

Visitation Figures at Key Sites

2020-2024

Aquarium	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	6,630	7,125	4,245	6,420	5,889
February	7,174	6,971	7,264	7,454	7,298
March	closed	14,701	16,366	18,598	22,487
April	closed / C19	27,548	34,144	33,636	27,293
May	closed / C19	37,345	32,162	37,768	31,395
June	closed / C19	57,052	47,400	50,474	
July	closed / C19	55,417	53,343	55,907	
August	closed / C19	48,293	49,056	50,546	
September	14,619	31,026	29,468	32,484	
October	15,465	18,880	18,688	16,476	
November	7,586	11,339	11,161	11,450	
December	6,358	8,064	9,038	8,141	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>13,804</i>	<i>93,690</i>	<i>94,181</i>	<i>103,876</i>	<i>94,362</i>
TOTAL	57,832	323,761	312,335	329,354	94,362

Bodie Island Lighthouse Climbers	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
February	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
March	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
April	closed / C19	n/a	650	549	1,680
May	closed / C19	2,799	2,362	2,551	4,403
June	closed / C19	4,330	5,485	4,736	
July	closed / C19	3,854	3,008	4,770	
August	closed / C19	3,802	2,877	4,610	
September	closed / C19	3,799	2,829	3,974	
October	closed / C19	7,621	619	1,396	
November	closed	closed	closed	closed	
December	closed	closed	closed	closed	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,799</i>	<i>3,012</i>	<i>3,100</i>	<i>6,083</i>
TOTAL	0	26,205	17,830	22,586	6,083

Cape Hatteras N.S.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	81,816	86,991	65,346	67,735	77,193
February	76,105	78,269	69,534	81,607	79,256
March	109,749	169,278	147,652	147,925	154,935
April	66,422	254,366	211,064	228,766	197,239
May	208,837	316,898	269,958	248,371	267,243
June	399,364	447,760	424,206	417,968	
July	451,849	491,061	443,905	456,340	
August	387,379	427,384	412,239	382,724	
September	345,249	390,994	358,962	327,687	
October	259,618	274,997	230,135	228,223	
November	167,925	161,115	146,133	152,275	
December	91,064	106,943	83,710	86,548	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>542,929</i>	<i>905,802</i>	<i>763,554</i>	<i>774,404</i>	<i>775,866</i>
TOTAL	2,645,377	3,206,056	2,862,844	2,826,169	775,866

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Cape Hatteras Lighthouse Climbers	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	closed	closed	<i>closed for renovations</i>	<i>closed for renovations</i>	<i>closed for renovations</i>
February	closed	closed			
March	closed	closed			
April	closed / C19	closed			
May	closed / C19	<i>closed for renovations</i>			
June	closed / C19				
July	closed / C19				
August	closed / C19				
September	closed / C19				
October	closed / C19				
November	closed				
December	closed				
<i>YTD</i>	<i>0</i>				<i>0</i>
TOTAL	0				0

Cape Hatteras VC	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	8,402	9,260	7,176	8,632	10,098
February	9,509	10,541	10,540	9,674	11,872
March	9,325	28,472	24,426	20,652	24,240
April	closed / C19	47,836	45,277	38,137	33,536
May	closed / C19	51,770	41,164	42,400	37,508
June	48,033	60,008	51,108	51,427	
July	3,183	57,051	55,147	52,267	
August	57,358	52,315	49,029	46,494	
September	2,727	51,699	44,868	39,342	
October	2,179	45,281	36,568	37,706	
November	1,130	21,308	18,697	19,075	
December	656	13,325	10,632	10,952	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>27,236</i>	<i>147,879</i>	<i>128,583</i>	<i>119,495</i>	<i>117,254</i>
TOTAL	142,502	448,866	394,632	376,758	117,254

Elizabethan Gardens	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January				closed	closed
February				847	695
March				2,407	3,120
April				6,861	4,928
May				6,426	5,562
June				6,620	
July				6,007	
August				5,052	<i>n/a</i>
September				2,055	
October				3,412	
November				5,775	
December				<i>n/a</i>	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>16,541</i>	<i>14,305</i>			
TOTAL	45,462	14,305			

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Fort Raleigh	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	5,565	4,447	5,111	7,109	4,817
February	5,948	3,340	7,838	7,196	9,374
March	6,550	14,752	13,394	13,863	14,293
April	5,933	24,338	24,040	20,934	23,592
May	6,544	38,667	33,801	32,352	34,698
June	17,432	56,080	54,260	47,358	
July	24,681	51,192	47,974	42,636	
August	20,427	34,891	39,328	34,173	
September	19,826	24,048	22,629	13,070	
October	19,779	18,827	16,206	17,623	
November	11,524	12,973	13,732	13,860	
December	9,310	10,004	15,277	13,397	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>30,540</i>	<i>85,544</i>	<i>84,184</i>	<i>81,454</i>	<i>86,774</i>
TOTAL	153,519	293,559	293,590	263,571	86,774

Hatteras Ferry-Vec.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	7,223	9,240	5,239	6,923	5,204
February	6,643	6,886	6,751	6,583	4,681
March	6,844	13,487	11,177	11,219	6,529
April	3,107	26,365	17,859	18,857	16,215
May	10,954	29,562	19,937	21,646	22,135
June	26,046	33,664	28,103	25,932	
July	31,315	33,370	29,232	28,518	
August	25,138	30,832	28,363	25,894	
September	23,255	25,694	25,062	20,771	
October	24,150	22,579	20,036	20,731	
November	12,687	11,993	11,433	10,088	
December	8,072	7,921	7,217	1,568	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>34,771</i>	<i>85,540</i>	<i>60,963</i>	<i>65,228</i>	<i>54,764</i>
TOTAL	185,434	251,593	210,409	198,730	54,764

Hatteras Ferry-Passn.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	12,123	15,779	8,665	12,168	8,838
February	10,862	11,302	11,408	11,224	7,744
March	11,238	27,486	22,220	22,199	12,985
April	3,901	60,168	39,671	43,475	35,296
May	22,164	69,279	44,979	48,154	49,289
June	64,847	87,680	72,624	65,036	
July	78,949	87,937	77,718	72,610	
August	62,060	79,811	74,496	64,882	
September	54,567	60,598	60,398	47,898	
October	53,815	50,149	44,282	44,967	
November	26,716	24,025	22,605	19,310	
December	15,465	15,033	13,435	2,740	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>60,288</i>	<i>184,014</i>	<i>126,943</i>	<i>137,220</i>	<i>114,152</i>
TOTAL	416,707	589,247	492,501	454,663	114,152

PASSENGER ONLY FERRY	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u> (5/17-9/29)	<u>2023</u> (5/23-9/4)	<u>2024 (5/23-)</u> ()
May	closed / C19	not in service	2,513	942	1,115
June	closed / C19	2,153	7,550	5,434	
July	3,865	7,380	6,111	3,518	
August	2,517	6,069	5,749	4,534	
September	977	986	3,167	2,112	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,513</i>	<i>942</i>	<i>1,115</i>
TOTAL	6,382	16,588	25,090	16,540	1,115

Jennette's Pier	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	2,347	2,185	1,241	2,626	1,989
February	2,665	1,539	2,448	2,455	2,706
March	2,057	5,588	6,775	7,963	8,612
April	closed / C19	13,738	17,446	17,972	13,028
May	closed / C19	19,804	17,229	16,942	16,633
June	17,971	29,200	29,031	25,782	
July	24,395	29,536	28,455	26,043	
August	20,186	24,219	25,076	23,546	
September	19,481	21,257	20,840	19,780	
October	14,695	16,355	13,862	14,172	
November	6,044	5,910	6,542	5,826	
December	2,841	3,823	3,199	3,765	
<i>YTD</i>	7,069	42,854	45,139	47,958	42,968
TOTAL	112,682	173,154	172,144	166,872	42,968

Jockey's Ridge	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	46,599	63,060	24,104	16,509	28,343
February	41,353	48,592	29,103	16,877	32,210
March	77,429	143,487	59,776	39,512	77,875
April	36,610	219,486	112,716	86,766	109,886
May	142,408	239,429	92,668	79,577	137,673
June	310,144	263,639	152,032	118,947	
July	370,796	223,242	166,276	125,753	
August	286,440	202,013	139,564	105,728	
September	246,985	184,791	100,815	55,063	
October	181,676	123,665	54,572	34,611	
November	114,783	70,231	33,674	32,674	
December	78,753	52,163	17,247	33,005	
<i>YTD</i>	344,399	714,054	318,367	239,241	385,987
TOTAL	1,933,976	1,833,798	982,547	745,022	385,987

The Lost Colony	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
May		1,304	2,184	n/a	
June	2020	14,380	12,704	11,356	
July	Season	14,678	11,227	11,442	
August	Cancelled	6,034	9,330	10,807	
<i>YTD</i>		1,304	2,184	0	0
Total		36,396	35,445	33,605	0

R.I. Festival Park	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	closed	562	613	668	642
February	1751	702	758	826	843
March	n/a	2,416	2,701	4,268	4,210
April	closed / C19	6,849	10,560	9,105	8,450
May	closed / C19	6,742	8,708	9,197	11,088
June	4,141	10,550	21,651	14,788	
July	6,256	15,037	19,729	21,852	
August	4,753	9,645	16,252	18,702	
September	5,067	6,869	8,287	7,433	
October	5,431	12,593	13,097	n/a	
November	2,946	3,878	6,530	n/a	
December	1,802	5,304	6,589	n/a	
<i>YTD</i>	1,751	17,271	23,340	24,064	25,233
TOTAL	32,147	81,147	115,475	86,839	25,233

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Wright Bros. N.M.	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	8,213	10,949	6,627	8,701	7,524
February	9,054	7,995	9,845	9,510	9,292
March	9,953	27,307	25,958	25,475	27,699
April	1,183	51,280	50,571	43,333	38,670
May	12,909	57,065	45,770	46,572	45,899
June	34,545	67,723	61,352	58,365	
July	44,768	72,772	66,629	69,180	
August	42,229	63,953	64,339	60,445	
September	42,019	45,575	41,459	37,657	
October	38,649	40,145	33,068	34,016	
November	20,608	22,251	19,306	18,259	
December	13,833	15,177	12,407	11,994	
YTD	41,312	154,596	138,771	133,591	129,084
TOTAL	277,963	482,192	437,331	423,507	129,084

Motorcoach Figures

Wright Bros. N.M.	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	1	0	0	0	0
February	1	0	1	0	0
March	6	0	9	7	16
April	closed / C19	3	15	13	24
May	0	2	21	17	21
June	0	8	7	5	
July	0	2	6	2	
August	2	3	3	3	
September	0	5	5	7	
October	2	5	9	7	
November	0	6	3	0	
December	0	0	2	0	
YTD	8	5	46	37	61
TOTAL	12	34	81	61	61

Feb 2024 Ferry made fewer trips on Hatteras-Ocracoke Route

Topical Storms Lee and Ophelia in September 2023

RIFP November 2022 attendance includes visitors on the *Elizabeth II* while it was in Edenton.

April, May 2022 Festival Park Visitation includes Vusic concert attendees.

New traffic counters installed at Jockey's Ridge in Jan 2022.

May 2021, RI Festival Park open Tues-Sat.

Jan 2021, RI Festival Park closed but submitted number of visitors using the grounds.

Cape Hatteras Lighthouse Visitor Center has limited occupancy and no lighthouse climbs.

ORV and fishing permits are now handled online and else where, further reducing the count.

C19=COVID 19

Jennette's Pier re-opened June 8, 2020

The Visitor Center at Cape Hatteras Lighthouse opened June 12 & at Bodie Island June 25

As of June, Visitors Centers at Fort Raleigh and Wright Brothers National Memorial remain closed

2020 Season of The Lost Colony cancelled

Visitor access to Dare County prohibited March 17 -May 16, 2020

Cape Hatteras Lighthouse hosts a December climb.

Hatteras-Ocracoke Ferry using longer ferry route.

NPS stats show recreational visits instead of total visits.

Jockey's Ridge State Park uses a car counter at park and pedestrian counter on US 158.

n/a not available

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Aycock Brown	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	834	1,201	744	753	634
February	851	1,045	943	924	904
March	n/a	1,586	2,169	1,746	1,624
April	closed / C19	3,537	3,531	3,042	2,698
May	537	4,397	3,735	3,380	3,116
June	4,127	5,364	4,408	4,030	
July	3,604	5,535	4,894	4,644	
August	4,357	3,845	4,008	3,670	
September	4,824	3,847	3,601	3,067	
October	4,023	3,470	2,500	2,604	
November	2,207	1,756	1,040	1,158	
December	1,580	1,036	757	791	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>2,222</i>	<i>11,766</i>	<i>11,122</i>	<i>9,845</i>	<i>8,976</i>
TOTAL	26,944	36,619	32,330	29,809	8,976

Sarah Owens	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	592	366	227	457	379
February	698	310	534	551	584
March	581	1,059	1,043	1,257	1,237
April	closed / C19	2,282	2,199	1,955	1,773
May	507	2,570	2,496	2,143	2,327
June	1,562	3,121	2,425	2,331	
July	1,554	3,447	2,394	2,151	
August	1,051	2,048	1,777	1,411	
September	1,657	1,975	1,847	1,810	
October	1,909	1,865	1,591	1,675	
November	712	765	757	851	
December	342	562	406	522	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>2,378</i>	<i>6,587</i>	<i>6,499</i>	<i>6,363</i>	<i>6,300</i>
TOTAL	11,165	20,370	17,696	17,114	6,300

Hatteras Island Weather Station W.C.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
February	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
March	82	65	130	186	230
April	closed / C19	181	399	373	428
May	16	227	342	348	542
June	88	222	470	373	
July	139	246	449	446	
August	73	209	471	367	
September	113	229	309	389	
October	180	271	340	334	
November	102	81	132	144	
December	closed	closed	closed	closed	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>98</i>	<i>473</i>	<i>871</i>	<i>907</i>	<i>1,200</i>
TOTAL	793	1,731	3,042	2,960	1,200

Whalebone W.C.	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
January	closed	88	120	139	154
February	closed	84	105	125	138
March	251	772	744	736	886
April	closed / C19	1,257	1,150	1,201	979
May	189	1,175	1,152	1,308	1,098
June	629	1,573	1,269	1,337	
July	710	1,496	1,244	1,473	
August	676	1,110	1,085	1,202	
September	1,025	1,187	1,073	1,145	
October	983	1,340	1,062	1,106	
November	519	637	610	686	
December	354	442	367	443	
<i>YTD</i>	<i>440</i>	<i>3,376</i>	<i>3,271</i>	<i>3,509</i>	<i>3,255</i>
TOTAL	5,336	11,161	9,981	10,901	3,255

Weather Station WC open Friday and Saturday Jan, Feb 2023, 2024
 Aycock Brown open 9 to 4:30 in December 2022
 Weather Station WC open Wednesday to Sunday in 2021
 Aycock Brown WC closed 7 days in March 2021 for repaving
 Whalebone Welcome Center open Friday and Saturday in January/February 2021, 22, 23
 Hatteras Island & Whalebone Welcome Centers closed Aug 2-4, 2020 for Hurricane Isaias
 Aycock Brown Welcome Center closed March 17 and re-opened May 30, 2020
 Hatteras Welcome Center closed March 15 and re-opened May 23, 2020
 Sarah Owens Welcome Center closed March 17 and re-opened May 16, 2020
 Whalebone Welcome Center closed March 17 and re-opened May 23, 2020
 Whalebone Junction WC closed for 4 days in Oct and 10 in Nov while road was resurfaced
 Welcome Center counts reflects number of people who were inside center