Outdoor Recreation Satellite Account, U.S. and States, 2019

The new U.S. data show that the outdoor recreation economy accounted for 2.1 percent ($459.8 billion) of current-dollar gross domestic product (GDP) for the nation in 2019. At the state level, outdoor recreation value added as a share of state GDP ranged from 5.8 percent in Hawaii to 1.3 percent in Connecticut. The share was 1.1 percent in the District of Columbia.

- Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, and food services sector was the largest contributor to outdoor recreation in 31 states and the District of Columbia.

- Retail trade was the largest contributor to outdoor recreation in 13 states and the second largest contributor in 32 states.

- Manufacturing was the largest contributor to the outdoor recreation economy in Texas and Indiana.

BEA data—including GDP, personal income, the balance of payments, foreign direct investment, the input-output accounts, and economic data for states, local areas, and industries—are available at www.bea.gov. E-mail alerts are also available.

NOTE: Outdoor recreation satellite account estimates for 2020 will be released in November 2021.