



INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

April 2025

International Travel



- 1. The U.S. travel landscape is facing near-term challenges driven by uncertainty, geopolitical tensions, trade policy shocks and immigration
 - Trade shocks and immigration enforcement are weakening U.S. national competitiveness in the short term
 - Rising negative sentiment among leisure and business travelers is posing a risk to travel demand
- 2. Steep Decline in Inbound International Travel forecasted for 2025

U.S.

- 9.4% drop in international arrivals
- \$9.0B loss in visitor spending, with Canada accounting for ~\$3.4B

Travel South

- 11% drop in international arrivals
- \$421M loss in visitor spending, with Canada accounting for ~\$250M



Overview



Visitor Economy Overview of Historic & Forecast Visitation and Spending by Tourism Economics

Exports (Goods) Exports Market snapshot by the Office of Trade and Economic Analysis

International Students International Student Survey Results from Open Doors

Visitor Perception Perception of International Visitors who are likely to travel to the U.S. or a Travel

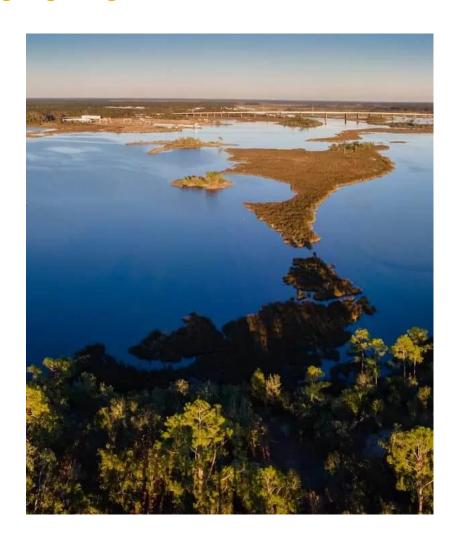
South destination by Brand USA and Future Partners

Resources Links to Market Profiles, along with other Travel South resources

Mississippi's International Visitor Economy



Highlighting the State's Global Interconnectivity



Outlook

By 2025, forecasted to reach \$141 million and 125,000 visitors

US Inbound Travel Rebound - Key Markets

- International inbound spending is expected to decline by 3% from 2024, a 16% decrease compared to 2019.
- Japan, India, Brazil and South Korea are projected to grow in 2025, with Sweden and Australia remaining flat.
- Fueled by visitors from DACH Region, Canada, United Kingdom/Ireland, Australia, France, Brazil, Benelux, the Nordics, India and South Korea, accounting for 64% of the state's international tourism expenditures

Exports by Market

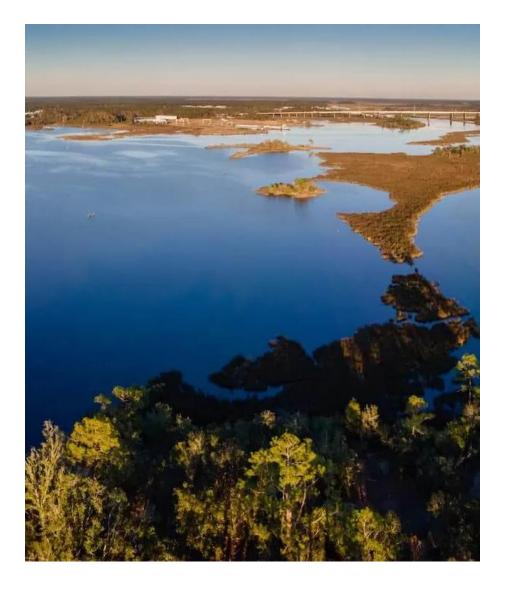
- 1,500 companies exported \$14 billion worth of goods
- Exports to Canada, Mexico, and Benelux are among the top origin markets of visitation
- India and China account for three out of ten of the international student population
- 84% of visits are non-business related

Mississippi's International Visitor Economy

Highlighting the State's Global Interconnectivity, cont.

- Mississippi's investment in regional marketing amplifies the state's brand internationally and targets high-value travelers, enhancing regional economies and diversifying the visitor economy.
- Collaborative marketing efforts under Travel South USA (TSUSA) further strengthen Mississippi's strategic advantage.
- Major gateway airports like Atlanta, Charlotte, Chicago O'Hare, and Dallas allow easy access to the state.
- Proximity to neighboring states— Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee—attracts international travelers interested in the Travel South's natural beauty, cultural heritage, and connectivity, thus enriching Mississippi's tourism landscape.





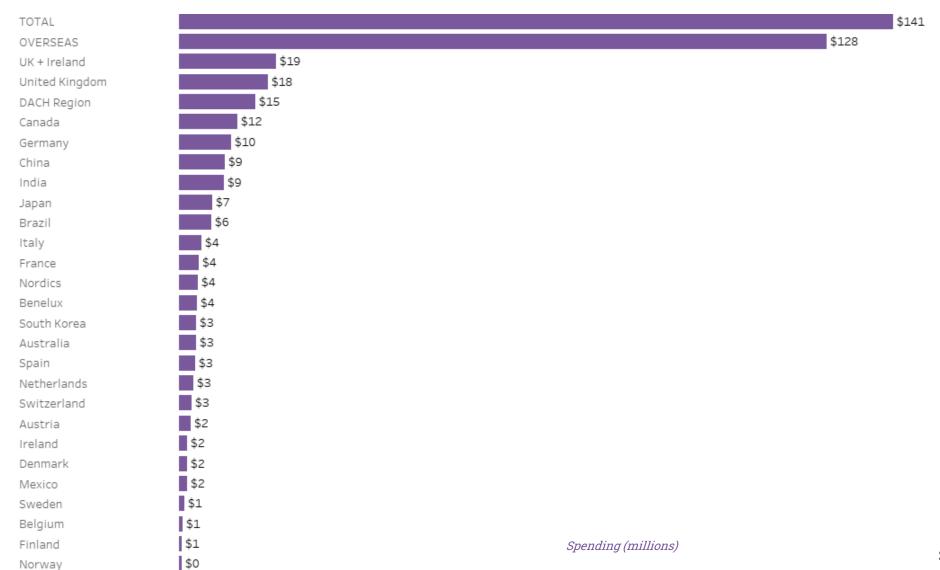


Visitor Economy

April 15, 2025



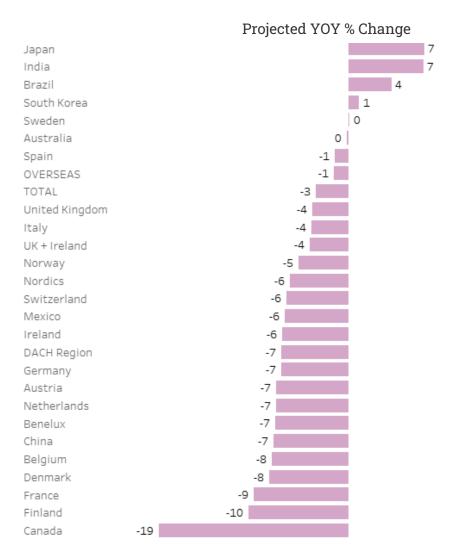
2025 Outlook: Visitor Spending by Key Markets



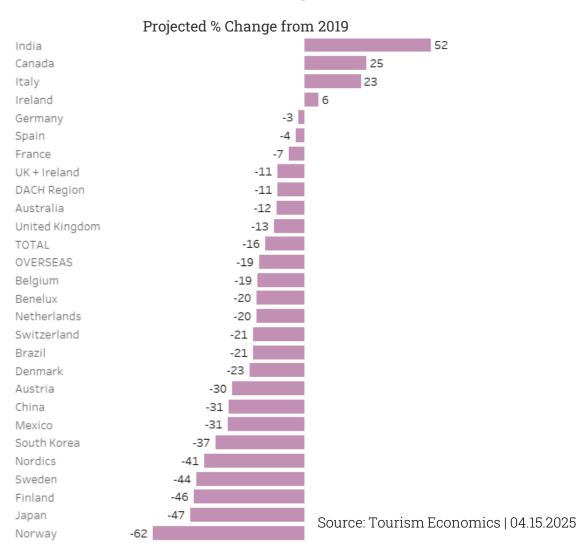
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2025 Key-Market Spending Outlook: Year-over-Year Shifts

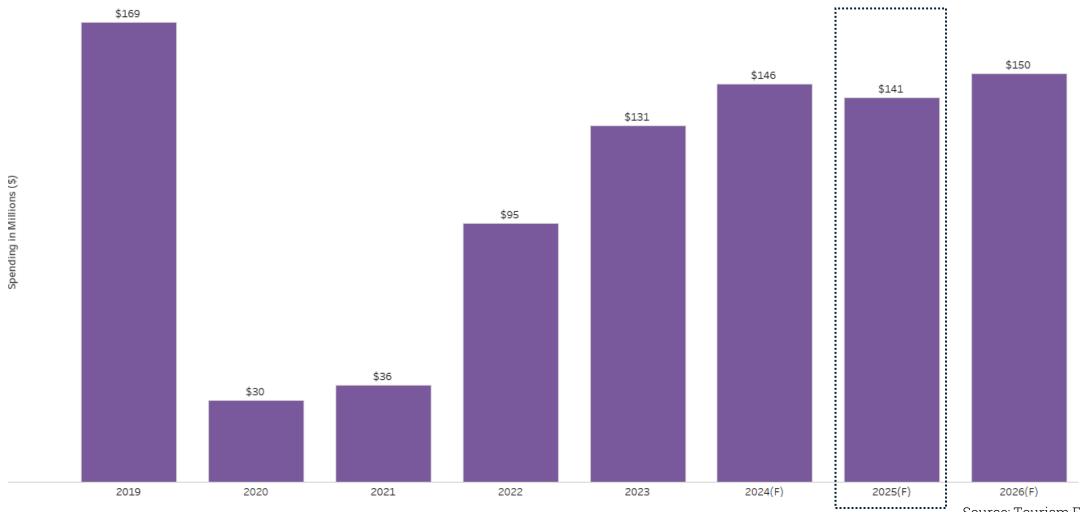


2019 Baseline Comparison





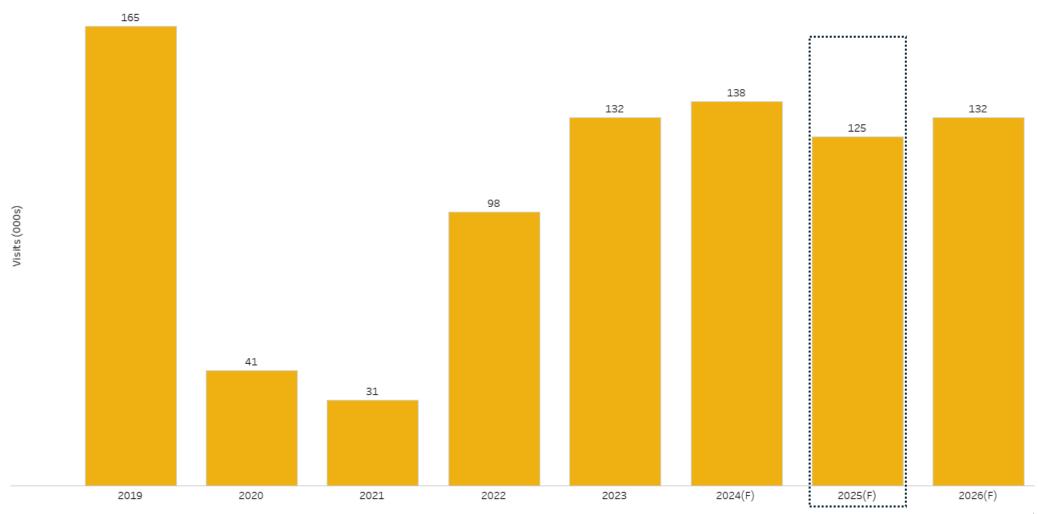
2025 Spending Outlook: Down 3% from 2024, still below 2019



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2025 Visitor Volume Outlook: Down 9% from 2024, still below 2019





\$141M Projected Spend and **125,000** Visits in **2025**, down 3% and 9% from **2024**

- Tourism Economics estimates Overseas spending to decline by 1% year-over-year (yoy) in 2025 Canada, a 19% decline
- Japan, India, Brazil and South Korea are projected to grow in 2025, with Sweden and Australia remaining flat
- U.K./Ireland, DACH Region, Canada, India and China are forecasted to be amongst the top five markets

Market	Spending (\$M)	YOY Spend % Change	Visits (000s)	YOY Visits % Change	% Change from 2019 Spend	% Change from 2019 Visits
TOTAL	141	-3	125	-9	-16	-24
OVERSEAS	128	-1	82	-3	-19	-26
UK + Ireland	19	-4	11	-5	-11	-31
United Kingdom	18	-4	10	-5	-13	-30
DACH Region	15	-7	10	-8	-11	-13
Canada	12	-19	38	-20	25	-22
Germany	10	-7	7	-8	-3	-9
China	9	-7	4	-7	-31	-55
India	9	7	5	4	52	54
Japan	7	7	6	7	-47	-48
Brazil	6	4	2	-1	-21	-35
Italy	4	-4	3	-5	23	-10
France	4	-9	4	-10	-7	-25
Nordics	4	-6	3	-6	-41	-45
Benelux	4	-7	3	-8	-20	-27
South Korea	3	1	2	0	-37	-45
Australia	3	0	1	-1	-12	-46
Spain	3	-1	3	-5	-4	-34
Netherlands	3	-7	3	-8	-20	-21
Taiwan	3	18	2	10	-51	-13
Switzerland	3	-6	1	-6	-21	-39



\$141M Projected Spend and 125,000 Visits in 2025 (cont.)

Market	Spending (\$M)	₹ YOY Spend % Change	Visits (000s)	YOY Visits % Change	% Change from 2019 Spend	% Change from 2019 Visits
Austria	2	-7	2	-7	-30	-3
Philippines	2	3	1	3	2	12
Ireland	2	-6	1	-6	6	-34
Denmark	2	-8	1	-11	-23	-16
Mexico	2	-6	6	-8	-31	9
Singapore	1	4	1	4	-6	-14
Poland	1	5	1	-2	-18	-1
Argentina	1	8	1	3	-19	-36
Sweden	1	0	1	-3	-44	-51
United Arab Emirates	1	2	0	4	-25	-33
Ukraine	1	9	0	7	26	-66
Israel	1	12	1	7	-56	-44
South Africa	1	0	0	-3	-19	-23
Turkiye	1	5	0	2	6	-44
Belgium	1	-8	1	-6	-19	-45
Finland	1	-10	0	-6	-46	-53
Hong Kong	1	0	0	2	-46	-36
Egypt	1	-4	0	-4	-66	-46
Portugal	1	-2	0	-3	-49	-48
Norway	0	-5	0	-3	-62	-64



Visitor Spending 2019-2025F

		2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024(F)	2025(F) \Xi
Spending	TOTAL	\$169	\$30	\$36	\$95	\$131	\$146	\$141
(\$M)	OVERSEAS	\$157	\$27	\$34	\$87	\$116	\$130	\$128
	UK + Ireland	\$22	\$3	\$2	\$17	\$20	\$20	\$19
	DACH Region	\$17	\$2	\$2	\$10	\$16	\$16	\$15
	Canada	\$9	\$2	\$1	\$7	\$13	\$14	\$12
	China	\$13	\$3	\$2	\$2	\$5	\$10	\$9
	India	\$6	\$1	\$2	\$5	\$7	\$8	\$9
	Japan	\$12	\$2	\$1	\$2	\$6	\$6	\$7
	Brazil	\$8	\$1	\$2	\$4	\$6	\$6	\$6
	Italy	\$4	\$0	\$1	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$4
	France	\$4	\$1	\$1	\$2	\$4	\$4	\$4
	Nordics	\$6	\$1	\$1	\$3	\$4	\$4	\$4
	Benelux	\$4	\$1	\$1	\$3	\$4	\$4	\$4
	South Korea	\$5	\$1	\$3	\$2	\$3	\$3	\$3
	Australia	\$4	\$1	\$0	\$2	\$3	\$3	\$3
	Spain	\$3	\$0	\$1	\$3	\$3	\$3	\$3
	Mexico	\$2	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$2	\$2

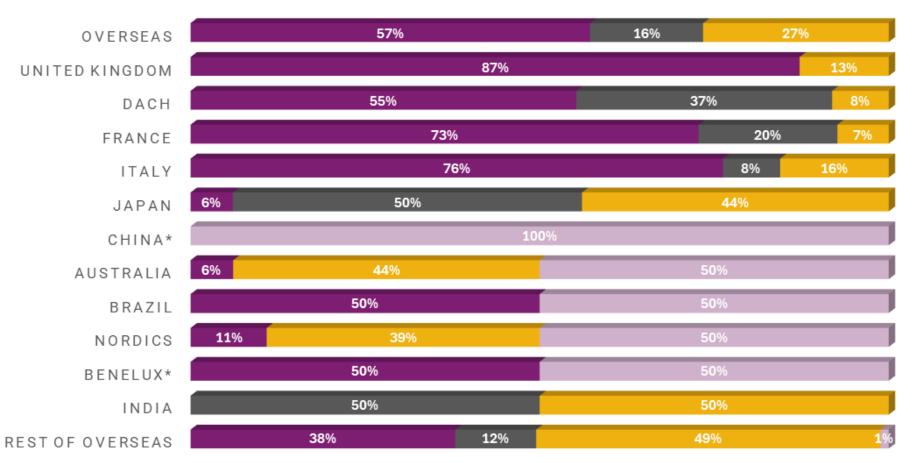


Visits 2019-2025F

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	Japan	11	3	1	2	5	5	6
	Mexico	5	2	3	5	5	6	6
	India	4	1	1	3	4	5	5
	China	9	1	0	1	3	4	4
	France	5	1	1	2	4	4	4
	Italy	4	1	1	2	3	4	3
	Benelux	4	1	1	3	3	4	3
	Nordics	5	1	1	2	3	3	3
	Spain	4	1	1	2	3	3	3
	Brazil	4	1	1	2	2	2	2
	South Korea	4	1	1	1	2	2	2
	Australia	3	1	0	1	1	1	1



MISSISSIPPI: Purpose of Trip ■ Leisure ■ Business ■ VFR ■ Other



Source: SIAT, 2022/2023. * indicates small sample size



Exports (Goods)





EXPORTS IN GOODS 2024

\$14 Billion

TOP COUNTRIES

CANADA

PANAMA

MEXICO

HONDURAS

BELGIUM

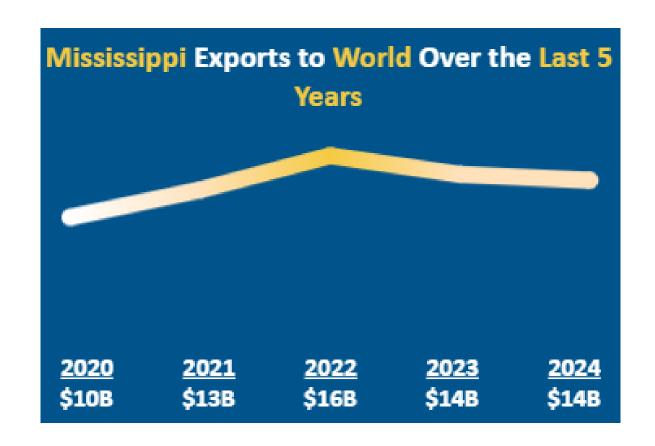
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GUATEMALA



Goods Exports by Country

(in millions)



Partner	2024 ₹
World	\$13,690
Canada	\$2,067
Panama	\$1,720
Mexico	\$1,644
Honduras	\$812
Belgium	\$699
Netherlands	\$695
Guatemala	\$641
China	\$595
Japan	\$386
Brazil	\$367
India	\$264
Germany	\$247
Australia	\$232
Taiwan	\$200
Singapore	\$182



1,516

Mississippi companies exported goods in 2021

76%

of them were small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs)*
* SMEs are businesses that employ fewer than 500 employees.





International Students



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS 2022/23

STUDENT-VISIT RATIO

INDEXED STUDENT-VISIT RATIO U.S. = 100

3,135

2.1%

195



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, 2023/24

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3,135
International Students



Rank in the United States*



5.9 % Change from Previous Year



\$83,660,713
Estimated International
Student Expenditure**

LEADING PLACES OF ORIGIN

Place of Origin	% Total
India	17.6
Nepal	12.2
Nigeria	7.2
Bangladesh	5.4
China	5.1

LEADING INSTITUTIONS

Institution	Total
Mississippi State University	975
University of Southern Mississippi	897
University of Mississippi	825
Mississippi College	162
Delta State University	109



Visitor Perception

MARKET PROFILES









POPULATION 2024

REAL GDP GROWTH 2025 PROJECTION

CURRENCY RATE CANADIAN DOLLAR 2024 INFLATION RATE 2025 PROJECTION TRAVEL &
TOURISM
as a share of
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EXPORTS

TRAVEL &
TOURISM
as a share of
2023 TOTAL U.S.
SERVICES
EXPORTS

40M

2.4%

1.37

1.9%

5.5%

28.0%

44%

Likelihood to Visit Travel South in the next Five Years

Most Important Content For Destination Decisions:



- 40% Safety
- 36% Hotels and lodging
- 36% Restaurants and food
- 28% Availability of direct flight service
- 28% Beaches
- 25% Historical attractions
- 23% Shopping
- 22% Entertainment, events, shows
- 22% Opportunities for relaxation
- 20% Transportation and how to get around
- 20% Family fun
- 19% Museums and culture
- 18% Sightseeing tours
- 18% Important or iconic attractions
- 17% National Parks
- 16% Ways to experience nature
- 15% Theme parks
- 14% Level of crowds
- 13% Outdoor activities (biking, boating, hiking, etc.)
- 11% Professional sporting events
- 11% Things to do outside the large cities
- 9% Touristy attractions to avoid
- 8% Off-the-beaten path attractions
- 7% Ideas for adventurous travel
- 6% Recommendations from residents
- 6% Sample trip itineraries
- 5% Ways to experience the American lifestyle
- 4% Commitment to being an eco-friendly/sustainable place
- 2% Snow/winter activities (skiing, sledding, etc.)

Recall of "Buzz": Travel South Destinations

20%

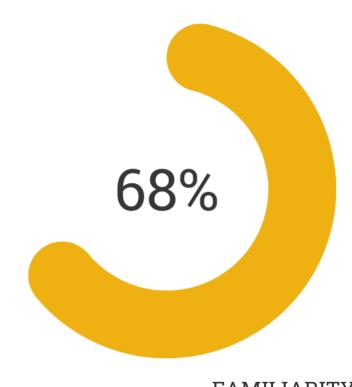
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APPEAL

Destination Appeal of TRAVEL SOUTH as a place to visit on a vacation



FAMILIARITY

Destination Familiarity with the attractions and things to see and do in TRAVEL SOUTH



3.2

Average Number of Leisure International Trips

2 Trips			
25%			

1 Trip

30%



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Average Number of Bleisure Trips % of Business Trips with a Leisure Extension

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26%		
1 Trip		
17%		
2 Trips		
5%		

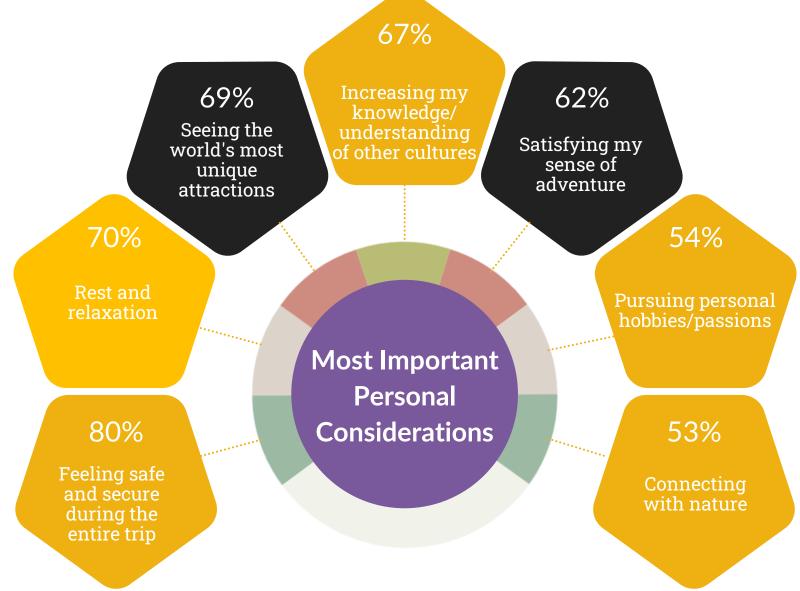
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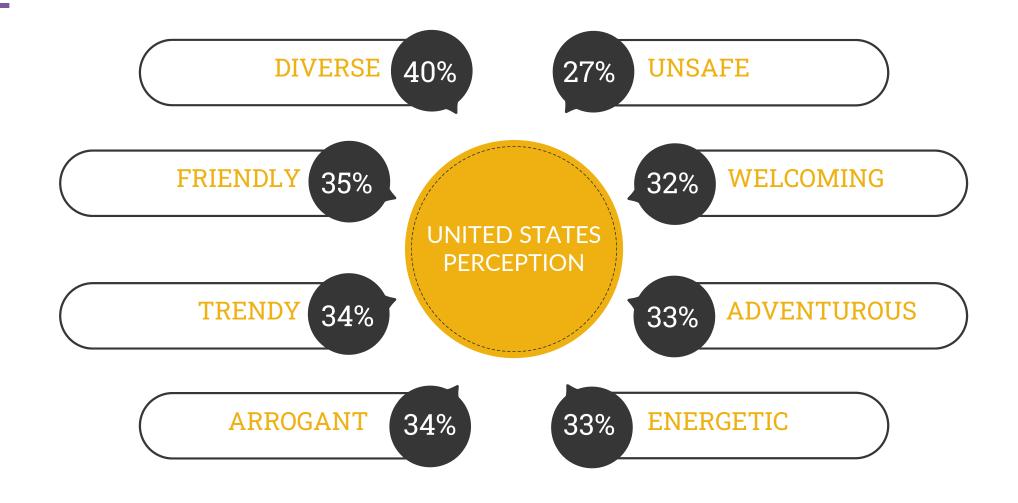






Most Important Most Discouraging When Choosing a Destination From Visiting a Destination 61% Uncleanliness in the destination **83%** Accommodation options **81%** Climate or weather at the destination **56%** High prices **56%** Personal safety concerns **73%** Appeal of local culture 44% Lack of information for planning trip & at destination **71%** Landmarks and sightseeing options 41% Crowdedness **71%** Ease of travel to the destination **40%** Inconvenience of travel to the destination **68%** Natural features/landscapes **35%** Political climate not aligning with personal views **67%** Beaches/coastal activities **27%** Visa requirements/entry procedures **64%** Leisure attractions





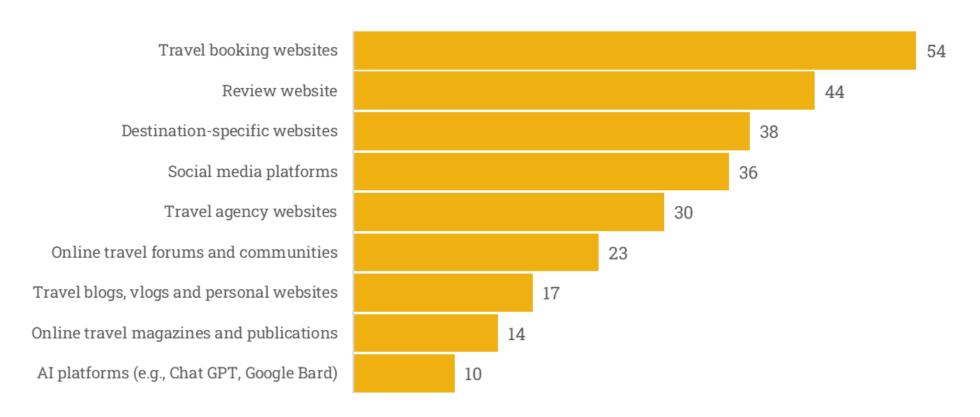


Sources of Information for Destination Selection (%)





Websites Used for Destination Selection (%)





Social Media Participation

YouTube	70%
Instagram	69%
Facebook/META	68%
Tik Tok	43%
LinkedIn	36%
Twitter/X	34%
Pinterest	30%
Snapchat	30%
Reddit	18 %
Tumblr	3 %

Note: Canadian visitors who have taken an overnight international trip since June 2022 and are interested in visiting the Travel South Region

CANADA

Likelihood of how 2025 will evolve:

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TRAVEL &
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69M

1.5%

0.78

2.1%

8.4%

15.4%



Likelihood to Visit Travel South in the next Five Years

Most Important Content For Destination Decisions:



34%	Hotels and	nginhol
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32% Restaurants and food

28% Safety

27% Availability of direct flight service

25% Sightseeing tours

24% Important or iconic attractions

24% Historical attractions

22% National Parks

21% Entertainment, events, shows

21% Opportunities for relaxation

21% Transportation and how to get around

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18% Family fun

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13% Ways to experience the American lifestyle

12% Things to do outside the large cities

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9% Outdoor activities (biking, boating, hiking, etc.)

8% Recommendations from residents

8% Sample trip itineraries

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Average Number of **International Trips**

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5+ Trips

23%



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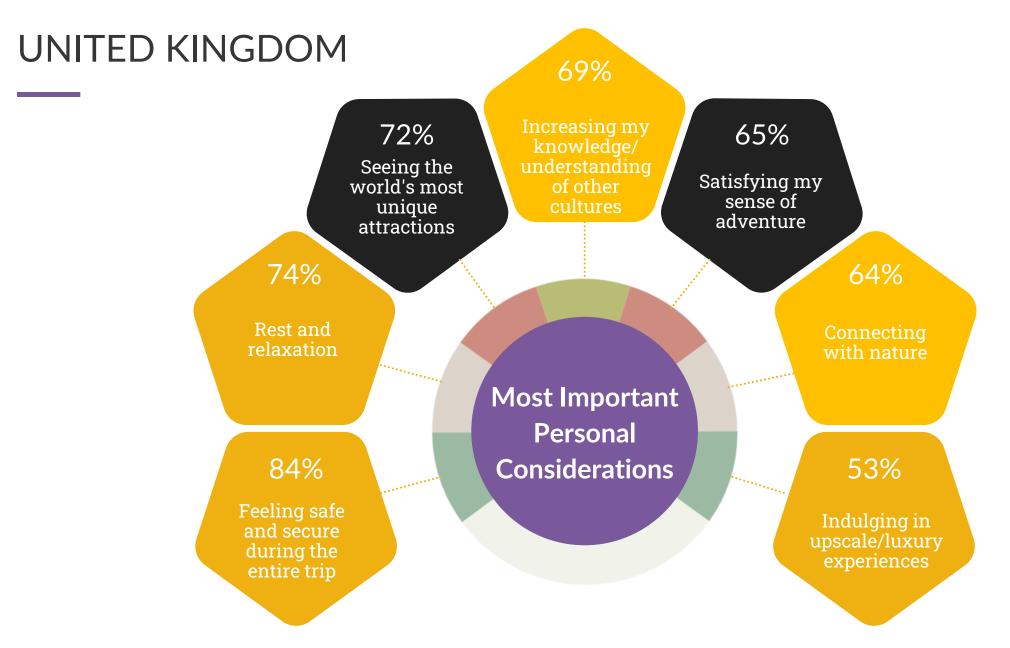
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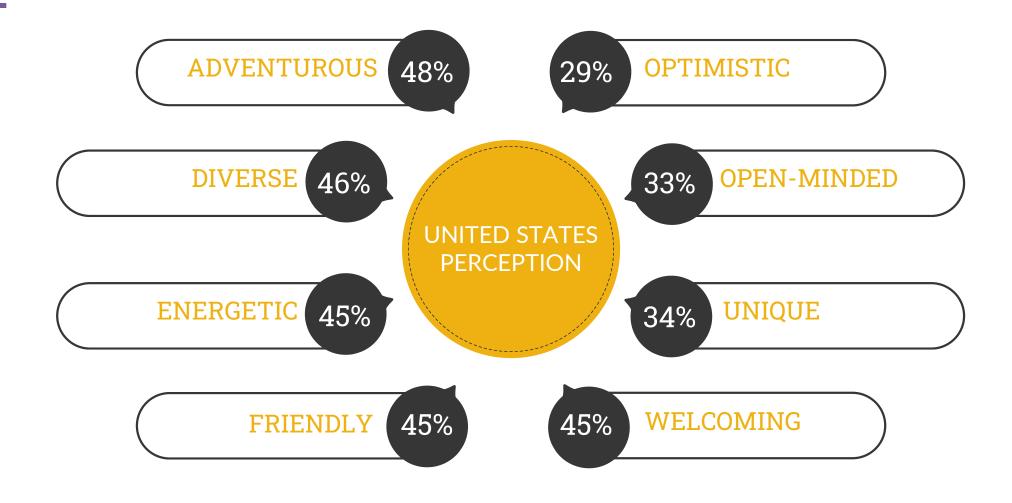
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Most Important When Choosing a Destination	Most Discouraging From Visiting a Destination
80% Accommodation options	59% Uncleanliness in the destination
78% Appeal of local culture	56% Personal safety concerns
77% Climate or weather at the destination	47% High prices
74% Natural features/landscapes	39% Lack of information for planning trip & at destination
73% Landmarks and sightseeing options	36% Crowdedness
70% Ease of travel to the destination	30% Political climate not aligning with personal views
63% Leisure attractions	30% Inconvenience of travel to the destination
57% Ease of communication with locals at the destination	29% Lack of environmental responsibilities





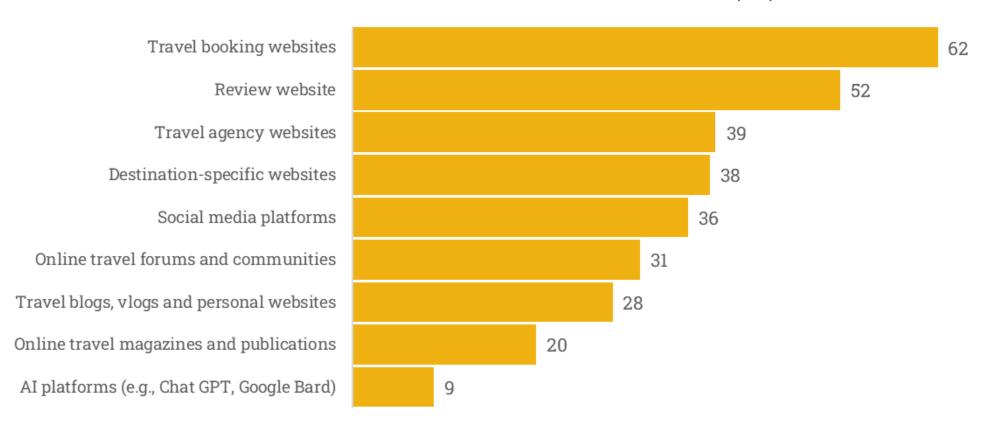


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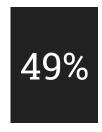


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Likelihood to Visit Travel South in the next Five Years

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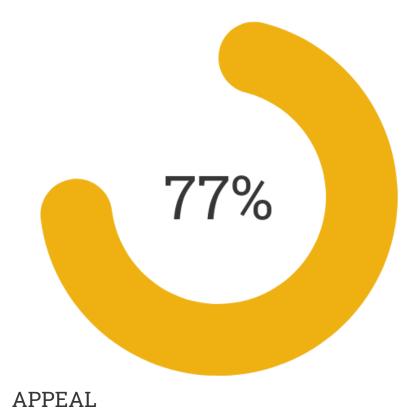
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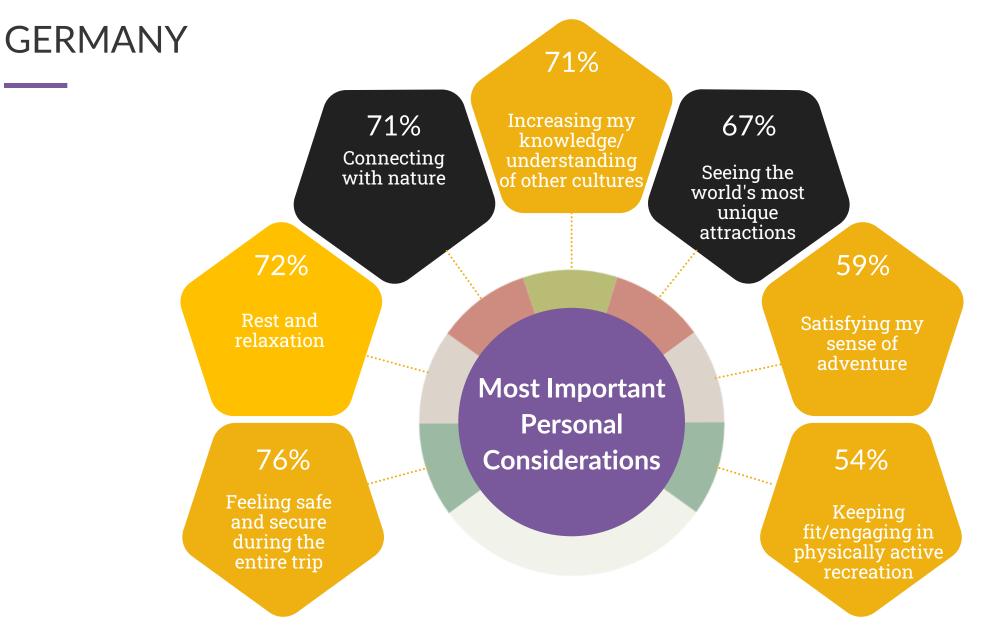
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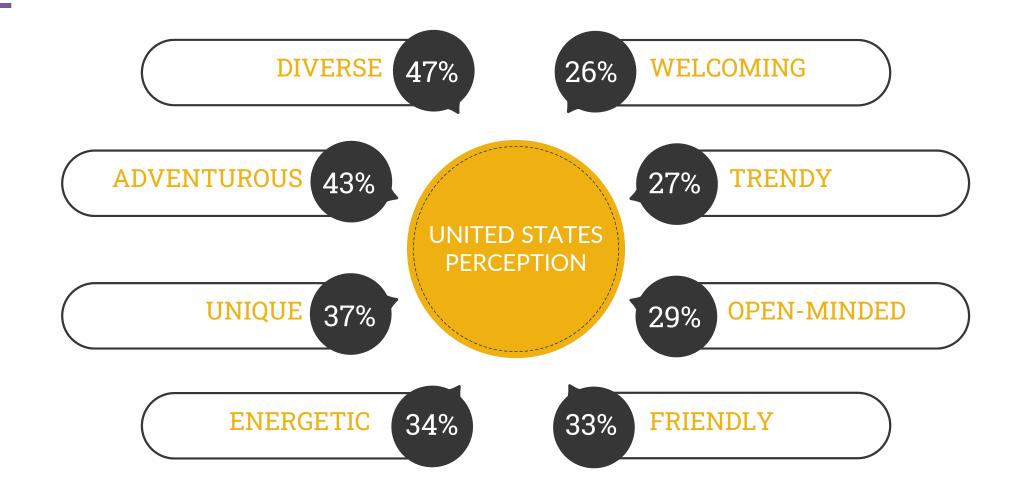
SOUTH

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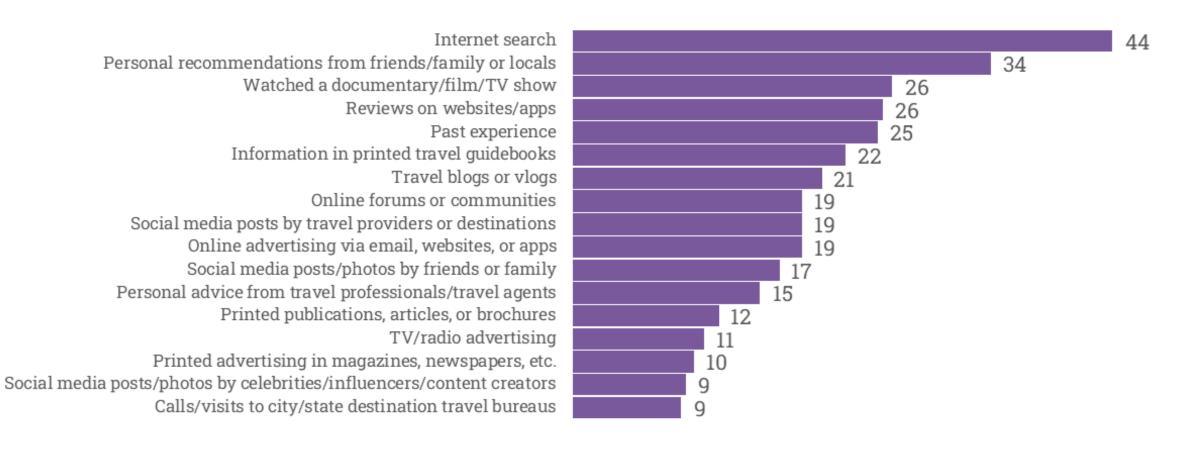
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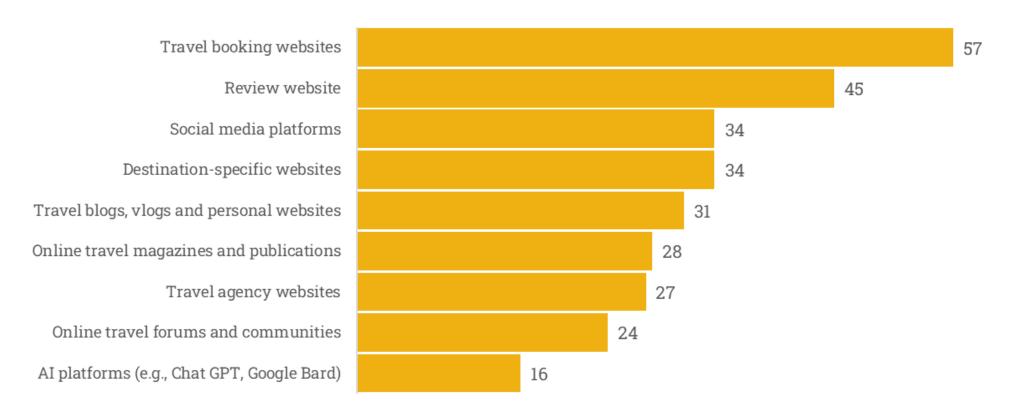


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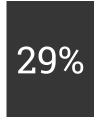
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POPULATION 2024

REAL GDP GROWTH 2025 PROJECTION

CURRENCY RATE AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR 2024 INFLATION RATE 2025 PROJECTION TRAVEL &
TOURISM
as a share of
2023 TOTAL U.S.
GOODS & SERVICES
EXPORTS

TRAVEL &
TOURISM
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SERVICES
EXPORTS

27M

2.1%

1.52

3.3%

11.3%

26.8%

45%

Likelihood to Visit Travel South in the next Five Years

Most Important Content For Destination Decisions:



- 37% Safety
- 30% Historical attractions
- 28% Important or iconic attractions
- 27% Hotels and lodging
- 27% Restaurants and food
- 26% National Parks
- 24% Availability of direct flight service
- 23% Sightseeing tours
- 22% Transportation and how to get around
- 22% Ways to experience nature
- 20% Museums and culture
- 18% Opportunities for relaxation
- 18% Entertainment, events, shows
- 17% Shopping
- 17% Beaches
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- 12% Ways to experience the American lifestyle
- 12% Level of crowds
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- 9% Outdoor activities (biking, boating, hiking, etc.)
- 9% Recommendations from residents
- 9% Professional sporting events
- 7% Ideas for adventurous travel
- 5% Commitment to being an eco-friendly/sustainable place
- 4% Snow/winter activities (skiing, sledding, etc.)

Recall of "Buzz": Travel South Destinations

22%

Overall, **one-third of international travelers** reported seeing a travel-related advertisement or other promotion about Southern destinations in the past year.





APPEAL

Destination Appeal of TRAVEL SOUTH as a place to visit on a vacation



Destination Familiarity with the attractions and things to see and do in TRAVEL SOUTH



2.3

Average Number of Leisure International Trips

<u>-</u> -		
38%		
2 Trips		
34%		
3-4 Trips		
20%		

5+ Trips

8%

1 Trip



0.5

Average Number of Bleisure Trips % of Business Trips with a Leisure Extension

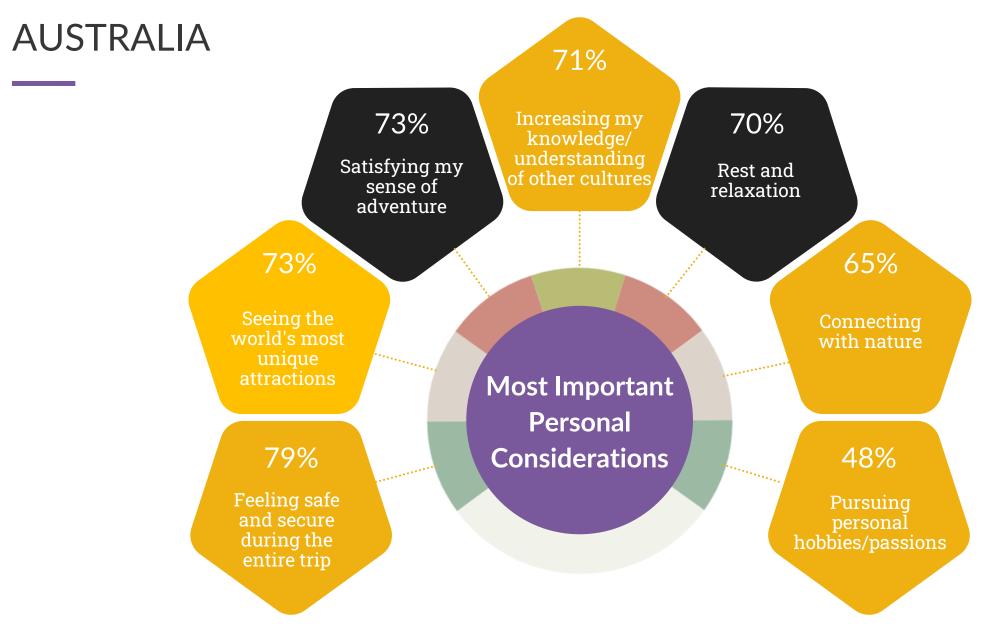
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1 Trip		
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3%

5%





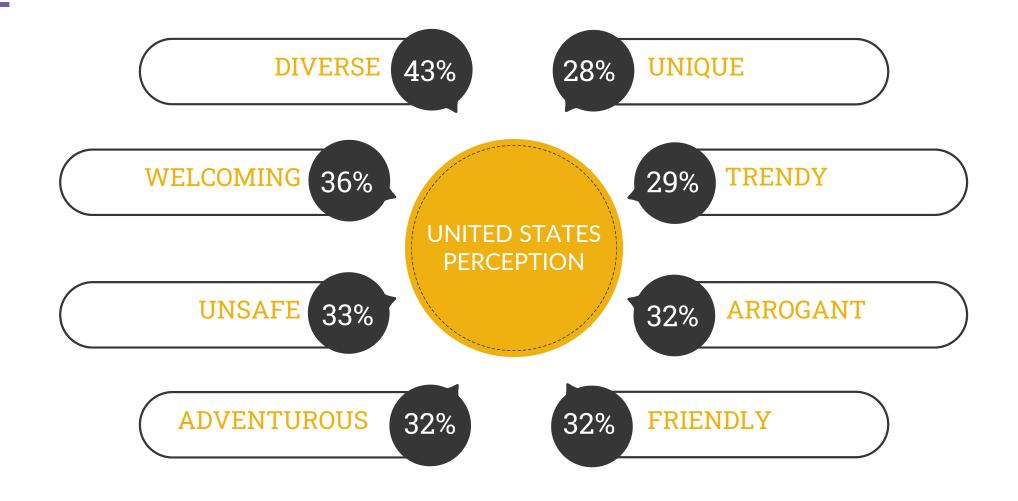
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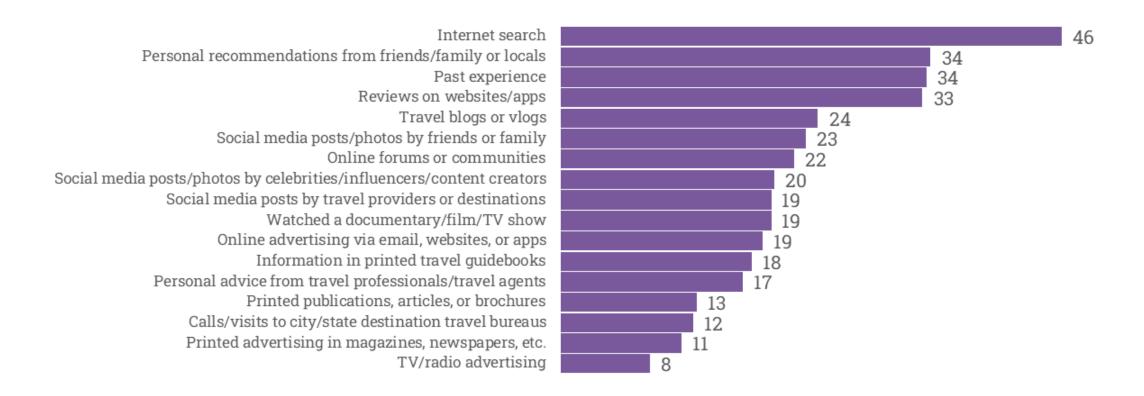
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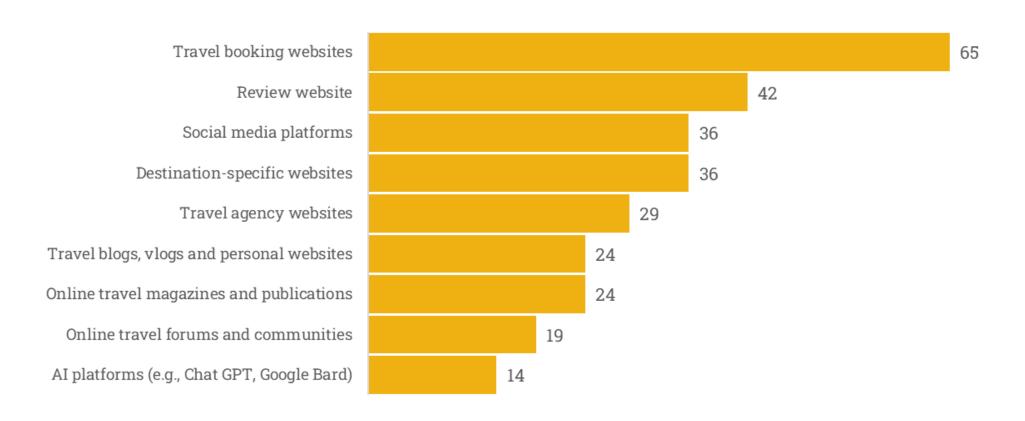
Sources of Information for Destination Selection (%)



Note: Australian visitors who have taken an overnight international trip since June 2022 and are interested in visiting the Travel South Region



Websites Used for Destination Selection (%)





Social Media Participation

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Facebook/META	70%
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LinkedIn	35%
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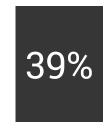
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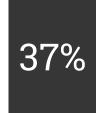
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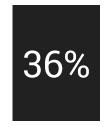
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Likelihood to Visit Travel South in the next Five Years

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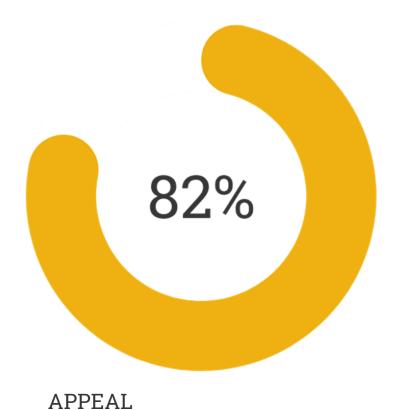
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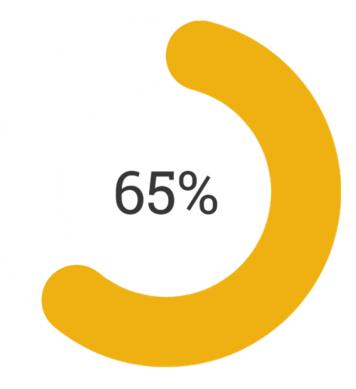
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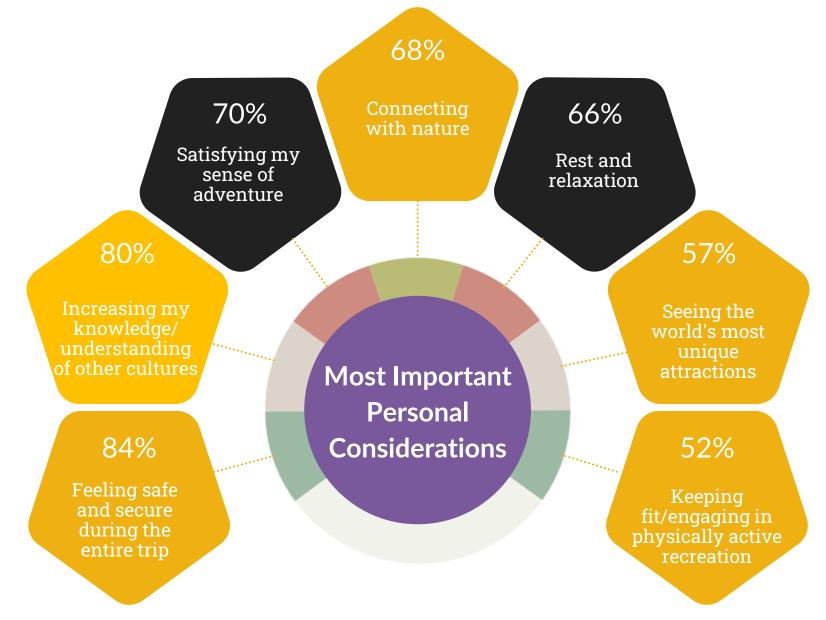
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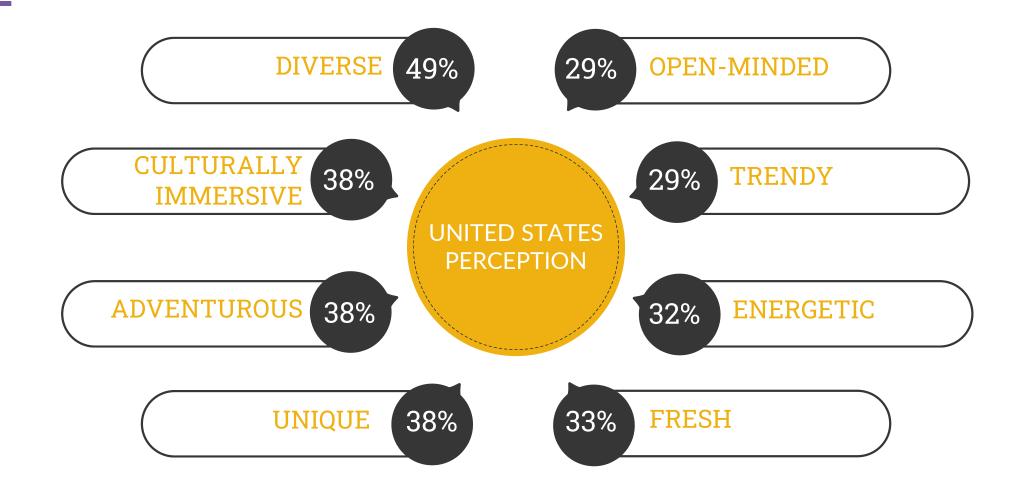






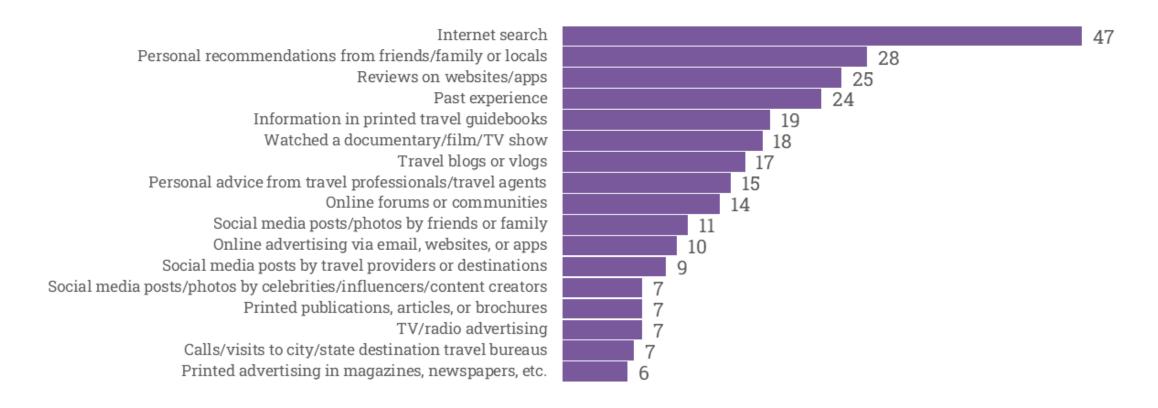
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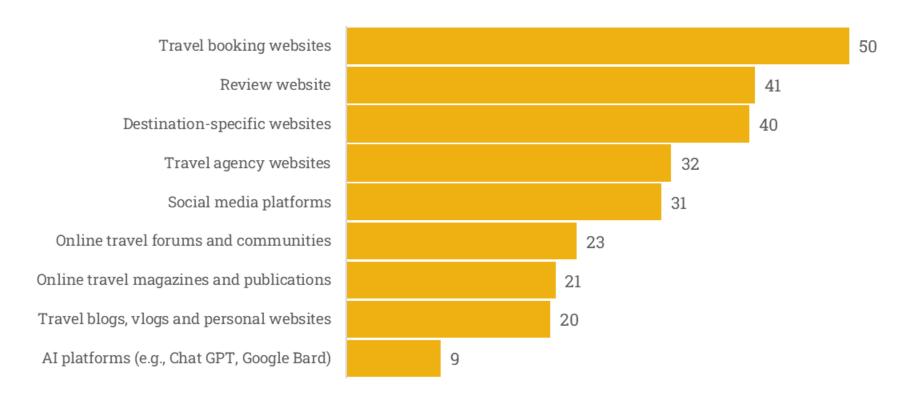


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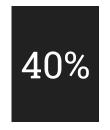
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