

Tashmoo Preserve Summer 2024

Property Summary

Tashmoo Preserve was one of the least frequently attended properties in 2024 due to insufficient staffing. In 2024, the property had a summer rangers present a maximum of 3 days per week between June 16 and July 7. The property was attended for a total of 6 days throughout the 2024 season. The days attended occurred only on two Mondays, one Tuesday, one Thursday, one Friday, and one Sunday. Comparatively, Tashmoo Preserve was attended for 78 days in 2023.

In 2024, Tashmoo Preserve had a total of 663 visitors, 38 of whom were walk-ons and 58 were bicyclists. In 2023, Tashmoo Preserve had a total of 8,634 visitors, 816 of whom were walk-ons and 1095 were bicyclists. The average number of visitors per day in 2024 was 110.5, while in 2023 there was an average daily visitor count of 110.69.

Data Summary

Due to insufficient staffing, there is limited data available to make comparisons across the years. Figure 1 compares the daily average property use in 2024 and 2023. Figure 2 compares the number of days attended across the years.

Figure 1: Daily Average Property Usage

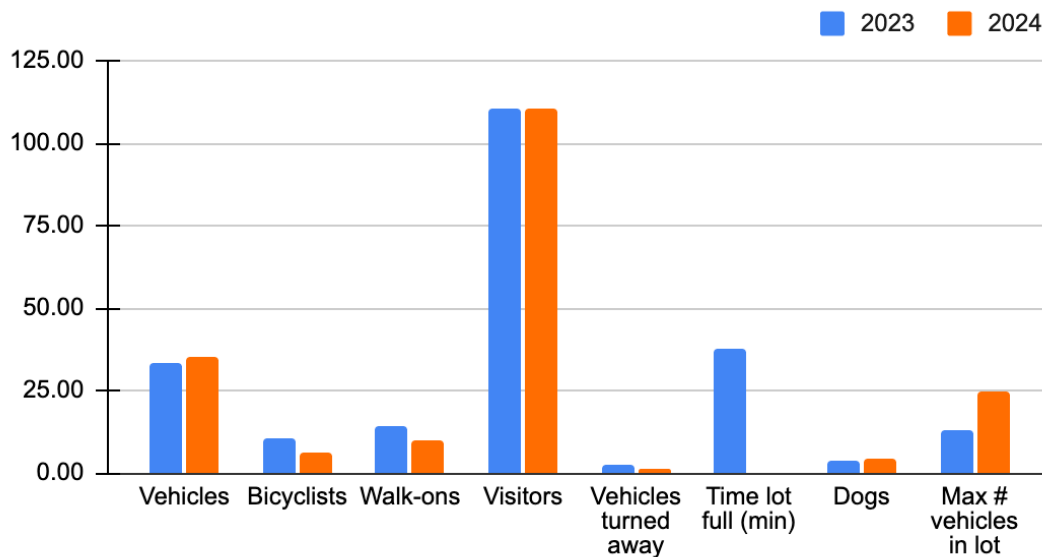
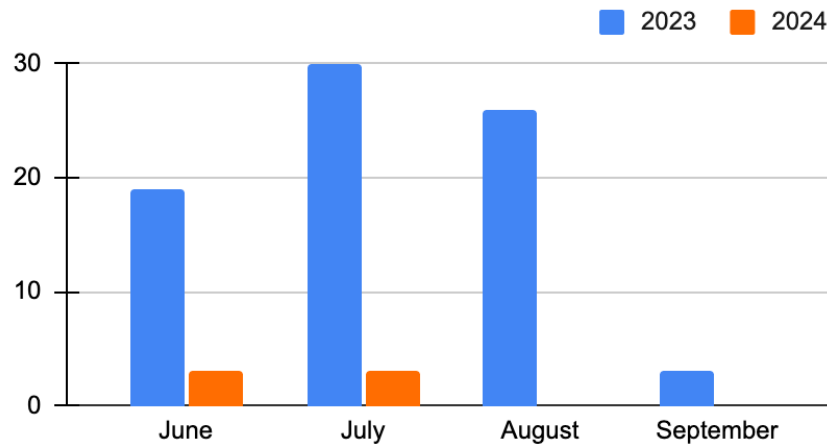


Figure 1 shows the average number of vehicles, dogs, and the maximum number of vehicles in the lot per day increased in 2024. Overall visitor counts, bicyclists, walk-ons, number of vehicles turned away, and time the parking lot was full decreased on average in 2024

compared to 2023. Looking at the daily averages for 2024, it appears property usage at Tashmoo Preserve was likely similar to that of 2023.

Figure 2: Number of Days Attended



Tashmoo Preserve was attended 72 more days in 2023 than in 2024. Importantly, half of the 6 days Tashmoo Preserve was attended in 2024 occurred during July, which is historically the busiest month for the property.

Actions to be Taken in Coming Season

1. Prioritize this property when scheduling summer rangers due to the number of visitors.
2. Communicate with the town prior to the summer season about the presence of lifeguards so rangers can communicate with the public about if they are there or not.
3. If visitors arrive by vehicle and are unable to park due to the lot being full, summer rangers are encouraged to offer alternative beach destinations nearby (as long as the visitors are amenable to suggestions).
4. When possible, inform visitors of property boundaries to prevent trespassing onto abutting properties.

Appendix

Table 1: Number of Days Attended in 2023 and 2024

# of days attended	2023	2024
June	19	3
July	30	3
August	26	0
September	3	0

Table 2: Daily Average Property Use in 2023 and 2024

	2023 Daily Average	2024 Daily Average
Vehicles	33.06	35.17
Bicyclists	10.46	6.33
Walk-ons	14.04	9.67
Visitors	110.69	110.50
Vehicles turned away	2.71	1.00
Time lot full (min)	37.49	0.00
Dogs	3.90	4.33
Max # vehicles in lot	12.86	24.50

Table 3: Total Property Use in 2023 and 2024

	2023 Total	2024 Total
Vehicles	2579	211
Bicyclists	816	38
Walk-ons	1095	58
Visitors	8634	663
Vehicles turned away	211	6
Time lot full (min)	2924	0
Dogs	304	26
Max # vehicles in lot	1003	106

Table 4: Monthly Property Usage Data with Daily Average (Avg) and Totals

Monthly Data		Daily Avg	Total	AVG Monday	AVG Tuesday	AVG Thursday	AVG Friday	AVG Sunday
June	Vehicles	38.7	116	36.5				43
	Bicyclists	4.3	13	3.5				6
	Walk-ons	8.3	25	7				11
	Visitors	108.3	325	103.5				118
	Max # vehicles in lot	14	42	13				16
	Vehicles turned away	0	0	0				0
	Time lot full (min)	0	0	0				0
	Dogs	4.7	14	3.5				7
Monthly Data		Daily Avg	Total	AVG Monday	AVG Tuesday	AVG Thursday	AVG Friday	AVG Sunday
July	Vehicles	31.7	95		29	21	45	
	Bicyclists	8.3	25		9	5	11	
	Walk-ons	11	33		3	5	25	
	Visitors	112.7	338		107	80	151	
	Max # vehicles in lot	35	105		59	31	15	
	Vehicles turned away	2	6		0	6	0	
	Time lot full (min)	0	0		0	0	0	
	Dogs	4	12		1	5	6	