (within city of Boston)			33



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<b>Buffalo</b>	<b>270,240</b>	<b>26,240</b>	<b>Total Acres: 2,180</b>
Buffalo Division of Parks and Recreation			2,139
Erie County Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry (within city of Buffalo)			40
Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site			1
<b>Chandler, Arizona</b>	<b>249,535</b>	<b>36,480</b>	<b>1,528</b>
Chandler Community Services Department			1,528
<b>Charlotte/Mecklenburg</b>	<b>913,639</b>	<b>337,280</b>	<b>18,551</b>
Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department			18,551
<b>Chesapeake, Virginia</b>	<b>222,455</b>	<b>217,600</b>	<b>56,066</b>
Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge			49,246
Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries			4,558
Chesapeake Parks and Recreation Department			2,262
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>2,851,268</b>	<b>145,362</b>	<b>11,959</b>
Chicago Park District			7,656
Forest Preserve District of Cook County (within city of Chicago)			3,690
Illinois Department of Natural Resources (within city of Chicago)			613
<b>Chula Vista, California</b>	<b>223,739</b>	<b>30,720</b>	<b>907</b>
Chula Vista Public Works Department — Parks Division			603
San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge			180
San Diego County Parks and Recreation (within city of Chula Vista)			124
<b>Cincinnati</b>	<b>333,012</b>	<b>49,898</b>	<b>6,817</b>
Cincinnati Park Board			4,874
Cincinnati Recreation Commission			1,476
Hamilton County Park District (within city of Cincinnati)			464
William Howard Taft National Historic Site			3
<b>Cleveland</b>	<b>431,369</b>	<b>49,650</b>	<b>3,130</b>
Cleveland Department of Parks, Recreation and Properties			1,490
Cleveland Metroparks (within city of Cleveland)			1,061
Cleveland Lakefront State Park			579
<b>Colorado Springs</b>	<b>397,317</b>	<b>118,874</b>	<b>11,859</b>
Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services			9,249
Colorado State Parks (within city of Colorado Springs)			2,040
El Paso County Parks (within city of Colorado Springs)			570
<b>Columbus</b>	<b>769,332</b>	<b>134,568</b>	<b>11,274</b>
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department			8,422
Columbus and Franklin County Metro Park District (within city of Columbus)			2,852
<b>Corpus Christi</b>	<b>287,439</b>	<b>99,200</b>	<b>2,147</b>
Corpus Christi Parks and Recreation Department			1,847
Nueces County Coastal Parks (within city of Corpus Christi)			300
<b>Dallas</b>	<b>1,299,542</b>	<b>219,223</b>	<b>29,401</b>
Dallas Park and Recreation Department			29,401
<b>Denver</b>	<b>610,345</b>	<b>98,142</b>	<b>5,902</b>
Denver Parks and Recreation (within city of Denver)			5,902
<b>Detroit</b>	<b>910,921</b>	<b>88,810</b>	<b>5,921</b>
Detroit Recreation Department			5,890
William G. Milliken State Park and Harbor			31
<b>Durham, North Carolina</b>	<b>229,171</b>	<b>60,160</b>	<b>2,440</b>
Durham Parks and Recreation Department			1,740
Eno River State Park (within city of Durham)			700

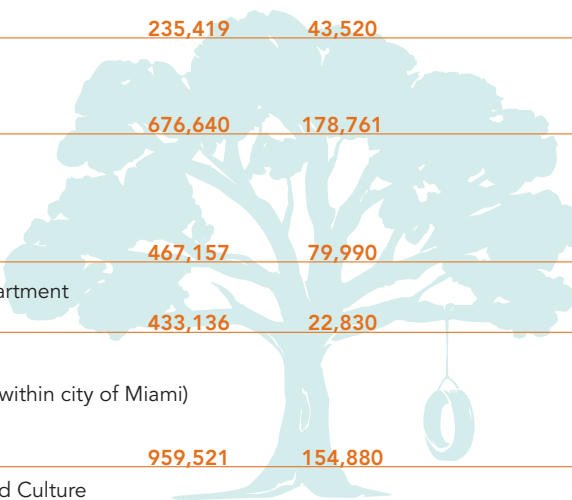


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<b>El Paso</b>	<b>620,456</b>	<b>159,405</b>	<b>Total Acres: 29,393</b>
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (within city of El Paso)			25,970
El Paso Parks and Recreation Department			2,908
El Paso County Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of El Paso)			460
Chamizal National Memorial			55
<b>Fort Wayne</b>	<b>255,890</b>	<b>50,560</b>	<b>2,400</b>
Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department			2,400
<b>Fort Worth</b>	<b>727,577</b>	<b>187,222</b>	<b>11,312</b>
Fort Worth Parks and Community Services Department			11,312
<b>Fresno</b>	<b>479,918</b>	<b>66,791</b>	<b>1,511</b>
Fresno Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services Department			1,511
<b>Garland, Texas</b>	<b>222,013</b>	<b>36,480</b>	<b>2,880</b>
Garland Parks and Recreation Department			2,880
Dallas County Planning and Development Department (within city of Garland)			N.A.
<b>Gilbert, Arizona</b>	<b>222,075</b>	<b>26,880</b>	<b>1,330</b>
Gilbert Parks and Recreation			1,330
<b>Glendale, Arizona</b>	<b>253,209</b>	<b>35,840</b>	<b>2,160</b>
Glendale Parks and Recreation Department			2,160
<b>Greensboro, North Carolina</b>	<b>255,124</b>	<b>66,560</b>	<b>6,186</b>
Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department			5,946
Guilford Courthouse National Military Park			240
<b>Henderson, Nevada</b>	<b>256,445</b>	<b>51,200</b>	<b>1,986</b>
Henderson Parks and Recreation Department			1,957
Clark County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of Henderson)			29
<b>Hialeah, Florida</b>	<b>218,896</b>	<b>12,160</b>	<b>175</b>
Hialeah Department of Recreation and Community Services			175
<b>Honolulu/Honolulu County</b>	<b>907,574</b>	<b>384,000</b>	<b>6,056</b>
Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation			5,150
Hawai'i Division of State Parks (within city of Honolulu)			906
<b>Houston</b>	<b>2,257,926</b>	<b>370,818</b>	<b>49,643</b>
Houston Parks and Recreation Department			33,638
Harris County Parks (within city of Houston)			13,590
Fort Bend County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of Houston)			2,023
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (within city of Houston)			380
Discovery Green Conservancy			12
<b>Indianapolis</b>	<b>807,584</b>	<b>231,342</b>	<b>11,147</b>
Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation			10,877
White River State Park Development Commission			270
<b>Irvine, California</b>	<b>209,716</b>	<b>29,440</b>	<b>7,656</b>
Irvine Community Services Department			7,311
Orange County Parks (within city of Irvine)			345
<b>Irving, Texas</b>	<b>205,541</b>	<b>42,880</b>	<b>1,869</b>
Irving Parks and Recreation			1,814
Dallas County Planning and Development Department (within city of Irving)			55
<b>Jacksonville</b>	<b>813,518</b>	<b>537,000</b>	<b>44,108</b>
Jacksonville Recreation and Community Services Department			18,686
St. Johns River Water Management District (within city of Jacksonville)			8,827
Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve and Fort Caroline Memorial (within city of Jacksonville)			8,400
Florida Park Service (within city of Jacksonville)			8,195

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<b>Jersey City, New Jersey</b>	<b>242,503</b>	<b>9,600</b>	<b>Total Acres: 1,660</b>
New Jersey Division of Parks and Forestry (within Jersey City)			1,188
Hudson County Division of Parks (within Jersey City)			283
Jersey City Division of Parks and Forestry			189
<b>Kansas City, Missouri</b>	<b>482,299</b>	<b>200,664</b>	<b>17,272</b>
Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department			11,882
Jackson County Parks and Recreation (within Kansas City)			5,390
<b>Laredo, Texas</b>	<b>226,124</b>	<b>49,920</b>	<b>1,552</b>
Laredo Parks and Leisure Services Department			1,041
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (within city of Laredo)			371
Webb County Community Action Agency (within city of Laredo)			140
<b>Las Vegas</b>	<b>567,641</b>	<b>72,514</b>	<b>3,072</b>
Las Vegas Department of Leisure Services			3,069
Nevada Division of State Parks (within city of Las Vegas)			3
<b>Lexington/Fayette</b>	<b>296,545</b>	<b>182,400</b>	<b>6,077</b>
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Division of Parks and Recreation			6,058
Kentucky Department of Parks (within city of Lexington)			19
<b>Lincoln, Nebraska</b>	<b>254,001</b>	<b>48,000</b>	<b>6,304</b>
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department			6,304
<b>Long Beach, California</b>	<b>462,604</b>	<b>32,281</b>	<b>3,331</b>
Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine			3,331
<b>Los Angeles</b>	<b>3,831,868</b>	<b>300,201</b>	<b>23,938</b>
Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks			15,899
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (within city of Los Angeles)			2,322
Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (within city of Los Angeles)			2,230
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (within city of Los Angeles)			1,720
California Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of Los Angeles)			1,120
Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of Los Angeles)			647
<b>Louisville</b>	<b>721,594</b>	<b>246,400</b>	<b>15,939</b>
Louisville Metro Parks			15,341
E.P. Tom Sawyer State Park			513
Waterfront Development Corporation			85
<b>Lubbock, Texas</b>	<b>225,859</b>	<b>72,960</b>	<b>2,224</b>
Lubbock Parks and Recreation			2,224
<b>Madison, Wisconsin</b>	<b>235,419</b>	<b>43,520</b>	<b>5,246</b>
Madison Parks Division			4,463
Dane County Parks Division (within city of Madison)			783
<b>Memphis</b>	<b>676,640</b>	<b>178,761</b>	<b>9,140</b>
Memphis Division of Park Services			4,802
Shelby Farms Park Conservancy			3,200
T.O. Fuller State Park			1,138
<b>Mesa, Arizona</b>	<b>467,157</b>	<b>79,990</b>	<b>2,244</b>
Mesa Parks, Recreation and Commercial Facilities Department			2,244
<b>Miami</b>	<b>433,136</b>	<b>22,830</b>	<b>1,198</b>
Miami Department of Parks and Recreation			1,037
Miami-Dade County Park and Recreation Department (within city of Miami)			100
Bayfront Park Management Trust			61
<b>Milwaukee/Milwaukee County</b>	<b>959,521</b>	<b>154,880</b>	<b>15,189</b>
Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture			15,189



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<b>Minneapolis</b>	<b>385,378</b>	<b>35,130</b>	<b>Total Acres: 5,121</b>
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board			5,121
<b>Nashville/Davidson</b>	<b>605,473</b>	<b>321,280</b>	<b>10,765</b>
Nashville/Davidson Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation			10,765
<b>New Orleans</b>	<b>354,850</b>	<b>115,840</b>	<b>29,851</b>
Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge (within city of New Orleans)			24,293
Audubon Nature Institute			1,600
New Orleans Department of Parks and Parkways			1,414
New Orleans City Park Improvement Association			1,300
New Orleans Recreation Department			1,076
Louisiana Office of State Parks (within city of New Orleans)			105
New Orleans Building Corporation			54
Municipal Yacht Harbor			9
<b>New York</b>	<b>8,391,881</b>	<b>195,072</b>	<b>38,060</b>
New York City Department of Parks and Recreation			29,181
Gateway National Recreation Area (within city of New York)			7,138
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (within city of New York)			1,039
New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (within city of New York)			665
Governors Island National Monument			22
Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island National Monuments			15
<b>Newark, New Jersey</b>	<b>278,154</b>	<b>15,360</b>	<b>858</b>
Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs (within city of Newark)			769
Newark Department of Neighborhood and Recreational Services			89
<b>Norfolk</b>	<b>233,333</b>	<b>33,920</b>	<b>602</b>
Norfolk Department of Recreation, Parks and Open Space			602
<b>North Las Vegas, Nevada</b>	<b>224,387</b>	<b>49,920</b>	<b>859</b>
North Las Vegas Parks and Recreation Department			859
<b>Oakland</b>	<b>409,189</b>	<b>35,875</b>	<b>5,219</b>
Oakland Office of Parks and Recreation			4,101
East Bay Regional Park District (within city of Oakland)			1,118
<b>Oklahoma City</b>	<b>560,333</b>	<b>388,463</b>	<b>21,841</b>
Oklahoma City Parks and Recreation Department			21,841
<b>Omaha</b>	<b>454,731</b>	<b>74,048</b>	<b>9,560</b>
Omaha Department of Parks, Recreation and Public Property			9,560
<b>Orlando</b>	<b>235,860</b>	<b>59,520</b>	<b>2,941</b>
Orlando Families, Parks and Recreation Department			2,917
Orange County Parks and Recreation Division (within city of Orlando)			24
<b>Philadelphia</b>	<b>1,547,297</b>	<b>86,456</b>	<b>11,186</b>
Fairmount Park Commission			9,200
Philadelphia Department of Recreation			1,349
John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge at Tinicum (within city of Philadelphia)			300
Benjamin Rush State Park			282
Independence National Historical Park			55
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>1,593,659</b>	<b>303,907</b>	<b>45,020</b>
Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department			43,378
Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of Phoenix)			1,642
<b>Pittsburgh</b>	<b>310,037</b>	<b>35,573</b>	<b>3,120</b>
Pittsburgh Public Works			3,084
Point State Park			36
<b>Plano, Texas</b>	<b>273,613</b>	<b>46,080</b>	<b>4,215</b>
Plano Parks and Recreation Department			4,215

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<b>Portland, Oregon</b>	<b>566,143</b>	<b>85,964</b>	<b>Total Acres: 13,864</b>
Portland Parks and Recreation			11,147
Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces (within city of Portland)			2,263
Tryon Creek State Natural Area			454
<b>Raleigh</b>	<b>405,612</b>	<b>73,600</b>	<b>12,512</b>
Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department			6,742
William B. Umstead State Park			5,579
Wake County Parks, Recreation and Open Space (within city of Raleigh)			191
<b>Reno, Nevada</b>	<b>219,636</b>	<b>44,160</b>	<b>2,432</b>
Reno Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department			2,375
Washoe County Regional Parks and Open Space (within city of Reno)			57
<b>Riverside, California</b>	<b>297,841</b>	<b>49,920</b>	<b>4,796</b>
Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department			3,003
Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District (within city of Riverside)			1,545
California Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of Riverside)			248
<b>Rochester, New York</b>	<b>207,294</b>	<b>22,400</b>	<b>1,501</b>
Rochester Bureau of Operations and Parks			933
Monroe County Department of Parks (within city of Rochester)			568
<b>Sacramento</b>	<b>466,676</b>	<b>62,180</b>	<b>5,069</b>
Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation			2,418
Sacramento County Department of Regional Parks (within city of Sacramento)			1,746
Sacramento Department of Convention, Culture and Leisure			604
California Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of Sacramento)			301
<b>San Antonio</b>	<b>1,373,668</b>	<b>260,832</b>	<b>23,316</b>
San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department			13,678
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (within city of San Antonio)			8,620
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park			835
Bexar County Infrastructure Services Department (within city of San Antonio)			183
<b>San Diego</b>	<b>1,306,300</b>	<b>207,575</b>	<b>47,383</b>
San Diego Park and Recreation Department			39,902
San Diego County Parks and Recreation (within city of San Diego)			4,094
California Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of San Diego)			1,508
San Diego National Wildlife Refuge Complex			900
The Port of San Diego			817
Cabrillo National Monument			162
<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>815,358</b>	<b>29,884</b>	<b>5,384</b>
San Francisco Recreation and Park Department			3,466
The Presidio Trust			1,491
California Department of Parks and Recreation (within city of San Francisco)			252
Golden Gate National Recreation Area (within city of San Francisco)			175
<b>San Jose</b>	<b>964,695</b>	<b>111,910</b>	<b>15,982</b>
Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge (within city of San Jose)			6,800
Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation (within city of San Jose)			3,910
San Jose Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services			3,449
Santa Clara County Open Space Authority (within city of San Jose)			1,823
<b>Santa Ana, California</b>	<b>340,338</b>	<b>17,280</b>	<b>324</b>
Santa Ana Parks, Recreation and Community Services			324
<b>Scottsdale, Arizona</b>	<b>237,844</b>	<b>117,760</b>	<b>17,172</b>
Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Division			17,172
<b>Seattle</b>	<b>616,627</b>	<b>53,677</b>	<b>5,476</b>
Seattle Parks and Recreation			5,476

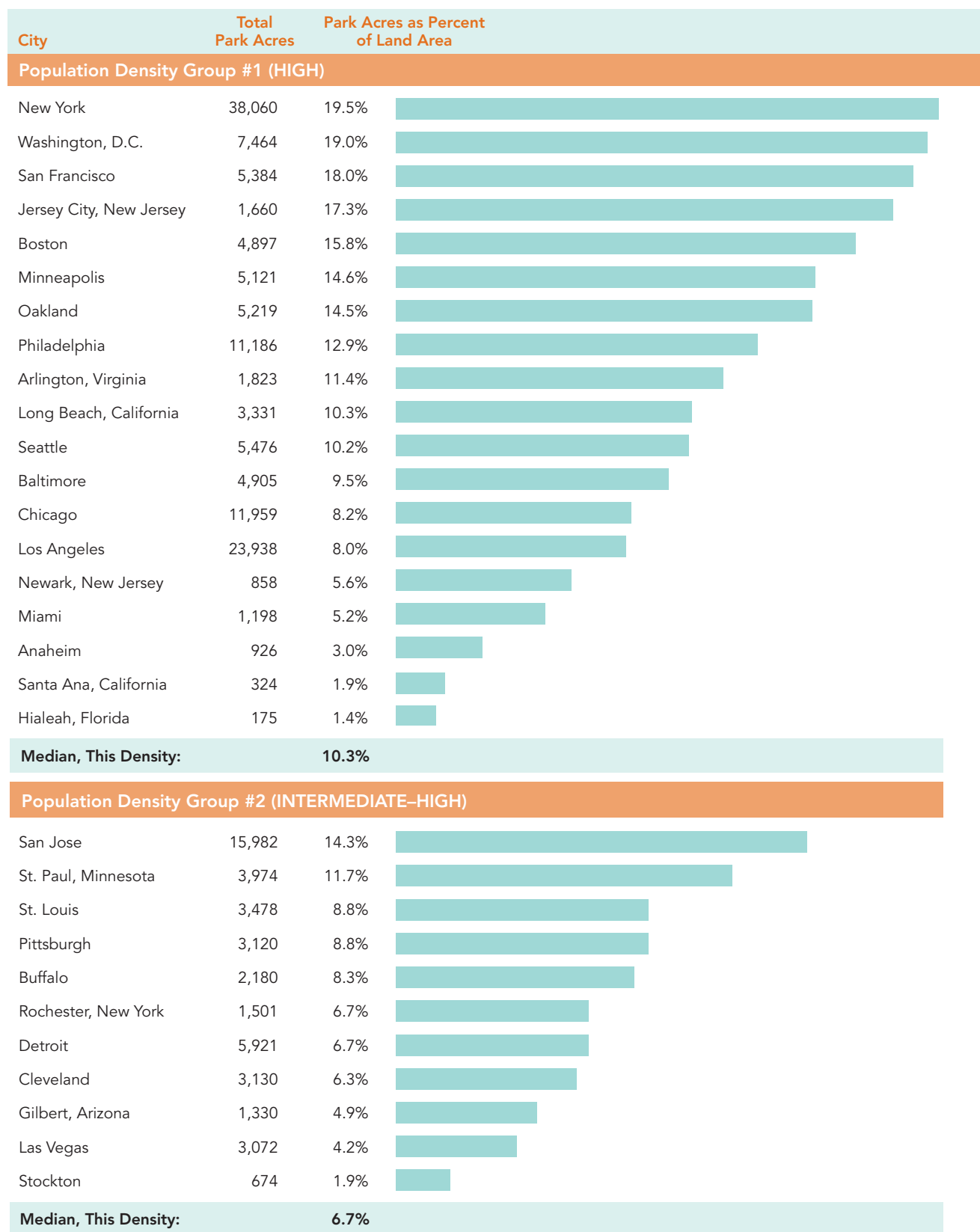
# REPORT #1: ACRES OF PARKLAND BY CITY AND AGENCY

City	Population	Land Area (acres)	Park Acreage Within City Limits
<b>St. Louis</b>	<b>356,587</b>	<b>39,630</b>	<b>Total Acres: 3,478</b>
St. Louis Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry			3,065
Tower Grove Park Commission			289
Jefferson National Expansion Memorial			91
The Great Rivers Greenway District			33
<b>St. Paul, Minnesota</b>	<b>281,253</b>	<b>33,920</b>	<b>3,974</b>
Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department			2,804
Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of St. Paul)			670
Minnesota DNR Division of Parks and Recreation (within city of St. Paul)			500
<b>St. Petersburg</b>	<b>244,324</b>	<b>38,400</b>	<b>2,963</b>
St. Petersburg Parks Department			2,961
Pinellas County Parks and Recreation Department (within city of St. Petersburg)			2
<b>Stockton</b>	<b>287,578</b>	<b>35,200</b>	<b>674</b>
Stockton Public Works Department			674
<b>Tampa</b>	<b>343,890</b>	<b>71,720</b>	<b>3,361</b>
Tampa Parks and Recreation Department			3,041
Tampa Sports Authority			320
<b>Tucson</b>	<b>543,910</b>	<b>124,588</b>	<b>3,892</b>
Tucson Parks and Recreation Department			3,319
Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department (within city of Tucson)			415
Kino Sports Complex			158
<b>Tulsa</b>	<b>389,625</b>	<b>116,891</b>	<b>7,336</b>
Tulsa Park and Recreation Department			5,995
River Parks Authority			1,116
Tulsa County Parks (within city of Tulsa)			225
<b>Virginia Beach</b>	<b>433,575</b>	<b>158,903</b>	<b>33,677</b>
Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge			13,360
Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation (within city of Virginia Beach)			12,718
Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation			5,249
Princess Anne Wildlife Management Area			1,546
Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge			804
<b>Washington, District of Columbia</b>	<b>599,657</b>	<b>39,297</b>	<b>7,464</b>
National Park Service (within city of Washington)			6,776
District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation			688
<b>Wichita</b>	<b>372,186</b>	<b>86,879</b>	<b>4,460</b>
Wichita Park and Recreation Department			4,460
<b>Winston-Salem, North Carolina</b>	<b>229,828</b>	<b>69,120</b>	<b>3,450</b>
Winston-Salem Recreation and Parks			3,450
<b>Total:</b>	<b>62,431,305</b>	<b>11,642,201</b>	<b>1,502,687</b>

# REPORT #2: ACRES OF PARKLAND AS PERCENTAGE OF CITY AREA

FY 2010

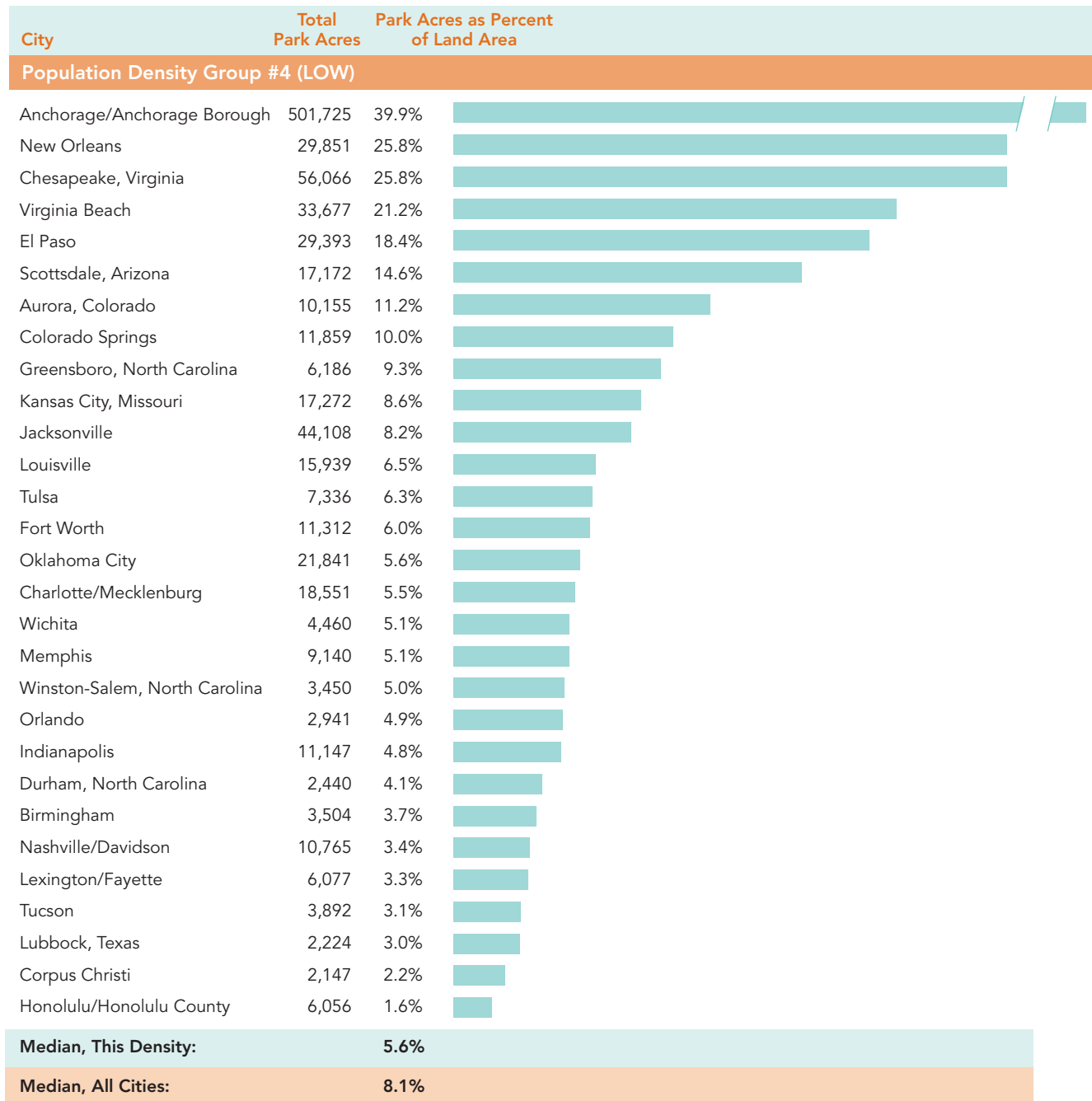
Total park acres includes city, county, metro, state, and federal acres within the city limits.



## REPORT #2: ACRES OF PARKLAND AS PERCENTAGE OF CITY AREA

City	Total Park Acres	Park Acres as Percent of Land Area	
<b>Population Density Group #3 (INTERMEDIATE-LOW)</b>			
Albuquerque	32,535	28.1%	
Irvine, California	7,656	26.0%	
San Diego	47,383	22.8%	
Akron, Ohio	8,799	22.2%	
Austin	28,911	18.0%	
Raleigh	12,512	17.0%	
Portland, Oregon	13,864	16.1%	
Phoenix	45,020	14.8%	
Cincinnati	6,817	13.7%	
Dallas	29,401	13.4%	
Houston	49,643	13.4%	
Lincoln, Nebraska	6,304	13.1%	
Omaha	9,560	12.9%	
Madison, Wisconsin	5,246	12.1%	
Bakersfield	8,354	11.6%	
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	15,189	9.8%	
Riverside, California	4,796	9.6%	
Plano, Texas	4,215	9.1%	
San Antonio	23,316	8.9%	
Columbus	11,274	8.4%	
Sacramento	5,069	8.2%	
Garland, Texas	2,880	7.9%	
St. Petersburg	2,963	7.7%	
Arlington, Texas	4,684	7.6%	
Boise, Idaho	2,775	6.9%	
Glendale, Arizona	2,160	6.0%	
Denver	5,902	6.0%	
Reno, Nevada	2,432	5.5%	
Fort Wayne	2,400	4.7%	
Tampa	3,361	4.7%	
Atlanta	3,882	4.6%	
Irving, Texas	1,869	4.4%	
Chandler, Arizona	1,528	4.2%	
Henderson, Nevada	1,986	3.9%	
Laredo, Texas	1,552	3.1%	
Chula Vista, California	907	3.0%	
Baton Rouge	1,374	2.8%	
Mesa, Arizona	2,244	2.8%	
Fresno	1,511	2.3%	
Norfolk	602	1.8%	
North Las Vegas, Nevada	859	1.7%	
<b>Median, This Density:</b>		<b>8.2%</b>	

## REPORT #2: ACRES OF PARKLAND AS PERCENTAGE OF CITY AREA





# REPORT #3: ACRES OF PARKLAND PER 1,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

FY 2010

Total park acres includes city, county, metro, state, and federal acres within the city limits.

City	Total Park Acres	Acres per 1,000 Residents	City	Total Park Acres	Acres per 1,000 Residents
<b>Population Density Group #1 (HIGH)</b>			<b>Population Density Group #3 (INTERMEDIATE-LOW) cont.</b>		
Minneapolis	5,121	13.3	Columbus	11,274	14.7
Oakland	5,219	12.8	Boise, Idaho	2,775	13.5
Washington, D.C.	7,464	12.4	Garland, Texas	2,880	13.0
Seattle	5,476	8.9	Arlington, Texas	4,684	12.3
Arlington, Virginia	1,823	8.4	St. Petersburg	2,963	12.1
Baltimore	4,905	7.7	Reno, Nevada	2,432	11.1
Boston	4,897	7.6	Sacramento	5,069	10.9
Philadelphia	11,186	7.2	Tampa	3,361	9.8
Long Beach, California	3,331	7.2	Denver	5,902	9.7
Jersey City, New Jersey	1,660	6.8	Fort Wayne	2,400	9.4
San Francisco	5,384	6.6	Irving, Texas	1,869	9.1
Los Angeles	23,938	6.2	Glendale, Arizona	2,160	8.5
New York	38,060	4.5	Henderson, Nevada	1,986	7.7
Chicago	11,959	4.2	Atlanta	3,882	7.2
Newark, New Jersey	858	3.1	Laredo, Texas	1,552	6.9
Miami	1,198	2.8	Chandler, Arizona	1,528	6.1
Anaheim	926	2.7	Baton Rouge	1,374	6.1
Santa Ana, California	324	1.0	Mesa, Arizona	2,244	4.8
Hialeah, Florida	175	0.8	Chula Vista, California	907	4.1
			North Las Vegas, Nevada	859	3.8
			Fresno	1,511	3.1
			Norfolk	602	2.6
<b>Median, This Density:</b>		<b>6.8</b>	<b>Median, This Density:</b>		<b>13.5</b>
<b>Population Density Group #2 (INTERMEDIATE-HIGH)</b>			<b>Population Density Group #4 (LOW)</b>		
San Jose	15,982	16.6	Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	501,725	1,753.2
St. Paul, Minnesota	3,974	14.1	Chesapeake, Virginia	56,066	252.0
Pittsburgh	3,120	10.1	New Orleans	29,851	84.1
St. Louis	3,478	9.8	Virginia Beach	33,677	77.7
Buffalo	2,180	8.1	Scottsdale, Arizona	17,172	72.2
Cleveland	3,130	7.3	Jacksonville	44,108	54.2
Rochester, New York	1,501	7.2	El Paso	29,393	47.4
Detroit	5,921	6.5	Oklahoma City	21,841	39.0
Gilbert, Arizona	1,330	6.0	Kansas City, Missouri	17,272	35.8
Las Vegas	3,072	5.4	Aurora, Colorado	10,155	31.4
Stockton	674	2.3	Colorado Springs	11,859	29.8
			Greensboro, North Carolina	6,186	24.2
<b>Median, This Density:</b>		<b>7.3</b>	Louisville	15,939	22.1
<b>Population Density Group #3 (INTERMEDIATE-LOW)</b>			Lexington/Fayette	6,077	20.5
Albuquerque	32,535	61.5	Charlotte/Mecklenburg	18,551	20.3
Akron, Ohio	8,799	42.5	Tulsa	7,336	18.8
Austin	28,911	36.8	Nashville/Davidson	10,765	17.8
Irvine, California	7,656	36.5	Fort Worth	11,312	15.5
San Diego	47,383	36.3	Birmingham	3,504	15.2
Raleigh	12,512	30.8	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	3,450	15.0
Phoenix	45,020	28.2	Indianapolis	11,147	13.8
Bakersfield	8,354	25.7	Memphis	9,140	13.5
Lincoln, Nebraska	6,304	24.8	Orlando	2,941	12.5
Portland, Oregon	13,864	24.5	Wichita	4,460	12.0
Dallas	29,401	22.6	Durham, North Carolina	2,440	10.6
Madison, Wisconsin	5,246	22.3	Lubbock, Texas	2,224	9.8
Houston	49,643	22.0	Corpus Christi	2,147	7.5
Omaha	9,560	21.0	Tucson	3,892	7.2
Cincinnati	6,817	20.5	Honolulu/Honolulu County	6,056	6.7
San Antonio	23,316	17.0			
Riverside, California	4,796	16.1	<b>Median, This Density:</b>		<b>20.3</b>
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	15,189	15.8			
Plano, Texas	4,215	15.4			
<b>Median, All Cities:</b>					<b>12.4</b>





Note: Toledo is not included because it did not participate in the 2010 survey of city park and recreation systems.

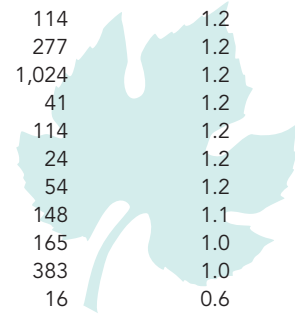
# REPORT #4: PARK PLAYGROUNDS PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

FY 2010

KEY N.A. = Not Available

Park playgrounds do not include school playgrounds. If a city has more than one park agency, their playgrounds are combined.

City	Number of Playgrounds	Playgrounds per 10,000 Residents	City	Number of Playgrounds	Playgrounds per 10,000 Residents
Madison, Wisconsin	164	7.0	Seattle	130	2.1
Virginia Beach	215	5.0	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	47	2.0
Corpus Christi	141	4.9	Orlando	48	2.0
Cincinnati	161	4.8	St. Louis	72	2.0
Norfolk	100	4.3	Oklahoma City	113	2.0
Pittsburgh	129	4.2	Atlanta	109	2.0
Greensboro, North Carolina	102	4.0	North Las Vegas, Nevada	45	2.0
Sacramento	181	3.9	Las Vegas	113	2.0
Glendale, Arizona	97	3.8	Kansas City, Missouri	96	2.0
Colorado Springs	145	3.6	Henderson, Nevada	50	1.9
Jacksonville	285	3.5	Columbus	146	1.9
Boise, Idaho	72	3.5	Nashville/Davidson	114	1.9
Birmingham	80	3.5	Bakersfield	60	1.8
Boston	222	3.4	Chicago	521	1.8
Omaha	155	3.4	Oakland	73	1.8
Detroit	308	3.4	San Diego	233	1.8
Lincoln, Nebraska	84	3.3	San Francisco	145	1.8
Chula Vista, California	72	3.2	Memphis	114	1.7
St. Petersburg	78	3.2	Washington, D.C.	101	1.7
Baltimore	200	3.1	Louisville	119	1.6
Baton Rouge	69	3.1	Philadelphia	254	1.6
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	83	2.9	Indianapolis	129	1.6
Minneapolis	110	2.9	Garland, Texas	35	1.6
Irvine, California	59	2.8	Long Beach, California	69	1.5
Albuquerque	147	2.8	Austin	116	1.5
St. Paul, Minnesota	77	2.7	Scottsdale, Arizona	34	1.4
Lubbock, Texas	60	2.7	Riverside, California	42	1.4
San Jose	256	2.7	Dallas	183	1.4
Cleveland	114	2.6	Fresno	65	1.4
New Orleans	93	2.6	Jersey City, New Jersey	32	1.3
Plano, Texas	71	2.6	Miami	57	1.3
Tulsa	99	2.5	Santa Ana, California	43	1.3
Stockton	71	2.5	Arlington, Texas	48	1.3
Denver	148	2.4	Charlotte/Mecklenburg	114	1.2
Tampa	83	2.4	Houston	277	1.2
Aurora, Colorado	78	2.4	New York	1,024	1.2
Durham, North Carolina	55	2.4	Anaheim	41	1.2
Buffalo	63	2.3	Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	114	1.2
Reno, Nevada	51	2.3	Akron, Ohio	24	1.2
Fort Worth	167	2.3	Mesa, Arizona	54	1.2
Irving, Texas	46	2.2	San Antonio	148	1.1
Rochester, New York	46	2.2	Phoenix	165	1.0
Fort Wayne	56	2.2	Los Angeles	383	1.0
Raleigh	88	2.2	Newark, New Jersey	16	0.6
Tucson	118	2.2	Hialeah, Florida	12	0.5
Chandler, Arizona	54	2.2	Laredo, Texas	2	0.1
Lexington/Fayette	64	2.2	Arlington, Virginia	N.A.	N.A.
Wichita	80	2.1	Chesapeake, Virginia	N.A.	N.A.
Portland, Oregon	120	2.1	Gilbert, Arizona	N.A.	N.A.
El Paso	131	2.1	Honolulu/Honolulu County	N.A.	N.A.
<b>Total:</b>				<b>11,678</b>	
<b>Median:</b>					<b>2.1</b>



# REPORT #5: TOTAL SPENDING ON PARKS AND RECREATION PER RESIDENT BY CITY

FY 2009

KEY N.A. = Not Available

Total expenditure includes both operating and capital expenditure, but excludes stadiums, zoos, museums, aquariums, and cemeteries. If a city has more than one agency, their expenditures are combined.

City	Total Park Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident	City	Total Park Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Washington, D.C.	\$224,591,976	\$375	Omaha	\$34,736,814	\$76
San Francisco	\$228,285,744	\$280	Akron, Ohio	\$15,099,263	\$73
Seattle	\$167,541,163	\$272	Oklahoma City	\$40,816,251	\$73
Las Vegas	\$146,061,811	\$257	Garland, Texas	\$15,584,927	\$70
Henderson, Nevada	\$55,508,345	\$216	Corpus Christi	\$19,909,261	\$69
Minneapolis	\$76,932,406	\$200	Anaheim	\$23,220,179	\$69
St. Paul, Minnesota	\$54,802,592	\$195	Nashville/Davidson	\$40,868,232	\$67
Portland	\$98,029,801	\$173	Glendale, Arizona	\$16,645,621	\$66
Plano, Texas	\$45,038,424	\$165	Philadelphia	\$99,627,494	\$64
Sacramento	\$75,014,463	\$161	Arlington, Texas	\$24,311,247	\$64
North Las Vegas, Nevada	\$35,983,055	\$160	Colorado Springs	\$25,223,911	\$63
New York	\$1,329,673,995	\$158	Lincoln, Nebraska	\$16,057,249	\$63
Riverside, California	\$46,675,829	\$157	Lexington/Fayette	\$18,492,174	\$62
Cincinnati	\$51,964,588	\$156	Fort Wayne	\$15,947,078	\$62
Chandler, Arizona	\$38,908,751	\$156	Austin	\$48,877,389	\$62
Raleigh	\$60,751,172	\$150	San Antonio	\$84,842,548	\$62
Virginia Beach	\$63,570,700	\$147	Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	\$59,082,973	\$62
Tampa	\$49,099,548	\$143	St. Louis	\$21,816,316	\$61
Chicago	\$379,504,652	\$133	Columbus	\$45,696,258	\$59
Newark, New Jersey	\$36,931,417	\$133	Fresno	\$28,168,124	\$59
Oakland	\$53,605,604	\$131	Los Angeles	\$221,596,617	\$58
Kansas City, Missouri	\$62,100,749	\$129	Baltimore	\$36,797,232	\$58
Denver	\$76,925,375	\$126	Albuquerque	\$29,984,000	\$57
St. Petersburg	\$30,507,237	\$125	Chula Vista, California	\$12,513,635	\$56
Aurora, Colorado	\$40,072,036	\$124	Rochester, New York	\$11,548,349	\$56
Long Beach, California	\$55,879,916	\$121	Wichita	\$20,384,447	\$55
San Diego	\$152,711,954	\$117	Arlington, Virginia	\$11,816,922	\$54
Orlando	\$26,633,775	\$113	Stockton	\$14,090,000	\$49
Lubbock, Texas	\$25,243,205	\$112	Memphis	\$32,044,793	\$47
Bakersfield	\$35,039,523	\$108	Houston	\$102,938,811	\$46
Boise, Idaho	\$21,846,142	\$106	Louisville	\$32,892,385	\$46
Scottsdale, Arizona	\$25,257,901	\$106	Santa Ana, California	\$14,683,470	\$43
Madison, Wisconsin	\$24,870,000	\$106	Indianapolis	\$34,668,752	\$43
Dallas	\$136,492,377	\$105	Jacksonville	\$34,888,660	\$43
Boston	\$66,742,851	\$103	Tulsa	\$15,820,210	\$41
Cleveland	\$44,115,668	\$102	Hialeah, Florida	\$8,800,000	\$40
New Orleans	\$35,832,341	\$101	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	\$8,791,403	\$38
Pittsburgh	\$30,797,363	\$99	Buffalo	\$9,153,202	\$34
Tucson	\$52,862,000	\$97	El Paso	\$19,587,662	\$32
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	\$84,565,136	\$93	Detroit	\$24,559,000	\$27
Fort Worth	\$65,627,523	\$90	Jersey City, New Jersey	\$4,113,488	\$17
Miami	\$38,552,986	\$89	Chesapeake, Virginia	\$3,443,000	\$15
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	\$24,829,935	\$87	Baton Rouge	N.A.	N.A.
Norfolk	\$20,225,952	\$87	Birmingham	N.A.	N.A.
Reno, Nevada	\$18,640,373	\$85	Durham, North Carolina	N.A.	N.A.
Atlanta	\$45,175,686	\$84	Gilbert, Arizona	N.A.	N.A.
Irvine, California	\$17,347,344	\$83	Honolulu/Honolulu County	N.A.	N.A.
Greensboro, North Carolina	\$20,685,218	\$81	Irving, Texas	N.A.	N.A.
Phoenix	\$125,004,725	\$78	Laredo, Texas	N.A.	N.A.
Mesa, Arizona	\$36,606,715	\$78	San Jose	N.A.	N.A.
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$6,159,807,389</b>	
<b>Median:</b>					<b>\$84</b>

## REPORT #6: OPERATIONAL SPENDING PER RESIDENT BY CITY

FY 2009

KEY N.A. = Not Available

Operating expenditure does not include capital expenditure. If a city has more than one agency, their expenditures are combined.

City	Park Operating Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident	City	Park Operating Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Washington, D.C.	\$138,382,818	\$231	Philadelphia	\$84,242,113	\$54
San Francisco	\$177,605,292	\$218	Phoenix	\$86,733,332	\$54
Seattle	\$108,645,213	\$176	Arlington, Virginia	\$11,816,922	\$54
Minneapolis	\$67,047,624	\$174	Nashville/Davidson	\$32,591,940	\$54
Henderson, Nevada	\$35,447,683	\$138	Colorado Springs	\$21,335,958	\$54
Portland	\$77,139,615	\$136	Riverside, California	\$15,934,164	\$53
St. Paul, Minnesota	\$35,317,754	\$126	Pittsburgh	\$16,239,183	\$52
St. Petersburg	\$30,367,276	\$124	Garland, Texas	\$11,584,927	\$52
Virginia Beach	\$53,739,175	\$124	Baltimore	\$33,126,232	\$52
Sacramento	\$55,866,463	\$120	Los Angeles	\$190,758,011	\$50
Las Vegas	\$67,216,553	\$118	Fresno	\$23,844,009	\$50
Long Beach, California	\$54,073,566	\$117	St. Louis	\$17,699,286	\$50
Cincinnati	\$37,572,478	\$113	Chula Vista, California	\$11,091,075	\$50
Orlando	\$26,207,367	\$111	Stockton	\$14,090,000	\$49
Tampa	\$37,023,665	\$108	Wichita	\$18,016,987	\$48
Aurora, Colorado	\$34,560,561	\$107	Charlotte/Mecklenburg	\$42,475,547	\$46
Scottsdale, Arizona	\$25,251,281	\$106	Glendale, Arizona	\$11,713,465	\$46
Raleigh	\$39,800,956	\$98	Mesa, Arizona	\$21,552,767	\$46
San Diego	\$124,346,983	\$95	Columbus	\$34,987,867	\$45
Plano, Texas	\$25,286,075	\$92	Durham, North Carolina	\$10,334,846	\$45
New York	\$753,580,995	\$90	Chandler, Arizona	\$11,251,775	\$45
Chicago	\$250,514,652	\$88	San Antonio	\$61,091,004	\$44
Madison, Wisconsin	\$20,520,000	\$87	Austin	\$34,400,660	\$44
Tucson	\$46,555,023	\$86	Rochester, New York	\$9,016,349	\$43
Boise, Idaho	\$17,046,228	\$83	Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	\$41,526,634	\$43
Irvine, California	\$17,347,344	\$83	Newark, New Jersey	\$11,961,736	\$43
Bakersfield	\$26,199,093	\$81	Albuquerque	\$22,741,000	\$43
Denver	\$48,738,979	\$80	Dallas	\$53,794,698	\$41
Kansas City, Missouri	\$38,366,112	\$80	Hialeah, Florida	\$8,800,000	\$40
New Orleans	\$28,158,341	\$79	Houston	\$88,298,984	\$39
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	\$21,959,194	\$77	Lubbock, Texas	\$8,770,257	\$39
Oakland	\$31,309,724	\$77	Santa Ana, California	\$13,045,528	\$38
Greensboro, North Carolina	\$19,144,229	\$75	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	\$8,791,403	\$38
Boston	\$47,960,957	\$74	Jacksonville	\$28,720,471	\$35
Cleveland	\$30,545,177	\$71	Indianapolis	\$27,807,401	\$34
Reno, Nevada	\$15,200,872	\$69	Louisville	\$24,676,873	\$34
North Las Vegas, Nevada	\$15,435,445	\$69	El Paso	\$19,587,662	\$32
Miami	\$29,515,086	\$68	Buffalo	\$8,447,107	\$31
Norfolk	\$15,672,452	\$67	Detroit	\$24,399,000	\$27
Fort Worth	\$48,380,003	\$66	Memphis	\$17,132,295	\$25
Corpus Christi	\$18,318,273	\$64	Tulsa	\$8,381,228	\$22
Atlanta	\$33,786,671	\$62	Chesapeake, Virginia	\$1,443,000	\$6
Lexington/Fayette	\$18,492,174	\$62	Jersey City, New Jersey	\$1,102,000	\$5
Arlington, Texas	\$23,638,944	\$62	Baton Rouge	N.A.	N.A.
Omaha	\$27,511,696	\$61	Birmingham	N.A.	N.A.
Anaheim	\$20,171,532	\$60	Gilbert, Arizona	N.A.	N.A.
Fort Wayne	\$14,298,011	\$56	Honolulu/Honolulu County	N.A.	N.A.
Akron, Ohio	\$11,455,513	\$55	Irving, Texas	N.A.	N.A.
Lincoln, Nebraska	\$13,881,643	\$55	Laredo, Texas	N.A.	N.A.
Oklahoma City	\$30,525,056	\$54	San Jose	N.A.	N.A.
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$4,230,483,513</b>	
<b>Median:</b>					<b>\$56</b>

# REPORT #7: CAPITAL SPENDING PER RESIDENT BY CITY

FY 2009

KEY N.A. = Not Available

Capital expenditure does not include operating expenditure. If a city has more than one agency, their expenditures are combined.

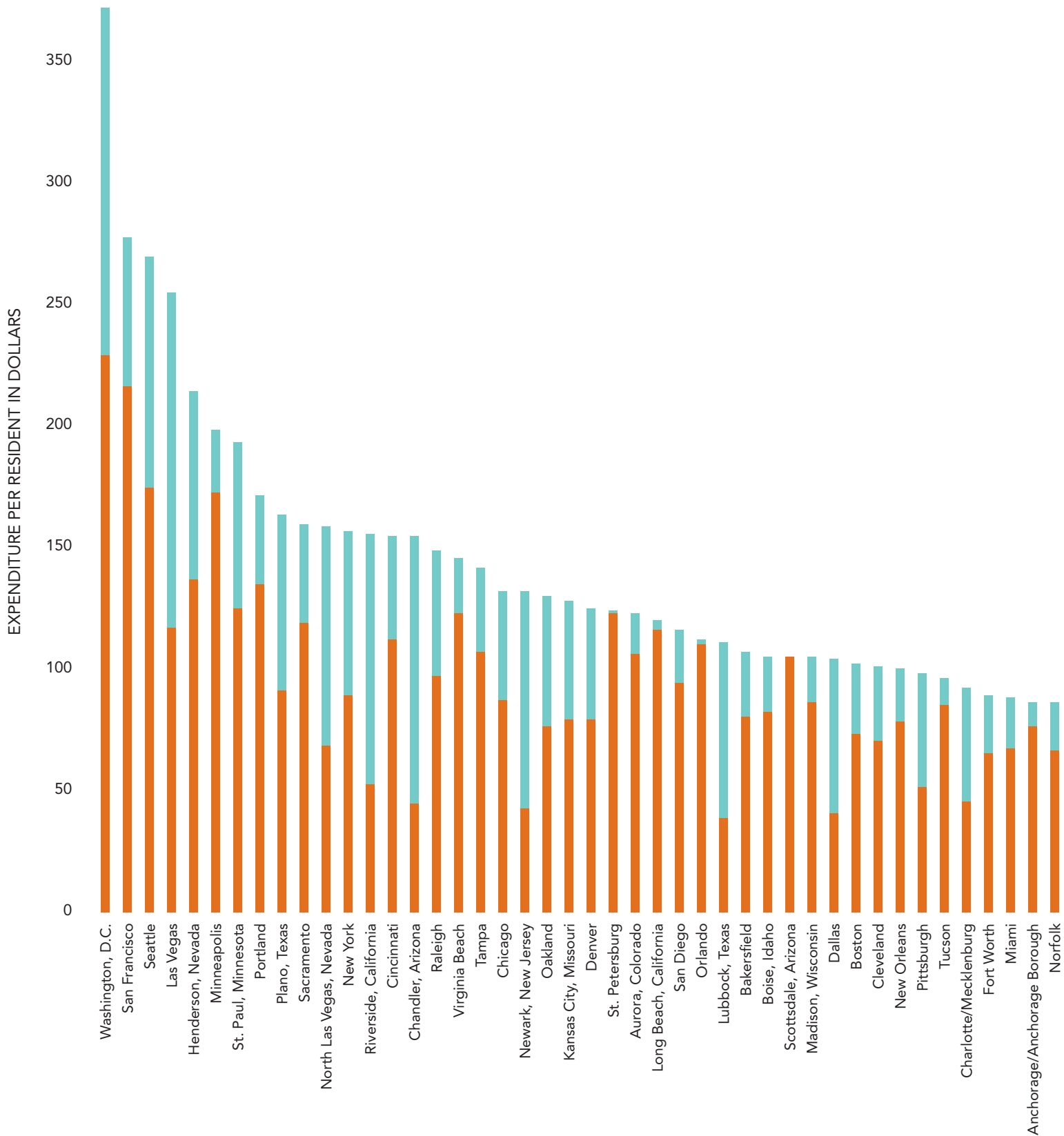
City	Park Capital Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident	City	Park Capital Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Washington, D.C.	\$86,209,158	\$144	Omaha	\$7,225,118	\$16
Las Vegas	\$78,845,258	\$139	Reno, Nevada	\$3,439,501	\$16
Chandler, Arizona	\$27,656,976	\$111	Columbus	\$10,708,391	\$14
Riverside, California	\$30,741,665	\$103	Albuquerque	\$7,243,000	\$14
Seattle	\$58,895,950	\$96	Nashville/Davidson	\$8,276,292	\$14
North Las Vegas, Nevada	\$20,547,610	\$92	Jersey City, New Jersey	\$3,011,488	\$12
Newark, New Jersey	\$24,969,681	\$90	Rochester, New York	\$2,532,000	\$12
Henderson, Nevada	\$20,060,662	\$78	Tucson	\$6,306,977	\$12
Lubbock, Texas	\$16,472,948	\$73	St. Louis	\$4,117,030	\$12
Plano, Texas	\$19,752,349	\$72	Louisville	\$8,215,512	\$11
St. Paul, Minnesota	\$19,484,838	\$69	Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	\$2,870,741	\$10
New York	\$576,093,000	\$69	Philadelphia	\$15,385,381	\$10
Dallas	\$82,697,679	\$64	Colorado Springs	\$3,887,953	\$10
San Francisco	\$50,680,452	\$62	Anaheim	\$3,048,647	\$9
Oakland	\$22,295,880	\$54	Fresno	\$4,324,115	\$9
Raleigh	\$20,950,216	\$52	Chesapeake, Virginia	\$2,000,000	\$9
Kansas City, Missouri	\$23,734,637	\$49	Lincoln, Nebraska	\$2,175,606	\$9
Pittsburgh	\$14,558,180	\$47	Indianapolis	\$6,861,351	\$8
Denver	\$28,186,396	\$46	Los Angeles	\$30,838,606	\$8
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	\$42,089,589	\$46	Jacksonville	\$6,168,189	\$8
Chicago	\$128,990,000	\$45	Houston	\$14,639,827	\$6
Cincinnati	\$14,392,110	\$43	Fort Wayne	\$1,649,067	\$6
Sacramento	\$19,148,000	\$41	Wichita	\$2,367,460	\$6
Portland	\$20,890,186	\$37	Chula Vista, California	\$1,422,560	\$6
Tampa	\$12,075,883	\$35	Greensboro, North Carolina	\$1,540,989	\$6
Mesa, Arizona	\$15,053,948	\$32	Baltimore	\$3,671,000	\$6
Cleveland	\$13,570,491	\$31	Corpus Christi	\$1,590,988	\$6
Boston	\$18,781,894	\$29	Santa Ana, California	\$1,637,942	\$5
Bakersfield	\$8,840,430	\$27	Long Beach, California	\$1,806,350	\$4
Minneapolis	\$9,884,782	\$26	Buffalo	\$706,095	\$3
Phoenix	\$38,271,393	\$24	Orlando	\$426,408	\$2
Fort Worth	\$17,247,520	\$24	Arlington, Texas	\$672,303	\$2
Boise, Idaho	\$4,799,914	\$23	St. Petersburg	\$139,961	\$1
Virginia Beach	\$9,831,525	\$23	Detroit	\$160,000	\$0
Memphis	\$14,912,498	\$22	Scottsdale, Arizona	\$6,620	\$0
San Diego	\$28,364,971	\$22	Arlington, Virginia	\$0	\$0
New Orleans	\$7,674,000	\$22	El Paso	\$0	\$0
Atlanta	\$11,389,015	\$21	Hialeah, Florida	\$0	\$0
Miami	\$9,037,900	\$21	Irvine, California	\$0	\$0
Norfolk	\$4,553,500	\$20	Lexington/Fayette	\$0	\$0
Glendale, Arizona	\$4,932,156	\$19	Stockton	\$0	\$0
Tulsa	\$7,438,982	\$19	Winston-Salem, North Carolina	\$0	\$0
Madison, Wisconsin	\$4,350,000	\$18	Baton Rouge	N.A.	N.A.
Austin	\$14,476,729	\$18	Birmingham	N.A.	N.A.
Oklahoma City	\$10,291,195	\$18	Durham, North Carolina	N.A.	N.A.
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	\$17,556,339	\$18	Gilbert, Arizona	N.A.	N.A.
Garland, Texas	\$4,000,000	\$18	Honolulu/Honolulu County	N.A.	N.A.
Akron, Ohio	\$3,643,750	\$18	Irving, Texas	N.A.	N.A.
San Antonio	\$23,751,544	\$17	Laredo, Texas	N.A.	N.A.
Aurora, Colorado	\$5,511,475	\$17	San Jose	N.A.	N.A.
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$1,939,658,722</b>	
<b>Median:</b>					<b>\$18</b>

# TOTAL SPENDING ON PARKS AND RECREATION PER RESIDENT BY CITY

FY 2009

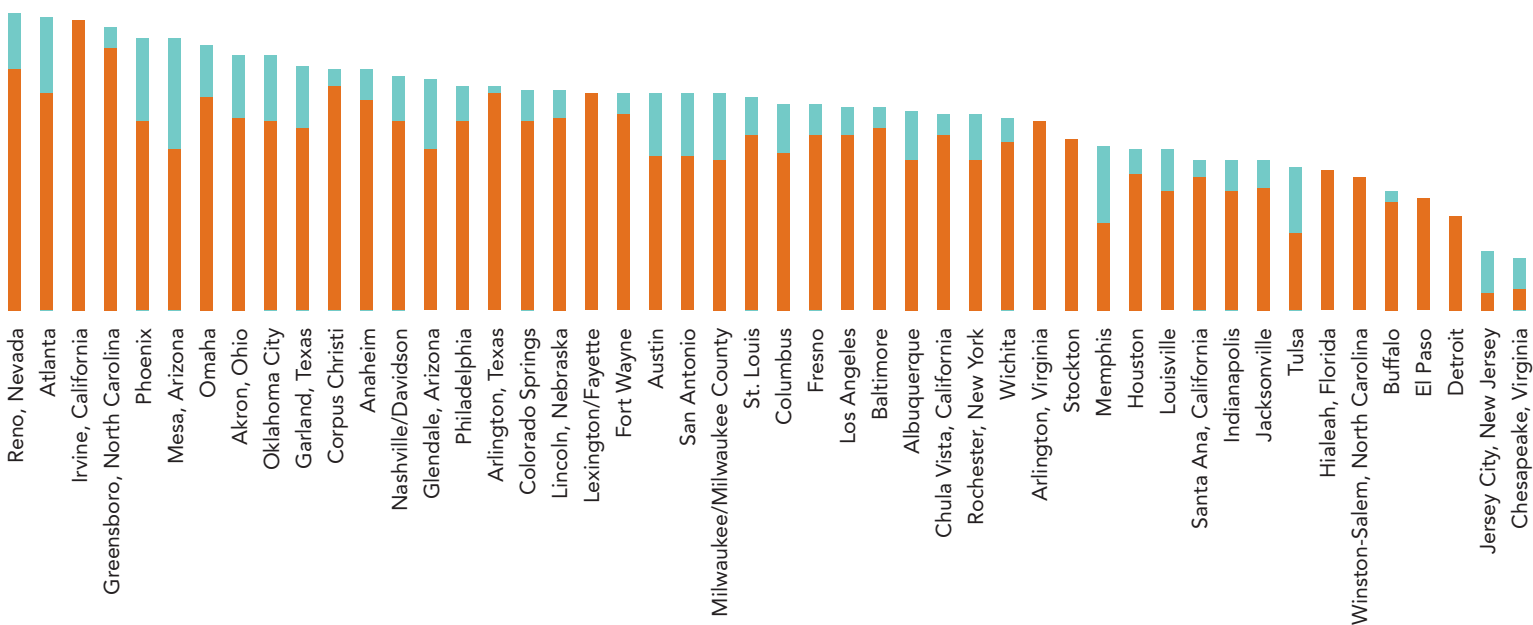
OPERATING EXPENDITURE

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE





Total expenditure includes both operating and capital expenditure. The orange portion of each bar is operating expenditure, including regular expenses such as landscape and facility maintenance, recreational programming, planning, administration, and policing. The blue portion is capital expenditure, including one-time land acquisitions, construction projects, and major repairs. To ensure parity between cities, spending figures exclude non-standard facilities such as stadiums, zoos, museums, aquariums, and cemeteries. If a city has more than one agency, their expenditures are combined.

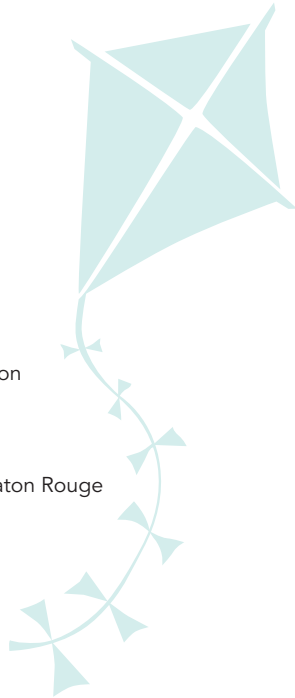


# REPORT #8: EMPLOYEES PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY MAJOR CITY AGENCY

FY 2010    **KEY**    N.A. = Not Available

Full-time and part-time employees, counted as Full-Time Equivalent (FTE). Seasonal staff not counted.

Agency	Number of Regular, Non-Seasonal Employees	Employees per 10,000 Residents
Seattle Parks and Recreation	1,021	16.6
Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation	671	15.5
Oakland Office of Parks and Recreation	608	14.9
Irvine Community Services Department	305	14.5
St. Petersburg Parks Department	350	14.3
Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department	400	14.2
Tampa Parks and Recreation Department	474	13.8
Denver Parks and Recreation (within Denver only)	841	13.8
District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation	811	13.5
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board	488	12.7
National Park Service (within city of Washington, District of Columbia)	746	12.4
Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Division	285	12.0
Arlington County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources (Virginia)	256	11.8
Miami Department of Parks and Recreation	505	11.7
Cleveland Department of Parks, Recreation and Properties	486	11.3
Anaheim Community Services Department — Parks Division	368	10.9
Orlando Families, Parks and Recreation Department	256	10.9
Pittsburgh Public Works	336	10.8
Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department	394	9.7
Chicago Park District	2,764	9.7
San Francisco Recreation and Park Department	741	9.1
North Las Vegas Parks and Recreation Department	201	9.0
Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department	228	8.9
Chandler Community Services Department	223	8.9
Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation	795	8.8
Corpus Christi Parks and Recreation Department	242	8.4
Portland Parks and Recreation	445	7.9
Plano Parks and Recreation Department	202	7.4
Austin Parks and Recreation Department	578	7.4
Boise Parks and Recreation	151	7.3
Henderson Parks and Recreation Department	186	7.3
St. Louis Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry	257	7.2
Aurora Parks, Recreation and Open Space	229	7.1
Nashville/Davidson Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation	421	7.0
New York City Department of Parks and Recreation	5,804	6.9
Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department (Missouri)	332	6.9
Wichita Park and Recreation Department	253	6.8
The Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge	152	6.7
Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks	424	6.7
Madison Parks Division	155	6.6
Tucson Parks and Recreation Department	357	6.6
Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation	298	6.4
Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks	2,360	6.2
Garland Parks and Recreation Department	136	6.1
San Diego Park and Recreation Department	758	5.8
Norfolk Department of Recreation, Parks and Open Space	135	5.8
Fort Worth Parks and Community Services Department	415	5.7
San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department	751	5.5
Cincinnati Recreation Commission	181	5.4
San Jose Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services	524	5.4
Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department	283	5.3
New Orleans Recreation Department	186	5.2
Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs	279	5.2
Louisville Metro Parks	370	5.1



## REPORT #8: EMPLOYEES PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY MAJOR CITY AGENCY

Agency	Number of Regular, Non-Seasonal Employees	Employees per 10,000 Residents
Dallas Park and Recreation Department	659	5.1
Memphis Division of Park Services	343	5.1
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department	128	5.0
Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine	231	5.0
Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department	791	5.0
Birmingham Park and Recreation Board	114	5.0
Durham Parks and Recreation Department	112	4.9
Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department (Charlotte)	437	4.8
Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department	122	4.8
Winston-Salem Recreation and Parks	106	4.6
Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department	130	4.5
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Division of Parks and Recreation	134	4.5
Reno Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department	99	4.5
Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Department	143	4.4
El Paso Parks and Recreation Department	269	4.3
Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation	344	4.3
Arlington Parks and Recreation Department (Texas)	159	4.2
Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services	166	4.2
Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department	123	4.1
Rochester Bureau of Operations and Parks	83	4.0
Houston Parks and Recreation Department	828	3.7
Lubbock Parks and Recreation	81	3.6
Omaha Department of Parks, Recreation and Public Property	159	3.5
New Orleans Department of Parks and Parkways	124	3.5
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department	265	3.4
Cincinnati Park Board	114	3.4
Glendale Parks and Recreation Department	85	3.4
Oklahoma City Parks and Recreation Department	186	3.3
Mesa Parks, Recreation and Commercial Facilities Dept.	150	3.2
Jacksonville Recreation and Community Services Department	261	3.2
Boston Parks and Recreation Department	203	3.1
Fresno Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services Department	148	3.1
Las Vegas Department of Leisure Services	172	3.0
Philadelphia Department of Recreation	457	3.0
Jersey City Division of Parks and Forestry	60	2.5
Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture	210	2.2
Buffalo Division of Parks and Recreation	57	2.1
Santa Ana Parks, Recreation and Community Services	68	2.0
Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs (within Newark)	48	1.7
Detroit Recreation Department	156	1.7
Chula Vista Public Works Department — Parks Division	36	1.6
Stockton Public Works Department	45	1.6
Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (within Boston)	72	1.1
Fairmount Park Commission (Philadelphia)	157	1.0
Newark Department of Neighborhood and Recreational Services	24	0.9
Tulsa Park and Recreation Department	33	0.8
Akron Recreation Bureau	N.A.	N.A.
Chesapeake Parks and Recreation Department	N.A.	N.A.
Gilbert Parks and Recreation	N.A.	N.A.
Hialeah Department of Recreation and Community Services	N.A.	N.A.
Irving Parks and Recreation	N.A.	N.A.
Laredo Parks and Leisure Services Department	N.A.	N.A.
<b>Total:</b>	<b>40,309</b>	
<b>Median:</b>		<b>5.4</b>

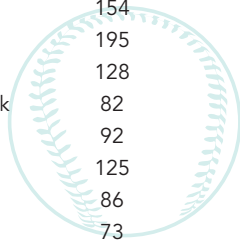
# SNAPSHOT REPORTS—THE TOP 10

FY 2010

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## REPORT #9: BALL DIAMONDS PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

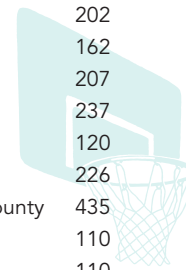
City	Number of Diamonds	Diamonds per 10,000 Residents
Portland, Oregon	318	5.6
St. Paul, Minnesota	154	5.5
Minneapolis	195	5.1
Pittsburgh	128	4.1
Rochester, New York	82	4.0
Scottsdale, Arizona	92	3.9
Cincinnati	125	3.8
Norfolk	86	3.7
Akron, Ohio	73	3.5
Jacksonville	284	3.5



Ball diamonds include both baseball and softball diamonds.

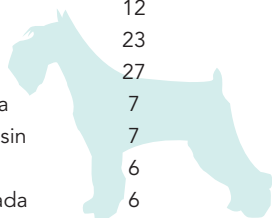
## REPORT #10: BASKETBALL HOOPS PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Hoops	Hoops per 10,000 Residents
Madison, Wisconsin	258	11.0
Norfolk	202	8.7
Henderson, Nevada	162	6.3
Cincinnati	207	6.2
Raleigh	237	5.8
Baton Rouge	120	5.3
Cleveland	226	5.2
Honolulu/Honolulu County	435	4.8
Birmingham	110	4.8
Glendale, Arizona	110	4.3



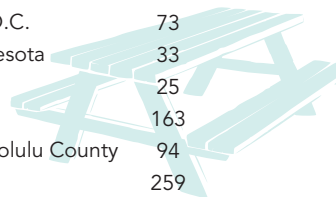
## REPORT #11: OFF-LEASH DOG PARKS PER 100,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Off-Leash Dog Parks	Off-Leash Dog Parks per 100,000 Residents
Portland, Oregon	32	5.7
Norfolk	12	5.1
Las Vegas	23	4.1
San Francisco	27	3.3
Arlington, Virginia	7	3.2
Madison, Wisconsin	7	3.0
St. Petersburg	6	2.5
Henderson, Nevada	6	2.3
Tampa	8	2.3
Albuquerque	12	2.3



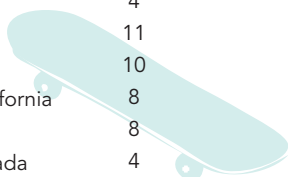
## REPORT #12: RECREATION AND SENIOR CENTERS PER 20,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Centers	Centers per 20,000 Residents
Baton Rouge	34	3.0
Minneapolis	51	2.6
Washington, D.C.	73	2.4
St. Paul, Minnesota	33	2.3
Norfolk	25	2.1
Philadelphia	163	2.1
Honolulu/Honolulu County	94	2.1
Chicago	259	1.8
Orlando	21	1.8
Cincinnati	27	1.6



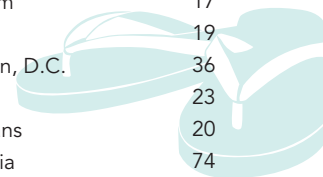
## REPORT #13: SKATEBOARD PARKS PER 100,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Skateboard Parks	Skateboard Parks per 100,000 Residents
Chula Vista, California	7	3.1
Colorado Springs	8	2.0
Reno, Nevada	4	1.8
El Paso	11	1.8
Las Vegas	10	1.8
Long Beach, California	8	1.7
Sacramento	8	1.7
Henderson, Nevada	4	1.6
Minneapolis	6	1.6
Boise, Idaho	3	1.5



## REPORT #14: SWIMMING POOLS PER 100,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Pools	Pools per 100,000 Residents
Cleveland	40	9.3
Cincinnati	26	7.8
Birmingham	17	7.4
Pittsburgh	19	6.1
Washington, D.C.	36	6.0
Tulsa	23	5.9
New Orleans	20	5.6
Philadelphia	74	4.8
Orlando	11	4.7
Tucson	25	4.6



Swimming pools include both indoor and outdoor pools, four-foot minimum depth.

# THE 100 LARGEST CITY PARKS

These are the largest parks located within the limits of a U.S. city. Most are owned by the municipality, but some are owned by a state, a county, a regional agency, or the federal government. If a park extends beyond the boundary of the city, only the acreage within the city is noted here.

Note: New York's Central Park, commonly thought to be the largest city park, is 843 acres and number 138 on the list. For the 150 largest city parks, visit [tpl.org/cityparkfacts](http://tpl.org/cityparkfacts).

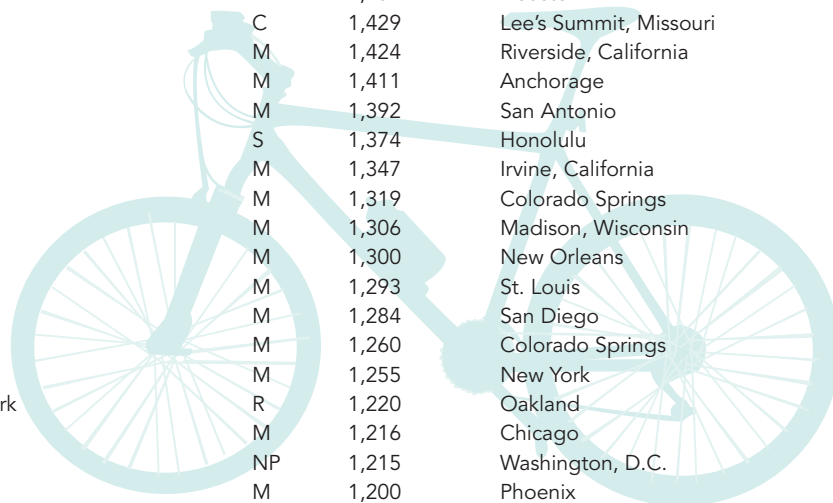
**KEY** M: Municipally Owned Park S: State Park C: County Park R: Regional Park NP: National Park NWR: National Wildlife Refuge

Rank	Park Name	Type	Acres	City
1	Chugach State Park	S	490,125	Anchorage
2	Franklin Mountains State Park	S	25,631	El Paso
3	Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge	NWR	24,293	New Orleans
4	South Mountain Preserve	M	16,094	Phoenix
5	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	M	16,000	Scottsdale, Arizona
6	Cullen Park	M	9,270	Houston
7	Topanga State Park (part)	S	8,960	Los Angeles
8	Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve	NP	7,870	Jacksonville
9	George Bush Park	C	7,800	Houston
10	North Mountain Preserve	M	7,500	Phoenix
11	Gateway National Recreation Area (part)	NP	7,138	New York
12	Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge (part)	NWR	6,800	San Jose
13	Jefferson Memorial Forest	M	6,201	Louisville
14	Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge (part)	NWR	6,000	Eufaula, Alabama
15	Mission Trail	M	5,840	San Diego
16	William B. Umstead State Park	S	5,579	Raleigh
17	Cecil Field Greenway	M	5,366	Jacksonville
18	Ahupua'a O Kahana State Park	S	5,229	Honolulu
19	Forest Park	M	5,157	Portland, Oregon
20	Eagle Creek Park and Golf Course	M	4,766	Indianapolis
21	Far North Bicentennial Park	M	4,500	Anchorage
22	Griffith Park	M	4,217	Los Angeles
23	Fairmount Park-Wissahickon Valley	M	4,167	Philadelphia
24	Pumpkin Hill Creek Preserve State Park	S	3,896	Jacksonville
25	Walter E. Long Metropolitan Park	M	3,715	Austin
26	Bidwell Park	M	3,670	Chico, California
27	Fort Worth Nature Center/Wildlife Refuge	M	3,662	Fort Worth
28	Mountain Creek Lake Park	M	3,643	Dallas
29	Bays Mountain Park	M	3,585	Kingsport, Tennessee
30	False Cape State Park and Natural Area Preserve	S	3,572	Virginia Beach
31	Bonita Lakes Park	M	3,462	Meridian, Mississippi
32	North Landing River State Natural Area Preserve	S	3,440	Virginia Beach
33	First Landing State Park	S	3,410	Virginia Beach
34	Shelby Farms Park	C	3,200	Memphis
35	Trinity River Park	M	3,173	Dallas
36	The Warner Parks	M	3,133	Nashville
37	Mohawk Park and Golf Course	M	3,100	Tulsa
38	Brecksville Reservation (part)	R	3,026	Brecksville, Ohio
39	Pelham Bay Park	M	2,765	New York
40	Newport News Park (part)	M	2,688	Newport News, Virginia
41	Otter Creek Park	M	2,600	Louisville
42	Los Peñasquitos Canyon	M	2,405	San Diego
43	Longview Lake Park (part)	C	2,381	Kansas City, Missouri
44	Blue River Parkway	C	2,319	Kansas City, Missouri
45	Mill Stream Run Reservation (part)	R	2,238	Strongsville, Ohio
46	Fleming Park (part)	C	2,229	Lee's Summit, Missouri
47	Steele Creek Park	M	2,224	Bristol, Tennessee
48	Bear Creek Pioneers Park	C	2,168	Houston
49	Tilden Park	M	2,077	Berkeley
50	Cheyenne Mountain State Park	S	2,040	Colorado Springs

## THE 100 LARGEST CITY PARKS

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Rank	Park Name	Type	Acres	City
51	Sepulveda Basin Recreation Area	M	2,031	Los Angeles
52	Galveston Island State Park	S	2,013	Galveston
53	Smith and Bybee Wetlands Natural Area	R	1,973	Portland, Oregon
54	White Rock Lake Park	M	1,952	Dallas
55	Aurora Reservoir	M	1,861	Aurora, Colorado
56	Swope Park	M	1,805	Kansas City, Missouri
57	Torrey Pines State Reserve	S	1,800	San Diego
58	Calero County Park	C	1,782	San Jose
59	Greenbelt Park	M	1,778	New York
60	Barton Creek Greenbelt	M	1,771	Austin
61	Little Talbot Island State Park	S	1,768	Jacksonville
62	Mission Bay Park	M	1,756	San Diego
63	Rock Creek Park (part)	NP	1,754	Washington, D.C.
64	Tijuana River Valley Regional Park	C	1,720	San Diego
65	Big Talbot Island State Park	S	1,708	Jacksonville
66	Adobe Dam Recreation Area	C	1,642	Phoenix
67	Fort Harrison State Park	S	1,640	Lawrence, Indiana
68	Lake Leatherwood Park	M	1,620	Eureka Springs, Arkansas
69	Pennypack Park	M	1,618	Philadelphia
70	Claremont Hills Wilderness Park	M	1,589	Claremont, California
71	Burns Park	M	1,575	North Little Rock, Arkansas
72	Hidden Valley Wildlife Area	R	1,510	Riverside, California
73	Water Works Park	M	1,500	Des Moines, Iowa
74	Beaman Park	M	1,493	Nashville
75	The Presidio	NP	1,491	San Francisco
76	Salem Lake	M	1,475	Winston-Salem, North Carolina
77	Wilderness Park	M	1,472	Lincoln, Nebraska
78	Mt. Airy Forest	M	1,471	Cincinnati
79	Glenn Cunningham Lake	M	1,439	Omaha
80	Hansen Dam Recreation Center	M	1,437	Los Angeles
81	Stumpy Lake Park	M	1,435	Virginia Beach
82	Memorial Park	M	1,431	Houston
83	Longview Lake Park (part)	C	1,429	Lee's Summit, Missouri
84	Sycamore Canyon Wilderness Park	M	1,424	Riverside, California
85	Kincaid Park	M	1,411	Anchorage
86	Rancho Diana	M	1,392	San Antonio
87	Sacred Falls State Park	S	1,374	Honolulu
88	Orange County Great Park	M	1,347	Irvine, California
89	Garden of the Gods Park	M	1,319	Colorado Springs
90	Cherokee Park	M	1,306	Madison, Wisconsin
91	City Park	M	1,300	New Orleans
92	Forest Park	M	1,293	St. Louis
93	Black Mountain Park	M	1,284	San Diego
94	North Cheyenne Canyon Park	M	1,260	Colorado Springs
95	Flushing Meadows/Corona Park	M	1,255	New York
96	Martin Luther King, Jr. Shoreline Park	R	1,220	Oakland
97	Lincoln Park	M	1,216	Chicago
98	Anacostia Park	NP	1,215	Washington, D.C.
99 (tie)	Cave Buttes Recreation Area I & II	M	1,200	Phoenix
99 (tie)	Gwynns Falls/Leakin Park	M	1,200	Baltimore



# THE 50 OLDEST CITY PARKS

These are the oldest U.S. city parks ranked chronologically. In the case of parks that were enlarged later, the date refers to the year of initial creation or acquisition. In the case of parks whose names have changed, the modern name is given. Of course, before the European invasion, there were hundreds of even older plazas, sports fields, ceremonial grounds, and food preparation commons in such Native American communities as Cahokia, Cheektowaga, Cathlapotle, and Taos Pueblo, but the pre-historical record does not yield dates of their establishment.

For the complete list of oldest city parks, visit [tpl.org/cityparkfacts](http://tpl.org/cityparkfacts).

Rank	Park Name	City	Year Established
1	Plaza de la Constitución	St. Augustine, Florida	1573
2	Boston Common	Boston	1634
3	New Haven Green	New Haven	1641
4	Washington/Marion Squares	Charleston, South Carolina	1680
5	Rittenhouse/Washington/Logan/Franklin Squares	Philadelphia	1682
6	Salem Common	Salem, Massachusetts	1685
7	Battery Park	New York	1686
8	Military/Washington Parks	Newark, New Jersey	1697
9	Jackson Square	New Orleans	1718
10	San Pedro Springs Park	San Antonio	1729
11	Bowling Green	New York	1733
11	Johnson Square	Savannah	1733
13	Old Town Plaza	Albuquerque	1760
14	El Pueblo	Los Angeles	1781
15	National Mall	Washington, D.C.	1790
16	Settlers Landing	Cleveland	1796
17	Duane Park	New York	1797
18	Village Green Park	Worthington, Ohio	1803
19	Lafayette Square	Washington, D.C.	1804
20	River Common	Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania	1807
21	Gravois/Laclede/Mt. Pleasant Parks	St. Louis	1812
22	Jackson Place Park	St. Louis	1816
23	Washington Square	Rochester, New York	1817
24	Brinkley Park/Colonial Park/Columbus Park/Court Square	Memphis	1819
25	Santa Fe Plaza	Santa Fe	1821
26	Washington Square	New York	1823
27	Perkins Square	Akron, Ohio	1825
28	Patterson Park	Baltimore	1827
29	Union Square	New York	1832
30	Tompkins Square Park	New York	1833
31	Cathedral Square Park	Milwaukee	1835
31	Van Vorst Park	Jersey City, New Jersey	1835
33	Veteran's Park	Staten Island	1836
34	Grant Park	Chicago	1837
35	Lafayette Park	St. Louis	1838
36	Daniel Carter Beard Memorial Square	Queens	1841
37	Chapman Park	Portland, Oregon	1843
38	Wyanda Park	Queens	1844
39	Thomas Square	Honolulu	1845
40	Madison Square Park/Reservoir Square (Bryant Park)	New York	1847
40	Portsmouth Square	San Francisco	1847
40	Fort Greene Park	Brooklyn	1847
43	Rice Park	St. Paul, Minnesota	1849
43	Sutter Land Grants Park	Sacramento	1849
45	Grand Circus Park	Detroit	1850
45	Oakland Cemetery	Atlanta	1850
45	Orton Park	Madison, Wisconsin	1850
45	Pantoja Park	San Diego	1850
45	Union/Washington Squares	San Francisco	1850
50	Goodale Park	Columbus	1851

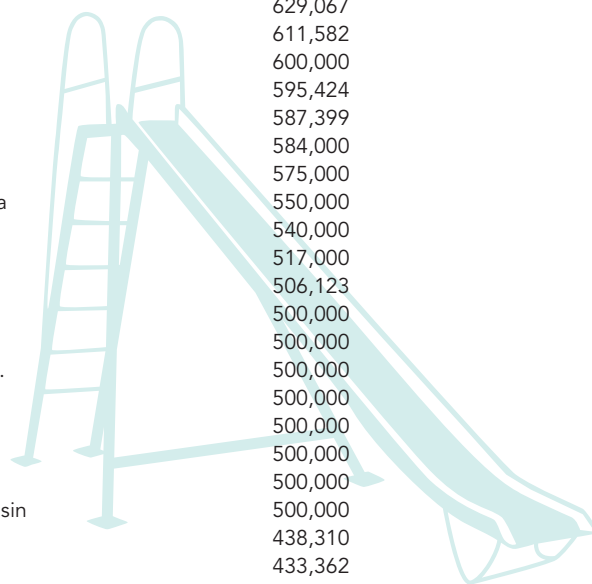
# THE MOST-VISITED CITY PARKS

Rank	Park Name	City	Annual Visitorship
1	Central Park	New York	35,000,000
2	Lincoln Park	Chicago	20,000,000
3	Mission Bay Park	San Diego	16,500,000
4	Balboa Park	San Diego	14,000,000
5	Golden Gate Park	San Francisco	13,000,000
6	Forest Park	St. Louis	12,000,000
6	Griffith Park	Los Angeles	12,000,000
8	Coney Island Beach and Boardwalk	New York	10,600,000
9	Fairmount Park	Philadelphia	10,000,000
9	National Mall	Washington, D.C.	10,000,000
11	Cleveland Lakefront State Park	Cleveland	8,431,000
12	Prospect Park	New York	8,000,000
13	Hermann Park	Houston	5,600,000
14	Liberty State Park	Jersey City, New Jersey	5,326,978
15	City Park	New Orleans	5,000,000
15	Old Sacramento State Historic Park	Sacramento	5,000,000
15	The Presidio	San Francisco	5,000,000
18	Fair Park	Dallas	4,999,300
19	Chain of Lakes Regional Park	Minneapolis	4,860,800
20	Bryant Park	New York	4,200,000
21	Millennium Park	Chicago	4,000,000
21	Piedmont Park	Atlanta	4,000,000
23	Statue of Liberty National Monument	New York	3,833,288
24	Independence National Historical Park	Philadelphia	3,751,007
25	Green Lake Park	Seattle	3,650,000
26	White River State Park	Indianapolis	3,300,000
27	Memorial Park	Houston	3,246,000
28	Centennial Olympic Park	Atlanta	3,200,000
29	Battery Park	New York	3,000,000
29	Belle Isle Park	Detroit	3,000,000
29	Como Park	St. Paul, Minnesota	3,000,000
29	White River Greenway	Indianapolis	3,000,000
33	Riverside Park	New York	2,800,000
34	Drew Field	Jacksonville	2,500,000
35	Jefferson National Expansion Memorial	St. Louis	2,436,110
36	Rockaway Beach and Boardwalk	New York	2,300,000
37	Lake Harriet Park/Lyndale Park	Minneapolis	2,250,000
38	Boston Common	Boston	2,200,000
39	Swope Park	Kansas City, Missouri	2,100,000
40	Boston National Historical Park	Boston	2,060,497
41	City Park	Denver	2,000,000
41	Garden of the Gods Park	Colorado Springs	2,000,000
41	Lyon Park	St. Louis	2,000,000
44	Rock Creek Park	Washington, D.C.	1,883,457
45	Delaware Park	Buffalo	1,800,000
46	First Landing State Park	Virginia Beach	1,762,464
47	Schenley Park and Plaza	Pittsburgh	1,750,000
48	Country/Jaycee Park	Greensboro, North Carolina	1,586,316
49	Encanto Park	Phoenix	1,500,000
49	Louisville Waterfront Park	Louisville	1,500,000
49	Park at Lady Bird Lake	Austin	1,500,000
49	Point State Park	Pittsburgh	1,500,000
49	Town Lake Metropolitan Park	Austin	1,500,000
49	Trinity Park	Fort Worth	1,500,000
55	San Antonio Missions National Historical Park	San Antonio	1,304,690
56	Balloon Fiesta Park	Albuquerque	1,300,000
57	Chugach State Park	Anchorage	1,200,000



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Rank	Park Name	City	Annual Visitorship
57	Monon Greenway	Indianapolis	1,200,000
57	San Antonio Riverwalk	San Antonio	1,200,000
60	The Esplanade	Boston	1,100,000
61	Centennial Park	Santa Ana, California	1,040,000
62	Burke-Gilman Trail	Seattle	1,000,000
62	Bushnell Park	Hartford, Connecticut	1,000,000
62	Centennial Park	Nashville	1,000,000
62	Eden Park	Cincinnati	1,000,000
62	Jackson Square	New Orleans	1,000,000
62	Longview Lake Park	Kansas City, Missouri	1,000,000
62	Myriad Gardens	Oklahoma City	1,000,000
62	Overton Park	Memphis	1,000,000
62	Tower Grove Park	St. Louis	1,000,000
71	Timucuan Ecological & Historic Preserve	Jacksonville	993,948
72	Nu'uuanu Pali State Wayside	Honolulu	905,300
73	T.O. Fuller State Park	Memphis	856,338
74	Discovery Green	Houston	850,000
74	McCormick-Stillman Park	Scottsdale, Arizona	850,000
76	Park Road Park	Charlotte	815,980
77	South Mountain Park	Phoenix	787,305
78	Audubon Park	New Orleans	770,000
79	Cabrillo National Monument	San Diego	763,140
80	Al Lopez (Horizon) Park	Tampa	750,000
80	Franke Park	Fort Wayne	750,000
82	Mount Trashmore Park	Virginia Beach	711,651
83	Land Park	Sacramento	710,000
84	Woodward Park	Fresno	700,500
85	Randall's Island	New York	700,000
86	Freedom Park	Charlotte	682,000
87	Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site	Atlanta	658,452
88	El Dorado Park	Long Beach, California	645,000
89	Fairmount Park	Riverside, California	641,000
90	Eagle Creek Park	Indianapolis	635,206
91	Diamond Head State Monument	Honolulu	634,300
92	Julia Davis Park	Boise, Idaho	629,067
93	Fort McHenry National Monument	Baltimore	611,582
94	Ottawa Park	Toledo	600,000
95	William B. Umstead State Park	Raleigh	595,424
96	Lewis and Clark Landing	Omaha	587,399
97	Hermann Square	Houston	584,000
98	William W. Powers State Recreation Area	Chicago	575,000
99	Pioneers Park	Lincoln, Nebraska	550,000
100	Pullen Park	Raleigh	540,000
101	Tranquility Park	Houston	517,000
102	Sawyer Point	Cincinnati	506,123
103	Cherokee Park	Louisville	500,000
103	Heritage Park	Irvine, California	500,000
103	Meridian Hill Park	Washington, D.C.	500,000
103	Mohawk Park	Tulsa	500,000
103	Riverside Park — Central	Wichita	500,000
103	Seneca Park	Louisville	500,000
103	Shelby Farms Park	Memphis	500,000
103	Warner Park	Madison, Wisconsin	500,000
111	Adobe Dam Recreation Area	Phoenix	438,310
112	Bayfront Park	Miami	433,362
113	Town Square	Anchorage	425,000







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