

# Survey: Nebraskans 'outdoors people'

In a survey compiled by David R. Johnson and Laurie K. Scheuble of the UNL Bureau of Sociological Research, Nebraska was found to provide the good life for outdoor recreation.

The survey, part of a Nebraska Annual Social Indicators Survey, was titled "A Look at Nebraska's Favorite Outdoor Recreational Activities."

"Variety abounds in the types of activities which Nebraskans name as their favorites," Johnson said. "Many Nebraskans enjoy the more traditional outdoor activities, such as hunting and fishing, while some others find more unusual activities to be their favorites."

Johnson said that 70 percent of the 900 people surveyed considered themselves outdoor persons. Topping the list of favorite activities were hiking and walking, followed by gardening, fishing, team sports and swimming.

Men listed fishing as their favorite activity, followed by hunting and trapping. Women preferred walking and hiking. Fishing and team sports came second.

Older people enjoyed outdoor activities such as walking and hiking, gardening and yard work.

Education did not influence people's choices much.

Johnson and Scheuble found, however, that people with less than 11 years of education listed horseback riding in their top 10 favorites; those with more than 13 years of schooling included golf and tennis among their favorites.

By regions of the state, Johnson and Scheuble found walking, hiking, gardening and fishing popular in every region. However, some activities ranked higher than others and some were left off regional lists.

Team sports ranked in every region in the state except the Panhandle, where residents preferred horseback riding. People in the south central area of the state did not list water activities in their top 10, and Omaha residents did not include hunting and trapping. Responses from the northern part of the state were similar to those from the rest of the state, with the exception that people in the northern part were the only ones to list golf among their top 10 favorites activities.

Johnson said about 1,800 people were polled in the survey. Recreation questions were part of a Game and Parks Commission five-year study about use of state parks.

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The UNL Police Department received the following calls and complaints from 7 a.m. Wednesday to 7 a.m. Thursday.

9:07 a.m. - Security alarm reported sounding at Inventory building, 1640 Y St.; handled by officers.

9:12 a.m. - Suspicious person reported in Home Economics Building on East Campus; case being investigated.

10:57 a.m. - Alarm reported sounding in Home Economics Building on East Campus; sprinkler system malfunction; turned over to maintenance.

3:02 p.m. - UNL police assisted Lincoln police with accident at 16th and Holdredge streets; motorcycle ran into guard rail; person taken to hospital.

3:33 p.m. - Book bag reported stolen from Avery Hall.

5:32 p.m. - Personal items reported damaged at Harper Hall.

6:31 p.m. - Cash reported stolen from 1125 N. 16th St.

7:08 p.m. - Billfold reported stolen from 1125 N. 16th St.

10:17 p.m. - Disturbance involving fireworks reported at 733 N. 16th St.; officers unable to locate source.

11:02 p.m. - Third degree sexual assault reported at west side of Student Health Center reported; case still under investigation.

11:36 p.m. - Bike reported stolen from east side of Sheldon Art Gallery.

12:07 a.m. - Bike reported stolen from Love Library.

12:22 a.m. - Disturbance reported at Abel Hall; people refusing to leave building; settled by officers.

1:22 a.m. - Disturbance reported at Harper Hall;

people yelling obscenities; settled by officers.

1:48 a.m. - Disturbance involving fireworks reported in Harper courtyard; officers unable to locate source.

1:50 a.m. - Disturbance reported in Parking Area 1 on 17th and R streets; people playing frisbee in parking lot; settled by officers.

2:39 a.m. - Security alarm reported sounding at Manter Hall of Life Sciences.

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