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In 2022, 108 million domestic and international travelers visited Virginia, spending **\$30.3 billion**, which supported **303,369** jobs and generated more than **\$2.9 billion** 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 Virginia 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 Virginia, include:

National Park Service: There are 33 national parks in Virginia:

- Appalachian National Scenic Trail (runs across CT, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, TN, VA, VT, WV)
- Appomattox Court House National Historical Park
- Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial
- Assateague Island National Seashore
- Blue Ridge Parkway (runs across NC, VA)
- Booker T. Washington National Monument
- Cape Henry Memorial
- Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail (runs across VA, MD, DE, DC, PA, NY)
- Cedar Creek & Belle Grove National Historical Park
- Chesapeake Bay Watershed (runs across DC, DE, MD, NY, PA, VA, WV)
- Civil War Defenses of Washington (runs across DC, MD, VA)
- Colonial National Historical Park
- Cumberland Gap National Historical Park (runs across KY, TN, VA)
- Fort Monroe National Monument



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National Park Service con't:

- Fredericksburg & Spotsylvania National Military Park
- George Washington Memorial Parkway (runs across DC, MD, VA)
- George Washington Birthplace National Monument
- Great Falls Park
- Green Springs
- Harpers Ferry National Historical Park (runs across WV, VA, MD)
- Historic Jamestowne
- Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site
- Manassas National Battlefield Park
- Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail (runs across NC, SC, TN, VA)
- Petersburg National Battlefield
- Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail (runs across DC, MD, PA, VA)
- Prince William Forest Park
- Richmond National Battlefield Park
- Shenandoah National Park
- Star-Spangled Banner National Historic Trail (runs through DC, MD, VA)
- Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route (runs across MA, RI, CT, NY, NJ, PA, DE, MD, VA, DC)
- Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts
- Yorktown Battlefield



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In 2022, **22.5 million** park visitors spent an estimated **\$1.2 billion** in Virginia's gateway communities supporting a total of **17,700** jobs with a payroll of **\$637 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 Virginia, it manages **7** lakes and rivers:

- Bluestone Lake
- Dismal Swamp Canal
- John H. Kerr Dam and Reservoir
- John W. Flannagan Dam and Reservoir
- Moomaw Lake
- North Fork of Pound River Lake
- Philpott Lake

On these waterways, USACE maintains:

- **84** recreation areas
- 315 picnic sites
- **740** camping sites
- 34 playgrounds
- 29 swimming areas
- 15 trails
- 56 trail miles
- 6 fishing docks and piers
- 59 boat ramps
- 1,117 marina slips

