



Let us clarify, as your question misinterprets the numbers from the presentations.

The 743,626 and 1,003,908 numbers you cite are incorrect and were not stated in any presentation. It appears you took the 61,969 number from the 12/6/22 presentation and 2/2/23 display board, and multiplied it by 12 to get 743,626 visitors for 2021. This is not correct. As stated in the 12/6 presentation, 61,969 was the **peak** number of monthly visitors for the year, **not the average** (this peak occurred during the month of October). This peak number was used to understand the maximum number of parking spaces the Fjord Trail might need to have to accommodate peak visitorship. It should not be scaled up as an estimate for visitation over the course of the year. The same is true for the 83,659 number you used to get 1,003,908 for 2028. 83,659 is the maximum projected visitorship for the busiest month in Hudson Highlands State Park Preserve.

Please watch the [12/6/22 presentation](#) to learn more about this data and how it was used to create projections for how much parking will be needed for the Fjord Trail.

Regarding the 600,000 number, this was the initial estimated annual visitation to the Fjord Trail at completion (completion is now projected for 2031). Studies are currently being conducted to update this projection, as it did not rely on the latest season's data. [The independent Visitation Data Committee](#) (a group of municipality-appointed community members) will review and assess the work of HHFT's visitation management and environmental review consultants to ensure that the traffic count and pedestrian visitation pattern data is adequate for use in determining the potential impacts of the Fjord Trail on local communities. The group, along with their independent consultant, will also have early review and discussion of visitation projections and the methodology used to determine them.