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International Visitor Profile

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# Key Findings

- 1 2026 projected spending:** \$270.7M (+6.2% YOY). Projected visitors: 298.8K (+4.5% YOY).
- 2 Top 10 Source Markets by Spending:** Canada (\$40.5M), UK + Ireland (\$31.9M), Brazil (\$26.7M), DACH Region (\$17.0M), India (\$11.7M), Japan (\$11.0M), China (\$10.5M), Australia (\$7.8M), France (\$6.9M), Italy (\$6.9M).
- 3 Top 5 Growth Markets (Spending YOY):** Taiwan (+17.9%), Bulgaria (+15.0%), Israel (+14.1%), South Africa (+13.2%), Singapore (+12.3%).
- 4 Top 5 Declining Markets (Spending YOY):** Iran (-11.1%), Greece (-0.3%).
- 5** Canada leads by spending (\$40.5M). Canada leads by visits (169.8K).
- 6 CAGR:** 2023-2027 projected spending CAGR (6.6%) exceeds 2015-2019 (1.0%).
- 7 Visitor Perceptions (Intl Markets):** 67% familiarity, 75% appeal, 41% likely to visit in the next 5 years.
- 8 U.S. Trip Profile (Intl Markets):** Average spending \$5,049. Average stay: 12.3 days. Average destinations: 4.4.
- 9 Top Motivation:** For rest and relaxation (45%)
- 10 Preferred Tone:** Friendly/welcoming (45%)
- 11 Top Barrier:** Political issues/unrest (64%)

# Kentucky

**\$270.7M**

2026 Projected Spending

**+6.2% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$227.9M**

2026 Overseas Spending

**+6.0% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$254.9M**

2025 Projected Spending

**-3.6% YOY** vs. 2024

**\$214.9M**

2025 Overseas Spending

**+3.8% YOY** vs. 2024

**298.8K**

2026 Projected Visitors

**+4.5% YOY** vs. 2025

**121.8K**

2026 Overseas Visitors

**+3.7% YOY** vs. 2025

**285.8K**

2025 Projected Visitors

**-13.9% YOY** vs. 2024

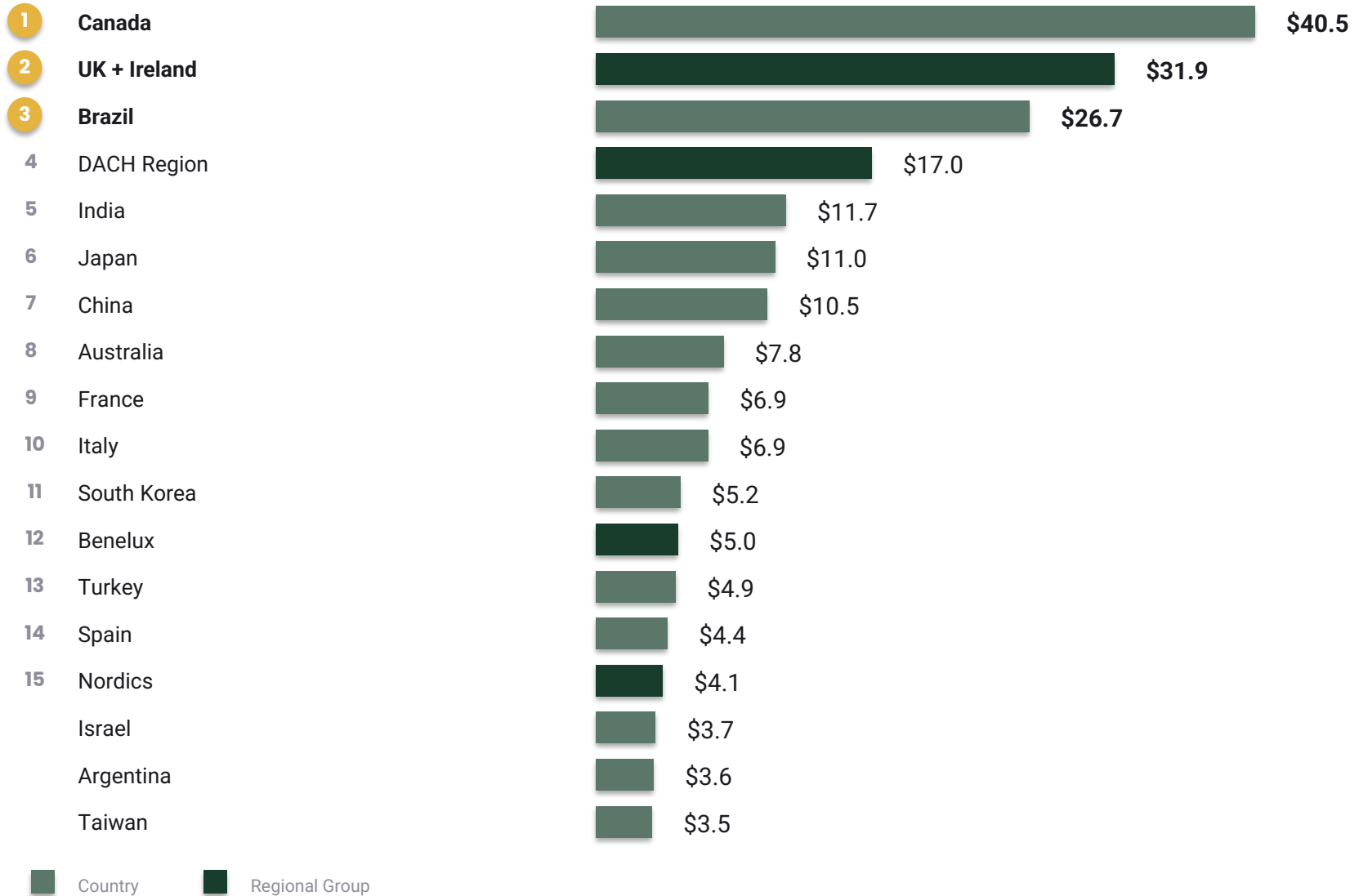
**117.5K**

2025 Overseas Visitors

**-2.2% YOY** vs. 2024

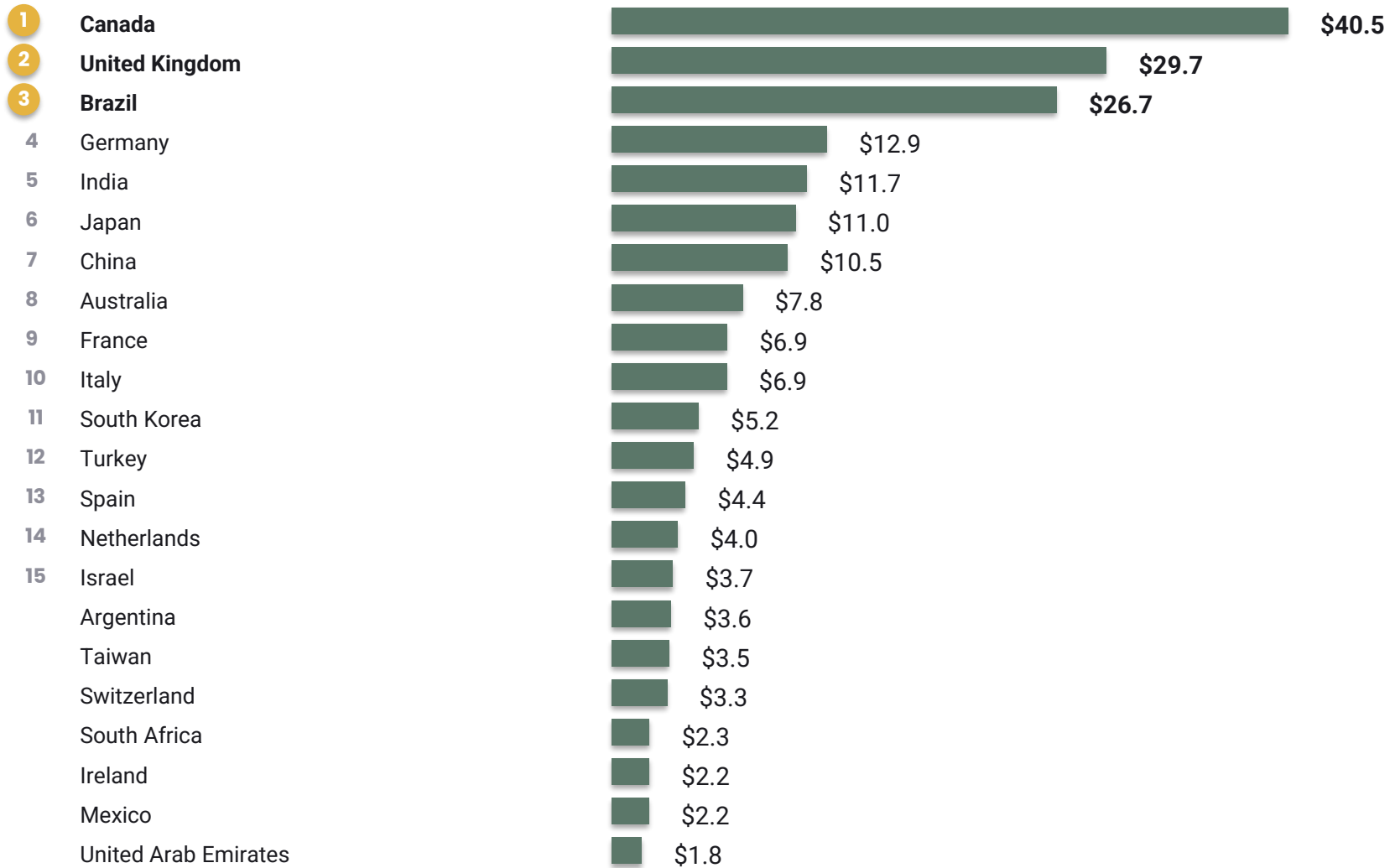
# Top Source Markets | 2026 Projections

Spending (\$ millions) by market | Includes Nordics, Benelux, DACH, UK + Ireland



# Top Source Markets | 2026 Projections | Detailed

Spending (\$ millions) by individual country



# Top Markets Detail | 2026 Projections

Spending (\$M), visits (K), and YOY % change

#	Market	Spending (\$M)	Visits (K)	Spend Δ%	Visits Δ%
1	Canada	\$40.5	169.8	+6.8%	+5.3%
2	United Kingdom	\$29.7	14.2	+3.9%	+5.3%
3	Brazil	\$26.7	7.2	+8.8%	+5.1%
4	Germany	\$12.9	6.9	+7.9%	+3.7%
5	India	\$11.7	7.8	+7.0%	+2.3%
6	Japan	\$11.0	8.0	+4.3%	+5.1%
7	China	\$10.5	4.0	+3.6%	+3.1%
8	Australia	\$7.8	3.6	+5.3%	+3.1%
9	France	\$6.9	5.0	+6.3%	+4.1%
10	Italy	\$6.9	5.1	+6.0%	+3.6%
11	South Korea	\$5.2	4.4	+4.5%	+5.2%
12	Turkey	\$4.9	1.7	+0.3%	+0.8%
13	Spain	\$4.4	2.8	+10.3%	+2.6%
14	Netherlands	\$4.0	2.6	+7.3%	+4.3%
15	Israel	\$3.7	3.4	+14.1%	+2.6%
16	Argentina	\$3.6	2.9	+8.7%	+6.1%
17	Taiwan	\$3.5	1.6	+17.9%	+8.6%
18	Switzerland	\$3.3	1.6	+12.9%	+7.4%
19	South Africa	\$2.3	1.3	+13.2%	+9.2%
20	Ireland	\$2.2	1.6	+5.2%	+3.8%
21	Mexico	\$2.2	7.2	+6.7%	+2.5%
22	United Arab Emirates	\$1.8	0.7	+4.7%	+10.6%

# % Change | 2025 Projections vs. 2024

Year-over-year spending and visits change by source market

#	Market	Spending %Δ	Visits %Δ
1	Canada	-31.4%	-21.4%
2	United Kingdom	+13.1%	+0.5%
3	Brazil	+13.7%	+0.3%
4	Germany	+7.2%	-10.8%
5	India	-4.7%	-4.8%
6	Japan	+12.5%	+6.6%
7	China	+6.2%	-2.5%
8	Australia	-13.9%	-4.7%
9	France	-3.8%	-7.3%
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11	South Korea	-15.0%	-4.8%
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13	Spain	+13.5%	+2.5%
14	Netherlands	+11.6%	-8.2%
15	Israel	-6.2%	+14.1%
16	Argentina	+12.2%	+14.1%
17	Taiwan	+29.9%	+6.6%
18	Switzerland	-23.3%	-11.3%
19	South Africa	-7.7%	-7.2%
20	Ireland	-2.1%	+0.7%
21	Mexico	+4.5%	+8.6%
22	United Arab Emirates	+7.4%	-3.0%



Decline



Growth

# Growth Trajectory

2015-2019 CAGR

**1.0%**

Spending

**1.9%**

Visits

2023-2027 PROJECTED CAGR

**6.6%**

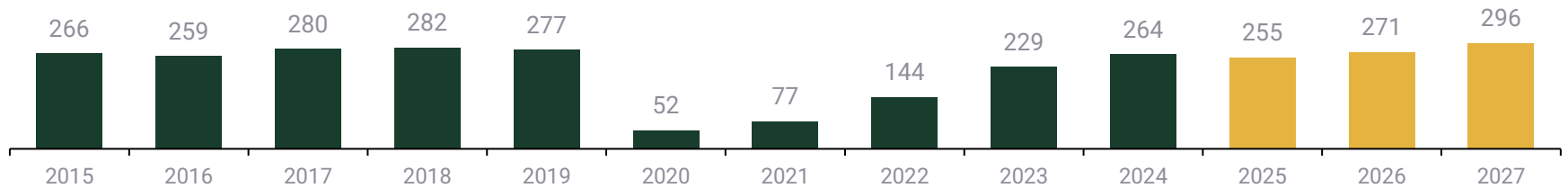
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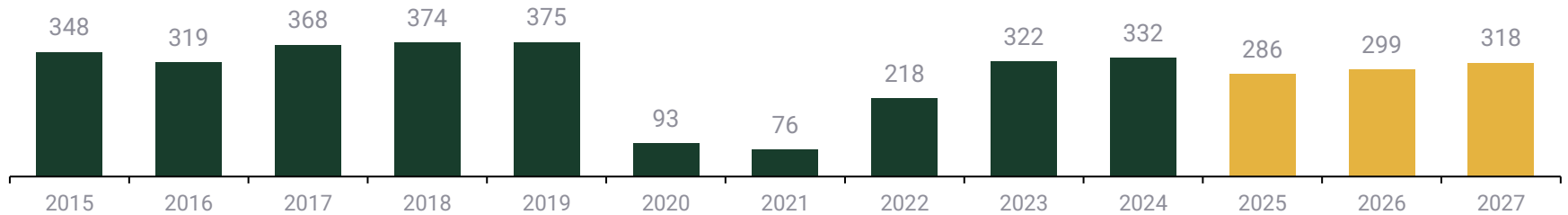
Visits

CAGR is Compound Annual Growth Rate.

## Spending (\$M)



## Visits (K)



■ Historic    ■ Forecast

# Macro Context

Top 10 spending markets | GDP % change and currency exchange rate (2026)

**Canada**

**1.5%**

GDP % Change

**1.37**

CAD/USD

**United Kingdom**

**1.3%**

GDP % Change

**1.35**

GBP/USD

**Brazil**

**1.9%**

GDP % Change

**5.15**

BRL/USD

**Germany**

**0.9%**

GDP % Change

**1.18**

EUR/USD

**India**

**6.2%**

GDP % Change

**90.92**

INR/USD

**Japan**

**0.6%**

GDP % Change

**156.13**

JPY/USD

**China**

**4.2%**

GDP % Change

**6.84**

CNY/USD

**Australia**

**2.1%**

GDP % Change

**0.71**

AUD/USD

**France**

**0.9%**

GDP % Change

**1.18**

EUR/USD

**Italy**

**0.8%**

GDP % Change

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EUR/USD

# Visitor Perceptions | The American South

International Markets

**67%**

**Familiarity**

**75%**

**Appeal**

**29%**

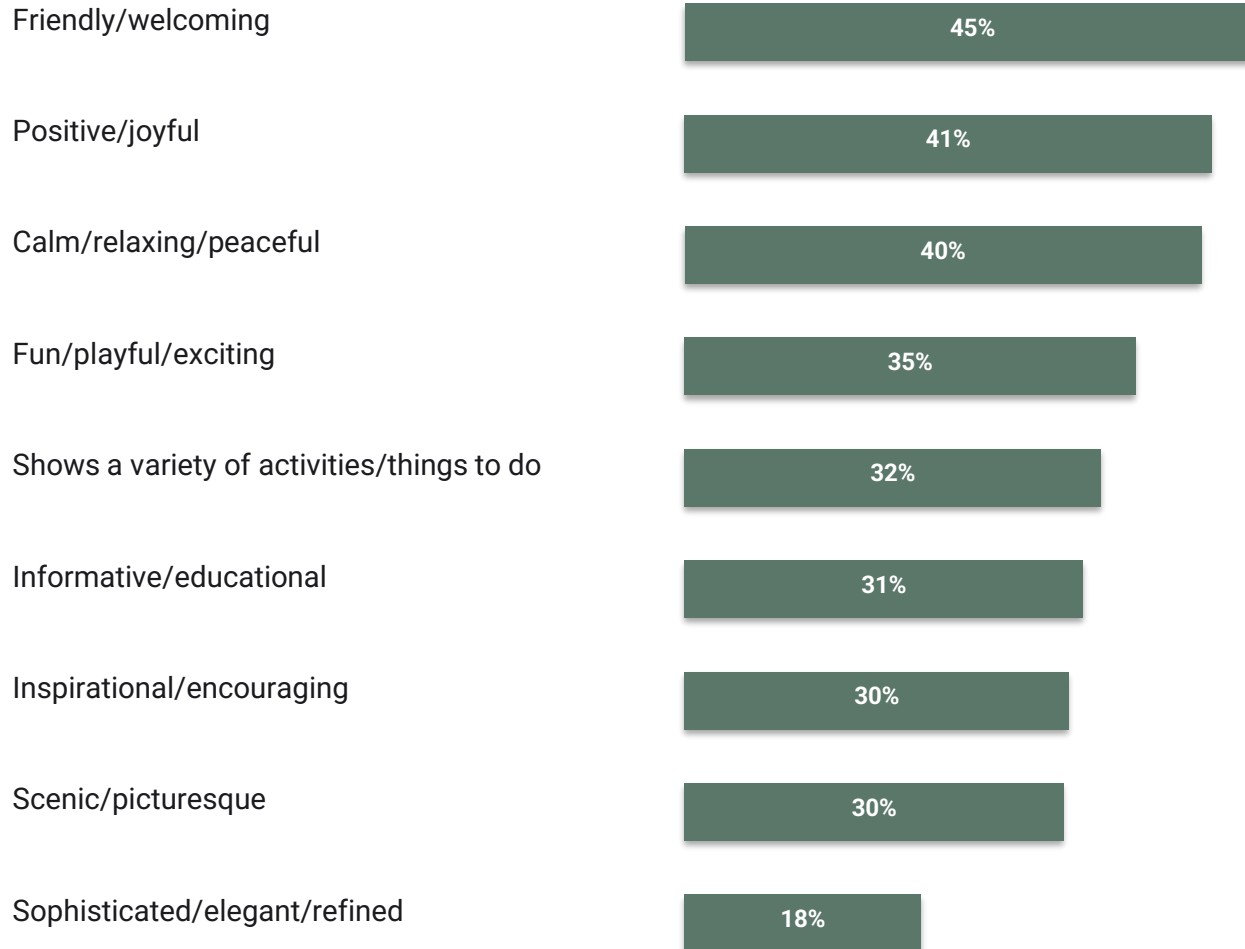
**Promotional Buzz**

**41%**

**Likely to Visit (5yr)**

# Desired Travel Promotion Tone

International Markets



# U.S. Travel Planning & Budget

Total international

## U.S. Trip Planning

**36%**

Likely to Visit US (2yr)

Intl Markets: 36%

**14 wks**

Planning Window

Intl Markets: 14 wks

**12 wks**

Booking Window

Intl Markets: 12 wks

## U.S. Trip Profile

**12.3**

Avg Days in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 12.3

**4.4**

Avg Destinations in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 4.4

**2.6**

Avg Number of People Traveling with

Intl Markets: 2.6

## Average Budget | 2-Week U.S. Trip

**\$1,568**

Hotels

Intl: \$1,568

**\$1,001**

Shopping

Intl: \$1,001

**\$826**

Dining

Intl: \$826

**\$881**

Sightseeing

Intl: \$881

**\$772**

Transport

Intl: \$772

**\$5,049**

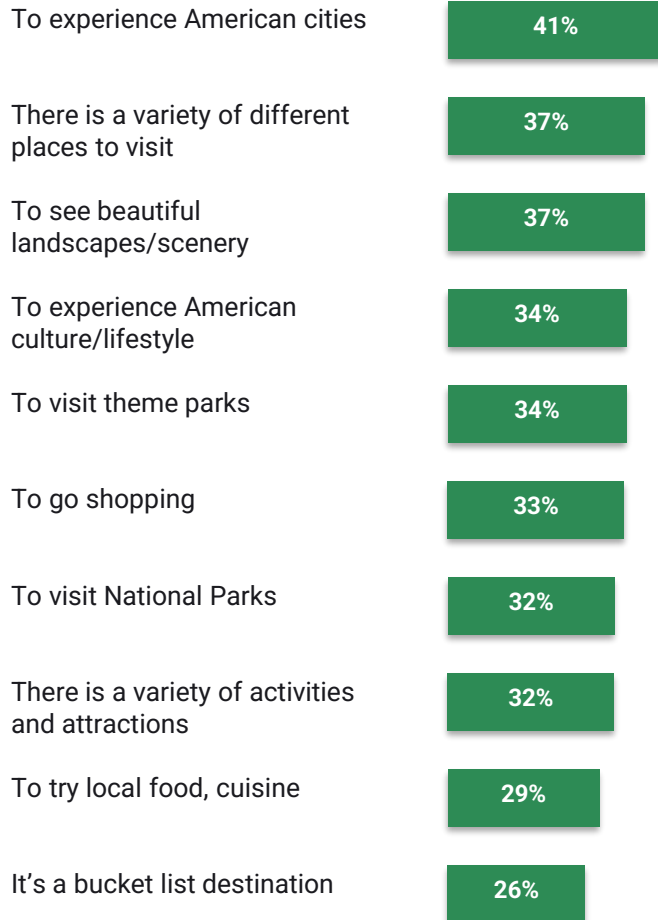
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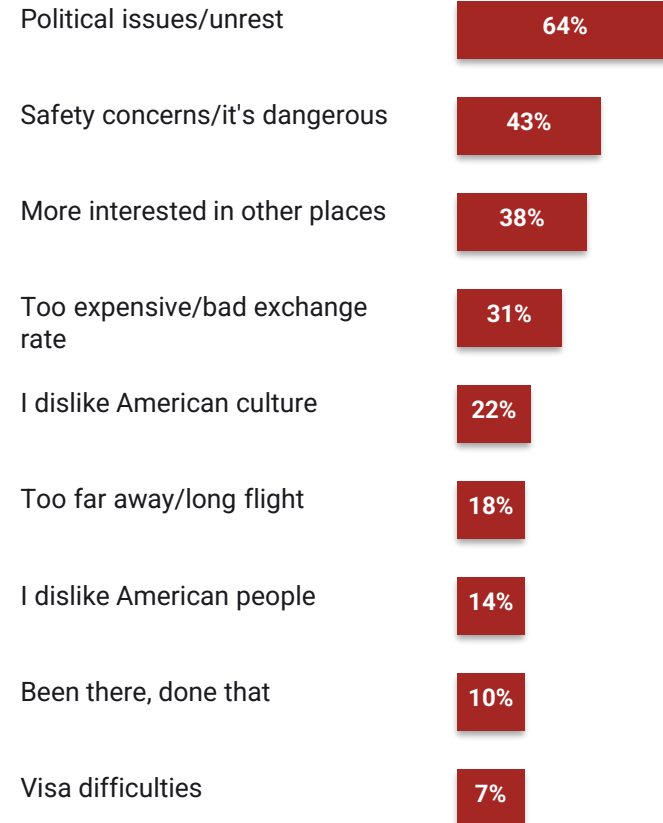
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International Markets

## Enablers

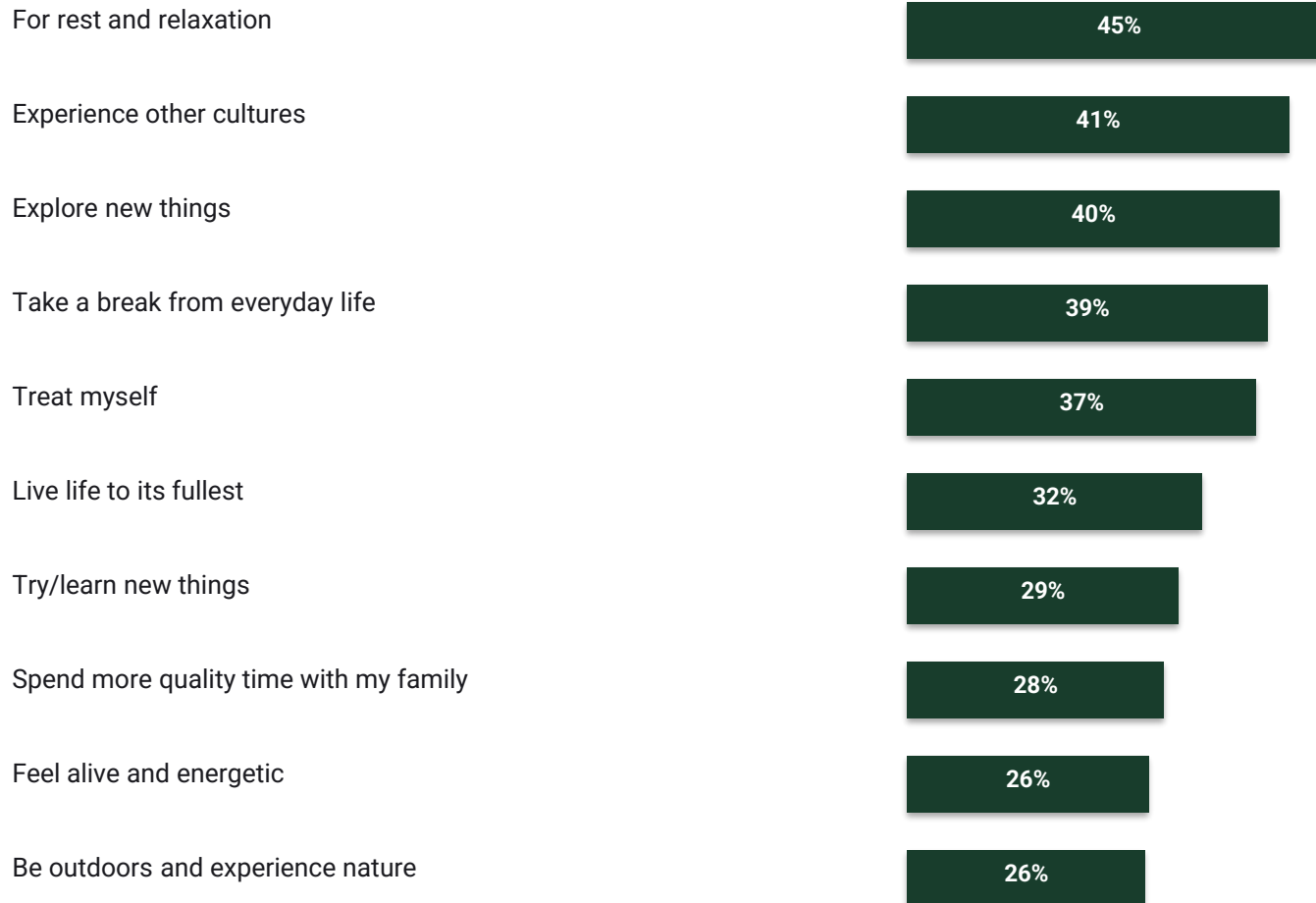


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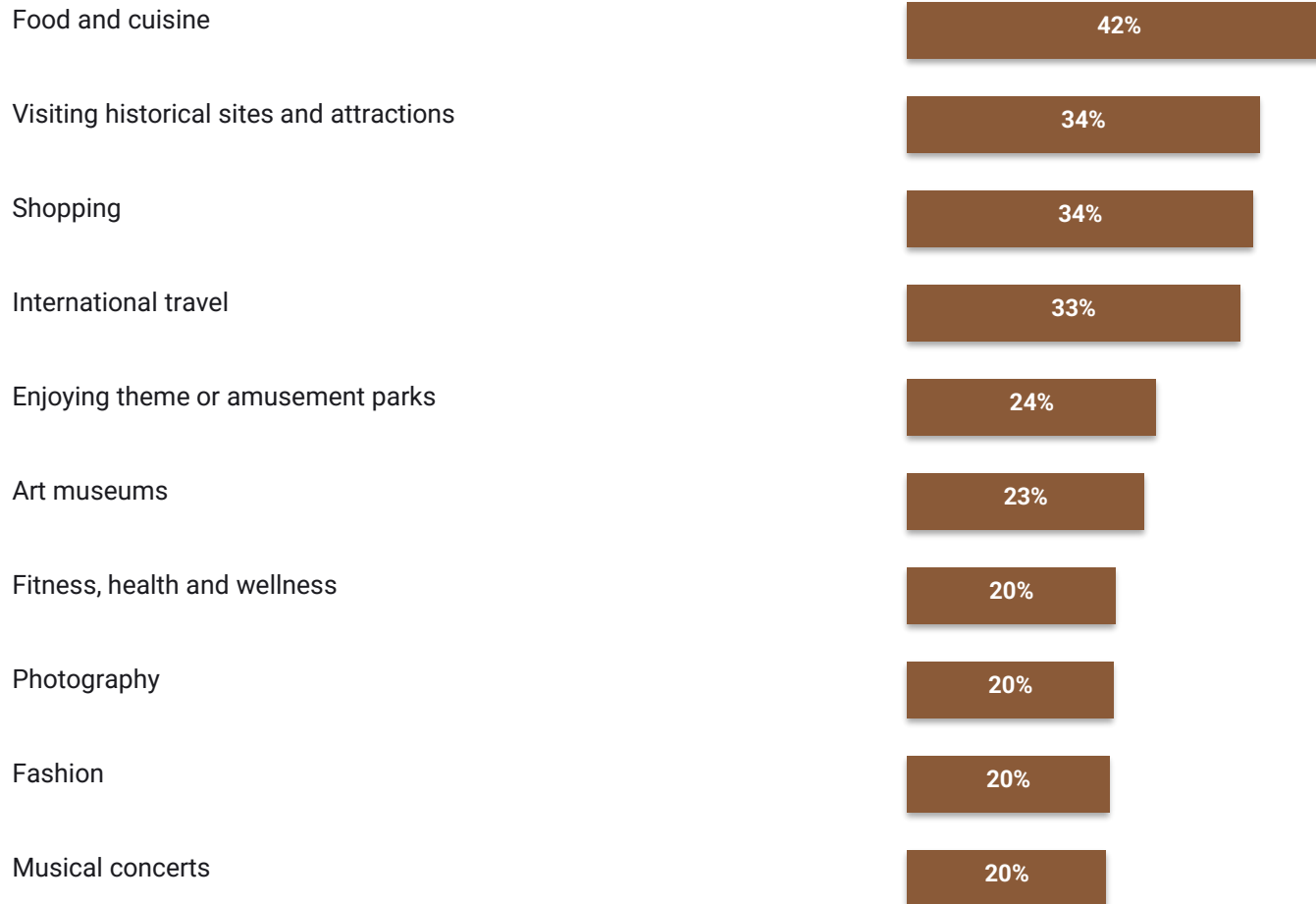
# Travel Motivations

## International Markets



# Hobbies & Passions

International Markets



# Travel Trends & Outlook

## International Markets

Global wars/strife will impact the destinations I visit in 2025.

**54%**



If a U.S. destination has a problem with over-tourism, I am less likely to visit it.

**53%**



With higher temperatures each year, I will try to seek out cooler places.

**44%**



I'll be more proactive in reducing the impact of my travel on the environment.

**43%**



Climate change will have a significant impact on my leisure travel in the next five (5) years.

**42%**



I am likely to take a slow-cation in the next year (i.e., a longer trip spent in a single destination).

**42%**



Luxury travel experiences are an important part of my leisure trips.

**39%**



I anticipate that backlash against tourism will increase in my community in the next year.

**34%**



I often bring work with me to do when I am on holiday.

**27%**



# Top Five Markets by Spending

International Visitor Economy & Profiles by Country

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# CANADA

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Source Market Analysis | Kentucky

#1 by Spending | #1 by Visits

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# Canada | Key Findings

- 1 2026 Kentucky projected spending:** \$40.6M (+6.8% YOY). Projected visitors: 169.8K (+5.3% YOY). Ranks #1 by spending and #1 by visits among Kentucky source markets.
- 2 Macro Context:** Canada 2026 GDP growth projected at 1.5%. Exchange rate: 1.37 CAD/USD.
- 3 CAGR Comparison:** 2023-2027 projected spending CAGR (-2.5%) exceeds 2015-2019 (-6%).
- 4 Visitor Perceptions:** 66% familiarity with the American South, 70% appeal, 38% likely to visit in the next 5 years.
- 5 U.S. Trip Profile:** Average spending \$2,949 for a 2-week trip. Average length of stay: 8.4 days. Average destinations: 2.8.
- 6 Top Motivation:** Treat myself (49%)
- 7 Top Enabler:** To visit friends and/or family (39%)
- 8 Preferred Tone:** Friendly/welcoming (54%)
- 9 Top Barrier:** Political issues/unrest (90%)

# Canada

**\$40.6M**

2026 Kentucky Spending

**+6.8% YOY** vs. 2025

**169.8K**

2026 Kentucky Visitors

**+5.3% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$16.4B**

2026 USA Spending

**+7.6% YOY** vs. 2025

**20.9M**

2026 USA Visitors

**+6.6% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$38M**

2025 Kentucky Spending

**-31.3% YOY** vs. 2024

**161.3K**

2025 Kentucky Visitors

**-21.4% YOY** vs. 2024

**\$15.2B**

2025 USA Spending

**-21.5% YOY** vs. 2024

**19.6M**

2025 USA Visitors

**-23.1% YOY** vs. 2024

# Growth Trajectory

2015-2019 CAGR

**-6%**

Spending

**2.1%**

Visits

2023-2027 PROJECTED CAGR

**-2.5%**

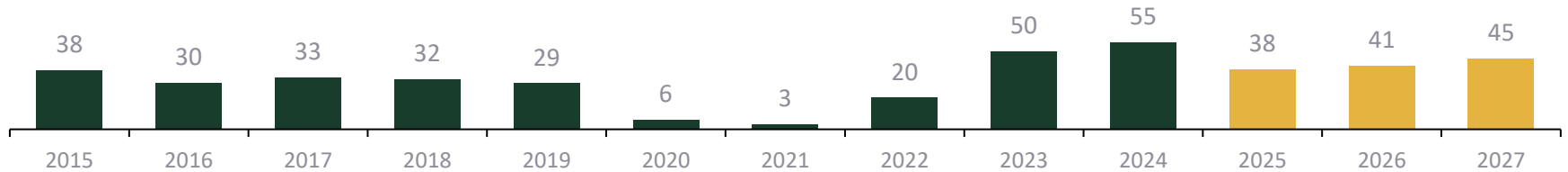
Spending

**-3.4%**

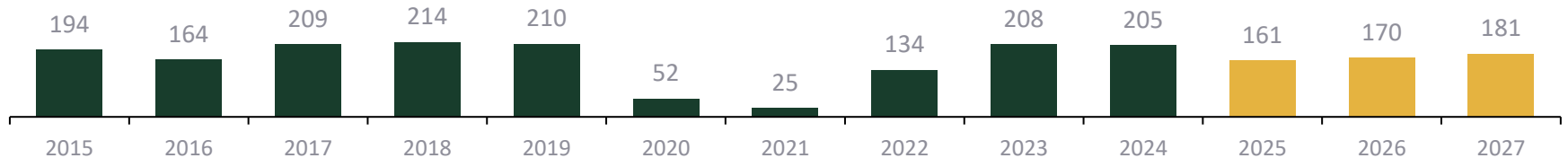
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## Visitor Spending (\$M)



## Visits (K)



■ Historic    ■ Forecast

# Visitor Perceptions | The American South

Canada

**66%**

**Familiarity**

Intl Markets: 67%

**70%**

**Appeal**

Intl Markets: 75%

**24%**

**Promotional Buzz**

Intl Markets: 29%

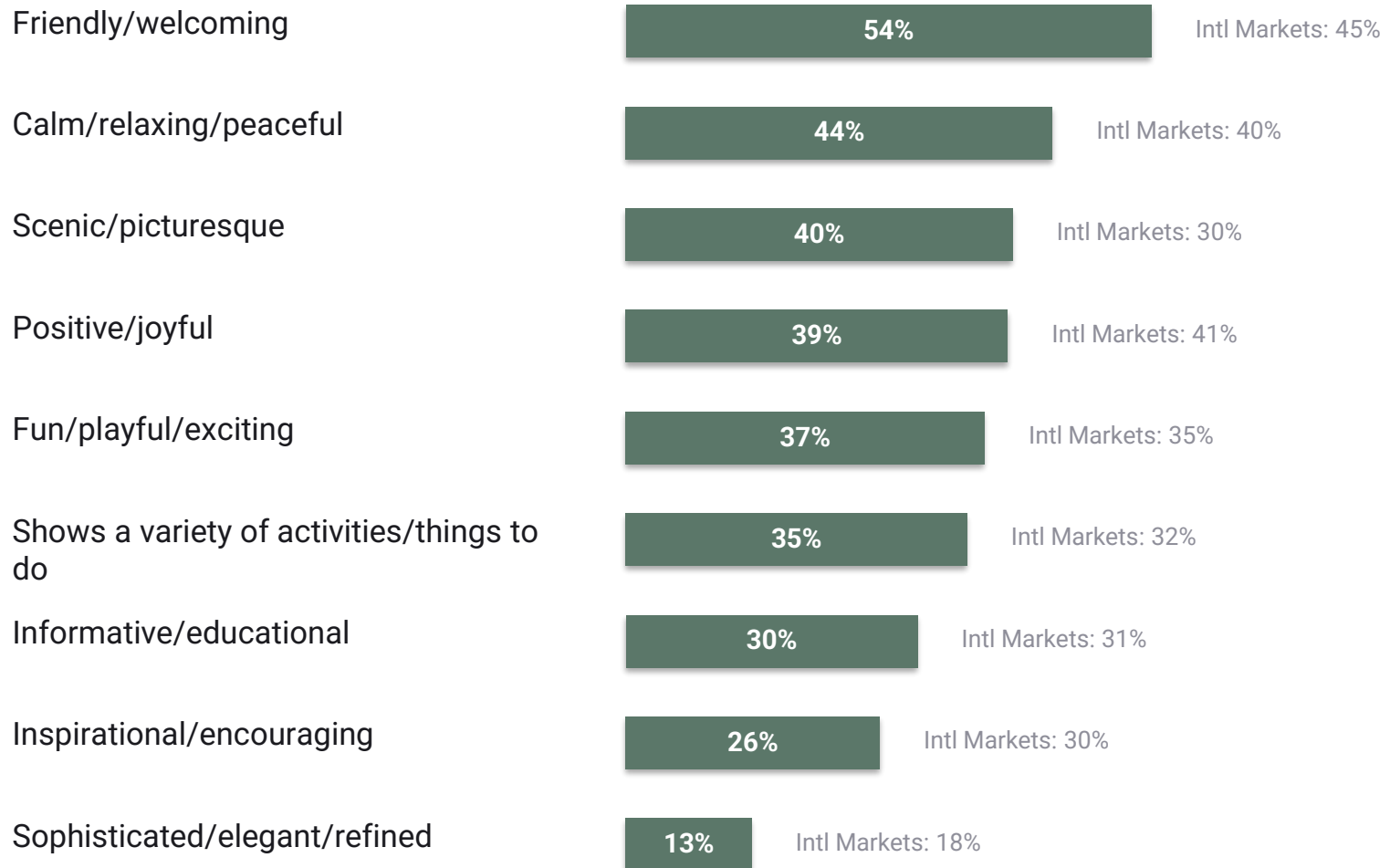
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**Likely to Visit (5yr)**

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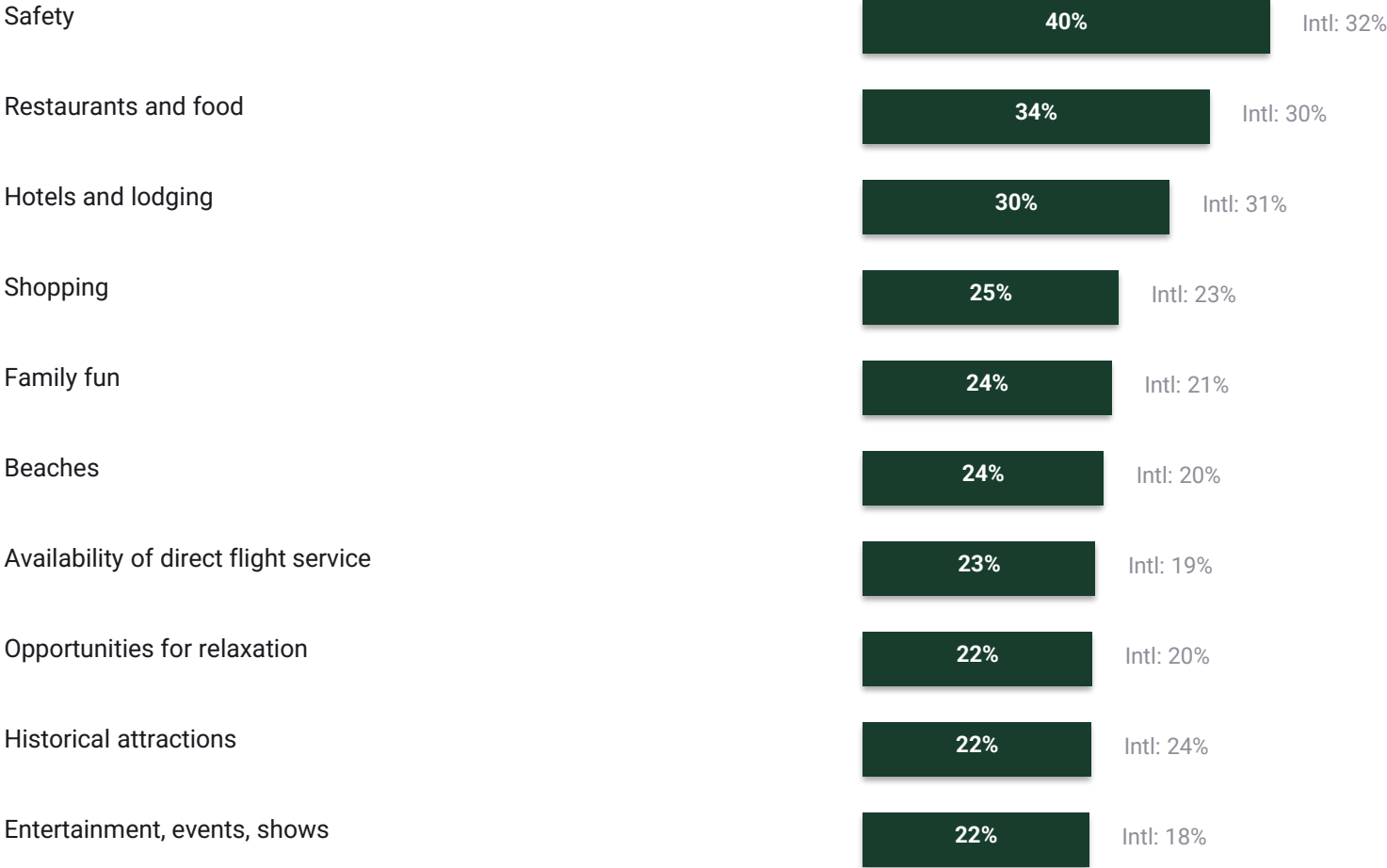
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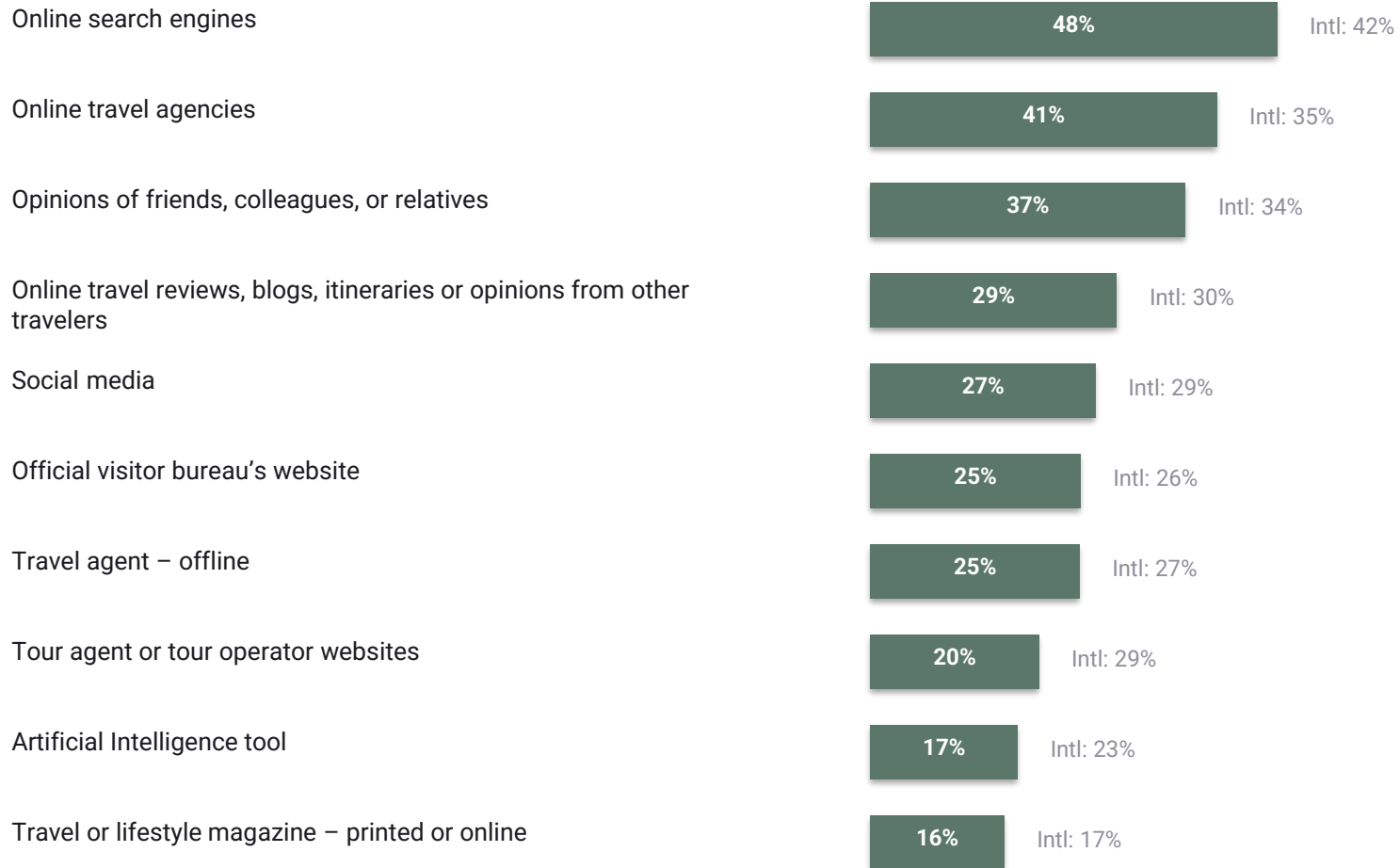
# Top Information Sources

Canada



# Planning Resources

Canada



# U.S. Travel Planning & Budget

Canada

## U.S. Trip Planning

**36%**

Likely to Visit US (2yr)

Intl Markets: 36%

**12 wks**

Planning Window

Intl Markets: 14 wks

**11 wks**

Booking Window

Intl Markets: 12 wks

## U.S. Trip Profile

**8.4**

Avg Days in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 12.3

**2.8**

Avg Destinations in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 4.4

**2.1**

Avg Number of People Traveling with

Intl Markets: 2.6

## Average Budget | 2-Week U.S. Trip

**\$1,095**

Hotels

Intl: \$1,568

**\$481**

Shopping

Intl: \$1,001

**\$510**

Dining

Intl: \$826

**\$383**

Sightseeing

Intl: \$881

**\$480**

Transport

Intl: \$772

**\$2,949**

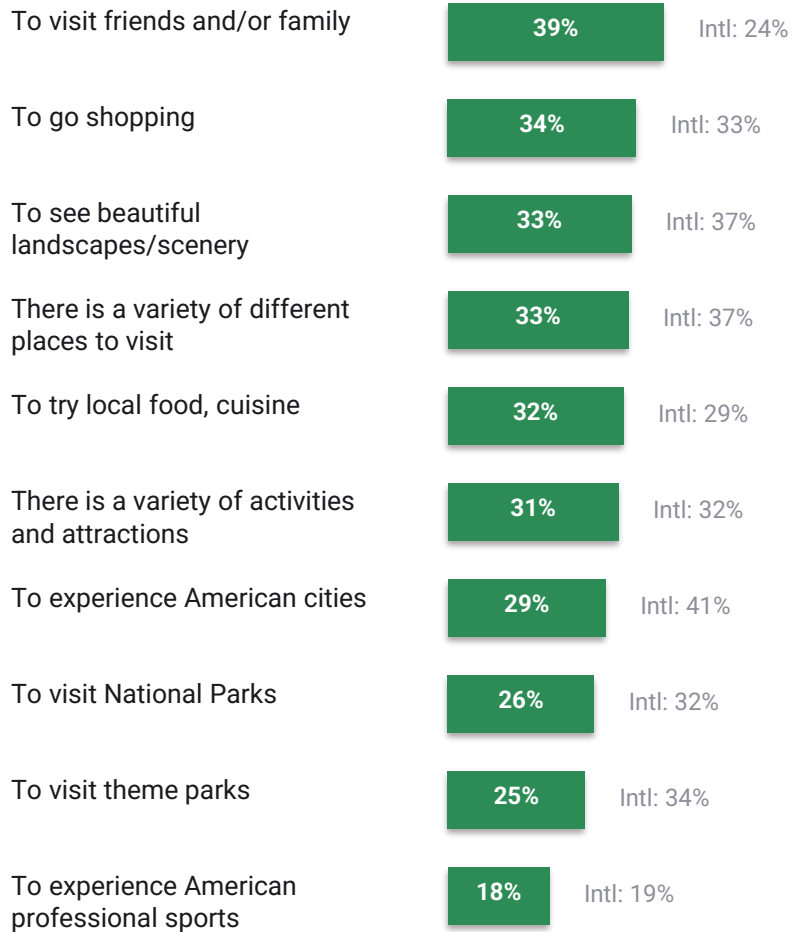
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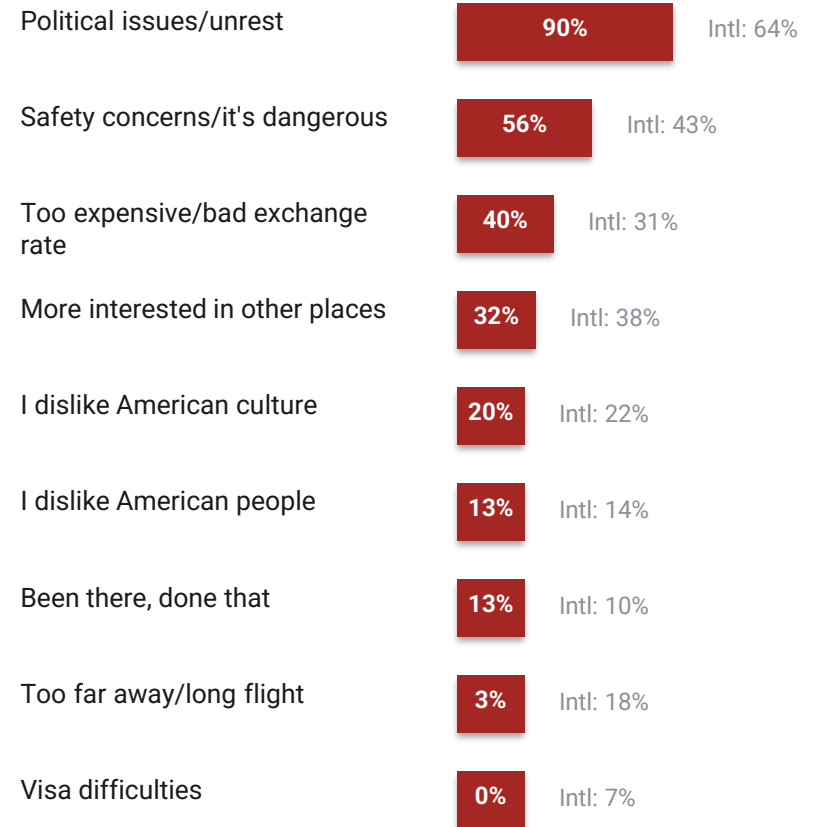
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## Enablers

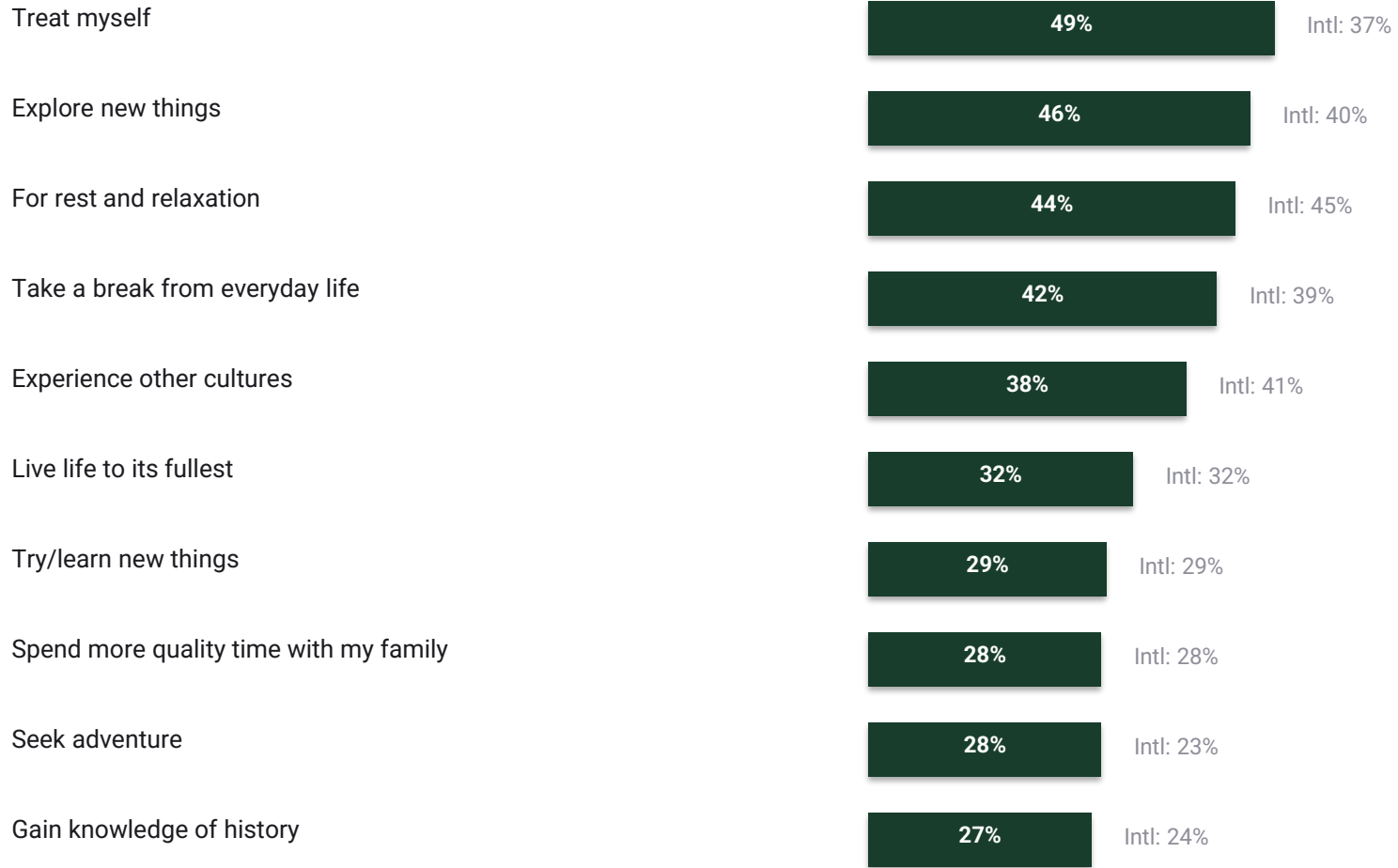


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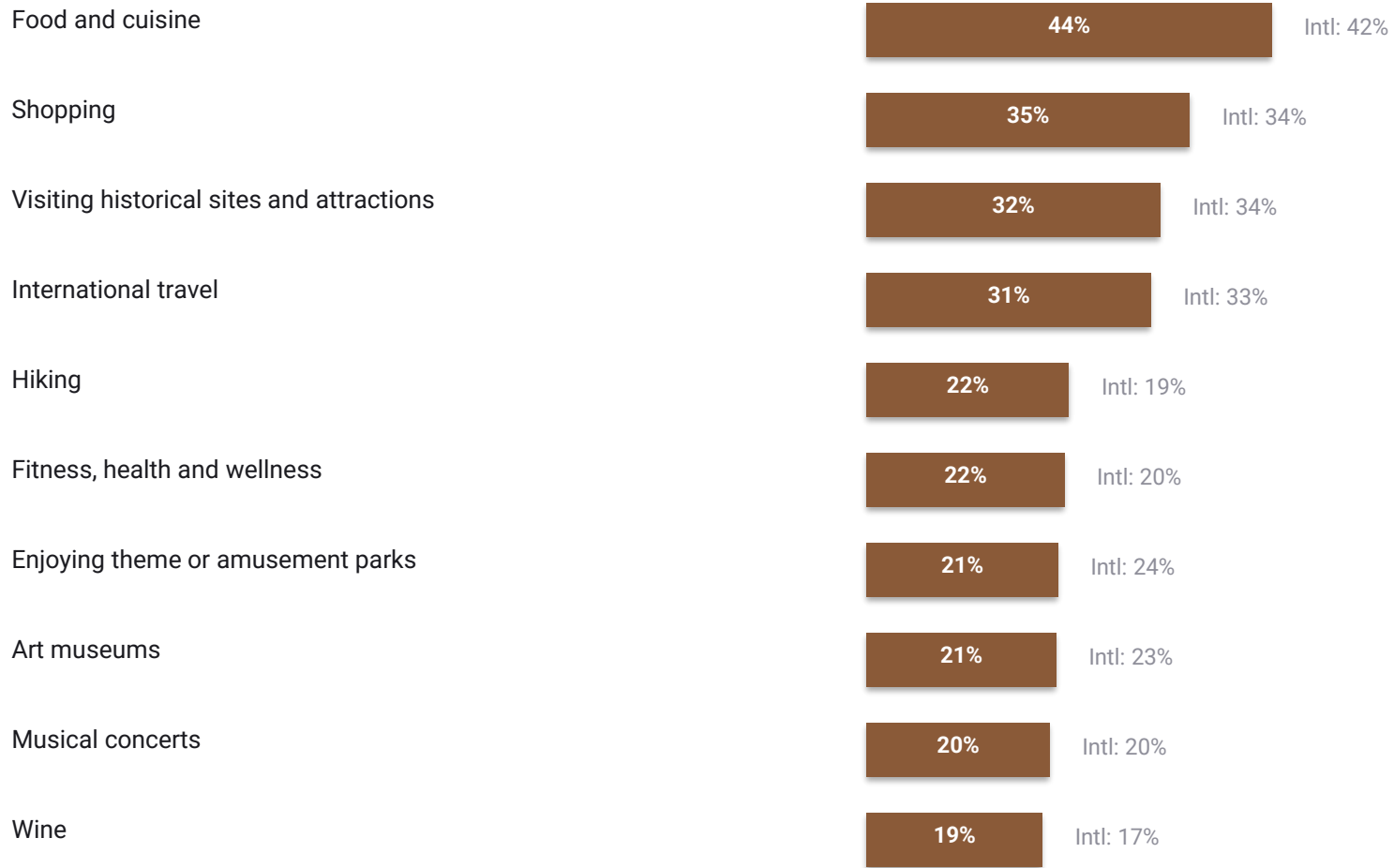
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Canada



# Hobbies & Passions

Canada



# Travel Trends & Outlook

Canada

Global wars/strife will impact the destinations I visit in 2025.

**59%**

Intl: 54%

If a U.S. destination has a problem with over-tourism, I am less likely to visit it.

**53%**

Intl: 53%

I am likely to take a slow-cation in the next year (i.e., a longer trip spent in a single destination).

**40%**

Intl: 42%

Climate change will have a significant impact on my leisure travel in the next five (5) years.

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■ Canada

■ Intl Markets

# UNITED KINGDOM

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Source Market Analysis | Kentucky

**#2 by Spending | #2 by Visits**

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# United Kingdom | Key Findings

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- 2 Macro Context:** United Kingdom 2026 GDP growth projected at 1.3%. Exchange rate: 1.35 GBP/USD.
- 3 CAGR Comparison:** 2023-2027 projected spending CAGR (6.3%) exceeds 2015-2019 (3.4%).
- 4 Visitor Perceptions:** 74% familiarity with the American South, 78% appeal, 41% likely to visit in the next 5 years.
- 5 U.S. Trip Profile:** Average spending \$5,448 for a 2-week trip. Average length of stay: 11.2 days. Average destinations: 3.9.
- 6 Top Motivation:** For rest and relaxation (51%)
- 7 Top Enabler:** To experience American cities (45%)
- 8 Preferred Tone:** Friendly/welcoming (54%)
- 9 Top Barrier:** Political issues/unrest (72%)

# United Kingdom

**\$29.7M**

2026 Kentucky Spending

**+4.2% YOY** vs. 2025

**14.2K**

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**\$11.9B**

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**5.8M**

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**\$28.5M**

2025 Kentucky Spending

**+13.1% YOY** vs. 2024

**13.5K**

2025 Kentucky Visitors

**0% YOY** vs. 2024

**\$11.5B**

2025 USA Spending

**+9.4% YOY** vs. 2024

**5.6M**

2025 USA Visitors

**-0.1% YOY** vs. 2024

# Growth Trajectory

2015-2019 CAGR

**3.4%**

Spending

**1.9%**

Visits

2023-2027 PROJECTED CAGR

**6.3%**

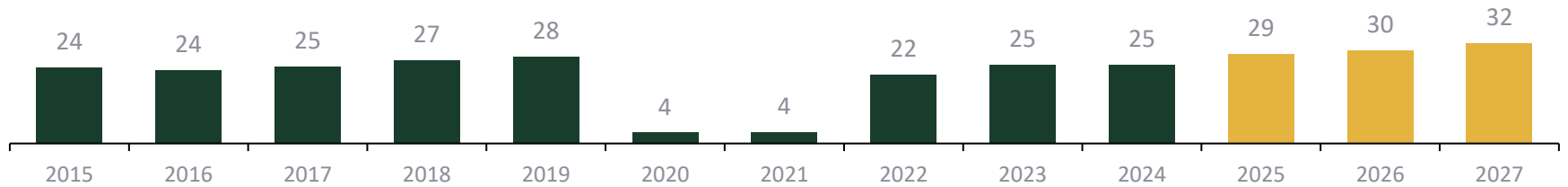
Spending

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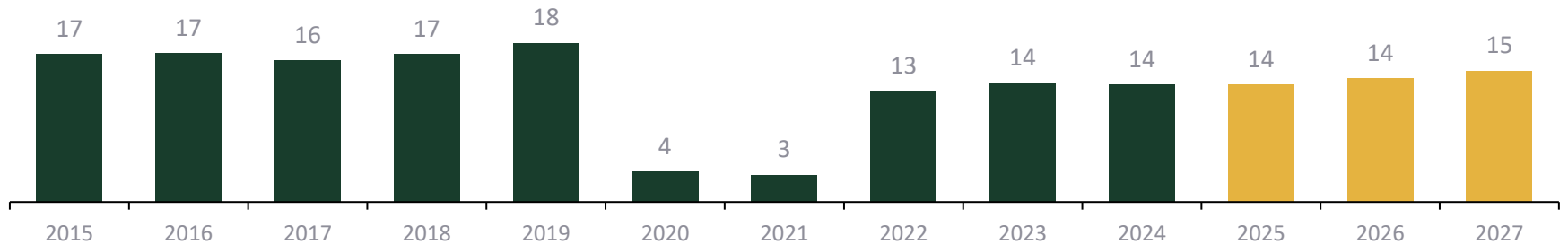
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## Visitor Spending (\$M)



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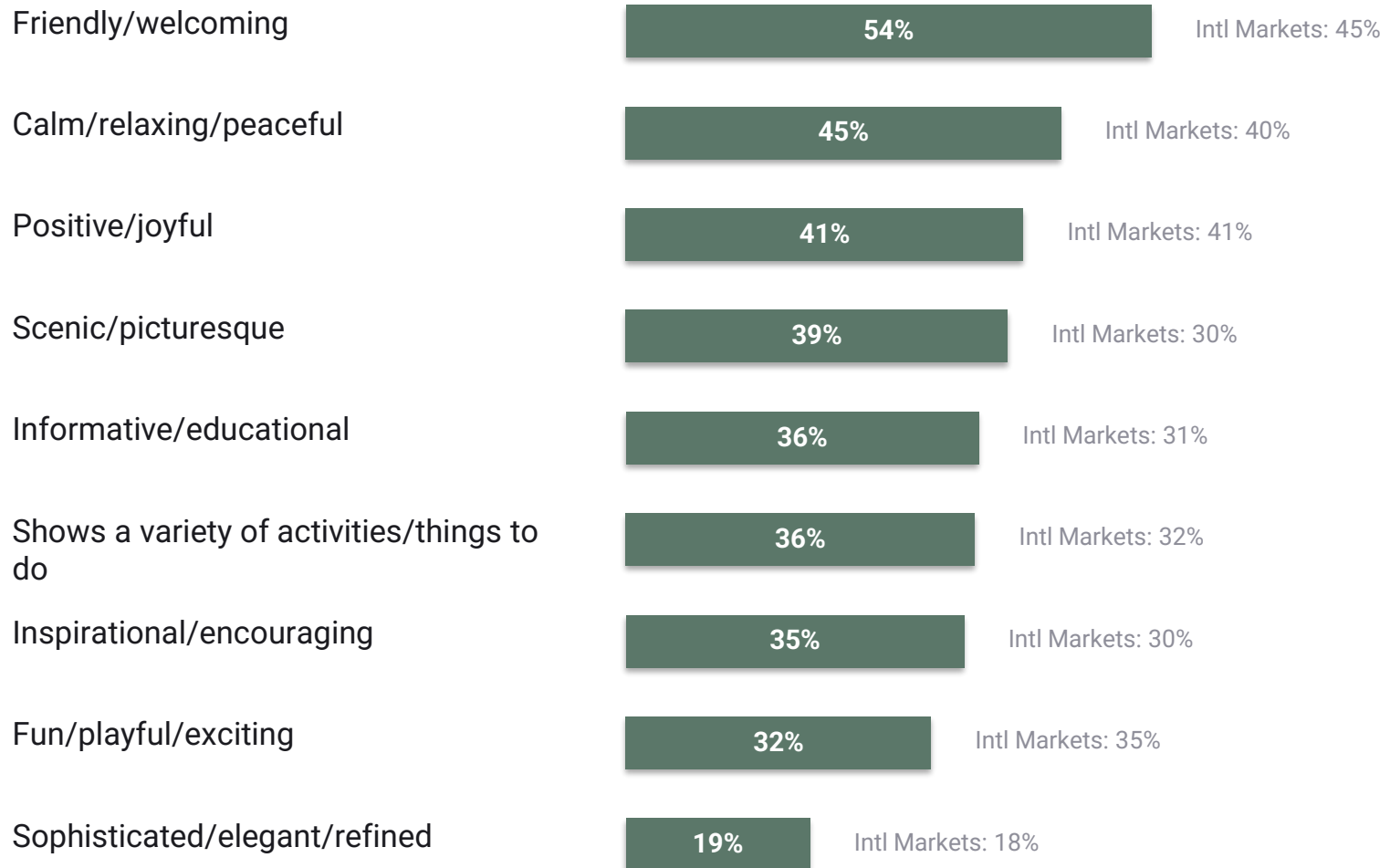
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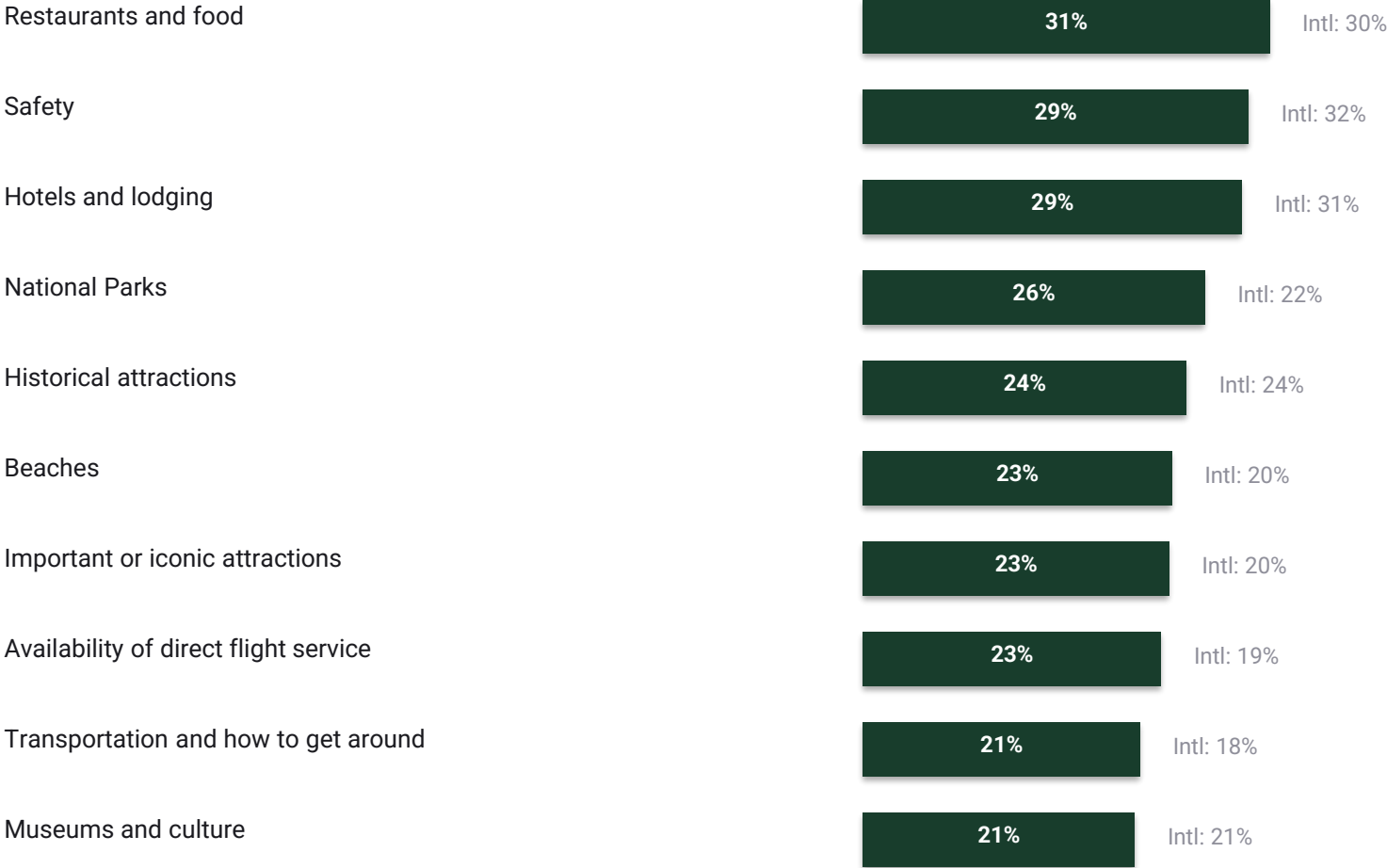
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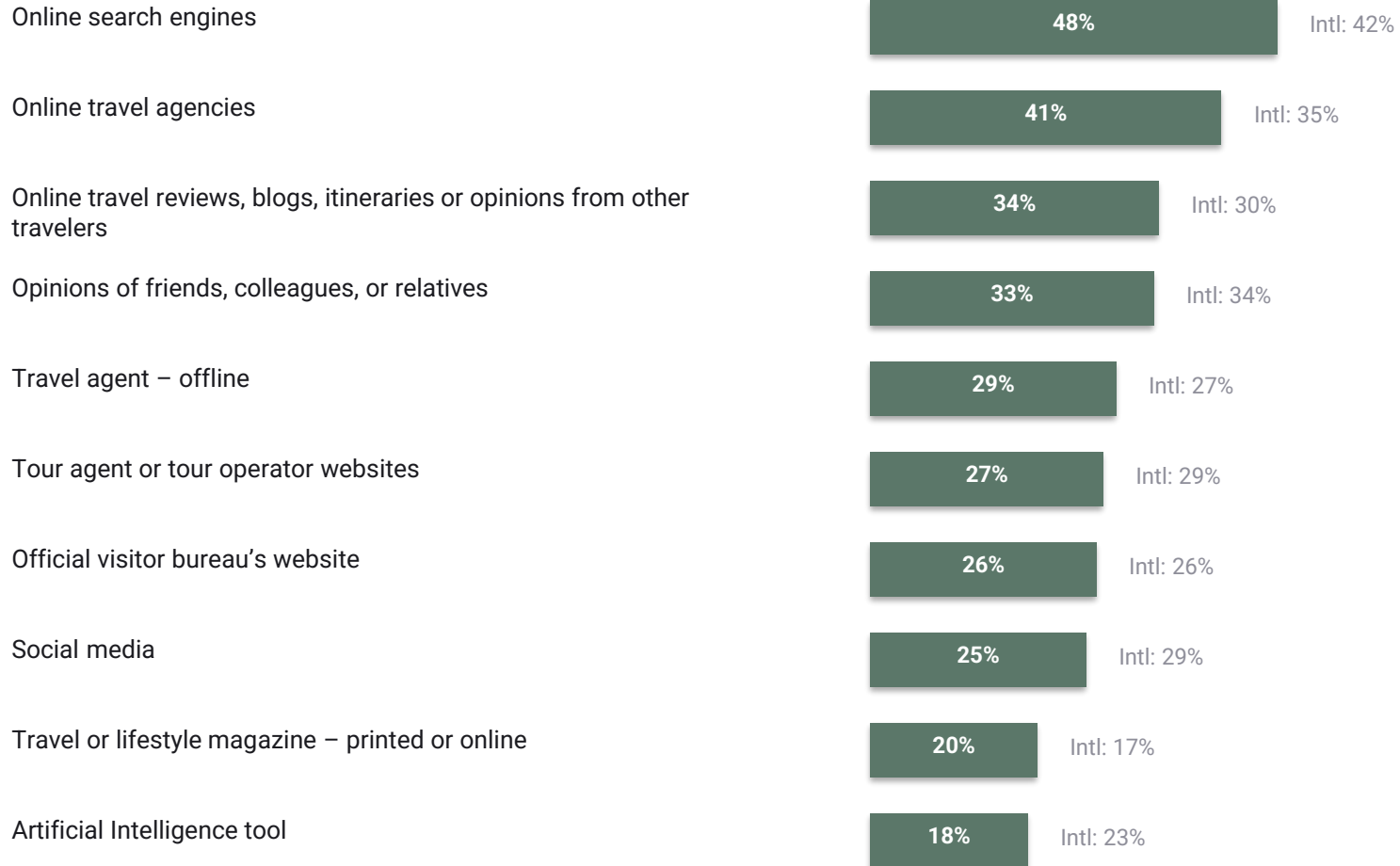
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## U.S. Trip Profile

**11.2**

Avg Days in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 12.3

**3.9**

Avg Destinations in the U.S.

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**2.2**

Avg Number of People Traveling with

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## Average Budget | 2-Week U.S. Trip

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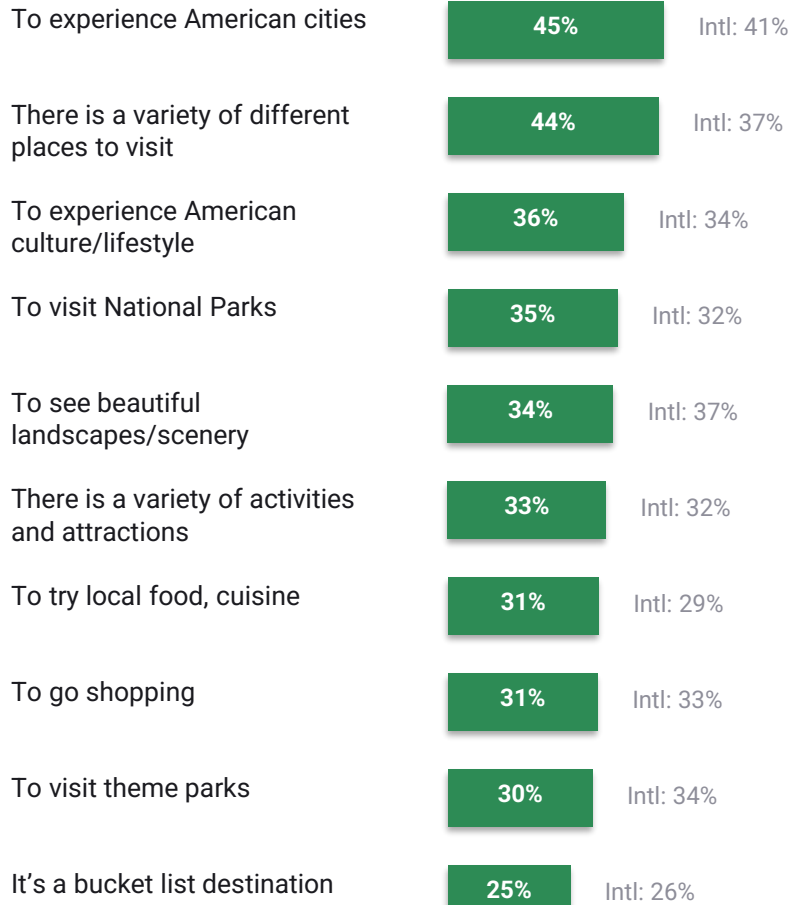
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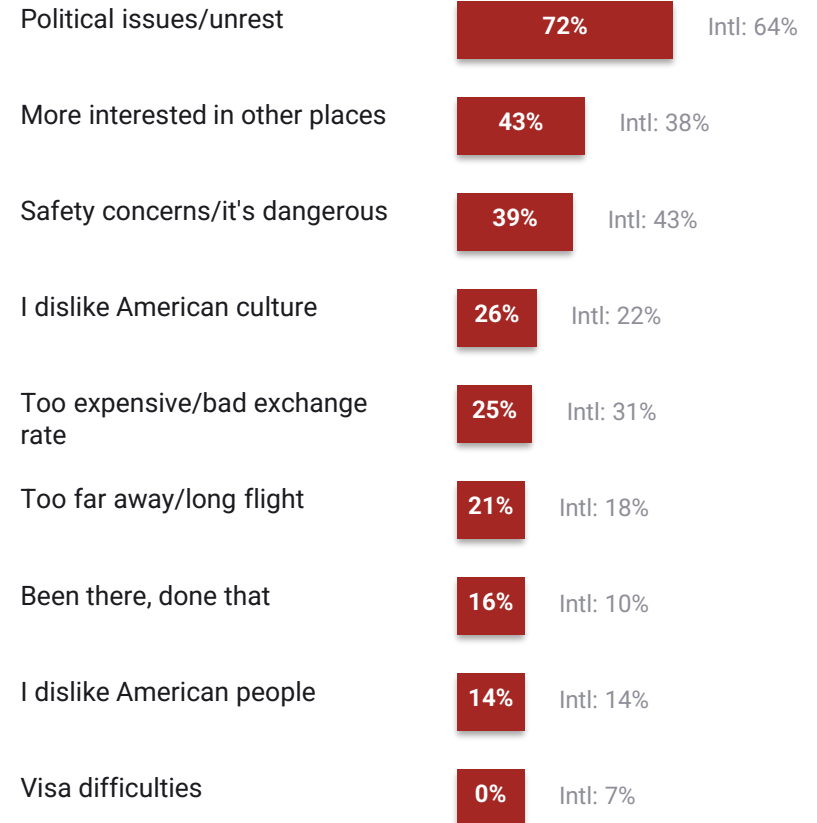
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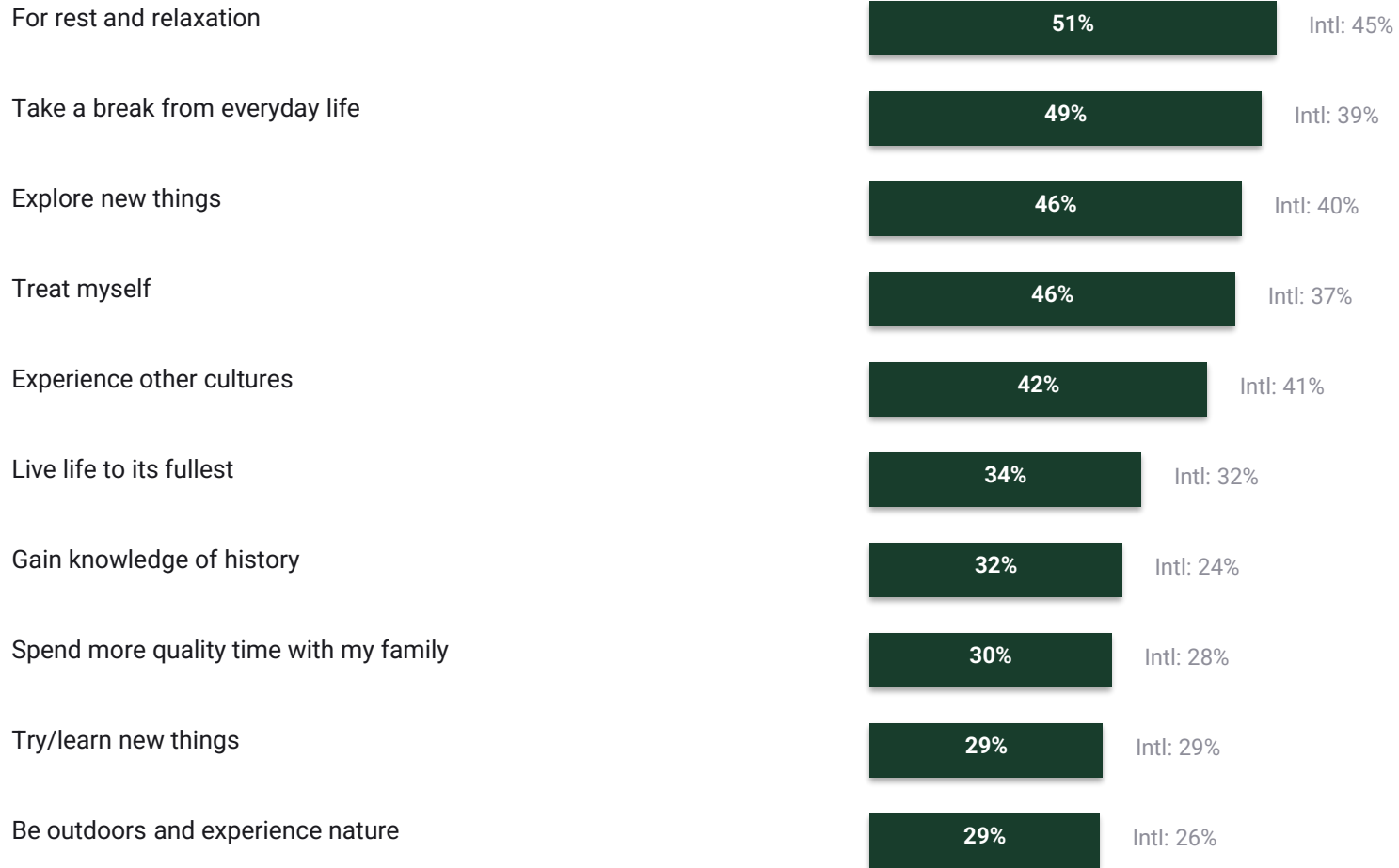


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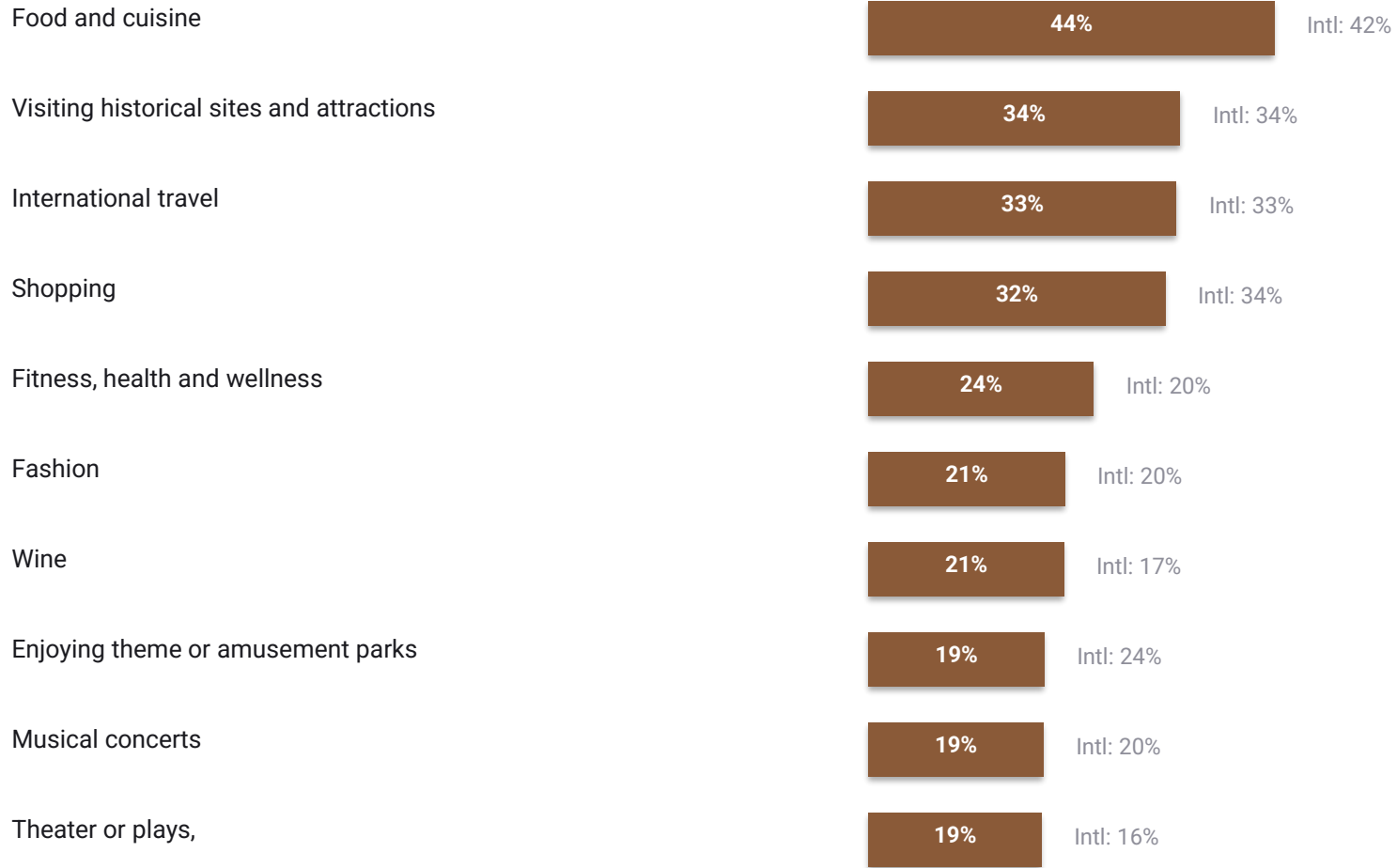
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41%

Intl: 43%

I anticipate that backlash against tourism will increase in my community in the next year.

30%

Intl: 34%

I often bring work with me to do when I am on holiday.

25%

Intl: 27%

United Kingdom

Intl Markets

# BRAZIL

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Source Market Analysis | Kentucky

**#3 by Spending | #5 by Visits**

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# Brazil | Key Findings

- 1 2026 Kentucky projected spending:** \$26.7M (+9% YOY). Projected visitors: 7.2K (+4.3% YOY). Ranks #3 by spending and #5 by visits among Kentucky source markets.
- 2 Macro Context:** Brazil 2026 GDP growth projected at 1.9%. Exchange rate: 5.15 BRL/USD.
- 3 CAGR Comparison:** 2023-2027 projected spending CAGR (13.5%) exceeds 2015-2019 (-2.4%).
- 4 Visitor Perceptions:** 72% familiarity with the American South, 82% appeal, 49% likely to visit in the next 5 years.
- 5 U.S. Trip Profile:** Average spending \$4,812 for a 2-week trip. Average length of stay: 14.8 days. Average destinations: 5.3.
- 6 Top Motivation:** For rest and relaxation (54%)
- 7 Top Enabler:** To go shopping (54%)
- 8 Preferred Tone:** Positive/joyful (51%)
- 9 Top Barrier:** Political issues/unrest (70%)

# Brazil

**\$26.7M**

2026 Kentucky Spending

**+9% YOY** vs. 2025

**7.2K**

2026 Kentucky Visitors

**+4.3% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$8.4B**

2026 USA Spending

**+7.2% YOY** vs. 2025

**3M**

2026 USA Visitors

**+3.8% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$24.5M**

2025 Kentucky Spending

**+13.4% YOY** vs. 2024

**6.9K**

2025 Kentucky Visitors

**0% YOY** vs. 2024

**\$7.9B**

2025 USA Spending

**+11.4% YOY** vs. 2024

**2.9M**

2025 USA Visitors

**0% YOY** vs. 2024

# Growth Trajectory

2015-2019 CAGR

**-2.4%**

Spending

**-4.5%**

Visits

2023-2027 PROJECTED CAGR

**13.5%**

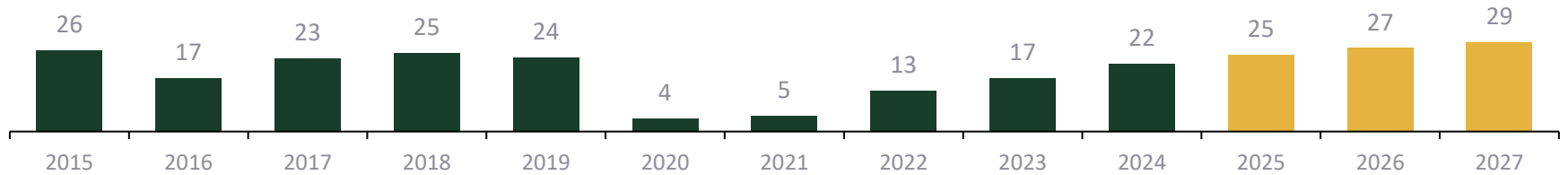
Spending

**5.7%**

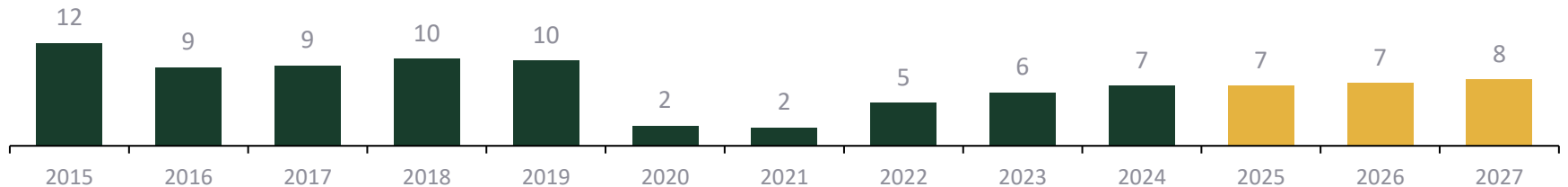
Visits

CAGR is Compound Annual Growth Rate.

## Visitor Spending (\$M)



## Visits (K)



■ Historic    ■ Forecast

# Visitor Perceptions | The American South

Brazil

**72%**

**Familiarity**

Intl Markets: 67%

**82%**

**Appeal**

Intl Markets: 75%

**30%**

**Promotional Buzz**

Intl Markets: 29%

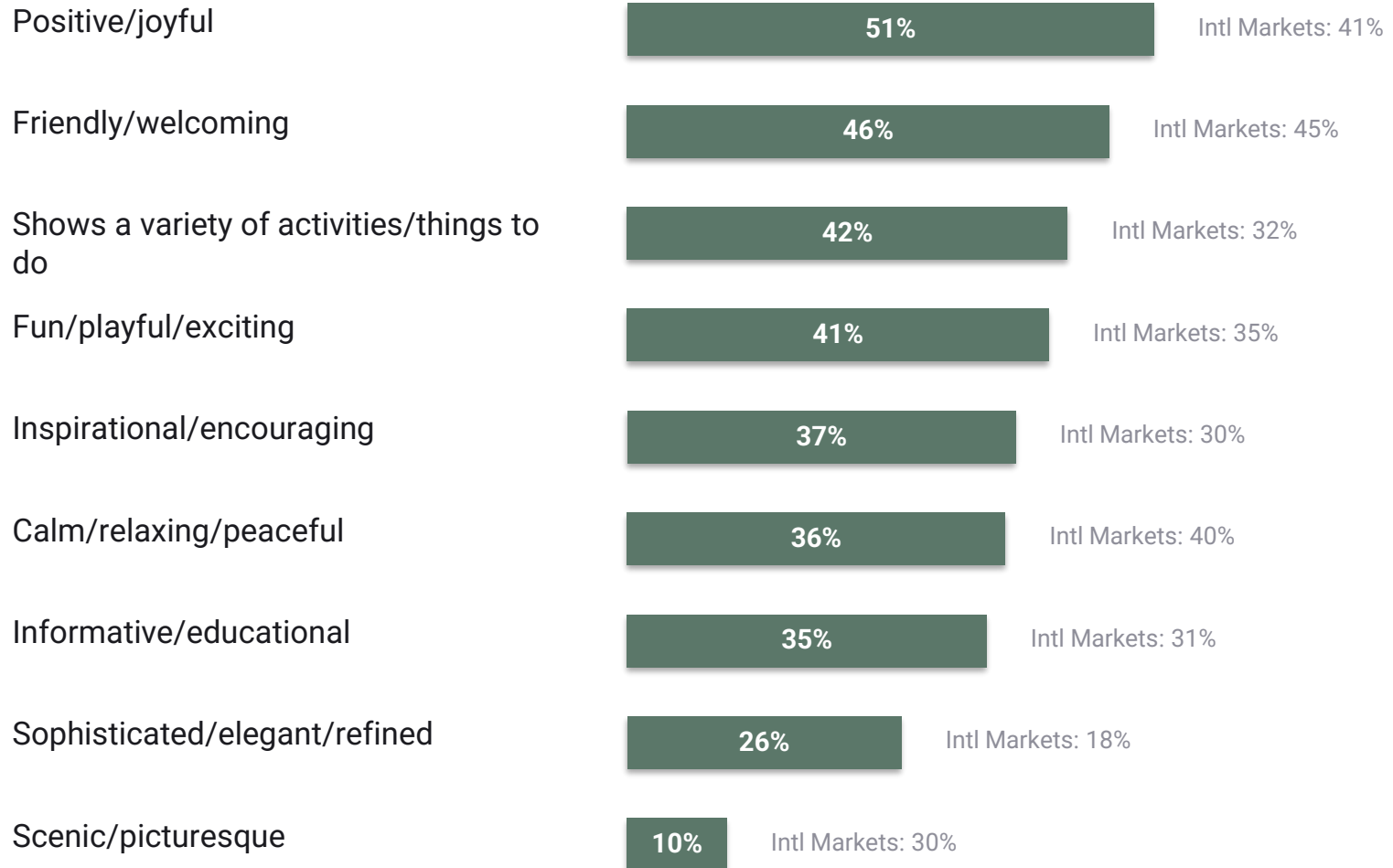
**49%**

**Likely to Visit (5yr)**

Intl Markets: 41%

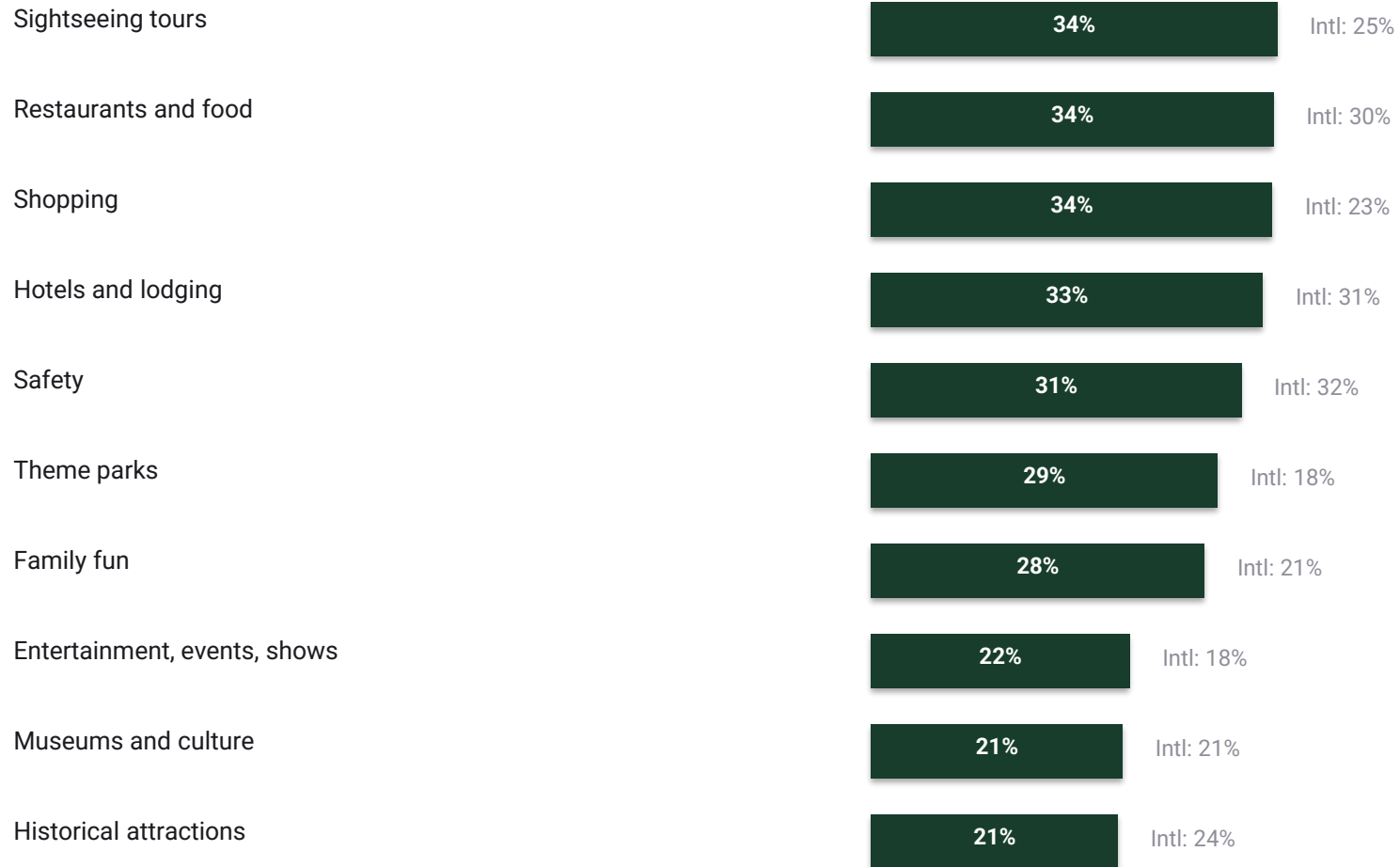
# Desired Travel Promotion Tone

Brazil



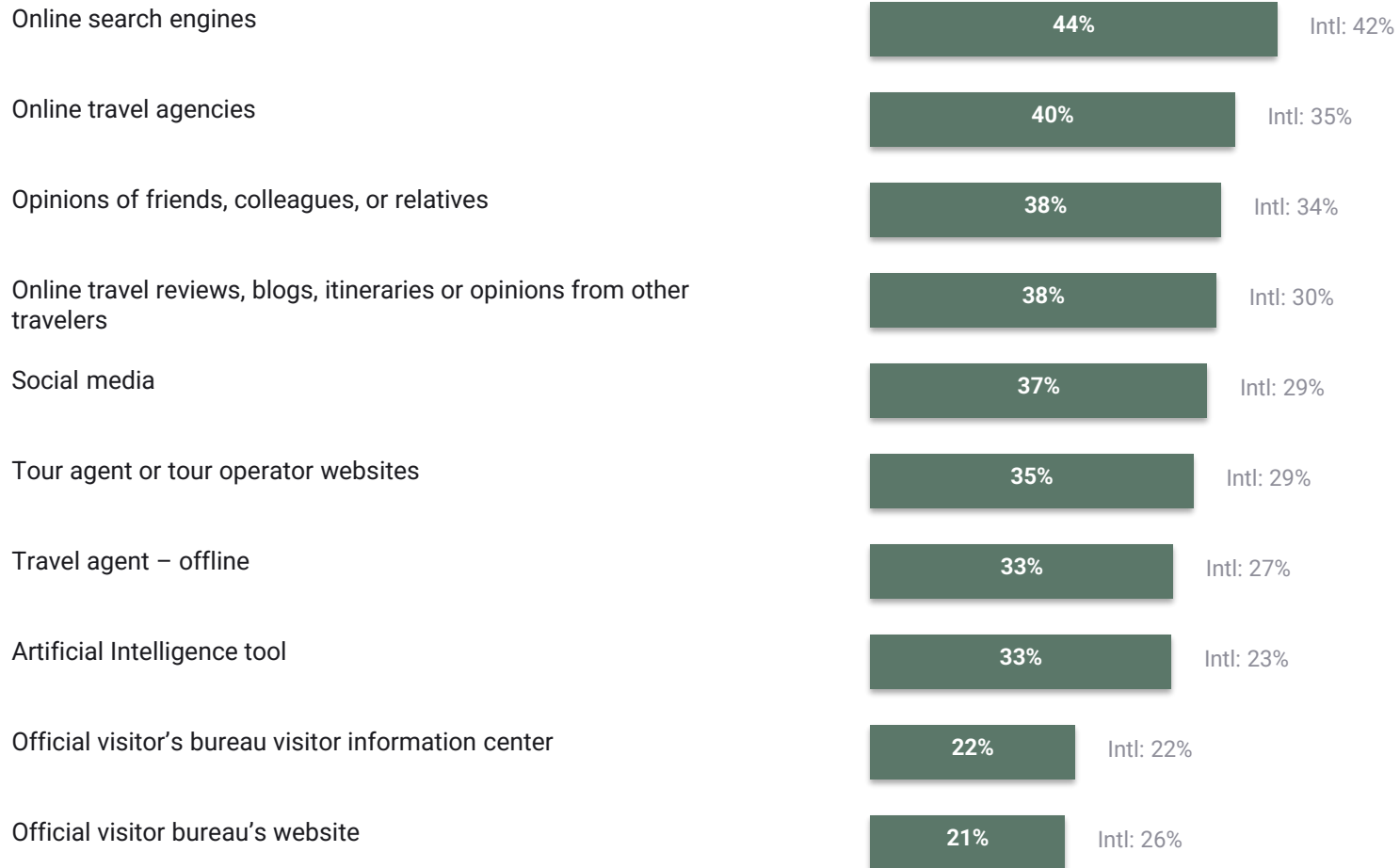
# Top Information Sources

Brazil



# Planning Resources

Brazil



# U.S. Travel Planning & Budget

Brazil

## U.S. Trip Planning

**52%**

Likely to Visit US (2yr)

Intl Markets: 36%

**16 wks**

Planning Window

Intl Markets: 14 wks

**14 wks**

Booking Window

Intl Markets: 12 wks

## U.S. Trip Profile

**14.8**

Avg Days in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 12.3

**5.3**

Avg Destinations in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 4.4

**2.9**

Avg Number of People Traveling with

Intl Markets: 2.6

## Average Budget | 2-Week U.S. Trip

**\$1,391**

Hotels

Intl: \$1,568

**\$1,127**

Shopping

Intl: \$1,001

**\$774**

Dining

Intl: \$826

**\$897**

Sightseeing

Intl: \$881

**\$623**

Transport

Intl: \$772

**\$4,812**

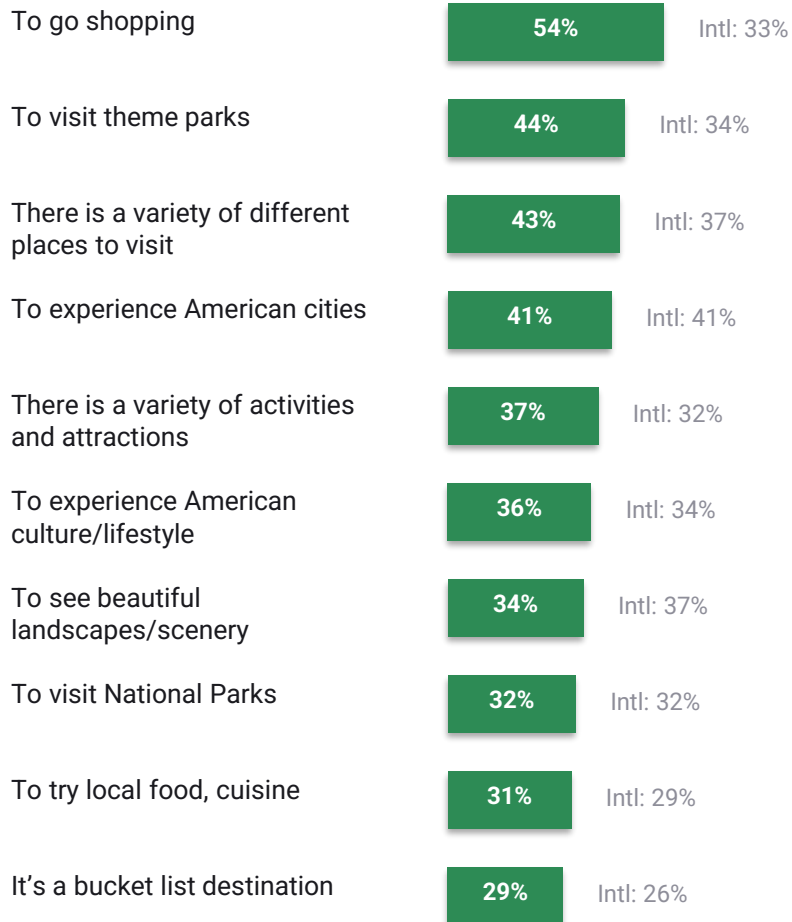
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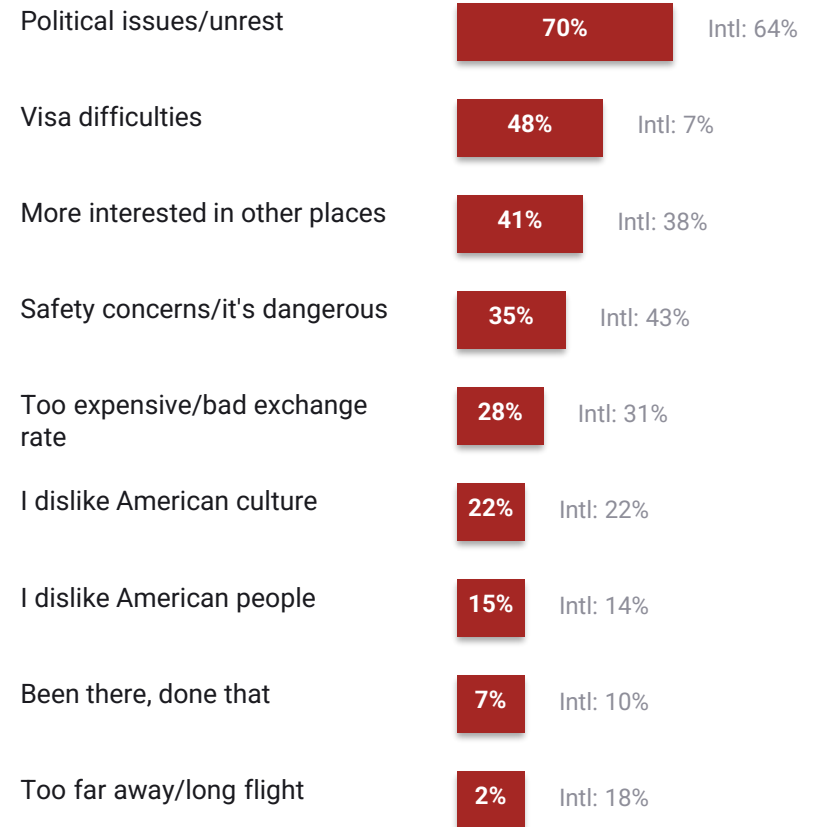
# Enablers & Barriers to Visiting

Brazil

## Enablers

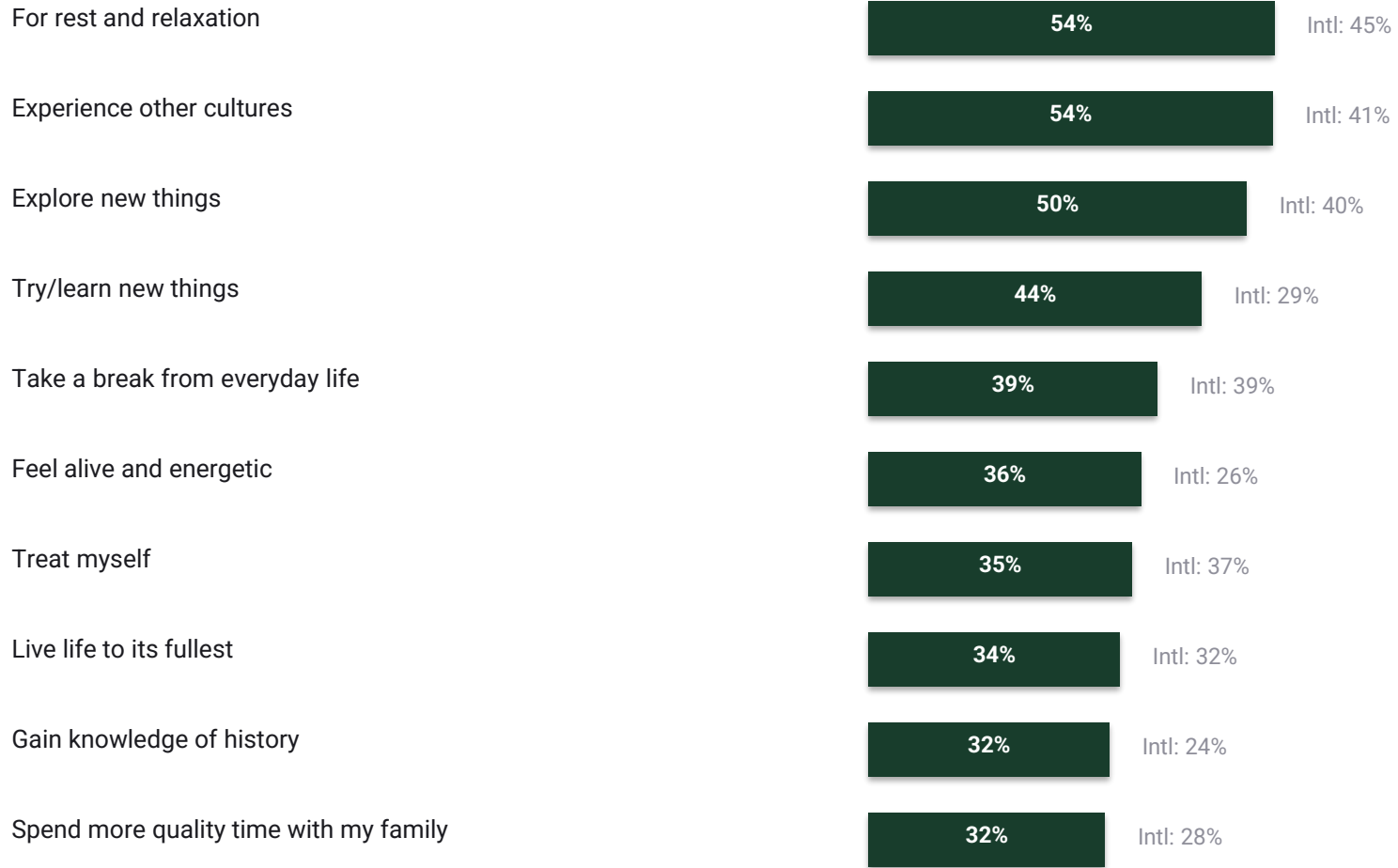


## Barriers



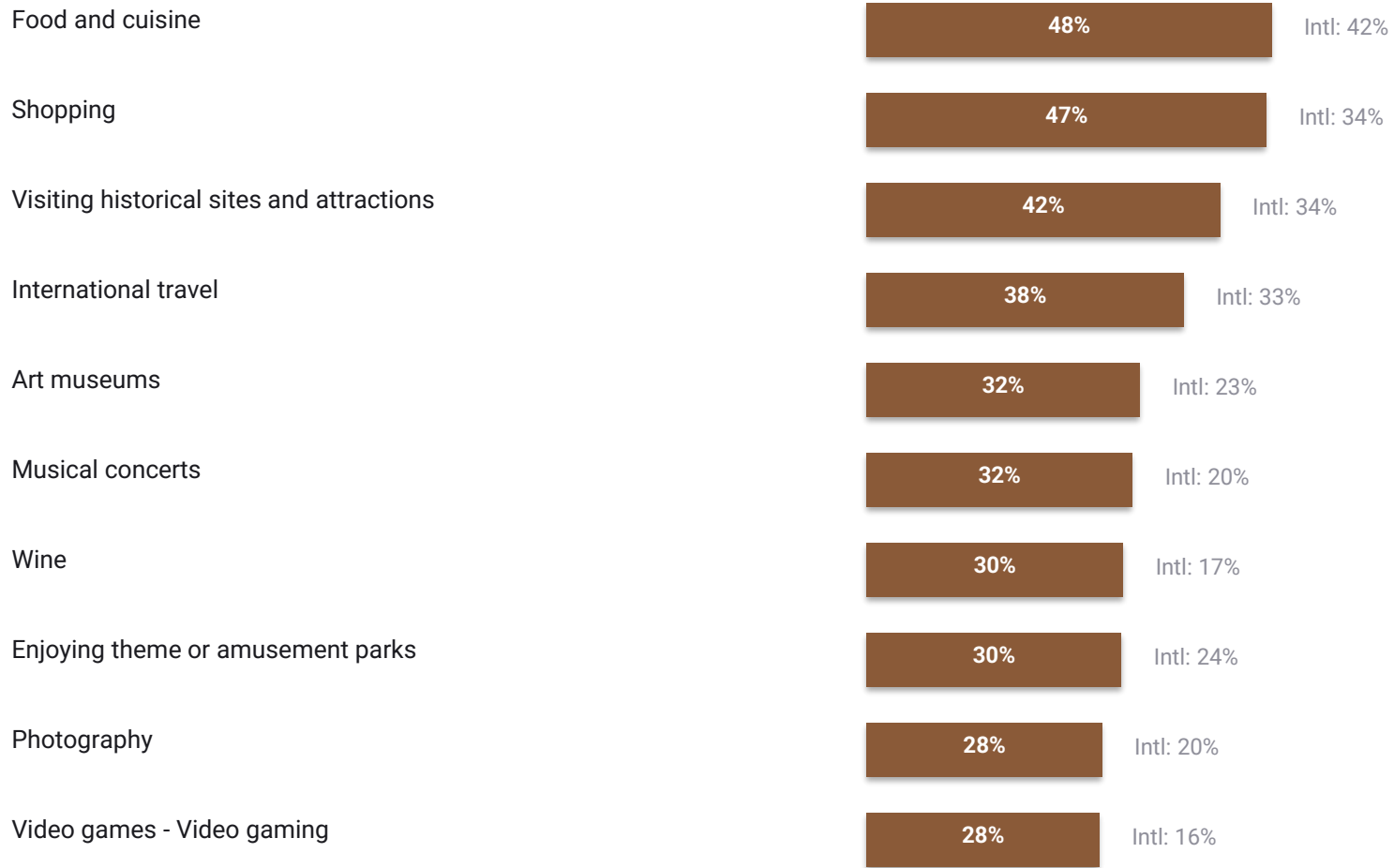
# Travel Motivations

Brazil



# Hobbies & Passions

Brazil



# Travel Trends & Outlook

Brazil

I am likely to take a slow-cation in the next year (i.e., a longer trip spent in a single destination).

66%

Intl: 42%

Global wars/strife will impact the destinations I visit in 2025.

64%

Intl: 54%

If a U.S. destination has a problem with over-tourism, I am less likely to visit it.

59%

Intl: 53%

I'll be more proactive in reducing the impact of my travel on the environment.

54%

Intl: 43%

Climate change will have a significant impact on my leisure travel in the next five (5) years.

54%

Intl: 42%

With higher temperatures each year, I will try to seek out cooler places.

50%

Intl: 44%

Luxury travel experiences are an important part of my leisure trips.

44%

Intl: 39%

I anticipate that backlash against tourism will increase in my community in the next year.

40%

Intl: 34%

I often bring work with me to do when I am on holiday.

33%

Intl: 27%

 Brazil

 Intl Markets

# GERMANY

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Source Market Analysis | Kentucky

**#4 by Spending | #7 by Visits**

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# Germany | Key Findings

- 1 2026 Kentucky projected spending:** \$12.9M (+8.4% YOY). Projected visitors: 6.9K (+3% YOY). Ranks #4 by spending and #7 by visits among Kentucky source markets.
- 2 Macro Context:** Germany 2026 GDP growth projected at 0.9%. Exchange rate: 1.18 EUR/USD.
- 3 CAGR Comparison:** 2023-2027 projected spending CAGR (10.1%) exceeds 2015-2019 (0.7%).
- 4 Visitor Perceptions:** 67% familiarity with the American South, 72% appeal, 36% likely to visit in the next 5 years.
- 5 U.S. Trip Profile:** Average spending \$4,127 for a 2-week trip. Average length of stay: 12.5 days. Average destinations: 4.5.
- 6 Top Motivation:** For rest and relaxation (43%)
- 7 Top Enabler:** To see beautiful landscapes/scenery (37%)
- 8 Preferred Tone:** Friendly/welcoming (48%)
- 9 Top Barrier:** Political issues/unrest (66%)

# Germany

**\$12.9M**

2026 Kentucky Spending

**+8.4% YOY** vs. 2025

**6.9K**

2026 Kentucky Visitors

**+3% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$6.3B**

2026 USA Spending

**+7.7% YOY** vs. 2025

**2.8M**

2026 USA Visitors

**+3.8% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$11.9M**

2025 Kentucky Spending

**+7.2% YOY** vs. 2024

**6.7K**

2025 Kentucky Visitors

**-10.7% YOY** vs. 2024

**\$5.8B**

2025 USA Spending

**+1.3% YOY** vs. 2024

**2.7M**

2025 USA Visitors

**-11.4% YOY** vs. 2024

# Growth Trajectory

2015-2019 CAGR

**0.7%**

Spending

**0%**

Visits

2023-2027 PROJECTED CAGR

**10.1%**

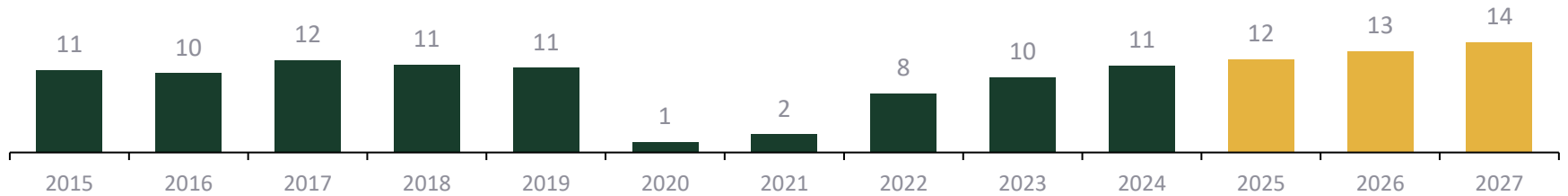
Spending

**2.6%**

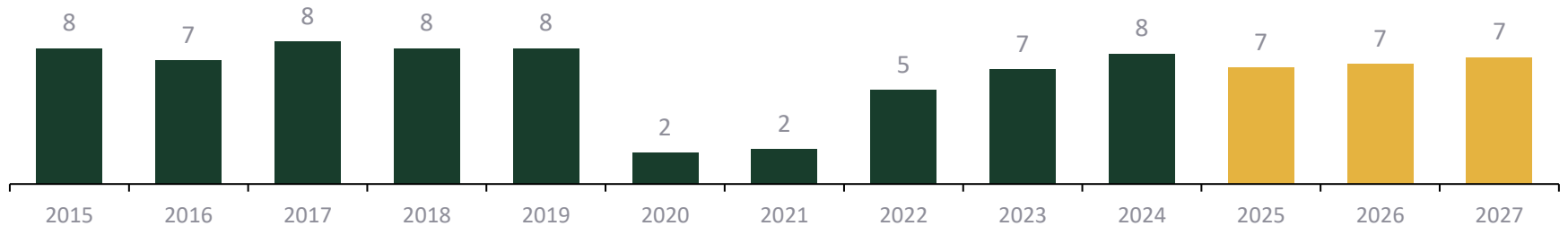
Visits

CAGR is Compound Annual Growth Rate.

## Visitor Spending (\$M)



## Visits (K)



■ Historic    ■ Forecast

# Visitor Perceptions | The American South

Germany

**67%**

**Familiarity**

Intl Markets: 67%

**72%**

**Appeal**

Intl Markets: 75%

**28%**

**Promotional Buzz**

Intl Markets: 29%

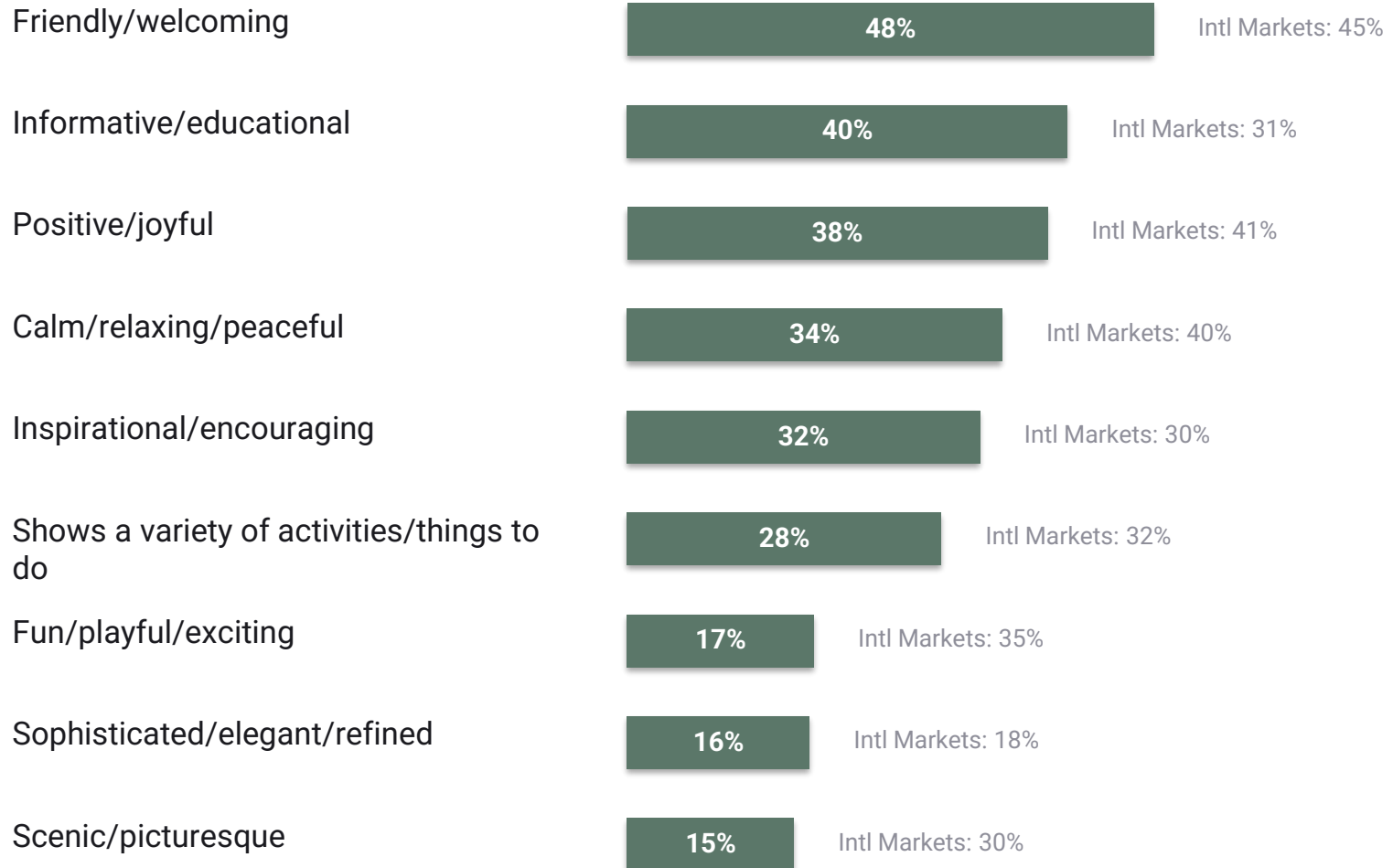
**36%**

**Likely to Visit (5yr)**

Intl Markets: 41%

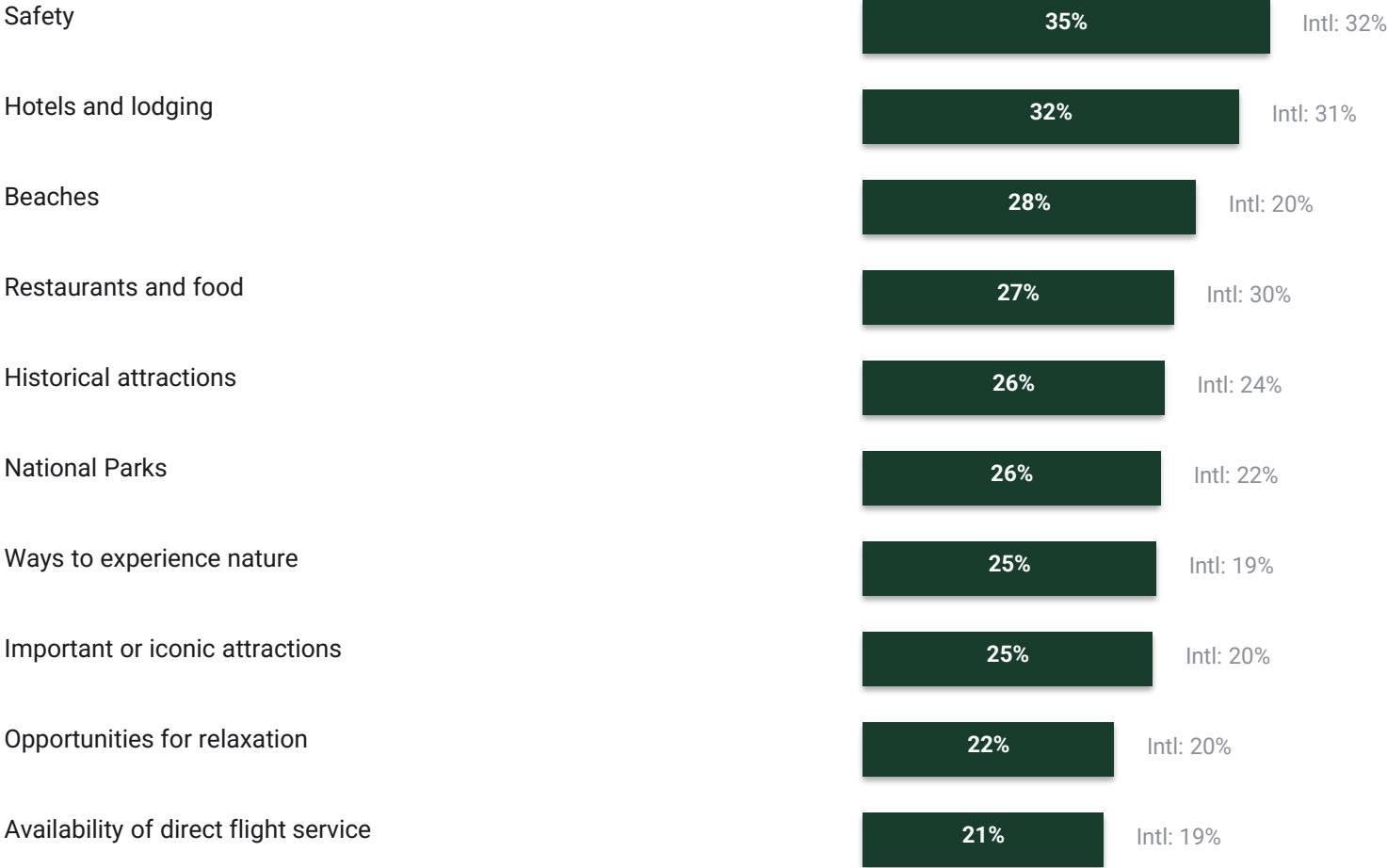
# Desired Travel Promotion Tone

Germany



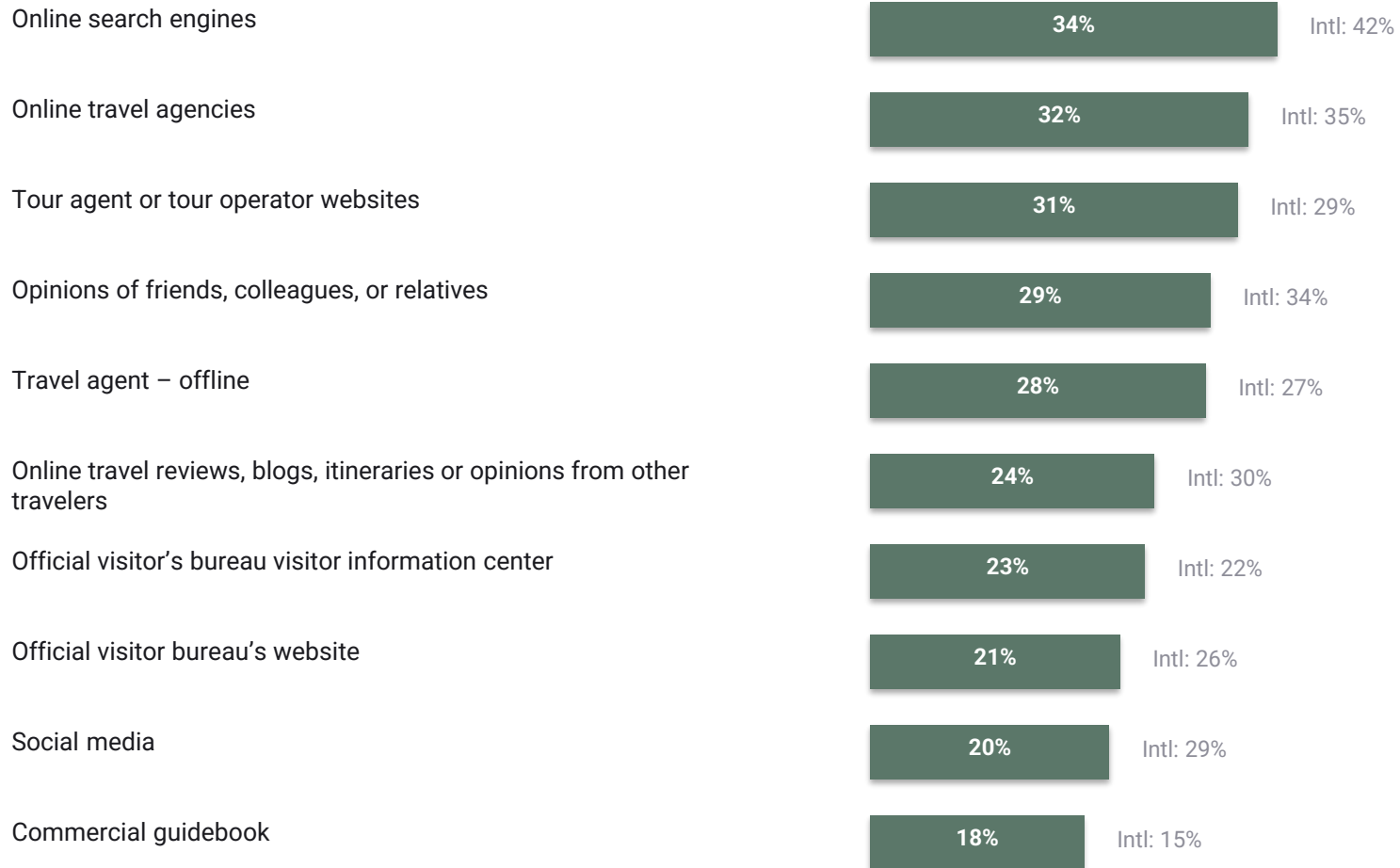
# Top Information Sources

Germany



# Planning Resources

Germany



# U.S. Travel Planning & Budget

Germany

## U.S. Trip Planning

**24%**

Likely to Visit US (2yr)

Intl Markets: 36%

**15 wks**

Planning Window

Intl Markets: 14 wks

**14 wks**

Booking Window

Intl Markets: 12 wks

## U.S. Trip Profile

**12.5**

Avg Days in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 12.3

**4.5**

Avg Destinations in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 4.4

**2.0**

Avg Number of People Traveling with

Intl Markets: 2.6

## Average Budget | 2-Week U.S. Trip

**\$1,693**

Hotels

Intl: \$1,568

**\$633**

Shopping

Intl: \$1,001

**\$677**

Dining

Intl: \$826

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Sightseeing

Intl: \$881

**\$636**

Transport

Intl: \$772

**\$4,127**

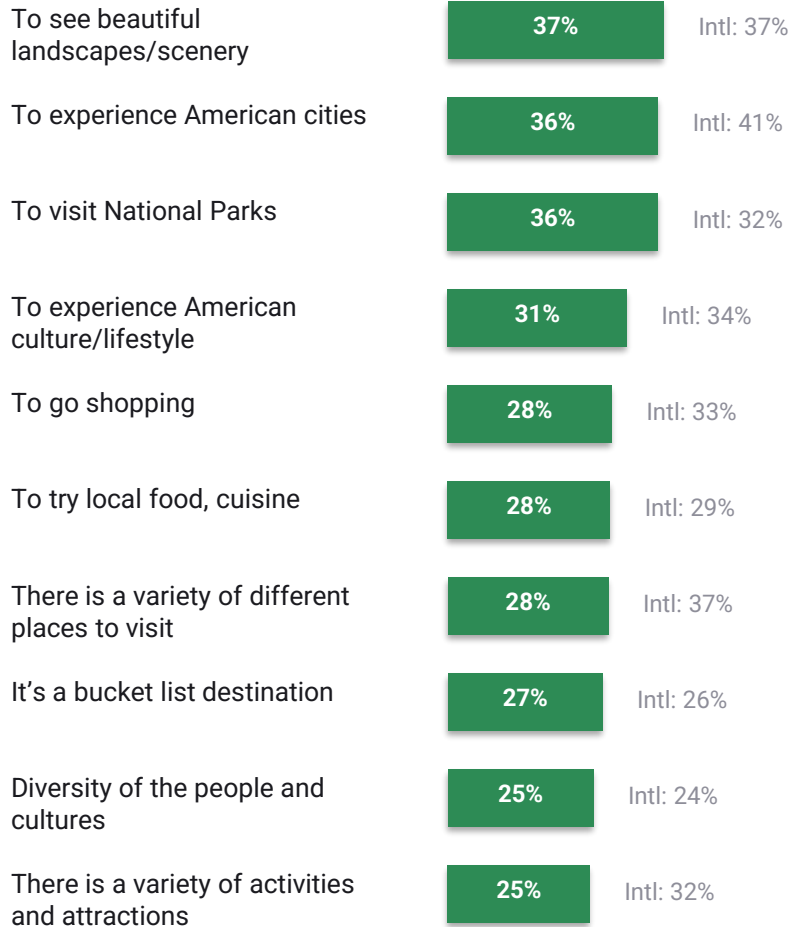
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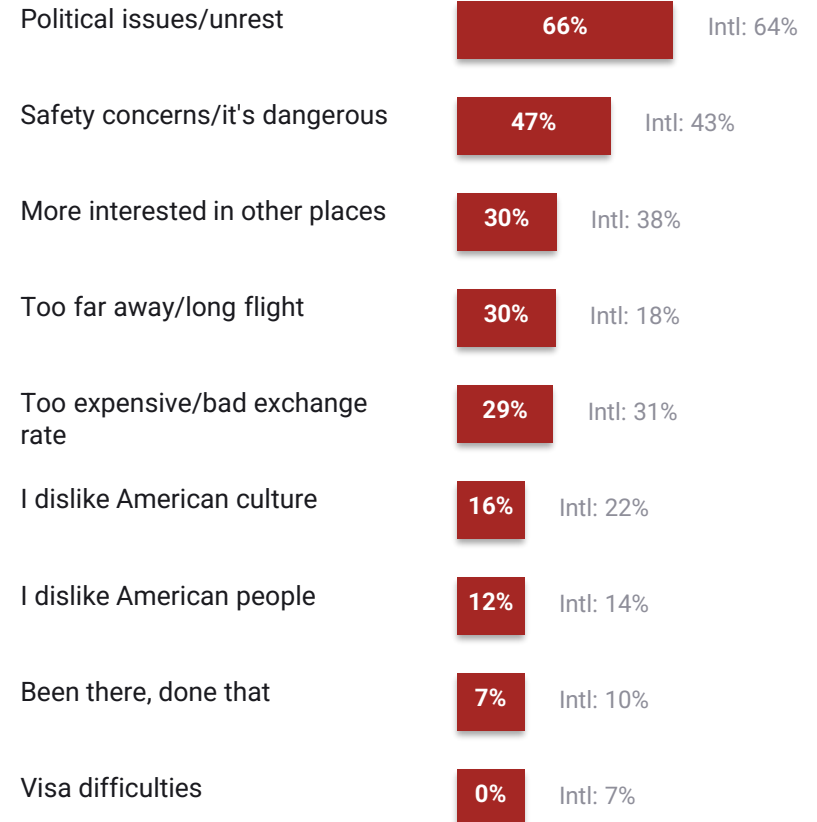
# Enablers & Barriers to Visiting

Germany

## Enablers

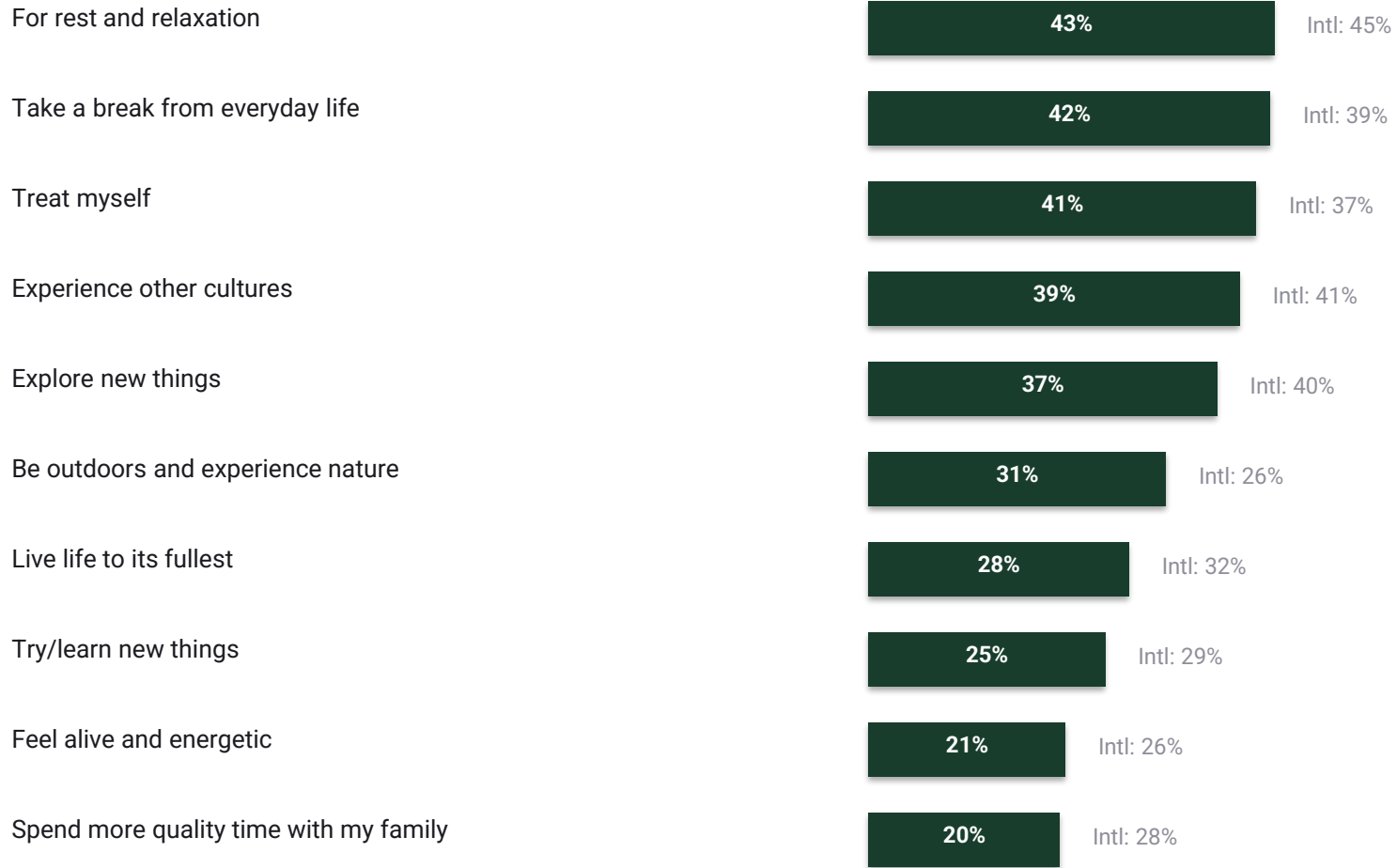


## Barriers



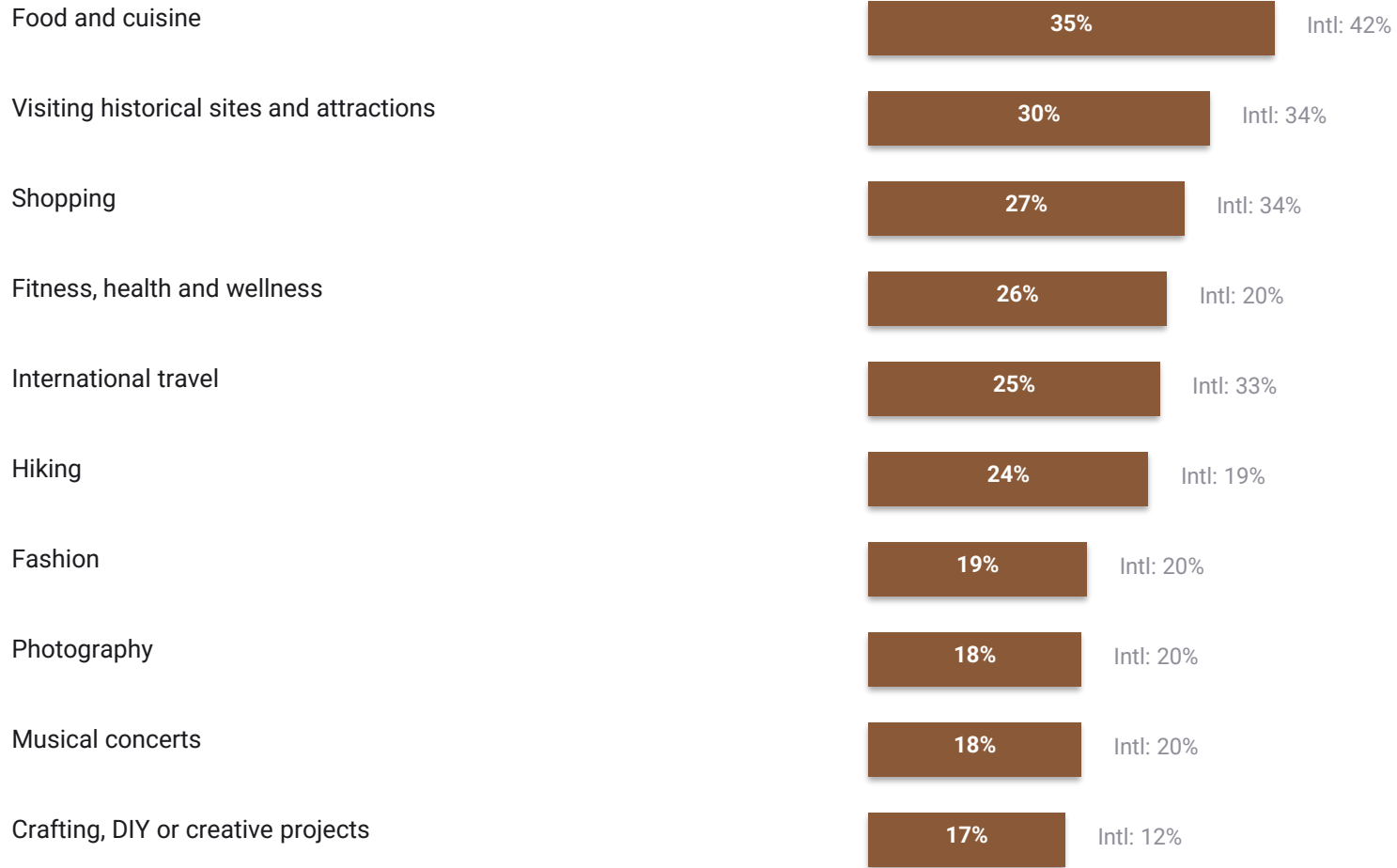
# Travel Motivations

Germany



# Hobbies & Passions

Germany



# Travel Trends & Outlook

Germany

If a U.S. destination has a problem with over-tourism, I am less likely to visit it.

**51%**

Intl: 53%

Global wars/strife will impact the destinations I visit in 2025.

**46%**

Intl: 54%

Climate change will have a significant impact on my leisure travel in the next five (5) years.

**36%**

Intl: 42%

I'll be more proactive in reducing the impact of my travel on the environment.

**35%**

Intl: 43%

With higher temperatures each year, I will try to seek out cooler places.

**30%**

Intl: 44%

I am likely to take a slow-cation in the next year (i.e., a longer trip spent in a single destination).

**30%**

Intl: 42%

I anticipate that backlash against tourism will increase in my community in the next year.

**28%**

Intl: 34%

Luxury travel experiences are an important part of my leisure trips.

**28%**

Intl: 39%

I often bring work with me to do when I am on holiday.

**21%**

Intl: 27%

Germany

Intl Markets

# INDIA

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Source Market Analysis | Kentucky

#5 by Spending | #4 by Visits

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# India | Key Findings

- 1 2026 Kentucky projected spending:** \$11.7M (+7.3% YOY). Projected visitors: 7.8K (+2.6% YOY). Ranks #5 by spending and #4 by visits among Kentucky source markets.
- 2 Macro Context:** India 2026 GDP growth projected at 6.2%%. Exchange rate: 90.92 INR/USD.
- 3 CAGR Comparison:** 2023-2027 projected spending CAGR (10.9%) exceeds 2015-2019 (2.8%).
- 4 Visitor Perceptions:** 90% familiarity with the American South, 90% appeal, 74% likely to visit in the next 5 years.
- 5 U.S. Trip Profile:** Average spending \$6,617 for a 2-week trip. Average length of stay: 15.4 days. Average destinations: 7.7.
- 6 Top Motivation:** Explore new things (49%)
- 7 Top Enabler:** To experience American cities (52%)
- 8 Preferred Tone:** Positive/joyful (59%)
- 9 Top Barrier:** Political issues/unrest (66%)

# India

**\$11.7M**

2026 Kentucky Spending

**+7.3% YOY** vs. 2025

**7.8K**

2026 Kentucky Visitors

**+2.6% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$7.1B**

2026 USA Spending

**+5.7% YOY** vs. 2025

**3.3M**

2026 USA Visitors

**+2.3% YOY** vs. 2025

**\$10.9M**

2025 Kentucky Spending

**-5.2% YOY** vs. 2024

**7.6K**

2025 Kentucky Visitors

**-5% YOY** vs. 2024

**\$6.8B**

2025 USA Spending

**-2.9% YOY** vs. 2024

**3.2M**

2025 USA Visitors

**-3.7% YOY** vs. 2024

# Growth Trajectory

2015-2019 CAGR

**2.8%**

Spending

**3.7%**

Visits

2023-2027 PROJECTED CAGR

**10.9%**

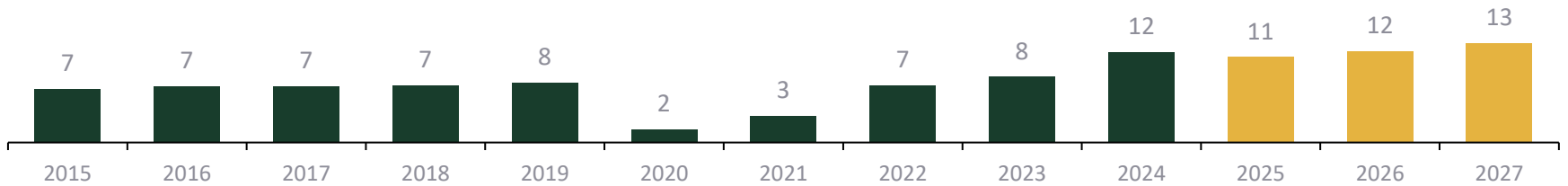
Spending

**7.3%**

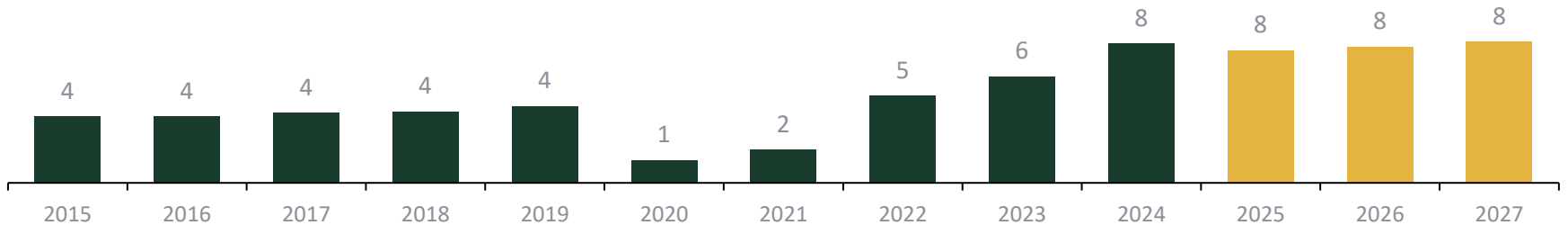
Visits

CAGR is Compound Annual Growth Rate.

## Visitor Spending (\$M)



## Visits (K)



Historic Forecast

# Visitor Perceptions | The American South

India

**90%**

**Familiarity**

Intl Markets: 67%

**90%**

**Appeal**

Intl Markets: 75%

**62%**

**Promotional Buzz**

Intl Markets: 29%

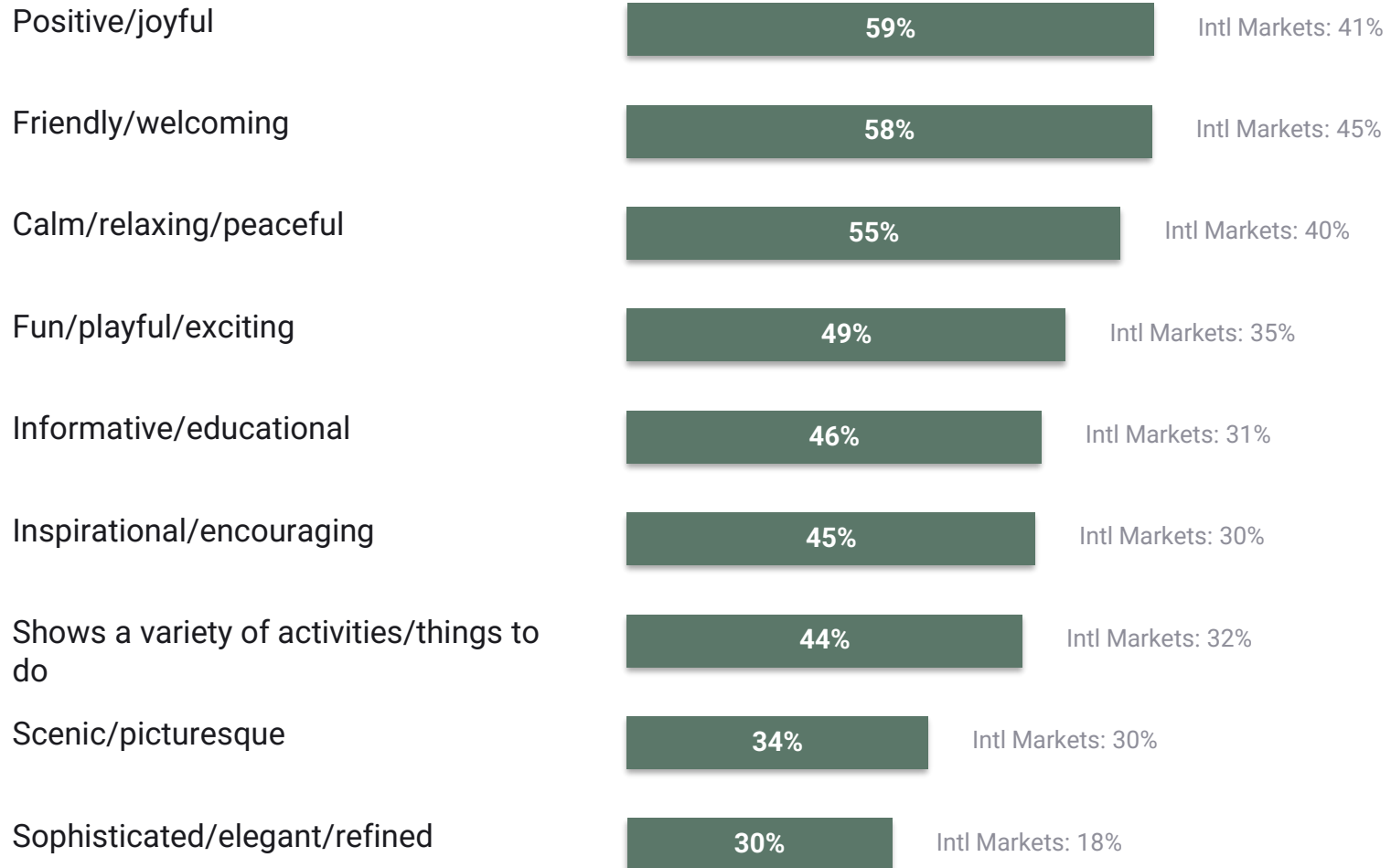
**74%**

**Likely to Visit (5yr)**

Intl Markets: 41%

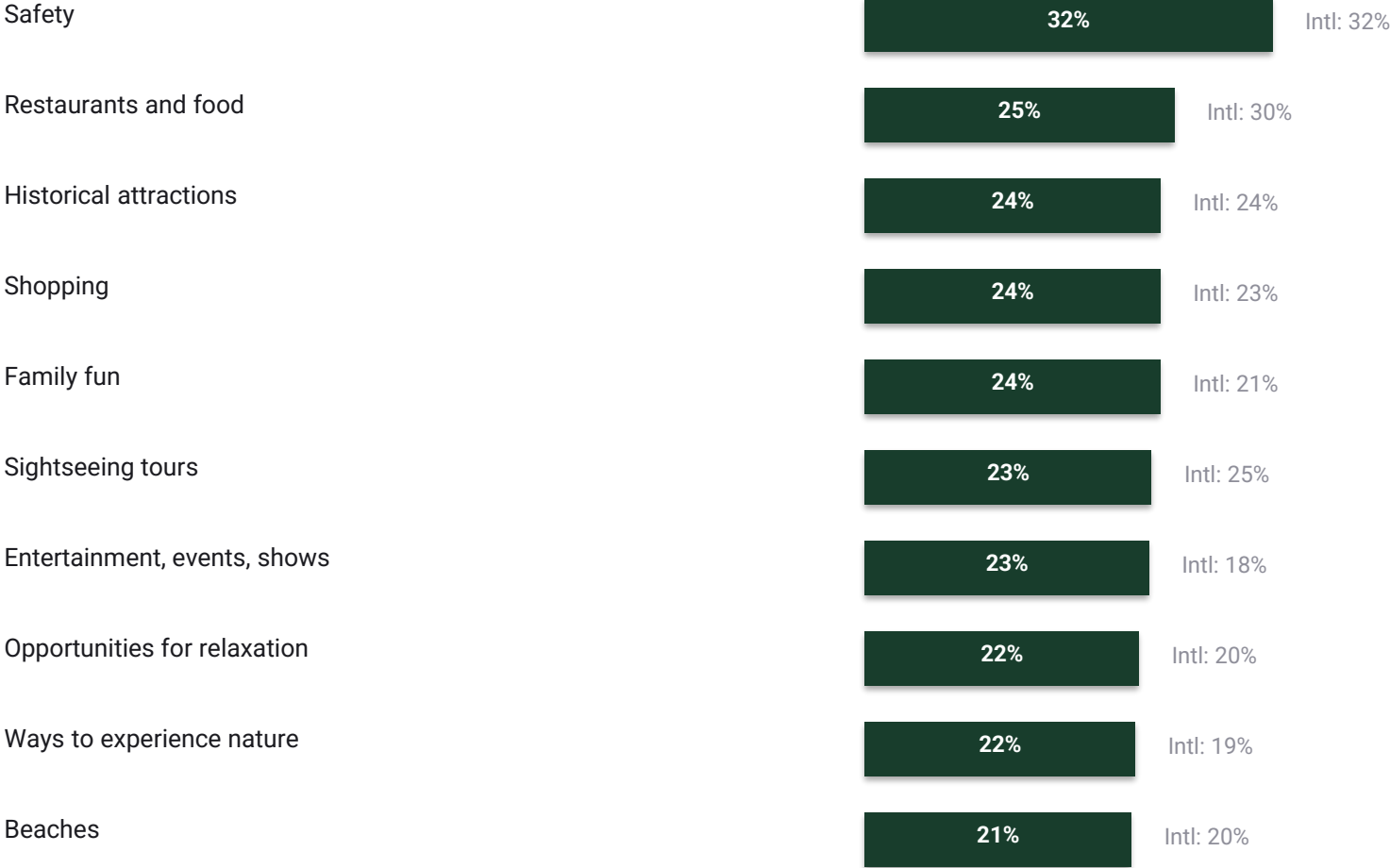
# Desired Travel Promotion Tone

India



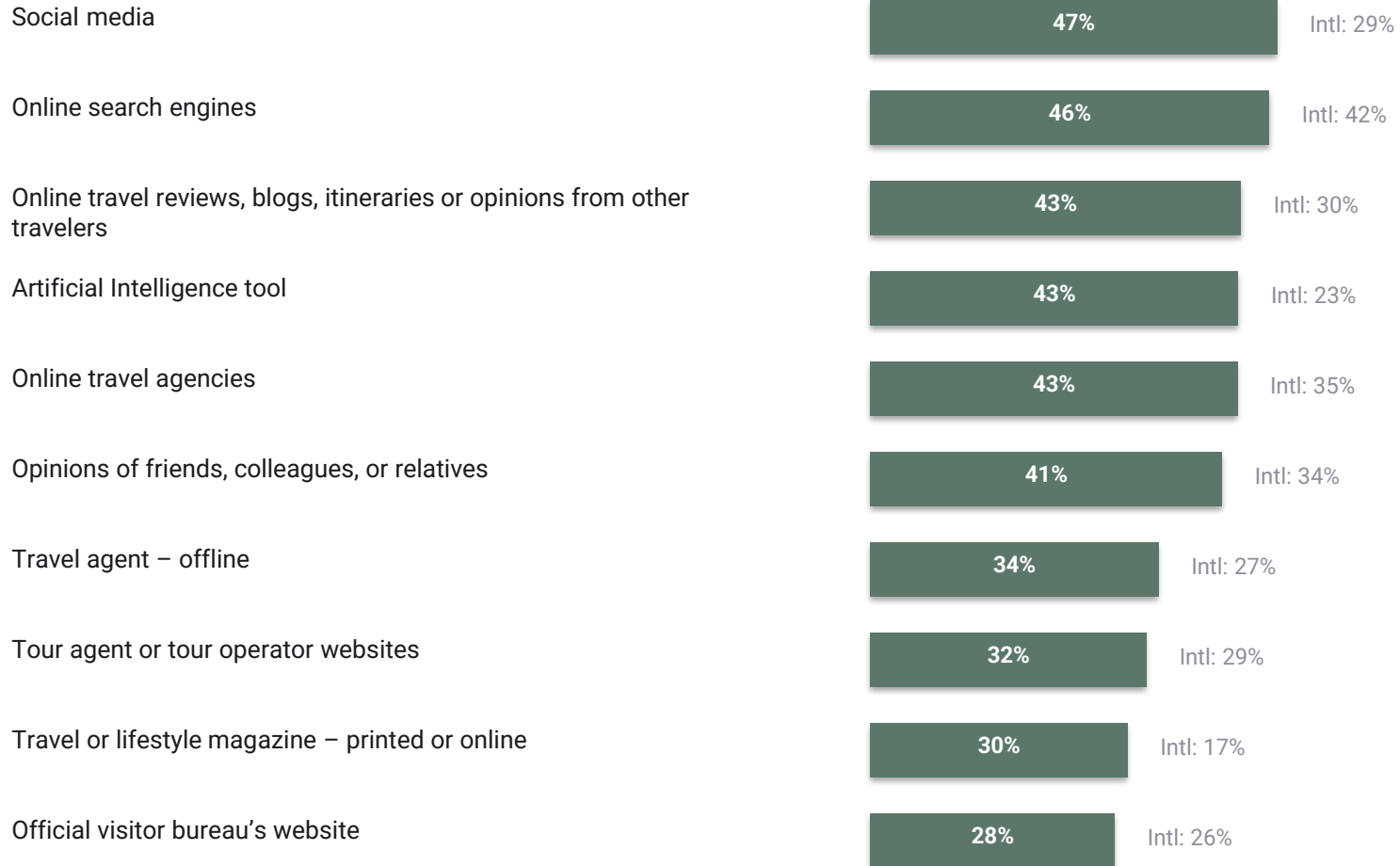
# Top Information Sources

India



# Planning Resources

India



# U.S. Travel Planning & Budget

India

## U.S. Trip Planning

**66%**

Likely to Visit US (2yr)

Intl Markets: 36%

**11 wks**

Planning Window

Intl Markets: 14 wks

**10 wks**

Booking Window

Intl Markets: 12 wks

## U.S. Trip Profile

**15.4**

Avg Days in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 12.3

**7.7**

Avg Destinations in the U.S.

Intl Markets: 4.4

**5.7**

Avg Number of People Traveling with

Intl Markets: 2.6

## Average Budget | 2-Week U.S. Trip

**\$1,727**

Hotels

Intl: \$1,568

**\$1,581**

Shopping

Intl: \$1,001

**\$971**

Dining

Intl: \$826

**\$1,021**

Sightseeing

Intl: \$881

**\$1,317**

Transport

Intl: \$772

**\$6,617**

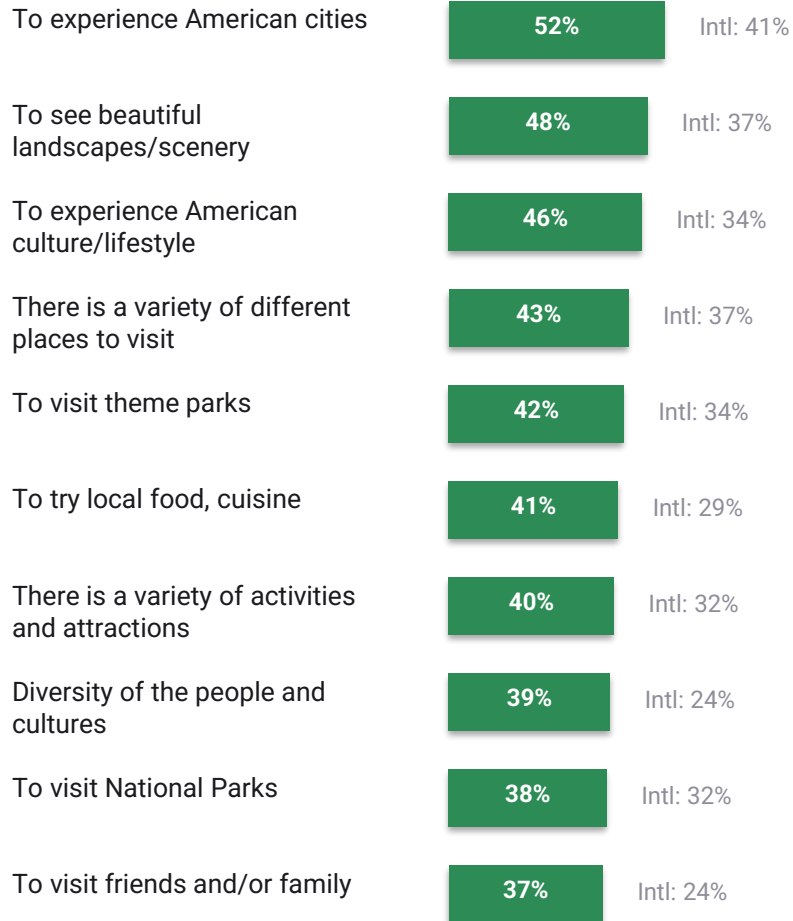
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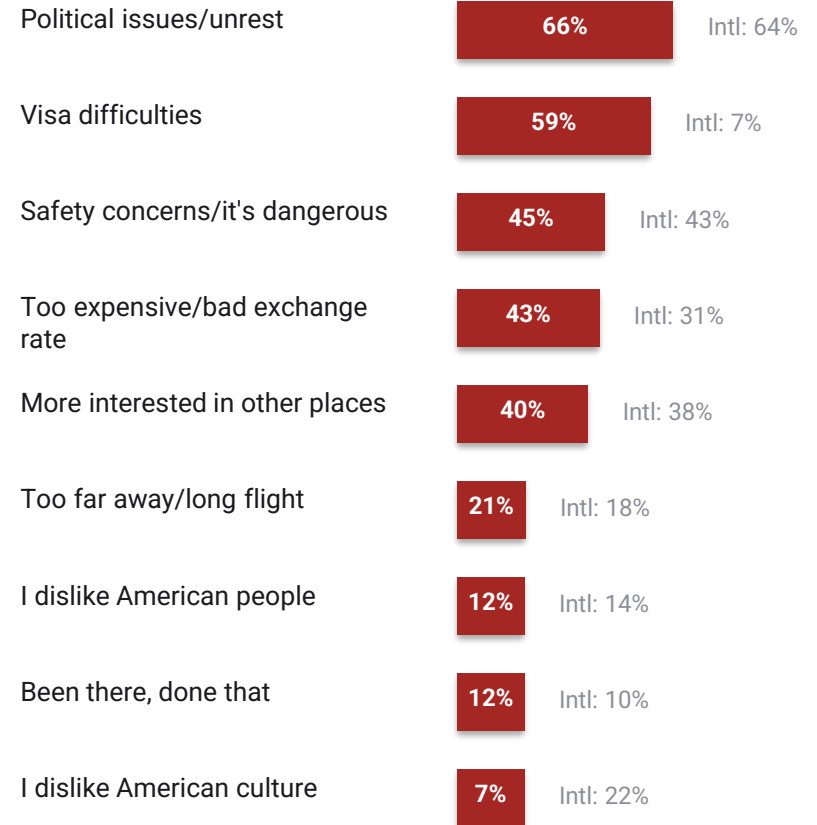
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India

## Enablers

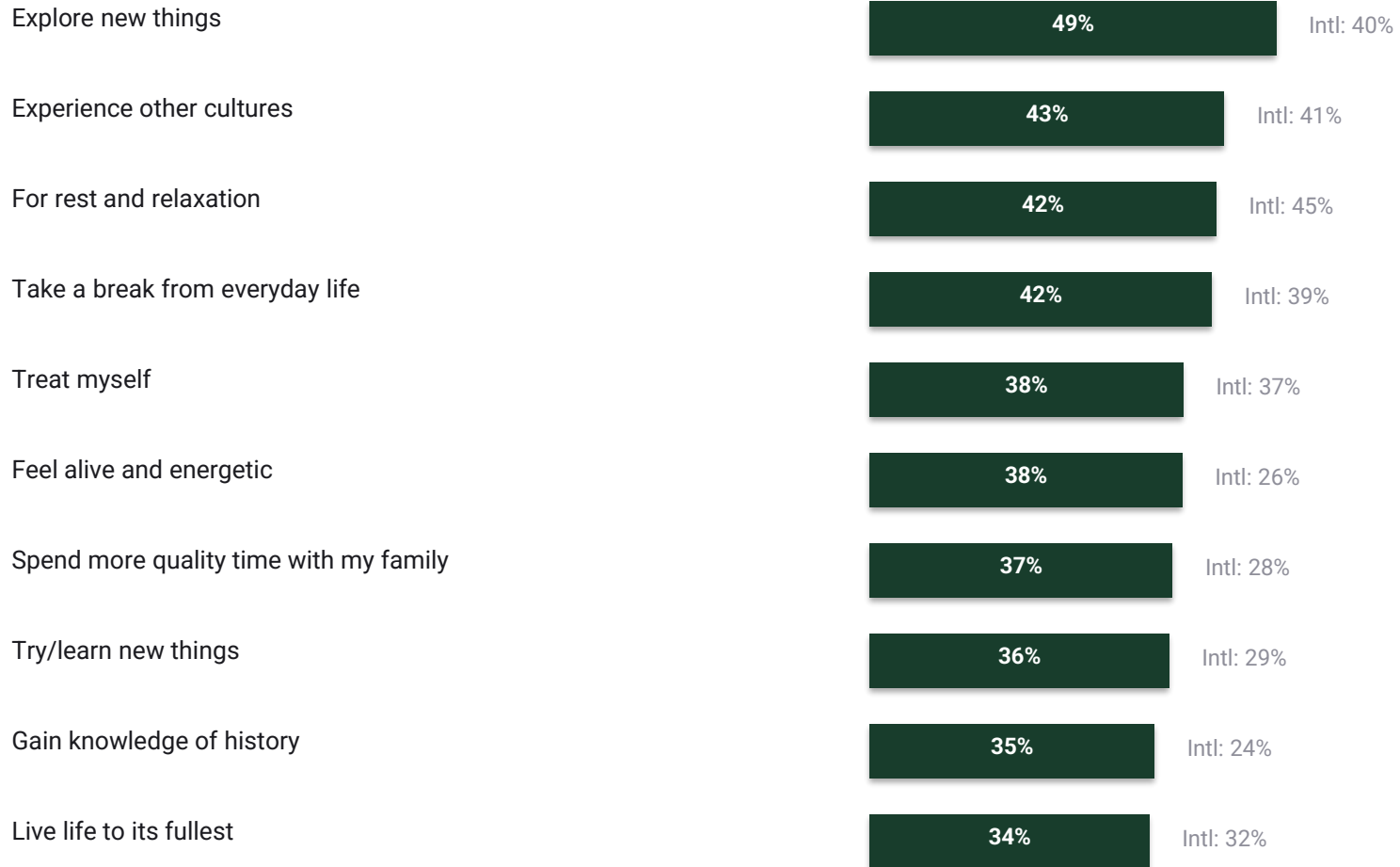


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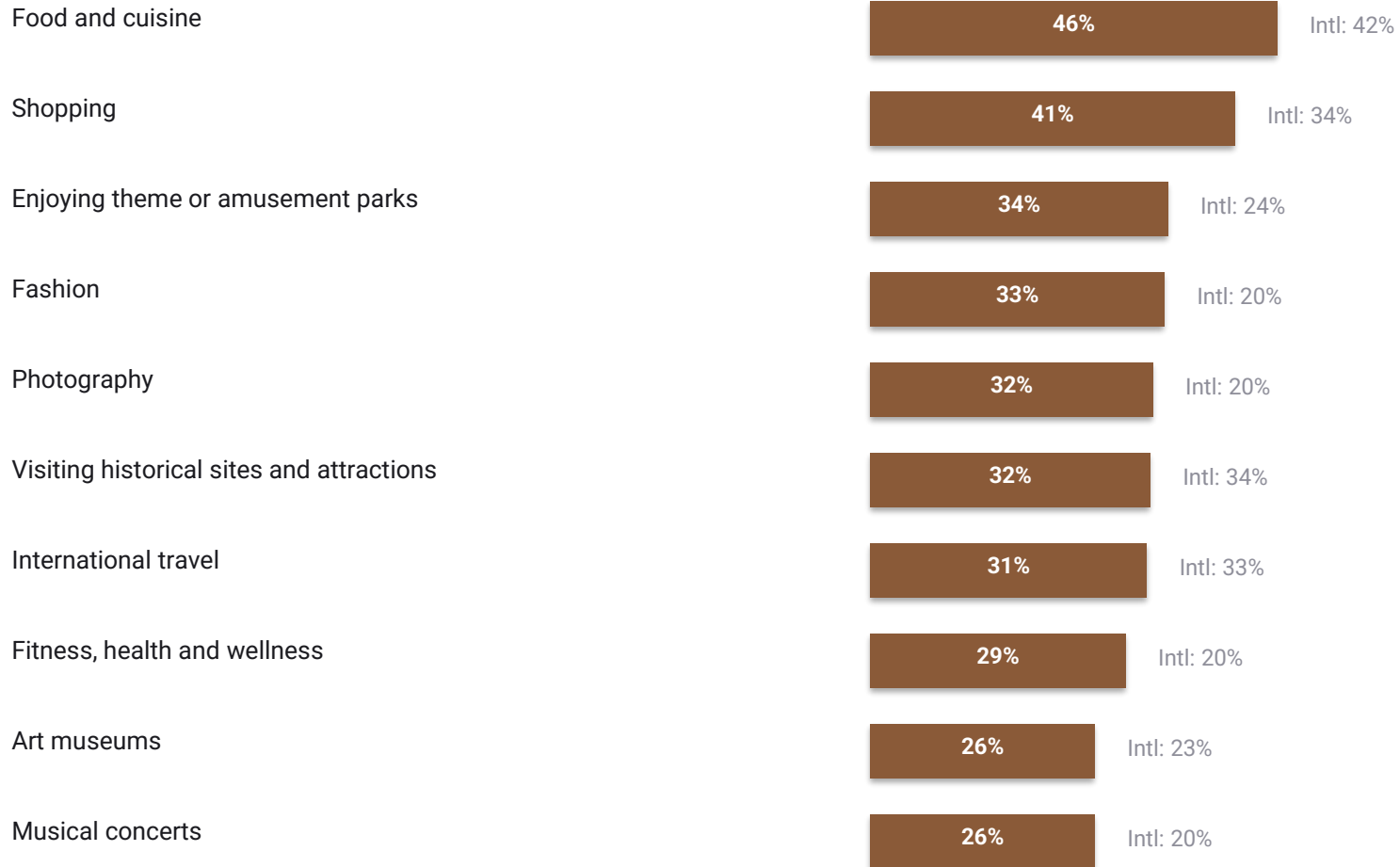
# Travel Motivations

India



# Hobbies & Passions

India



# Travel Trends & Outlook

India

I'll be more proactive in reducing the impact of my travel on the environment.

68%

Intl: 43%

Climate change will have a significant impact on my leisure travel in the next five (5) years.

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66%

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Global wars/strife will impact the destinations I visit in 2025.

64%

Intl: 54%

Luxury travel experiences are an important part of my leisure trips.

64%

Intl: 39%

If a U.S. destination has a problem with over-tourism, I am less likely to visit it.

61%

Intl: 53%

I am likely to take a slow-cation in the next year (i.e., a longer trip spent in a single destination).

60%

Intl: 42%

I anticipate that backlash against tourism will increase in my community in the next year.

54%

Intl: 34%

I often bring work with me to do when I am on holiday.

53%

Intl: 27%

India

Intl Markets



## International Visitor Profile

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