

**Living in Niagara-2014 Report: Recreation and Sports Sector**

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Year	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	*2012	*2012	TOTAL
Local Municipality in Niagara	St. Catharines	Niagara Falls	Welland	NOTL	Thorold	Fort Erie	Lincoln	Pelham	Wainfleet	West Lincoln	Port Colborne	Grimsby	
Total population/1000	131.400	82.997	50.631	15.400	17.931	29.960	20.228	15.987	6.040	13.837	18.003	25.325	427.739
Total KM of Trails	90.000	16.000	30.000	24.000	26.000	21.000	45.000	10.000	blank	1.000	26.000	33.000	322.000
Total KM of Trails per 1000 persons	0.685	0.193	0.593	1.558	1.450	0.701	2.225	0.626	0.000	0.072	1.444	1.303	10.849
Total Hectares of open space	436.000	379.000	255.000	59.000	85.000	115.000	97.000	70.000	8.000	75.000	165.000	68.000	1,812.000
Total Hectares of open space per 1000 persons	3.318	4.566	5.036	3.831	4.740	3.838	4.795	4.379	1.325	5.420	9.165	2.685	53.100
Total hours of special events	7,250.000	1,332.000	blank	2,290.000	175.000	0.000	blank	42,860.000	blank	28,575.000	150.000	4,092.000	86,724.000
Total Hours of registered programs	58,062.000	10,998.000	145,523.000	6,387.000	4,150.000	19,334.000	521,740.000	34,068.000	blank	11,532.000	855.000	51,125.000	863,774.000
Total Hours drop-in programs	235,120.000	32,583.000	62,839.000	1,649.000	1,050.000	9,307.000	15,319.000	6,774.000	blank	5,610.000	853.000	80,974.000	452,078.000
Total hours for permitted programs	921,078.000	280,914.000	1,656,262.000	blank	1,540.000	103,104.000	3,392.000	101,673.000	blank	0.000	1,368.000	179,800.000	3,249,131.000
Participant hours for Recreation Programs	1,214,260.000	324,495.000	1,284,015.000	8,036.000	6,740.000	131,745.000	540,451.000	142,515.000	blank	17,142.000	3,076.000	311,899.000	3,984,374.000
Participant hours for Recreation Programs per 1000 persons	9,240.944	3,909.720	25,360.254	521.818	375.885	4,397.363	26,717.965	8,914.430	0.000	1,238.852	170.860	12,315.854	93,163.946
Square metres of indoor recreation facilities	46,776.000	33,258.000	33,776.000	8,556.000	5,600.000	11,792.000	5,679.000	3,473.000	3,700.000	4,176.000	8,701.000	11,690.000	177,177.000
Square metres of indoor recreation facilities per 1000 persons	355.982	400.713	667.101	555.584	312.308	393.591	280.749	217.239	612.583	301.800	483.308	461.599	5,042.559
Square metres of outdoor recreation facility space	514,518.000	184,774.000	24,499.000	425.000	2,600.000	7,381.000	443,300.000	2,907.000	blank	2,290.000	0.000	16,750.000	1,199,444.000
Square metres of outdoor recreation facility space per 1000 person	3,915.662	2,226.273	483.874	27.597	145.000	246.362	21,915.167	181.835	0.000	165.498	0.000	661.402	29,968.671