A few facts about the outdoor recreation economy

In 2021, the outdoor recreation economy contributed:

- **$454 billion** to the nation’s GDP.¹
- **1.9%** of the nation’s total GDP.¹
- **over 4.5 million** jobs across the country.¹

**Industry share of outdoor recreation economy in 2021:**

- Retail 26.40%
- Arts, entertainment, recreation, food, and hospitality 24.60%
- Manufacturing 13.60%
- Wholesale 8.40%
- Transportation and warehousing 7.00%
- Other industries 20.00%

**Western voters support protecting public lands for outdoor recreation access:**

80 percent of Westerners support creating new national parks, national monuments, national wildlife refuges and tribal protected areas to protect historic sites or areas for outdoor recreation.²

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