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In 2022, **40.1 million** domestic and international travelers visited Missouri, spending **\$16 billion**, which supported **238,032** jobs and generated **\$602.7 million** in state tax revenues, according to research compiled by the Missouri Division of Tourism. These numbers are substantial but they don't tell the whole story. Communities across Missouri 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 Missouri, include:

National Park Service: There are 11 national parks in Missouri:

- Butterfield Overland National Historic Trail (runs across MO, AR, OK, TX, NM, AZ, CA)
- California National Historic Trail (runs across CA, CO, ID, KS, MO, NE, NV, OR, UT, WY)
- Gateway Arch National Park
- George Washington Carver National Monument
- Harry S. Truman National Historic Site
- Lewis & Clark National Historic Trail (runs across IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, MO, MT, NE, ND, OH, OR, PA, SD, WA, WV)
- Oregon National Historic Trail (runs across ID, KS, MO, NE, OR, WA, WY)
- Ozark National Scenic Riverways
- Pony Express National Historic Trail (runs across CA, CO, KS, MO, NE, NV, UT, WY)
- Santa Fe National Historic Trail (runs across CO, KS, MO, NM, OK)
- Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park
- Trail of Tears National Historic Trail (runs through AL, AR, GA, IL, KY, MO, NC, OK, TN)
- Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site
- Wilson's Creek National Battlefield



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In 2022, **3.3 million** park visitors spent an estimated **\$199 million** in Missouri's gateway communities supporting a total of **3,070** jobs with a payroll of **\$108 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 Missouri, it manages **14** lakes:

- Blue Springs Lake
- Bull Shoals Lake
- Clearwater Lake
- Harry S. Truman Lake
- Illinois River Riverlands
- Long Branch Lake
- Longview Lake

- Mark Twain Lake
- Mississippi River
- Pomme De Terre Lake
- Smithville Lake
- Stockton Lake
- Table Rock Lake
- Wappapello Lake

On these waterways, USACE maintains:

- **270** recreation areas
- 673 picnic sites
- 3,056 camping sites
- 122 playgrounds
- 56 swimming areas
- 176 trails
- 515 trail miles
- **22** fishing docks and piers
- 215 boat ramps
- 10,366 marina slips



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U.S. Forest Service: There is 1 national forest in Missouri: Mark Twain National Forest

National forests provide clean air and water, preserve cultural resources and conserve lands for the enjoyment of present and future generations, and support the economies of gateway communities through recreation, timber, energy, and minerals. According to U.S. Forest Service research, Mark Twain National Forest annually contributes **\$198.2 million** to Missouri's GDP and supports **2,240** jobs with a payroll of **\$110 million**.

Missouri also showcases its cultural, historic, and scenic resources and shares its unique contribution to the American story through a congressionally-designated National Heritage Area: Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area (runs through KS, MO).

