New Jersey Day Leisure Visitor Profile Q4 2022 – Q3 2023



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# -1-EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

#### Overview



# **Focus on New Jersey's Core Customers**

The segments below dominate the mass market in New Jersey and are customers with a high share in visitation who deserve attention from travel marketers to continue the path of growth:

- Age: 55+ years old
- Income: \$118K on average
- Lifestages: Mature travel parties without children making more than \$60K (Affluent Mature), young travel parties without children in household (Young & Free), and middle-aged travel parties with children making more than \$75K (Affluent Family).
- Purpose of Stay: majority travel is for a Day Trip Getaway/Vacation or to Visit Friends/Relatives
- Activity: the activities visitors participate in the most are shopping, beach/waterfront, visiting friends/relatives, birthday celebrations, culinary/dining, and gambling
- Repeat Visitation: 42% of travelers visited New Jersey for the first time while 32% have visited 2-3 times
- \$210 per person spending per day 23% Transportation, 31% Food & Beverage, 18% Shopping, 22% Entertainment
- Timing: Travelers visit New Jersey in Fall (33%) and Summer (32%)
- Origin: New Jersey draws the majority of its Day Leisure visitors from the Middle Atlantic, almost exclusively from New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania.
  - travelers travel an average of 54 miles one-way
  - most travelers arrive by auto



Overview

# Focus on your opportunity among New Jersey's visitors:

While understanding the travelers in terms of who is visiting the destination, why, and what they do is imperative in painting a picture of travel to New Jersey, it is also important to focus on the opportunities that lie ahead for all travel. Many of these segments represent a small share of travelers yet are characterized by a higher trip-dollar spending share which makes them particularly valuable to target. The segments below hold particular or additional potential to increase New Jersey's bottom line in traveler spending:

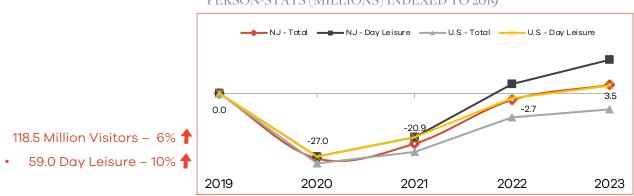
- Age: Millennials, and Gen Xers
- Purpose of Stay: Vacation/Get Away Day Trip



#### **New Jersey Historical Trends in Visitation**

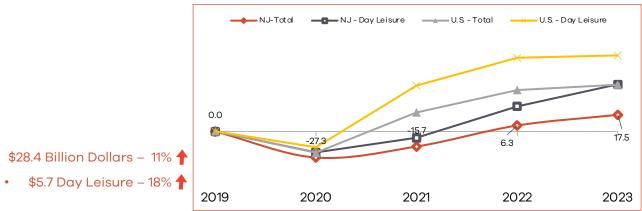
New Jersey hosted about 59 million day leisure visitors, spending 5.7 billion dollars in 2023 – up 10 and 18 percent respectively compared to 2022. Volume increased at a higher rate (10%) than the average U.S. destination (5%) this year.

Day Leisure travelers make up about 50% of all New Jersey's travelers – a share that's fairly consistent over the past years. In terms of their spending, overnight leisure travelers contribute 20.3% to New Jersey's Total Spending. ٠



#### Visitor Volume PERSON-STAYS (MILLIONS) INDEXED TO 2019





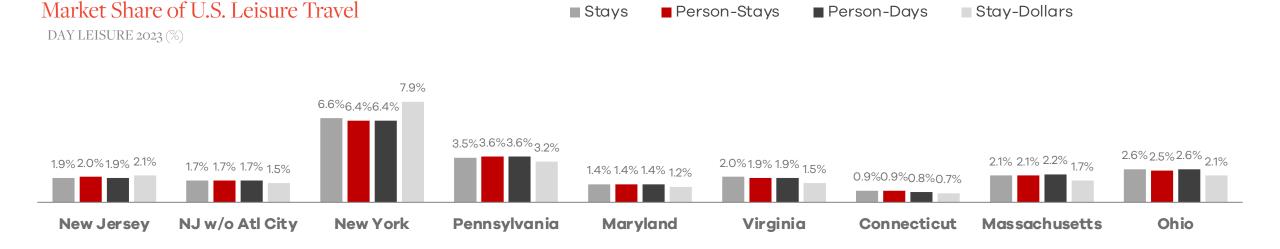
Segment: Total Volume (%) Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>



Overall, the impact of New Jersey's Day Leisure visitation on the share of the US travel market decreased slightly from 2022. Among all its competitors, New Jersey's Day Leisure traveler segment captured the fourth largest share of the US travel market in Trip-Dollars, fifth in Person-Stays and Person-Days, and came in sixth for Stays. Pennsylvania and Virginia saw the only increases in market share in 2023 while the rest decreased.

New Jersey's Day Leisure travel parties (or Stays) represent 1.9% of the US Day Leisure travel market. People often travel together with family, friends or with other groups. Thus, the Stays metric considers how many distinct groups of travelers came to the destination.

In contrast, the number of Person-Stays taken to a destination indicates how many people came to your destination, but not how long they stayed. New Jersey's Day Leisure travelers (or Person-Stays), the main focus of this report, represent 2.0% of the US Day Leisure travel market.

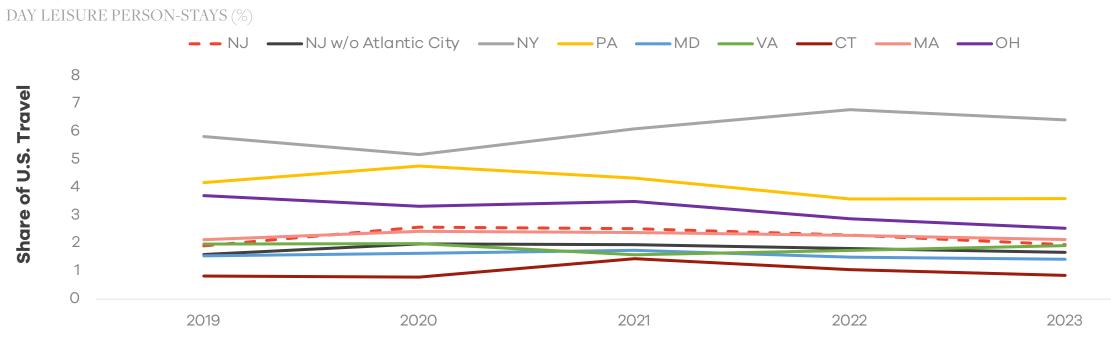


Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>

The Person-Days metric is simply the total number of days that visitors contributed to New Jersey. New Jersey's Day Leisure travelers represent 1.9% of the US Overnight market share. New Jersey Day Leisure travelers contributed the largest of all four metrics in Trip-Dollars to the US Day Leisure market; 2.1% in terms of monetary worth of travelers as opposed to the contribution of number of trips or number of days spent in a destination.

Changes in Direct Spending can not only be influenced by ALL other travel measures including number of travel parties, number of persons, number of days, number of people in the Stays, length of stay, and individual traveler spending but also be related to changes in travel party composition, purpose of trip, activity participation levels, or accommodation choice.

# Competitive Market Share



#### Who Are New Jersey's Day Leisure Visitors?

Compared to 2022, New Jersey's Day Leisure visitors are trending younger, with fewer retirees visiting, more with children.

While Boomers made up the majority of visitors in recent years, Millennials continue to make up a larger portion of day leisure visitors, bringing down the average age again this year.

Average incomes of New Jersey visitors decreased from 2022 but are still consistently higher than visitors to the average U.S. destination and from the total competitive set.

#### How Do New Jersey's Day Leisure Visitors Compare?

|   | New Jersey                     | New Jersey<br>w/o Atlantic City | Average U.S.<br>Destination    | Competitive Set<br>(NY/PA/MD/VA/CT/MA/OH) |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Average Age (years)   | 48                             | 47                              | 46                             | 47  |
| Employed  | 59%                            | 58%                             | 60%                            | 61%                                       |
| Retired   | 18%                            | 18%                             | 19%                            | 19%                                       |
| Average Income (000)  | \$117.6                        | \$118.4                         | \$98.5                         | \$104.4                                   |
| Children in HH  | 39%                            | 42%                             | 39%                            | 40%                                       |
| Generations:<br>Gen Zers (1997+)<br>Millennial (1981-1996)<br>GenX (1965-1980)<br>Boomer (1946-1964)<br>Silent/GI (1945 back) | 11%<br>28%<br>28%<br>30%<br>4% | 13%<br>29%<br>27%<br>29%<br>3%  | 11%<br>35%<br>27%<br>25%<br>3% | 11%<br>33%<br>27%<br>26%<br>3%            |



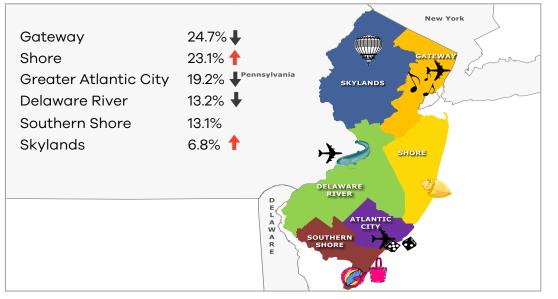
#### Where Do New Jersey's Visitors Come From?

95 percent of New Jersey Day Leisure visitors come from 5 states with 58% coming from New Jersey itself and an additional 33% coming from the neighboring states of New York and Pennsylvania.

It is not surprising then that the majority of travel to New Jersey is by car and those travel an average one-way distance of 54 miles.

## New Jersey Destination Regions

#### DAY LEISURE PERSON-STAYS (%)



## New Jersey Origin States

DAY LEISURE PERSON-STAYS (%) (2023)

| New Jersey   | 58.4% |
|--------------|-------|
| New York     | 16.8% |
| Pennsylvania | 16.0% |
| Connecticut  | 2.0%  |
| Maryland     | 2.0%  |
| Other        | 4.8%  |

#### Where Do New Jersey's Visitors Go?

Similar to last year, New Jersey Day Leisure visitors are exploring more parts of New Jersey. The most popular regions of New Jersey decreased in visitation from last year, while the Shore and Skylands regions both displayed increases in visitation in 2023.

#### Why Do Travelers Visit New Jersey?

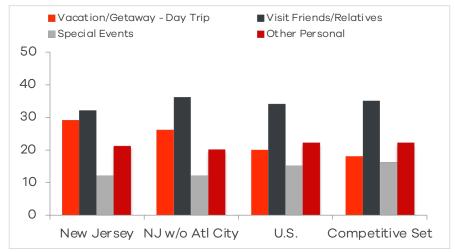
Visiting Friends/Relatives accounts for one-third of Day Leisure visitors to New Jersey in 2023, followed 3 in 10 who are taking Day Trip Vacations/Getaways. If Atlantic City is excluded, Day Trip Vacations/Getaways drop slightly, but Visiting Friends or Relatives increases to account for 36 percent of visits.

Day Trip Vacations/Getaways decreased slightly in 2023, while and Visiting Friends/Relatives increased.

In 2023 visitors spent on average \$210 in New Jersey per person per day - \$1 more than in 2022 with increases in food & beverage (+\$3), transportation (+\$1), and entertainment (+\$1). Atlantic City continues to drive the average daily spending for the State for Day Leisure travel. Again, demonstrating the value of the Atlantic City area.

#### Purpose of Travel

Day Leisure PERSON-STAYS (%) (2023)



Per-Person-Per-Day Spending

Day Leisure PERSON-DAYS (%) (2023)



#### What Do New Jersey Visitors Do?

Nearly all Day Leisure travel parties participate in an activity when visiting the State.

Day Leisure travel parties who visit New Jersey participated in the following top five activities in 2023:

- 1. Shopping
- 2. Beach/Waterfront
- 3. Visiting Friends/Relatives
- 4. Birthday Celebrations
- 5. Culinary/Dining & Gambling

Participation in Beach/Waterfront, Culinary/Dining, and Gambling decreased from 2022.

When excluding Atlantic City, the top five activities are the same except Gambling drops to 20th place in 2023:

- 1. Shopping
- 2. Beach/Waterfront
- 3. Visiting Friends/Relatives
- 4. Birthday Celebrations
- 5. Culinary/Dining

New Jersey's Day Leisure travel parties (including Atlantic City) have a much higher propensity to participate in the following activities than travel parties to the average US destination:

- Gambling (2.6 times as high)
- Beach/Waterfront (2.0 times)
- Water Sports (2.0 times)
- (2.0 times)
- Boating/Sailing (2.0 times)
- Extreme/Adventure Sports (1.9 times)
- Theme/Water Parks (1.8 times)
- Reunion/Graduation (1.8 times)
- Nightlife (1.8 times)

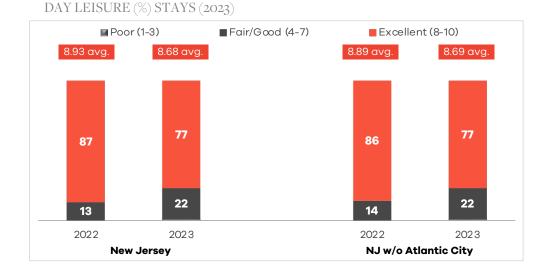
New Jersey's Day Leisure travel parties' (excluding Atlantic City) propensity:

- Boating/Sailing (2.3 times)
- Religious/Faith Based Conference (2.3 times)
- Water Sports (2.3 times)
- Extreme/Adventure Sports (2.2 times)
- Reunion/Graduation (2.1 times)
- Business/Work (2.0 times)
- Beach/Waterfront (2.0 times)
- Theme/Water Parks (1.9 times)

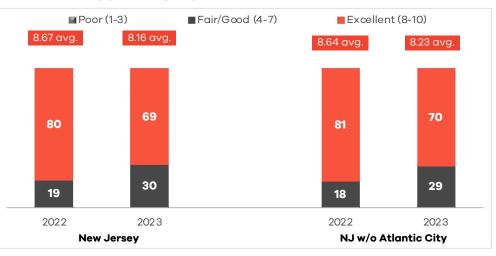
#### How Do New Jersey Visitors Rate The State?

Respondents are asked to rate their overall satisfaction with the destinations they visit as well as the overall value for the money the destination provides. Ratings are on a 10-point scale, where 1 is low or 'poor' and 10 is high or 'excellent'.

Day Leisure visitors report lower satisfaction (8.68 average rating) with their New Jersey stay in 2023 than in 2022 (8.93). New Jersey destinations as well as the competitor's destinations have consistently received a high percentage of Excellent (8-10) ratings for overall satisfaction with the destination with 8.68 (New Jersey whole) and 8.69 (New Jersey w/o Atlantic City).





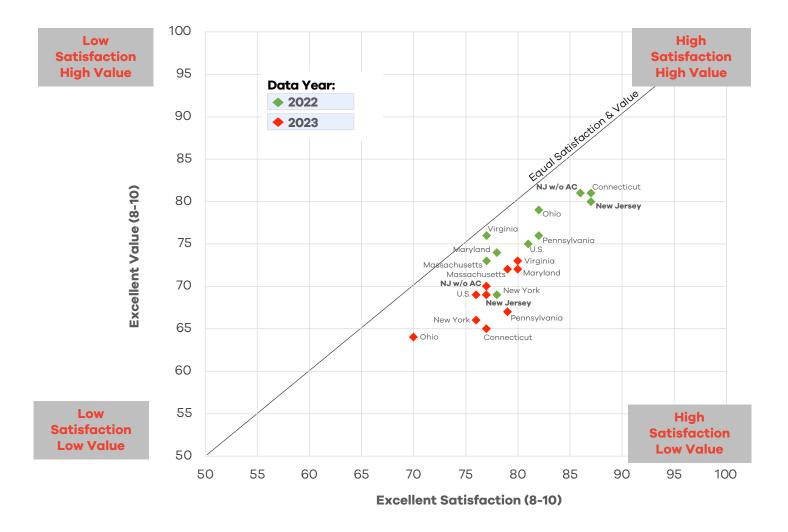


DAY LEISURE (%) STAYS (2023)

Overall, New Jersey's Day Leisure travelers report their highest ratings for Overall Satisfaction (8.68), followed by Likelihood to Recommend (8.63) and Feeling of Safety (8.58). For both New Jersey as a whole and New Jersey excluding Atlantic City, all destination ratings decreased from 2022.

When excluding Atlantic City, visitors rate New Jersey slightly higher in many performance attributes with the exception of Overall Satisfaction and Quality of Transportation which have similar ratings for both New Jersey and New Jersey excluding Atlantic City.

**Overall Satisfaction** 

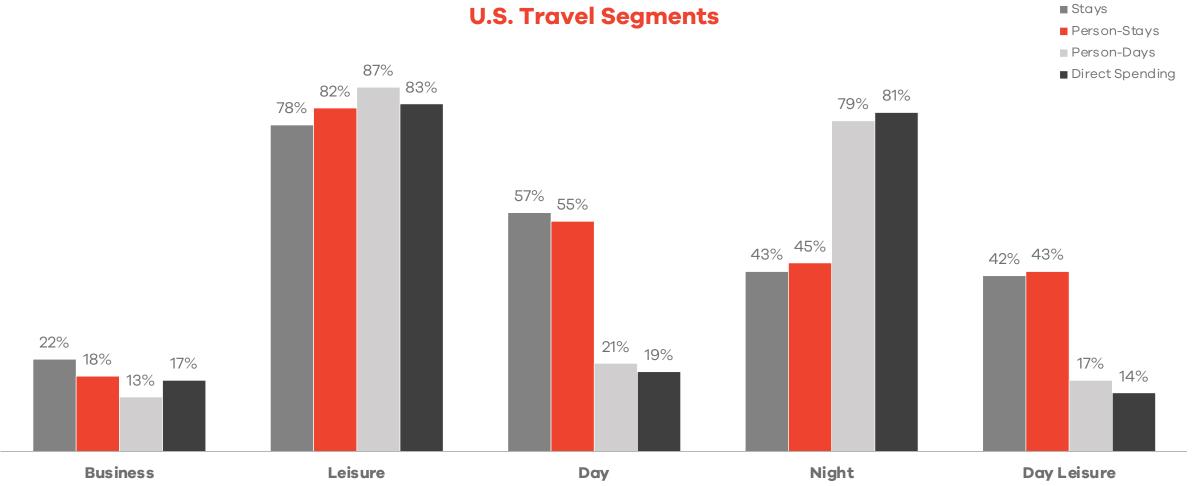


Satisfaction and Value ratings may be combined into a matrix which places each destination in the location where Satisfaction and Value intersect.

Destinations or segments fall into one of four quadrants. Those that are in the High Satisfaction/ High Value quadrant have the most loyal visitors. Those visitors are most likely not only to return, but they are likely to spend more, as well as provide invaluable word-of-mouth recommendations. The graph to the left shows these data for New Jersey, New Jersey without Atlantic City and the Competitive Set as well as the US average.

# -2-Charts & Graphs

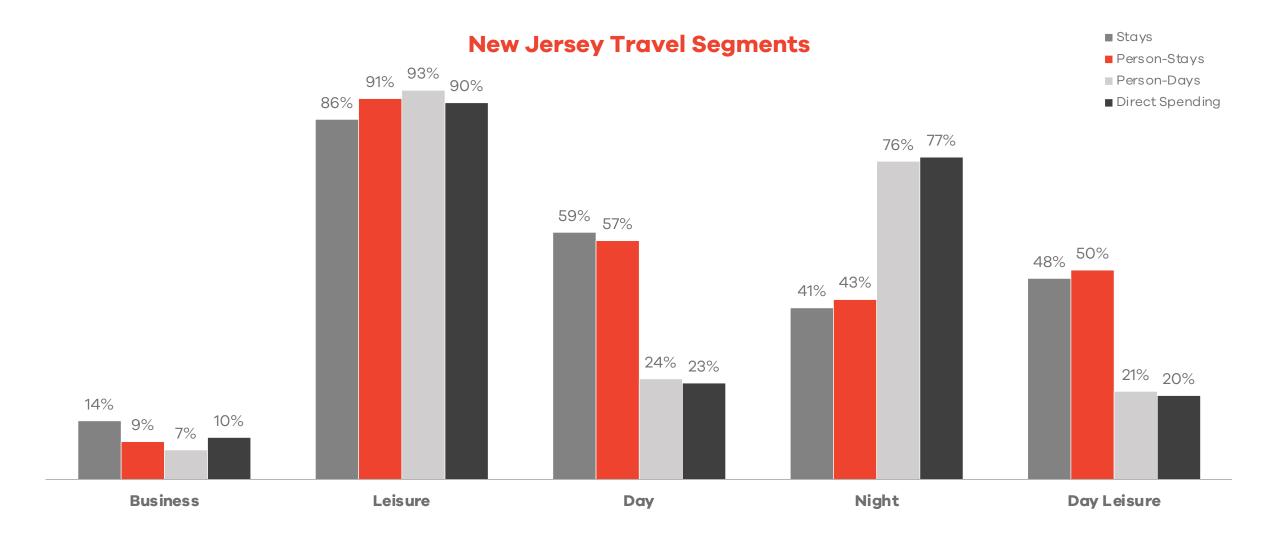




# **U.S. Travel Segments**

Segment: Total Volume (%) Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>





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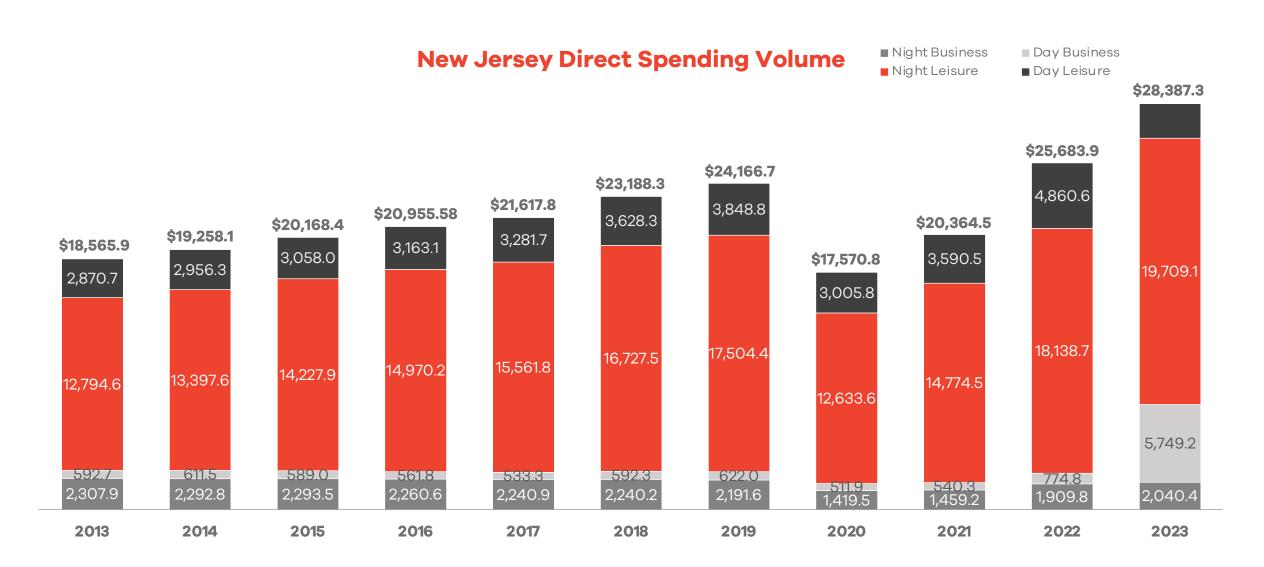
## **New Jersey Person-Stays Volume**

Segment: Total Volume (in Millions) Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>

| New Jersey        |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |        | U.S.  |       |       |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
|                   | 14/13 | 15/14 | 16/15 | 17/16 | 18/17 | 19/18 | 20/19  | 21/20  | 22/21 | 23/22 | 23/22 |
| Total             | 4.1%  | 2.3%  | 4.0%  | 4.7%  | 8.0%  | 4.1%  | -27.0% | 8.4%   | 22.9% | 6.4%  | 3.7%  |
| Business          | 4.6%  | -0.4% | -1.8% | -5.4% | 6.5%  | 2.5%  | -26.7% | -9.9%  | 27.1% | 0.0%  | 9.4%  |
| Leisure           | 4.0%  | 2.8%  | 4.9%  | 6.2%  | 8.2%  | 4.3%  | -27.0% | 10.7%  | 22.5% | 7.0%  | 2.6%  |
|                   |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |        |       |       |       |
| Day               | 3.6%  | 2.0%  | 3.8%  | 5.1%  | 9.8%  | 4.6%  | -25.7% | 7.2%   | 27.1% | 8.4%  | 7.2%  |
| Night             | 4.6%  | 2.7%  | 4.3%  | 4.2%  | 6.0%  | 3.5%  | -28.4% | 9.8%   | 18.1% | 3.8%  | -0.1% |
|                   |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |        |       |       |       |
| Day<br>Business   | 7.0%  | 1.4%  | -1.1% | -4.8% | 8.2%  | 4.9%  | -22.9% | -12.7% | 27.8% | 0.2%  | 14.6% |
| Day<br>Leisure    | 2.8%  | 2.2%  | 4.9%  | 7.1%  | 10.1% | 4.6%  | -26.2% | 10.9%  | 26.9% | 9.6%  | 5.3%  |
|                   |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |        |       |       |       |
| Night<br>Business | 0.0%  | -4.2% | -3.2% | -6.7% | 2.6%  | -3.2% | -36.6% | -0.9%  | 25.1% | -0.7% | 0.1%  |
| Night<br>Leisure  | 5.1%  | 3.4%  | 5.0%  | 5.2%  | 6.3%  | 4.0%  | -27.8% | 10.5%  | 17.7% | 4.0%  | -0.2% |

Segment: Total Volume Person-Stays (% change) Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor*<sup>SM</sup>





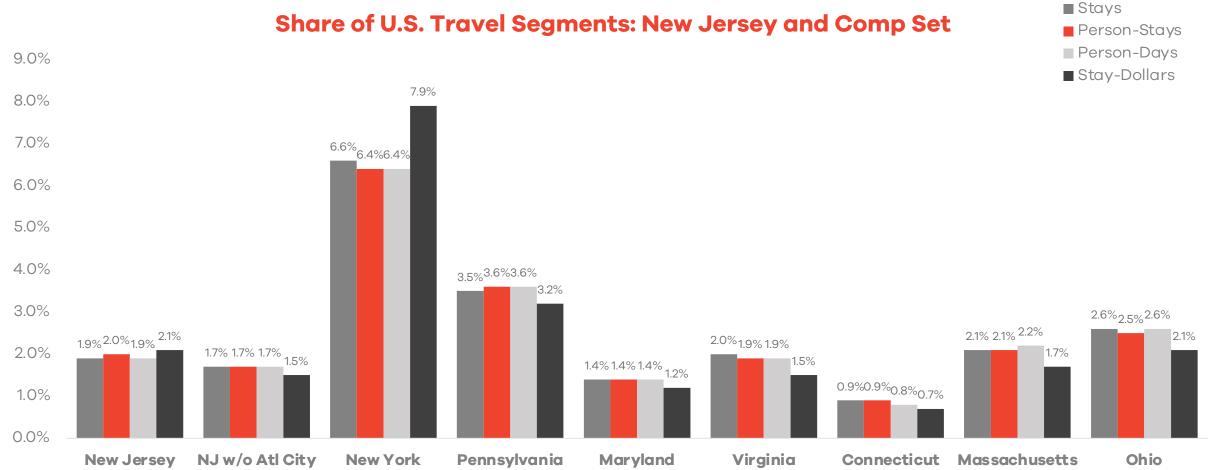
Segment: Direct Spending (in \$ Millions) Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor*<sup>SM</sup>

| New Jersey        |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       | U.S.  |        |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
|                   | 14/13 | 15/14 | 16/15 | 17/16 | 18/17 | 19/18 | 20/19  | 21/20 | 22/21 | 23/22 | 23/22  |
| Total             | 3.7%  | 4.7%  | 3.9%  | 3.2%  | 7.3%  | 4.2%  | -27.3% | 15.9% | 26.1% | 10.5% | 4.0%   |
| Business          | 0.1%  | -0.7% | -2.1% | -1.7% | 2.1%  | -0.7% | -31.4% | 3.5%  | 34.3% | 9.1%  | -3.5%  |
| Leisure           | 4.4%  | 5.7%  | 4.9%  | 3.9%  | 8.0%  | 4.9%  | -26.8% | 17.4% | 25.2% | 10.7% | 5.7%   |
|                   |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |       |        |
| Day               | 3.0%  | 2.2%  | 2.1%  | 2.4%  | 10.6% | 5.9%  | -21.3% | 17.4% | 36.4% | 17.8% | -1.7%  |
| Night             | 3.9%  | 5.3%  | 4.3%  | 3.3%  | 6.5%  | 3.8%  | -28.7% | 15.5% | 23.5% | 8.5%  | 5.4%   |
|                   |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |       |        |
| Day<br>Business   | 3.2%  | -3.7% | -4.6% | -5.1% | 11.1% | 5.0%  | -17.7% | 5.6%  | 43.4% | 14.7% | -10.4% |
| Day<br>Leisure    | 3.0%  | 3.4%  | 3.4%  | 3.8%  | 10.6% | 6.1%  | -21.9% | 19.5% | 35.2% | 18.3% | 1.4%   |
|                   |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |       |        |
| Night<br>Business | -0.7% | 0.0%  | -1.4% | -0.9% | 0.0%  | -2.2% | -35.2% | 2.8%  | 30.9% | 6.8%  | -0.8%  |
| Night<br>Leisure  | 4.7%  | 6.2%  | 5.2%  | 4.0%  | 7.5%  | 4.6%  | -27.8% | 16.9% | 22.8% | 8.7%  | 6.7%   |

Segment: Direct Spending (% change)

Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>





# Share of U.S. Travel Segments: New Jersey and Comp Set

Segment: Day Leisure (%) • n=1,004 household count Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>

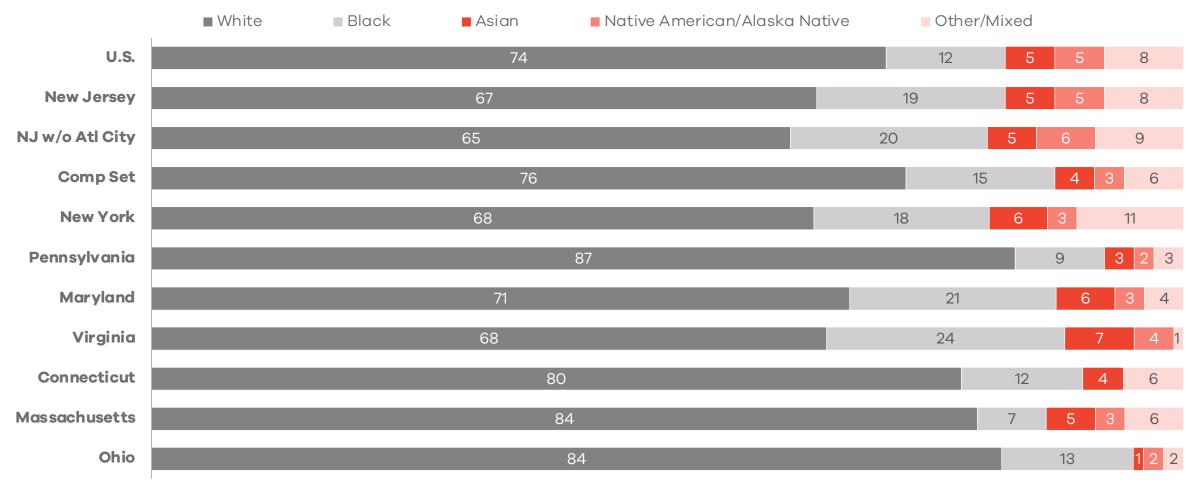


# Age Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

| Average |                 |    | ■ 18-34 years | ■ 35-54 years | ■ 55 + years |    |
|---------|-----------------|----|---------------|---------------|--------------|----|
| 46      | U.S.            | 30 |               | 36            |              | 33 |
| 48      | New Jersey      | 27 |               | 33            |              | 40 |
| 47      | NJ w/o Atl City | 29 |               | 33            |              | 38 |
| 47      | Comp Set        | 30 |               | 34            |              | 36 |
| 45      | New York        | 33 |               | 35            |              | 32 |
| 48      | Pennsylvania    | 30 |               | 32            |              | 38 |
| 47      | Maryland        | 26 |               | 42            |              | 33 |
| 50      | Virginia        | 28 |               | 30            |              | 42 |
| 51      | Connecticut     | 22 |               | 31            |              | 47 |
| 48      | Massachusetts   | 28 |               | 35            |              | 37 |
| 46      | Ohio            | 32 |               | 36            |              | 32 |
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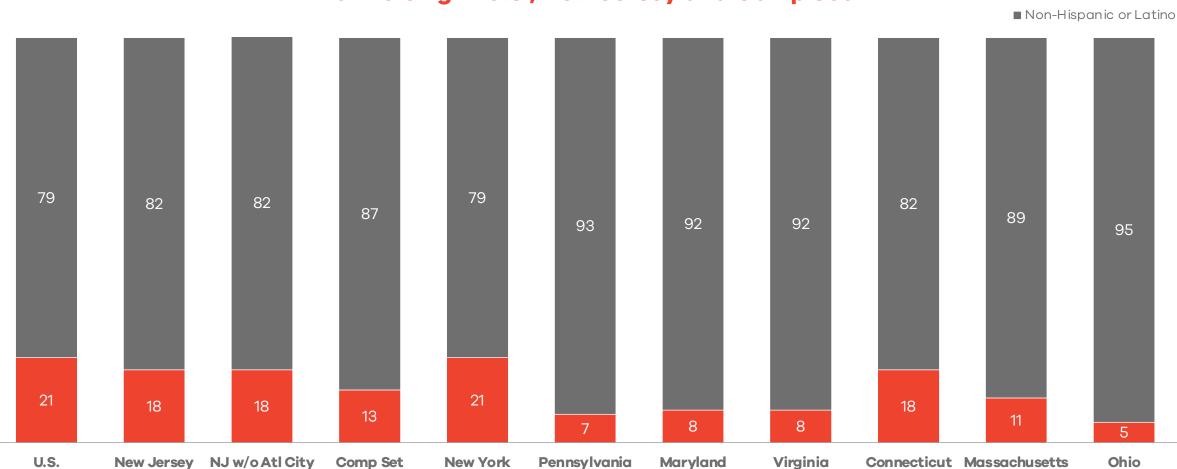
Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=1,004 household count Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor*<sup>SM</sup>

# Racial Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set



Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=990 household count Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>* 





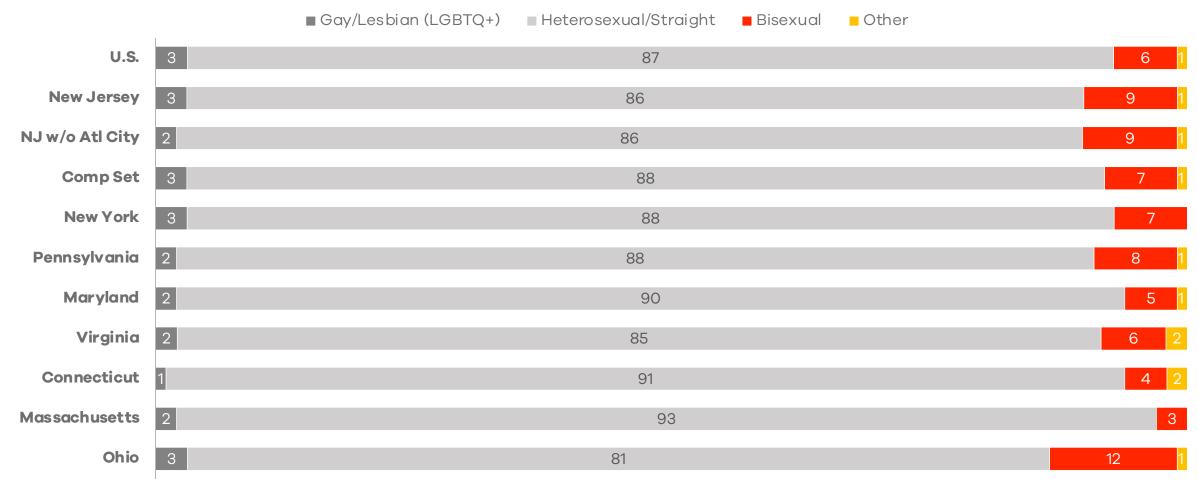
## Ethnic Origin: U.S., New Jersey and Comp Set

Hispanic or Latino

Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=995 household count Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>



# Sexual Orientation Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

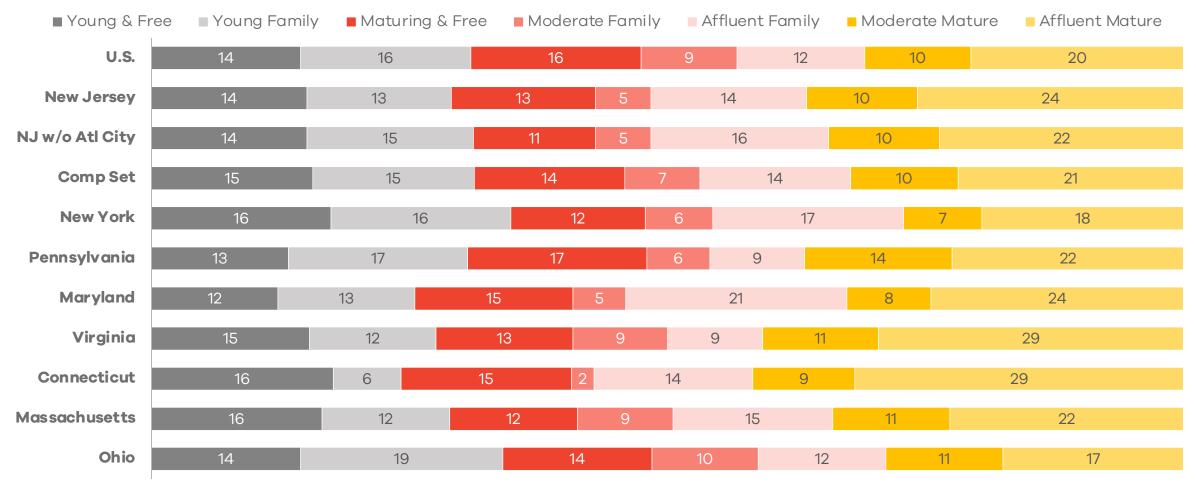




# Household Income Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

| Average   | Under \$50,000 = \$50,000 - \$74,999 = \$75,000-\$99,999 = \$100,000-\$149,999 = \$150,000+ |    |    |    |      |    |      |  |  |  |
|-----------|---|----|----|----|------|----|------|--|--|--|
| \$98,479  | U.S.  | 32 |    | 18 | 14   | 18 | 19   |  |  |  |
| \$117,620 | New Jersey  | 25 | 16 | 14 | 18   |    | 28   |  |  |  |
| \$118,384 | NJ w/o Atl City   | 26 | 15 | 13 | 18   |    | 28   |  |  |  |
| \$104,422 | Comp Set  | 29 | 17 | 1  | 2 20 |    | 21   |  |  |  |
| \$113,185 | New York  | 28 | 14 | 12 | 20   |    | 26   |  |  |  |
| \$93,022  | Pennsylvania  | 33 |    | 19 | 13   | 19 | 16   |  |  |  |
| \$115,016 | Maryland  | 24 | 16 | 10 | 26   |    | 23   |  |  |  |
| \$97,232  | Virginia  | 29 | 18 |    | 18   | 18 | 17   |  |  |  |
| \$121,091 | Connecticut   | 25 | 11 | 10 | 27   |    | 28   |  |  |  |
| \$116,176 | Massachusetts   | 27 | 15 | 12 | 21   |    | 26   |  |  |  |
| \$82,215  | Ohio  | 36 |    | 25 | 11   | 1  | 7 11 |  |  |  |

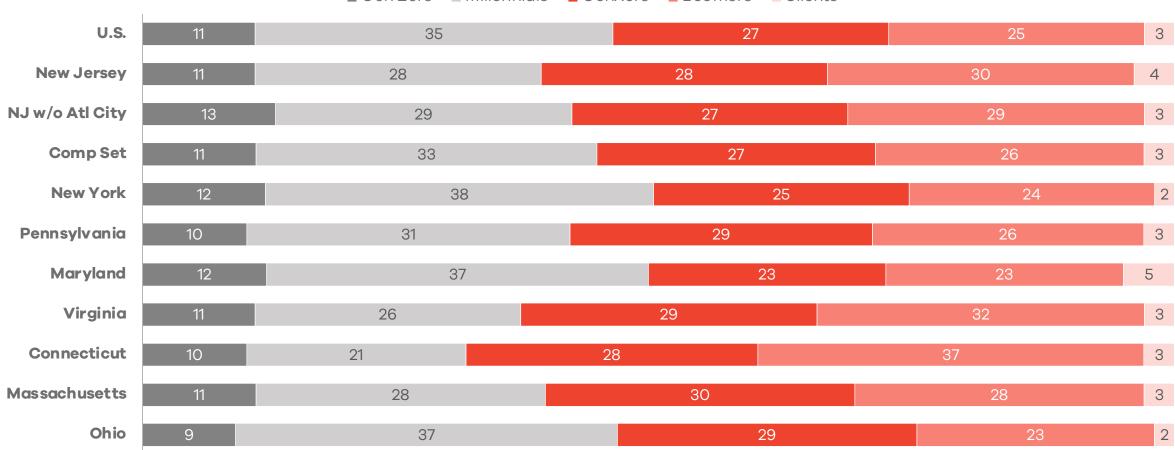
Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=982 household count Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>* 



# Lifestage Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=1,004 household count Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>* 

# Traveler Generation Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set



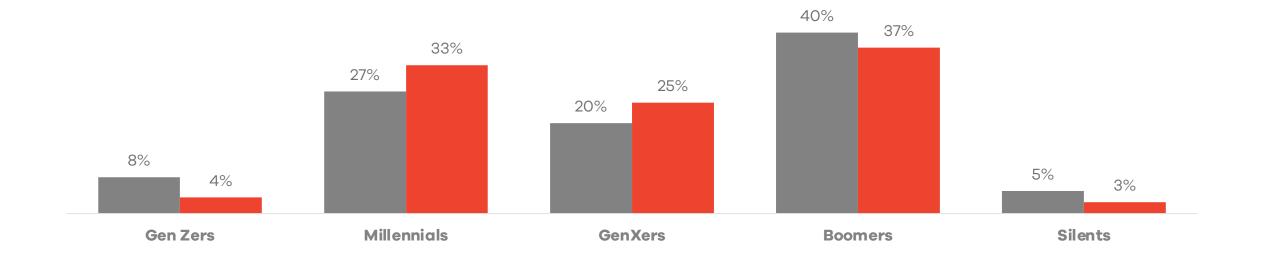
Gen Zers Millennials Gen Xers Boomers Silents

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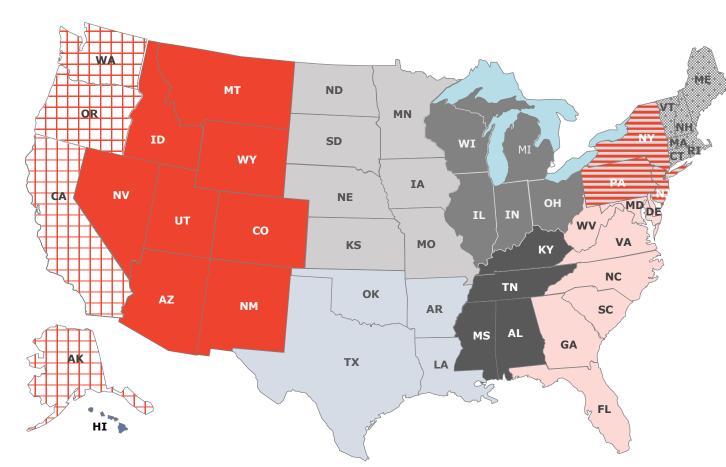






Segment: Day Leisure (%) • n=2,473 household count Source: 2021-2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor*<sup>SM</sup>



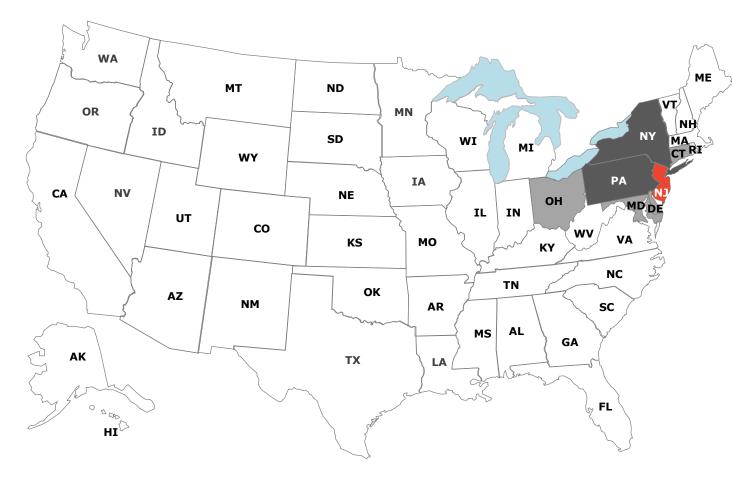


# **Origin Divisions For Travel To New Jersey**

| East North Central | 1%  |
|--------------------|-----|
| Mountain           | 0%  |
| West North Central | 0%  |
| South Atlantic     | 5%  |
| Middle Atlantic    | 91% |
| East South Central | 0%  |
| West South Central | *   |
| New England        | 3%  |
| Pacific            | 0%  |



# **Top Origin States For Travel To New Jersey**

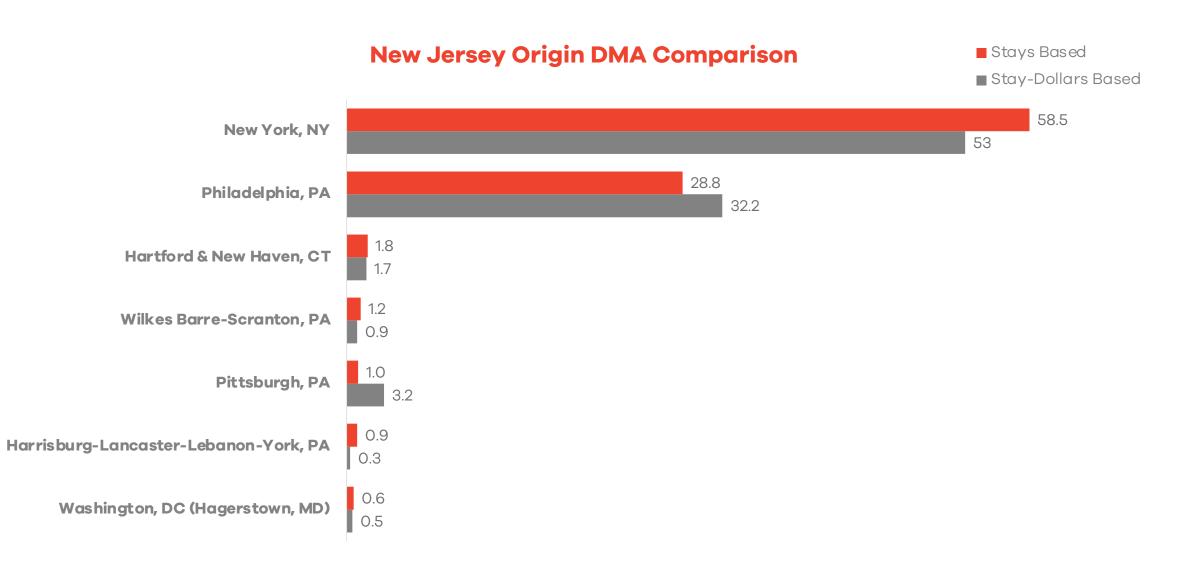


| New Jersey   | 58% |
|--------------|-----|
| New York     | 17% |
| Pennsylvania | 16% |
| Connecticut  | 2%  |
| Maryland     | 2%  |
| Delaware     | 2%  |
| Ohio         | 1%  |

Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=1,004 household count Source: 2023 PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>

|   | U.S.  | New Jersey | NJ w/o Atl City | Comp Set | New York | Pennsylvania | Maryland | Virginia | Connecticut | Massachusetts | Ohio |
|---|-------|------------|-----------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|----------|-------------|---------------|------|
| New York, NY                                  | 5.5%  | 64.8%      | 65.3%           | 20.9%    | 48.4%    | 11.2%        | 3.2%     | 0.9%     | 27.9%       | 5.5%          | 0.4% |
| Philadelphia, PA                              | 2.3%  | 26.4%      | 25.7%           | 8.1%     | 6.0%     | 24.2%        | 13.9%    | 1.4%     | 1.1%        | 1.7%          | *    |
| Baltimore, MD                                 | 0.9%  | 1.5%       | 1.5%            | 3.3%     | 1.8%     | 4.1%         | 22.1     | 2.2%     | 0.1%        | 0.1%          | *    |
| Harrisburg-<br>Lancaster-Lebanon-<br>York, PA | 0.8%  | 0.9%       | 1.0%            | 3.8%     | 0.7%     | 15.0%        | 8.3%     | 0.3%     | 0.0%        | 0.2%          | *    |
| Washington, DC<br>(Hagerstown, MD)            | 1.7%  | 0.8%       | 0.3%            | 6.8%     | 0.9%     | 3.6%         | 39.8%    | 27.2%    | 0.0%        | *             | 0.5% |
|   |       |            |                 |          |          |              |          |          |             |               |      |
| Top 5 Sum                                     | 11.2% | 94.4%      | 93.8%           | 42.9%    | 57.8%    | 58.1%        | 87.3%    | 32.0%    | 29.1%       | 7.5%          | 0.9% |





# Main Mode of Transportation: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

|                 | Air | Auto | Other |    |
|-----------------|-----|------|-------|----|
| U.S.            | 2   | 91   |       | 7  |
| New Jersey      | 1   | 90   |       | 10 |
| NJ w/o Atl City | 1   | 90   |       | 9  |
| Comp Set        | 2   | 83   |       | 16 |
| New York        | 4   | 67   |       | 29 |
| Pennsylvania    |     | 89   |       | 11 |
| Maryland        | 1   | 93   |       | 6  |
| Virginia        |     | 94   |       | 5  |
| Connecticut     |     | 94   |       | 6  |
| Massachusetts   | 1   | 82   |       | 17 |
| Ohio            | 1   | 96   |       | 3  |



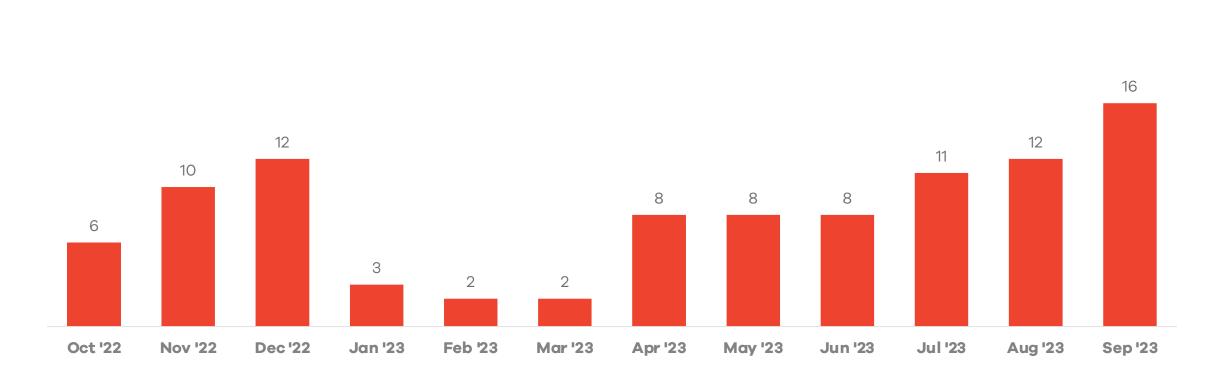
# One-Way Travel Distance by Auto: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

|                 | ■ 100 miles or less ■ 101-200 miles ■ 201-300 miles ■ 301-500 miles ■ 501+ miles |    |                     |
|-----------------|--|----|---------------------|
| U.S.            | 73   | 17 | 5 3 1               |
| New Jersey      | 90   |    | 8 <mark>1</mark> 11 |
| NJ w/o Atl City | 91   |    | 6 <mark>1</mark> 11 |
| Comp Set        | 77   | 16 | 3 3 1               |
| New York        | 75   | 16 | 5 2 2               |
| Pennsylvania    | 79   | 17 | 3 11                |
| Maryland        | 81   | 15 | 2 2 1               |
| Virginia        | 76   | 15 | 4 4 1               |
| Connecticut     | 87   |    | 10 2 1              |
| Massachusetts   | 78   | 13 | 1 7                 |
| Ohio            | 74   | 20 | 2 3 1               |

Segment: Day Leisure Person-Stays (%) • n=864 household count Source: 2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor*<sup>SM</sup>

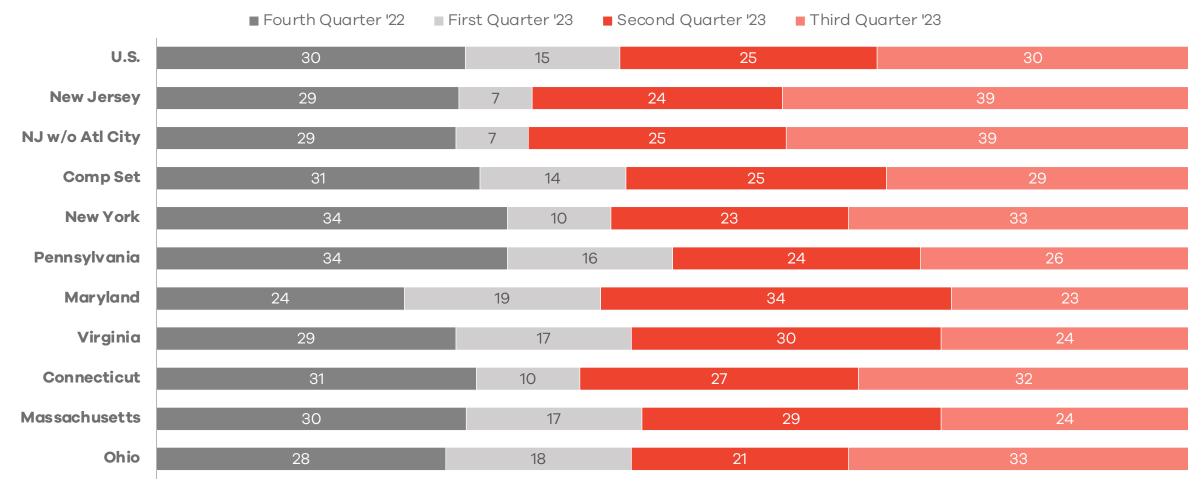


## New Jersey Month Trip Started





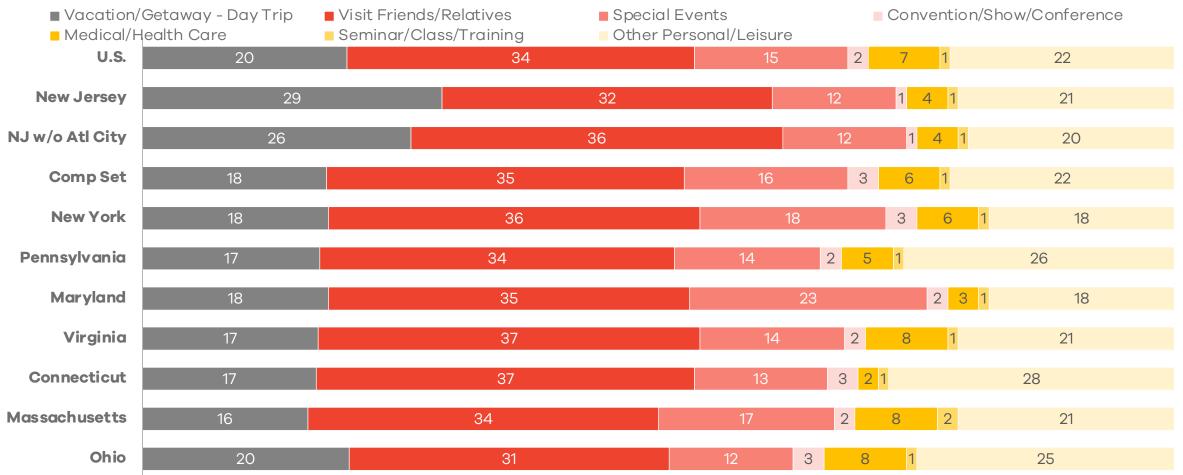
## Trip Timing by Quarter: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set



## Trip Timing by Season: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

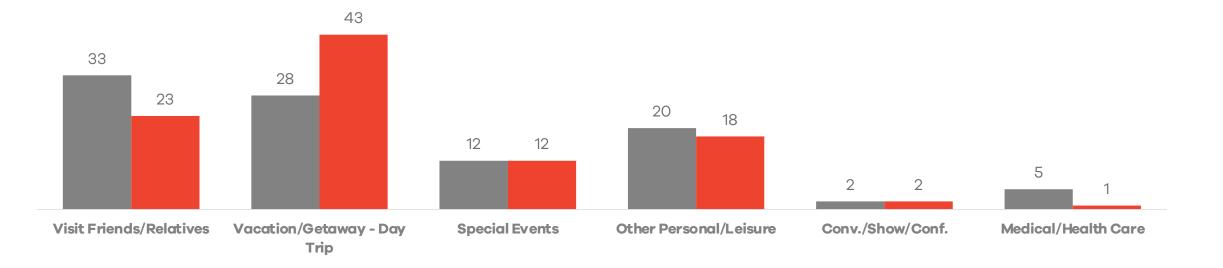
|                 |    | Winter | Spring | Summer | Fall |    |
|-----------------|----|--------|--------|--------|------|----|
| U.S.            | 19 | 22     |        | 29     |      | 31 |
| New Jersey      | 18 | 18     |        | 32     |      | 33 |
| NJ w/o Atl City | 18 | 18     |        | 31     |      | 33 |
| Comp Set        | 18 | 21     |        | 29     |      | 32 |
| New York        | 16 | 17     | 32     |        |      | 35 |
| Pennsylvania    | 21 | 23     |        | 24     |      | 33 |
| Maryland        | 23 |        | 29     | 27     |      | 21 |
| Virginia        | 19 | 26     |        | 26     |      | 30 |
| Connecticut     | 16 | 17     | 32     |        |      | 35 |
| Massachusetts   | 18 | 24     |        | 28     |      | 31 |
| Ohio            | 17 | 22     |        | 31     |      | 30 |

## Purpose of Trip Distribution: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set





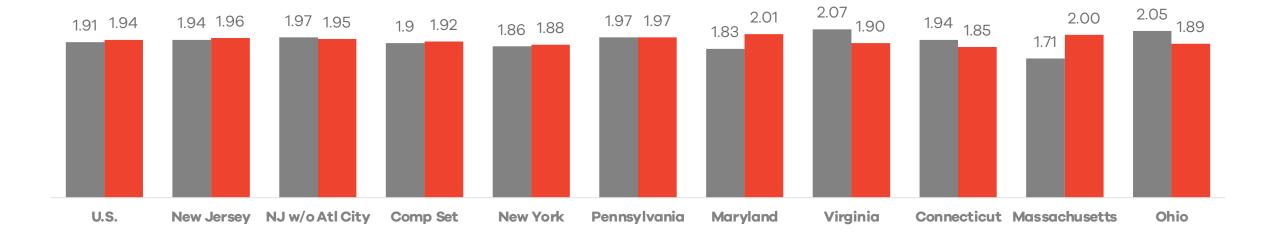




Segment: Day Leisure (%) • n=2,473 household count Source: 2021-2023 *PERFORMANCE/Monitor<sup>SM</sup>* 



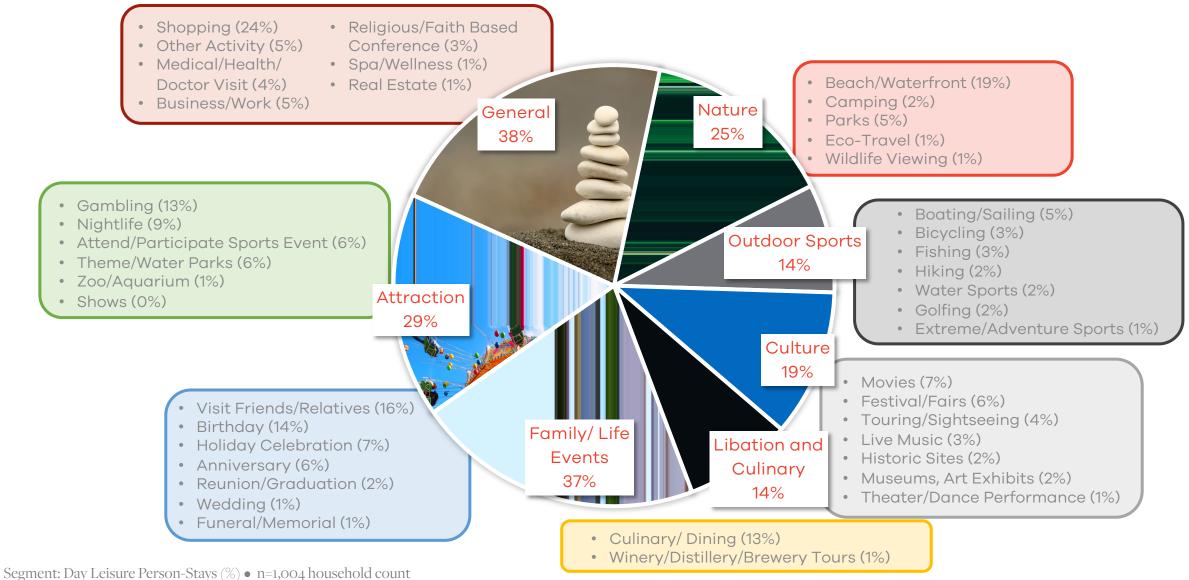




## Daily Spending Per Person by Category: U.S., New Jersey, and Comp Set

| Average | ■ T             | ransportation Fo | ood Shopping | Entertainment | Miscellaneous |
|---------|-----------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| \$196.3 | U.S.            | 25               | 29           | 23            | 17 6          |
| \$210.4 | New Jersey      | 23               | 31           | 18            | 22 6          |
| \$185.0 | NJ w/o Atl City | 26               | 31           | 20            | 17 6          |
| \$190.8 | Comp Set        | 25               | 30           | 22            | 16 7          |
| \$234.8 | New York        | 24               | 29           | 24            | 16 8          |
| \$175.8 | Pennsylvania    | 25               | 29           | 23            | 18 6          |
| \$170.3 | Maryland        | 25               | 34           | 21            | 15 5          |
| \$161.1 | Virginia        | 28               | 30           | 21            | 15 6          |
| \$167.0 | Connecticut     | 23               | 36           | 21            | 16 4          |
| \$163.7 | Massachusetts   | 26               | 37           | 18            | 15 4          |
| \$162.6 | Ohio            | 27               | 29           | 22            | 17 6          |

Segment: Day Leisure Person-Days (%) • n=981 household count Source: 2023  $PERFORMANCE | Monitor^{SM}$ 





# **Top Activities in the Destination**

|  | U.S. | NJ  | NJ w/o Atl<br>City | Comp Set | NY  | ΡΑ  | MD  | VA  | СТ  | MA  | ОН  |
|--|------|-----|--------------------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Shopping                               | 22%  | 24% | 24%                | 21%      | 20% | 25% | 23% | 22% | 18% | 17% | 18% |
| Beach/Waterfront                       | 10%  | 19% | 20%                | 7%       | 8%  | 3%  | 12% | 8%  | 8%  | 10% | 4%  |
| Visit Friends/Relatives                | 17%  | 16% | 17%                | 19%      | 17% | 16% | 23% | 23% | 20% | 21% | 18% |
| <b>Birthday Celebration</b>            | 12%  | 14% | 14%                | 13%      | 16% | 10% | 15% | 10% | 10% | 11% | 12% |
| Culinary/Dining                        | 17%  | 13% | 12%                | 17%      | 17% | 16% | 20% | 19% | 24% | 16% | 14% |
| Gambling                               | 5%   | 13% | 3%                 | 4%       | 3%  | 6%  | 2%  | 3%  | 11% | 2%  | 3%  |
| Nightlife                              | 5%   | 9%  | 6%                 | 5%       | 5%  | 4%  | 3%  | 3%  | 5%  | 7%  | 4%  |
| Holiday Celebration                    | 5%   | 7%  | 8%                 | 6%       | 7%  | 5%  | 2%  | 3%  | 4%  | 6%  | 6%  |
| Movies                                 | 5%   | 7%  | 8%                 | 5%       | 7%  | 3%  | 3%  | 5%  | 2%  | 3%  | 4%  |
| <b>Anniversary Celebration</b>         | 4%   | 6%  | 6%                 | 5%       | 8%  | 3%  | 2%  | 4%  | 2%  | 4%  | 5%  |
| Festival/Fairs                         | 4%   | 6%  | 6%                 | 5%       | 7%  | 7%  | 2%  | 2%  | 2%  | 2%  | 4%  |
| Theme/Water Parks                      | 3%   | 6%  | 6%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 3%  | 1%  | 3%  | 0%  | 2%  | 3%  |
| Parks (national/state etc.)            | 6%   | 5%  | 6%                 | 5%       | 6%  | 5%  | 4%  | 8%  | 6%  | 2%  | 4%  |
| Boating                                | 2%   | 5%  | 6%                 | 3%       | 5%  | 2%  | 1%  | 2%  | 1%  | 2%  | 1%  |
| Amateur Sports<br>(attend/participate) | 5%   | 5%  | 5%                 | 4%       | 4%  | 4%  | 5%  | 2%  | 7%  | 6%  | 3%  |
| Business/Work                          | 3%   | 5%  | 5%                 | 3%       | 4%  | 3%  | 1%  | 2%  | 1%  | 2%  | 2%  |
| Sightseeing/Touring                    | 7%   | 4%  | 4%                 | 7%       | 7%  | 8%  | 6%  | 8%  | 5%  | 8%  | 5%  |
| <b>Other Personal Celebrations</b>     | 3%   | 4%  | 4%                 | 3%       | 3%  | 2%  | 3%  | 2%  | 5%  | 3%  | 4%  |
| Medical/Health/Doctor Visit            | 6%   | 4%  | 4%                 | 5%       | 5%  | 4%  | 3%  | 7%  | 2%  | 5%  | 4%  |
| Bicycling                              | 3%   | 3%  | 4%                 | 3%       | 4%  | 3%  | 2%  | 2%  | 1%  | 1%  | 2%  |
| Fishing                                | 4%   | 3%  | 3%                 | 3%       | 3%  | 3%  | 3%  | 7%  | 2%  | 2%  | 5%  |
| Religious/Faith Based<br>Conference    | 1%   | 3%  | 3%                 | 1%       | 2%  | 1%  | 1%  | 1%  | 0%  | 1%  | 1%  |

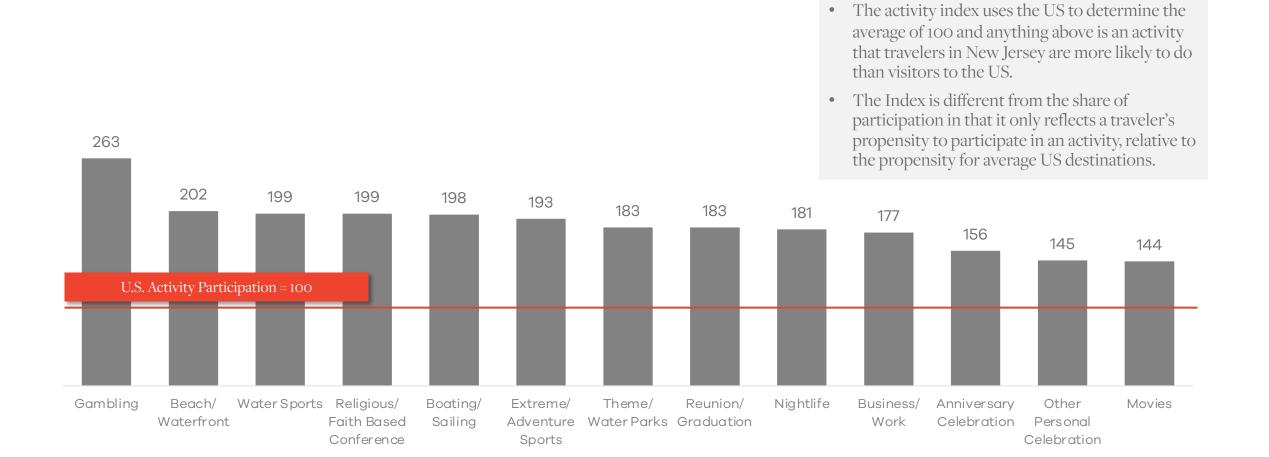


# **Top Activities in the Destination**

|                                 | U.S. | NJ | NJ w/o Atl<br>City | Comp Set | NY  | ΡΑ | MD | VA | ст | MA | ОН |
|---------------------------------|------|----|--------------------|----------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Live Music                      | 4%   | 3% | 2%                 | 4%       | 5%  | 5% | 2% | 2% | 2% | 5% | 5% |
| Water Sports                    | 1%   | 2% | 3%                 | 1%       | 1%  | 0% | 2% | 2% | 0% | 1% | 0% |
| Music, Art Exhibits, etc.       | 5%   | 2% | 3%                 | 6%       | 10% | 5% | 5% | 4% | 4% | 6% | 4% |
| Camping                         | 3%   | 2% | 3%                 | 3%       | 3%  | 4% | 2% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 2% |
| <b>Reunion/Graduation</b>       | 1%   | 2% | 2%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 1% | 2% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 2% |
| Professional Sports Event       | 2%   | 2% | 2%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 2% | 2% | 1% | 0% | 4% | 2% |
| Historic Sites                  | 4%   | 2% | 2%                 | 5%       | 6%  | 7% | 3% | 6% | 2% | 5% | 3% |
| Golfing                         | 1%   | 2% | 2%                 | 2%       | 1%  | 1% | 3% | 2% | 3% | 1% | 2% |
| Hiking                          | 5%   | 2% | 2%                 | 4%       | 5%  | 4% | 2% | 5% | 3% | 3% | 4% |
| College Sports Event            | 2%   | 1% | 2%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 1% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 3% | 1% |
| Zoo/Aquarium                    | 3%   | 1% | 1%                 | 3%       | 3%  | 2% | 4% | 1% | 3% | 5% | 4% |
|                                 |      |    |                    |          |     |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Wildlife Viewing                | 2%   | 1% | 2%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 2% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 2% |
| Wedding                         | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 1% | 5% | 3% | 1% | 1% | 2% |
| Extreme/Adventure Sports        | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 1%       | 1%  | 0% | 0% | 1% | 1% | 1% | 0% |
| Winery/Distillery/Brewery Tours | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 1%       | 1%  | 2% | 0% | 2% | 0% | 0% | 1% |
| Funeral/Memorial                | 2%   | 1% | 1%                 | 2%       | 3%  | 1% | 1% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 2% |
| Spa/Wellness                    | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 1%       | 2%  | 1% | 1% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 1% |
| Theater/Dance Performance       | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 2%       | 2%  | 1% | 2% | 1% | 1% | 2% | 1% |
| Hunting                         | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 1%       | 1%  | 0% | 0% | 1% | 0% | 1% | 1% |
| Real Estate (buy/sell)          | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 0%       | 0%  | 0% | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Service/Volunteerism            | 1%   | 1% | 1%                 | 0%       | 0%  | 1% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Tennis                          | 0%   | 0% | 0%                 | 0%       | 0%  | *  | 1% | 0% | 0% | *  | 1% |



## **New Jersey Activity Index**





### New Jersey Activity Index (cont.)

- The activity index uses the US to determine the average of 100 and anything above is an activity that travelers in New Jersey are more likely to do than visitors to the US.
- The Index is different from the share of participation in that it only reflects a traveler's propensity to participate in an activity, relative to the propensity for average US destinations.



# -3-APPENDIX



#### **Household Count**

The number of unique respondents responding to the survey who visited the destination during the travel year.

#### Stays

Stays represent the number of distinct groups of travelers (travel parties or groups) visiting a destination on a trip, regardless of the number of people within the travel group.

#### **Person-Stays**

The total number of people or visitors that traveled to your destination, regardless of the length of their stay.

#### **Person-Days**

The total number of days that all visitors contributed to your destination.

#### **Trip-Dollars**

Using the Trip-Dollars weight shows the monetary worth/contribution of travelers to a destination's economy as opposed to the contribution of number of trips or number of days spent at the destination.

#### **Room-Nights**

The number of nights spent in a room, regardless of the number of people staying in the room.

#### **Stay Expenditures**

Combines per-person spending with Person-Days to calculate the money spent on each stay to your destination.

#### **Average Party Per Stay Spending**

Includes reported expenditures of all travelers (including transportation expenditure) who spend more than \$1 on their trip to or within the destination. Individual averages for subgroups of variables, such as accommodation types or activities might be higher than the total average party per stay spending for a destination because the travelers' spending is included only in those subgroups of variables to which the respondent replied.

#### **Traveling Party**

Children Present: Is defined as one or more adults accompanied by one or more persons under age 18. The child necessarily has to live in the household.

MM/FF: Include either two females or two males from different households traveling together.

#### Generations

Gen Zers (1997+), Millennial (1981-1996), GenX (1965-1980), Boomer (1946-1964), Silent/GI (before 1945)

#### **Lifestage Definitions**

| Lifestage       | Head of HH Age | HH Income   | Children <18 in HH |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Young & Free    | 18-34 years    | Any         | No                 |
| Young Family    | 18-34 years    | Any         | Yes                |
| Mature & Free   | 35-54 years    | Any         | No                 |
| Moderate Family | 35-54 years    | Under \$75K | Yes                |
| Affluent Family | 35-54 years    | \$75K+      | Yes                |
| Moderate Mature | 55+ years      | Under \$60K | No                 |
| Affluent Mature | 55+ years      | \$60K+      | No                 |



#### **Confidence Interval**

The confidence interval table indicates how well the data, based on a sample, reflects the entire population of travelers. The smaller the interval, the more relevant the data and the greater confidence we have that the sample number represents the population. Percentage Findings in Report or Data Tables as follows:

|                  | Sample Size<br>for 2022 | At or near<br>2% or 98% | At or near<br>5% or 95% | At or near<br>10% or 90% | At or near<br>25% or 75% | At or near<br>50% |
|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| U.S. Day Leisure | 31,421                  | 0.1%                    | 0.2%                    | 0.2%                     | 0.4%                     | 0.5%              |
| New Jersey       | 1,004                   | 0.5%                    | 1.0%                    | 1.4%                     | 2.0%                     | 2.6%              |
| NJ w/o Atl City  | 819                     | 0.6%                    | 1.1%                    | 1.5%                     | 2.2%                     | 2.9%              |
| New York         | 2,316                   | 0.3%                    | 0.6%                    | 0.9%                     | 1.3%                     | 1.7%              |
| Pennsylvania     | 1,746                   | 0.4%                    | 0.7%                    | 1.0%                     | 1.5%                     | 2.0%              |
| Maryland         | 546                     | 0.7%                    | 1.3%                    | 1.8%                     | 2.7%                     | 3.5%              |
| Virginia         | 827                     | 0.6%                    | 1.0%                    | 1.5%                     | 2.2%                     | 2.9%              |
| Connecticut      | 420                     | 0.8%                    | 1.5%                    | 2.1%                     | 3.0%                     | 4.0%              |
| Massachusetts    | 794                     | 0.6%                    | 1.1%                    | 1.5%                     | 2.2%                     | 2.9%              |
| Ohio             | 1,363                   | 0.4%                    | 0.8%                    | 1.2%                     | 1.7%                     | 2.2%              |

#### Significance Testing

The chart below compares two proportions from different samples for statistical significance.

Instructions: Enter the proportion for each sample and sample size in the appropriate cells in the data input section, using the Z Score Table, compare the resulting Z score with the Z score corresponding to your desired confidence level. If the resulting Z score is greater than the table Z score, the difference between the two proportions is statistically significant. If the resulting Z score is lower, there is no significant difference.

| Data Input      | Sample 1 | Sample 2 | Resulting Z Score | Z score    | Confidence Level |
|-----------------|----------|----------|-------------------|------------|------------------|
| Proportion      | 6.0%     | 7.0%     |                   | (+/-) 1.96 | 95%              |
| Sample Size (n) | 783      | 865      | -0.82             | (+/-) 1.64 | 90%              |

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