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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, and also 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 that can help 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 a decade, our Center for City Park Excellence has been methodically searching out and sharing basic information on urban park systems—from acreage, to facilities, to staffing, to budgets, to 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 85 most populous U.S. cities. Next year, we'll have even more.

At a time when urban economies are stressed by depressed property values, stagnant tourism, and reduced tax revenues, and when all city infrastructure is at risk—the park systems of the biggest cities alone suffer from at least \$6.4 billion in deferred maintenance costs—the value of the data in this booklet is more important than ever.

The *2010 City Park Facts* is a shared resource to help cities know where they stand. We at The Trust for Public Land use this information to help define our own programs, research, and advocacy. And 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
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HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

There are more than 20,000 individual parks in the 85 largest U.S. cities. 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, and Santa Ana—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 2008 population of the city. (City area is based on 2000 Census numbers because new areas have not yet been published.) For certain tables, we categorize cities based on their average population density (i.e., population divided by municipal land area). We do this because of the different ways people “live” in their cities, based largely on issues of walking and using transit versus driving. The density categories are based on standard deviations from the mean.

When we say “park,” we are referring to publicly owned and operated parks. 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.

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 city’s 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 www.tpl.org/cityparkfacts. For other studies carried out by the center, go to www.tpl.org/ccpe. For other questions, send an email to coleen.gentles@tpl.org or write to the Center for City Park Excellence, The Trust for Public Land, 660 Pennsylvania Ave. S.E., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20003, or call 202.543.7552.

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REPORT #1: ACRES OF PARKLAND BY CITY AND AGENCY

FY 2009

City	Agency Acreage Within City Limits
Albuquerque	Total Acres: 35,232
Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department	34,598
Bernalillo County Parks and Recreation Department	634
Anaheim	Total Acres: 869
Anaheim Community Services Department–Parks Division	703
Orange County Department of Harbors, Beaches and Parks	166
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	Total Acres: 501,725
Chugach State Park	490,125
Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department	11,600
Arlington, Texas	Total Acres: 4,686
Arlington Parks and Recreation Department	4,686
Atlanta	Total Acres: 3,867
Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs	3,807
National Park Service	39
Centennial Olympic Park	21
Aurora, Colorado	Total Acres: 8,503
Aurora Parks and Open Space Department	8,480
Aurora Library, Recreation and Cultural Services Department	23
Austin	Total Acres: 26,810
Austin Parks and Recreation Department	17,118
Austin Water Utility, Wildland Conservation Division	8,954
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	725
Travis County Parks	13
Bakersfield	Total Acres: 8,345
Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Department	8,100
North of the River Recreation and Park District	178
Kern County Parks and Recreation Department	67
Baltimore	Total Acres: 4,905
Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks	4,862
Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine	43
Baton Rouge	Total Acres: 3,501
Baton Rouge Recreation Commission (BREC)	3,501
Birmingham	Total Acres: 2,396
Birmingham Park and Recreation Board	1,472
Ruffner Mountain Nature Coalition, Inc.	924
Boston	Total Acres: 4,897
Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation	2,807
Boston Parks and Recreation Department	1,934
Boston Conservation Commission	88
Boston National Historical Park	35
Massachusetts Port Authority	33
Buffalo	Total Acres: 2,180
Buffalo Department of Public Works, Parks and Streets	2,139
Erie County Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry	40
Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site	1
Chandler, Arizona	Total Acres: 1,554
Chandler Community Services Department	1,554
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	Total Acres: 19,385
Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department	19,385

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City	Agency Acreage Within City Limits
Chicago	Total Acres: 11,907
Chicago Park District	7,604
Forest Preserve District of Cook County	3,690
Illinois Department of Natural Resources	613
Cincinnati	Total Acres: 6,817
Cincinnati Park Board	4,874
Cincinnati Recreation Commission	1,476
Hamilton County Park District	464
William Howard Taft National Historic Site	3
Cleveland	Total Acres: 3,130
Cleveland Department of Parks, Recreation and Properties	1,490
Cleveland Metroparks	1,061
Cleveland Lakefront State Park	579
Colorado Springs	Total Acres: 11,219
Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services	8,609
Colorado State Parks	2,040
El Paso County Parks	570
Columbus	Total Acres: 11,172
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department	8,320
Columbus and Franklin County Metro Park District	2,852
Corpus Christi	Total Acres: 2,099
Corpus Christi Parks and Recreation Department	1,799
Nueces County Coastal Parks	300
Dallas	Total Acres: 29,401
Dallas Park and Recreation Department	29,401
Denver	Total Acres: 5,900
Denver Parks and Recreation	5,900
Detroit	Total Acres: 5,921
Detroit Recreation Department	5,890
William G. Milliken State Park and Harbor	31
Durham	Total Acres: 2,352
Durham Parks and Recreation Department	1,652
Eno River State Park	700
El Paso	Total Acres: 29,369
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	25,970
El Paso Parks and Recreation Department	2,884
El Paso County Department of Parks and Recreation	460
Chamizal National Memorial	55
Fort Wayne	Total Acres: 2,400
Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department	2,400
Fort Worth	Total Acres: 11,128
Fort Worth Parks and Community Services Department	11,128
Fresno	Total Acres: 1,510
Fresno Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services Department	1,510
Glendale, Arizona	Total Acres: 2,149
Glendale Parks and Recreation Department	2,149
Greensboro, North Carolina	Total Acres: 6,186
Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department	5,946
Guilford Courthouse National Military Park	240
Henderson	Total Acres: 1,986
Henderson Parks and Recreation Department	1,957
Clark County Parks and Recreation Department	29

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City	Agency Acreage Within City Limits
Honolulu/Honolulu County	Total Acres: 6,056
Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation	5,150
Hawaii Division of State Parks	906
Houston	Total Acres: 50,632
Houston Parks and Recreation Department	34,627
Harris County Parks	13,590
Fort Bend County Parks and Recreation Department	2,023
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	380
Discovery Green Conservancy	12
Indianapolis	Total Acres: 11,137
Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation	10,867
White River State Park Development Commission	270
Jacksonville	Total Acres: 46,241
Jacksonville Recreation and Community Services Department	20,819
St. Johns River Water Management District	8,827
Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve and Fort Caroline Memorial	8,400
Florida Park Service	8,195
Jersey City	Total Acres: 1,660
New Jersey Division of Parks and Forestry	1,188
Hudson County Division of Parks	283
Jersey City Division of Parks and Forestry	189
Kansas City, Missouri	Total Acres: 17,272
Kansas City Parks and Recreation Department	11,882
Jackson County Parks and Recreation	5,390
Las Vegas	Total Acres: 3,051
Las Vegas Department of Leisure Services	3,048
Nevada Division of State Parks	3
Lexington/Fayette	Total Acres: 6,065
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Division of Parks and Recreation	6,046
Kentucky Department of Parks	19
Lincoln	Total Acres: 6,304
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department	6,304
Long Beach	Total Acres: 3,275
Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine	3,275
Los Angeles	Total Acres: 23,798
Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks	15,759
Los Angeles Department of Water and Power	2,322
Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority	2,230
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy	1,720
California Department of Parks and Recreation	1,120
Los Angeles County Department of Parks and Recreation	647
Louisville	Total Acres: 15,902
Louisville Metro Parks	15,304
E.P. Tom Sawyer State Park	513
Waterfront Development Corporation	85
Madison	Total Acres: 5,278
Madison Parks Division	4,495
Dane County Parks Division	783
Memphis	Total Acres: 9,140
Memphis Division of Park Services	4,802
Shelby Farms Park Conservancy	3,200
T.O. Fuller State Park	1,138

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City	Agency Acreage Within City Limits	
Mesa	Total Acres:	2,230
Mesa Parks, Recreation and Commercial Facilities Department		2,230
Miami	Total Acres:	955
Miami Department of Parks and Recreation		794
Miami-Dade County Park and Recreation Department		100
Bayfront Park Management Trust		61
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	Total Acres:	15,037
Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture		15,037
Minneapolis	Total Acres:	5,864
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board		5,864
Nashville/Davidson	Total Acres:	10,816
Nashville/Davidson Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation		10,816
New Orleans	Total Acres:	29,335
Bayou Sauvage National Wildlife Refuge		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		560
Louisiana Office of State Parks		105
New Orleans Building Corporation		54
Municipal Yacht Harbor		9
New York	Total Acres:	38,019
New York City Department of Parks and Recreation		29,140
Gateway National Recreation Area		7,138
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation		1,039
New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation		665
Governors Island National Monument		22
Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island National Monuments		15
Newark, New Jersey	Total Acres:	834
Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs		745
Newark Department of Neighborhood and Recreational Services		89
Norfolk	Total Acres:	602
Norfolk Department of Recreation, Parks and Open Space		602
Oakland	Total Acres:	5,219
Oakland Office of Parks and Recreation		4,101
East Bay Regional Park District		1,118
Oklahoma City	Total Acres:	21,841
Oklahoma City Parks and Recreation Department		21,841
Omaha	Total Acres:	9,560
Omaha Department of Parks, Recreation and Public Property		9,560
Orlando	Total Acres:	2,941
Orlando Families, Parks and Recreation Department		2,917
Orange County Parks and Recreation Division		24
Philadelphia	Total Acres:	10,886
Fairmount Park Commission		9,200
Philadelphia Department of Recreation		1,349
Benjamin Rush State Park		282
Independence National Historical Park		55
Phoenix	Total Acres:	43,609
Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department		41,967
Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department		1,642

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City	Agency Acreage Within City Limits
Pittsburgh	Total Acres: 3,120
Pittsburgh Public Works	3,084
Point State Park	36
Plano	Total Acres: 4,215
Plano Parks and Recreation Department	4,215
Portland, Oregon	Total Acres: 13,512
Portland Parks and Recreation	10,795
Metro Regional Parks and Greenspaces	2,263
Tryon Creek State Natural Area	454
Raleigh	Total Acres: 12,403
Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department	6,633
William B. Umstead State Park	5,579
Wake County Parks, Recreation and Open Space	191
Riverside, California	Total Acres: 4,796
Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department	3,003
Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District	1,545
California Department of Parks and Recreation	248
Sacramento	Total Acres: 5,064
Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation	2,413
Sacramento County Department of Regional Parks	1,746
Sacramento Department of Convention, Culture and Leisure	604
California Department of Parks and Recreation	301
San Antonio	Total Acres: 27,922
San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department	18,284
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	8,620
San Antonio Missions National Historical Park	835
Bexar County Infrastructure Services Department	183
San Diego	Total Acres: 47,136
San Diego Park and Recreation Department	39,655
San Diego County Parks and Recreation	4,094
California Department of Parks and Recreation	1,508
San Diego National Wildlife Refuge Complex	900
The Port of San Diego	817
Cabrillo National Monument	162
San Francisco	Total Acres: 5,384
San Francisco Recreation and Park Department	3,466
The Presidio Trust	1,491
California Department of Parks and Recreation	252
Golden Gate National Recreation Area	175
San Jose	Total Acres: 15,982
Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge	6,800
Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation	3,910
San Jose Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services	3,449
Santa Clara County Open Space Authority	1,823
Santa Ana	Total Acres: 324
Santa Ana Parks, Recreation and Community Services	324
Scottsdale	Total Acres: 15,172
Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Division	15,172
Seattle	Total Acres: 5,476
Seattle Parks and Recreation	5,476

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City	Agency Acreage Within City Limits
St. Louis	Total Acres: 3,419
St. Louis Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry	3,006
Tower Grove Park Commission	289
Jefferson National Expansion Memorial	91
The Great Rivers Greenway District	33
St. Paul	Total Acres: 5,476
Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department	4,306
Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department	670
Minnesota DNR Division of Parks and Recreation	500
St. Petersburg	Total Acres: 2,963
St. Petersburg Parks Department	2,961
Pinellas County Parks and Recreation Department	2
Stockton	Total Acres: 674
Stockton Public Works Department	674
Tampa	Total Acres: 3,358
Tampa Parks and Recreation Department	3,038
Tampa Sports Authority	320
Toledo	Total Acres: 2,206
Toledo Division of Parks and Forestry	2,206
Tucson	Total Acres: 3,892
Tucson Parks and Recreation Department	3,319
Pima County Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department	415
Kino Sports Complex	158
Tulsa	Total Acres: 7,336
Tulsa Park and Recreation Department	5,995
River Parks Authority	1,116
Tulsa County Parks	225
Virginia Beach	Total Acres: 33,646
Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge	13,360
Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation	12,718
Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation	5,218
Princess Anne Wildlife Management Area	1,546
Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge	804
Washington, D.C.	Total Acres: 7,617
National Park Service	6,776
District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation	841
Wichita	Total Acres: 4,458
Wichita Park and Recreation Department	4,458
Total Acres, All Agencies:	1,412,611

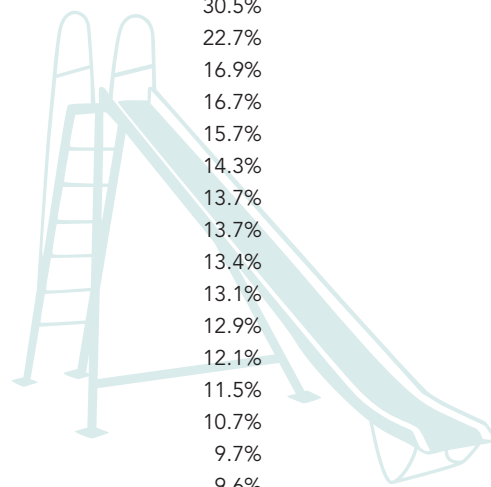


REPORT #2: ACRES OF PARKLAND AS PERCENTAGE OF CITY AREA

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

City	Land Area (Acres)	Total Park Acres	Park Acres as Percent of Land Area
Population Density Level: HIGH			
New York	195,072	38,019	19.5%
Washington, D.C.	39,297	7,617	19.4%
San Francisco	29,884	5,384	18.0%
Jersey City	9,600	1,660	17.3%
Boston	30,992	4,897	15.8%
Oakland	35,875	5,219	14.5%
Philadelphia	86,456	10,886	12.6%
Seattle	53,677	5,476	10.2%
Long Beach	32,281	3,275	10.1%
Baltimore	51,714	4,905	9.5%
Chicago	145,362	11,907	8.2%
Los Angeles	300,201	23,798	7.9%
Newark, New Jersey	15,360	834	5.4%
Miami	22,830	955	4.2%
Santa Ana	17,280	324	1.9%
Median, This Density:			10.2%
Population Density Level: INTERMEDIATE-HIGH			
Minneapolis	35,130	5,864	16.7%
St. Paul	33,920	5,476	16.1%
San Jose	111,910	15,982	14.3%
Pittsburgh	35,573	3,120	8.8%
St. Louis	39,630	3,419	8.6%
Buffalo	26,240	2,180	8.3%
Detroit	88,810	5,921	6.7%
Cleveland	49,650	3,130	6.3%
Las Vegas	72,514	3,051	4.2%
Anaheim	31,360	869	2.8%
Stockton	35,200	674	1.9%
Median, This Density:			8.3%
Population Density Level: INTERMEDIATE-LOW			
Albuquerque	115,608	35,232	30.5%
San Diego	207,575	47,136	22.7%
Raleigh	73,600	12,403	16.9%
Austin	160,969	26,810	16.7%
Portland, Oregon	85,964	13,512	15.7%
Phoenix	303,907	43,609	14.3%
Cincinnati	49,898	6,817	13.7%
Houston	370,818	50,632	13.7%
Dallas	219,223	29,401	13.4%
Lincoln	48,000	6,304	13.1%
Omaha	74,048	9,560	12.9%
Madison	43,520	5,278	12.1%
Bakersfield	72,320	8,345	11.5%
San Antonio	260,832	27,922	10.7%
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	154,880	15,037	9.7%
Riverside, California	49,920	4,796	9.6%



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

City	Land Area (Acres)	Total Park Acres	Park Acres as Percent of Land Area
Population Density Level: INTERMEDIATE-LOW			
Plano	46,080	4,215	9.1%
Columbus	134,568	11,172	8.3%
Sacramento	62,180	5,064	8.1%
St. Petersburg	38,400	2,963	7.7%
Arlington, Texas	61,322	4,686	7.6%
Baton Rouge	48,640	3,501	7.2%
Denver	98,142	5,900	6.0%
Glendale, Arizona	35,840	2,149	6.0%
Fort Wayne	50,560	2,400	4.7%
Tampa	71,720	3,358	4.7%
Atlanta	84,316	3,867	4.6%
Toledo	51,597	2,206	4.3%
Chandler, Arizona	36,480	1,554	4.3%
Henderson	51,200	1,986	3.9%
Mesa	79,990	2,230	2.8%
Fresno	66,791	1,510	2.3%
Norfolk	33,920	602	1.8%
Median, This Density:			9.1%
Population Density Level: LOW			
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	1,258,880	501,725	39.9%
New Orleans	115,840	29,335	25.3%
Virginia Beach	158,903	33,646	21.2%
El Paso	159,405	29,369	18.4%
Scottsdale	117,760	15,172	12.9%
Colorado Springs	118,874	11,219	9.4%
Aurora, Colorado	90,880	8,503	9.4%
Greensboro, North Carolina	66,560	6,186	9.3%
Jacksonville	537,000	46,241	8.6%
Kansas City, Missouri	200,664	17,272	8.6%
Louisville	246,400	15,902	6.5%
Tulsa	116,891	7,336	6.3%
Fort Worth	187,222	11,128	5.9%
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	337,280	19,385	5.7%
Oklahoma City	388,463	21,841	5.6%
Wichita	86,879	4,458	5.1%
Memphis	178,761	9,140	5.1%
Orlando	59,520	2,941	4.9%
Indianapolis	231,342	11,137	4.8%
Durham	60,160	2,352	3.9%
Nashville/Davidson	321,280	10,816	3.4%
Lexington/Fayette	182,400	6,065	3.3%
Tucson	124,588	3,892	3.1%
Birmingham	95,360	2,396	2.5%
Corpus Christi	99,200	2,099	2.1%
Honolulu/Honolulu County	384,000	6,056	1.6%
Median, This Density:			5.8%
Total, All Cities:	10,893,158	1,412,611	
Median, All Cities:			8.3%

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

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

City	Population	Total Park Acres	Acres per 1,000 Residents
Population Density Level: HIGH			
Oakland	404,155	5,219	12.9
Washington, D.C.	591,833	7,617	12.9
Seattle	598,541	5,476	9.1
Boston	620,535	4,897	7.9
Baltimore	636,919	4,905	7.7
Philadelphia	1,540,351	10,886	7.1
Long Beach	463,789	3,275	7.1
Jersey City	241,114	1,660	6.9
San Francisco	808,976	5,384	6.7
Los Angeles	3,833,995	23,798	6.2
New York	8,363,710	38,019	4.5
Chicago	2,853,114	11,907	4.2
Newark, New Jersey	278,980	834	3.0
Miami	413,201	955	2.3
Santa Ana	339,130	324	1.0
Median, This Density:			6.9
Population Density Level: INTERMEDIATE-HIGH			
St. Paul	279,590	5,476	19.6
San Jose	948,279	15,982	16.9
Minneapolis	382,605	5,864	15.3
Pittsburgh	310,037	3,120	10.1
St. Louis	356,730	3,419	9.6
Buffalo	270,919	2,180	8.0
Cleveland	433,748	3,130	7.2
Detroit	912,062	5,921	6.5
Las Vegas	558,383	3,051	5.5
Anaheim	335,288	869	2.6
Stockton	287,037	674	2.3
Median, This Density:			8.0
Population Density Level: INTERMEDIATE-LOW			
Albuquerque	521,999	35,232	67.5
San Diego	1,305,754	47,136	36.1
Austin	757,688	26,810	35.4
Raleigh	392,552	12,403	31.6
Phoenix	1,567,924	43,609	27.8
Bakersfield	321,078	8,345	26.0
Lincoln	251,624	6,304	25.1
Portland, Oregon	557,706	13,512	24.2
Dallas	1,279,910	29,401	23.0
Madison	231,916	5,278	22.8
Houston	2,242,193	50,632	22.6
Omaha	438,646	9,560	21.8
San Antonio	1,351,305	27,922	20.7
Cincinnati	333,336	6,817	20.5
Riverside, California	295,357	4,796	16.2
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	953,328	15,037	15.8

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

City	Population	Total Park Acres	Acres per 1,000 Residents
Population Density Level: INTERMEDIATE-LOW			
Plano	267,480	4,215	15.8
Baton Rouge	223,689	3,501	15.7
Columbus	754,885	11,172	14.8
Arlington, Texas	374,417	4,686	12.5
St. Petersburg	245,314	2,963	12.1
Sacramento	463,794	5,064	10.9
Denver	598,707	5,900	9.9
Tampa	340,882	3,358	9.9
Fort Wayne	251,591	2,400	9.5
Glendale, Arizona	251,522	2,149	8.5
Henderson	252,064	1,986	7.9
Toledo	293,201	2,206	7.5
Atlanta	537,958	3,867	7.2
Chandler, Arizona	247,140	1,554	6.3
Mesa	463,552	2,230	4.8
Fresno	476,050	1,510	3.2
Norfolk	234,220	602	2.6
Median, This Density:			15.8
Population Density Level: LOW			
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	279,243	501,725	1,796.7
New Orleans	311,853	29,335	94.1
Virginia Beach	433,746	33,646	77.6
Scottsdale	235,371	15,172	64.5
Jacksonville	807,815	46,241	57.2
El Paso	613,190	29,369	47.9
Oklahoma City	551,789	21,841	39.6
Kansas City, Missouri	480,129	17,272	36.0
Colorado Springs	397,317	11,219	28.2
Aurora, Colorado	319,057	8,503	26.7
Greensboro, North Carolina	250,642	6,186	24.7
Louisville	713,877	15,902	22.3
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	890,515	19,385	21.8
Lexington/Fayette	292,240	6,065	20.8
Tulsa	385,635	7,336	19.0
Nashville/Davidson	596,462	10,816	18.1
Fort Worth	703,073	11,128	15.8
Indianapolis	798,382	11,137	13.9
Memphis	669,651	9,140	13.6
Orlando	230,519	2,941	12.8
Wichita	366,046	4,458	12.2
Durham	223,284	2,352	10.5
Birmingham	228,798	2,396	10.5
Corpus Christi	286,462	2,099	7.3
Tucson	541,811	3,892	7.2
Honolulu/Honolulu County	877,024	6,056	6.9
Median, This Density:			21.3
Total, All Cities:	58,625,734	1,412,611	
Median, All Cities:			12.9



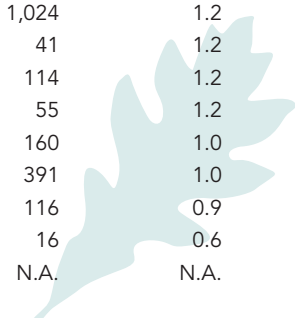
REPORT #4: PARK PLAYGROUNDS PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

FY 2009

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	172	7.4	Aurora, Colorado	67	2.1
Baton Rouge	110	4.9	Orlando	48	2.1
Virginia Beach	210	4.8	Chandler, Arizona	51	2.1
Cincinnati	161	4.8	Austin	155	2.0
Corpus Christi	133	4.6	Atlanta	109	2.0
Norfolk	100	4.3	Las Vegas	113	2.0
Pittsburgh	129	4.2	St. Louis	71	2.0
Greensboro, North Carolina	102	4.1	Henderson	50	2.0
Sacramento	181	3.9	Portland, Oregon	107	1.9
Colorado Springs	144	3.6	Nashville/Davidson	114	1.9
Boston	222	3.6	Columbus	143	1.9
Jacksonville	286	3.5	Bakersfield	60	1.9
Glendale, Arizona	89	3.5	El Paso	112	1.8
Omaha	155	3.5	Oakland	73	1.8
Birmingham	80	3.5	Chicago	513	1.8
Lincoln	85	3.4	San Francisco	145	1.8
Detroit	308	3.4	San Diego	233	1.8
St. Petersburg	79	3.2	Washington, D.C.	103	1.7
Baltimore	200	3.1	Memphis	114	1.7
New Orleans	93	3.0	Louisville	119	1.7
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	83	3.0	Philadelphia	254	1.6
Minneapolis	109	2.8	Indianapolis	127	1.6
Toledo	83	2.8	Long Beach	67	1.4
St. Paul	79	2.8	Scottsdale	34	1.4
Albuquerque	140	2.7	Dallas	183	1.4
Plano	71	2.7	Riverside, California	42	1.4
Cleveland	115	2.7	Miami	57	1.4
Tulsa	99	2.6	Fresno	65	1.4
Kansas City, Missouri	122	2.5	Jersey City	32	1.3
Stockton	71	2.5	Santa Ana	43	1.3
Durham	55	2.5	Charlotte/Mecklenburg	112	1.3
San Jose	230	2.4	Houston	278	1.2
Fort Wayne	61	2.4	Arlington, Texas	46	1.2
Tampa	82	2.4	New York	1,024	1.2
Denver	143	2.4	Anaheim	41	1.2
Buffalo	63	2.3	Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	114	1.2
Fort Worth	159	2.3	Mesa	55	1.2
Raleigh	88	2.2	Phoenix	160	1.0
Oklahoma City	123	2.2	Los Angeles	391	1.0
Tucson	118	2.2	San Antonio	116	0.9
Seattle	130	2.2	Newark, New Jersey	16	0.6
Wichita	78	2.1	Honolulu/Honolulu County	N.A.	N.A.
Lexington/Fayette	62	2.1			
Total, All Cities:				11,160	
Median, All Cities:					2.1



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

FY 2008

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	Population	Total Park Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Washington, D.C.	591,833	\$153,324,830	\$259
Seattle	598,541	\$150,672,543	\$252
Scottsdale	235,371	\$50,429,049	\$214
Las Vegas	558,383	\$114,976,837	\$206
New Orleans	311,853	\$64,005,803	\$205
Minneapolis	382,605	\$77,630,091	\$203
San Francisco	808,976	\$155,194,026	\$192
St. Paul	279,590	\$51,064,770	\$183
Plano	267,480	\$47,411,752	\$177
Henderson	252,064	\$42,352,773	\$168
Baton Rouge	223,689	\$37,460,093	\$167
Sacramento	463,794	\$74,130,070	\$160
New York	8,363,710	\$1,313,767,386	\$157
Portland, Oregon	557,706	\$87,425,351	\$157
Cincinnati	333,336	\$51,259,764	\$154
Greensboro, North Carolina	250,642	\$38,167,063	\$152
San Jose	948,279	\$139,810,041	\$147
Phoenix	1,567,924	\$230,029,513	\$147
Virginia Beach	433,746	\$61,411,899	\$142
Kansas City, Missouri	480,129	\$62,130,709	\$129
Long Beach	463,789	\$59,216,840	\$128
Raleigh	392,552	\$50,108,619	\$128
Chicago	2,853,114	\$354,558,960	\$124
San Diego	1,305,754	\$156,850,059	\$120
Tampa	340,882	\$40,944,738	\$120
Denver	598,707	\$71,494,031	\$119
Dallas	1,279,910	\$144,998,585	\$113
Tucson	541,811	\$60,980,854	\$113
Boston	620,535	\$69,620,456	\$112
Madison	231,916	\$25,364,000	\$109
Bakersfield	321,078	\$34,806,898	\$108
Orlando	230,519	\$24,728,662	\$107
Atlanta	537,958	\$54,295,250	\$101
Riverside, California	295,357	\$28,465,243	\$96
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	279,243	\$26,725,597	\$96
Honolulu/Honolulu County	877,024	\$83,397,648	\$95
Oakland	404,155	\$37,676,409	\$93
Norfolk	234,220	\$21,737,154	\$93
Nashville/Davidson	596,462	\$55,277,755	\$93
Pittsburgh	310,037	\$27,158,365	\$88
Arlington, Texas	374,417	\$30,599,020	\$82
St. Petersburg	245,314	\$19,337,151	\$79
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	890,515	\$67,115,474	\$75
Colorado Springs	397,317	\$29,924,082	\$75
Cleveland	433,748	\$32,649,909	\$75

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

City	Population	Total Park Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Miami	413,201	\$30,618,553	\$74
Anaheim	335,288	\$24,826,902	\$74
Glendale, Arizona	251,522	\$17,584,360	\$70
Corpus Christi	286,462	\$19,909,261	\$70
Austin	757,688	\$52,365,693	\$69
St. Louis	356,730	\$23,613,182	\$66
Columbus	754,885	\$49,313,782	\$65
Philadelphia	1,540,351	\$99,574,800	\$65
Albuquerque	521,999	\$33,095,000	\$63
Wichita	366,046	\$22,750,491	\$62
Lincoln	251,624	\$15,177,765	\$60
Los Angeles	3,833,995	\$230,976,449	\$60
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	953,328	\$55,940,828	\$59
Oklahoma City	551,789	\$31,866,715	\$58
Fort Wayne	251,591	\$13,808,656	\$55
Mesa	463,552	\$25,288,039	\$55
Fresno	476,050	\$25,109,623	\$53
San Antonio	1,351,305	\$69,781,807	\$52
Stockton	287,037	\$14,727,000	\$51
Lexington/Fayette	292,240	\$14,459,604	\$49
Omaha	438,646	\$19,265,663	\$44
Indianapolis	798,382	\$34,515,621	\$43
Louisville	713,877	\$30,171,906	\$42
Durham	223,284	\$9,161,560	\$41
Newark, New Jersey	278,980	\$11,376,247	\$41
Santa Ana	339,130	\$13,568,832	\$40
Houston	2,242,193	\$80,131,474	\$36
Jacksonville	807,815	\$28,300,237	\$35
Memphis	669,651	\$23,007,102	\$34
El Paso	613,190	\$19,088,290	\$31
Detroit	912,062	\$23,931,232	\$26
Tulsa	385,635	N.A.	N.A.
Jersey City	241,114	N.A.	N.A.
Birmingham	228,798	N.A.	N.A.
Baltimore	636,919	N.A.	N.A.
Buffalo	270,919	N.A.	N.A.
Fort Worth	703,073	N.A.	N.A.
Chandler, Arizona	247,140	N.A.	N.A.
Toledo	293,201	N.A.	N.A.
Aurora, Colorado	319,057	N.A.	N.A.
Total, All Cities:		\$5,773,992,796	
Median, All Cities:			\$93

REPORT #6: OPERATIONAL SPENDING (WITHOUT CAPITAL SPENDING) PER RESIDENT BY CITY

FY 2008

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	Population	Park Operating Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Washington, D.C.	591,833	\$139,066,961	\$235
Minneapolis	382,605	\$67,879,411	\$177
Seattle	598,541	\$103,667,687	\$173
San Francisco	808,976	\$125,147,379	\$155
Henderson	252,064	\$36,350,661	\$144
Sacramento	463,794	\$56,519,070	\$122
St. Paul	279,590	\$33,383,076	\$119
Virginia Beach	433,746	\$51,205,782	\$118
Cincinnati	333,336	\$39,261,885	\$118
Las Vegas	558,383	\$64,990,206	\$116
Tampa	340,882	\$38,674,738	\$113
Portland, Oregon	557,706	\$63,015,385	\$113
Chicago	2,853,114	\$302,482,960	\$106
Orlando	230,519	\$24,182,354	\$105
Long Beach	463,789	\$48,166,230	\$104
Scottsdale	235,371	\$23,748,656	\$101
Baton Rouge	223,689	\$22,465,093	\$100
Tucson	541,811	\$53,585,010	\$99
Raleigh	392,552	\$37,755,441	\$96
Plano	267,480	\$24,966,752	\$93
San Diego	1,305,754	\$120,953,447	\$93
Denver	598,707	\$53,473,744	\$89
New York	8,363,710	\$738,262,386	\$88
Madison	231,916	\$20,394,000	\$88
Oakland	404,155	\$35,442,041	\$88
Bakersfield	321,078	\$26,744,327	\$83
Atlanta	537,958	\$43,863,860	\$82
Kansas City, Missouri	480,129	\$38,425,843	\$80
Boston	620,535	\$49,154,739	\$79
St. Petersburg	245,314	\$19,206,923	\$78
Anchorage/Anchorage Borough	279,243	\$21,191,676	\$76
Greensboro, North Carolina	250,642	\$18,676,419	\$75
Honolulu/Honolulu County	877,024	\$61,688,888	\$70
Cleveland	433,748	\$30,159,231	\$70
Miami	413,201	\$26,962,860	\$65
Norfolk	234,220	\$15,167,154	\$65
Phoenix	1,567,924	\$100,786,261	\$64
Corpus Christi	286,462	\$18,318,273	\$64
Anaheim	335,288	\$21,155,568	\$63
Arlington, Texas	374,417	\$23,574,749	\$63
San Jose	948,279	\$59,408,533	\$63
Colorado Springs	397,317	\$23,571,300	\$59
New Orleans	311,853	\$18,279,961	\$59
Nashville/Davidson	596,462	\$34,463,132	\$58

REPORT #6: OPERATIONAL SPENDING (WITHOUT CAPITAL SPENDING) PER RESIDENT BY CITY

City	Population	Park Operating Expenditure	Expenditure per Resident
Riverside, California	295,357	\$16,789,551	\$57
Philadelphia	1,540,351	\$85,384,204	\$55
Lincoln	251,624	\$13,865,752	\$55
Glendale, Arizona	251,522	\$13,277,619	\$53
Albuquerque	521,999	\$27,355,000	\$52
Wichita	366,046	\$18,815,133	\$51
St. Louis	356,730	\$18,117,665	\$51
Los Angeles	3,833,995	\$192,548,354	\$50
Lexington/Fayette	292,240	\$14,459,604	\$49
Charlotte/Mecklenburg	890,515	\$44,016,331	\$49
Mesa	463,552	\$22,787,853	\$49
Fort Wayne	251,591	\$12,216,951	\$49
Pittsburgh	310,037	\$14,921,275	\$48
Fresno	476,050	\$22,861,300	\$48
Stockton	287,037	\$13,727,000	\$48
Columbus	754,885	\$35,168,829	\$47
Dallas	1,279,910	\$58,748,062	\$46
Milwaukee/Milwaukee County	953,328	\$43,324,975	\$45
Oklahoma City	551,789	\$23,629,008	\$43
San Antonio	1,351,305	\$57,715,546	\$43
Durham	223,284	\$9,161,560	\$41
Austin	757,688	\$31,003,105	\$41
Indianapolis	798,382	\$30,460,468	\$38
Omaha	438,646	\$16,164,444	\$37
Santa Ana	339,130	\$12,493,655	\$37
Newark, New Jersey	278,980	\$9,907,737	\$36
Jacksonville	807,815	\$27,925,237	\$35
Louisville	713,877	\$23,241,609	\$33
El Paso	613,190	\$19,063,290	\$31
Houston	2,242,193	\$65,466,117	\$29
Memphis	669,651	\$17,223,102	\$26
Detroit	912,062	\$21,155,174	\$23
Tulsa	385,635	N.A	N.A
Jersey City	241,114	N.A	N.A
Baltimore	636,919	N.A	N.A
Buffalo	270,919	N.A	N.A
Birmingham	228,798	N.A	N.A
Chandler, Arizona	247,140	N.A	N.A
Fort Worth	703,073	N.A	N.A
Aurora, Colorado	319,057	N.A	N.A
Toledo	293,201	N.A	N.A
Total, All Cities:		\$4,008,835,562	
Median, All Cities:			\$64



REPORT #7: REGULAR, NON-SEASONAL EMPLOYEES PER 10,000 RESIDENTS, BY MAJOR CITY AGENCY

FY 2009

Regular, non-seasonal employees includes full-time and part-time staff as FTEs, but excludes seasonal staff.

Agency	Population	Number of Regular, Non-Seasonal Employees	Employees per 10,000 Residents
Seattle Parks and Recreation	598,541	1,021	17.1
St. Petersburg Parks Department	245,314	395	16.1
Tampa Parks and Recreation Department	340,882	520	15.3
Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Department	279,590	425	15.2
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board	382,605	580	15.2
Oakland Office of Parks and Recreation	404,155	608	15.0
Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation	433,746	619	14.3
Denver Parks and Recreation	598,707	841	14.0
District of Columbia Department of Parks and Recreation	591,833	811	13.7
Baton Rouge Recreation Commission (BREC)	223,689	288	12.9
Miami Department of Parks and Recreation	413,201	505	12.2
National Park Service	591,833	714	12.1
Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Division	235,371	281	11.9
Cleveland Dept of Parks, Recreation and Properties	433,748	486	11.2
Orlando Families, Parks and Recreation Department	230,519	256	11.1
Anaheim Community Services Department–Parks Division	335,288	368	11.0
San Francisco Recreation and Park Department	808,976	849	10.5
Pittsburgh Department of Public Works	310,037	322	10.4
Chicago Park District	2,853,114	2,961	10.4
Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department	392,552	394	10.0
Chandler Community Services Department	247,140	240	9.7
Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department	250,642	238	9.5
Honolulu Department of Parks and Recreation	877,024	795	9.1
Corpus Christi Parks and Recreation Department	286,462	242	8.4
Plano Parks and Recreation Department	267,480	217	8.1
Tucson Parks and Recreation Department	541,811	433	8.0
Portland Parks and Recreation	557,706	437	7.8
Nashville/Davidson Metropolitan Board of Parks and Recreation	596,462	457	7.7
Austin Parks and Recreation Department	757,688	570	7.5
Dallas Park and Recreation Department	1,279,910	954	7.5
Henderson Parks and Recreation Department	252,064	186	7.4
St. Louis Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry	356,730	263	7.4
New York City Parks and Recreation Department	8,363,710	6,031	7.2
Kansas City, Missouri, Parks and Recreation Department	480,129	335	7.0
Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department	1,567,924	1,093	7.0
Wichita Park and Recreation Department	366,046	253	6.9
Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks	636,919	426	6.7
Madison Parks Division	231,916	152	6.6
Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation	463,794	298	6.4
Aurora Parks and Open Space Department	319,057	203	6.4
San Diego Park and Recreation Department	1,305,754	760	5.8
Arlington, Texas, Parks and Recreation Department	374,417	214	5.7
Atlanta Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs	537,958	303	5.6
Cincinnati Recreation Commission	333,336	186	5.6
Fort Worth Parks and Community Services Department	703,073	392	5.6
San Jose Department of Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services	948,279	524	5.5
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Division of Parks and Recreation	292,240	154	5.3

REPORT #7: REGULAR, NON-SEASONAL EMPLOYEES PER 10,000 RESIDENTS, BY MAJOR CITY AGENCY

Agency	Population	Number of Regular, Non-Seasonal Employees	Employees per 10,000 Residents
Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department	251,624	132	5.2
Albuquerque Parks and Recreation Department	521,999	271	5.2
Memphis Division of Park Services	669,651	343	5.1
Norfolk Department of Recreation, Parks and Open Space	234,220	119	5.1
Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Department	321,078	160	5.0
Long Beach Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine	463,789	231	5.0
Louisville Metro Parks	713,877	352	4.9
Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department	890,515	439	4.9
Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation Department	251,591	123	4.9
Durham Parks and Recreation Department	223,284	109	4.9
Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks	3,833,995	1,812	4.7
Mesa Parks, Recreation and Commercial Facilities Department	463,552	216	4.7
Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department	279,243	130	4.7
San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department	1,351,305	605	4.5
El Paso Parks and Recreation Department	613,190	269	4.4
Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services	397,317	166	4.2
Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department	295,357	123	4.2
New Orleans Department of Parks and Parkways	311,853	124	4.0
Glendale Parks and Recreation Department	251,522	100	4.0
Omaha Department of Parks, Recreation and Public Property	438,646	168	3.8
Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation	798,382	300	3.8
Columbus Recreation and Parks Department	754,885	282	3.7
Houston Parks and Recreation Department	2,242,193	828	3.7
Cincinnati Park Board	333,336	120	3.6
Boston Parks and Recreation Department	620,535	223	3.6
New Orleans Recreation Department	311,853	110	3.5
Oklahoma City Parks and Recreation Department	551,789	190	3.4
Fresno Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services Dept.	476,050	148	3.1
Las Vegas Department of Leisure Services	558,383	172	3.1
Birmingham Park and Recreation Board	228,798	70	3.1
Philadelphia Department of Recreation	1,540,351	457	3.0
Tulsa Park and Recreation Department	385,635	109	2.8
Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture	953,328	240	2.5
Jersey City Division of Parks and Forestry	241,114	60	2.5
Santa Ana Parks, Recreation and Community Services	339,130	79	2.3
Aurora Library, Recreation and Cultural Services Department	319,057	70	2.2
Detroit Recreation Department	912,062	190	2.1
Stockton Public Works Department	287,037	58	2.0
Buffalo Department of Public Works, Parks and Streets	270,919	54	2.0
Essex County Dept. of Parks, Rec. and Cultural Affairs	278,980	50	1.8
Jacksonville Recreation and Community Services Department	807,815	127	1.6
Massachusetts Dept. of Conservation and Recreation	620,535	73	1.2
Newark Department of Neighborhood and Recreational Services	278,980	32	1.1
Fairmount Park Commission	1,540,351	156	1.0
Toledo Division of Parks and Forestry	293,201	3	0.1
Total, All Major City Agencies:		39,793	
Median, All Major City Agencies:			5.4

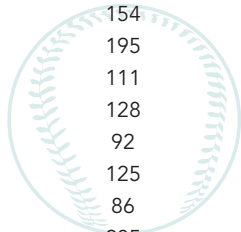
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If a city has more than one agency, their facilities are combined. For the full reports, visit www.tpl.org/cityparkfacts.

REPORT #8: BALL DIAMONDS PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

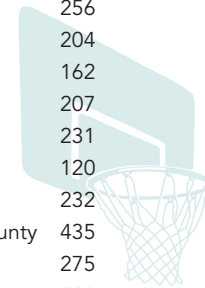
City	Number of Ball Diamonds	Diamonds per 10,000 Residents
Portland, Oregon	318	5.7
St. Paul	154	5.5
Minneapolis	195	5.1
Baton Rouge	111	5.0
Pittsburgh	128	4.1
Scottsdale	92	3.9
Cincinnati	125	3.7
Norfolk	86	3.7
Jacksonville	285	3.5
Cleveland	139	3.2



Ball diamonds include both baseball and softball diamonds.

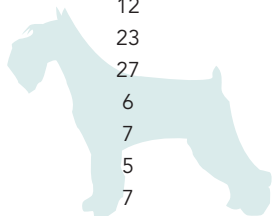
REPORT #9: BASKETBALL HOOPS PER 10,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Basketball Hoops	Hoops per 10,000 Residents
Madison	256	11.0
Norfolk	204	8.7
Henderson	162	6.4
Cincinnati	207	6.2
Raleigh	231	5.9
Baton Rouge	120	5.4
Cleveland	232	5.3
Honolulu/Honolulu County	435	5.0
Boston	275	4.4
Glendale, Arizona	111	4.4



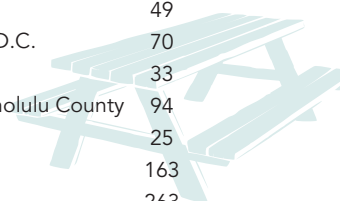
REPORT #10: OFF-LEASH DOG PARKS PER 100,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

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
St. Petersburg	6	2.4
Bakersfield	7	2.2
Madison	5	2.2
Tampa	7	2.1
Henderson	5	2.0
Seattle	11	1.8



REPORT #11: RECREATION AND SENIOR CENTERS PER 20,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Recreation Centers	Centers per 20,000 Residents
Baton Rouge	48	4.3
Minneapolis	49	2.6
Washington, D.C.	70	2.4
St. Paul	33	2.4
Honolulu/Honolulu County	94	2.1
Norfolk	25	2.1
Philadelphia	163	2.1
Chicago	263	1.8
Orlando	21	1.8
Cincinnati	27	1.6



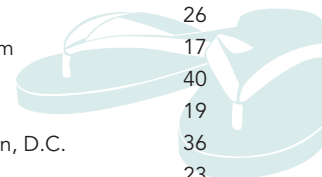
REPORT #12: SKATEBOARD PARKS PER 100,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Skateboard Parks	Skateboard Parks per 100,000 Residents
Colorado Springs	8	2.0
Las Vegas	10	1.8
Long Beach	8	1.7
Sacramento	8	1.7
Henderson	4	1.6
Minneapolis	6	1.6
El Paso	9	1.5
Honolulu/Honolulu County	12	1.4
Fresno	6	1.3
Pittsburgh	3	1.0



REPORT #13: SWIMMING POOLS PER 100,000 RESIDENTS BY CITY

City	Number of Swimming Pools	Pools per 100,000 Residents
Cleveland	40	9.2
Cincinnati	26	7.8
Birmingham	17	7.4
Denver	40	6.7
Pittsburgh	19	6.1
Washington, D.C.	36	6.1
Tulsa	23	6.0
Philadelphia	85	5.5
Orlando	11	4.8
Tucson	25	4.6



Swimming pools include both indoor and outdoor pools, 4-foot minimum depth.

THE 80 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.

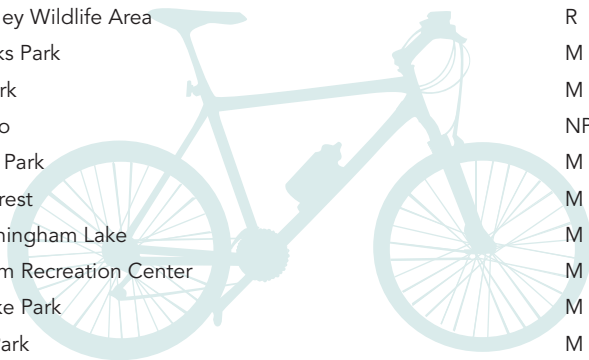
Note: New York's Central Park, commonly thought to be the largest city park, is 840 acres and number 135 on the list. For the 150 largest city parks, visit www.tpl.org/cityparkfacts.

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	14,000	Scottsdale		
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	6,013	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	Mohawk park and golf course	M	3,100	Tulsa		
37	Brecksville Reservation (part)	R	3,026	Brecksville, Ohio		
38	Pelham Bay Park	M	2,765	New York		
39	Newport News Park (part)	M	2,688	Newport News, Virginia		
40	Otter Creek Park	M	2,600	Louisville		
41	Los Peñasquitos Canyon	M	2,405	San Diego		

THE 80 LARGEST CITY PARKS

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Rank	Park Name	Type	Acres	City
42	Longview Lake Park (part)	C	2,381	Kansas City, Missouri
43	Blue River Parkway	C	2,319	Kansas City, Missouri
44	Mill Stream Run Reservation (part)	R	2,238	Strongsville, Ohio
45	Fleming Park (part)	C	2,229	Lee's Summit, Missouri
46	Steele Creek Park	M	2,224	Bristol, Tennessee
47	Bear Creek Pioneers Park	C	2,168	Houston
48	Tilden Park	M	2,077	Berkeley
49	Percy Warner Park	M	2,058	Nashville
50	Cheyenne Mountain State Park	S	2,040	Colorado Springs
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	Swope Park	M	1,805	Kansas City, Missouri
56	Torrey Pines State Reserve	S	1,800	San Diego
57	Calero County Park	C	1,782	San Jose
58	Greenbelt Park	M	1,778	New York
59	Barton Creek Greenbelt	M	1,771	Austin
60	Little Talbot Island State Park	S	1,768	Jacksonville
61	Mission Bay Park	M	1,756	San Diego
62	Rock Creek Park (part)	NP	1,754	Washington, D.C.
63	Tijuana River Valley Regional Park	C	1,720	San Diego
64	Big Talbot Island State Park	S	1,708	Jacksonville
65	Adobe Dam Recreation Area	C	1,642	Phoenix
66	Fort Harrison State Park	S	1,640	Lawrence, Indiana
67	Lake Leatherwood Park	M	1,620	Eureka Springs, Arkansas
68	Pennypack Park	M	1,618	Philadelphia
69	Claremont Hills Wilderness Park	M	1,589	Claremont, California
70	Burns Park	M	1,575	North Little Rock, Arkansas
71	Hidden Valley Wildlife Area	R	1,510	Riverside, California
72	Water Works Park	M	1,500	Des Moines, Iowa
73	Beaman Park	M	1,493	Nashville
74	The Presidio	NP	1,491	San Francisco
75	Wilderness Park	M	1,472	Lincoln
76	Mt. Airy Forest	M	1,471	Cincinnati
77	Glenn Cunningham Lake	M	1,439	Omaha
78	Hansen Dam Recreation Center	M	1,437	Los Angeles
79	Stumpy Lake Park	M	1,435	Virginia Beach
80	Memorial Park	M	1,431	Houston



THE OLDEST CITY PARKS

These are the oldest U.S. city parks ranked chronologically. In the case of parks which 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 www.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	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	Gravois/Laclede/Mt. Pleasant parks	St. Louis	1812
21	Jackson Place Park	St. Louis	1816
22	Colonial Park	Memphis	1819
23	Santa Fe Plaza	Santa Fe	1821
24	Washington Square	New York	1823
25	Patterson Park	Baltimore	1827
26	Union Square	New York	1832
27	Tompkins Square Park	New York	1833
28	Cathedral Square Park	Milwaukee	1835
28	Van Vorst Park	Jersey City	1835
30	Veteran's Park	Staten Island	1836
31	Grant Park	Chicago	1837
32	Lafayette Park	St. Louis	1838
33	Daniel Carter Beard Memorial Square	Queens	1841
34	Chapman Park	Portland, Oregon	1843
35	Wyanda Park	Queens	1844
36	Thomas Square	Honolulu	1845
37	Madison Square Park/Bryant Park	New York	1847
37	Portsmouth Square	San Francisco	1847
37	Fort Greene Park	Brooklyn	1847
40	Rice Park	St. Paul	1849
40	Sutter Land Grants Park	Sacramento	1849
42	Grand Circus Park	Detroit	1850



THE MOST-VISITED CITY PARKS

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Rank	Park Name	City	Annual Visitorship
1	Central Park	New York	25,000,000
2	Lincoln Park	Chicago	20,000,000
3	Mission Bay Park	San Diego	16,000,000
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	Fair Park	Dallas	5,585,730
14	Liberty State Park	Jersey City	5,326,978
15	Hermann Park	Houston	5,200,000
16	Chain of Lakes Regional Park	Minneapolis	5,115,200
17	City Park	New Orleans	5,000,000
17	Old Sacramento State Historic Park	Sacramento	5,000,000
17	The Presidio	San Francisco	5,000,000
20	Independence National Historical Park	Philadelphia	3,998,309
21	Bryant Park	New York	3,800,000
22	Green Lake Park	Seattle	3,650,000
23	Piedmont Park	Atlanta	3,500,000
24	White River State Park	Indianapolis	3,300,000
25	Memorial Park	Houston	3,246,000
26	Centennial Olympic Park	Atlanta	3,200,000
27	Battery Park	New York	3,000,000
27	Belle Isle Park	Detroit	3,000,000
27	White River Greenway	Indianapolis	3,000,000
30	Riverside Park	New York	2,800,000
31	Drew Field	Jacksonville	2,500,000
31	Millennium Park	Chicago	2,500,000
33	Jefferson National Expansion Memorial	St. Louis	2,360,109
34	Rockaway Beach and Boardwalk	New York	2,300,000
35	Lake Harriet Park/Lyndale Park	Minneapolis	2,250,000
36	Boston National Historical Park	Boston	2,155,026
37	Boston Common	Boston	2,000,000
37	City Park	Denver	2,000,000
37	Como Park	St. Paul	2,000,000
37	Garden of the Gods Park	Colorado Springs	2,000,000
37	Lyon Park	St. Louis	2,000,000
37	Rock Creek Park	Washington, D.C.	2,000,000
43	Swope Park	Kansas City, Missouri	1,850,000
44	Delaware Park	Buffalo	1,800,000
45	San Antonio Missions National Historical Park	San Antonio	1,765,548
46	Schenley park and plaza	Pittsburgh	1,750,000
47	Encanto Park	Phoenix	1,500,000
47	Louisville Waterfront Park	Louisville	1,500,000
47	Park at Lady Bird Lake	Austin	1,500,000
47	Point State Park	Pittsburgh	1,500,000
47	Trinity Park	Fort Worth	1,500,000
52	Country/Jaycee parks	Greensboro, North Carolina	1,444,286



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