

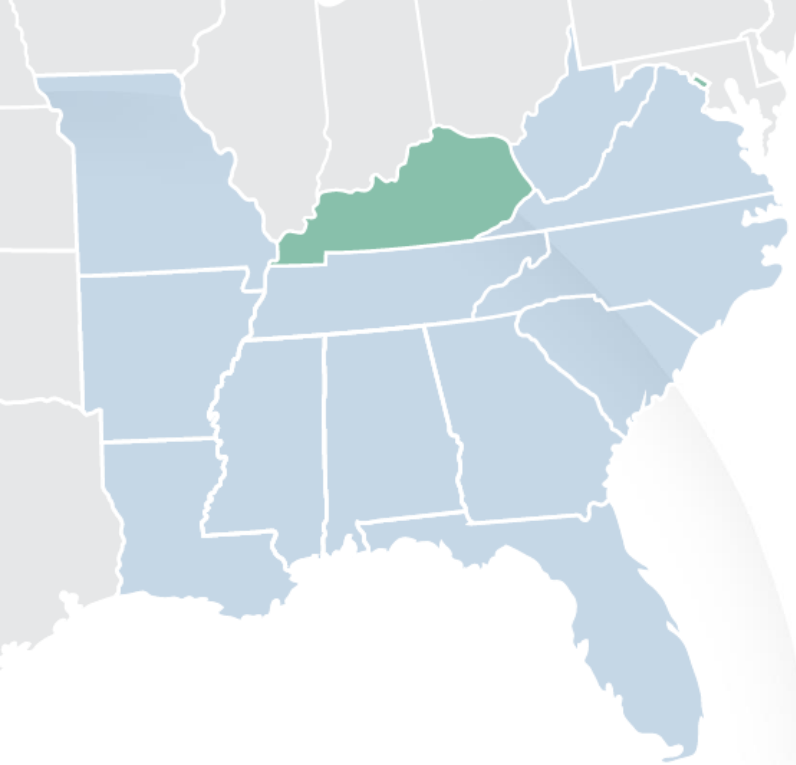
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In 2022, **75.9 million** domestic and international travelers visited Kentucky, spending **\$8.9 billion**, which supported **91,668** jobs with a payroll of **\$3.2 billion** and generated more than **\$937 million** in state and local tax revenues, according to research by Tourism Economics. These numbers are substantial, but they don't tell the whole story. Communities across Kentucky are promoting their cultural, natural, and historic assets to tell their stories, deliver remarkable travel experiences, and drive economic vitality.

The key segments that make tourism an engine of growth for Kentucky, include:

National Park Service: There are **9** national parks in Kentucky:

- Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Park
- Big South Fork National River & Recreation River (runs across KY, TN)
- Camp Nelson National Monument
- Cumberland Gap National Historical Park (runs across KY, TN, VA)
- Fort Donelson National Battlefield (runs across KY, TN)
- Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail (runs across IA, ID, IL, KS, KY, MO, MT, NE, ND, OH, OR, PA, SD, WA, WV)
- Mammoth Cave National Park
- Mill Spring Battlefield National Monument
- Trail of Tears National Historic Trail (runs across AL, AR, GA, IL, KY, MO, NC, OK, TN)



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In 2022, **2 million** park visitors spent an estimated **\$114 million** in Kentucky's gateway communities supporting a total of **1,690** jobs with a payroll of **\$53.4 million**, according to the *National Park Service Visitor Spending Effects Report*.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Recreation: USACE is one of the nation's leading providers of outdoor recreation. In Kentucky, it manages **20** lakes and rivers:

- Barkley Lake
- Barren River Lake
- Buckhorn Lake
- Carr Creek Lake
- Cave Run Lake
- Dale Hollow Lake
- Dewey Lake
- Fishtrap Lake
- Grayson Lake
- Green River Lake
- Kentucky River
- Lake Cumberland
- Laurel River Lake
- Martins Fork Lake
- Nolin River Lake
- Ohio River
- Paintsville Lake
- Rough River Lake
- Taylorsville Lake
- Yatesville Lake

On these waterways, USACE maintains:

- **241** recreation areas
- **1,357** picnic sites
- **1,966** camping sites
- **159** playgrounds
- **47** swimming areas
- **154** trails
- **501** trail miles
- **36** fishing docks and piers
- **197** boat ramps
- **12,442** marina slips