

## **Impacts of human visitation during the summer season on the intertidal communities in Castine, Maine**

This study's main objective was to determine whether visitation rates effected biodiversity on two beaches. The results showed that biodiversity differed with higher biodiversity on the more visited beach . The beaches also differed in species evenness and species composition. Higher species evenness was also found on the more visited beach. Results of the species composition test showed the two beaches did not share a majority of species.

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