

Japan In-Market Insight Report







Background & Objectives

- In light of the covid-19 pandemic and its abrupt and severe impacts on visitor arrivals on Guam, Guam Visitors Bureau contracted Anthology Research to gather feedback from residents likely to travel in the near future from key source markets, in order to achieve the following objectives.
 - Inform strategies to drive demand for Guam as a destination for leisure travel from the source market covered by the study: Japan.
 - Better understand motivations to travel internationally.
 - Gauge perceptions of and satisfaction with Guam as a destination.
- Anthology and Guam Visitors Bureau research staff collaboratively developed the questionnaire, which was translated into Japanese.







Methodology

- Anthology Research conducted a self-administered online survey of residents of Japan, utilizing sample provided by a reputable online sample provider. All surveys were presented in Japanese, with the option to view the survey in English. Participants were screened to include only those residents who have traveled internationally for vacation in the last two years or intend to travel internationally for vacation in the next two years.
- This report includes results from the survey, conducted April 27-29, 2021. A total of 325 surveys were collected during this period.
- The margin of error for a sample of 325 is +/- 5.44 percentage points with a 95% confidence level. That is, if all Japanese residents in the same time period were asked these questions, we can be 95% certain that their responses would not differ by +/- 5.44 percentage points.







Key Highlights

- A majority (73%) of those polled do not intend to travel internationally until the pandemic is over.
- Nearly 1 in 3 (30%) are considering Guam as a possible destination for a future vacation, second only to Hawaii at 38%.
- Of those who said they would consider Guam as a possible future travel destination, 23% indicate they intend to vacation outside of Japan in the next 12 months, with an additional 17% indicating that they would travel in 1-2 years. More than half (59%) indicate they would not travel until the pandemic ends.
- "Safety is an important factor when traveling internationally" was identified by 68% of respondents as a very important factor in choosing a destination, by far the most selected item tested.







Key Highlights (cont.)

- While only 14% had reported receiving at least one shot of the COVID-19 vaccine, 76% of respondents will get the vaccine when available to them. One in ten (11%) indicate they will not get vaccinated.
- Half (56%) of respondents indicate they will likely travel less often after the pandemic; only 18% will travel more often.
- The factors that most selected as very important when selecting a destination to visit post-COVID are low rates of COVID-19 (70%) and advanced hygiene measures (54%).
- The majority of likely travelers in Japan (61%) see Guam's plans for improvements to safety measures at the airport, including a digital/touchless experience using kiosks and QR codes for the customers and border protection/ ESTA process, as added value and are willing to pay a little more for them.







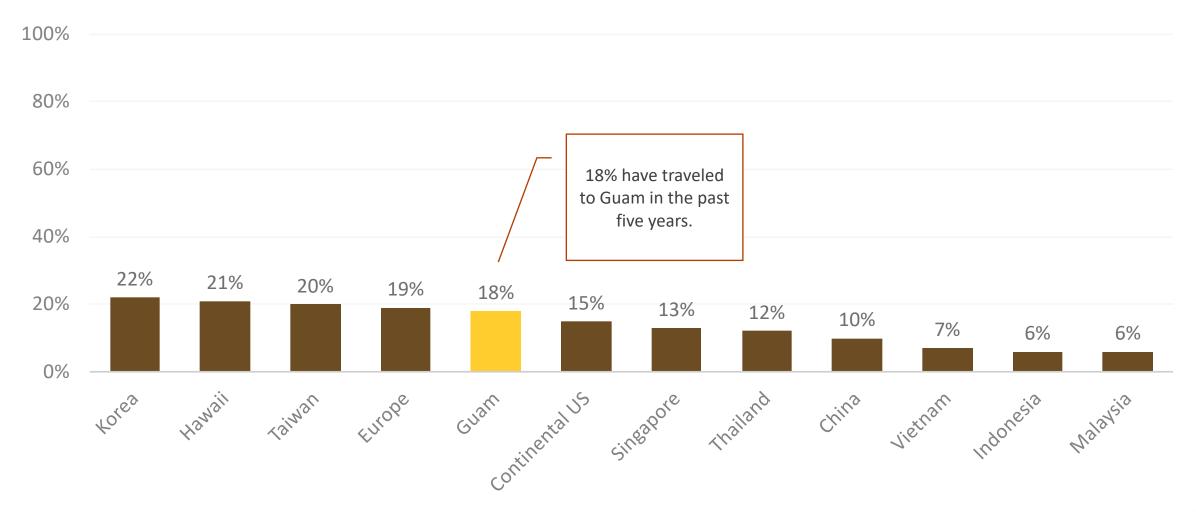








TRAVEL HISTORY





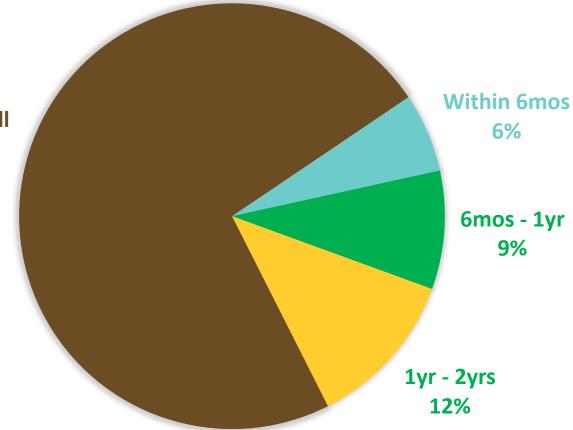




FUTURE TRAVEL PLANS

Majority of those polled do not intend to travel internationally until the pandemic is over.

Will not travel till pandemic ends 73%

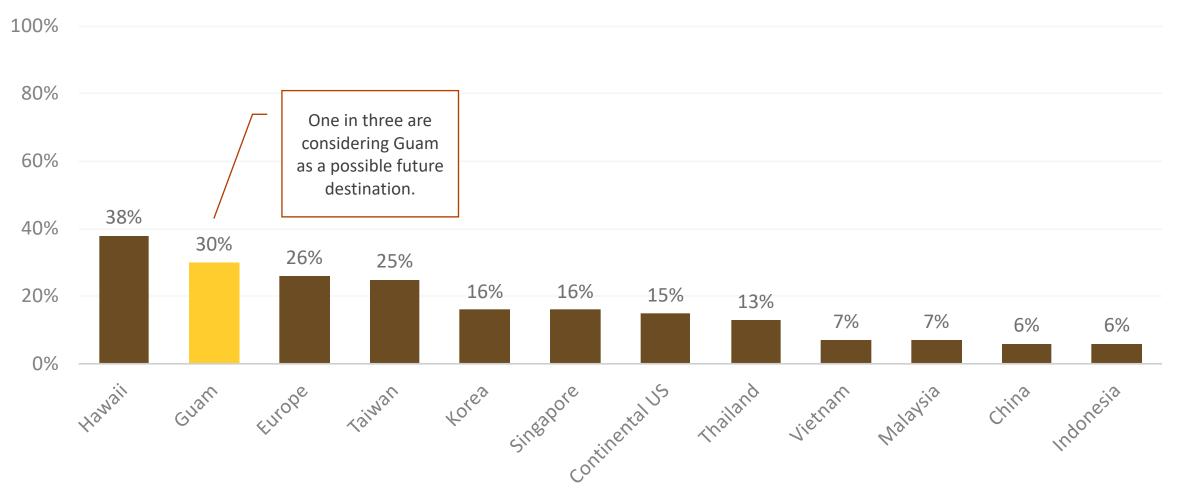








POTENTIAL FUTURE TRAVEL DESTINATIONS

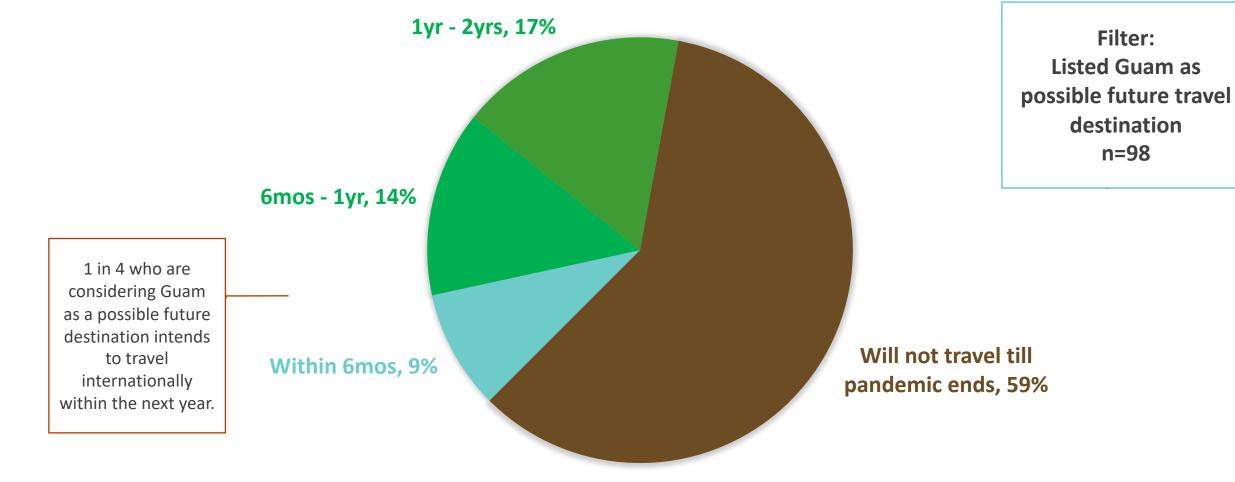








TIMING OF FUTURE TRAVEL TO GUAM

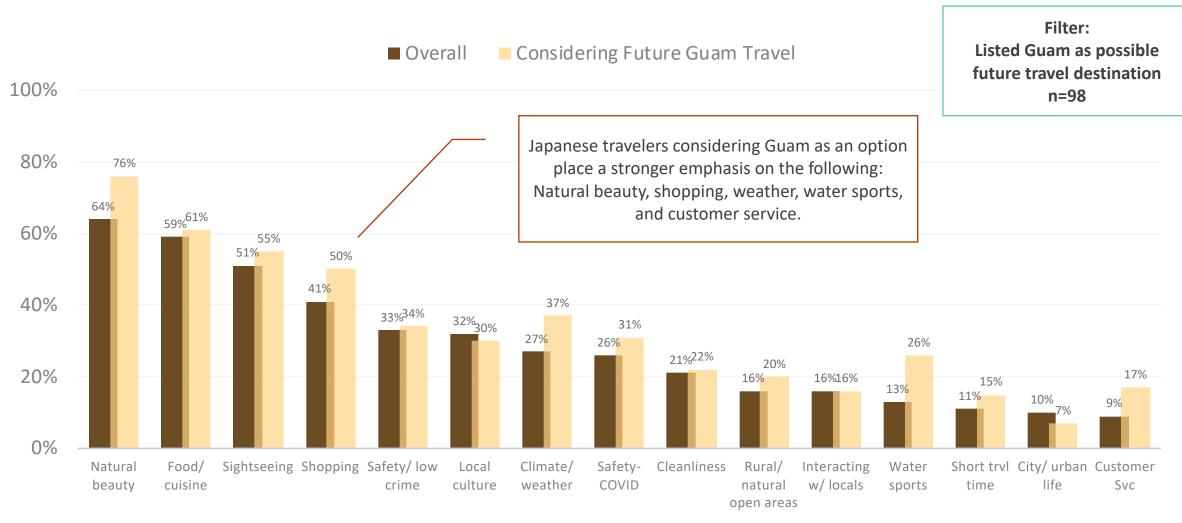








APPEAL OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL DESTINATIONS

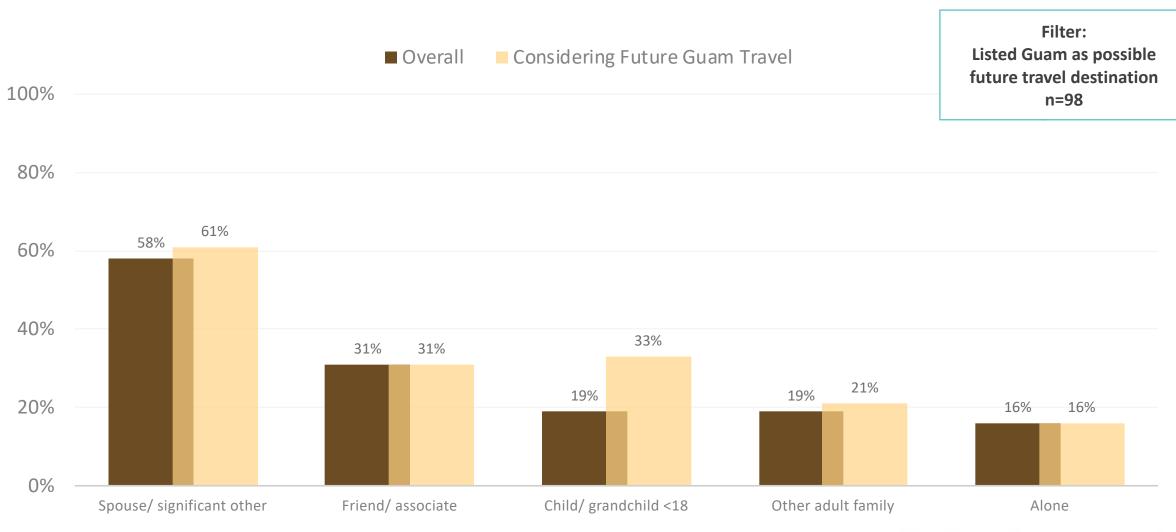








FUTURE INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL PARTY



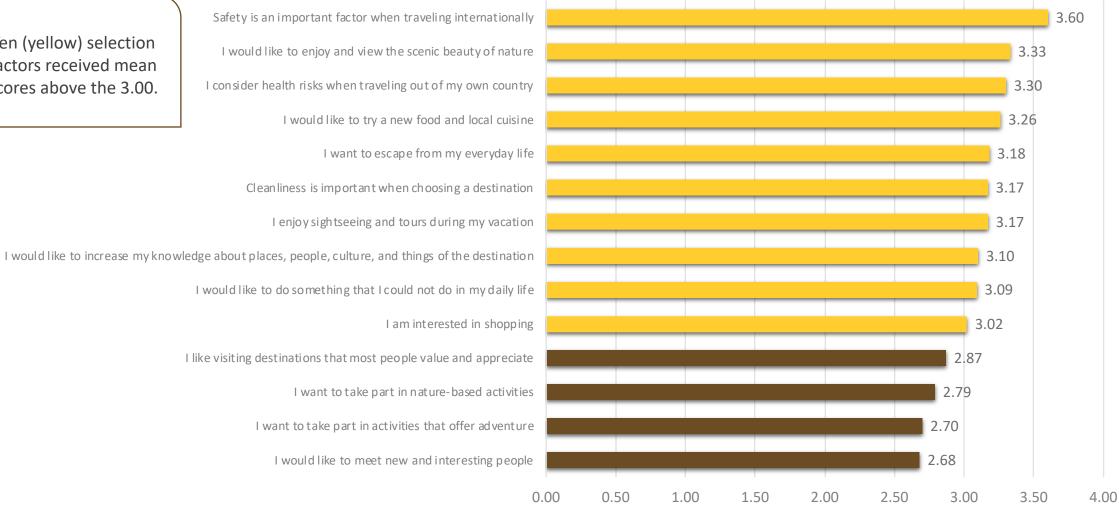






DESTINATION SELECTION FACTORS - IMPORTANCE **MEAN SCORE 4PT SCALE**

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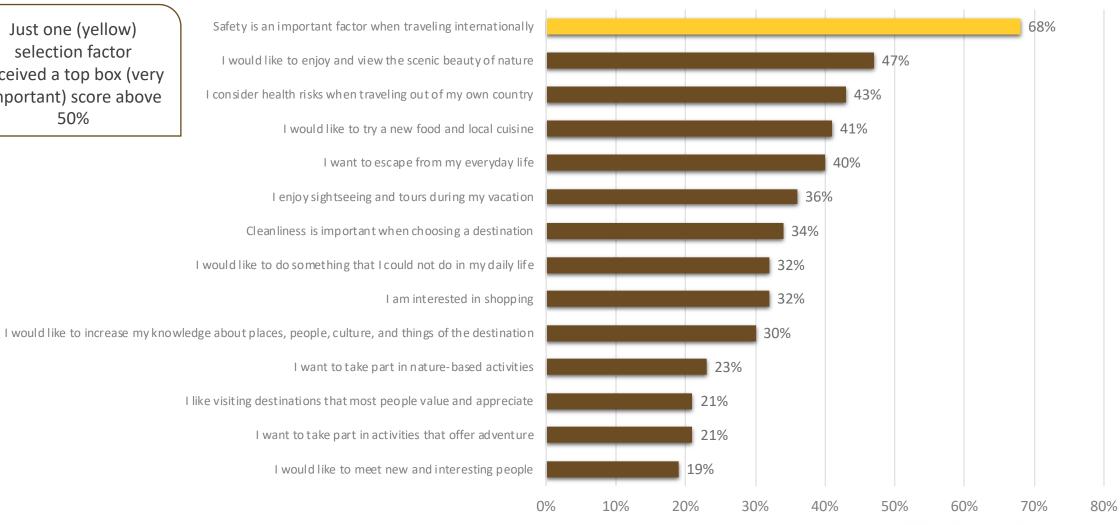






DESTINATION SELECTION FACTORS - VERY IMPORTANT / TOP BOX

Just one (yellow) selection factor received a top box (very important) score above 50%

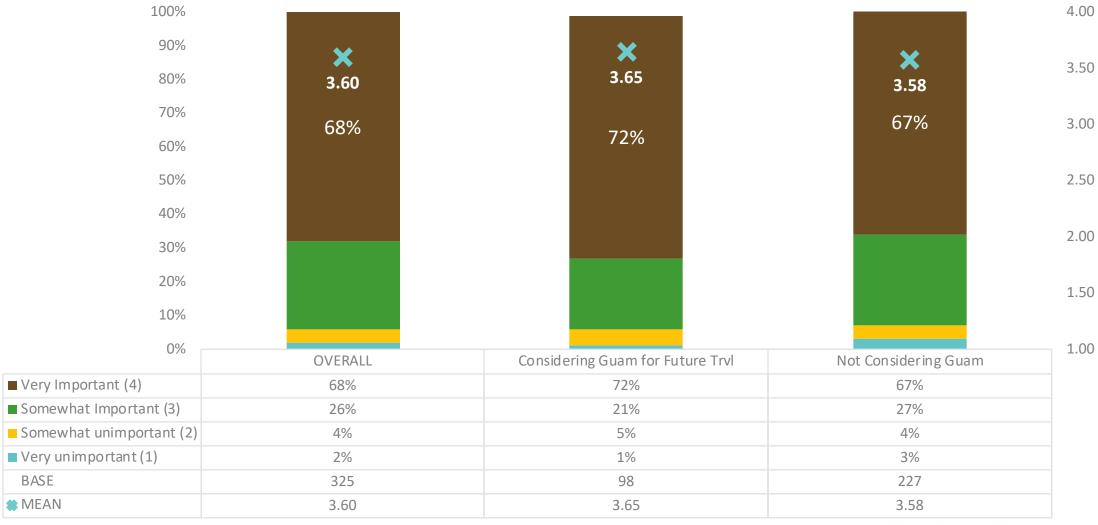








Safety is an important factor when traveling internationally

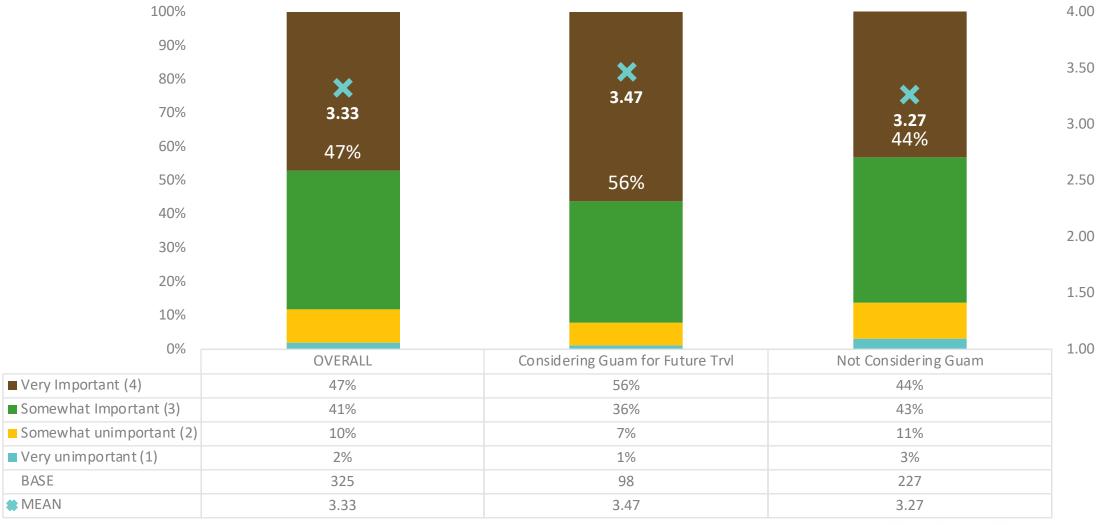








I would like to enjoy and view the scenic beauty of nature

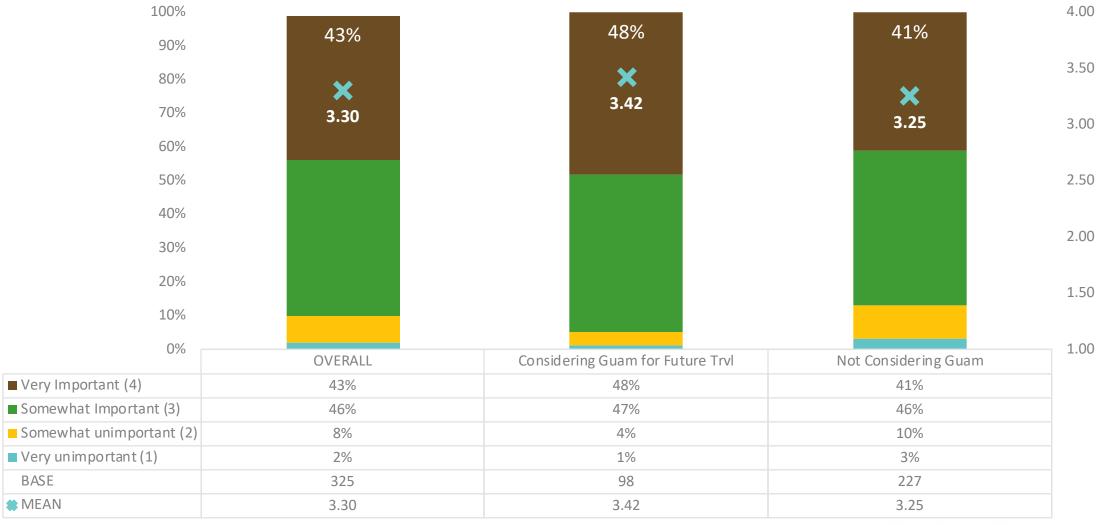








I consider health risks when traveling out of my own country









I would like to try a new food and local cuisine

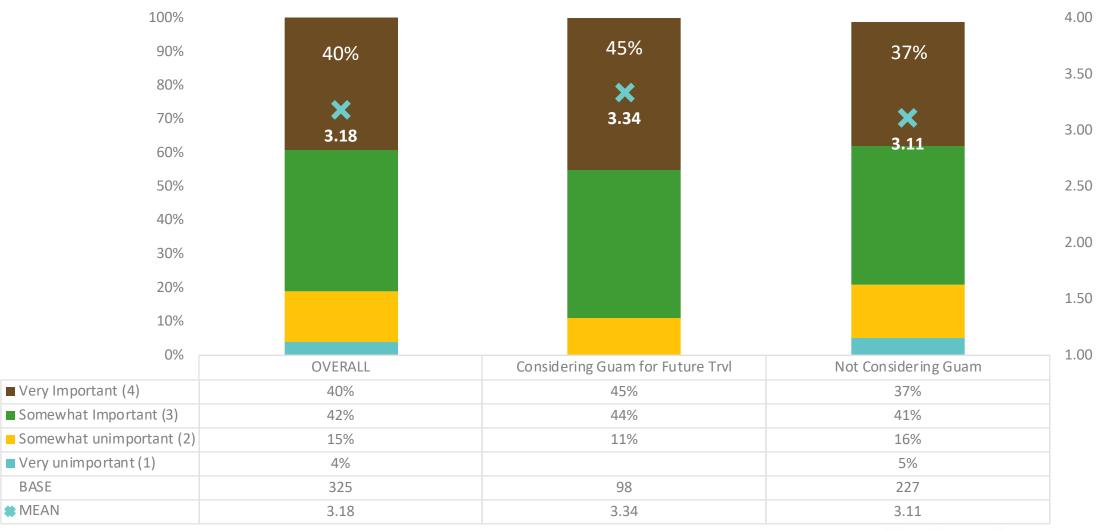








I want to escape my everyday life

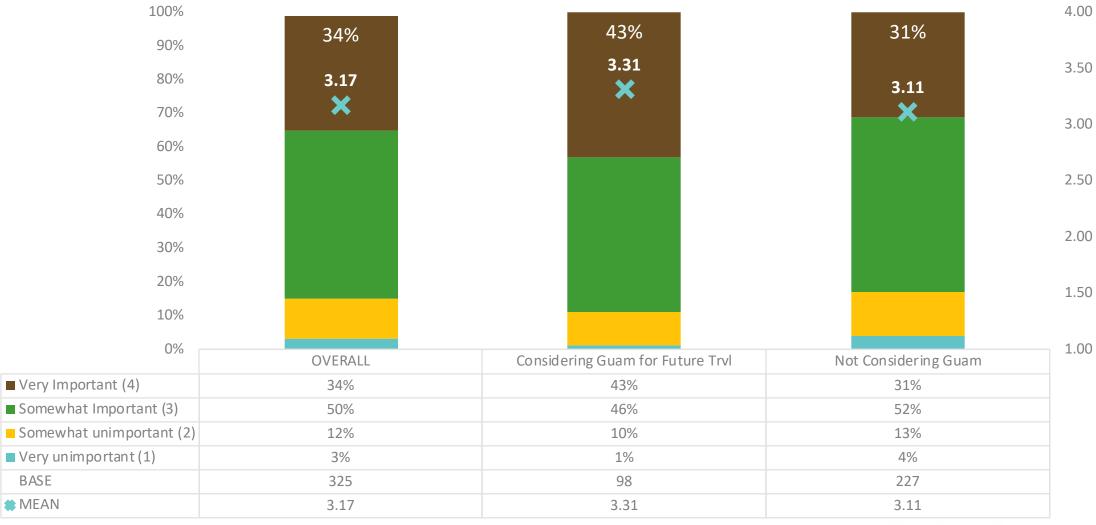








Cleanliness is important when choosing a destination

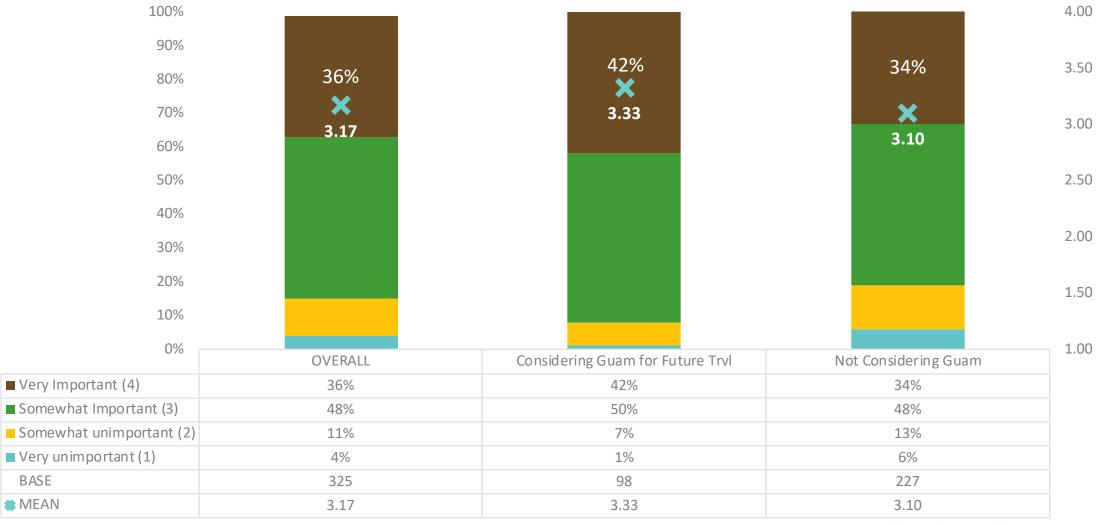








I enjoy sightseeing and tours during my vacation

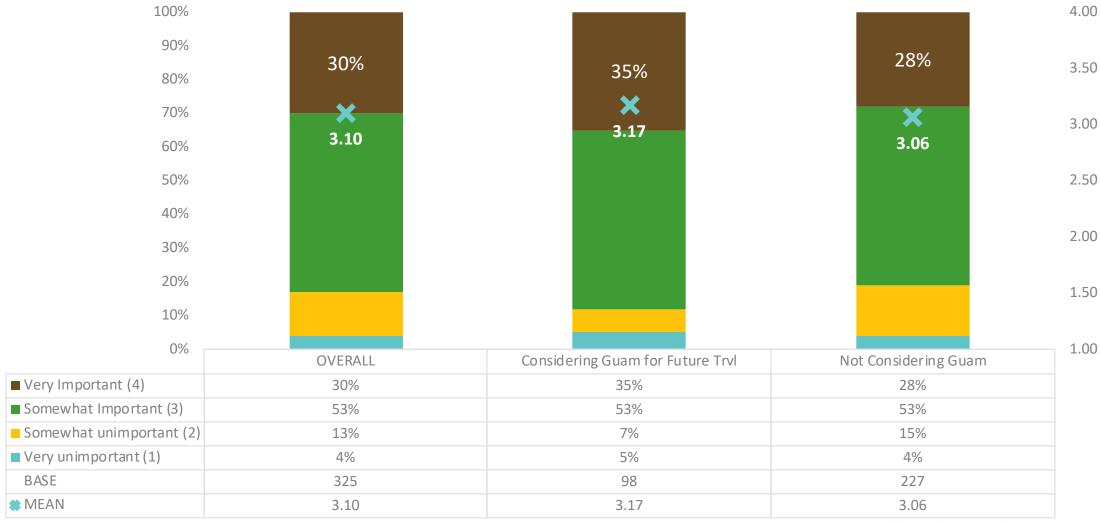








I would like to increase my knowledge about places, people, culture, and things of the destination

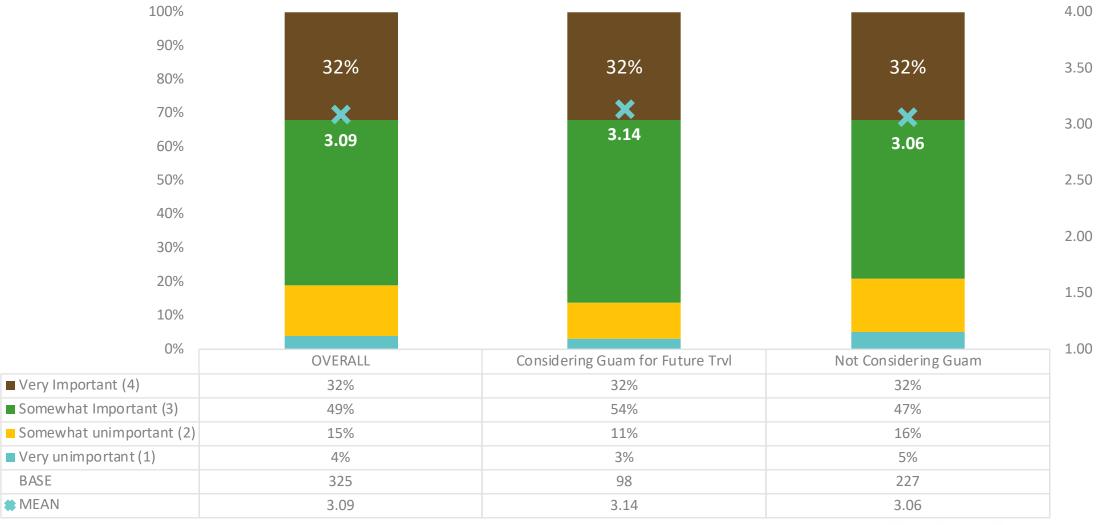








I would like to do something that I could not do in my daily life

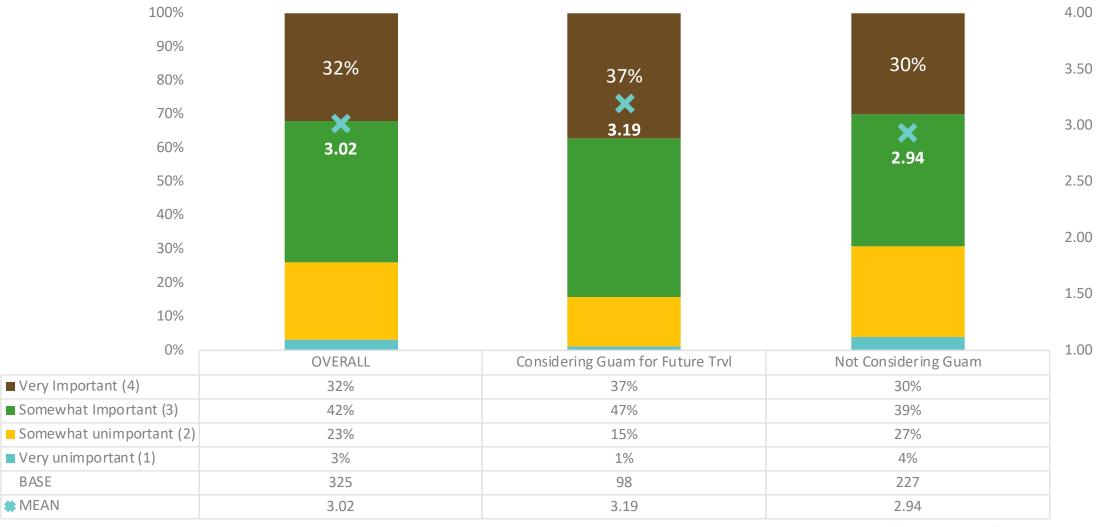








I am interested in shopping

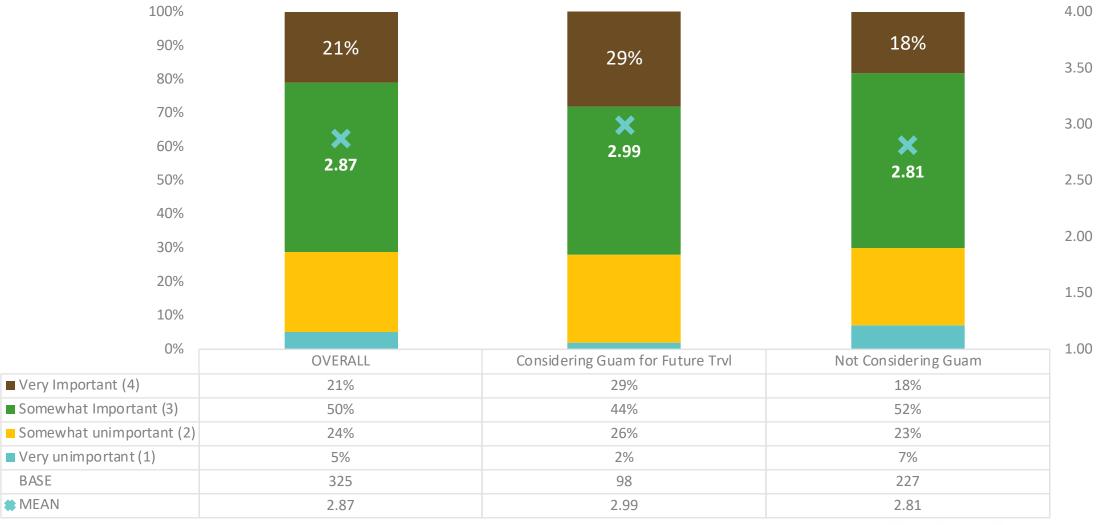








I like visiting destinations that most people value and appreciate

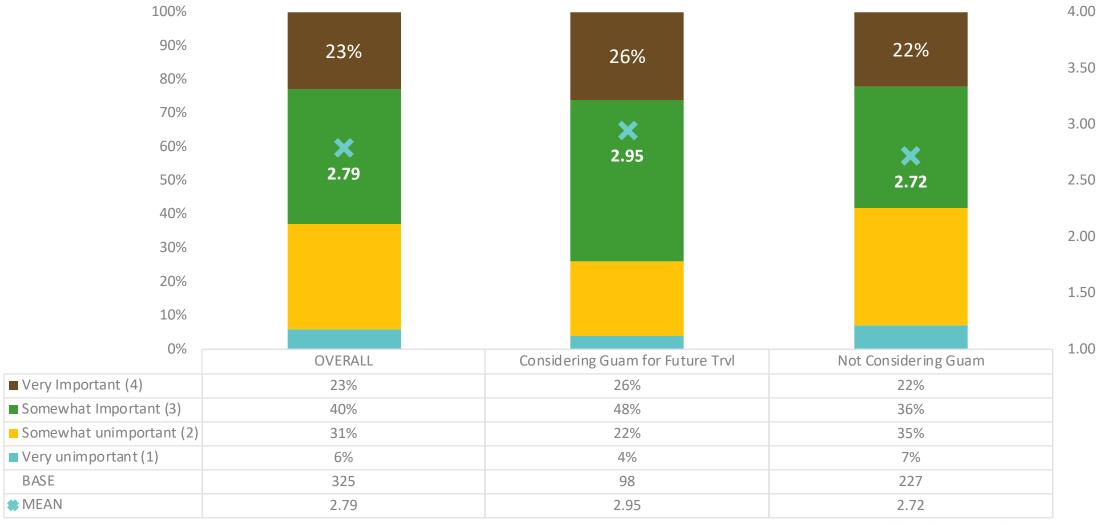








I want to take part in nature-based activities









I want to take part in activities that offer adventure

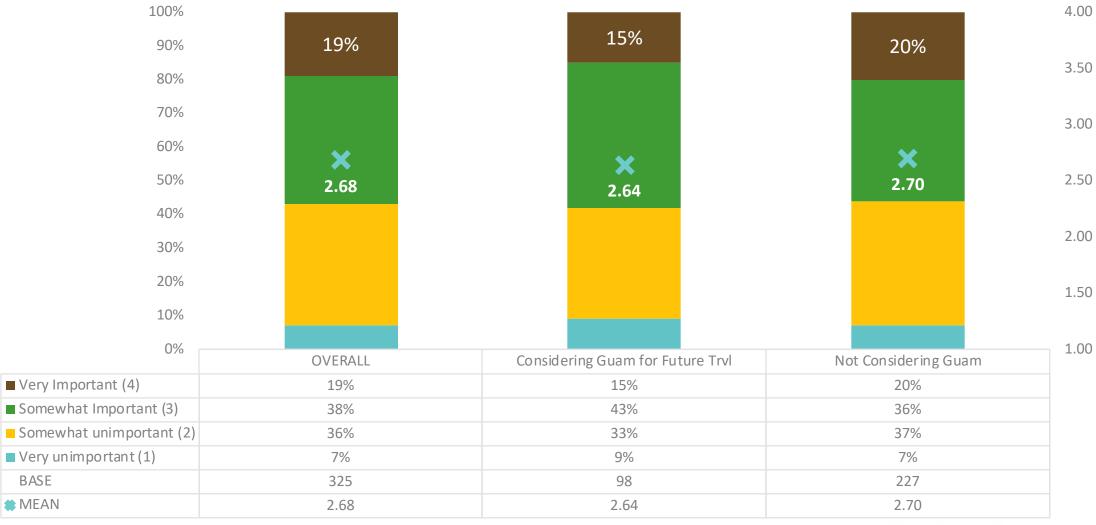








I would like to meet new and interesting people









DESTINATION SELECTION FACTORS – TOP TWO

The two most important selection factors were safety and the natural beauty of the destination.

Safety is an important factor when traveling internationally 46% I would like to enjoy and view the scenic beauty of nature 19% I would like to try a new food and local cuisine 15% I consider health risks when traveling out of my own country 14% I want to escape from my everyday life 13% I enjoy sightseeing and tours during my vacation 11% I am interested in shopping 10% Cleanliness is important when choosing a destinatino 10% I would like to increase my knowledge about places, people, culture, and things of the destination I would like to do so mething that I could not do in my daily life I like visiting destinations that most people value and appreciate 5% I would like to meet new and interesting people 4% I want to take part in activities that offer adventure 3% I want to take part in nature-based activities 5% 10% 15% 25% 50% 20% 30% 35%

Base n=278







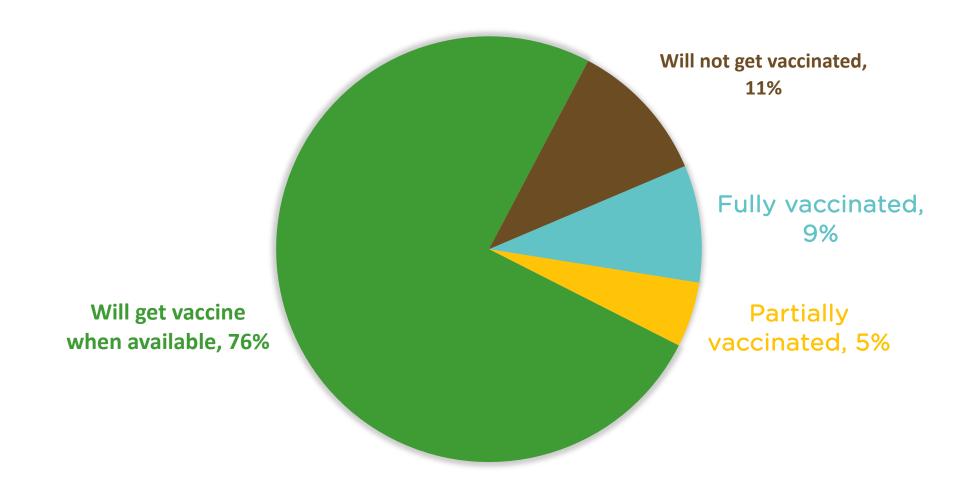








COVID-19 VACCINE STATUS

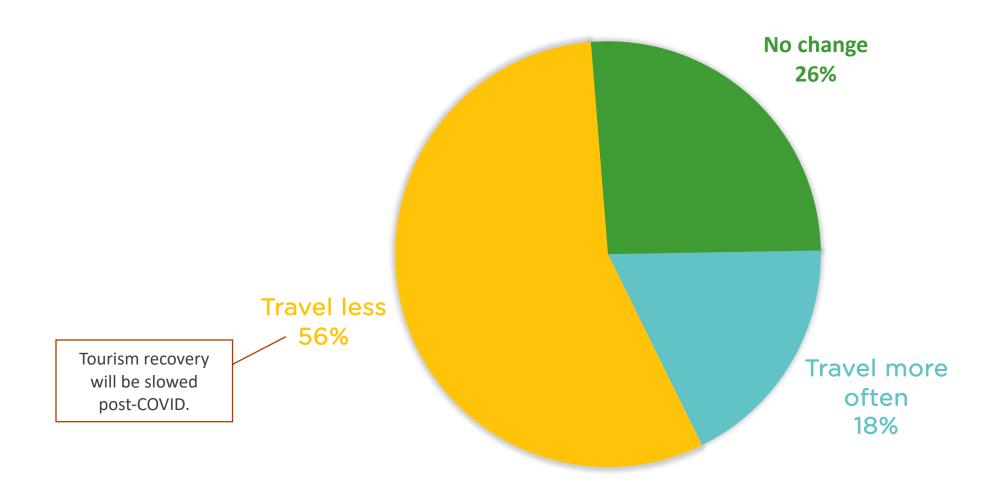








POST-COVID TRAVEL



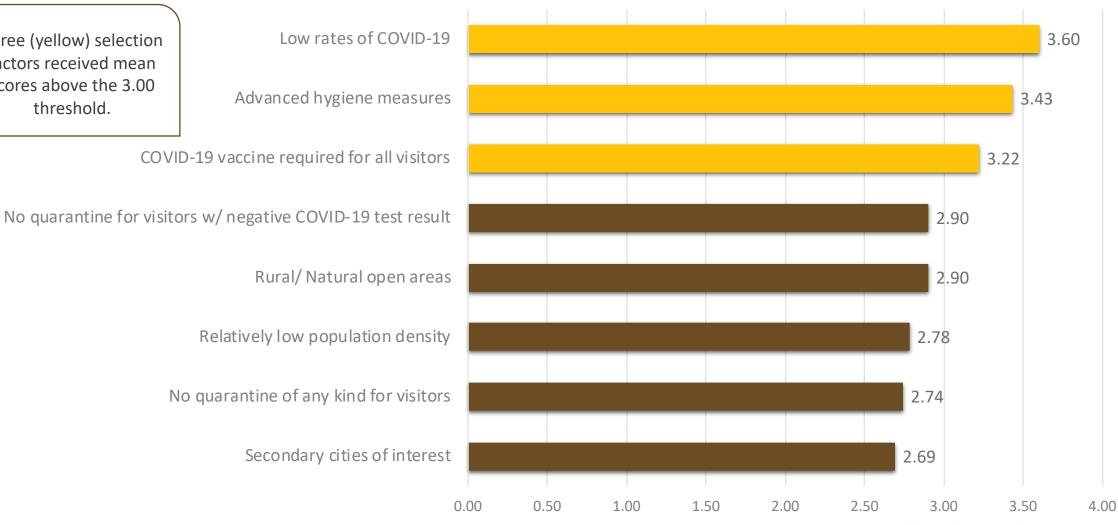






POST-COVID TRAVEL – IMPORTANCE 4PT RATING SCALE – MEAN SCORE

Three (yellow) selection factors received mean scores above the 3.00 threshold.



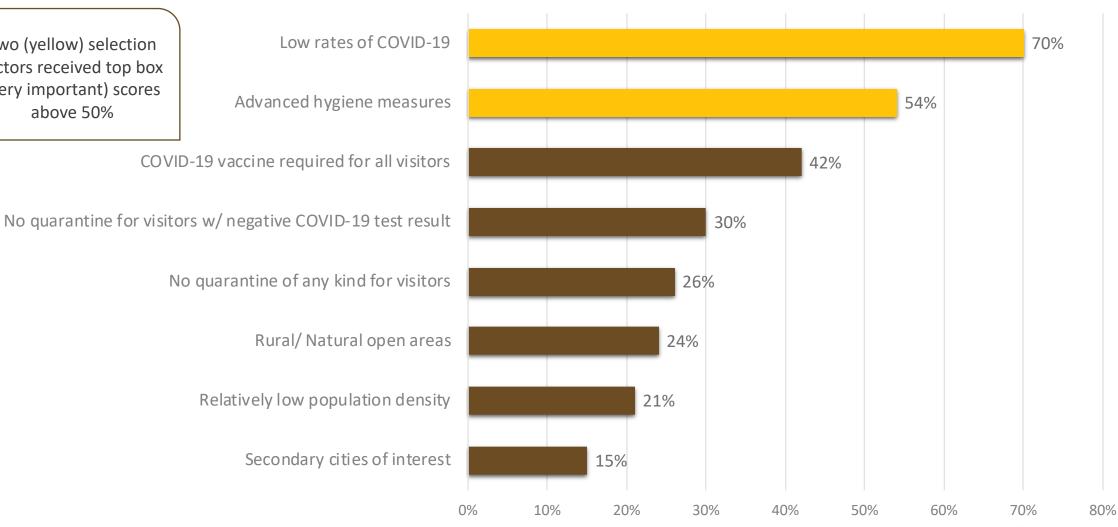






POST-COVID TRAVEL – IMPORTANCE 4PT RATING SCALE - TOP BOX (VERY IMPORTANT)

Two (yellow) selection factors received top box (very important) scores above 50%

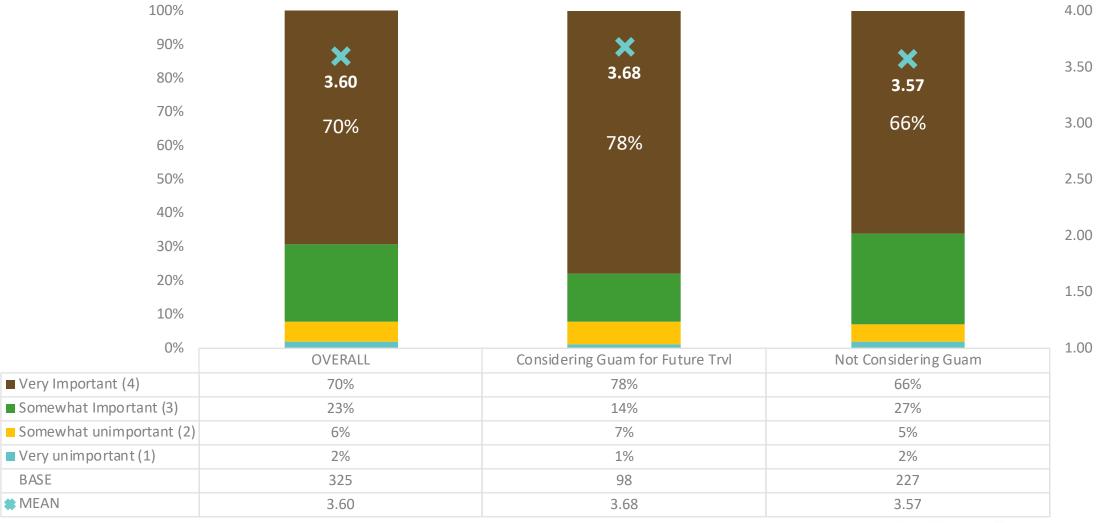








POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR Low rates of COVID-19

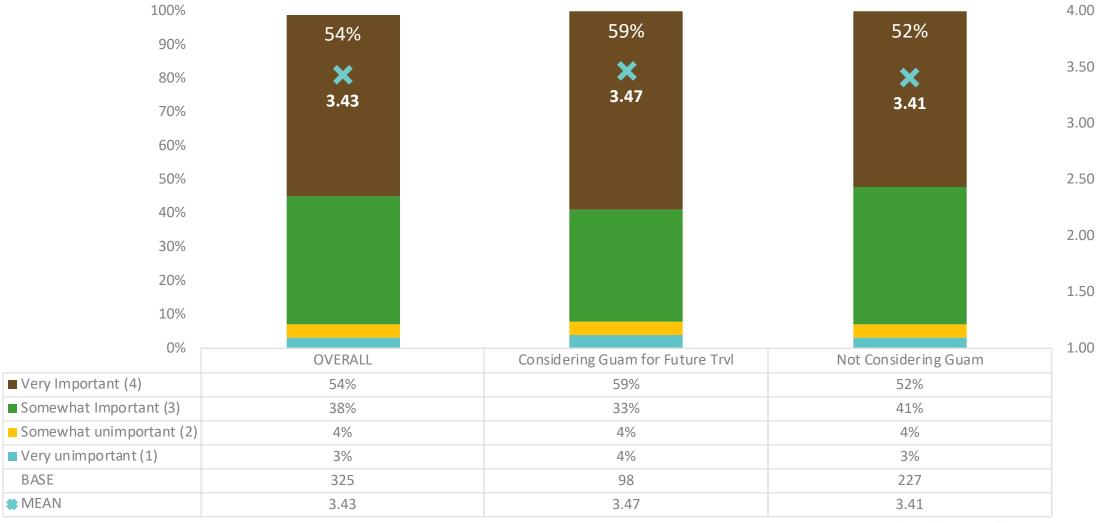








POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR Advanced hygiene measures









POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR COVID-19 vaccine required for all visitors









POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR

No quarantine for visitors w/ negative COVID-19 test results

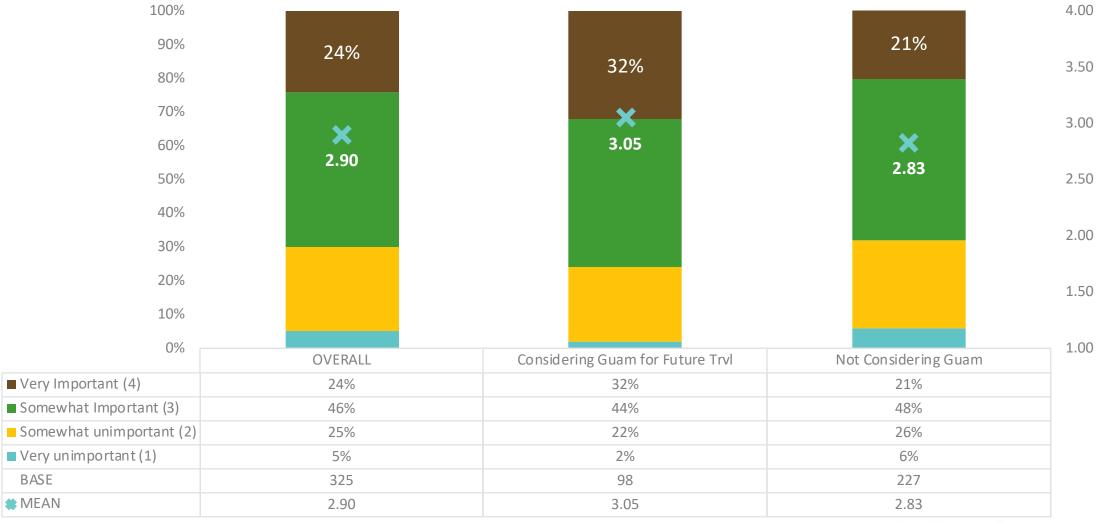








POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR Rural/ natural open areas









POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR Relatively low population density

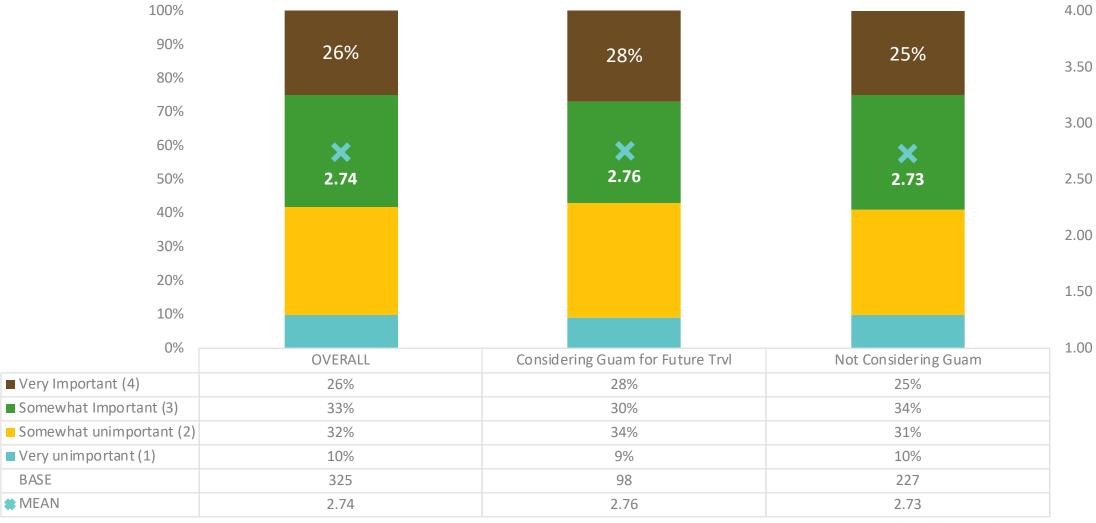








POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR No quarantine of any kind for visitors









POST-COVID SELECTION FACTOR Secondary cities of interest





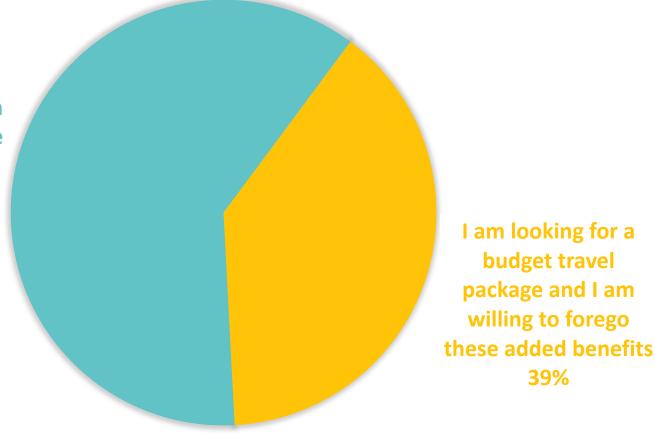




GUAM AIRPORT COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES

I see these improvements as added value and am willing to pay a little more for them 61%

Majority appear to be okay with a fee that results in increased COVID safety measures.



Q: In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, Guam has plans to implement numerous safety measures at the airport, including Digital/touchless experience using kiosks and QR codes for the customers and border protection/ ESTA process. Which of the Following best describes your reaction to these improvements?

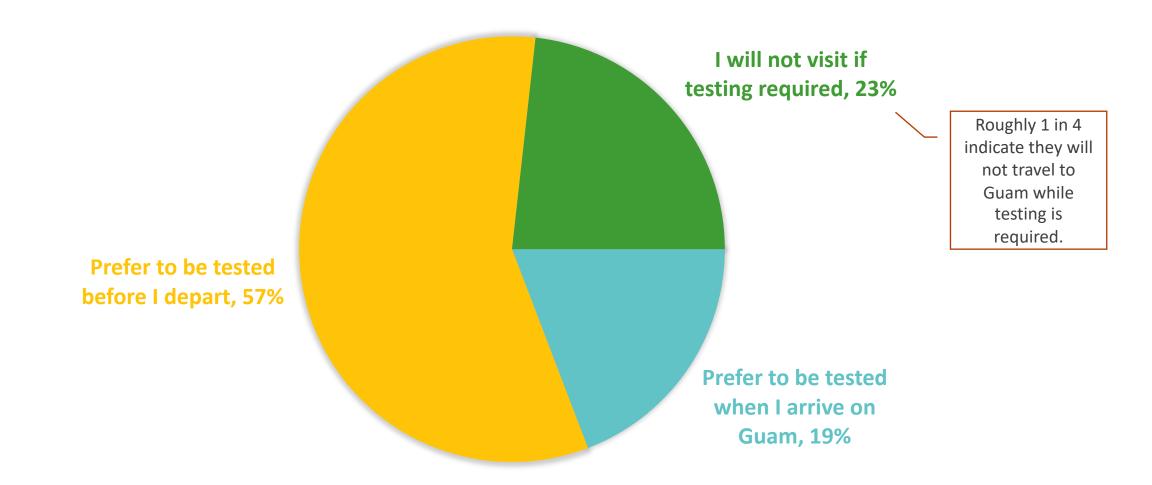


39%





ON-ISLE COVID-19 TESTING PREFERENCE









IMPACT ON TRAVEL - FDA APPROVED COVID TEST

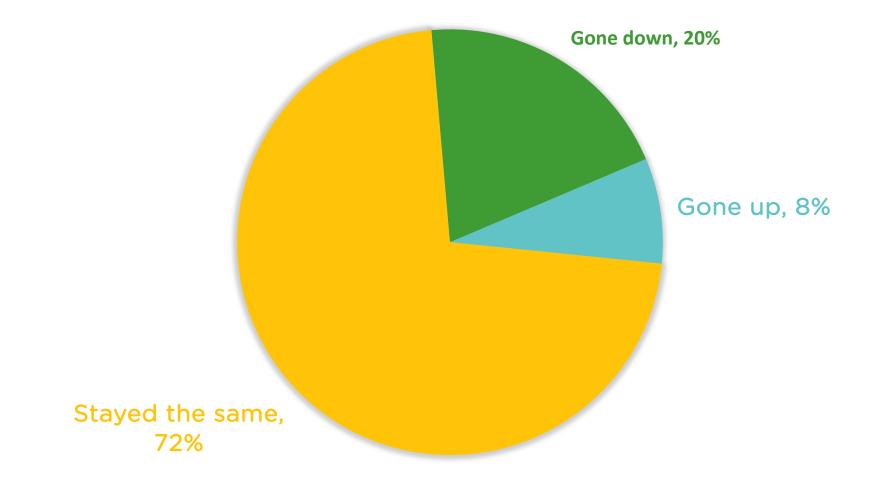








CHANGES IN HOUSEHOLD INCOME DURING PANDEMIC









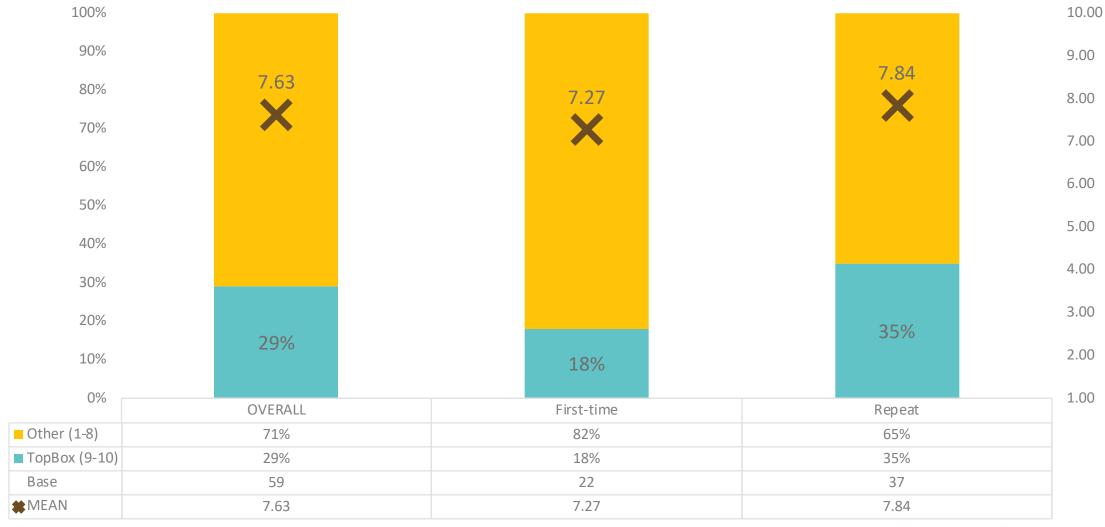








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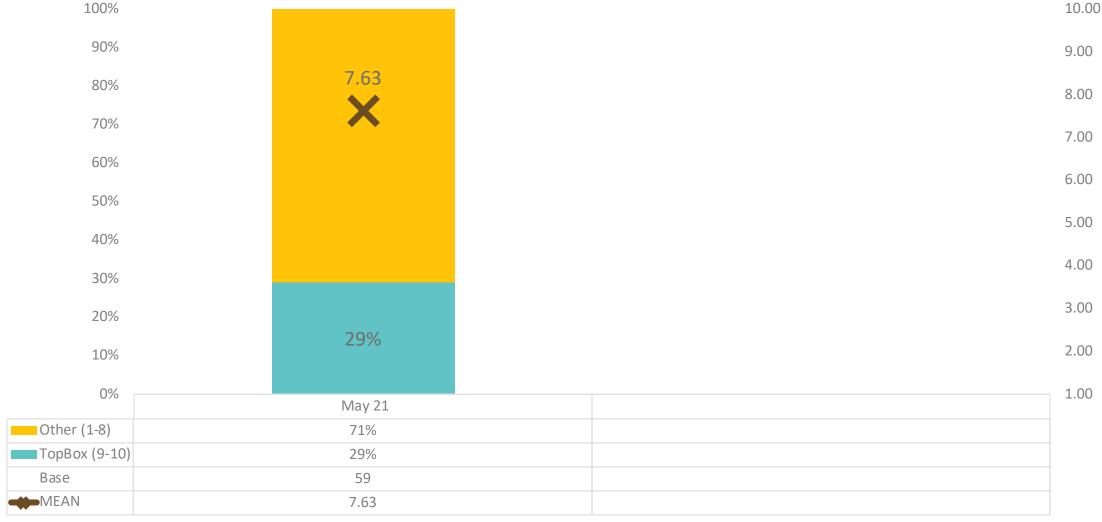








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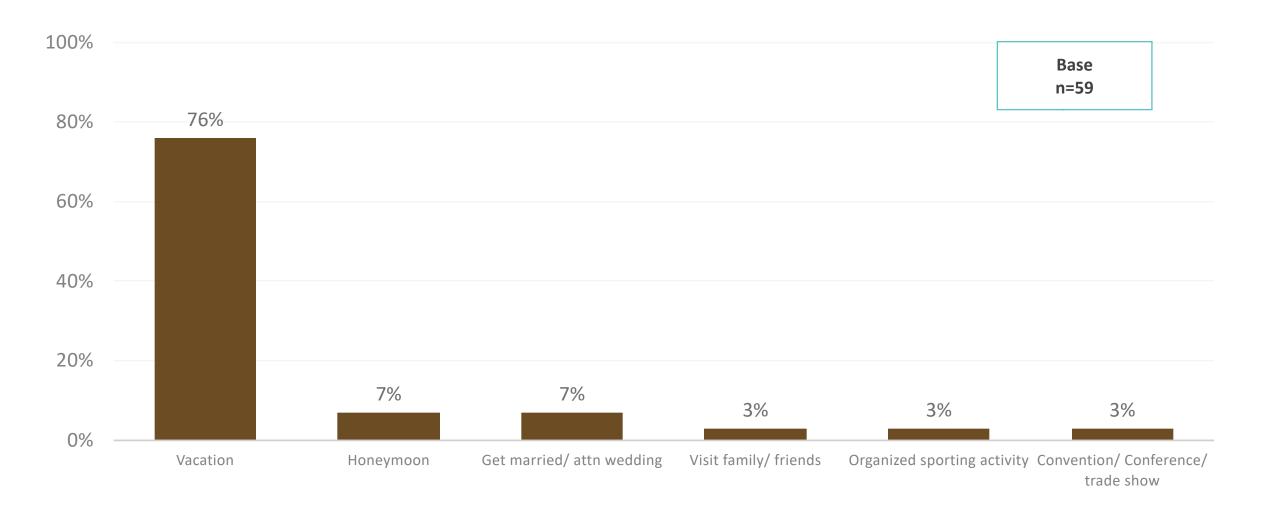








PRIMARY TRAVEL MOTIVATION









PRIMARY TRAVEL MOTIVATION Tracking

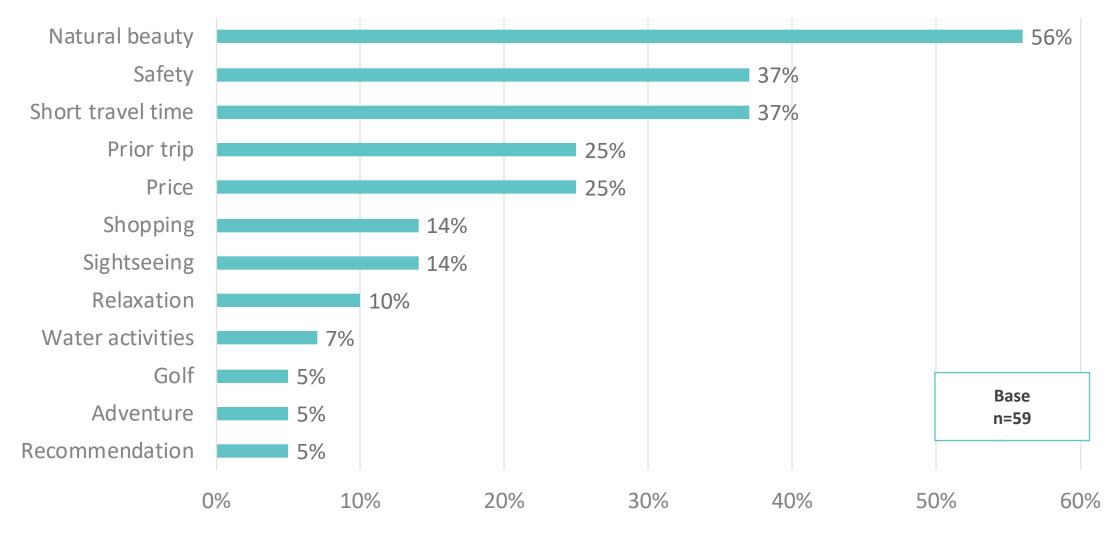
May 21		
BASE	59	
Pleasure/ Vacation	76%	
Get married/ attend wedding	7%	
Honeymoon	7%	
Organized sporting activity	3%	
Visit family/friends	3%	
Business convention/ conference/ trade show	3%	







TRAVEL MOTIVATIONS – TOP 3









TRAVEL MOTIVATIONS – TOP 3 Tracking

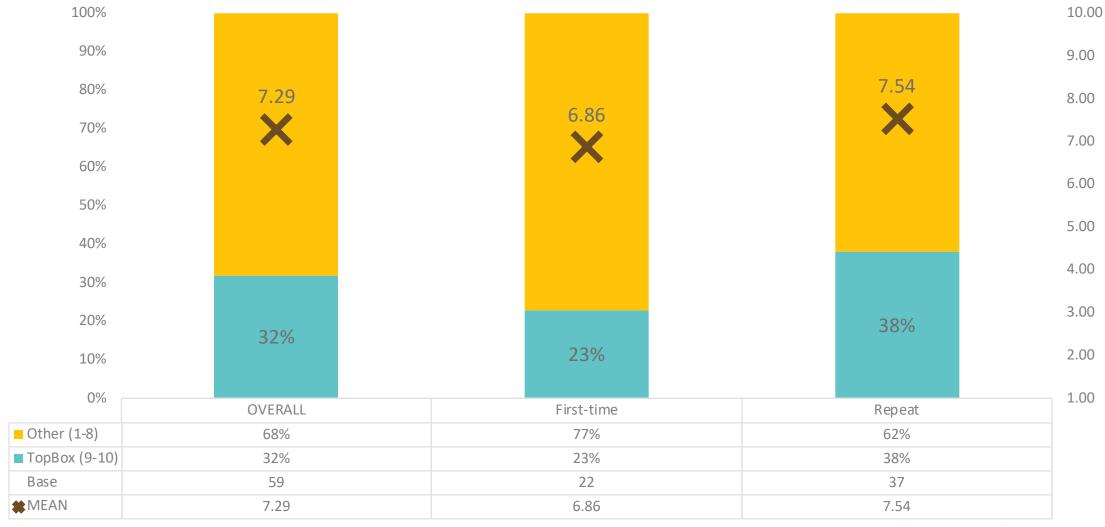
May-21		
BASE	59	
Beautiful seas, beaches, tropical climate	56%	
Safe place to spend a vacation	37%	
Short travel time	37%	
A previous trip	25%	
Price	25%	
Sightseeing	14%	
Shopping	14%	
Relaxation	10%	
Water activities	7%	







BRAND ADVOCACY - 10PT SCALE

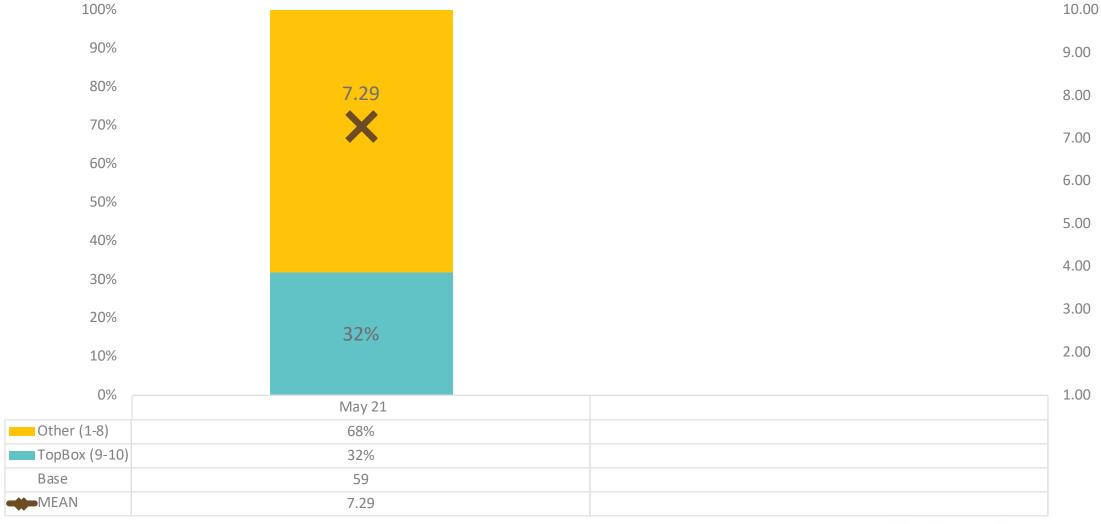








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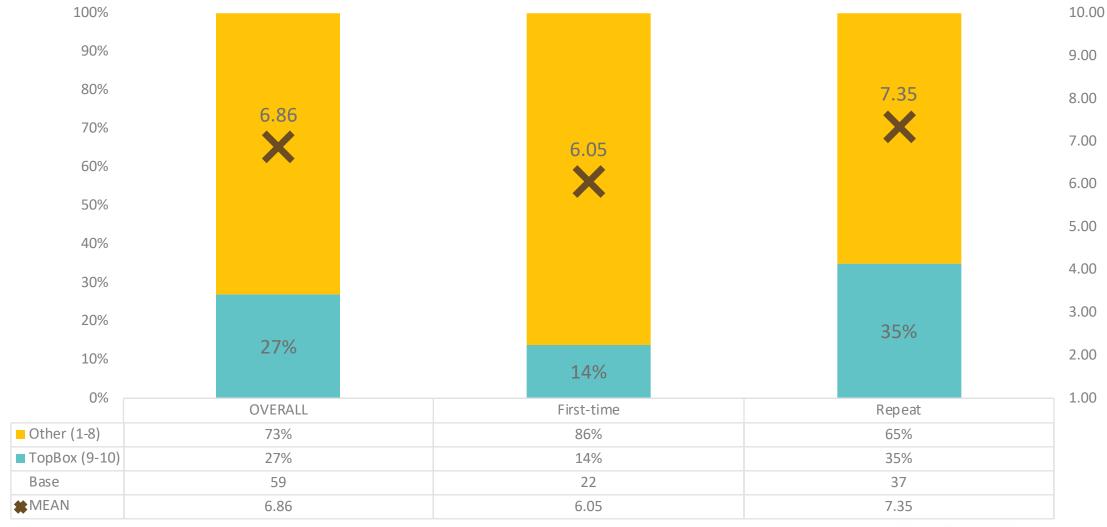








BRAND LOYALTY – 10PT SCALE

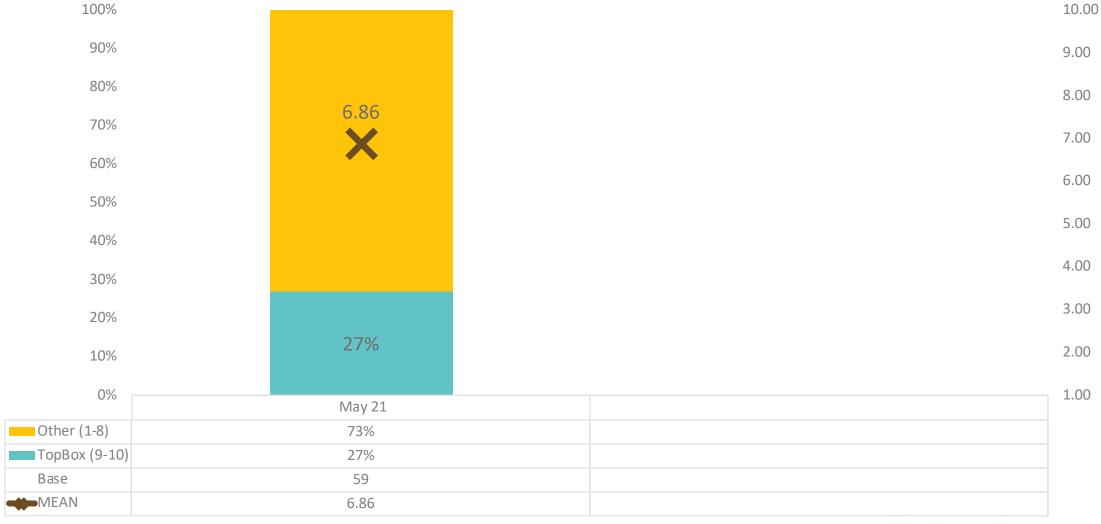








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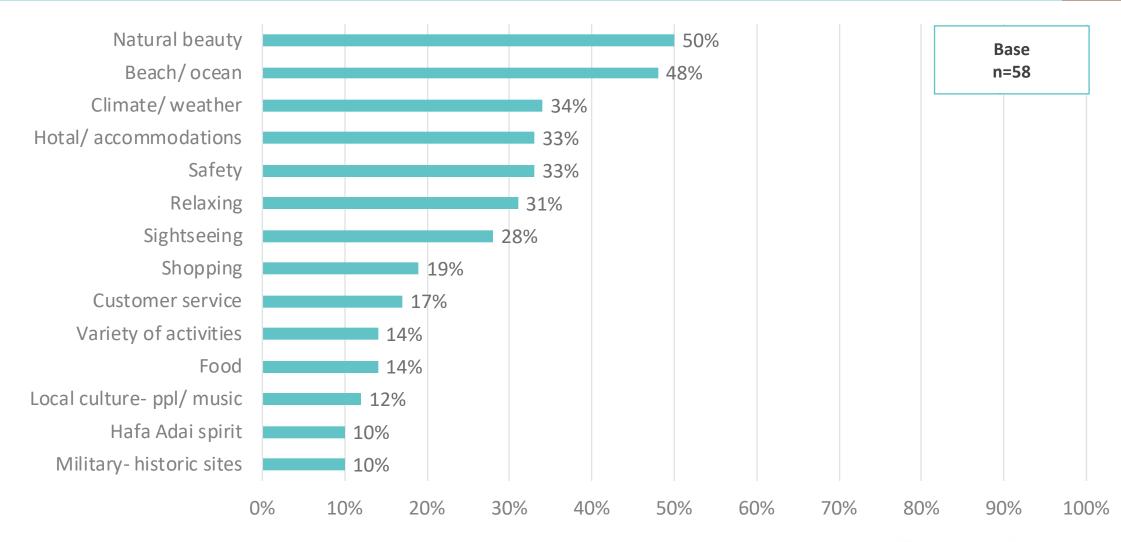








GUAM TRAVELER - TRIP MOTIVATIONS

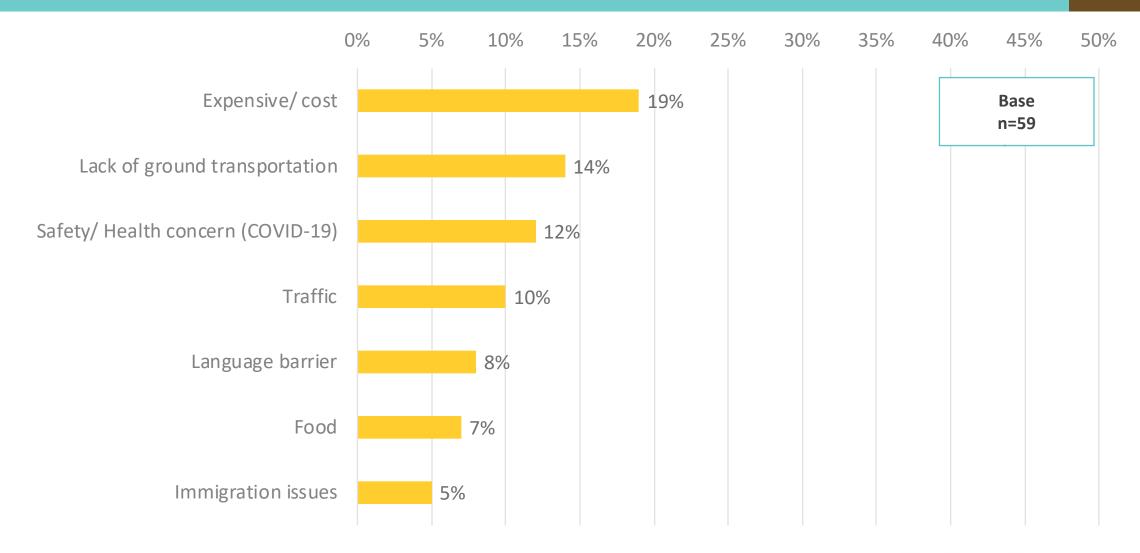








GUAM TRAVELERS – DRAWBACKS









GUAM TRAVELERS – DRAWBACKS TRACKING

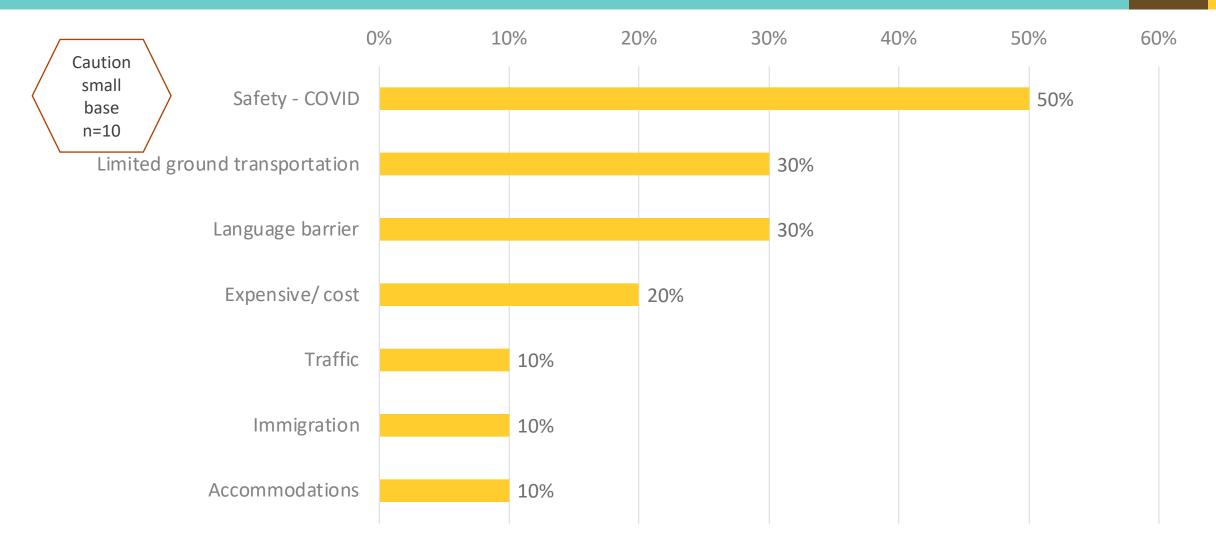
May 21		
BASE	59	
Expensive	19%	
Limited availability – ground transportation	14%	
Safety- Health/ COVID	12%	
Traffic	10%	
Language barrier	8%	
Food	7%	
Immigration	5%	







UNLIKELY TO RETURN - REASONS

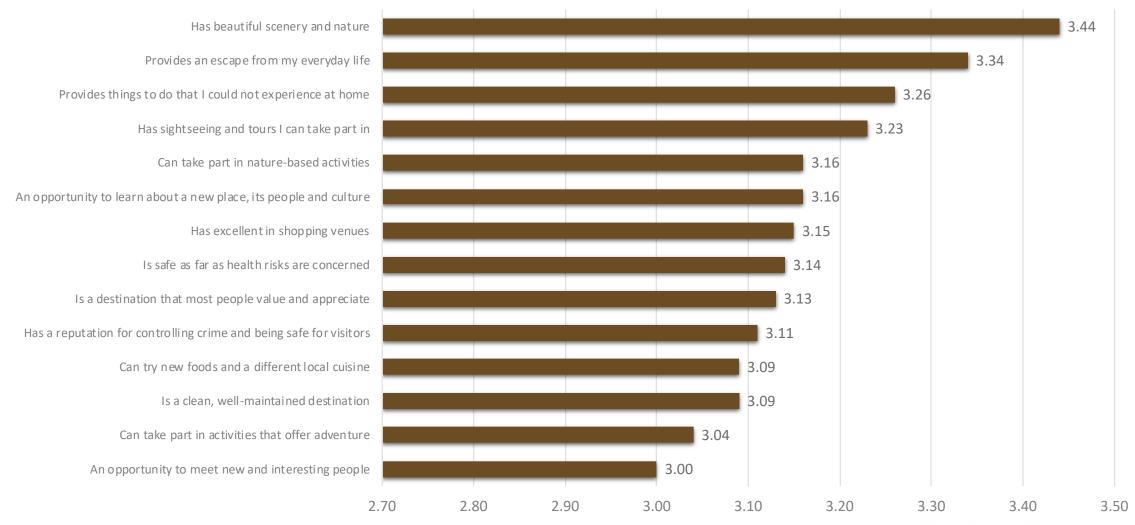








SELECTION FACTORS – SATISFACTION MEAN SCORES 4PT SCALE

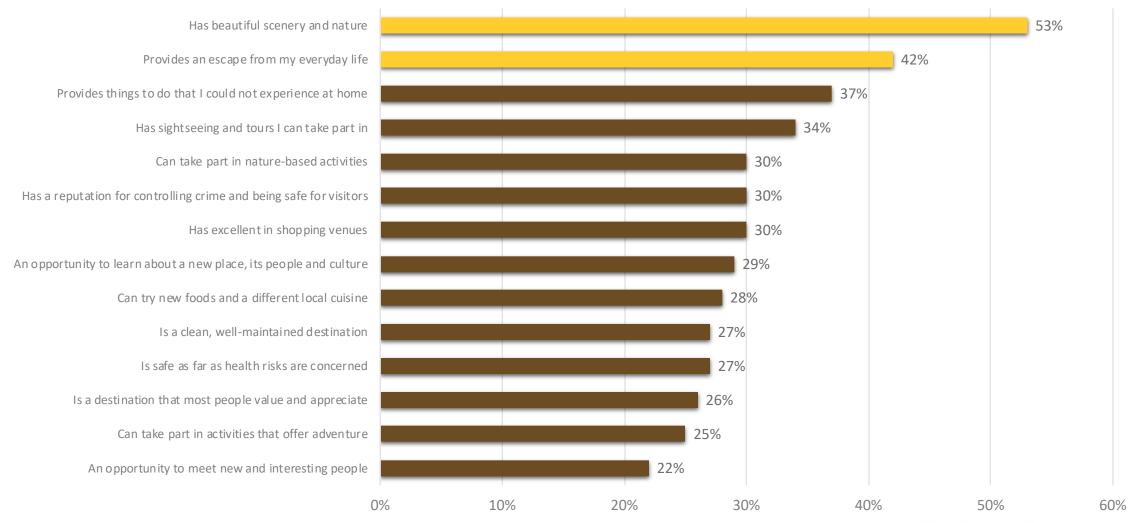








SELECTION FACTORS – SATISFACTION TOP BOX (VERY GOOD)









Has beautiful scenery and nature









Provides things to do that I could not experience at home

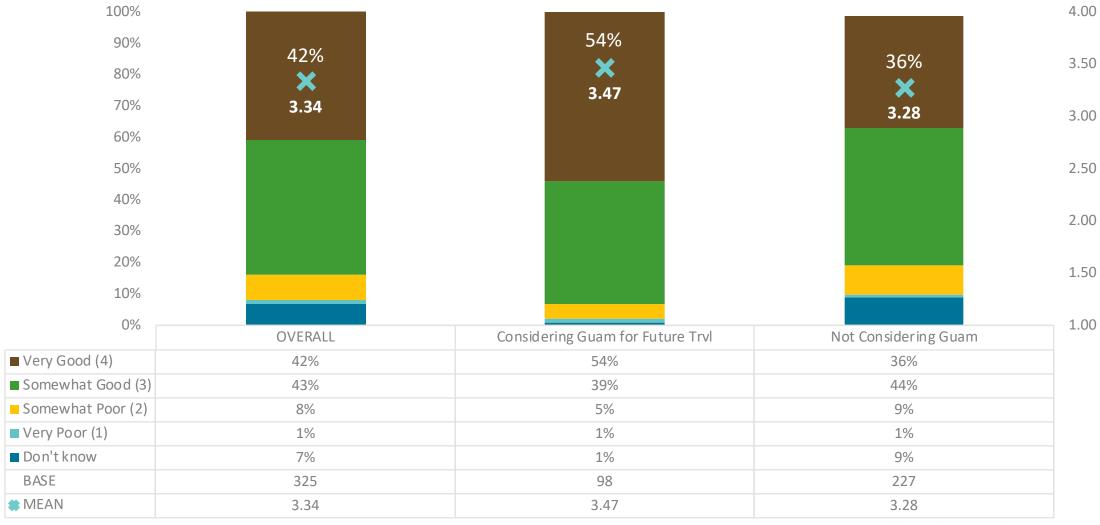








Provides an escape from my everyday life

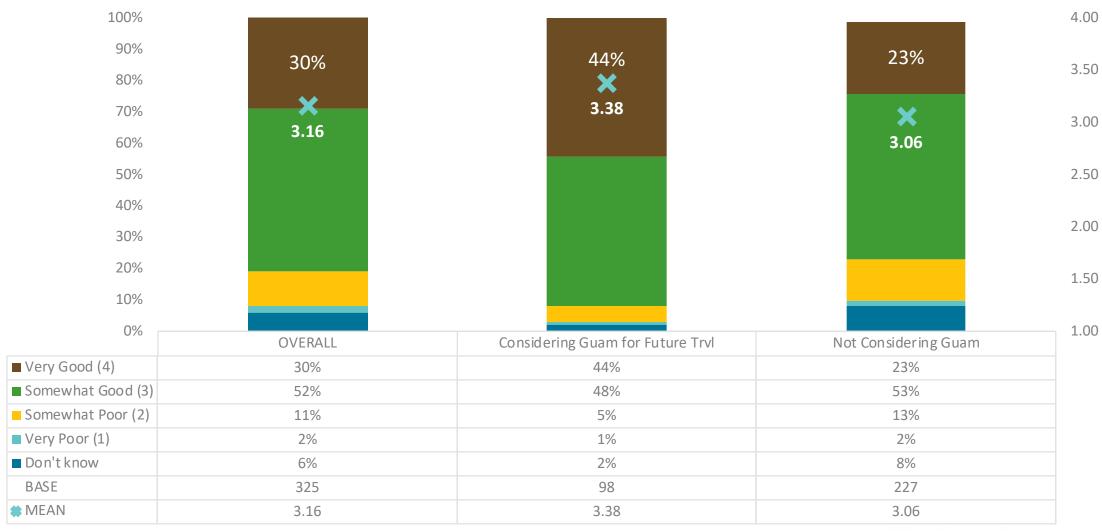








Can take part in nature-based activities

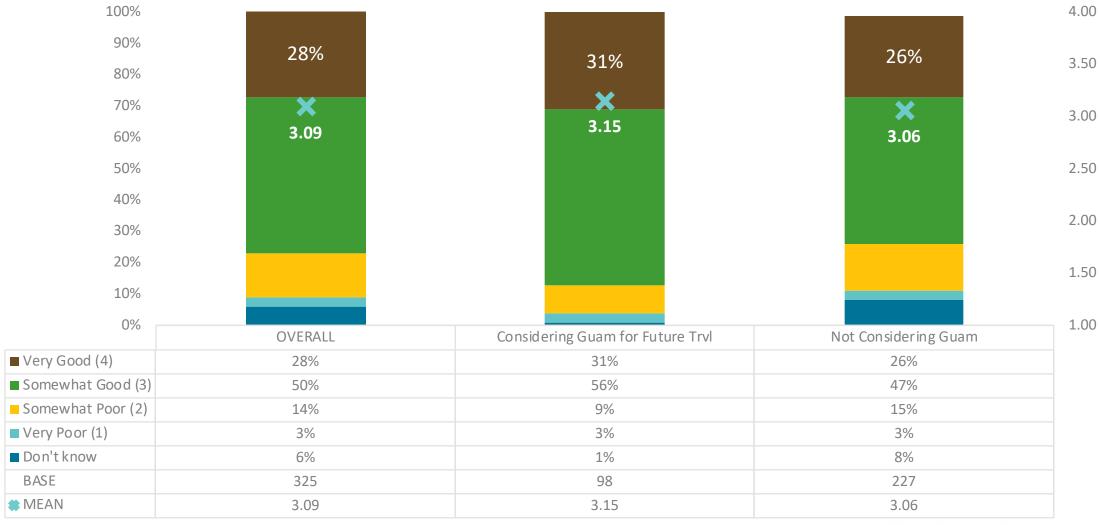








Can try new foods and a different local cuisine

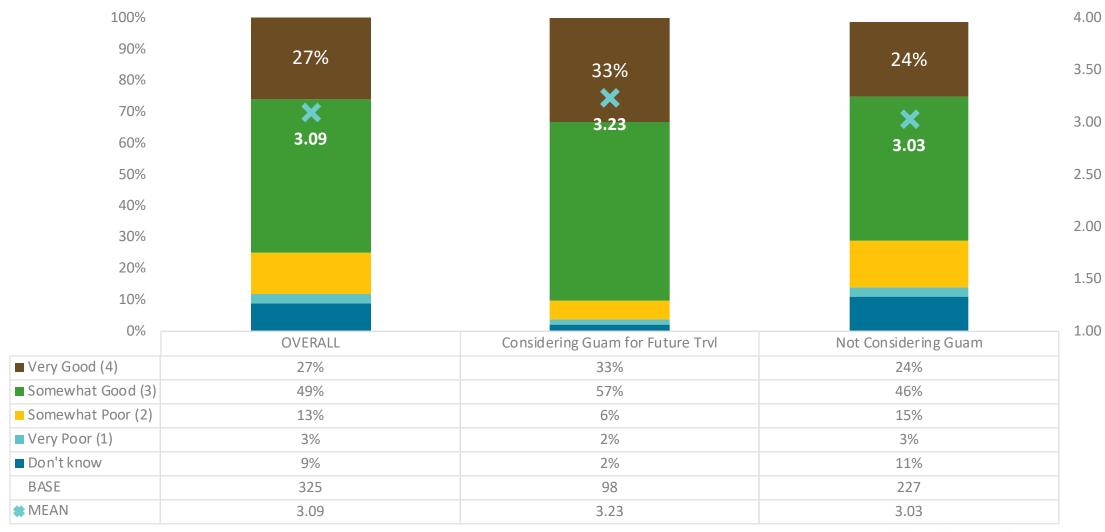








Is a clean, well-maintained destination









Is safe as far as health risks are concerned

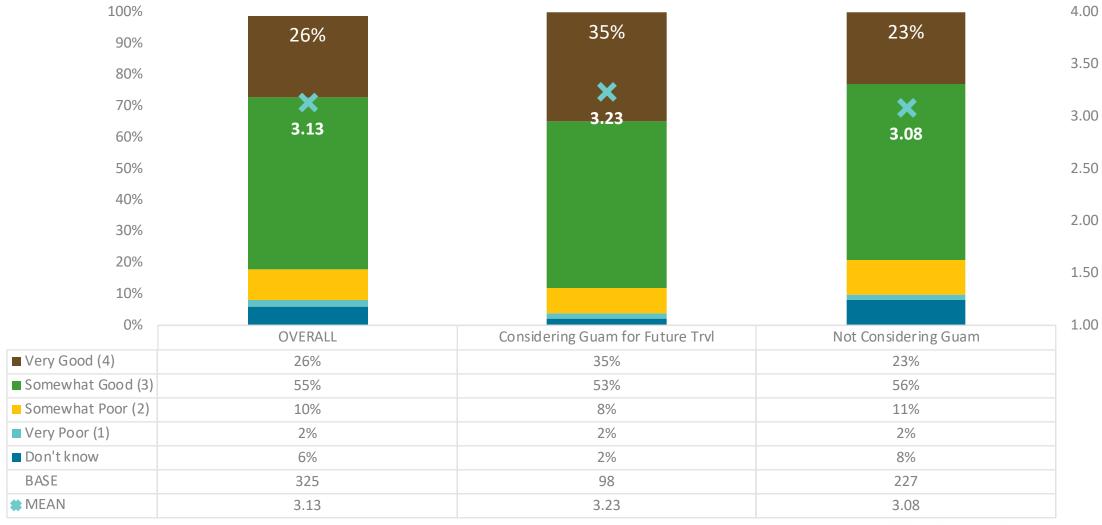








Is a destination that most people value and appreciate

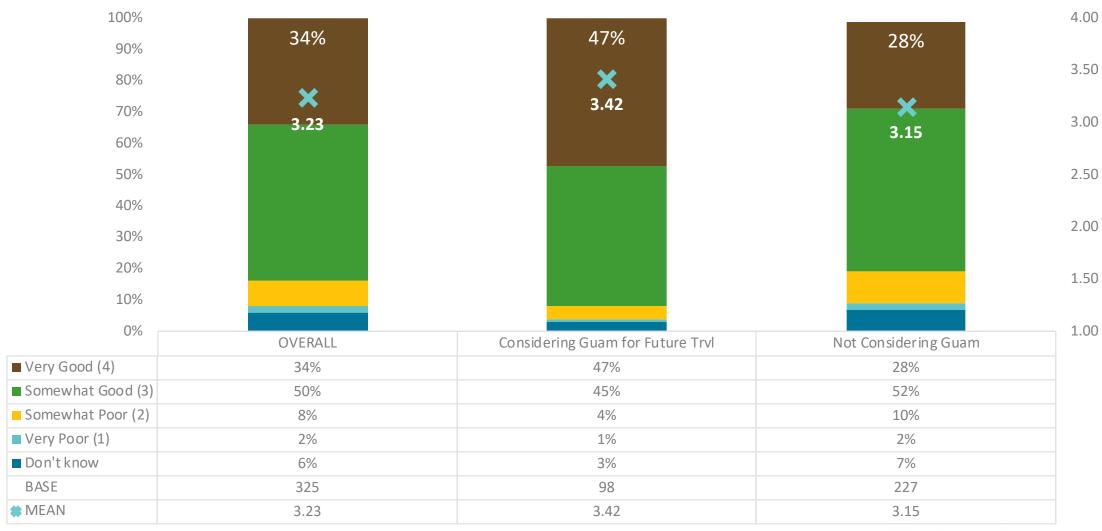








Has sightseeing and tours I can take part in

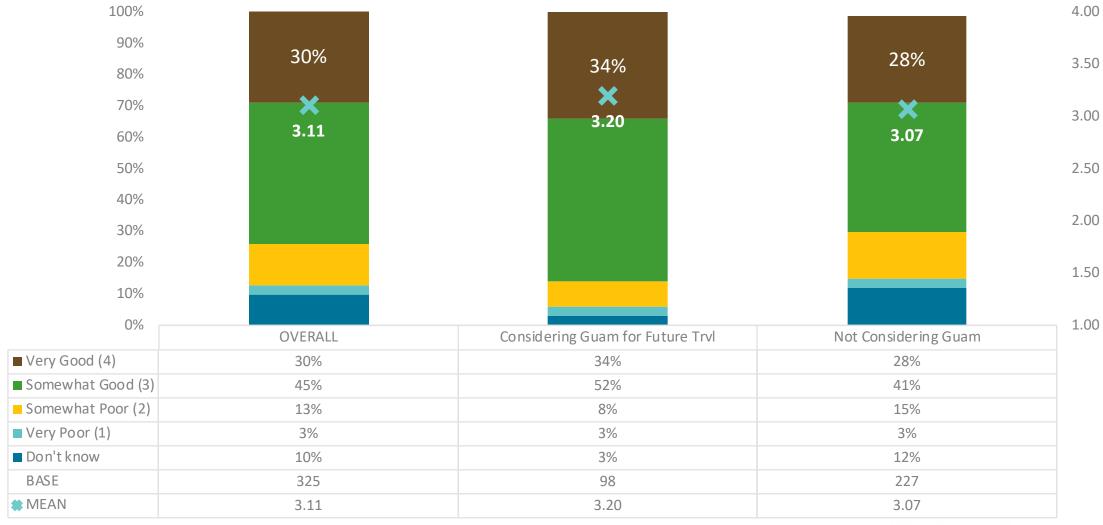








Has a reputation for controlling crime and being safe for visitors

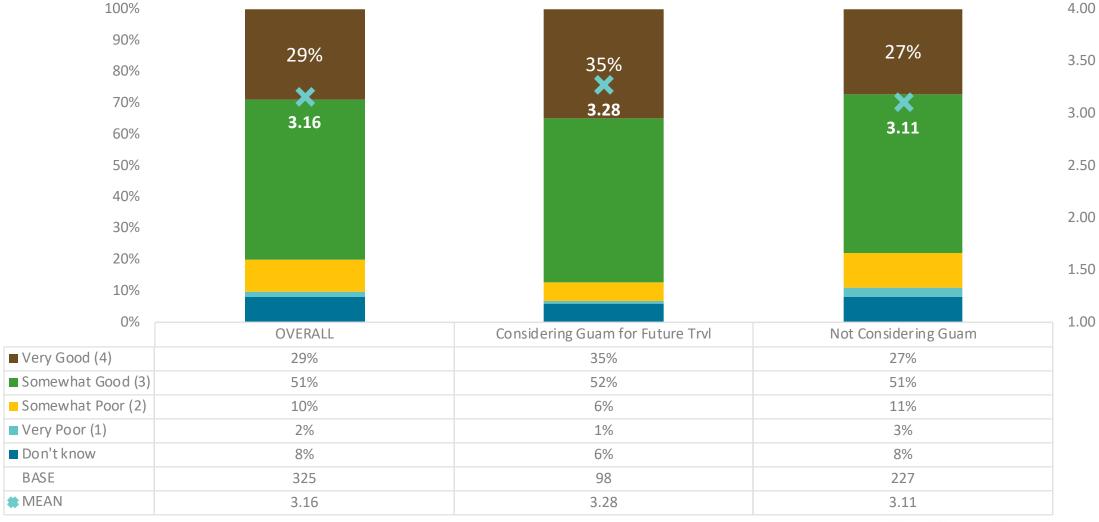








An opportunity to learn about a new place, its people and culture

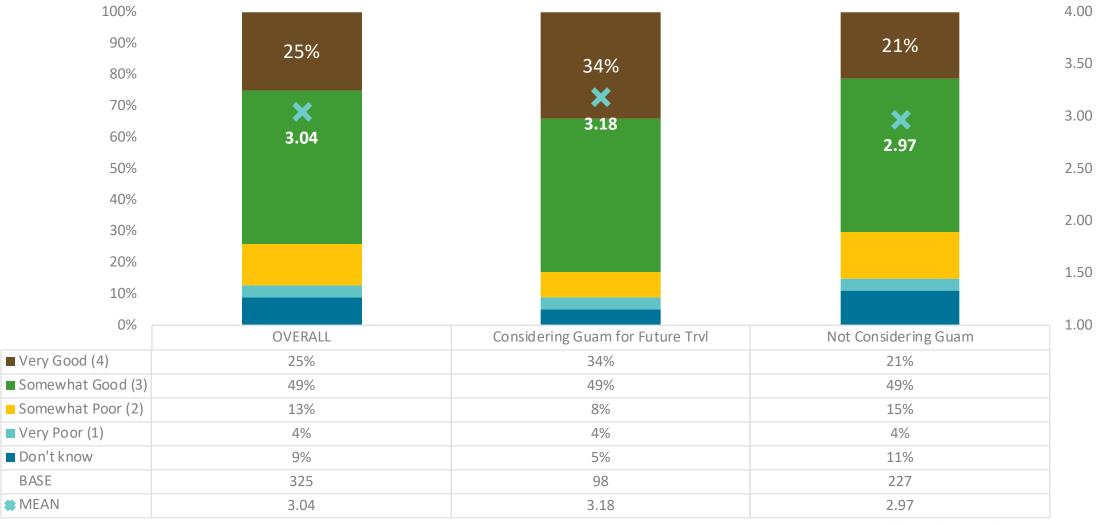








Can take part in activities that offer adventure

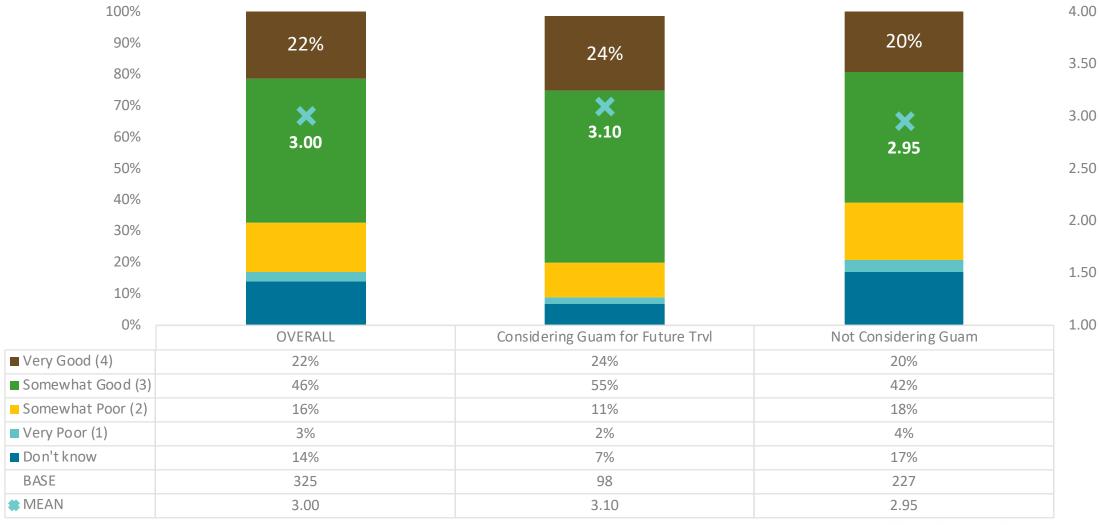








An opportunity to meet new and interesting people

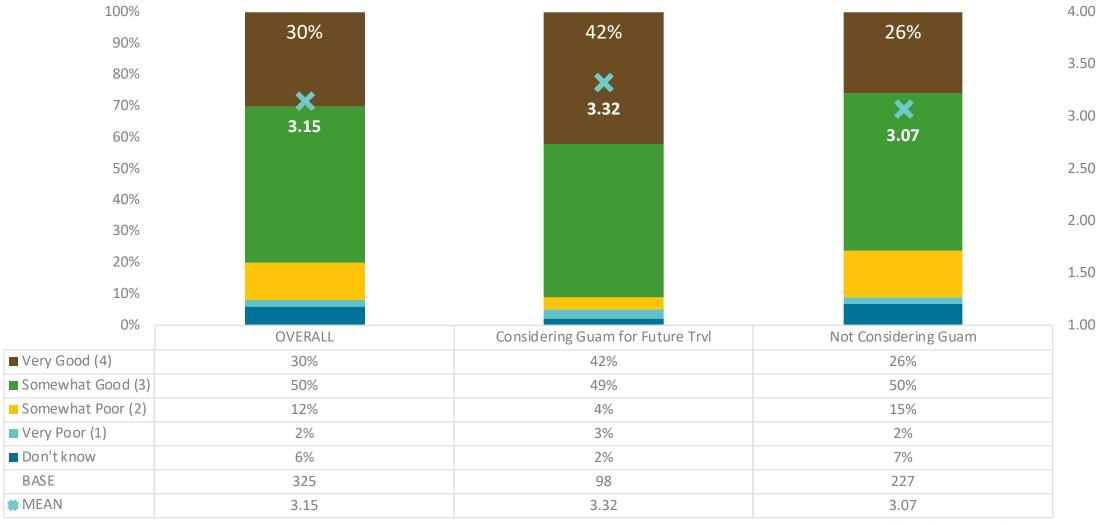








Has excellent shopping in venues

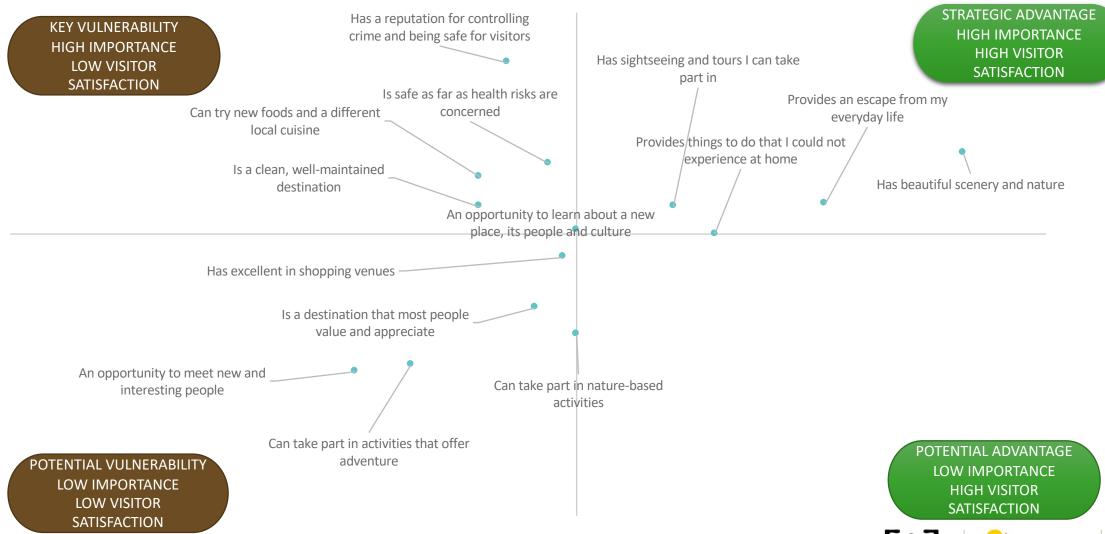








NEED-GAP ANALYSIS



ACCOMMODATIONS – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

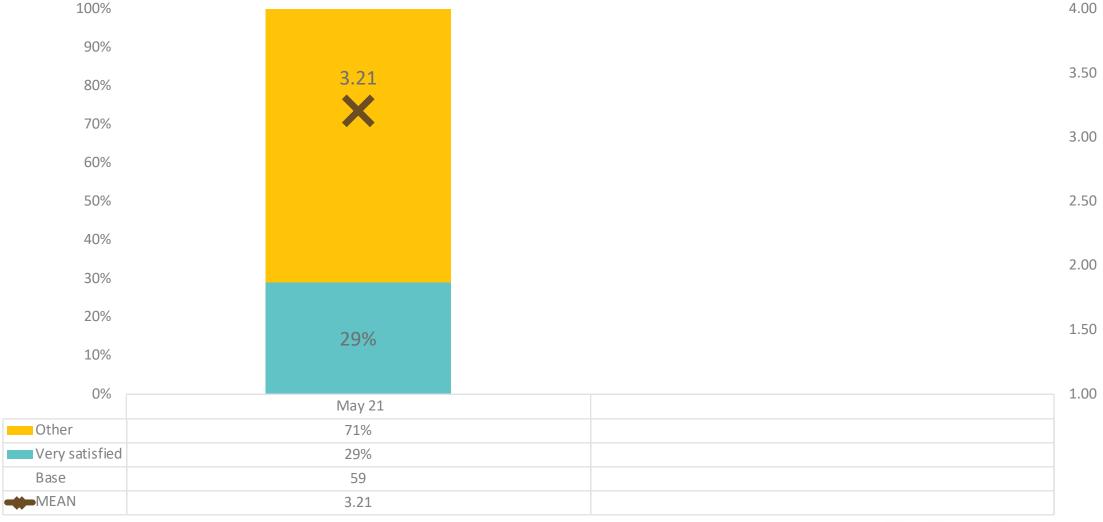








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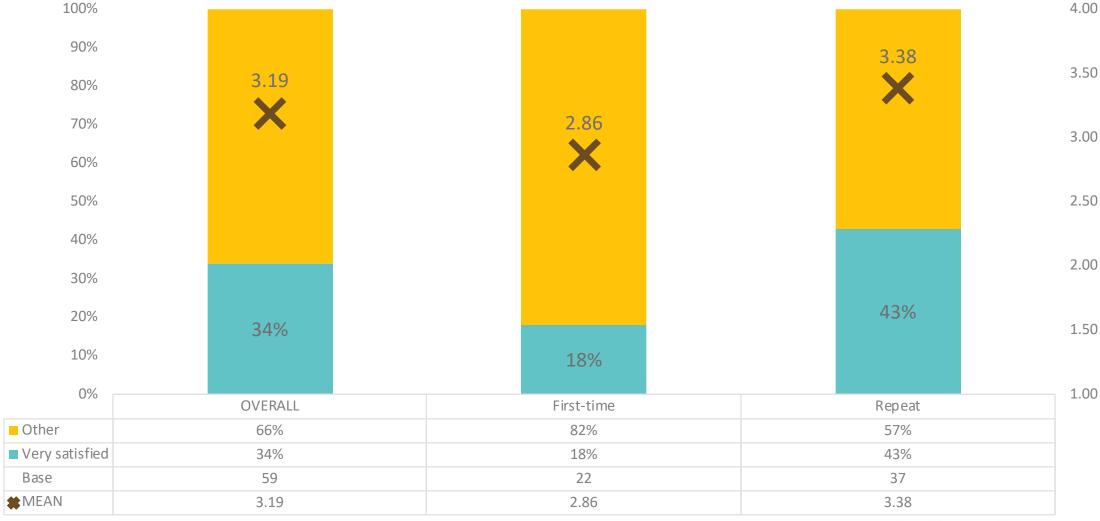








QUALITY CUSTOMER SERVICE – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

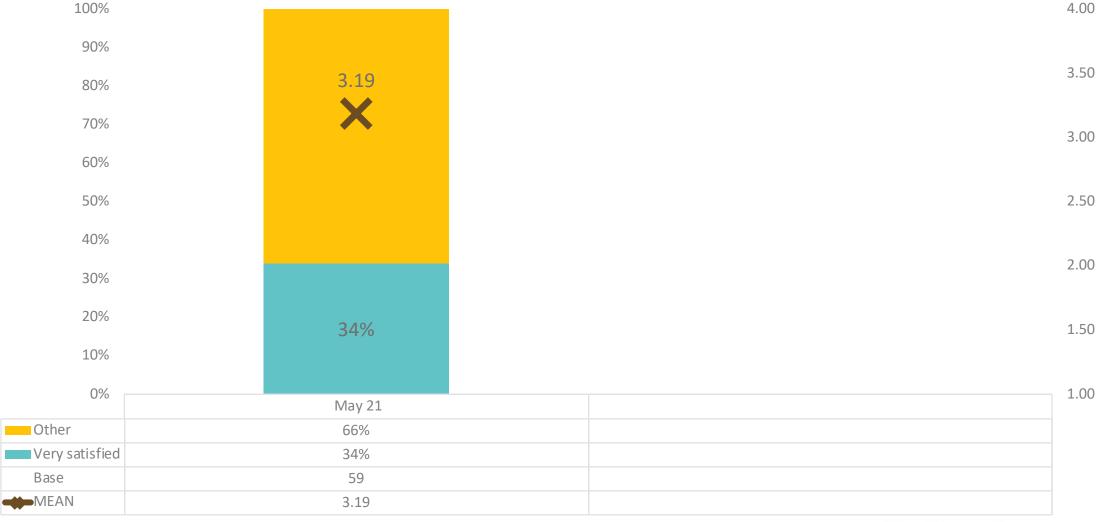








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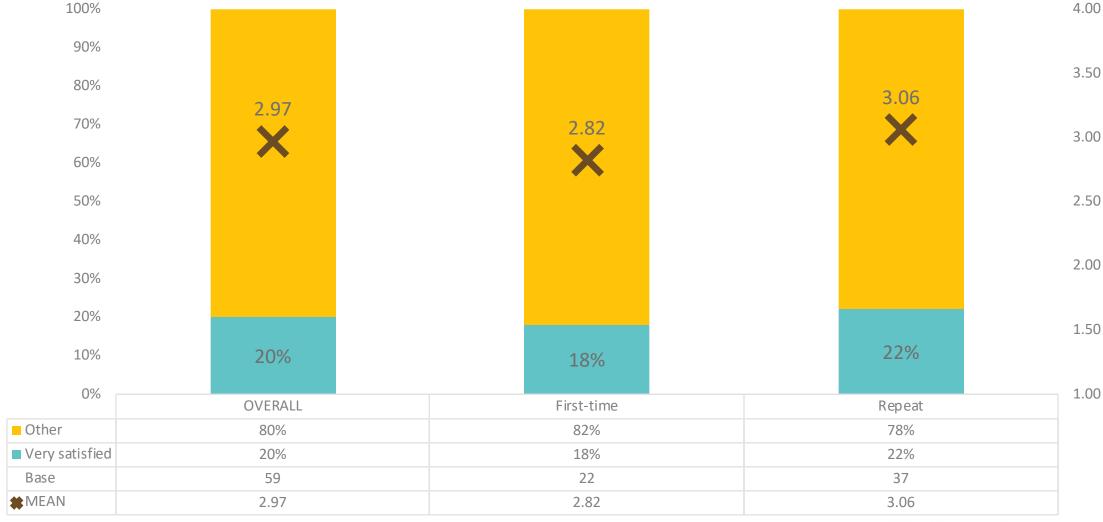








TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

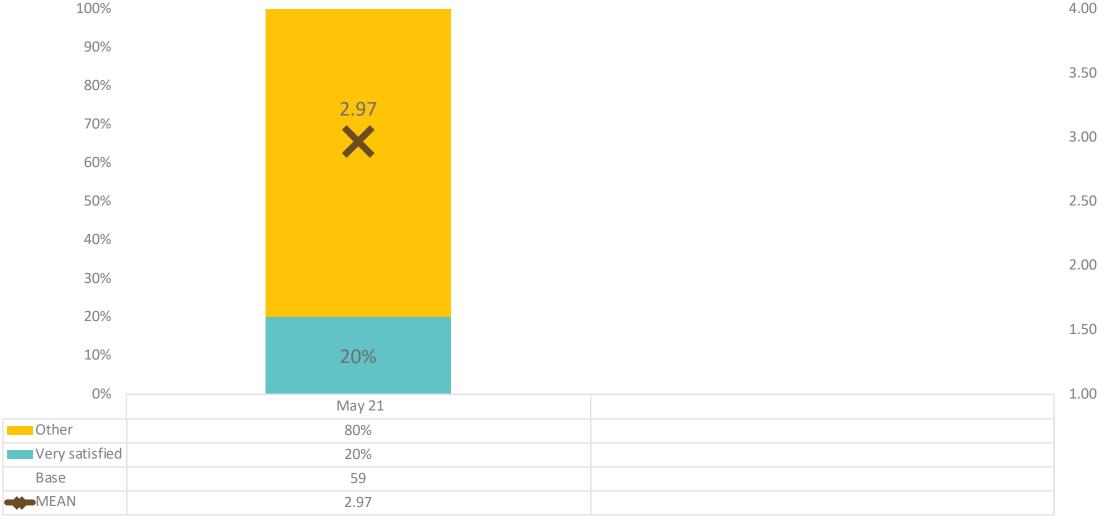








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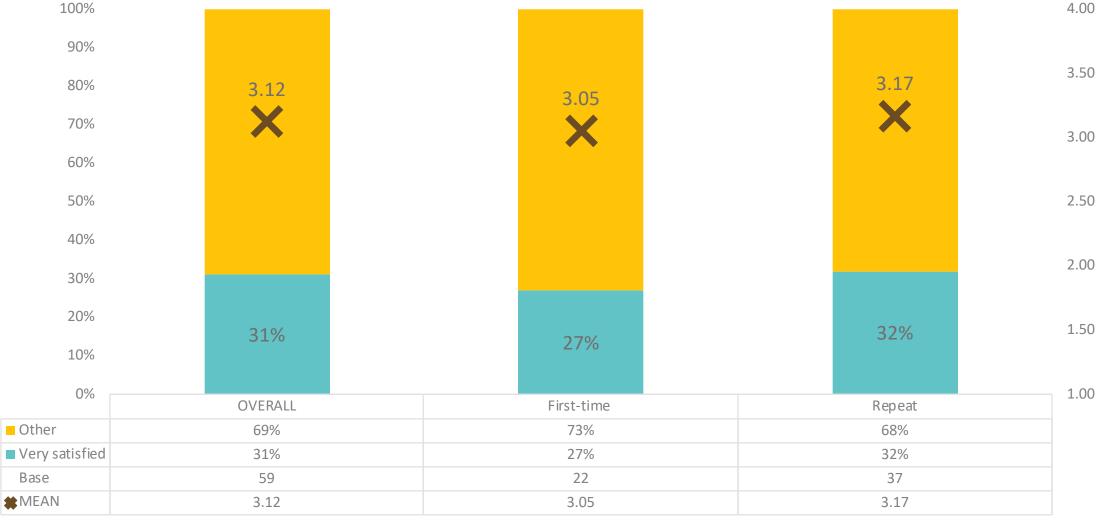








VISITORS FEEL WELCOME – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

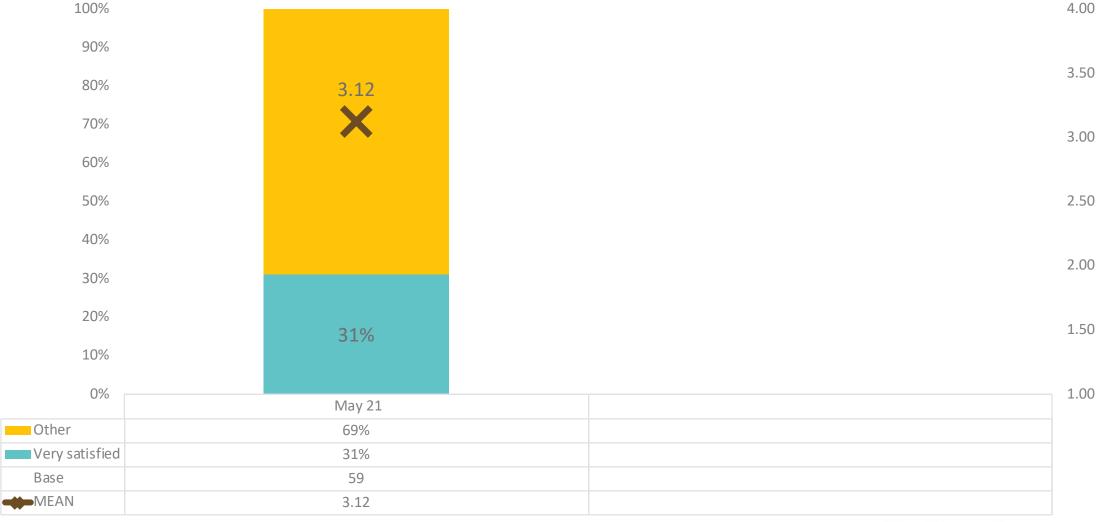








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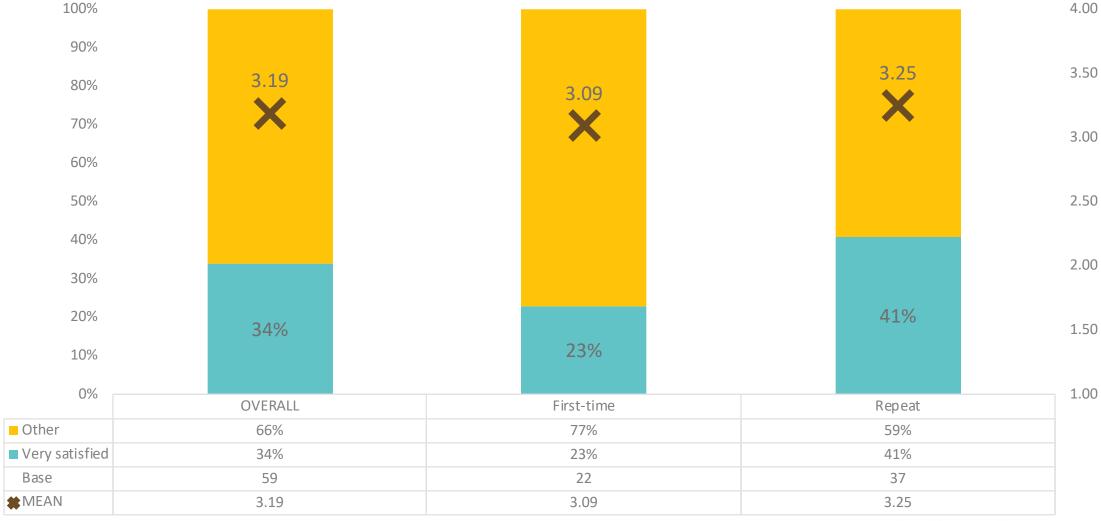








VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

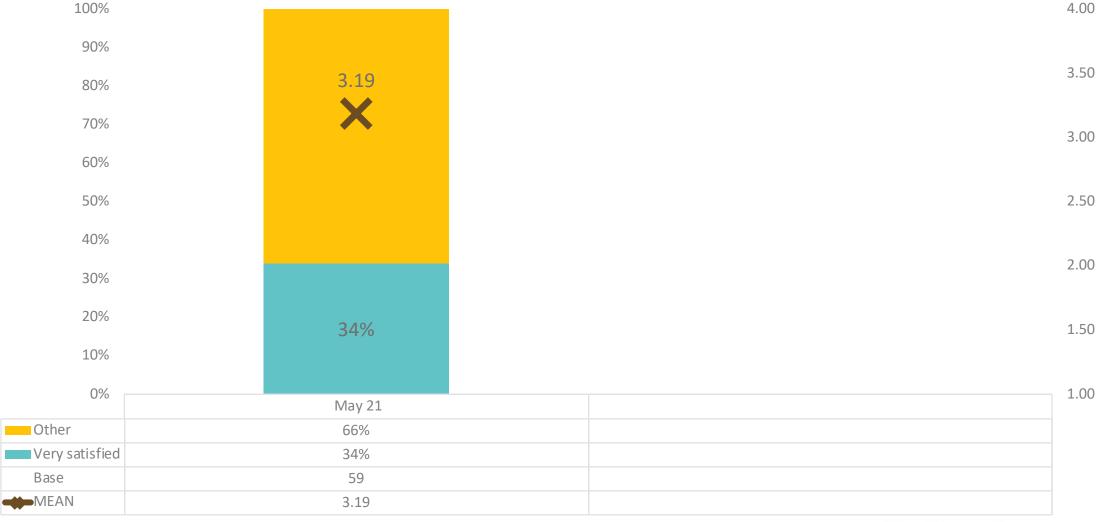








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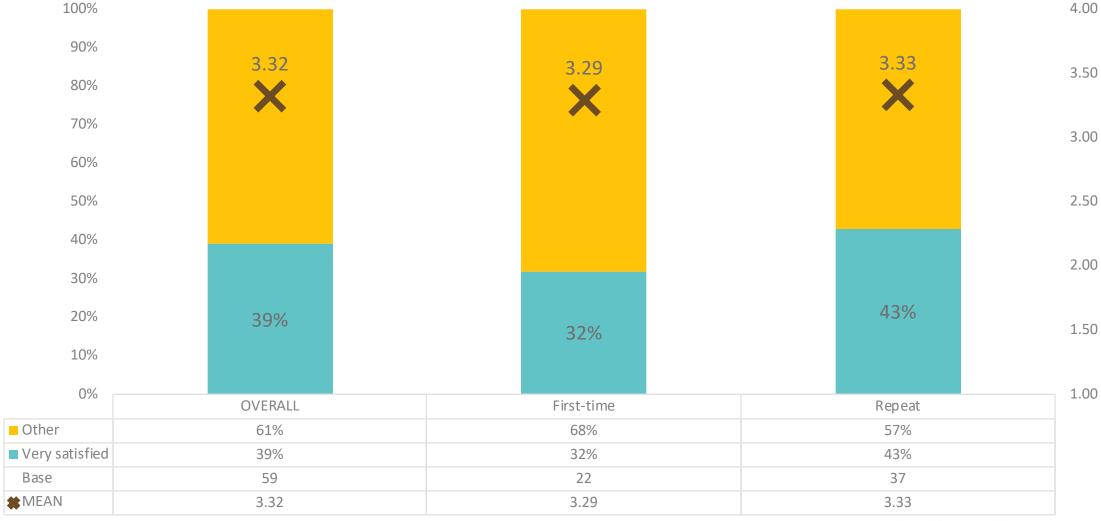








SHOPPING OPTIONS – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

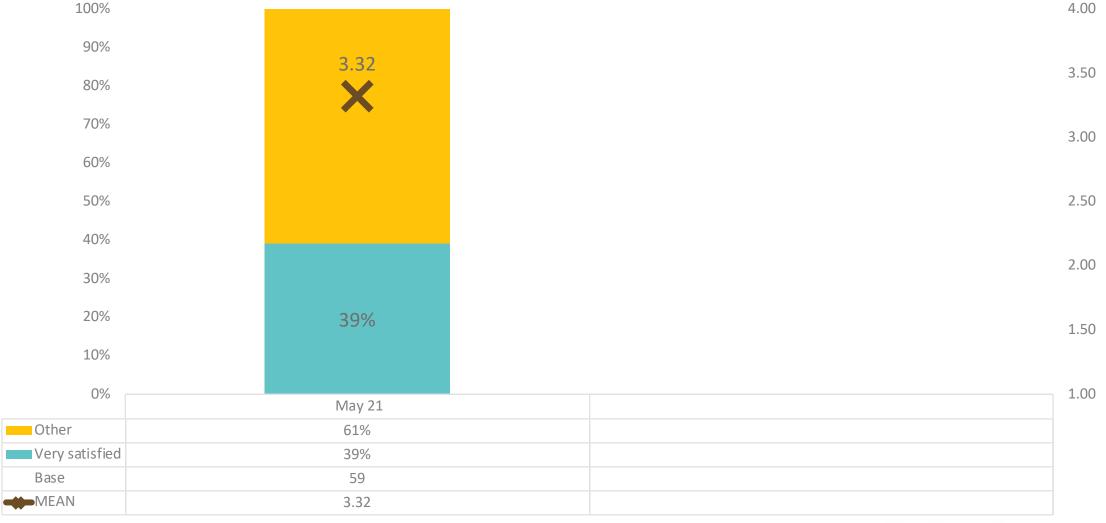








SHOPPING OPTIONS – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE – TRACKING









OVERALL VALUE – SATISFACTION 4PT RATING SCALE

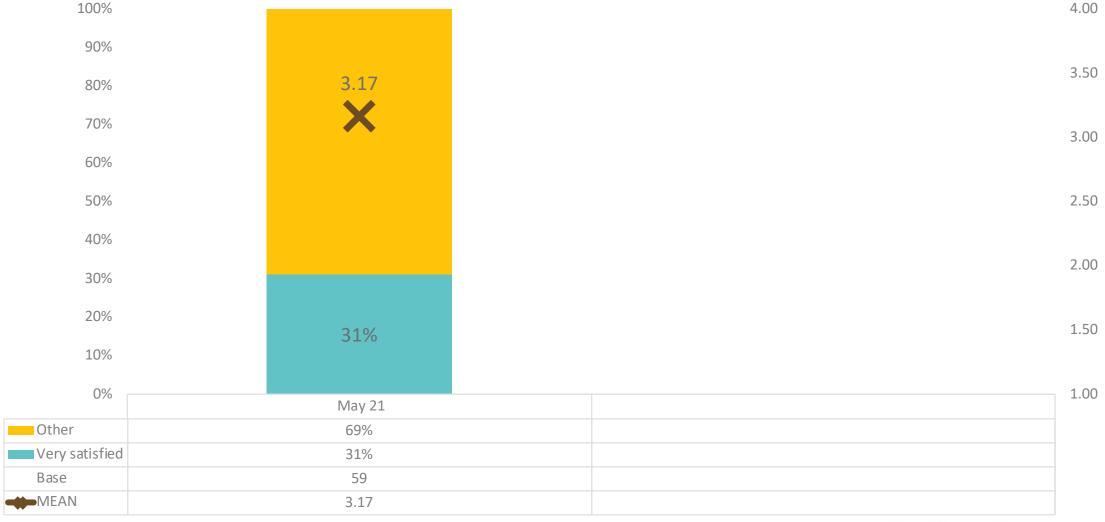








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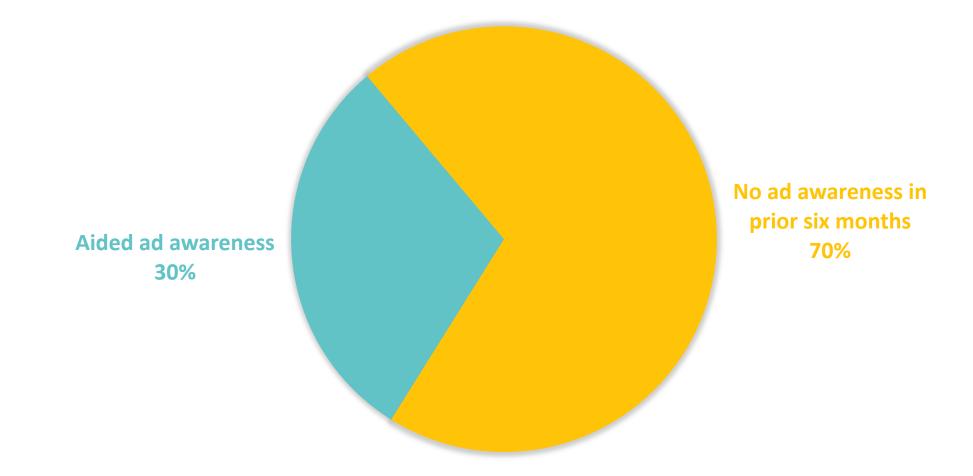








AIDED ADVERTISING AWARENESS

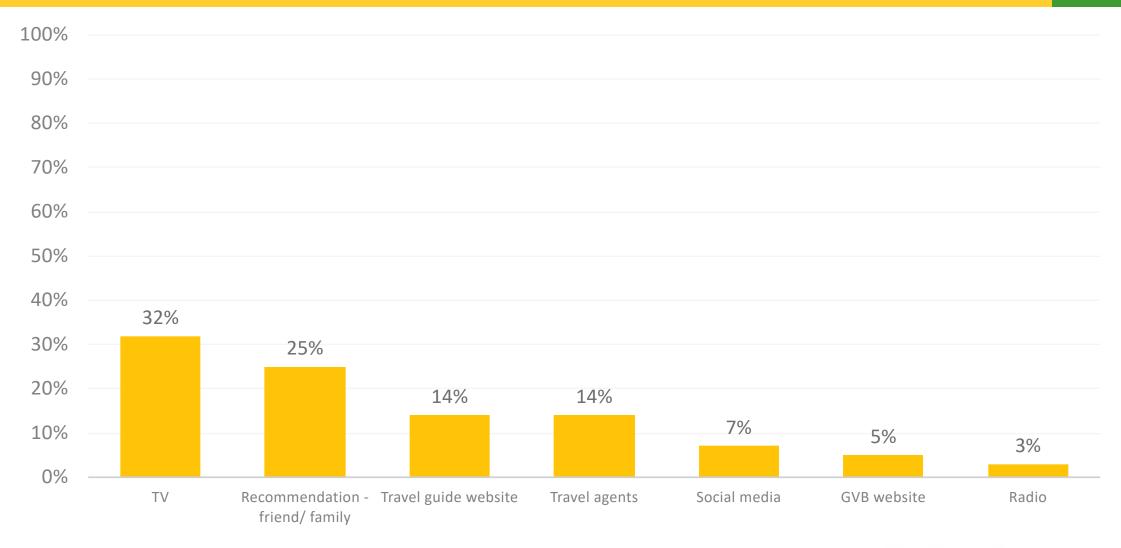








SOURCES OF INFORMATION ABOUT GUAM









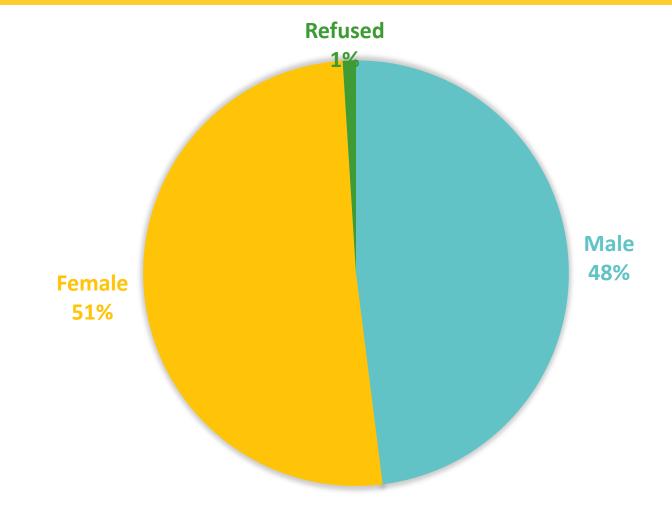








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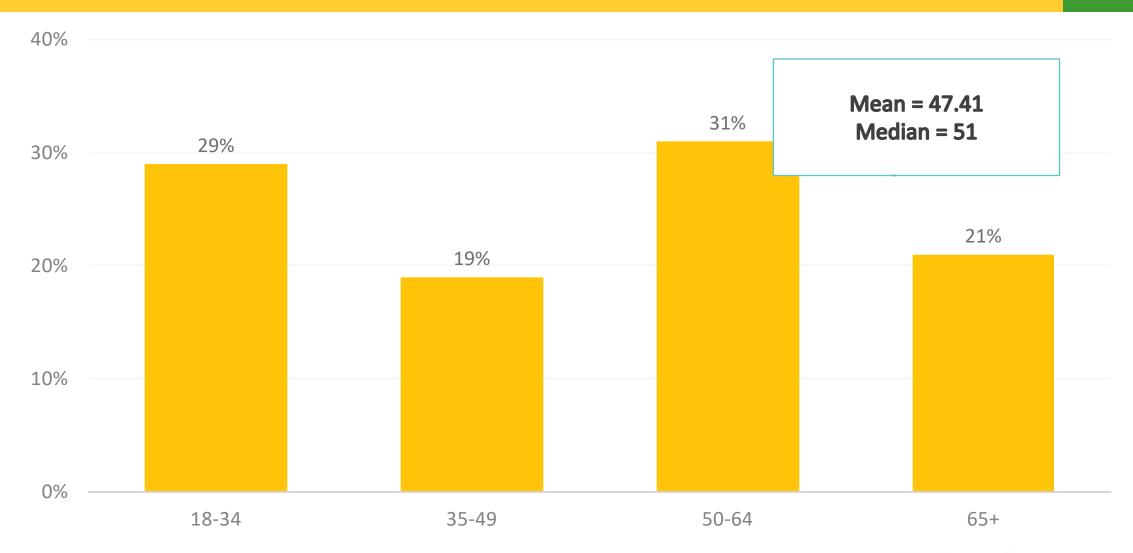








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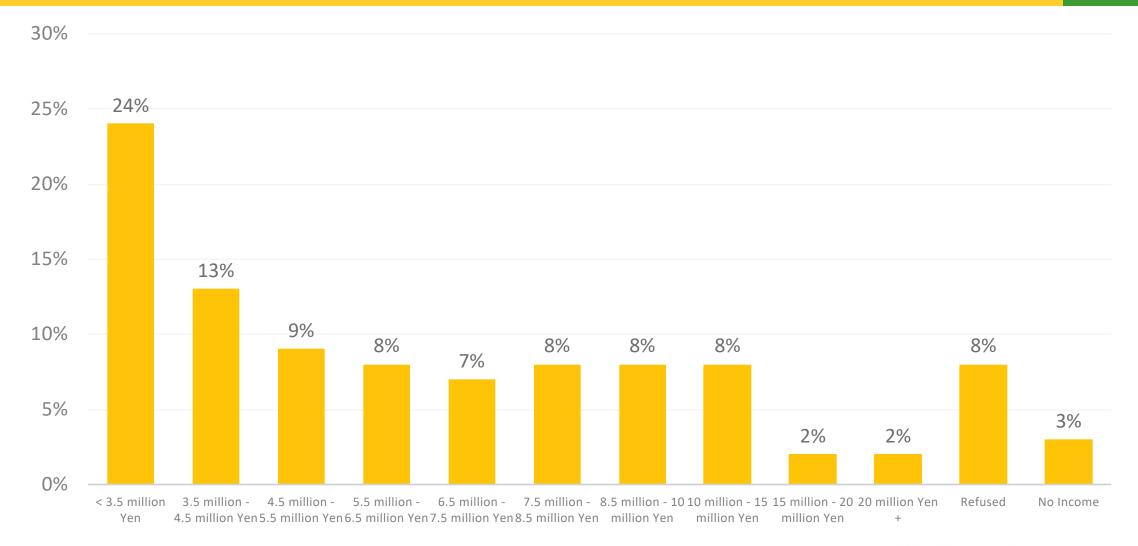








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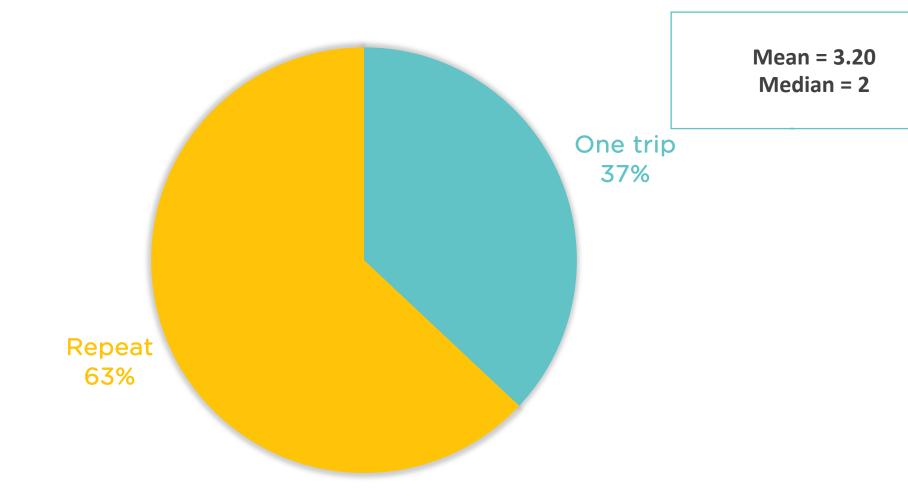








TRIPS TO GUAM

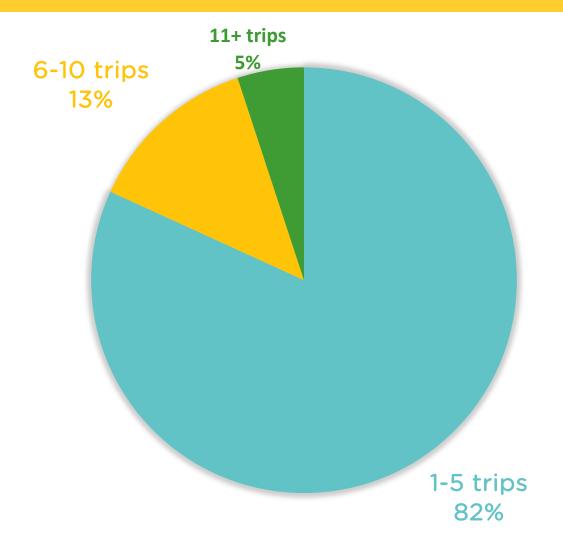








INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL



Mean = 3.22 Median = 2





