



Analysis of Beach Access Closures During the July 4th Holiday 2010 Compared to 2009

The Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area continues to suffer unprecedented beach closures under terms of the consent decree.

For the second straight year during the important July 4th holiday, over 64% of the beaches are closed to access for all. A total of 44.2 miles are either closed, limited, or with restricted access. This represents 64.6% of the recreational area.

Date	% Closed to Access for All	% Open to Access for All	Miles Closed to Access for All	Open ORV and Pedestrian (NPS)	Open Pedestrian Only (NPS)	Limited Pedestrian Access (NPS)	Closed (NPS)
7/2/09	67.8%	32.2%	45.6	21.7	26.5	6.2	12.9
7/1/10	64.6%	35.4%	44.2	24.2	27.1	1.9	15.2

The columns in blue, show data supplied by the National Park Service (NPS)

The column in red, reflects the % of beaches that were “closed to access for all.” This is a combination of NPS categories “closed, limited, and pedestrian only”