

Table 7: Annual Outdoor Recreation Participation by Minnesotans in Minnesota and Elsewhere, 2004 (Population 20 years and older)

Activity	Number of Participants (000's)	Percent of Population
Walking/hiking (Outdoors for pleasure or exercise)	1,896	54%
Boating of all types, including fishing from a boat	1,493	43
Boating of all types, excluding fishing from a boat	1,237	36
Swimming or wading	1,423	41
Driving for pleasure on scenic roads or in a park	1,300	37
Picnicking	1,245	36
Fishing	1,054	30
Biking	1,011	29
Visiting outdoor zoos	957	27
Camping	899	26
Visiting nature centers	884	25
Nature observation, photography	844	24
Golfing	820	24
Outdoor field sports (soccer, softball/baseball, football)	737	21
Visiting historic or archaeological sites	721	21
Sledding and snow tubing	642	18
Outdoor court sports (volleyball, basketball, tennis, horseshoes)	612	18
Hunting of all types	556	16
Running or jogging	497	14
Ice skating/hockey outdoors	402	12
Inline skating, rollerblading, roller skating, roller skiing	394	11
Offroad ATV driving	357	10
Snowmobiling	342	10
Downhill skiing/snowboarding	313	9
Gather mushrooms, berries, or other wild foods	302	9
Cross country skiing	227	7
Horseback riding	157	5
Snowshoeing	146	4

Source: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. (2005). Outdoor Recreation Participation in Minnesota