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2014 TTRA MOF Wrap-Up





Skift's Three Rules

IF YOU WANT TO BUILD FOR THE FUTURE:

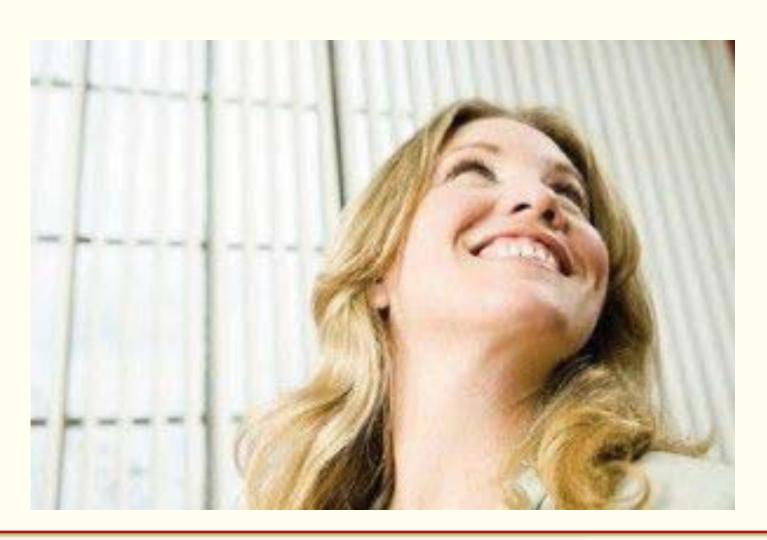
- BUILDING AROUND TRENDLINES, NOT HEADLINES
- IGNORING & BREAKING THE SILOS
- FANATICALLY FOCUSED ON CHANGING CONSUMER BEHAVIOR



Skift - Build Around Trendlines, Not Headlines

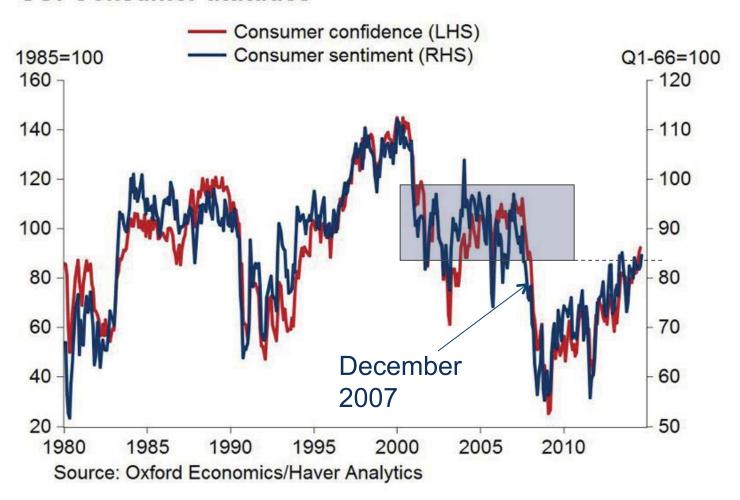


Trend #1: Optimism Gradually Returning

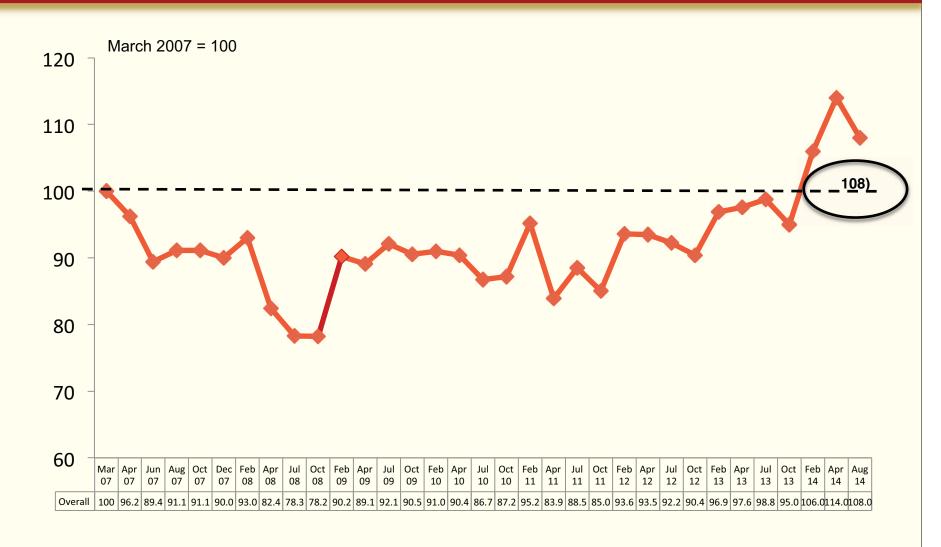


Consumers are feeling more cheerful...

US: Consumer attitudes



Overall Traveler Sentiment Index Surpasses 2007 Benchmark



Trend #2: The U.S. Economy is Poised to Accelerate



Source: Adam Sacks

Why is the US economy poised to accelerate?

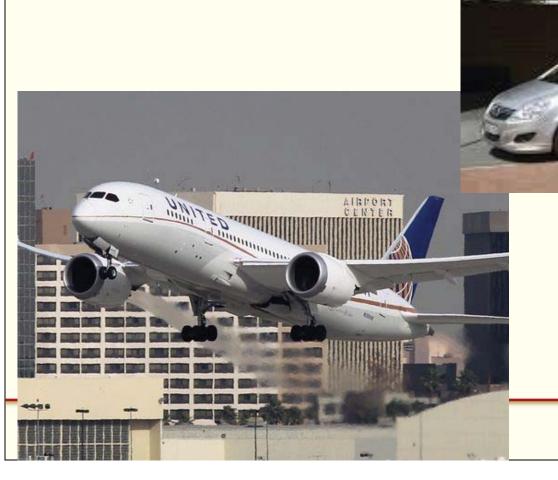
- 1. Labor market dynamics improving
- 2. Further payroll gains expected
- 3. Rising consumer confidence
- 4. Increasing wealth and deleveraged household sector
- 5. Household spending to gain momentum
- 6. Signs of business investment strengthening
- 7. Housing to pick up (though risks remain)
- 8. Policy should remain favorable



Global economy on a modest growth path

Eurozone improving, but risks remain (deflation, Ukraine)
 Japan on a modest expansion path with inflation trending up, but questions around the resilience of the economy (tax hike).
 Economic growth in China now expected to come close to the government's 7.5% growth target for this year and slower next year.
 Outlook for other emergers is less positive.
 Strengthening dollar will make travel to U.S. more expensive.

Trend #3: Travel Continues to Recover

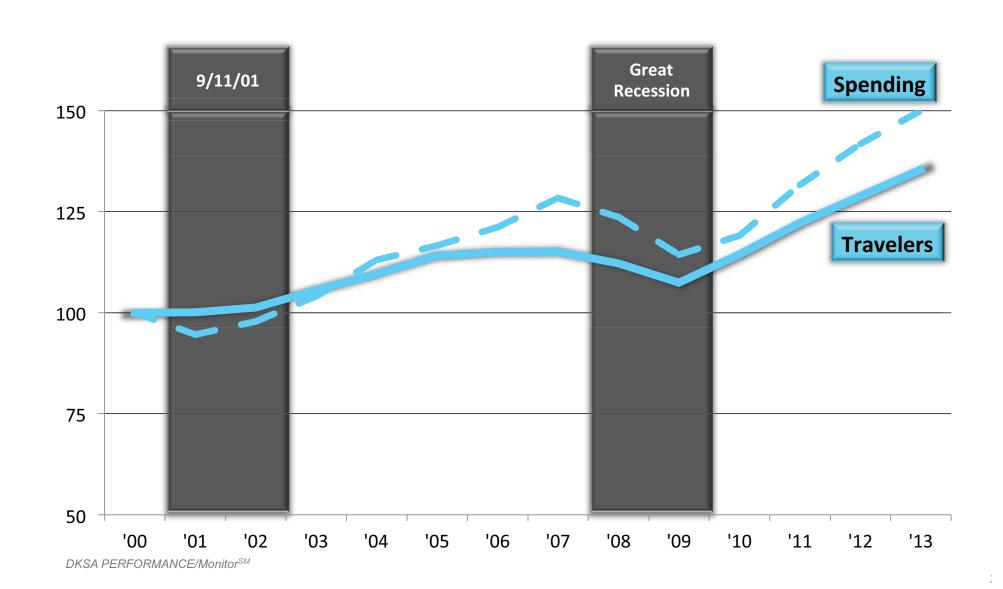






Traveler Index

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Trend #4: Air Travel Continues to Evolve



The Return of the Mainliner

- Bigger airplanes are part of the answer.
 - High fuel prices assure this.
- But bigger airplanes at projected demand levels means that consolidation of traffic must occur.
 - Fewer commercial airports.
 - Fewer hubs.
 - Fewer routes.
 - Fewer flights.







Trend #5: Hotel Industry Sets Records but Growth to Slow



U.S. Records Set in 2013!

- **✓ Most Rooms Available**
 - **✓ Most Rooms Sold**
- **✓ Highest Rooms Revenue**
 - √ Highest ADR (\$110)
 - ✓ Highest RevPAR (\$70)

U.S. Outlook		
	2014 Forecast	2015 Forecast
Supply	1.0%	1.3%
Demand	3.6%	2.1%
Occupancy	2.6%	0.7%
ADR	4.2%	4.4%
RevPAR	6.9%	5.2%

Total United States
Key Performance Indicator Outlook (% Change vs. Prior Year)
2014 - 2015





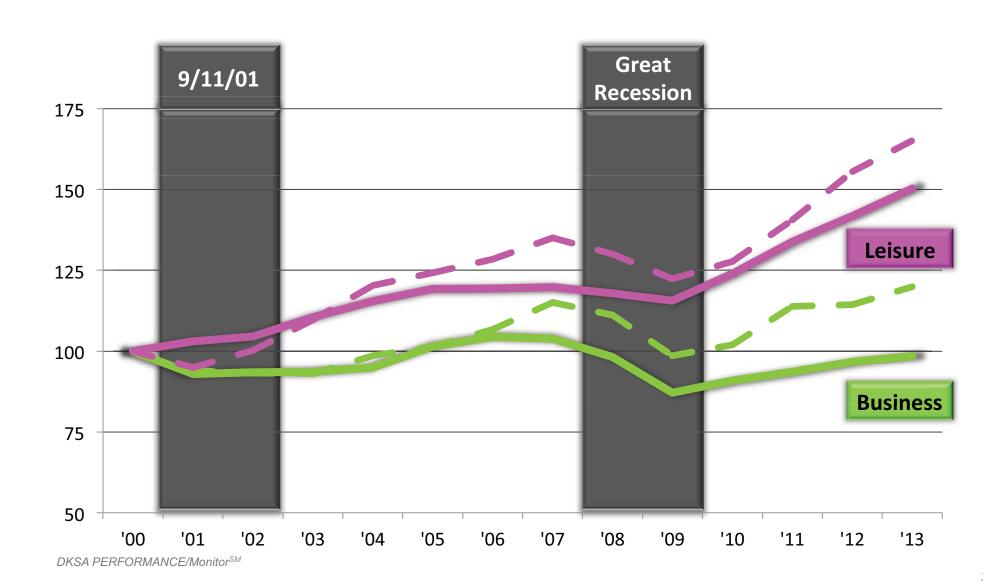
Trend #6: Leisure Travel Continues to Grow





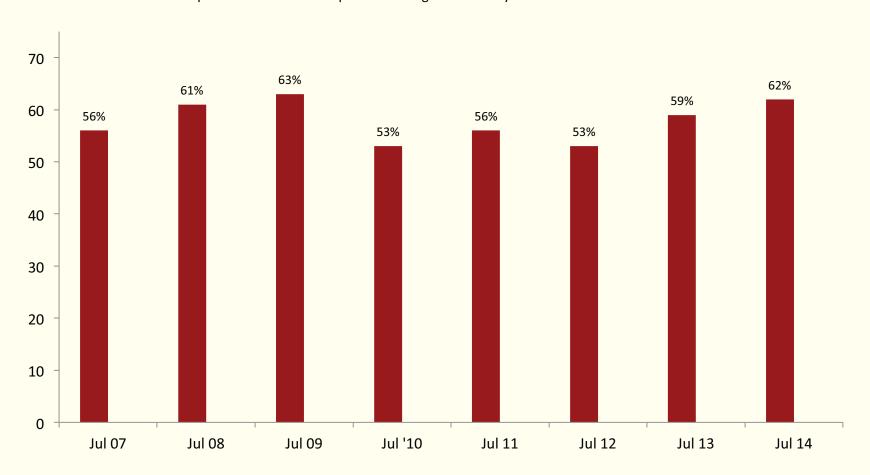
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Leisure Travel Intentions Strengthening

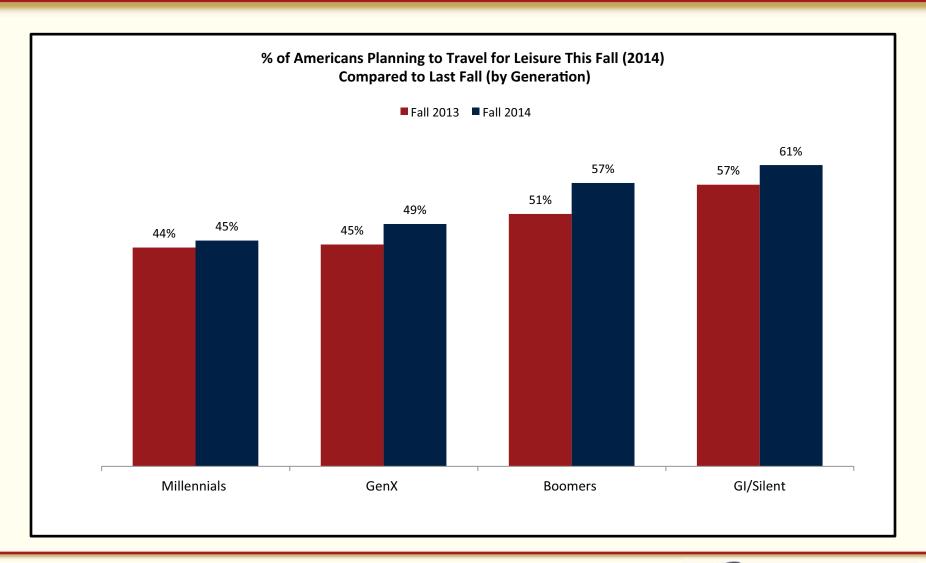
Percent of U.S. adults who plan to take a leisure trip between August – January



Source: MMGY Global, $travelhorizons^{TM}$

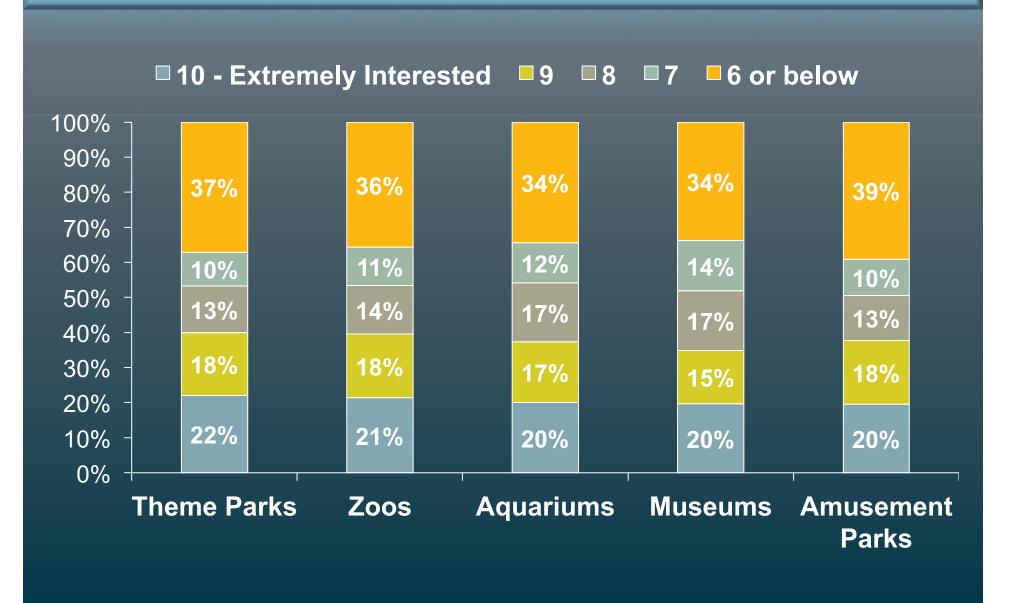
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Leisure Travel Intentions Trending Up

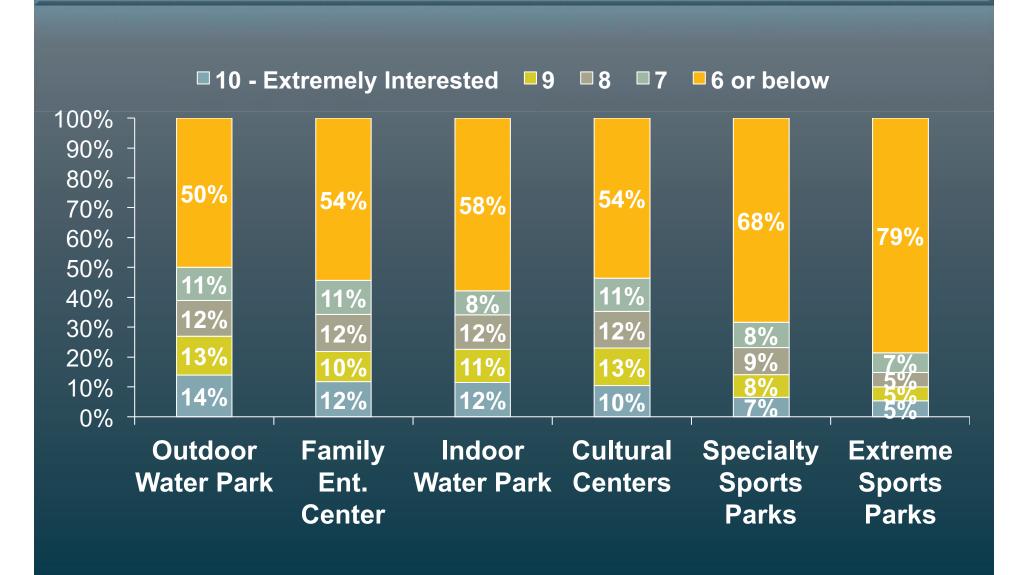


Source: DK Shifflet & Associates

Interest – Respondent Personally



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Trend #7: Leisure Travel Continues to Evolve

Focus on:

- Experiences
- Localization of experience
- Authenticity/Not generic/Distinctiveness
- Well-Being
- Community/Connectivity
- Engagement
- Personalization
- Responsibility

Recreation and Ecotourism Reflect Same Trends

ARC and RVIA

- Recreational and RV activities and usage Significant gains in 2014 and the general outlook for 2015 is optimistic.
- NPS Centennial Campaign 2015

TEIS

- "Responsible tourism to natural areas that conserves the environment, sustains the well-being of the local people and involves interpretation and education"
- Nature-based outdoor recreation increasing in terms of number of participants and frequency – especially non-consumptive and nonmotorized
- Trends Travel with a personal purpose, source locally, interaction with local communities, traveler engagement, green discounts, alternative transportation (slow travel), new websites that emphasize sustainability



Tour Operators and Sports Tourism Suppliers Share Optimism and and Trends

- NTA: tour operators 60% say bookings and sales up this year and 77% expect business will be better in 2015
- 5 major trends:
 - tour customization/flexibility/choice
 - demand for memorable experiences
 - advancements in and use of technology/internet/social media
 - smaller groups
 - adapting and appealing to younger travelers

Sports Tourism:

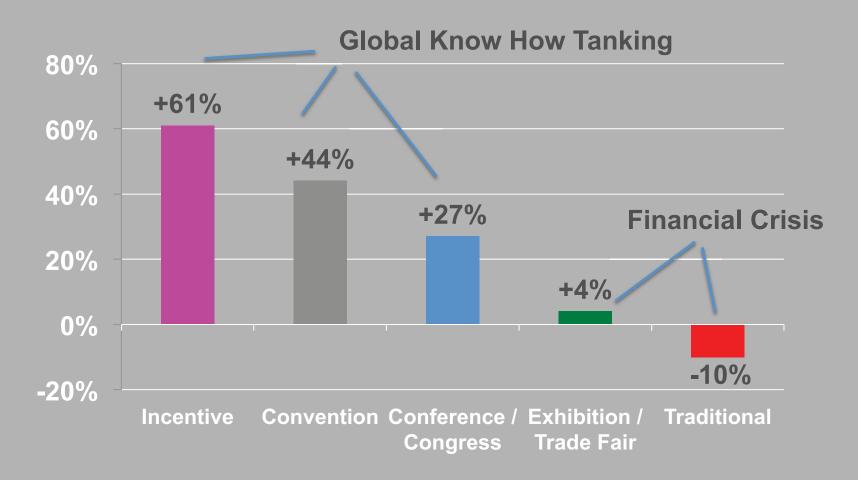
- Sports traveler is aligned with some of the newer age destination concepts that put an emphasis on connectivity and efficiency.
- Both generational groups can be served by the 2C2R approach (Communications, Community, Recognition and Reward) putting greater emphasis on customer loyalty and experience.
- Optimistic about the future of sports travel from both groups, assuming that marketers take such an approach.

Trend #8: Business Travel Picking Up



World Outbound Travel 2009 – 2014 Promotable Business Travel Is Outperforming



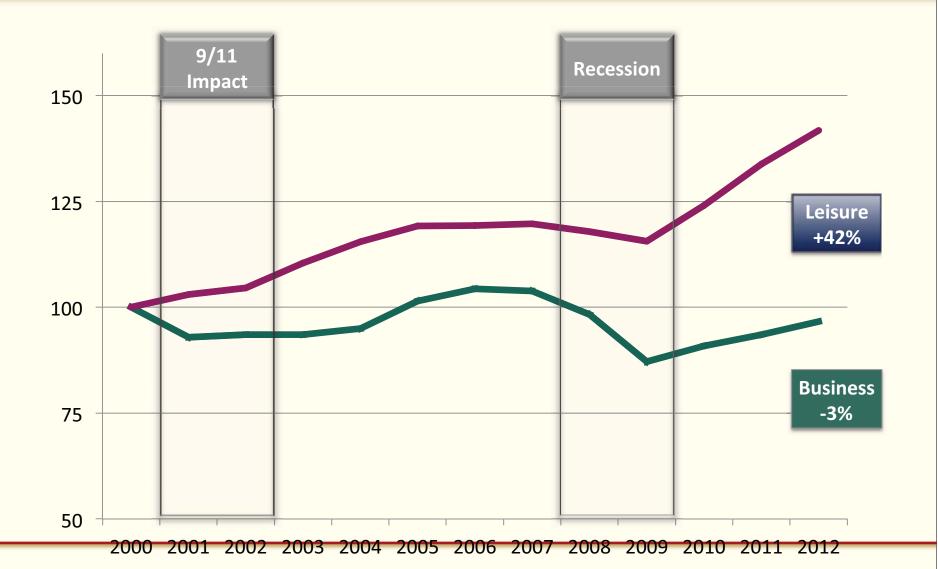


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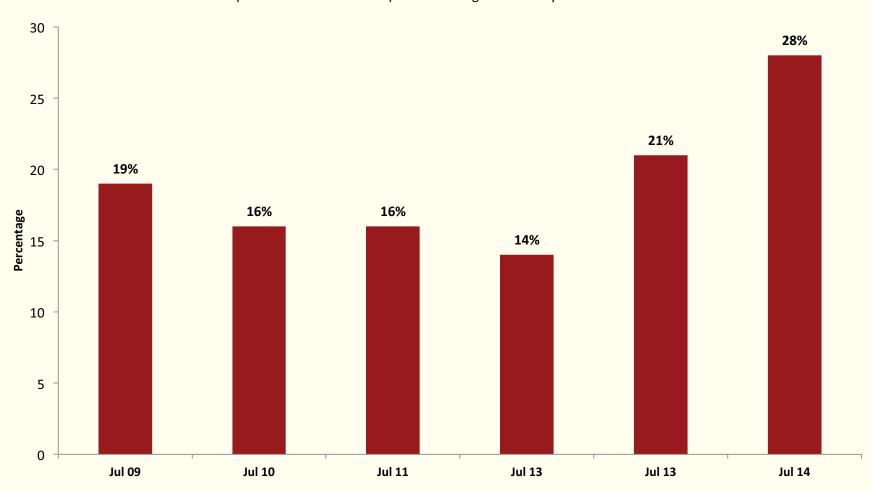
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Business Travel Intentions up Significantly

Percent of U.S. adults who plan to take a business trip between August – January

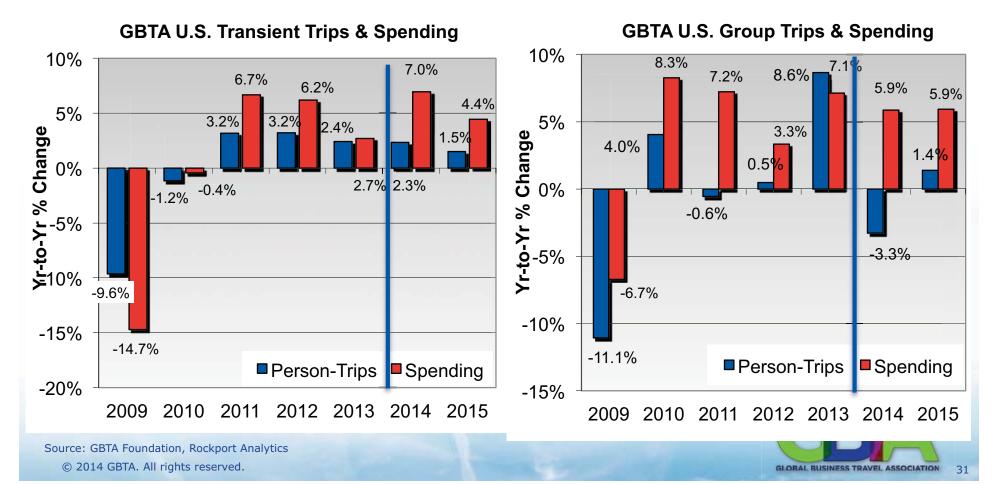


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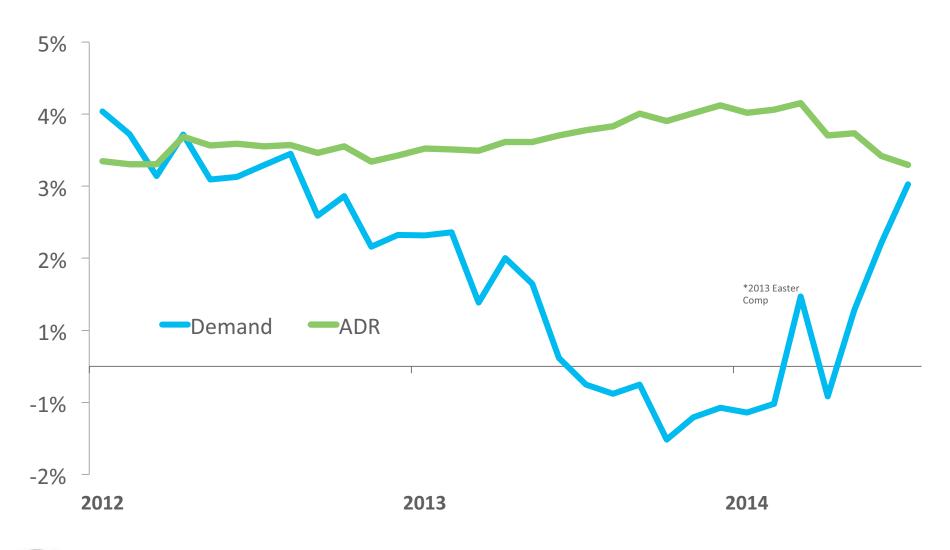
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U.S. Business Travel by Trip Purpose

- Transient: 2014 snap-back from slower 2013, plus both rising spend-per-trip and travel inflation
- **Group Meeting:** 2013 trips way up after two years of pent-up demand. 2014 trips down on cyclical snap-back but spending is up on a per trip basis and via higher travel inflation



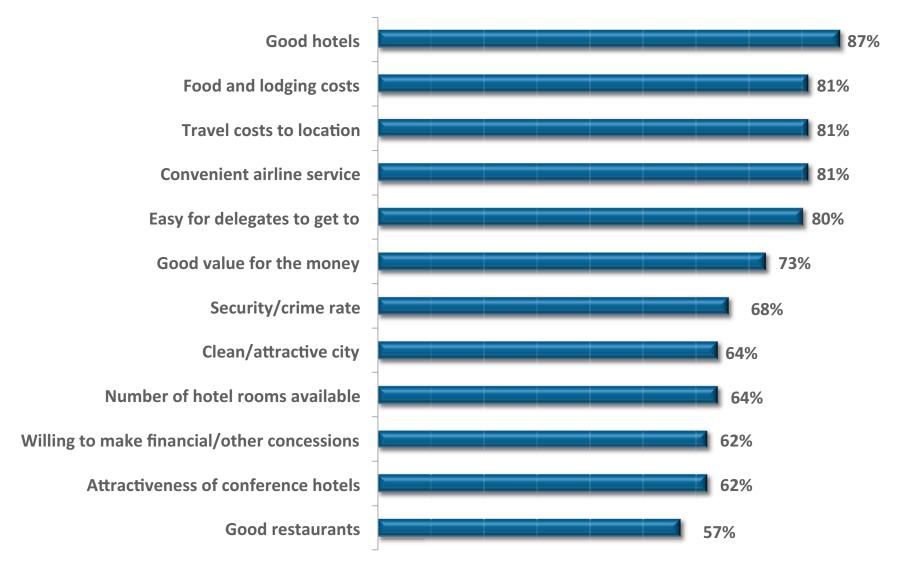
Group Demand Is (Finally!) Recovering





Group Demand and ADR % Change, 12 MMA, 1/2012 – 7/2014

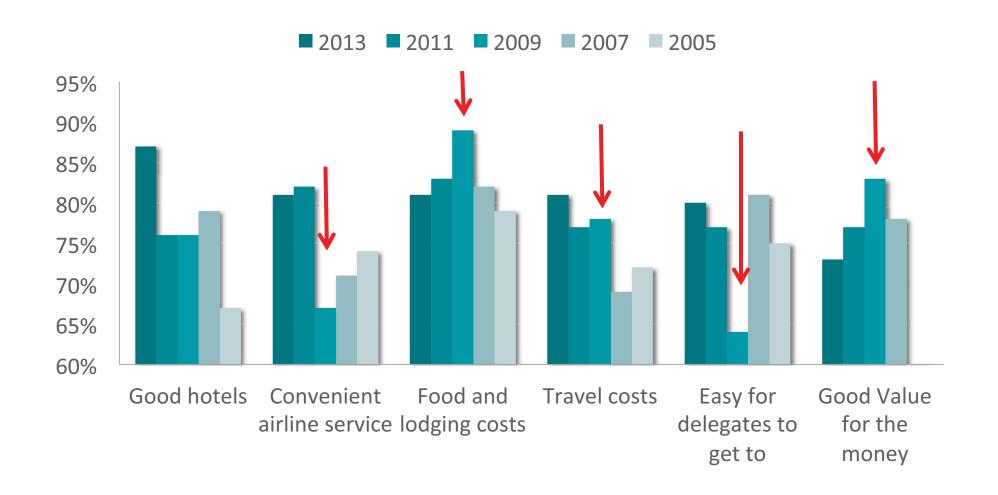
What Planners Consider "Very Important" in Meeting Site Selection





DestinationMAP 2013 Vol. 1; 40 North American Meeting Mkts; Selection from 26 Characteristics

"Very Important" Considerations for Planners





DestinationMAP 2013 Vol. 1; 40 North American Meeting Mkts; Impact of Econ Conditions

10 Trends in Incentive Travel

A Thriving \$30B industry primed to grow

- CEO's need to attract and retain talent
- Fully engaging workforce
- Positive impacts on incentive travel program design
- Incentive travel budgets trending up
- International programs are on the rebound
- Planners invest in more robust experiences
- Self-defining experiences
- An app for everything
- Wellness
- Disruption as a constant state

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Trend #9: International Travel Leading Growth



World Outbound Travel 2009 – 2014

World Outbound Trip Performance





985 million Trips



+28%

Mean growth: 45 Million more outbound trips per year

Our Forecast for World Outbound Travel 2015



Our Outbound Travel Forecast 2015





Asia +8 %



South America +4 %

North America +5 %



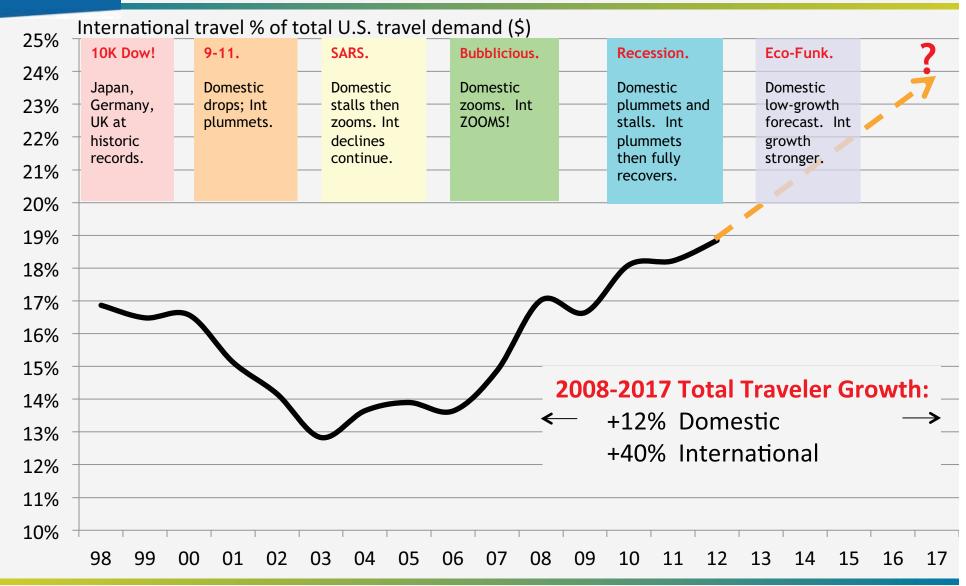


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International Travel Share of Total U.S. Travel

Bureau of Economic Analysis demand components

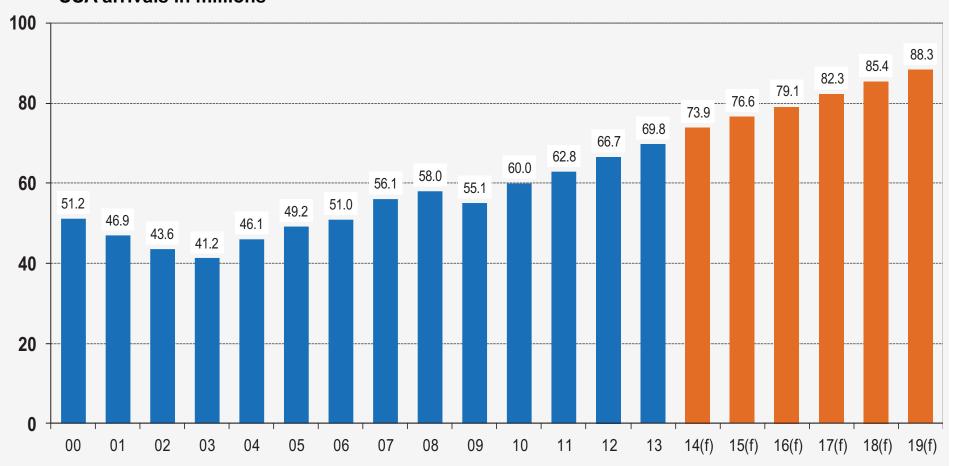




International Visitors to the U.S. and Projections

(2000-2019)

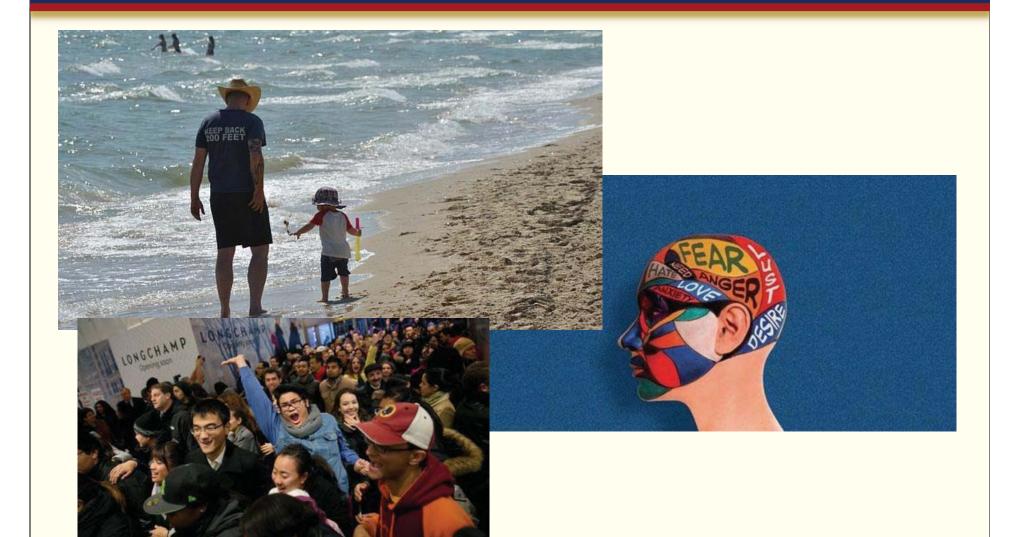
USA arrivals in millions



Sources:

U.S. Department of Commerce, ITA, National Travel and Tourism Office; Secretaria de Turismo (Mexico); Statistics Canada. -- Fall 2014 Travel Forecast

Skift - Frantically Focus on Changing Consumers



Consumer Focus #1: Look for the Ones with Money

Peter Yesawich told us....

- Matures are "where the money is" for leisure travel, but
- Millennials are the new market makers of the future

Affluent Market – Profile

Overview of Top 10 Percentile of U.S. Households	
Number of Households (Millions)	12.2
Minimum Net Worth	\$942K
Median Net Worth	\$1.9M
Average Net Worth	\$4.0M
Average Income	\$361K
Median Income	\$183K

Correcting "Myths" about the Affluent

- The recession did <u>not</u> create a "new normal" for spending by the affluent
- "Stealth wealth" and "luxury shame" were <u>never</u> prevalent among the affluent
- Most of the affluent are <u>not</u> luxury consumers
- The affluent are <u>not</u> in a mood of austerity

The "Truth" about the Affluent

- Like your next-door neighbor
- Middle-class values and lifestyles
- Seek good quality and good value
- Careful shoppers and aggressive savers
- Live within their means
- Need to be educated about luxury

Consumer Focus #2: Industry Responds to Generational Shifts



Millennials and Boomers

Millennials:

- More confident
- Lowest use of traditional lodging
- Greatest share of "digital elites" confidence in technologies, trusting of social media
- See social media as an enabler of positive travel experiences rather than an interruption
- Social media provides two-way reciprocity ("Pay-itforward")
- Want to pick their own everything
- More spontaneous

Consumer Focus #3: Other Groups Gaining Recognition

- LGBT
- Disabled
- Ethnic
- "Heads-Up" Segments

Skift - Ignoring and Breaking the Silos

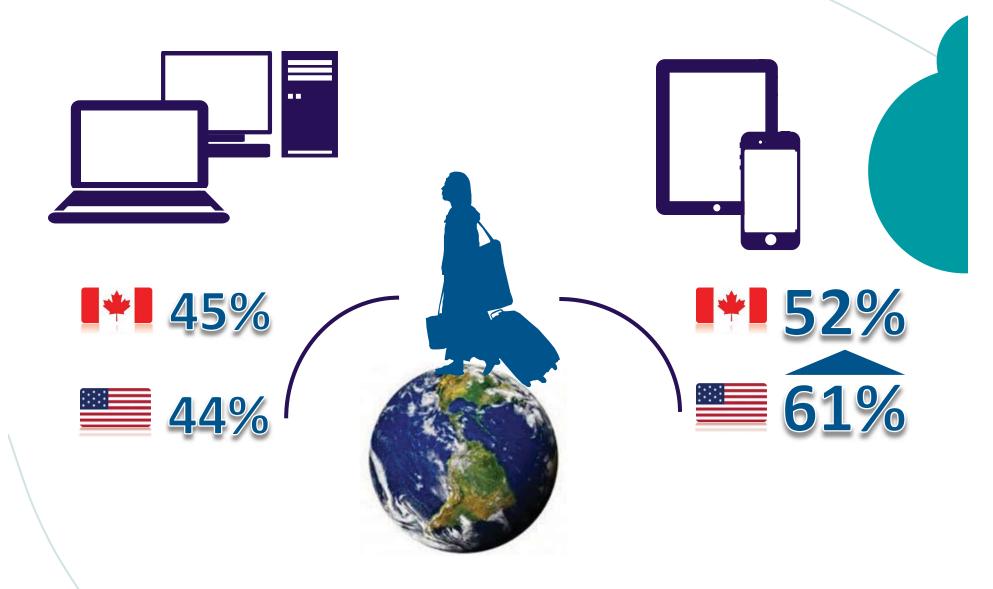


Breaking Silos #1: The Fully Engaged 24/7 Traveler





Usage of technology devices during last trip or leisure



Q1. During your last trip or leisure, did you use the following technology devices?



Breaking Silos #2: Repositioning Benefits of Travel

Nan Marchand Beauvois – U.S. Travel's "Travel Effects Program

- Travel:
 - Creates more engaged learners and stronger earners
 - Strengthens family bonds and helps build/maintain romantic relationships
 - Is a path to healthy, active aging
 - Reduces stress, increases happiness and improves our overall mood and outlook.
- Not taking that time is taking a toll on our productivity, our family life and very broadly the economy. But still leaving time on the table.
- Two major barriers to taking time off: work martyrs and company communication. It's time for a change.
- Our 24/7, always-on, workaholic culture is not only optional, it's unnecessary and harmful—to our health and well-being, our relationships, and our economy.



Breaking Silos #3: Changing Nature of Meetings



Breaking Silos #4: Influence of the "Sharing Economy"























Breaking Silos #5: Learning from Iconic Brands



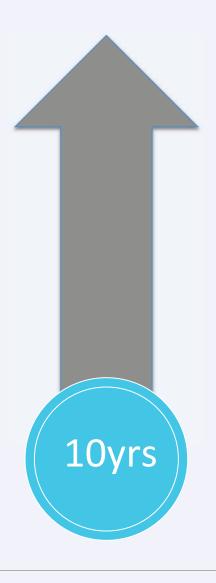
Breaking Silos #6: Tourism Planning and Community Quality of Place



Start with Making Your Your City a Great Place to Live, Work, Play, and Learn.

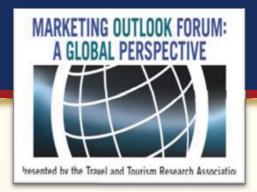


Big Data Quotes



- + "I keep saying that the sexy job in the next 10 years will be statisticians, and I'm not kidding." Hal Varian, chief economist at Google.
- + "The goal is to turn data into information, and information into insight." Carly Fiorina, former chief executive of HP.

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