

ANNUAL REPORT

Park Improvement Program 2012 - 2013

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Park Improvement Program 2012 - 2013

During the 2012 - 2013 fiscal year a total of \$2,448,943* 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 21% over 2011/2012 spending. Contracts totaling \$1,050,292 were awarded to eight different contractors .

Table 1 (\$ value) and Figure 2 (% of total dollars spent) show the breakdown by Region 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, \$778,645 was spent with six contracts awarded, to 6 different contractors.

Central Region expenditures totaled \$1,067,245. No contracts were awarded in the Central Region by Natural Resources.

One contract was awarded in the Eastern Region. Expenditures totaled \$603,053.

Details of expenditures for each Region can be found on pages 5, 8 and 12.

* Includes **Tangible Capital Asset (TCA)** expenditures of \$1,270,484

**Park Improvement Program
2012 - 2013**

Total Expenditures - All Regions

Region	Materials/Labour	In Kind	TIR (DNR Funded)	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Western	\$692,365	\$5,235	\$81,045	0	\$778,645
Central	\$46,111	\$9,878	\$571,897	439,359	\$1,067,245
Eastern	\$39,031	\$1,128	\$562,894	0	\$603,053
TOTAL	\$777,507	\$16,241	\$1,215,836	\$439,359	\$2,448,943

Figure 1. Park Improvement Program 2012 - 2013
Total Expenditures by Category - \$ Value all Regions

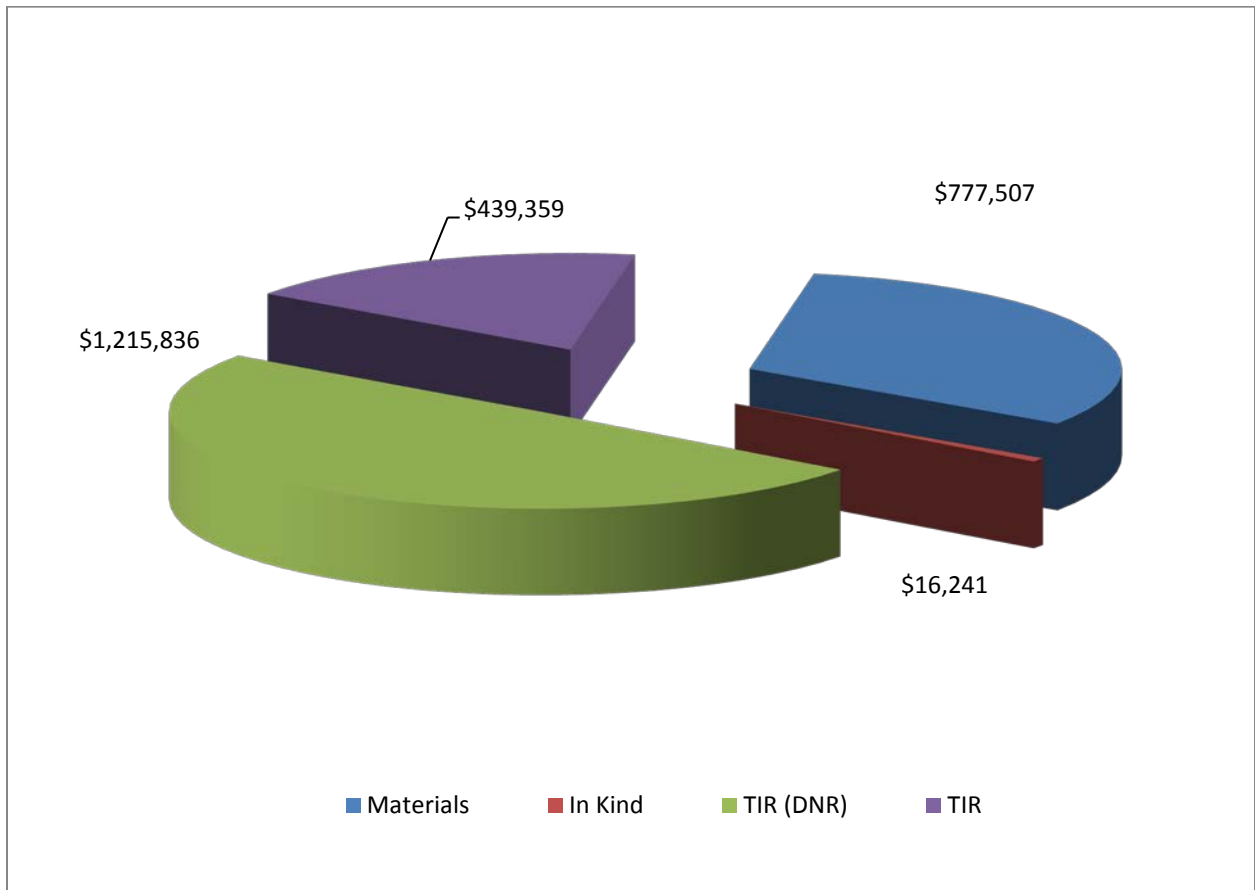
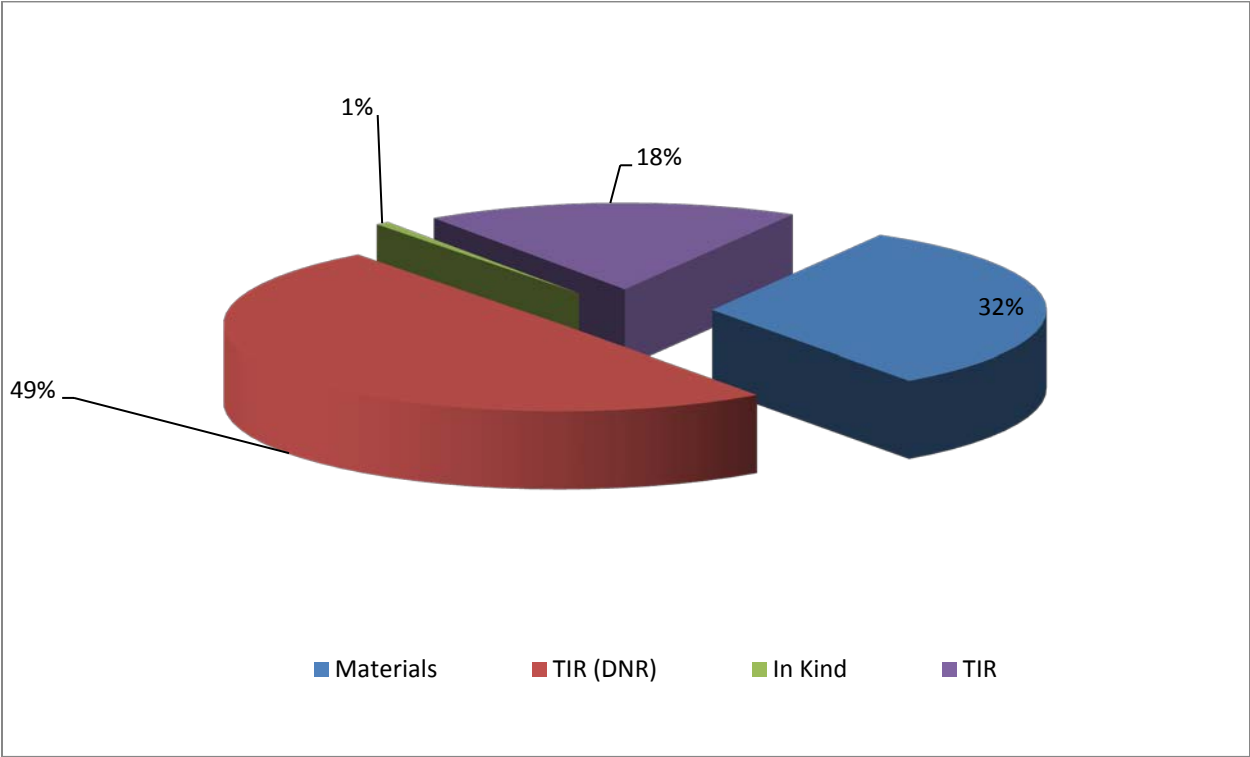


Figure 2. Park Improvement Program 2012 – 2013
Total Expenditures - % by Category



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Tangible Capital Asset (TCA) Expenditures - All Regions

Region	Park	Expenditures
Central	Anthony	\$440,137
Sub-Total Central		\$440,137
Western	Graves Island	\$268,016
Sub-Total Western		\$268,016
Eastern	Dominion Beach	562,331
Sub-Total Eastern		\$562,331
TOTAL		\$1,270,484

Park Improvement Program 2012 - 2013 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 five camping parks and four day use parks(see Table 3). Material/labour accounted for \$693,969, In Kind \$5,235 and TIR (DNR) funded \$81,045. Table 3 also gives a breakdown of the dollars spent at each park in the Region and a summary of the work performed.

Five tenders were awarded in this Region at Cape Split, Port L'Hebert, Rissers Beach, Sand Hills and Summerville Beach. Tenders were awarded to the following*:

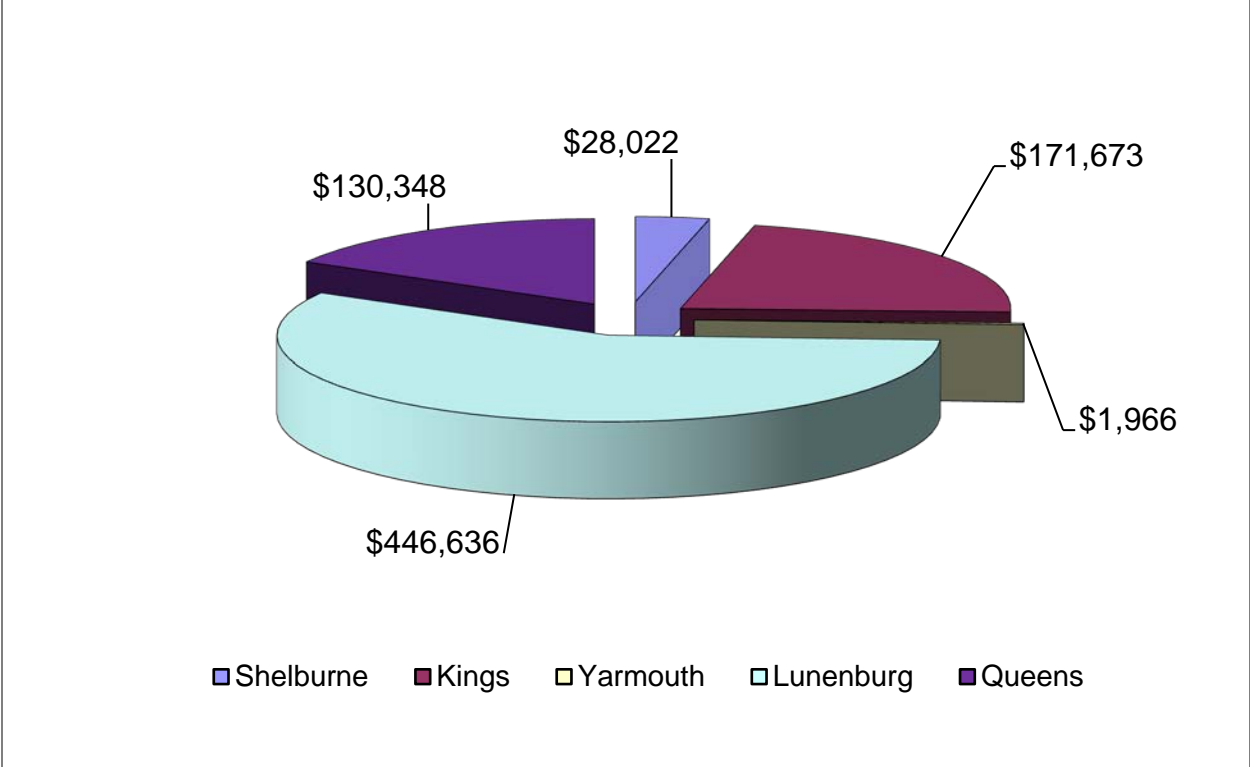
Howard E. Little (Cape Split)	\$ 166,399
Terra Marine (Port L'Hebert)	\$ 58,387
Gary Parker Excavating (Rissers Beach)	\$ 101,208
Burke Harris(Sand Hills)	\$ 16,443
T & J Delaney (Summerville Beach)	\$ 32,400
Dexter Construction (Graves Island)	\$ 196,252

* Does not include TIR issued contracts Park Improvement Program

2012 - 2013
Western Region

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Cape Split	Trail head parking	\$168,213	\$3,460			\$171,673
Ellenwood	Beach wall evaluation	\$1,966				\$1,966
Graves Island	Dishwash Stations Redevelopment Water System	\$234,070		\$48,068		\$282,138
Port L'Hebert	Trails	\$63,292	\$1,575			\$64,867
Rissers Beach	Redevelopment Comfort Station Dishwash Stations	\$149,746	\$200	\$14,552		\$164,498
Sand Hills	Access Improvements	\$16,443				\$16,443
Summerville	Access Improvements	\$32,400				\$32,400
The Islands	Grading Group Use Dishwash Stations	\$11,579				\$11,579
Thomas Raddall	Building Improvements Dishwash Station	\$14,656		\$18,425		\$33,081
TOTAL		\$692,365	\$5,235	\$81,045	0	\$778,645

Figure 4. Western Region Expenditures by County



Park Improvement Program 2012 - 2013 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 seven camping parks and 12 day use parks (see Table 4). Of the \$1,067,245 spent in this region, \$46,111 were materials/labour, \$9,878 were In Kind contributions, \$571,897 were TIR (DNR funded) charges and \$439,359 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.

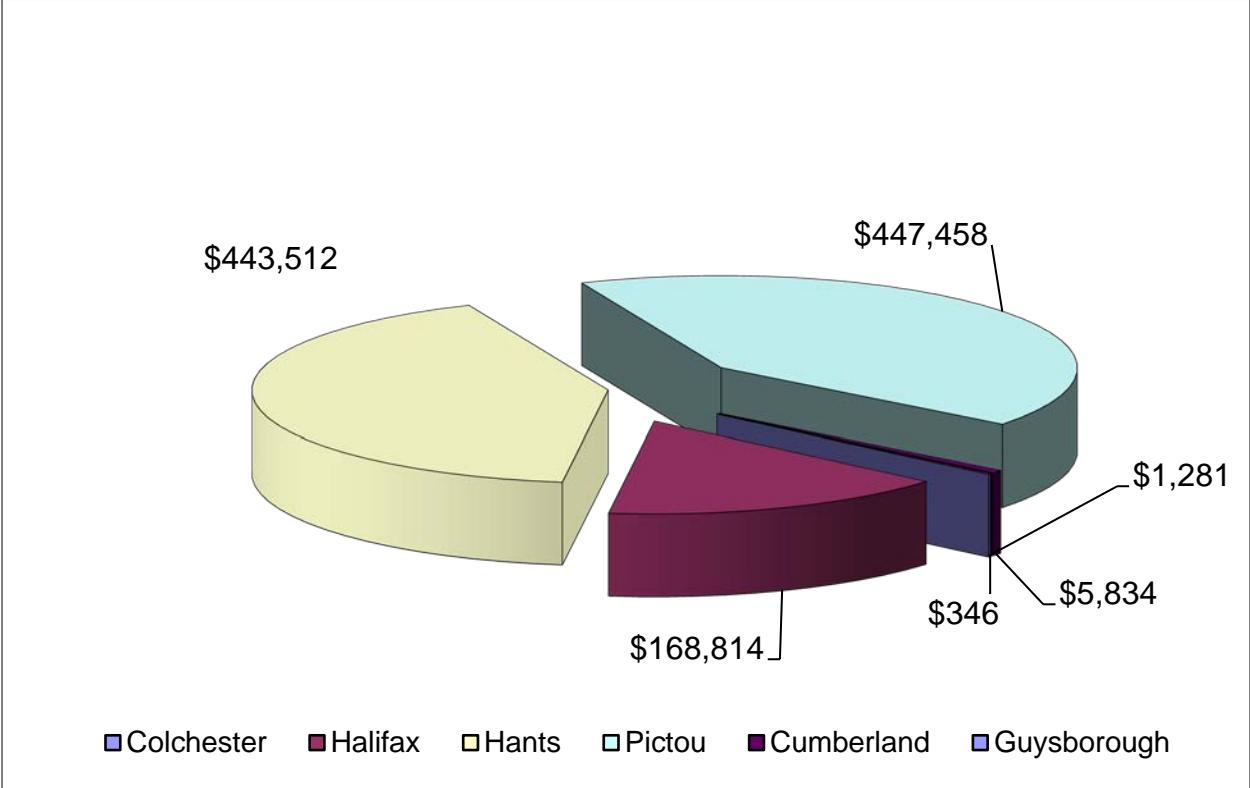
**Park Improvement Program
2012 - 2013
Central Region**

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Amherst Shore	Footbridge replacement	4,008				\$4,008
Anthony	wharf replacement			\$440,137		\$440,137
Cape Chignecto	Signage		\$1,826			\$1,826
Caribou	building			\$60	\$439,359	\$439,419
Cleveland Beach	Gravel/grade entry area	\$1,933				\$1,933
Crystal Crescent	signage		\$497			\$497
Dollar Lake	Septic repairs	\$3,473				\$3,473
Five Islands	Tree planting, signage	\$823	\$299			\$1,122
Gulf Shore	Culvert replacement/sign	\$1,942	\$147			\$2,089
Harrigan Cove	wharf			\$28,694		\$28,694
Jerry Lawrence	Culvert replacement	\$739				\$739
Sub-Total		\$12,918	\$2,769	\$468,891	\$439,359	\$923,937

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Laurie	Redevelopment, bridge reinforcing, road repairs	\$9,104		\$60,799		\$69,903
Lawrencetown	Gate (Stoney), accessible privies	\$5,116	\$4,859			\$9,975
Long Lake	Sluice gate inspection			\$42,207		\$42,207
McNabs Island	Kiosk, trails	\$3,528	\$456			\$3,984
Oakfield	Upgrade access, doors, lumber, rebar	\$6,350	\$964			\$7,314
Powells Point	Off season parking	\$5,950				\$5,950
Second Lake	Signage		\$69			\$69
Shubenacadie Canal	Signage		\$26			\$26
Smileys	Road repairs, dish wash station, lumber	\$3,145	\$230			\$3,375
Tor Bay	Hardware		\$346			\$346
Wentworth	Signage		\$159			\$159
Sub-Total		\$33,193	\$7,109	\$103,006	\$0	\$143,308

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR DNR Funded	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Total		\$46,111	\$9,878	\$571,897	\$439,359	\$1,067,245

Figure 5. Central Region Expenditures by County



Park Improvement Program 2012 - 2013 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 one camping park and 11 day use parks (see Table 5). Of the \$603,053 spent in this region, \$39,031 were spent on materials/labour, \$1,128 In Kind and \$ 562,894 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.

One contract, in the amount of \$18,080 was awarded as follows*:

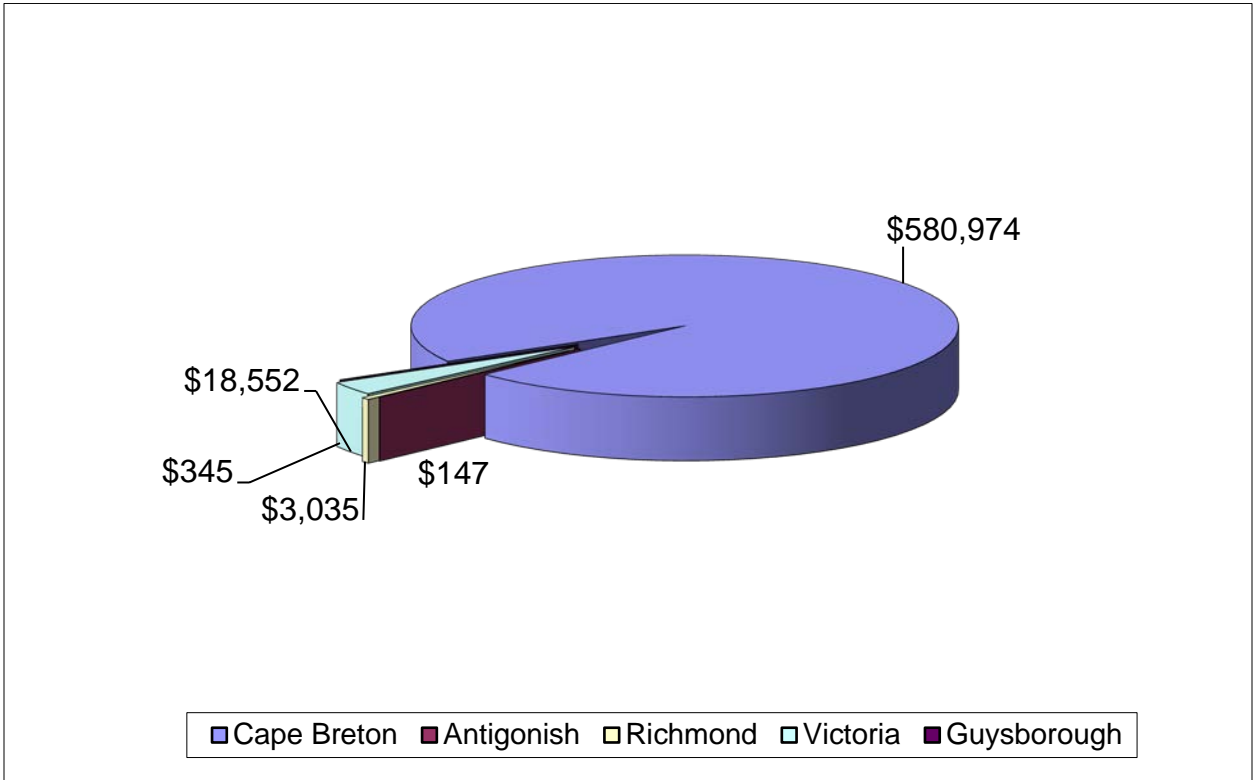
Peter's Construction (Petersfield)	\$18,080
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* does not include TIR issued contracts

**Park Improvement Program
2012 – 2013
Eastern Region**

Park	Work Performed	Materials/ Labour	In Kind	TIR (DNR Funded)	TIR Funded	Total Expenditures
Beaver Mtn	Signage		\$147			\$147
Dalem Lake	Trails	\$9,927				\$9,927
Dominion Beach	Shoreline protection			\$562,331		\$562,331
Irish Cove	Signage		\$159			\$159
Lennox	Planting	\$2,399	\$159			\$2,558
Mira River	Comfort Station			\$563		\$563
Petersfield	Shoreline protection	\$18,080				\$18,080
Plaster	Signage	\$825				\$825
Point Michaud	Signage		\$159			\$159
Pondville	Signage		\$159			\$159
Tor Bay	Hardware		\$345			\$345
Uisage Ban	Bridge replacement	\$7,800				\$7,800
TOTAL		\$39,031	\$1,128	\$562,894	\$0	\$603,053

Figure 6. Eastern Region Expenditures by County



Park	# of Sites	Avail. Camper Nights		Occupancy % 2012	Permits Issued		RV	Tent
		2011	2012		Resident	Non-Resident		
Amherst Shore	42	4,872	6,762	27	489	605	547	547
Battery	52	4,576	6,627	22	379	593	482	487
Blomidon	70	6,603	8,307	40	1,361	570	688	1,243
Boylston	35	3,080	4,935	6	98	139	86	151
Cape Chignecto	84							
Caribou	91	10,556	14,651	36	1,759	995	1,493	1,261
Dollar Lake	119	13,572	18,837	20	1,948	172	587	1,533
Ellenwood Lake	81	8,091	10,179	22	950	132	573	509
Five Islands	87	10,266	14,007	19	872	793	595	1,070
Graves Island	121	14,848	16,704	33	2,044	722	1,454	1,312
Laurie (open late)	71	4,347	8,442	29	962	444	454	952
Mira River	148	15,960	23,688	22	1,929	812	1,538	1,203
Porters Lake	76	10,240	11,520	32	1,304	757	886	1,175
Rissers Beach	95	12,544	14,112	49	2,632	446	1,752	1,326
Salsman	40	3,520	5,640	14	341	93	225	209
SUB-TOTAL	1,212	125,086	164,411		17,605	7,273	11,360	12,978

Smileys	86	8,670	12,400	20	1,203	158	792	569
The Islands	62	5,766	9,982	15	549	313	466	396
Thomas Raddall	82	10,624	11,952	29	1,331	329	832	828
Valleyview	30	2,430	4,020	17	290	93	133	250
Whycocomagh	62	4,033	6,216	29	354	812	679	487
TOTAL	1,534	154,598	208,981		21,332	8,978	14,262	15,508
%								

Park Visitor Statistics - Reservations

Park	2011					2012				
	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	432	309	123	979	44%	540	418	122	1,144	47%
Battery	191	128	63	904	21%	233	157	76	1,005	23%
Blomidon	932	667	265	1,841	50%	1,131	874	257	2,046	55%
Boylston	40	30	10	233	17%	51	40	11	257	19%
Cape Chignecto	300	90	210	485	61%	395	155	240	576	68%
Caribou	1,200	870	330	2,537	47%	1,509	1,126	383	2,883	52%
Dollar Lake	1,281	899	382	1,982	64%	1,549	1,205	344	2,251	68%
Ellenwood Lake	367	252	115	942	38%	481	352	129	1,053	45%
Five Islands	725	511	214	1,621	44%	859	626	233	1,772	48%
Graves Island	1,496	1,083	413	2,573	58%	1,763	1,353	410	2,911	60%
Laurie	695	387	308	1,220	56%	820	590	230	1,491	54%
Mira River	937	697	240	2,474	37%	1,167	907	260	2,747	42%
SUB-TOTAL	8,596	5,923	2,673	17,791		10,498	7,803	2,695	20,136	

Park	2011					2012				
	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	743	491	252	1,706	43%	1,188	899	289	2,168	54%
Rissers Beach	1,932	1,370	562	2,739	70%	2,744	2,173	571	3,454	79%
Salsman	217	157	60	457	47%	235	169	66	439	53%
Smileys	733	545	188	1,375	53%	815	656	159	1,395	58%
The Islands	218	138	80	715	30%	309	227	82	926	33%
Thomas Raddall	888	623	265	1,488	59%	1,131	879	252	1,748	64%
Valleyview	158	123	35	389	40%	186	146	40	398	46%
Whycocomagh	199	126	73	861	23%	354	236	118	1,207	29%
TOTAL	13,684	9,496	4,188	27,521	25%	17,460	13,188	4,272	31,871	
%		69%	31%				75%	25%		

Park Visitor Statistics

Day Use

Park	2011	2012
Bayfield	1,444	2,326
Bayswater Beach	10,78	11,155
Clam Harbour Beach	14,489	6,330
Dollar Lake	8,889	8,100
Dominion	5,679	8,704
Ellenwood	2,905	3,017
Heather Beach	4,089	4,183
Lawrencetown Beach	9,622	15,234
Martinique Beach	11,491	14,647
Mavillette Beach	1,782	2,018
Melmerby Beach	13,297	16,289
Point Michaud	2,840	5,156
Pomquet	3,279	3,000
Port Hood		3,038
Port Maitland	4,875	5,746
Queensland Beach	15,657	20,966
Rainbow Haven	22,266	22,404
Rissers Beach	11,586	12,293
TOTAL ESTIMATED*	145,068	164,606

*Estimate provided by Nova Scotia Lifesaving Society supervised beaches only

Park Visitor Statistics

Fee Structure

	2009	2010	2011	2012
Basic	\$18	\$18	\$18	\$18
Semi-Serviced	\$23	\$24	\$24	\$24
Water/Elec	\$31	\$32	\$32	\$32
Reservation	\$8	\$9	\$9	\$9
Cancellation	\$6	\$7	\$7	\$7

Events

	2009	2010	2011	2012
# Provincial Parks	346	38	43	38
Total # Participants	35,258	26,219	23,919	12,998
# Events	138	93	154	180
# Other Properties	22	223	28	17

Provincial Parks System

	2009	2010	2011	2012
# Properties			312	312
Total Landbase	33,000	33,000	33,000	33,000