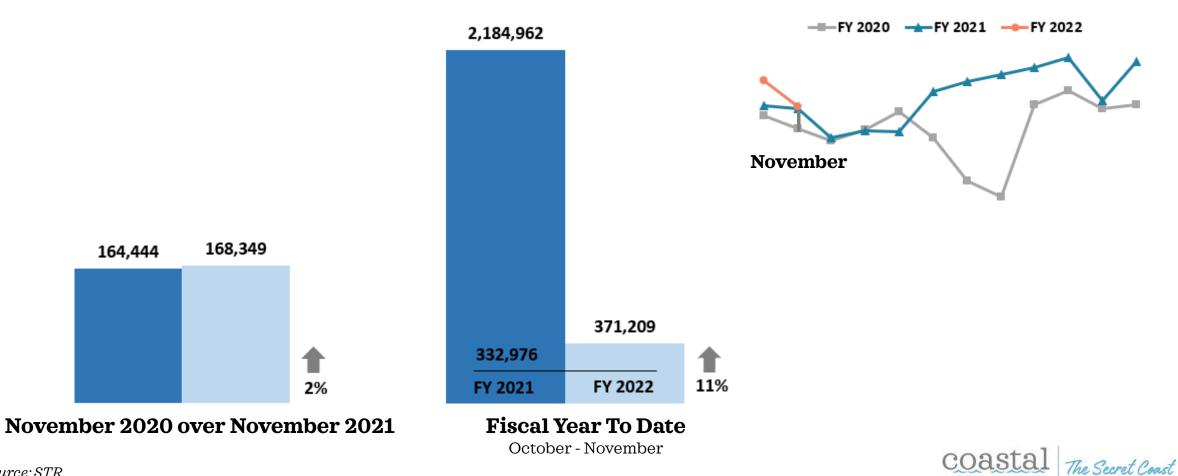


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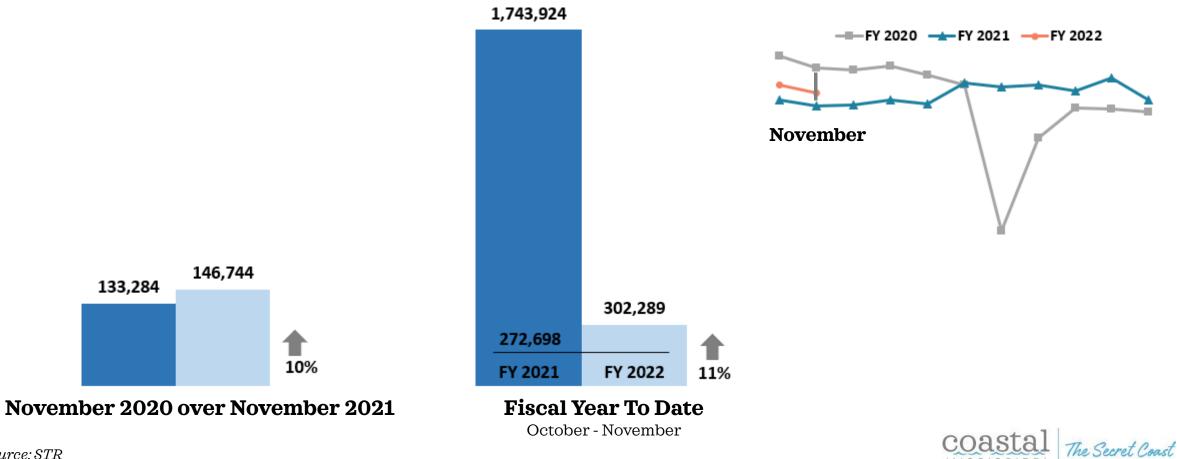


Non-Casino Rooms Sold



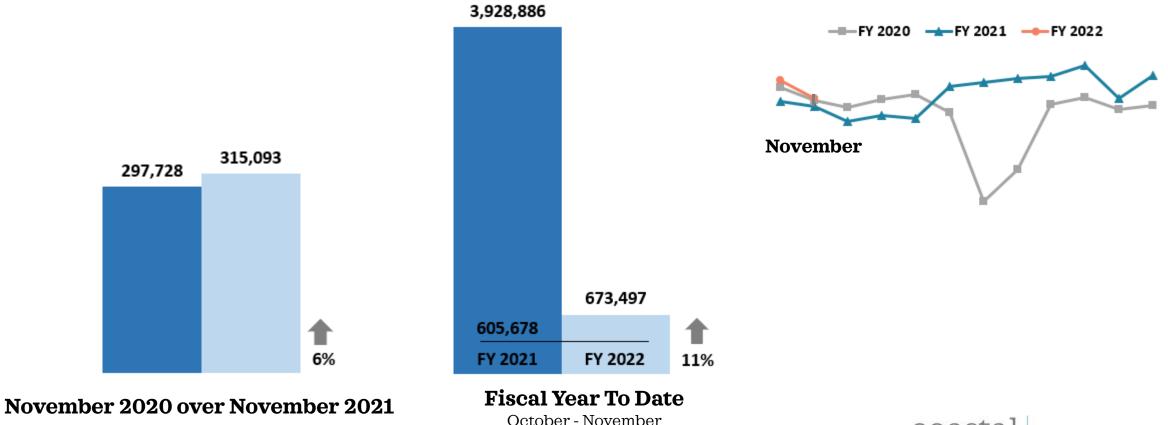
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Casino Rooms Occupied



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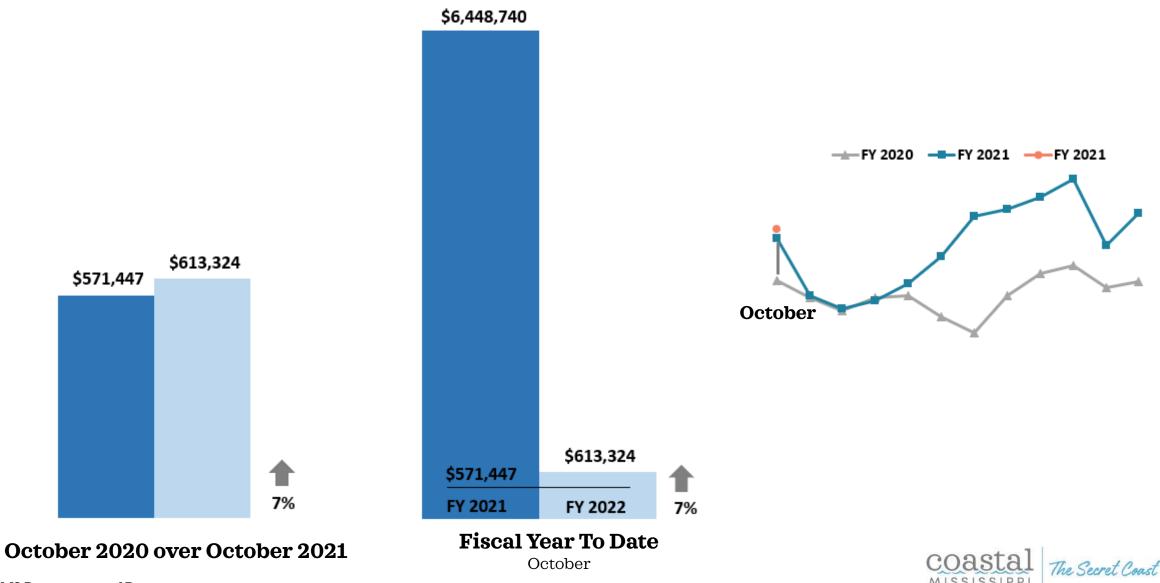
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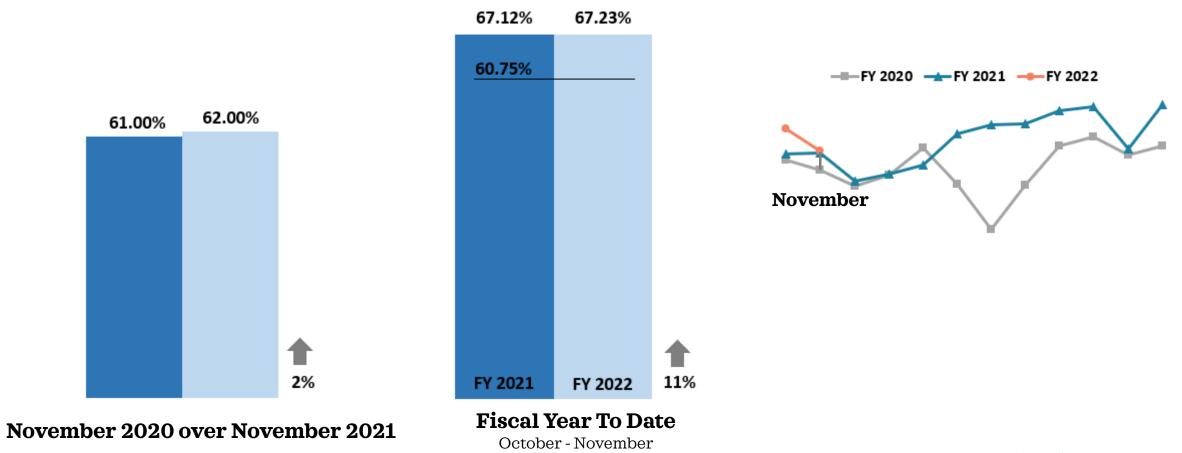
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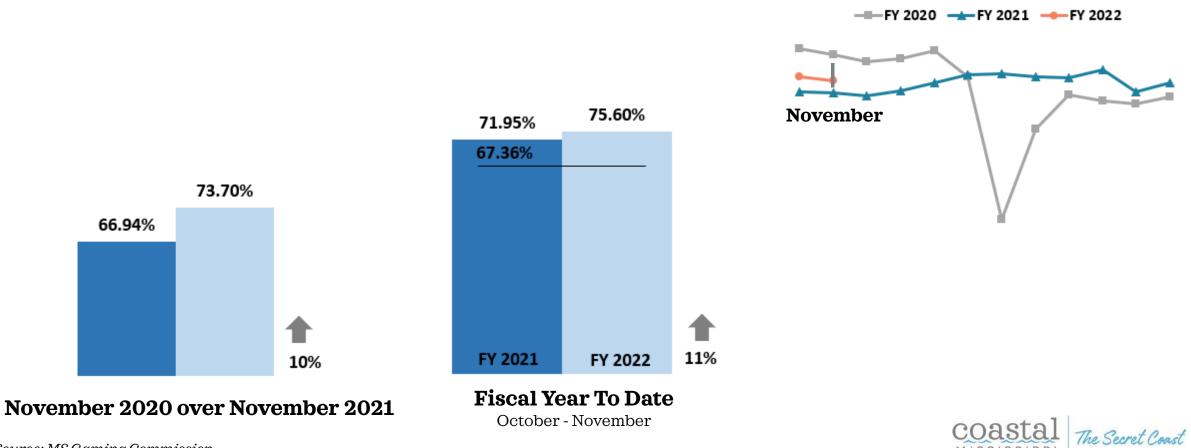
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Non-Casino Occupancy



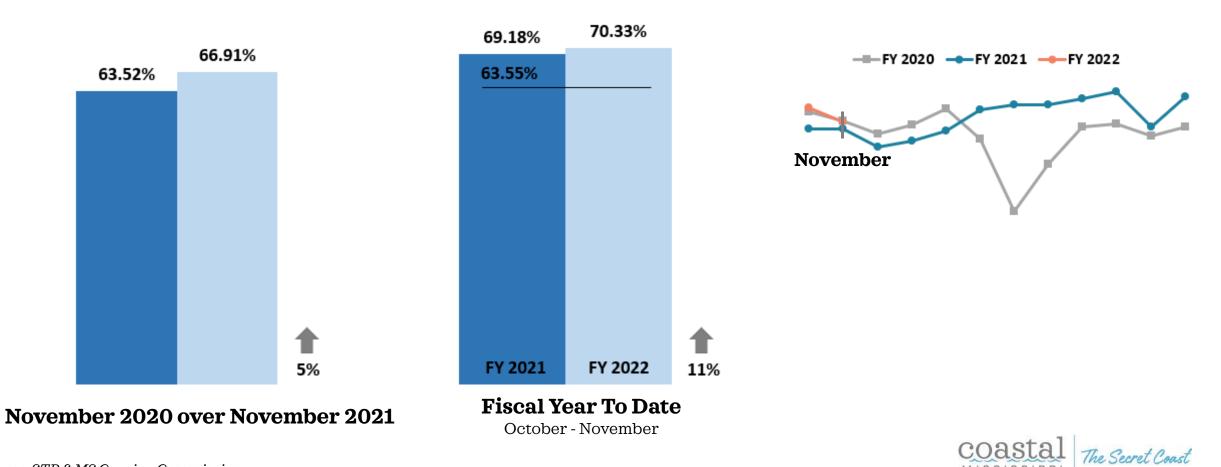


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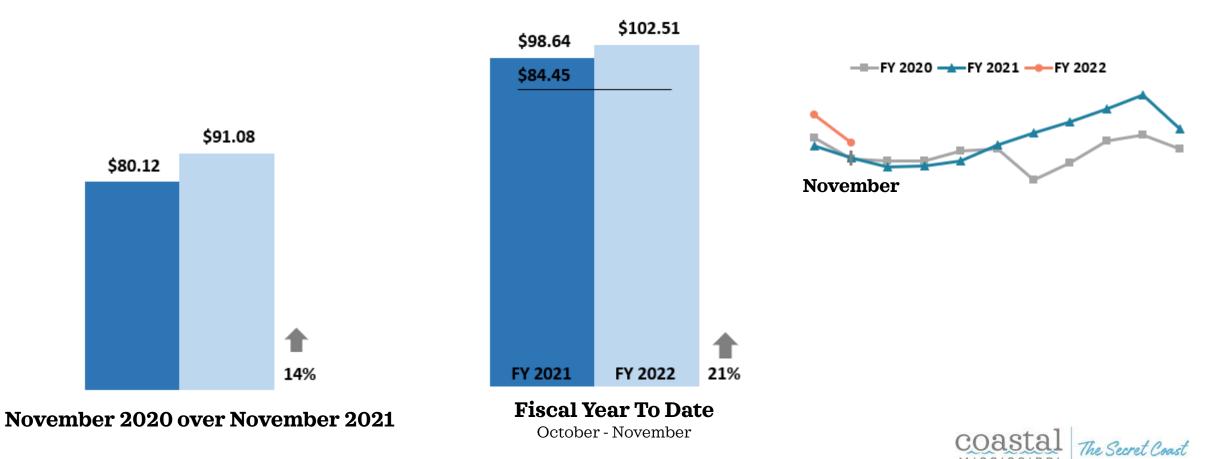
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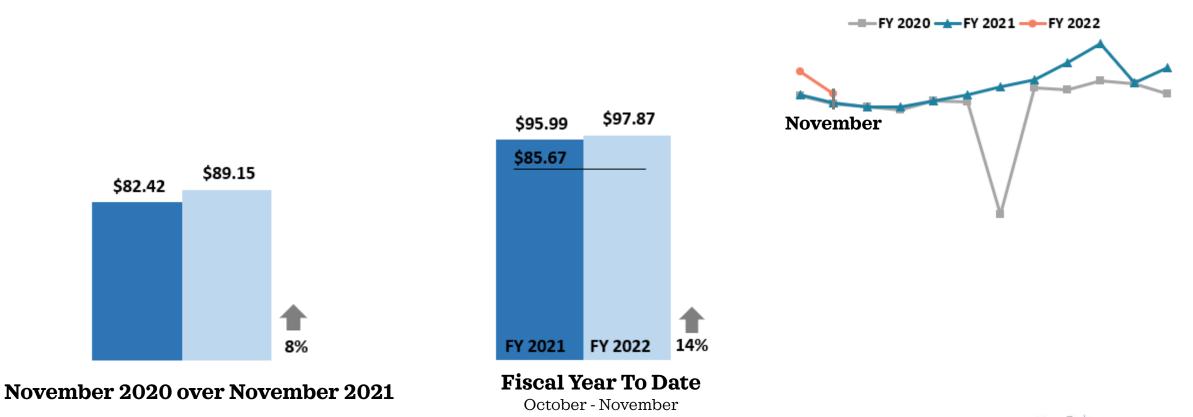


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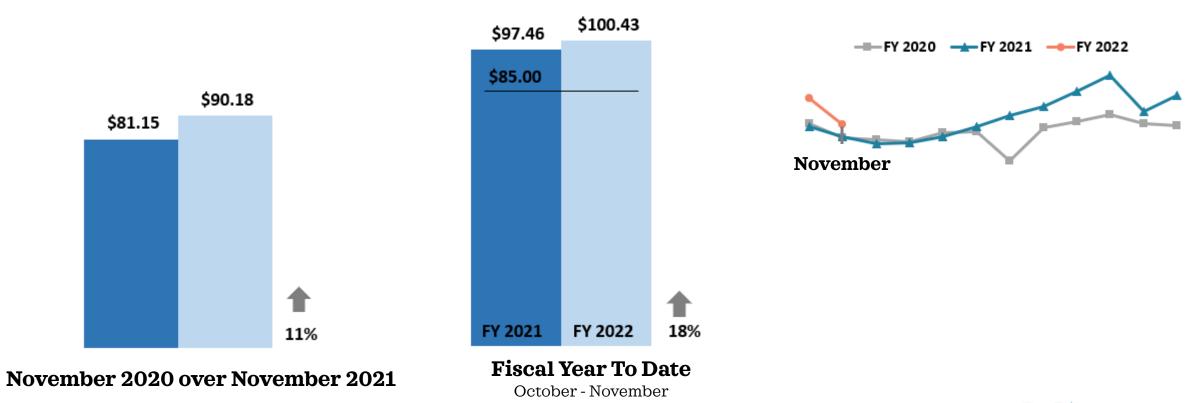
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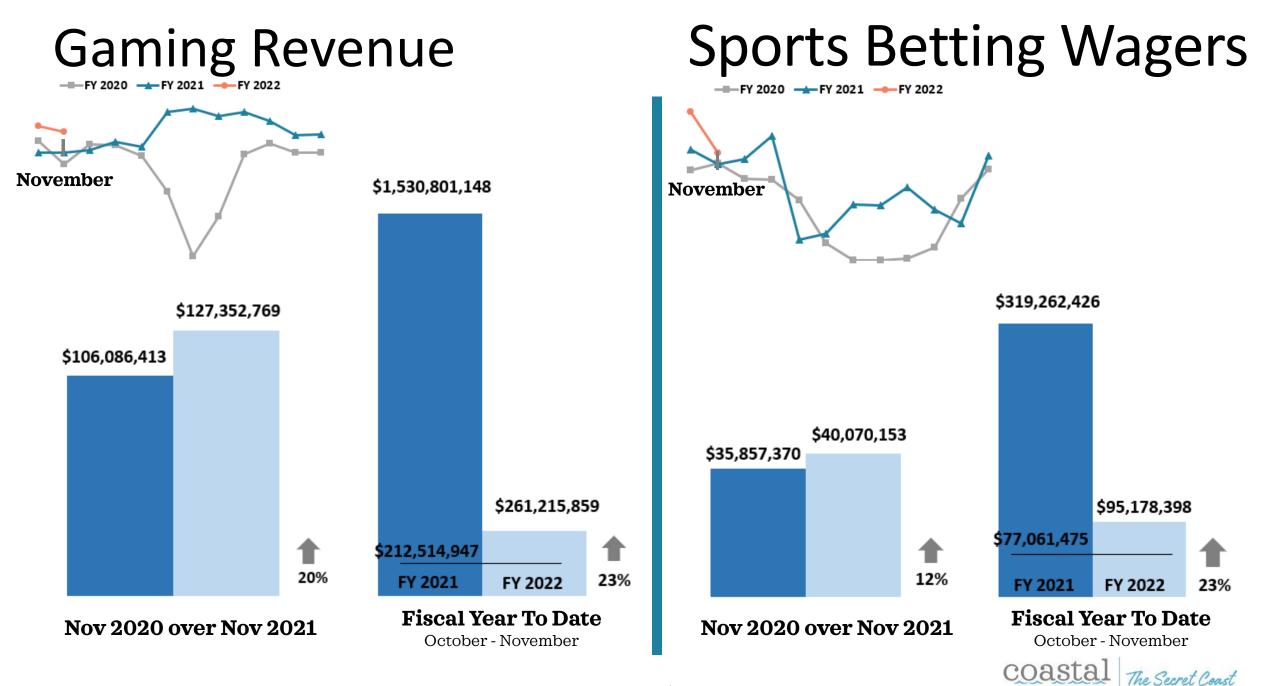
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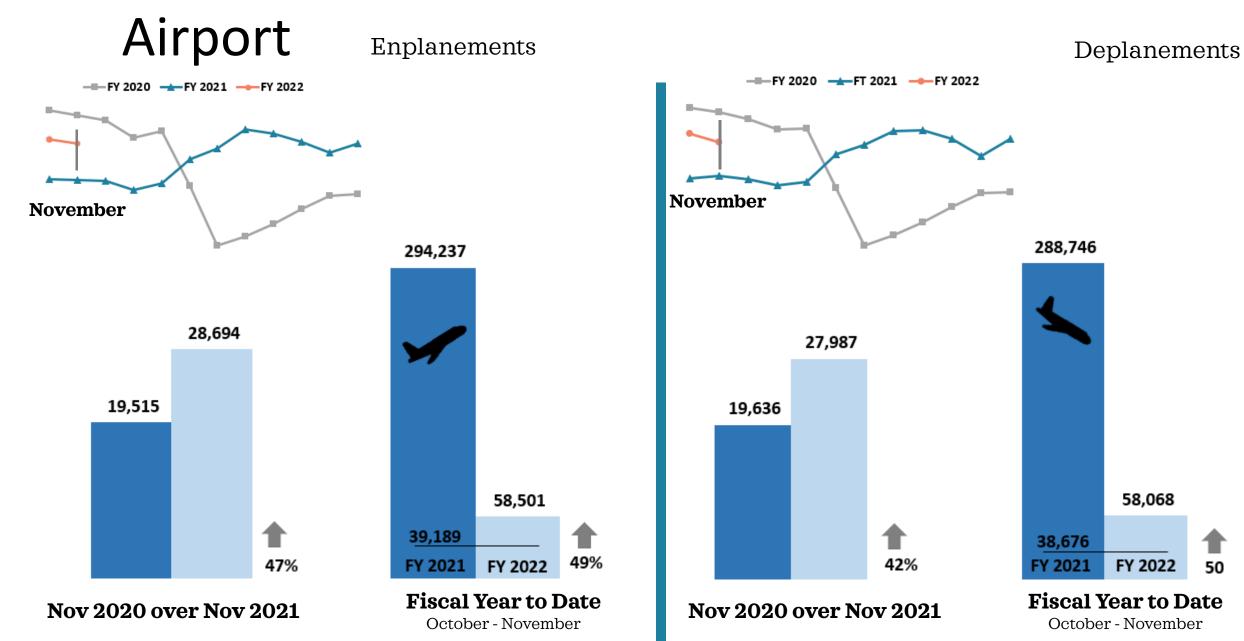


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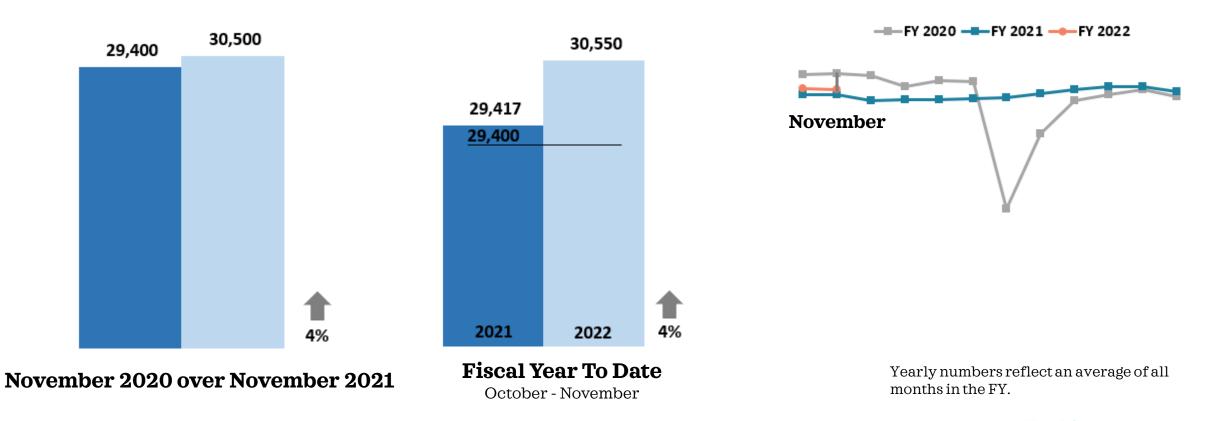
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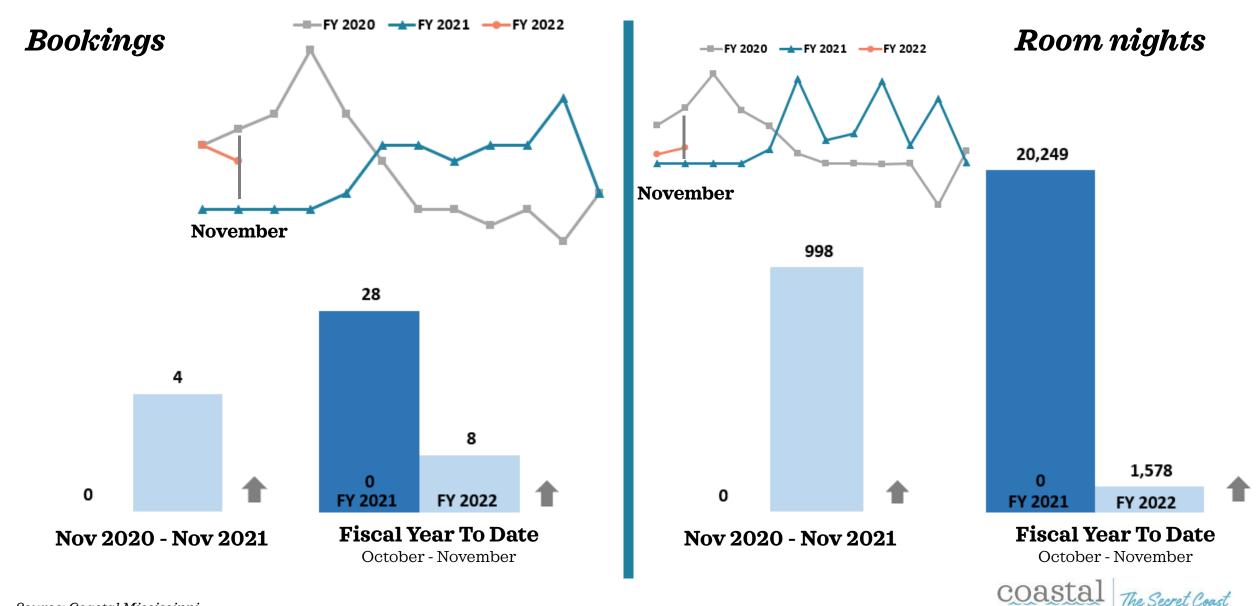


Leisure & Hospitality Jobs

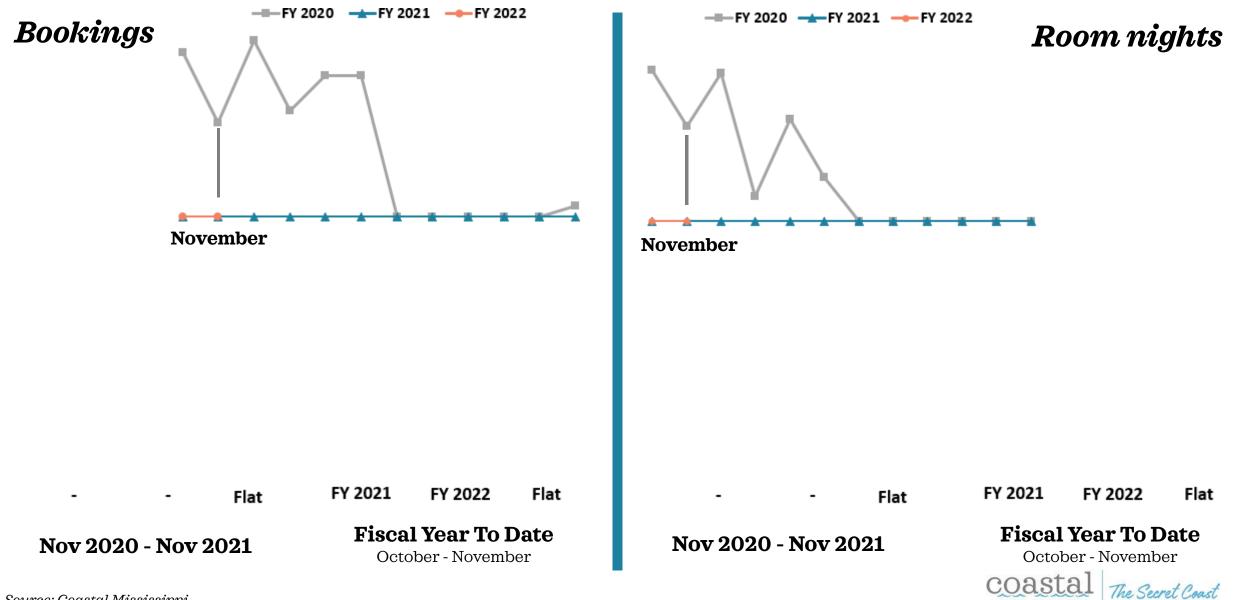




Definite Bookings – Meeting/Sports

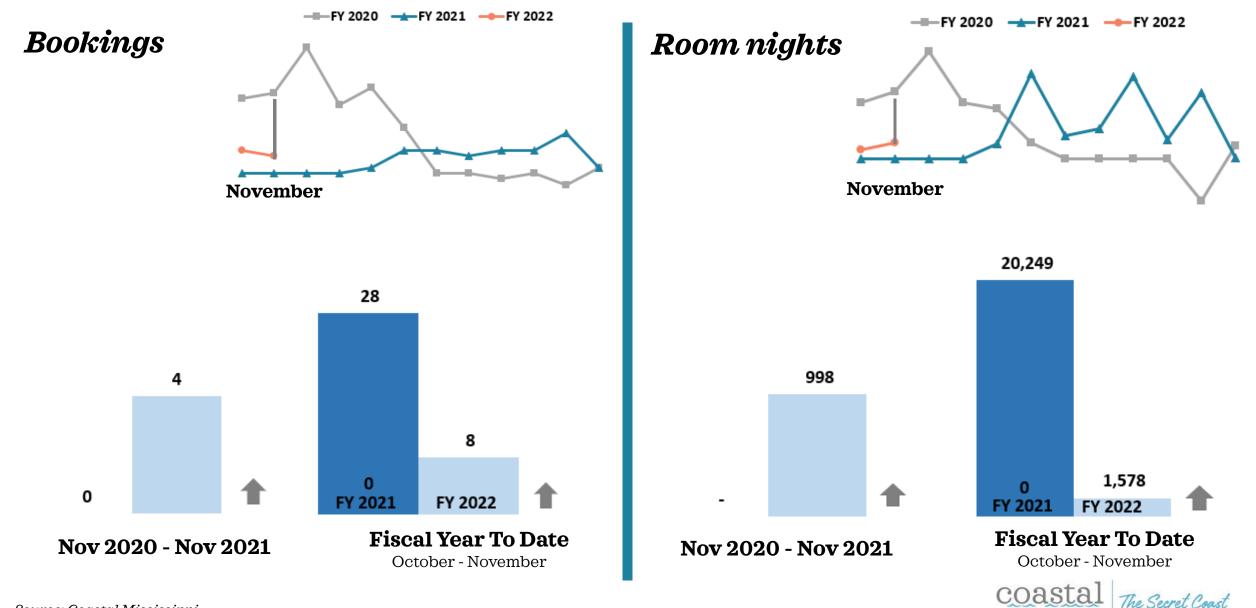


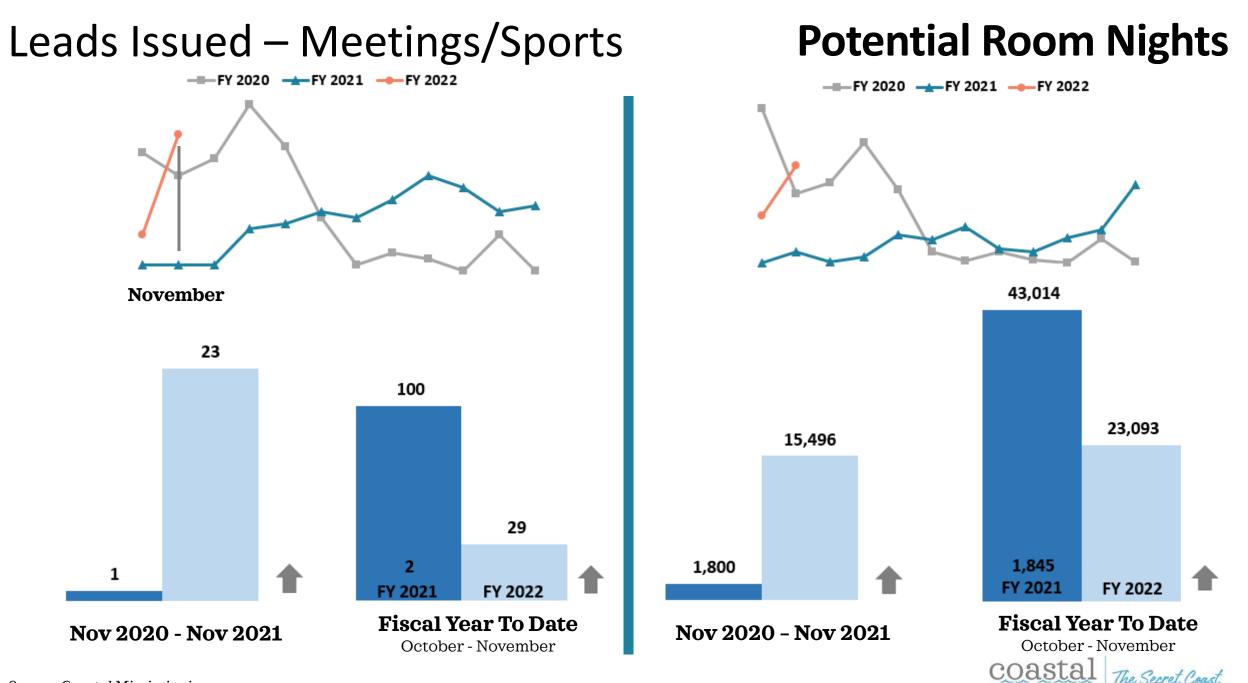
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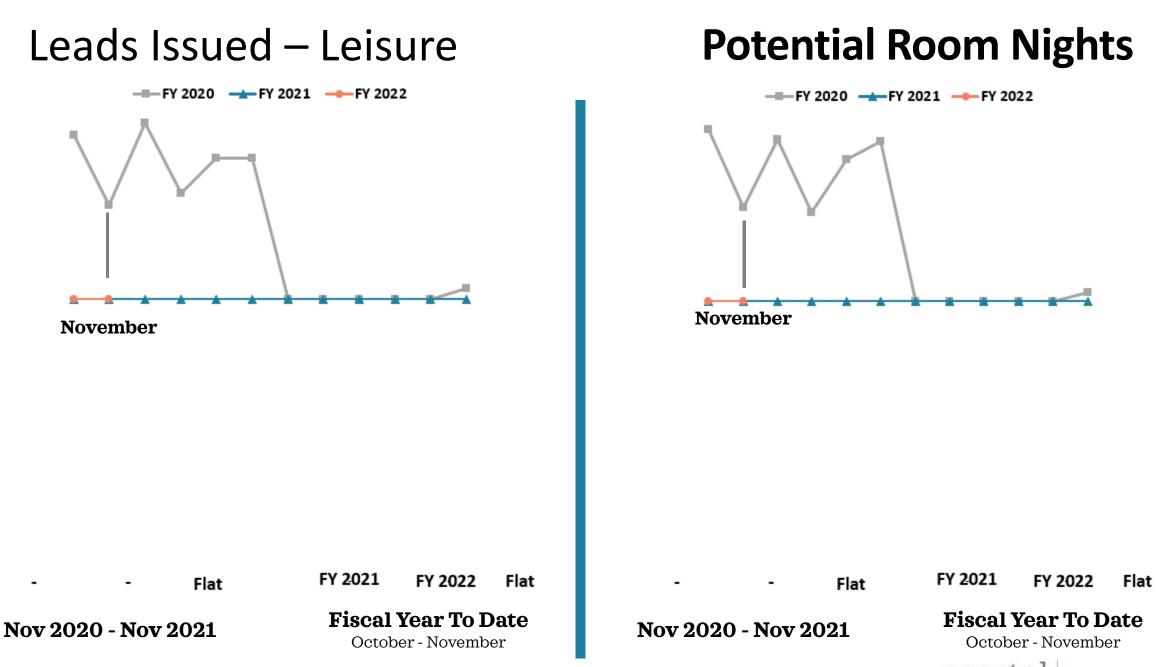


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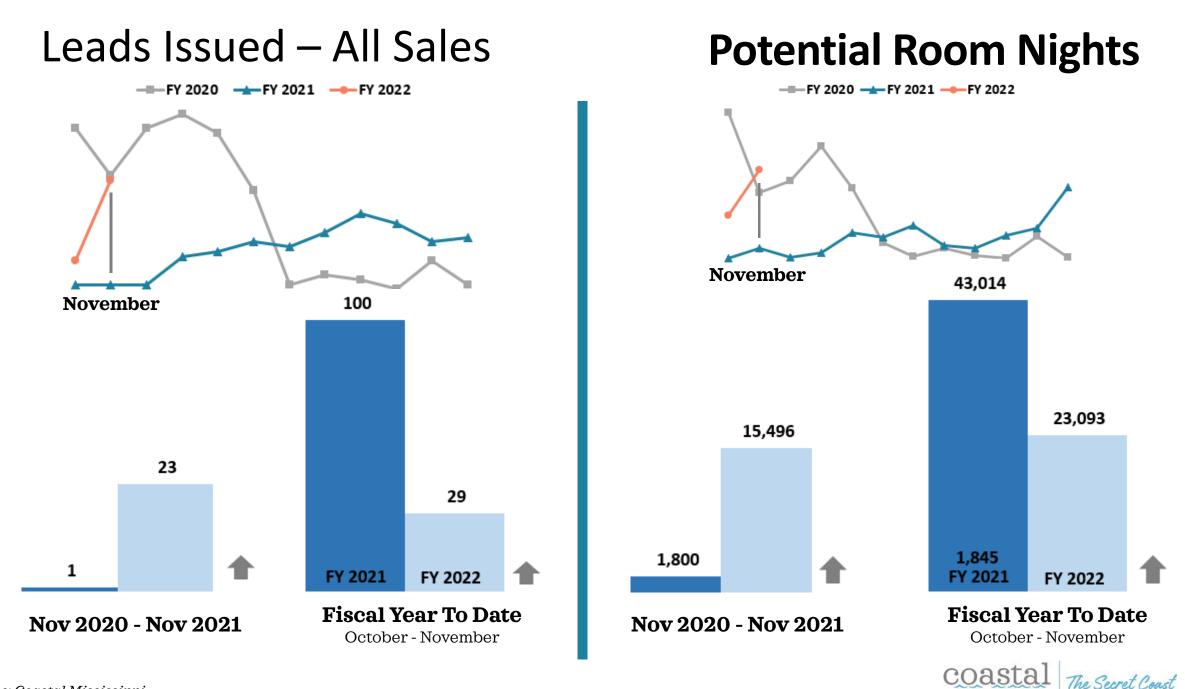
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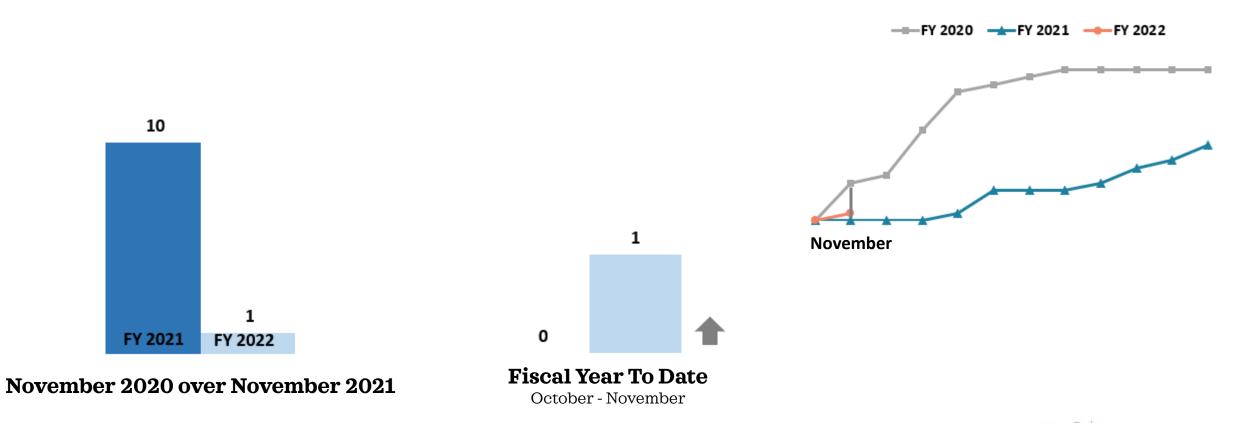




The Secret Coast



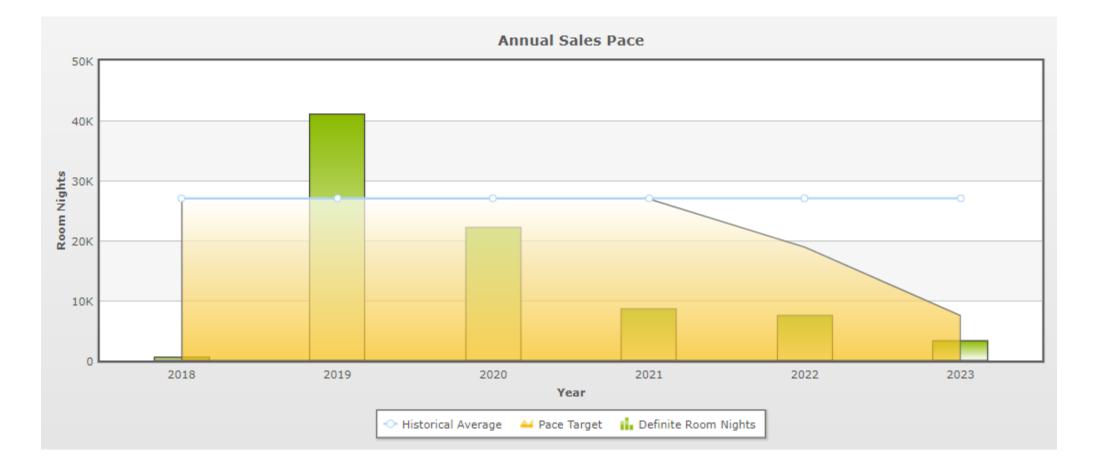
Convention Center Leads



COastal MISSISSIPPI The Secret Coast

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Pace Report





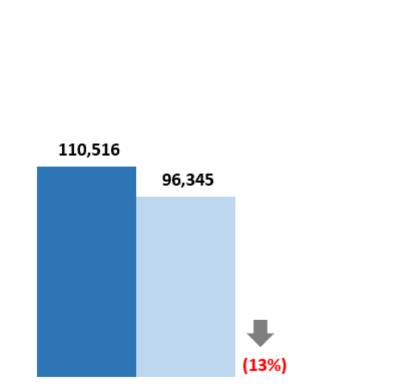
Pace Report - Pipeline



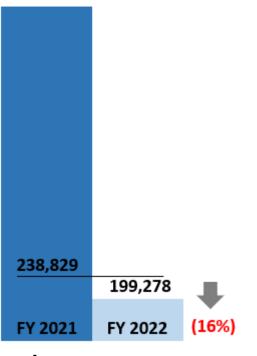
Annual Sales Pipeline



Google Analytics – Users



November 2020 over November 2021



1,511,113

Fiscal Year To Date October - November

Traffic Analysis:

- Organic sessions were up 26% over last year. Events made up 7 of the top 10 landing pages. The events section (content + details) was up 18% YoY.
- Content that contributed to the growth included Events This Weekend (+114%), and Ron Meyers Christmas City Gift Show (+191%), and the Gulfport Harbor Lights event (162%).
- Other YoY organic highlights: Bounce rate improved by 5%, average session duration up 6%, and referrals from listings up 43% and from events up 30%.

----FY 2020 -----FY 2021 ----FY 2022





Source: Google Analytics

Site Engagement

A snapshot of actions taken by visitors to our site. Newsletter sign up allows us the opportunity to engage with users based on their interests.

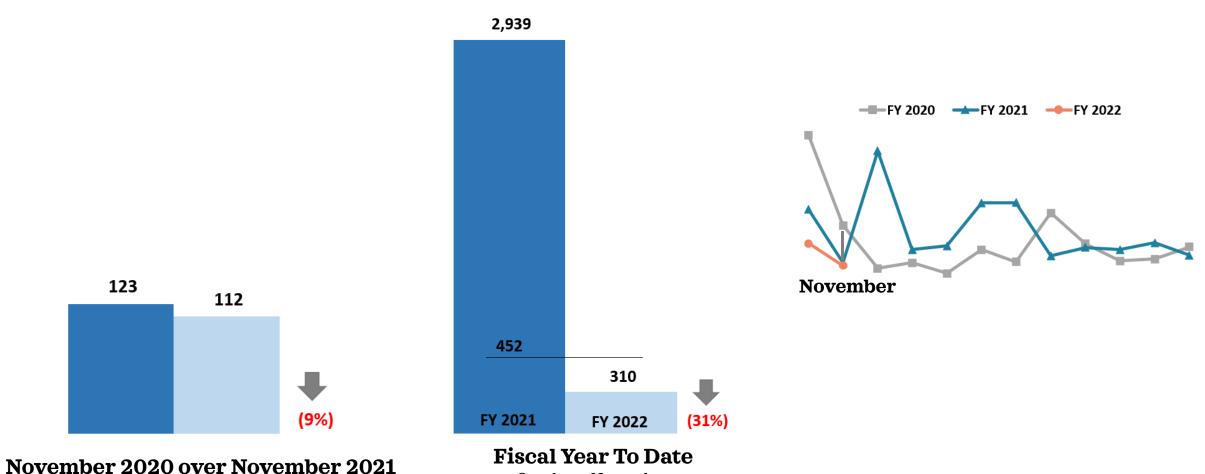
FY 2022	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Newsletter Signup	207	236										
Total Active Newsletter Recipients 26,016												
Request the Guide	544	581										
Digital Guide Views	131	86										
Action Taken Total number of partner events and listings viewed by visite site. Website Referral - Referrals to linked websites from any of comparison of the second secon							v					
Event Detail	6,724	9,525										
Listing Detail	13,741	9,713										
Website referral	12,177	11,026				_						

5,215 combined events; 268 - Things to Do; 222 - Casinos; 155 - Restaurants; 189 - Attraction-pass

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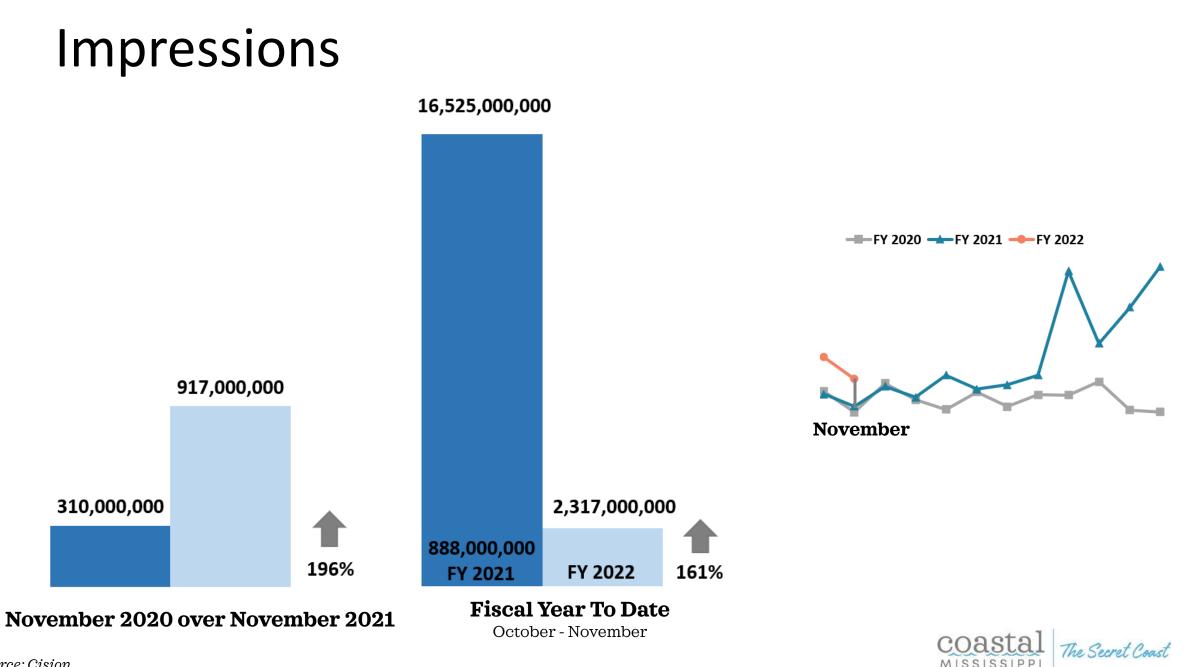
Number of Articles



October - November

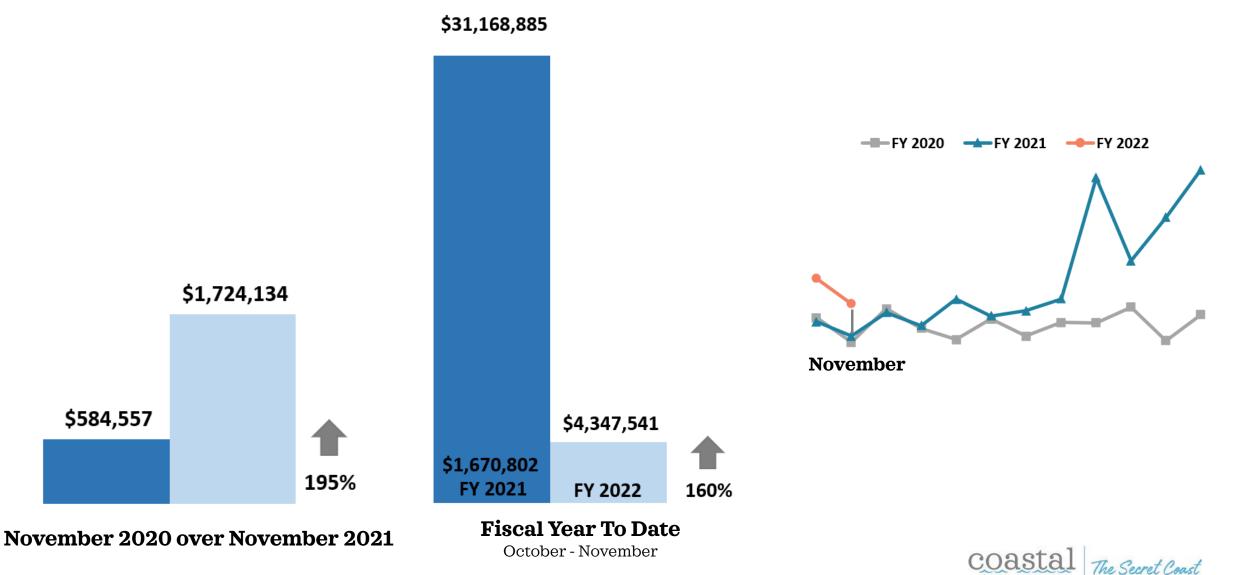


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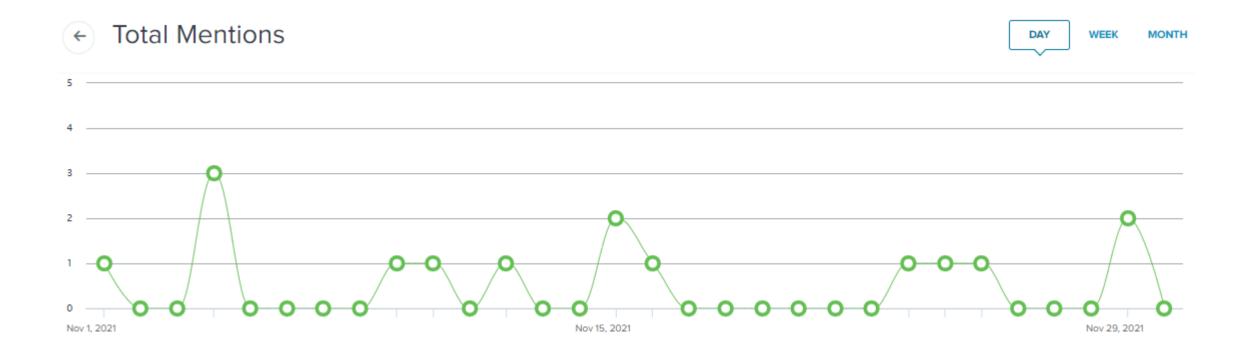


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Earned Media

Content Drivers:

- Outdoors & Nature
- Food & Drink
- Road Trips
- Holiday Getaways





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Coastal Mississippi reinstates full sales team as travel spending increases



COASTAL MISSISSIPPI – Coastal Mississippi, the destination marketing organization (DMO) for the state's tricounty coastal region continues to see visitation increase in the destination.

As a result, the agency is now preparing for a booming 2022 for its convention business by reinstating its full sales team.

In terms of leisure travel, Mississippi was the top travel spending market in the U.S. in 2020. As Coastal Mississippi accounts for at least one-third of the state's tourism employees, expenditures, and taxes, this places Coastal Mississippi as one of the highest performing destinations in the nation in 2020.

The DMO now looks forward to building on this momentum, which will allow the destination to grow and develop as a destination for meetings and conventions, in addition to leisure travel.

Though conventions and group meetings came to a halt during the pandemic, increased vaccinations and efforts like <u>Coastal Mississippi's Destination Promise</u>, a collaborative effort by partners throughout the region to adhere to health and safety guidelines, have set the destination up to foster additional visitor growth in that space in 2022.

As such, the organization is currently seeking to fill the newly reinstated position of director of sales. This role of this position is to manage and lead convention sales, sports sales, and group services department. They are responsible for identifying market opportunities, developing long and short-term marketing and sales strategies, developing training programs for sales managers, assigning annual measurable goals for all sales staff, and performing quarterly performance reviews of department staff.

Parks & Travel Magazine

Coastal Mississippi – Let Us Surprise You



Coastal Mississippi – I've not heard of that, some might say. Where is it, and what is there to do? Many years ago, the above sentence could easily have been something might have uttered. Then a funny thing happened. I visited the area once and fell in

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love. Ten years later, I relocated and have spent close to the last ten years in my adopted home. Allow me to tell you why.

Natural Beauty and Outdoor Adventure

Coastal Mississippi is the 'landmass between Louisiana and Alabama.' While that is indeed the truth, it is so much more. It is an area located on the Mississippi Sound, part of the Gulf of Mexico. It is an area that has some of the most beautiful sunrises and sunsets you can imagine. It is an area that has a multitude of attractions and unique places to visit. It is affordable with much diversity. It is the Secret Coast.

If you love outdoor adventure and discovering nature, we've plenty to keep you busy. With sixty-two miles of Coast and twelve cities to choose from, you will find plenty to keep the nature lover in you satisfied. If boating, fishing, or kayaking is your joy, we have an abundance of rivers, bayous, and open water to satisfy your spirit.





MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST ROAD TRIP – A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY ALONG THE SECRET COAST



What makes the Gulf Coast one of the best Mississippi road trips? You could plow along 77-miles on I-10 and not even stop for gas. The superhighway was conceived in 1956, but it was late coming to Mississippi. Up until 1982, travelers had to cross the state on US-90. Now the coastal route is left for people who want to slow down and experience the quaint charm of the Secret Coast.

It's only four miles longer to take the historic route, where you'll experience 26 miles of beaches and delightful towns steeped in history and up-and-coming artists. Coastal Mississippi has enough to offer to entice you on an afternoon backroad adventure or anchor a slow travel road trip. You could even pedal across the state on the Mississippi Coastal Heritage Trail. No matter how you choose to explore the path less traveled, it will make all the difference.

MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST RESTAURANTS – A TASTE OF THE COASTAL MISSISSIPPI'S CULINARY DELIGHTS



The Mississippi Gulf Coast restaurant scene is a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma. Is it French Creole like the first European settlers? Pascagoula is home to the oldest verified French house in the coastal Mississippi valley. Is it in the deep south? You'll find the Jefferson Davis Presidential Library in Biloxi. Do you come for seafood? About 70% of the domestic shrimp and oyster production comes from the Mississippi Sound. Maybe it's farm-to-table fare from Mississippi's fertile fields or artisan eateries in charming coastal towns?

The truth is that coastal Mississippi restaurants are all of these things mixed together in sweet harmony. Our Mississippi Gulf Coast restaurant guide lets you experience this region like you were there. We put you inside each restaurant eating one of their signature dishes. It's part wanton food porn and part travel muse. If you don't find this piece at least entertaining, we're not doing our job.



Southern Living



The Prettiest Beach Town in Every State

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Ocean Springs, Mississippi

Lined with live oaks and oldfashioned, busy storefronts, this artsy town on the Gulf of Mexico has no commercial development marring its shoreline. Here, the streets lead to a pale-sand public beach with a fishing pier, a charming park, and glistening views out to the delicate and pristine Gulf Islands.



10 Offbeat Winter Destinations For RV Snowbirds



9. Biloxi, Mississippi

For RVers who prefer a little more nightlife while RVing, the "Secret Coast" of Mississippi is a fun winter getaway. The town of Biloxi checks all the fun boxes with gaming, shopping, seafood, and riverboats.

One of the best places to stay in town is the <u>Biloxi Bay RV Resort and Marina</u>. Nearly all the RV sites are on the water. Even the pool has a view of the bay. The resort also features glamping tents, free cable and roomy, paved sites.





Mississippi's Coastal Region Offers an Oasis of Delicious Destinations



Locally Loved Flavors

"One of the things that drew us to the coast was that it is between one of the most nutrient-rich bodies of water in the world and one of the most plentiful farming areas in the country," says <u>Austin Sumrall</u>, a Mississippi native "We should know where our food comes from and take it one step further and know who our food comes from."

Sumrall is the chef and owner at <u>White Pillars</u>, a farm-to-table restaurant in a restored neoclassical mansion. Before opening the restaurant in 2017, he searched the Gulf region for local farmers, fishers and purveyors who could provide flavorful, local ingredients to highlight on the menu. Even the furniture, dishes and artwork were purchased from local artisans.

Everything on the seasonal menu from the heirloom tomato pie and grits with salsa verde to the cast iron seared pork chop and wood grilled Gulf fish is sourced locally. Farms include Delta Blues Rice, Home Place Pastures, Two Dog Farms and Harbor Hill Farms.

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8 Fantastic Outdoor Adventures on the Mississippi Gulf Coast

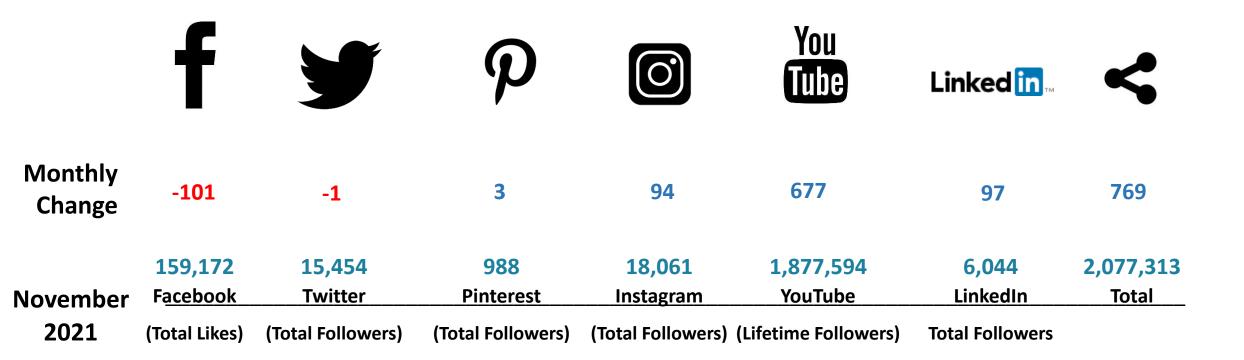


As the sun sets over the beaches of Biloxi, Mississippi, the horizon lights up with all of the glitz and glamor of the Las Vegas strip. Casinos dot US Highway 90, inviting patrons to take a chance at the gaming tables or slots, and spend the weekend in an upscale hotel with sumptuous dining. But there is more to the Mississippi Gulf Coast than casinos.

And, that is only the beginning of the many outdoor recreational activities just waiting for you to explore along the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Here are eight fantastic outdoor adventures that you won't want to miss.



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