



# BURKE COUNTY OUTDOOR RECREATION PARTICIPATION SURVEY

The total economic output from outdoor recreation visitor spending is

**\$160.9 MILLION**



**\$47.4 MILLION**

which supports approximately

**1,774 FULL-TIME JOBS**

in labor income

## POPULAR ACTIVITIES

- CAR CAMPING (31%)**
- DAY HIKING (29%)**
- FISHING (22%)**

**76%** of recent trips were overnight, averaging a stay of **2 NIGHTS**



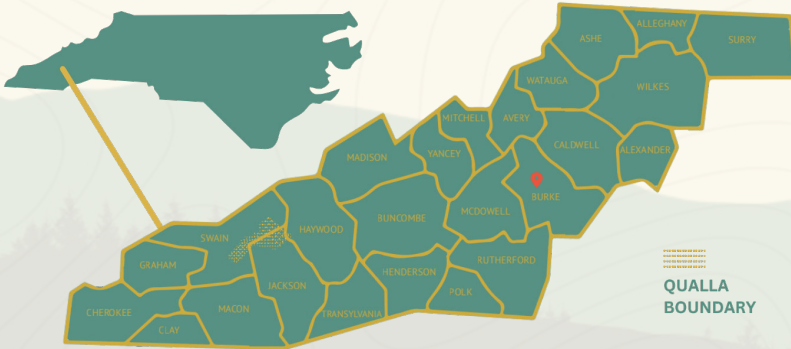
## AVERAGE TRAVEL PARTY SIZE

**\$461:** average spending per trip



**97%**

of respondents were satisfied with their outdoor recreation experience



## POPULAR SPENDING



- LODGING - \$86**
- RESTAURANT MEALS - \$83**
- GASOLINE - \$71**
- ENTERTAINMENT - \$64**

## POPULAR DESTINATIONS

- BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY (60%)**
- SOUTH MOUNTAINS STATE PARK (44%)**
- CATAWBA RIVER (35%)**

## POPULAR LODGING

- HOTEL/MOTEL (32%)**
- CAMPER (19%)**
- FRIENDS/FAMILY (7%)**
- CONDO (6%)**



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