

## **Summary**

### **Origin, Development, and Selected Impacts of the Tourism on the U.S. National Parks 1980–2009**

The development of tourism in the National Parks of USA based on the statistics from the years of 1980 to 2009 is examined in the thesis. The main source of information is the statistics of US National Parks taken from the NPS, United States Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis and Bureau of Labor Statistics. There are emphasizes there the quantitative changes in the visitation and variance of values at selected economic indicators, that were observed in the mentioned period of time. The data is evaluated at the federal, regional and state levels. The progress, current situation and forecast of future visitation of landscapes under control of NSP are examined in the thesis. Moreover, the thesis contains comparison of the development of tourism in the other subjects, the most important of which are the State Parks of USA and other agencies responsible for the administration of the recreational used federal land. Selected Input-Output models counted economic impact of tourism in the national parks, as well as the factors that influence development and allocation of tourists captured through the concept of Tourism Area Life Cycle can be also found in the thesis.

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