

**Park Improvement Program  
2009 - 2010**

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## **Park Improvement Program 2009 - 2010**

During the 2009 - 2010 fiscal year a total of \$ 1,099,641\* were spent in the 3 administrative Regions (Western, Central, Eastern) as indicated in Table 1 (\$ value) and Figure 1 (% of total dollars spent). This is a decrease of less than 1% over 2008/2009 spending. Contracts totaling \$ 637,497 were awarded to eight different contractors.

Table 1 (\$ value) and Figure 2 (% of total dollars spent) show the breakdown by District of monies spent in each of 3 categories (Materials/Labour, In Kind - materials provided from within inventory of Parks Workshop, TIR (DNR funds delivered by TIR trades or contracts) and TIR funded projects.

In the Western Region, \$286,870 was spent with three contracts awarded to two different contractors.

Central Region expenditures totaled \$366,143. Three contracts were awarded, to three different contractors.

Two contracts were awarded in the Eastern Region, to two different contractors. Expenditures totaled \$446,628

Details of expenditures for each Region can be found under the appropriate tab.

\* Includes **Tangible Capital Asset (TCA)** expenditures of \$599,922

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**Total Expenditures - All Regions**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Materials/Labour</b>	<b>In Kind</b>	<b>TIR (DNR Funded)</b>	<b>TIR Funded</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>
Western	\$201,618	\$6,141	\$79,111.00		\$286,870
Central	\$335,852	\$11,648	\$18,643		\$366,143
Eastern	\$433,266	\$8,614	\$4,748.00		\$446,628
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$970,736</b>	<b>\$26,403</b>	<b>\$102,502</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,099,641</b> includes \$ TCA and Noel

Figure 1. Park Improvement Program 2009 - 2010  
Total Expenditures by Category - \$ Value all Regions

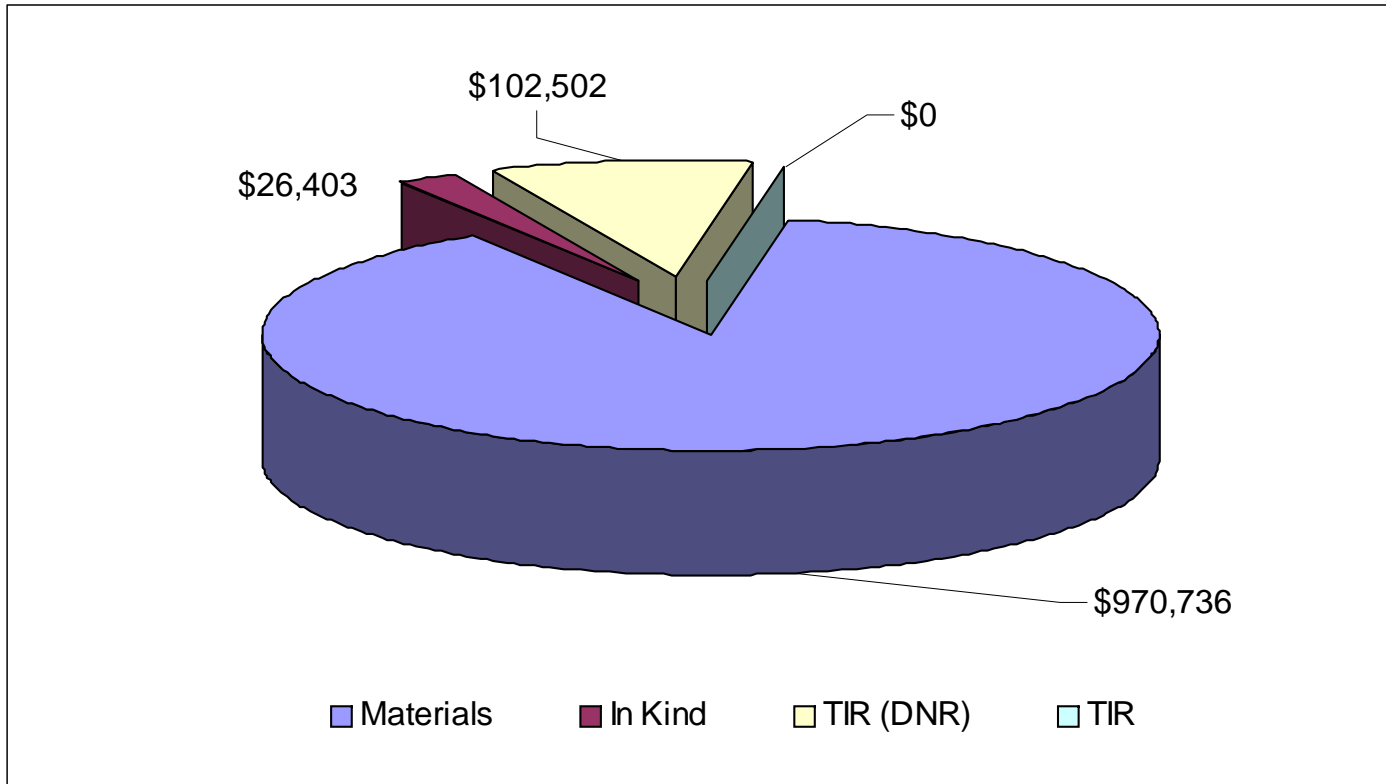
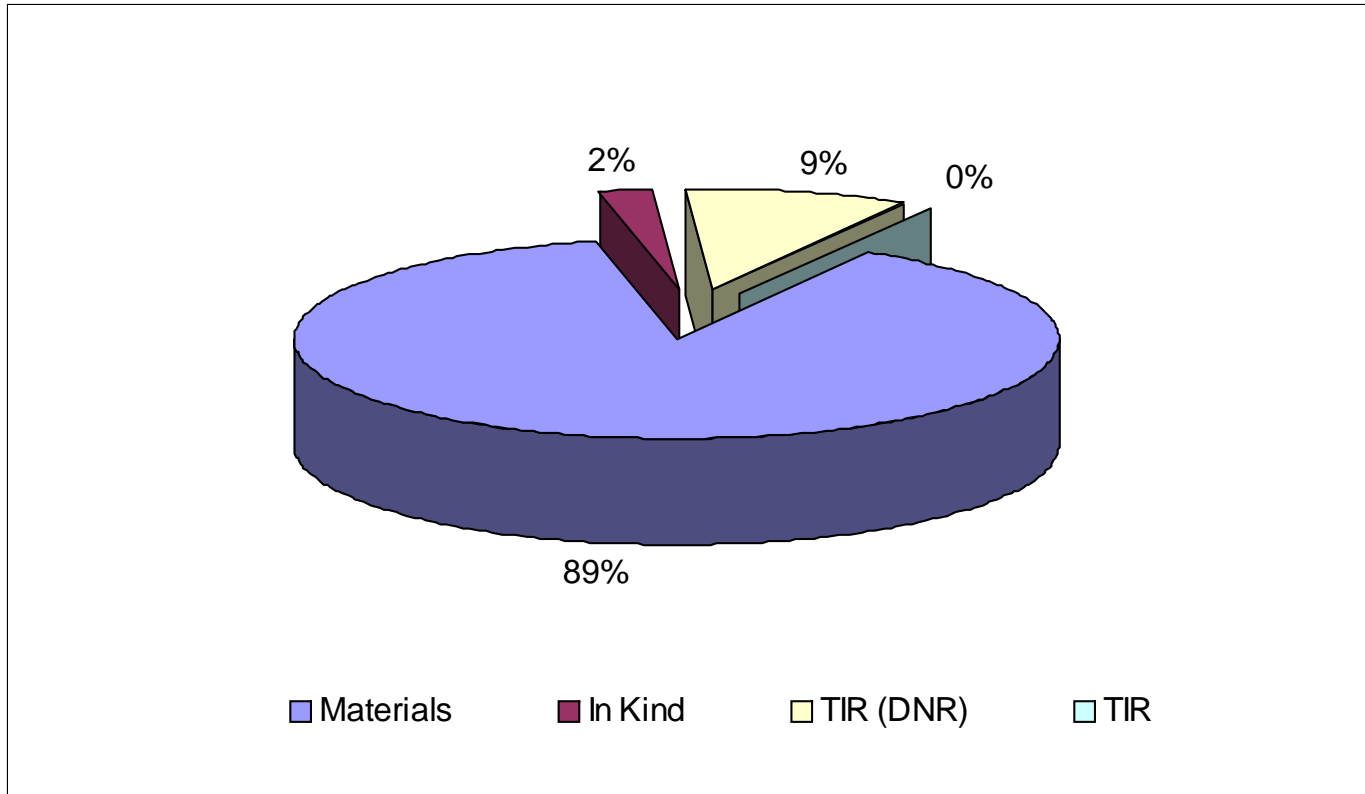


Figure 2. Park Improvement Program 2009 - 2010  
Total Expenditures - % by Category



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**Tangible Capital Asset (TCA) Expenditures - All Regions**

<b>Region</b>	<b>Park</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>
Central	Cape Chignecto	\$47,500
	Laurie	\$52,949
	Porters Lake	\$2,500
<b>Sub-Total Central</b>		<b>\$102,949</b>
Western	Graves Island	\$88,953
<b>Sub-Total Western</b>		<b>\$88,953</b>
Eastern	Mira	\$360,592
	Whycocomagh	\$47,428
<b>Sub-Total Eastern</b>		<b>\$408,020</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$599,922</b>

## **Park Improvement Program 2009 - 2010 Western Region**

The Western Region contains seven camping parks, 14 beaches (fresh and saltwater) and 22 day use parks.

In this Region monies were spent at four camping parks and three day use parks (see Table 3). Material/labour accounted for \$201,618, In Kind \$6,141 and TIR (DNR) funded \$79,111. Table 3 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed.

Three tenders were awarded in this Region, one at Rissers Beach Provincial Park, one at Blomidon Provincial Park and one at Graves Island. Tenders were awarded to Bernard L. Mailman Construction in the amount of \$73,099 (Rissers) and \$86,778 (Graves Island) and R. MacLean Construction \$29,600 at Blomidon.

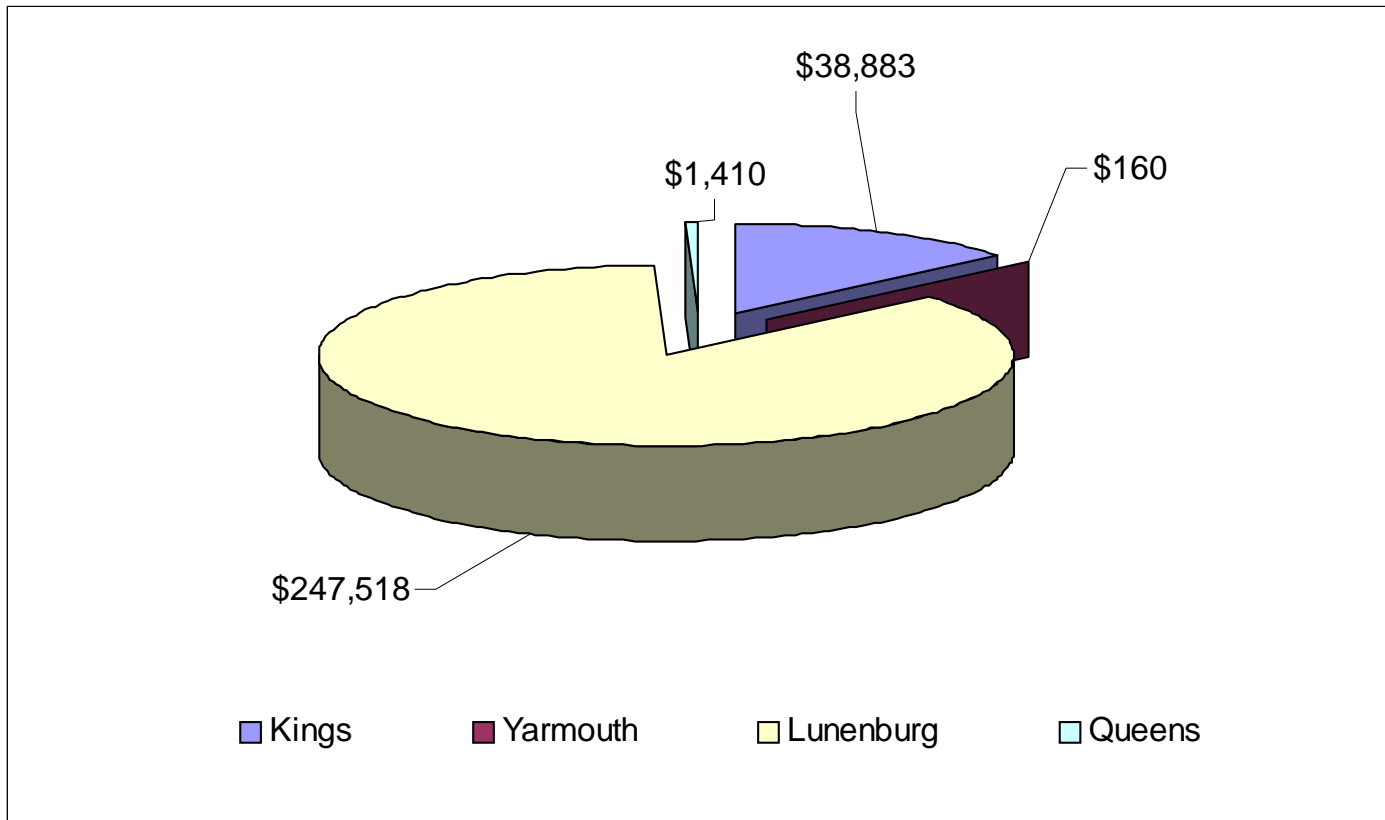


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Western Region

<b>Park</b>	<b>Work Performed</b>	<b>Materials/ Labour</b>	<b>In Kind</b>	<b>TIR DNR Funded</b>	<b>TIR Funded</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>
Blomidon	Day use access	\$35,616	\$1,930			\$37,546
Clairmont	potable water	\$1,337				\$1,337
East River	accessible toilet	\$2,453	\$1,100			\$3,553
Ellenwood	septic pumping	\$160				\$160
Graves Island	redevelopment bolts for tables	\$88,953	\$802			\$89,755
Rissers Beach	2 double gates TIR architects Noel damage	\$73,099	\$2,000	\$79,111		\$154,210
Summerville	3 table shelters		\$1,410			\$1,410
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$201,618</b>	<b>\$8,651</b>	<b>\$79,111</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$289,380</b>

Figure 4. Western Region Expenditures by County



## **Park Improvement Program 2009 - 2010 Central Region**

The Central Region is comprised of nine camping parks, 16 saltwater beaches and 19 day use parks.

In the Central Region work was undertaken at four camping parks and nine day use parks (see Table 4). Of the \$364,843 spent in this region, \$335,852 were materials/labour, \$11,648 were In Kind contributions, \$18,643 were TIR (DNR funded) charges and \$ TIR funded. Table 4 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed.

Four contracts, totaling \$148,035 were awarded to the following vendors (\$ value of contract):

A & L Concrete Forming - Long Lake	\$64,490
Brycon Construction - McNabs Island	\$ 25,864
Eagle Beach - McNabs Island	\$41,875
Bell Multi Construction - Clam Harbour	\$15,806

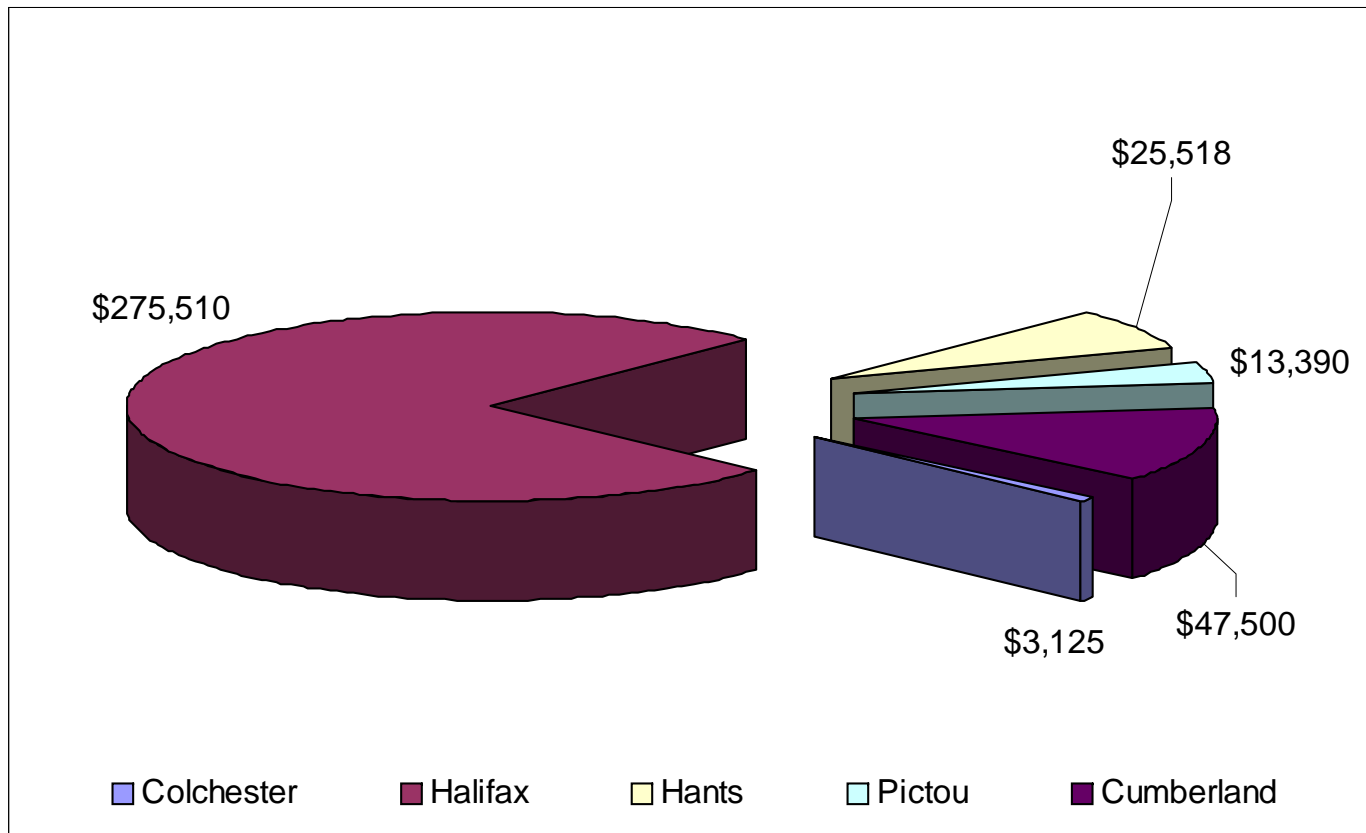
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**Central Region**

<b>Park</b>	<b>Work Performed</b>	<b>Materials/ Labour</b>	<b>In Kind</b>	<b>TIR DNR Funded</b>	<b>TIR Funded</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>
Anthony	Accessible toilet deck/ramp material	\$3,285	\$1,265			\$4,550
Cape Chignecto	Redevelopment	\$47,500				\$47,500
Caribou		\$8,500				\$8,500
Clam Harbour	shingles, siding	\$15,806	\$1,525			\$17,331
Five Islands	Campground Host	\$2,844	\$281			\$3,125
Greenhill	Accessible toilet ramp/deck material	\$2,178	\$1,265			\$3,443
Laurie	Redevelopment	\$52,948				\$52,948
Lower East Chezzetcook	shore protection	\$28,187				\$28,187
Long Lake	debris rack	\$72,990		\$6,500		\$79,490
Martinique		\$185				\$185
McNabs Island	dock, trails	\$75,429		\$2,909		\$78,338
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>\$309,852</b>	<b>\$4,336</b>	<b>\$9,409</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$323,597</b>

<b>Park</b>	<b>Work Performed</b>	<b>Materials/ Labour</b>	<b>In Kind</b>	<b>TIR DNR Funded</b>	<b>TIR Funded</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>
Melmerby	snowfence, signs		\$1,447			\$1,447
Musquodoboit Valley	Accessible toilet deck/ramp material	\$2,814	\$2,365			\$5,179
Porters Lake		\$7,862				\$7,862
Queensland	shingles, siding		\$1,300			\$1,300
Smileys	reroof Comfort Stn	\$11,734		\$9,234		\$20,968
Taylor Head	Accessible toilet	\$3,590	\$1,100			\$4,690
<b>Sub-Total</b>		<b>\$26,000</b>	<b>\$6,212</b>	<b>\$9,234</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$41,446</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$335,852</b>	<b>\$10,548</b>	<b>\$18,643</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$365,043</b>

Figure 5. Central Region Expenditures by County



## **Park Improvement Program 2009 - 2010 Eastern Region**

The Eastern Region contains five camping parks, 17 beaches (fresh and saltwater) and 22 day use parks.

Eastern Region work was undertaken at two camping parks and six day use parks (see Table 5). Of the \$446,588 spent in this region, \$433,266 were spent on materials/labour, 8,614 In Kind and \$4,748 TIR (DNR Funded). Table 5 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed. Figure 7 shows the dollar value of work performed at each park.

Two contracts, in the amount of \$332,388 were awarded as follows:

Peters Construction - Mira River	\$294,529
Hazeldale Milling - Whycocomagh	\$ 37,859

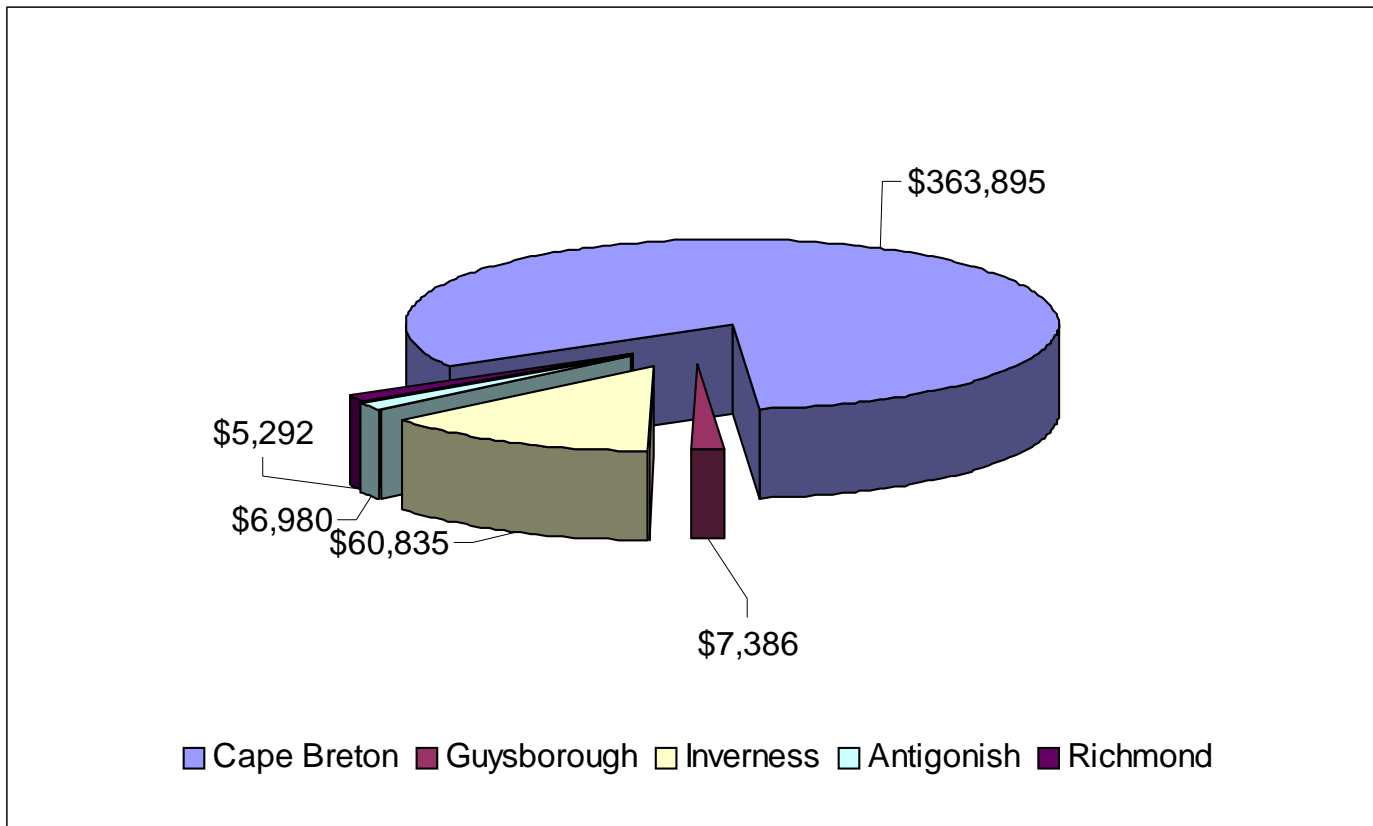
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**Eastern Region**

<b>Park</b>	<b>Work Performed</b>	<b>Materials/ Labour</b>	<b>In Kind</b>	<b>TIR (DNR Funded)</b>	<b>TIR Funded</b>	<b>Total Expenditures</b>
Arisaig	shingles	\$3,914	\$866			\$4,780
Boylston		\$2,593		\$2,593		\$5,186
Mira	siding Redevelopment	\$360,592	\$1,148	\$2,155		\$363,895
Marie Joseph	Accessible toilets		\$2,200			\$2,200
Sherbrooke	Accessible toilets		\$2,200			\$2,200
Point Michaud	beach facilities	\$5,292				\$5,292
Port Hood	dune restoration	\$9,800				\$9,800
West Mabou	leaking vaults	\$3,607				\$3,607
Whycocomagh	Redevelopment	\$47,428				\$47,428
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$433,226</b>	<b>\$8,614</b>	<b>\$4,748</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$446,588</b>



Figure 6. Eastern Region Expenditures by County



Park Visitor Statistics - Camping Parks

Park	# of Sites	Avail. Camper Nights		Occupancy % 2009	Permits Issued		RV	Tent
		2008	2009		Resident	Non-Resident		
Amherst Shore	42	4,872	5,124	40.68	679	635	568	746
Battery	52	4,183	4,136	34.75	392	789	531	650
Blomidon	70	10,224	8,236	42.78	1,544	567	494	1,617
Boylston	35	3,115	2,835	12.11	91	126	110	107
Cape Chignecto	84	11,664	14,256		570	466	34	1,002
Caribou	91	12,296	13,992	52.01	2,147	1,236	1,603	1,781
Dollar Lake	119	13,689	14,391	29.44	3,225	240	818	2,647
Ellenwood Lake	81	9,594	9,512	20.52	1,451	145	863	733
Five Islands	87	9,828	8,652	26.91	1,148	1,056	658	1,546
Graves Island	121	17,136	9,639	32.76	1,539	774	940	1,373
Laurie	71	6,319	5,254	33.86	983	465	320	1,128
Mira River	148	13,172	14,060	34.01	2,111	945	1,203	1,853
Porters Lake	76	9,504	9,966	29.21	1,354	1,156	1,114	1,396
Rissers Beach	95	13,248	13,892	48.76	3,366	757	1,989	2,134
Salsman	40	3,560	3,240	28.53	404	139	295	248
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	1,212	142,404	137,185		21,004	9,496	11,540	18,961

Park	# of Sites	Avail. Camper Nights		Occupancy % 2009	Permits Issued		RV	Tent
		2008	2009		Resident	Non-Resident		
Smileys	86	11,659	10,611	28.92	1,609	269	882	996
The Islands	62	6,386	7,192	19.20	733	487	578	642
Thomas Raddall	82	10,080	10,570	28.16	1,641	617	1,119	1,139
Valleyview	30	3,480	3,480	22.09	391	173	253	311
Whycocomagh	62	7,076	7,076	14.01	279	944	514	709
<b>TOTAL</b>	1,534	181,085	176,114		25,657	11,986	14,886	22,758
<b>%</b>					68%	32%	40%	60%

Park Visitor Statistics

Reservations

2008						2009				
Park	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations
Amherst Shore	413	71	342	1,791	23%	484	229	255	1,314	37%
Battery	109	23	86	1,406	8%	125	70	55	1,181	11%
Blomidon	657	114	543	2,785	24%	870	503	367	2,111	41%
Boylston	51	4	47	307	17%	60	29	31	217	28%
Cape Chignecto	368	21	347	1,110	33%	355	0	355	1,036	34%
Caribou	984	204	780	4,080	24%	1,149	568	581	3,384	34%
Dollar Lake	926	176	750	3,287	28%	1,358	647	711	3,465	39%
Ellenwood Lake	365	54	311	1,545	24%	470	189	281	1,596	29%
Five Islands	523	71	452	1,972	27%	671	243	428	2,204	30%
Graves Island	1,311	343	968	3,493	38%	1,262	652	610	2,313	55%
Laurie	394	43	351	1,646	24%	415	198	217	1,448	29%
Mira River	364	73	291	3,301	11%	573	294	279	3,056	19%
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>6,465</b>	<b>1,197</b>	<b>5,268</b>	<b>26,723</b>		<b>7,792</b>	<b>3,622</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>23,325</b>	

2008						2009				
Park	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations	Total Permits Issued by Resv	Web	Call Centre	Total # Camping Permits	% Permits from Reservations
Porters Lake	706	126	580	3,017	23%	946	413	533	2,510	38%
Rissers Beach	1,999	573	1,426	4,432	45%	2,635	1,237	1,398	4,123	64%
Salsman	119	21	98	585	20%	154	64	90	543	28%
Smileys	466	80	386	1,655	28%	621	289	332	1,878	33%
The Islands	220	36	184	1,400	16%	261	122	139	1,220	21%
Thomas Raddall	760	138	622	2,450	31%	984	455	529	2,258	44%
Valleyview	119	22	97	704	17%	128	90	38	564	23%
Whycocomagh	168	37	131	1,876	9%	169	95	74	1,223	14%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>11,022</b>	<b>2,230</b>	<b>8,792</b>	<b>42,842</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>13,690</b>	<b>6,387</b>	<b>7,303</b>	<b>37,644</b>	<b>36%</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>2,142</b>		<b>685</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1,882</b>	
<b>%</b>		<b>20%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>26%</b>			<b>47%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>36%</b>	

## Park Visitor Statistics

Day Use\*

Park	2009	2010
Bayfield	1,173	1,698
Bayswater Beach	9,416	9,710
Clam Harbour Beach	6,741	8,081
Dollar Lake	6,405	8,482
Ellenwood	3,501	3,127
Heather Beach	3,431	4,971
Lawrencetown Beach	12,589	11,164
Martinique Beach	6,656	9,233
Mavillette Beach	1,486	1,135
Melmerby Beach	12,623	16,771
Pomquet	4,226	3,281
Port Maitland	4,981	6,037
Queensland Beach	13,457	17,973
Rainbow Haven	23,377	27,057
Rissers Beach	11,625	10,623
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED*</b>	<b>121,687</b>	<b>139,343</b>

\*Estimate provided by Nova Scotia Lifeguard Service supervised beaches only

## Park Visitor Statistics

### Fee Structure

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Basic	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$18
Semi-Serviced	\$18	\$21	\$23	\$24
Water/Elec	N/A	\$29	\$31	\$32
Reservation	0	\$6	\$8	\$9
Cancellation	0	\$4	\$6	\$7

### Parks Are For People

	2007	2008	2009	2010
# Provincial Parks	37	34	36	38
Total # Participants	10,791*	19,667	35,258	26,219
# Events	105	132	138	93
# Other Properties	24	25	22	23

\* No Clam Harbour Sandcastle Event

### Provincial Parks System

	2007	2008	2009	2010
# Properties				
Total Landbase	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000