# **TRAVELLER FACT SHEET 2020**

AUSTRALIA April 2020

## **TOURISM AUSTRALIA**

Tourism Australia is the Australian Government agency responsible for attracting international visitors to Australia, both for leisure and business events. The organisation is active in 15 key markets and activities include advertising, public relations and media programs, trade shows and industry programs, consumer promotions, online communications and consumer research.

In January 2020, Tourism Australia launched 'Holiday Here This Year', as part of the National Bushfire Recovery Fund, to encourage Aussies to holiday in Australia and support bushfire recovery efforts. As a result of Covid-19 Tourism Australia will continue to promote and support the Australian tourism industry by encouraging Aussies to get out and see their own backyard.

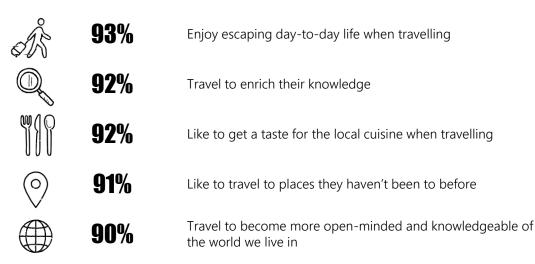
## **CONSUMER DEMAND PROJECT**

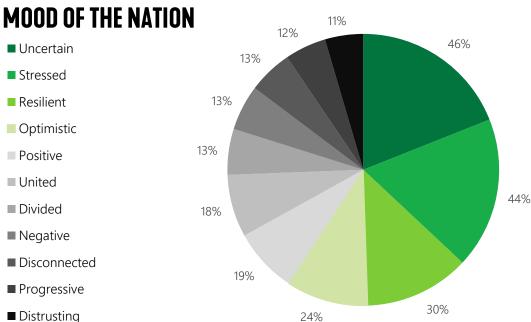
Since 2012 Tourism Australia has undertaken research annually to understand how consumers view Australia as a holiday destination, and what most motivates them to travel to and around Australia. While research has predominately focused on understanding international consumer behaviour, Tourism Australia has continued to undertake domestic research over the last eight years.

Insights from the Consumer Demand Project have been used extensively to inform and support the development of Tourism Australia's strategic direction, campaign development, as well as to inform the tourism industry of potential opportunities to build value of Australian tourism.

Safety and security, value for money and world class nature and wildlife are the most important drivers for destination choice to Australian travellers. While 66% of Australian travellers travelled within their state of residency, 34% travelled to another state. Domestic travellers stay an average of 4 nights and spend approximately \$687 per trip.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

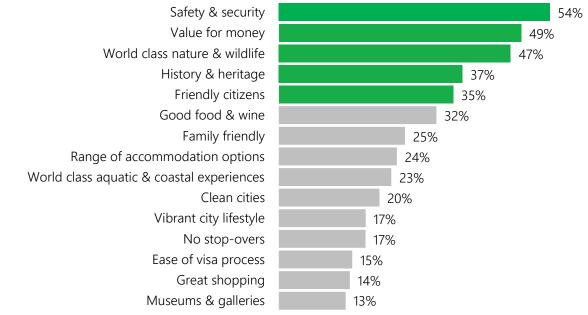




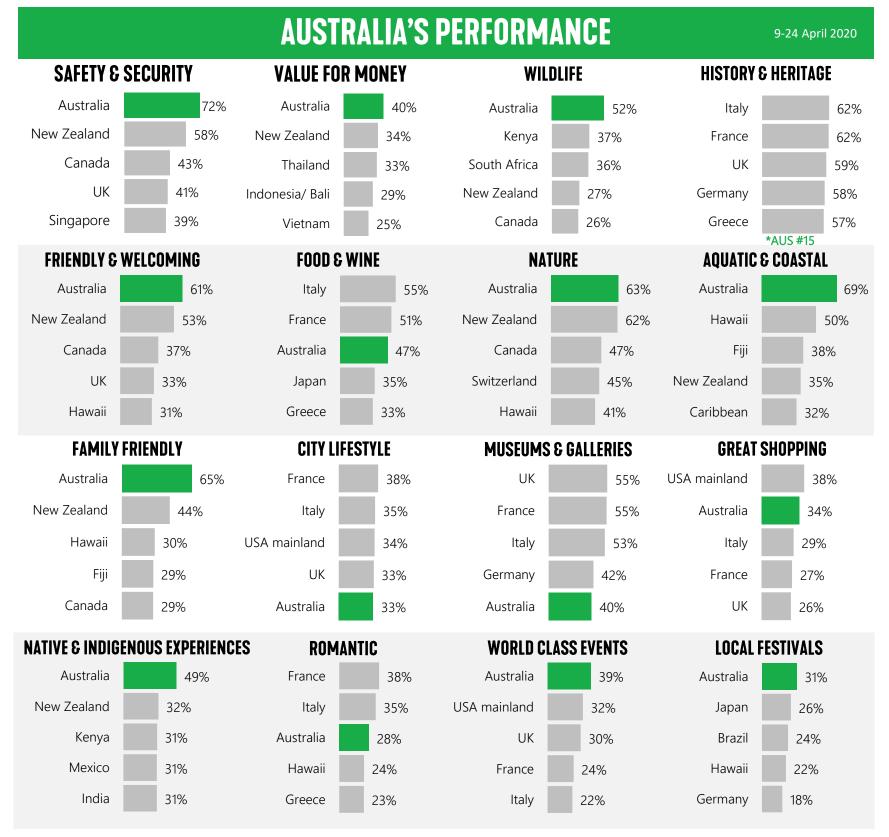


Source: Tourism Australia's Consumer Demand Project April 2020, National Visitor Survey December 2019

# **DRIVERS OF DESTINATION CHOICE**



*Read as: 54% of Australian travellers state safety and security is important to their destination choice.* 



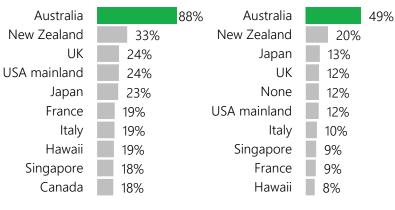
Read as: 72% of Australian travellers associate safety and security with Australia

# **DEMAND FOR AUSTRALIA**

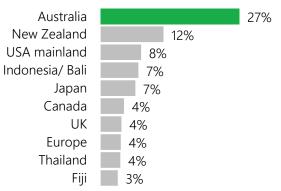


#### **CONSIDERATION TO VISIT** (IN THE NEXT 4 YEARS)

#### **INTENTION TO VISIT** (IN THE NEXT 2 YEARS)



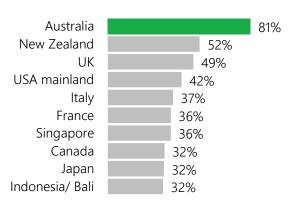
Read as: 41% of Australian travellers state Australia is the most fashionable destination.



**ADVERTISING AWARENESS** 

Read as: 27% of Australian travellers have read or seen advertising for Australia.

### **AWARENESS OF HOLIDAY EXPERIENCES**



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## **DRIVERS FOR HOLIDAYING IN AUSTRALIA**

Consider it a safe & friendly place to visit Have family & friends living there Consider it an exciting place to travel to Have already travelled there & would like to return It is close to travel to Provides activities & attractions I'm interested in Flights are cheap Have heard good things from friends & family A cheap destination to holiday in There are direct flights

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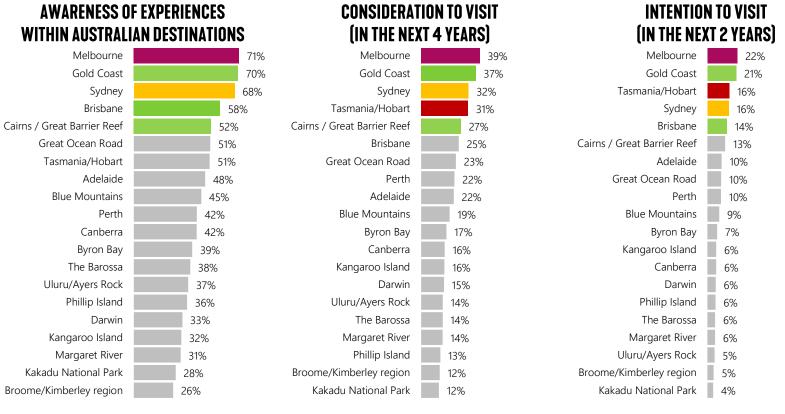
# **BARRIERS FOR NOT HOLIDAYING IN AUSTRALIA**

High cost of travelling around High cost of living expenses Other places I'd prefer to go Expensive airfares Already been there & want to see other places Planned a holiday to another destination The Australian dollar makes it too expensive It is easy to put off for another time I don't have enough annual leave I don't consider it an exciting place to travel to

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Read as: 47% of Australian travellers consider Australia as a safe and friendly place to visit as key driver in selection.

# **DEMAND FOR AUSTRALIAN DESTINATIONS**



Read as: Of Australian travellers, 71% are aware of the experiences available in Melbourne

# **DEMAND FOR AUSTRALIAN DESTINATIONS**

#### 9-24 April 2020

53%

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48%

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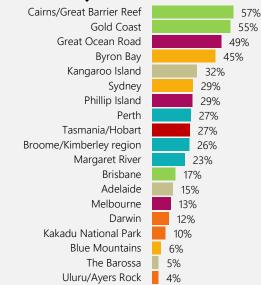
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# **GOOD FOOD WINE, LOCAL**

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The Barossa			5
Margaret River			48
Melbourne			44%
Tasmania/Hobart			38%
Adelaide			34%
Sydney		3	3%
Perth		22%	D
Byron Bay		20%	
Gold Coast		19%	
Kangaroo Island		19%	
Brisbane		18%	
Cairns/Great Barrier Reef		17%	
Blue Mountains		17%	
Great Ocean Road		16%	
Canberra		11%	
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Darwin	· 🔳	11%	
Phillip Island	g	9%	
Kakadu National Park	8	%	
Uluru/Ayers Rock		%	

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## AQUATIC AND COASTAL



Great Ocean Road Margaret River 16% Perth 14% Gold Coast 13% Byron Bay 13% Sydney 10% Adelaide 9% Melbourne 9% Brisbane 9% The Barossa 8% Canberra 8% NATURE AND WILDLIFE 56%



Brisbane

Canberra

13%

11%

## **A DESTINATION THAT OFFERS VALUE FOR MONEY**

Gold Coast		30%
Tasmania/Hobart		30%
Melbourne		29%
Adelaide		24%
Great Ocean Road		24%
Cairns/Great Barrier Reef		22%
Brisbane	í	22%
Sydney	í	21%
Blue Mountains	2	21%
The Barossa	2	0%
Perth	1	9%
Margaret River	17	%
Byron Bay	17	%
Kangaroo Island	16	%
Phillip Island	15'	%
Darwin	149	%
Kakadu National Park	149	%
Canberra	139	%
Uluru/Ayers Rock	139	6
Broome/Kimberley region	129	6
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## **RICH HISTORY AND HERITAGE**

49%

45%

39%

35%

34%

29%

27%

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23%

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Source: Tourism Australia's Consumer Demand Project, April 2020

Canberra

3%

#### **DIFFERENT AND INTERESTING** WILDLIFE Kakadu National Park 50%

Kangaroo Island

Tasmania/Hobart

Uluru/Avers Rock

Blue Mountains

Phillip Island

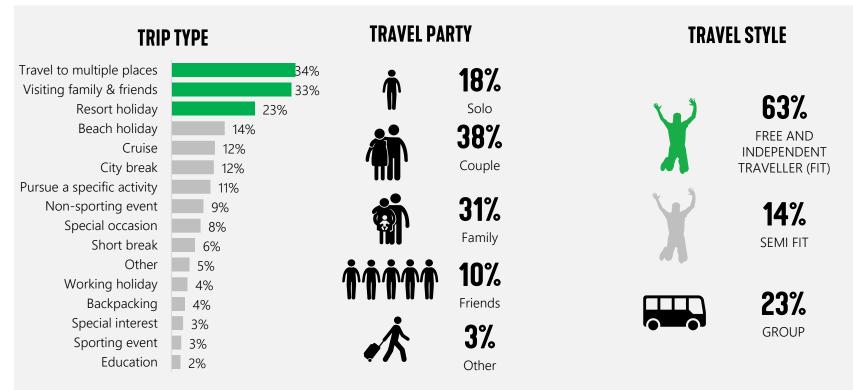
Darwin

Cairns/Great Barrier Reef

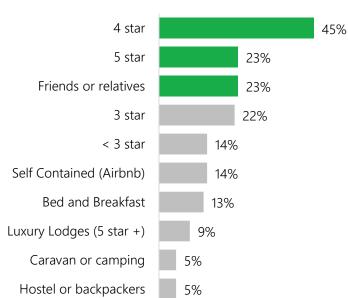
Broome/Kimberley region

# **TRIP BEHAVIOUR**





Read as: 34% of Australian travellers travelled to multiple places on their last holiday.

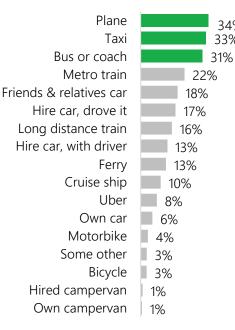


#### **ACCOMMODATION**

#### TRANSPORT

34%

33%



Read as: When on holidays, 45% of Australian travellers prefer to stay in 4 star accommodation.

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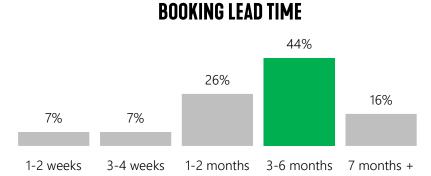
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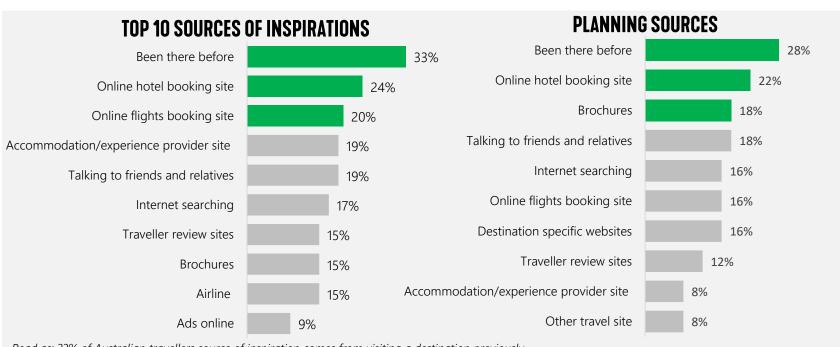
# **PLANNING AND BOOKING**

# DESTINATION CHOICE LEAD TIME BO 48% 22% 18% 7%

1-2 weeks 3-4 weeks 1-2 months 3-6 months 7 months+ *Read as: 48% of Australia select a destination 3-6 months before they travel.* 

6%





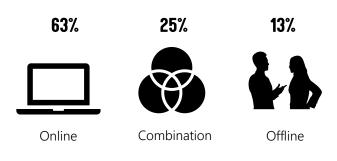
Read as: 33% of Australian travellers source of inspiration comes from visiting a destination previously.

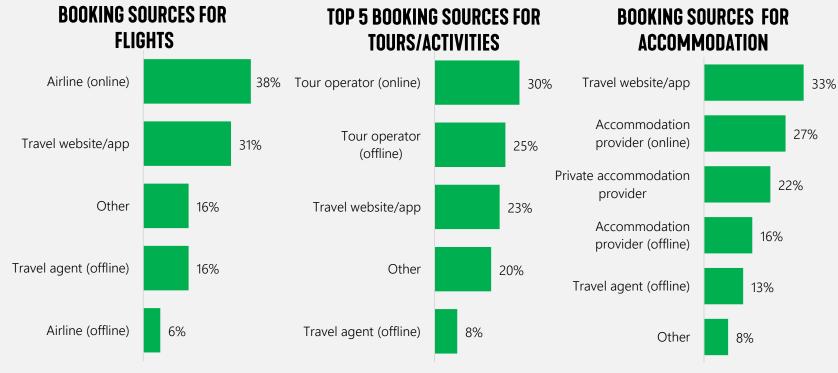
#### **DIRECT VS. INDIRECT BOOKING**



Read as: 55% of Australian travellers book direct (e.g. via a hotel or airline website).

## **ONLINE VS. OFFLINE BOOKING**

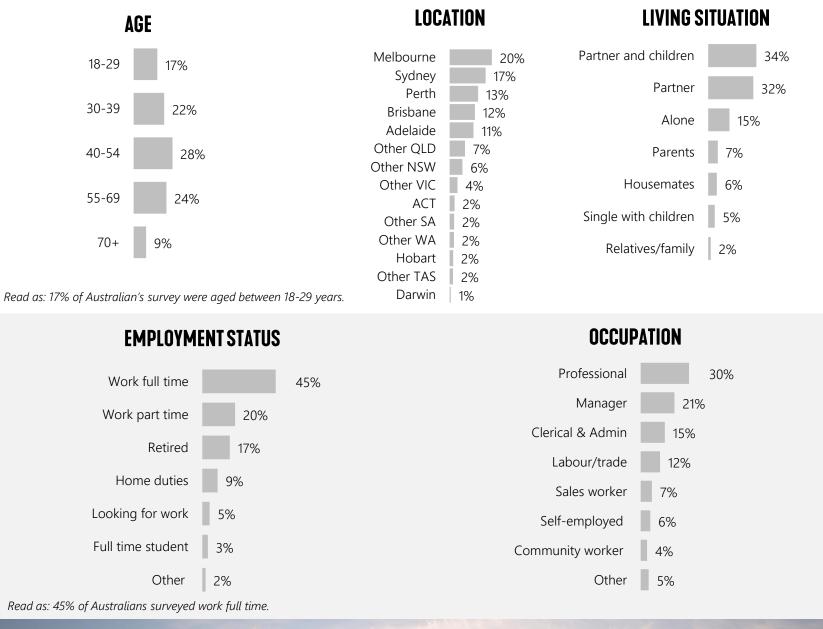




Read as: 38% of Australian travellers book flights directly through an airlines website when booking their last Australian holiday.

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#### ABOUT THE RESEARCH

Tourism Australia undertakes comprehensive research on a quarterly basis across eleven international markets. Annually, Tourism Australia speaks to over 1,600 Australian travellers through online research panels. Insights from the HVT research have been used extensively to inform and support development of Tourism Australia's strategic direction, campaign development and to inform the industry of potential opportunities to build the value of Australian tourism.

#### WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Fact sheets for thirteen of Australia's key tourism markets can be accessed via: http://www.tourism.australia.com/en/markets-and-stats/consumer-research.html

For more information, please contact: ask.us@tourism.australia.com www.tourism.australia.com



# **COVID-19 IMPLICATIONS**

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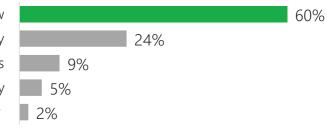
# **APRIL OVERVIEW**

Tourism Australia continues to undertake frequent domestic research to monitor the impact of COVID-19 on domestic travel. From research undertaken in April through the Consumer Demand Project the top concern for 89% of Aussies is the long-term economic impact with 15% already losing their jobs to the outbreak, 27% are still employed but on reduced hours/income, and a further 23% fear their jobs will be impacted. While 85% of Aussies are confident we are coping with the outbreak as well as possible, 65% are afraid of contracting the virus.

# **IMPACT OF CORONAVIRUS ON TRAVEL**

## Attitude towards next holiday

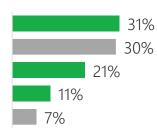
Not thinking about my next holiday right now Thinking and dreaming about my next holiday Researching potential holiday destinations Actively planning my next holiday Other



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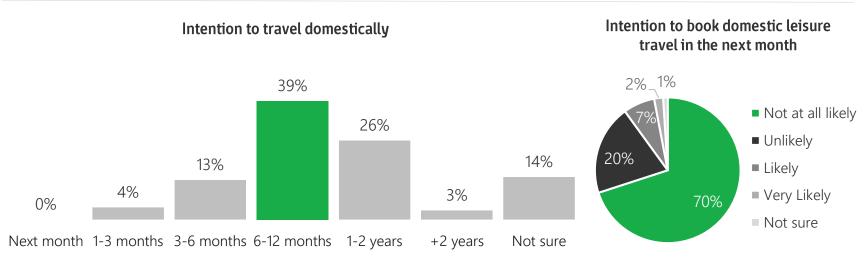
# Attitude towards travel

I'd consider travelling once restrictions are lifted I'd be more cautious about travelling for a while future domestic I am keen to travel once travel restrictions are lifted I'd be travelling now if there were no restrictions I can't see myself travelling at all in future



Read as: 60% of Aussies are not thinking about their next holiday right now.

# DOMESTIC TRAVEL AND BOOKING INTENTION



Read as: 39% of Aussies are intending to travel domestically in the next 6-12 months but are not looking to book in the next month.

# **DRIVERS AND BARRIERS FOR DOMESTIC TRAVEL**

#### Drivers for travelling in Australia in the next 6 months

#### Barriers for travelling in Australia in the next 6 months



Read as: 40% of Aussies feel like they really need a holiday as there top driver to take one.