

addition to the park system; it includes the Lake Winnipeg islands of Hecla, Black, Deer and several smaller islands; Grindstone Point, adjacent to the park on the mainland, is a recreation area; Hecla village is an historic Icelandic fishing site. Spruce Woods Provincial Park 30 miles (48 km) east of Brandon has an area of 90 sq miles (233 km²). Turtle Mountain Provincial Park covers 73 sq miles (189 km²) along the international border in the southwest corner of the province. Whiteshell Provincial Park, with an area of more than 1,056 sq miles (2 735 km²) of rugged Precambrian country, is Manitoba's largest provincial park.

Manitoba provincial parks cover a total area of about 3,385 sq miles (8 767 km²). There are also 43 provincial recreation areas, 10 provincial forest reserves, 90 provincial wayside parks, 45 historical sites and two provincial heritage parks. The parks system contains more than 60 campgrounds with over 5,000 campsites, many hunting and fishing lodges, motels, hotels and cabins, over 25 hiking trails, 15 snowmobile trails, and 18 canoe routes.

The number of park visitors was estimated at over 4 million for the year ended March 31, 1976. The admission fee to Manitoba's provincial parks is \$1 a day or \$5.50 for the season.

Saskatchewan. Saskatchewan's 17 provincial parks, comprising 1,880 sq miles (4 869 km²) of recreation land, range from forested parklands in the prairies and valley parks in the Qu'Appelle Valley to rugged northland settings. Each park offers camping, picnicking, boating and swimming facilities and a variety of recreational activities. Several operate a supervised recreation program for all ages — arts and crafts, hikes along nature trails, social functions and numerous team sports. Moose Mountain has a split-fieldstone chalet and modern cabin accommodation. Cabin facilities are available at Cypress Hills, Duck Mountain and Greenwater Lake parks. Golf courses are found at Cypress Hills, Greenwater Lake, Moose Mountain, Duck Mountain, Meadow Lake, Battlefords and Pike Lake parks. Lodgepole pine and white spruce in Cypress Hills Park provides cover for elk, deer, beaver, sharp-tailed grouse; antelope range on the plains nearby. In Duck Mountain, Moose Mountain and Greenwater Lake parks there are moose, elk, bear, deer and beaver, several varieties of grouse and many species of waterfowl and smaller land birds. Pike, pickerel and perch abound in almost all park lakes; brook, lake and rainbow trout are found in northern waters and brook and brown trout in the Cypress Hills area. Canoe routes and commercially operated fishing and hunting camps are features of three semi-wilderness parks — La Ronge, Nipawin and Meadow Lake. Roadside camp and picnic grounds, and four official campgrounds and several other camping areas are available along the province's 406-mile (653 km) stretch of Trans-Canada Highway, along the Yellowhead Route and Highways 5 and 14. Saskatchewan also operates 86 regional parks designed primarily for local patrons but attracting large numbers of tourists. Danielson Park has a modern visitors' centre with cafeteria and interpretative displays. Wildcat Hill is a 40,000-acre (16 187 ha) wilderness area in east-central Saskatchewan. Marked sites of historic interest total 143 and include the Wood Mountain NWMP Post, Last Mountain House, Touchwood Hills, Cannington Manor, Steele Narrows, Fort Carlton and Cumberland House historic parks. Winter recreation facilities include ski resorts at White Track in Buffalo Pound Provincial Park and at Mount Blackstrap in the Blackstrap Recreation Area, ski slopes in Duck Mountain Provincial Park and several of the regional parks and cross-country ski and snowmobile trails.

Alberta has 51 provincial parks containing 355.5 sq miles (921 km²); 49 of these, with a total area of approximately 216 sq miles (559 km²), are in use and continuing development. Kananaskis Provincial Park, with an area of 132 sq miles (342 km²), the largest, is in the southwest part of the province. Others are: Aspen Beach, Beauvais Lake, Big Hill Springs, Big Knife, Bow Valley, Bragg Creek, Calling Lake, Chain Lakes, Crimson Lake, Cross Lake, Cypress Hills, Dillberry Lake, Dinosaur, Dry Island Buffalo Jump, Garner Lake, Gooseberry Lake, Gregoire Lake, Hasse Lake, Jarvis Bay, Kinbrook Island, Lac Cardinal, Lesser