The State of the American Traveler



Methodology

- Monthly tracking survey
- Representative sample of adult American travelers in each of four U.S. regions
- Tracks traveler sentiment to generate insights into domestic travel trends
- Survey collected: May 16-28
- 4,000+ fully completed surveys collected each wave
- Confidence interval of +/- 1.55%
- Data is weighted to reflect the actual population of each region

United States Census Regions







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Today's Agenda



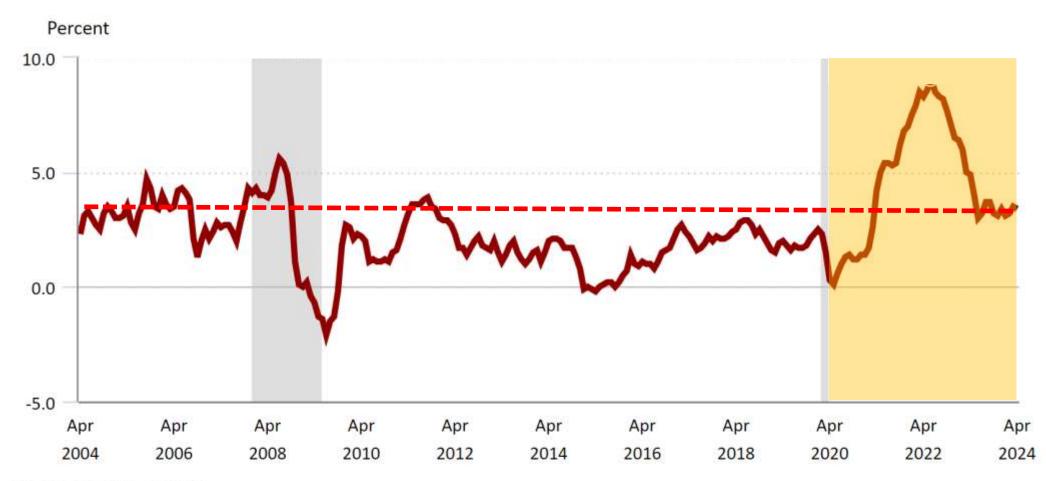


Travel Sentiment Overview

Digital Influencer Panel



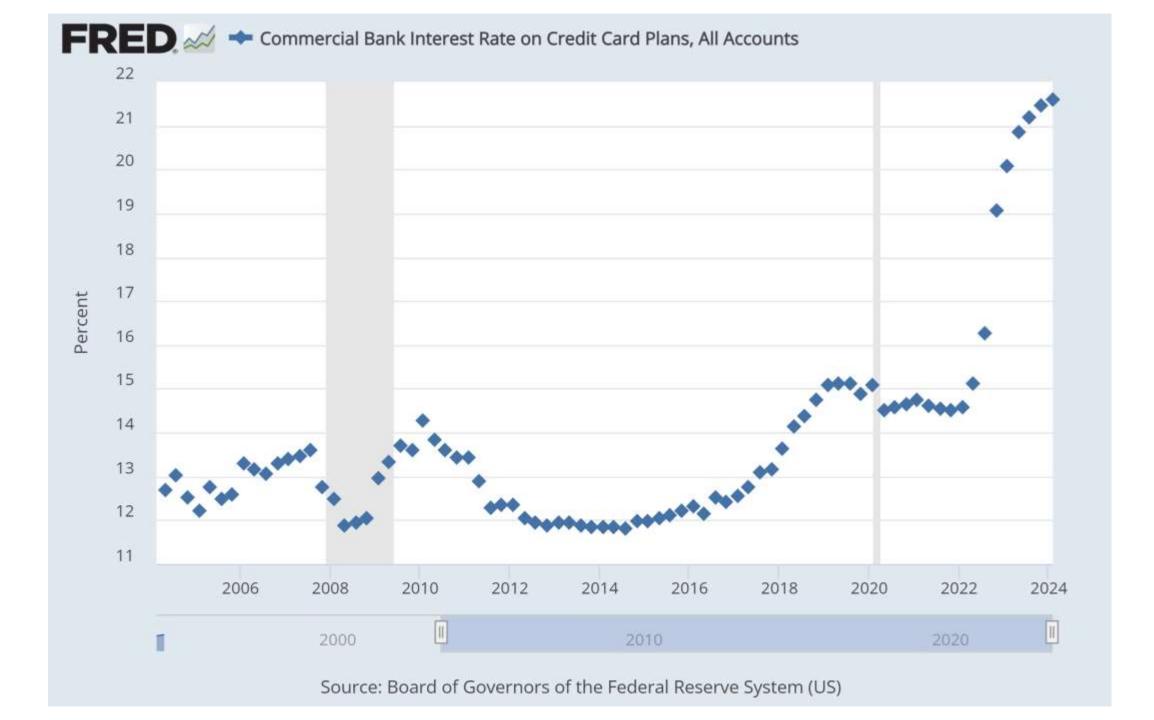
12-month percentage change, Consumer Price Index, not seasonally adjusted



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Note: Shaded area represents recession, as determined by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

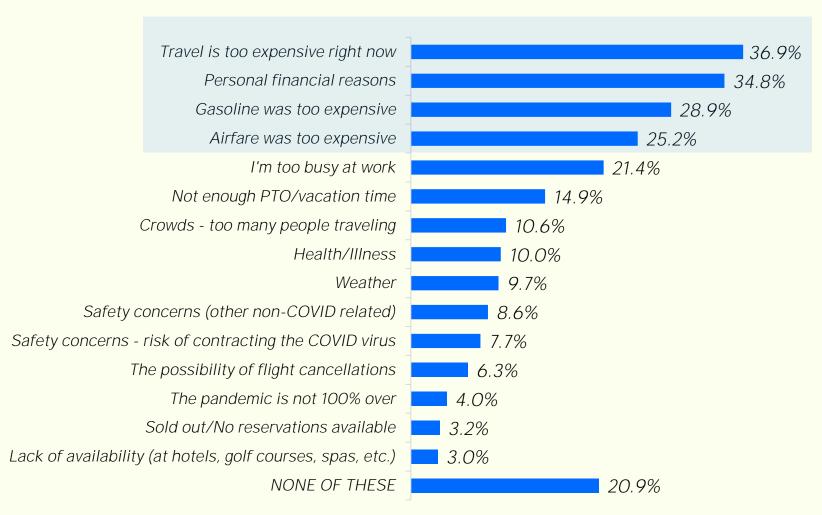




The top barriers to travel reported by American travelers continue to be money-related.

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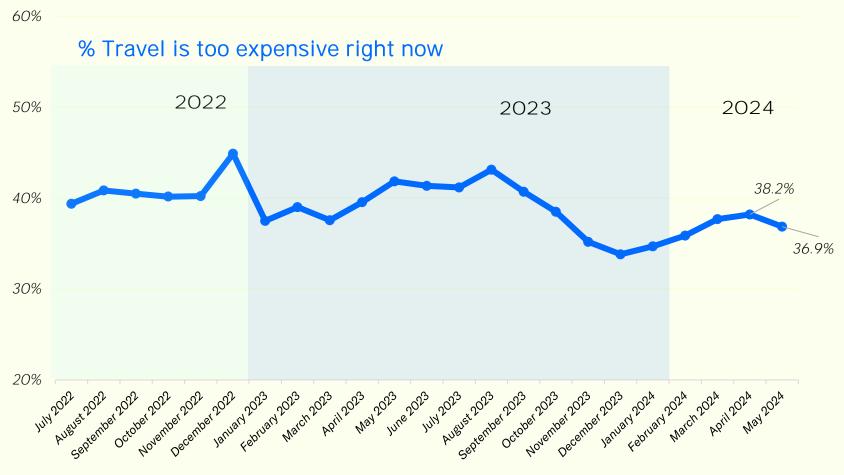
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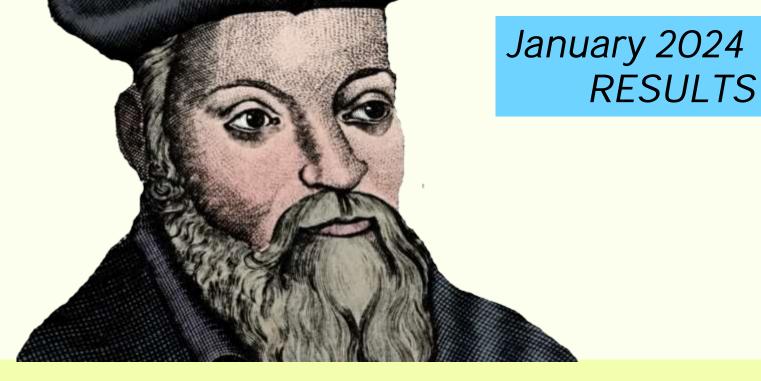
Travel being "too expensive" had increased as a deterrent in recent months--but turned slightly in May.

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Crowdsourcing Predictions for 2024

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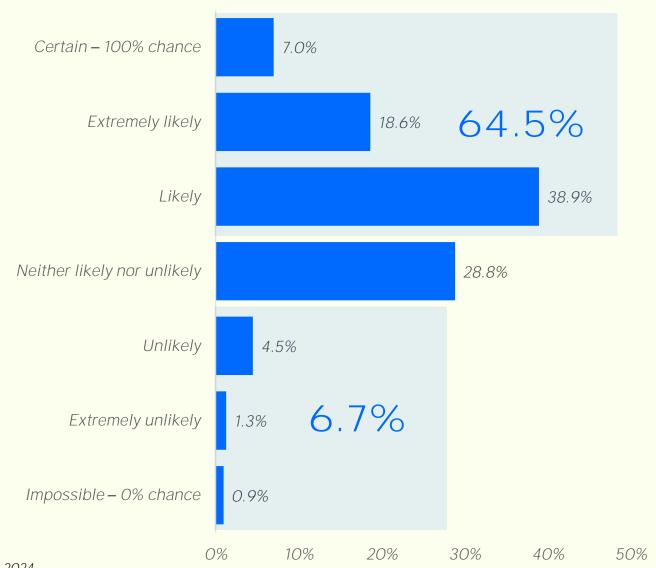
Crowding & High Costs



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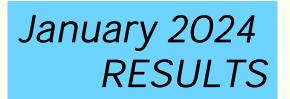


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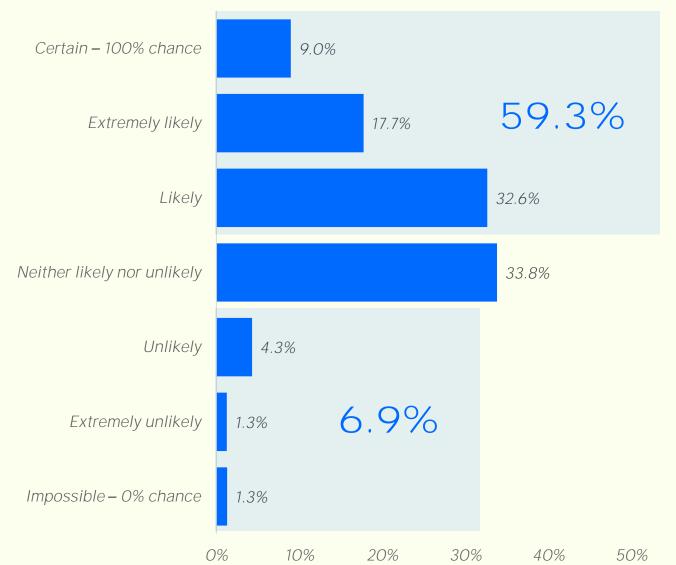
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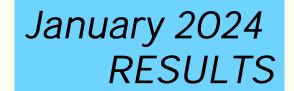
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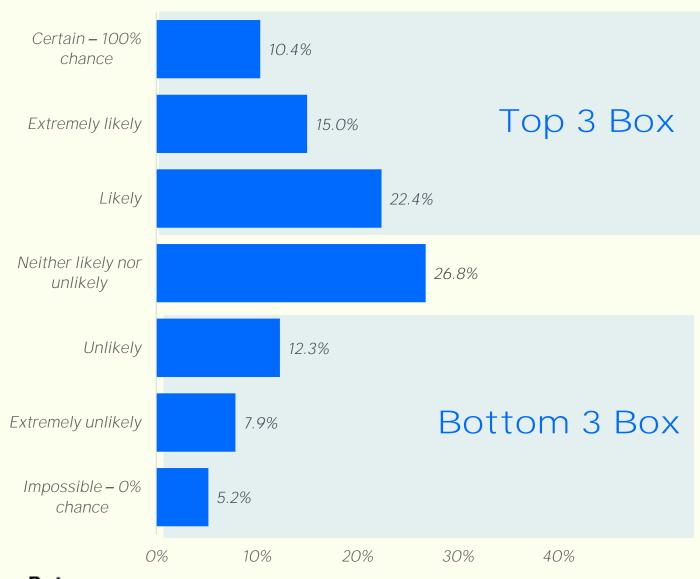
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Putting it all in perspective





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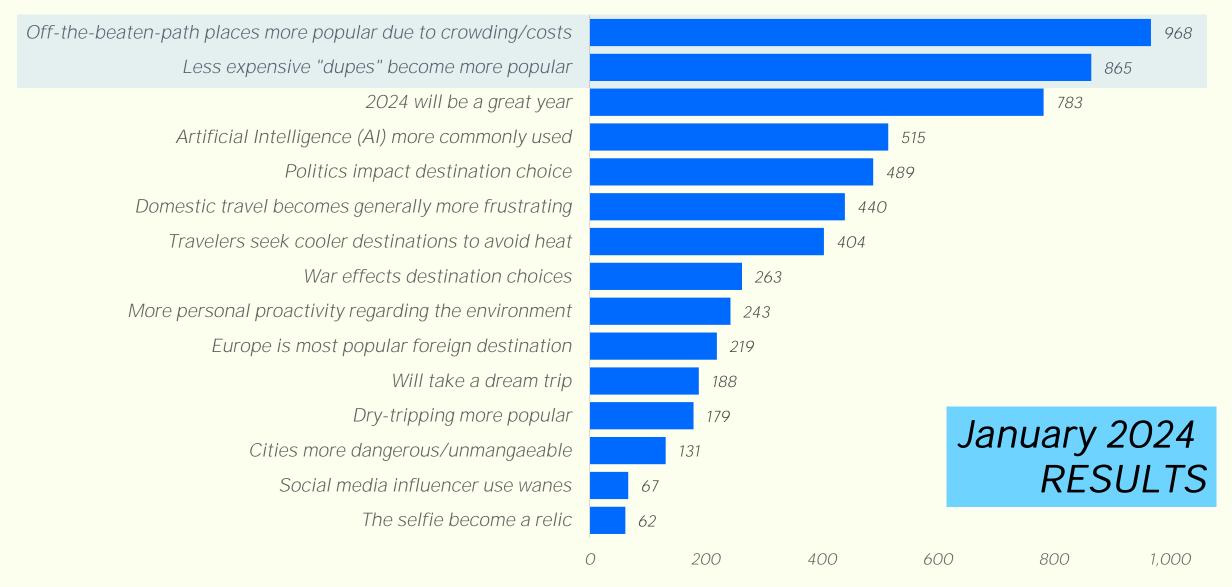
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Putting it in perspective



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Defining "recent inflation" for survey respondents

Definition:

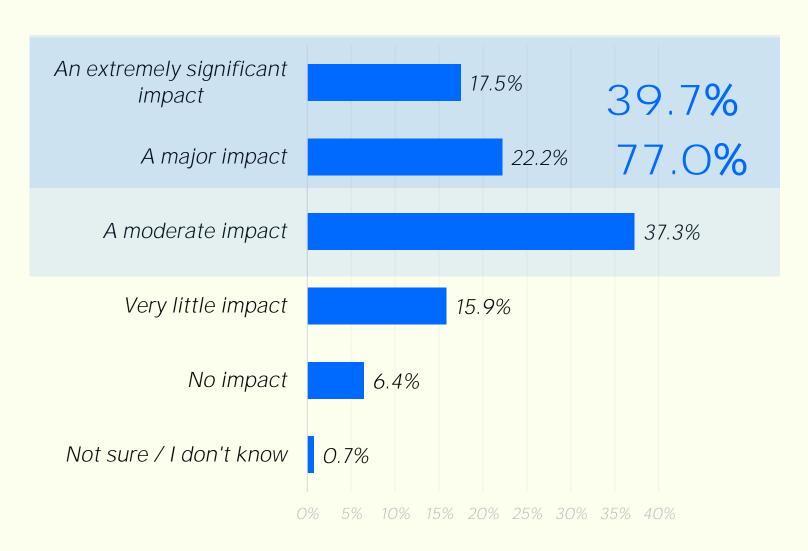
The cost of living (i.e., inflation) over the past three years has increased in the US and globally. In the following questions, the term "recent inflation" refers to this situation.

American travelers' sense of financial well-being has been significantly impacted by recent inflation.

Question:

How, if at all, has this recent inflation impacted your sense of financial well-being? (Select one to best fill in the blank.)

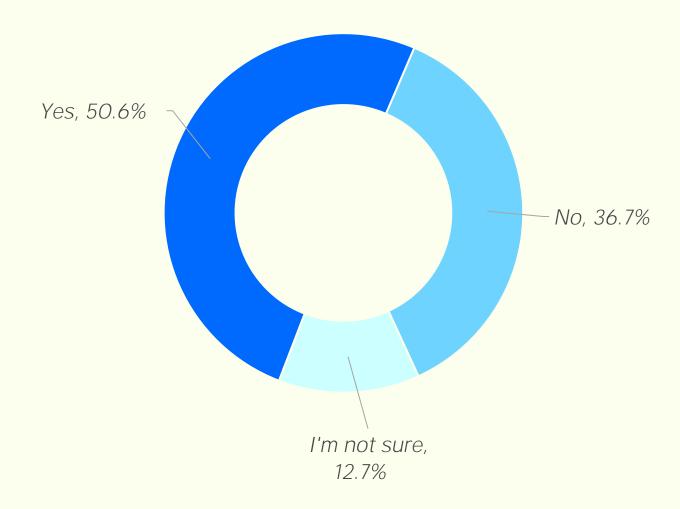
Inflation has had _____ on my sense of financial well-being.



Half of American travelers expect to alter their summer travel plans as a result of recent inflation.

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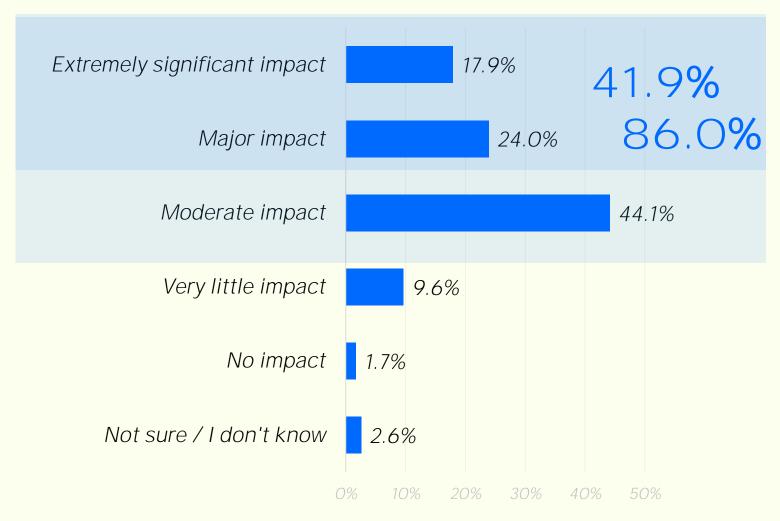
Due to recent inflation, will you make any changes to the way you plan, budget, or execute your SUMMER TRAVEL?



Many American travelers expect recent inflation will significantly impact their summer travel behavior.

Question:

Overall, how significant do you think the impact of recent inflation will be on your SUMMER TRAVEL PLANS?



Base: Respondents altering the way they plan, budget, or execute their summer travels. 2,477 respondents.

The summer most travelers will be looking for deals and discounts.

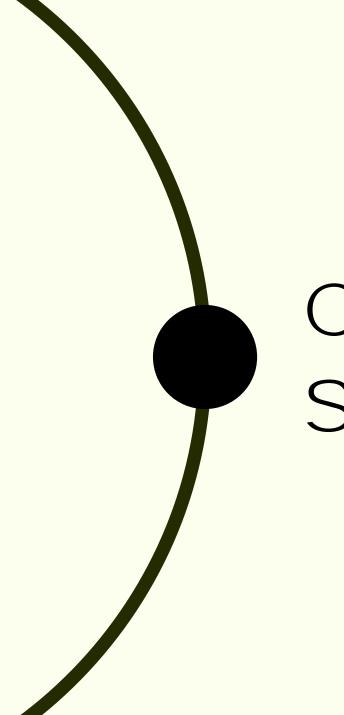
Question:

Due specifically to recent inflation's impact on your finances, which of the following will you be likely to do this summer?



Avg. = 2.9 of these

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Current Sentiment



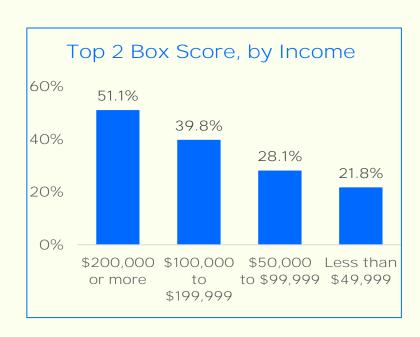
As we move toward summer--and despite continuing stress over the cost of living--overall traveler sentiment is solid.

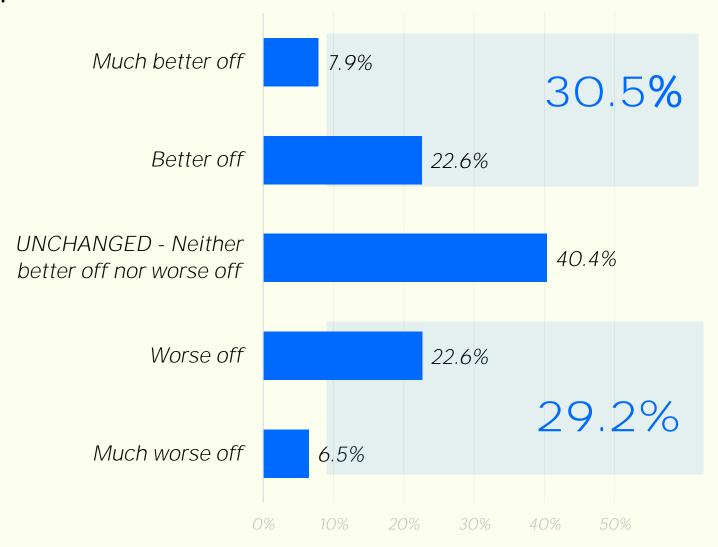


Travelers remain relatively split on their current financial situation.

Question:

Would you say that you (and your household) are better off or worse off financially than you were a year ago?

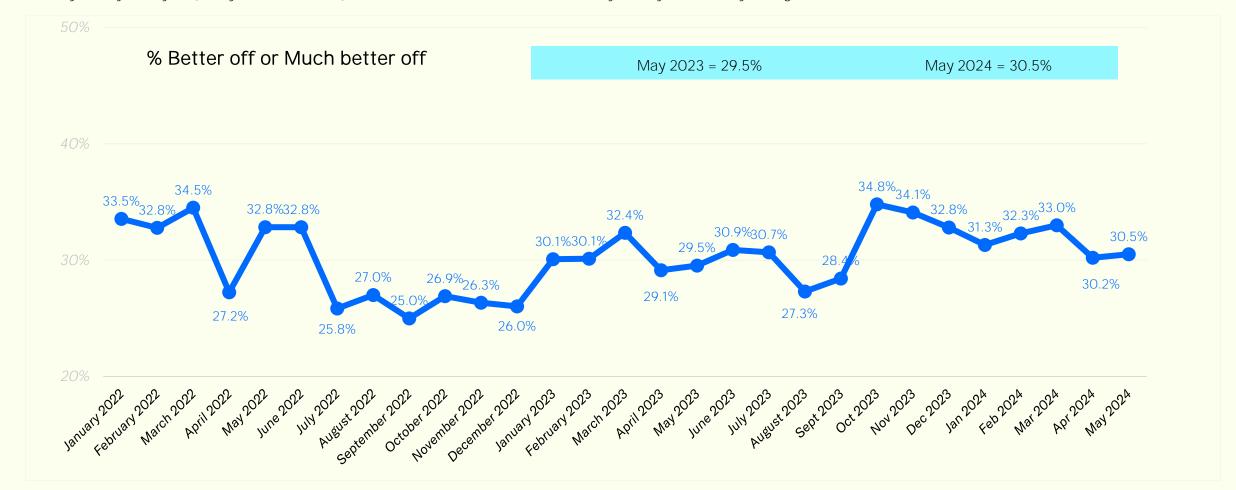




This month the proportion of travelers feeling "Better off financially" was unchanged.

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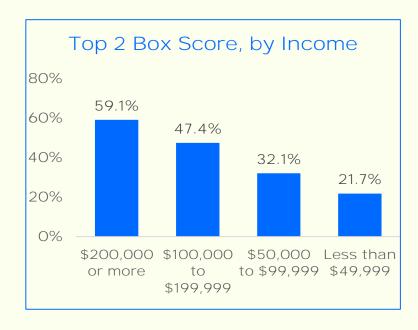
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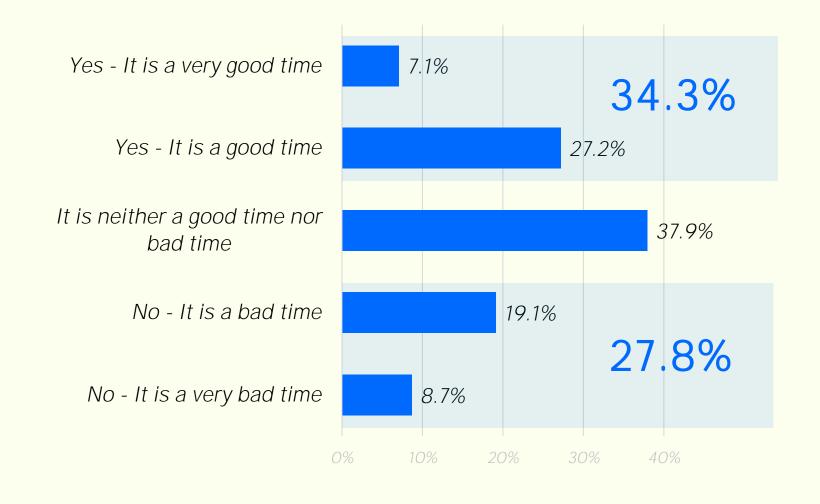


Travelers remain split of whether now is a good time to spend on leisure travel.

Question:

Thinking only of your household's finances, do you feel NOW is a good or bad time for you to spend money on leisure travel?

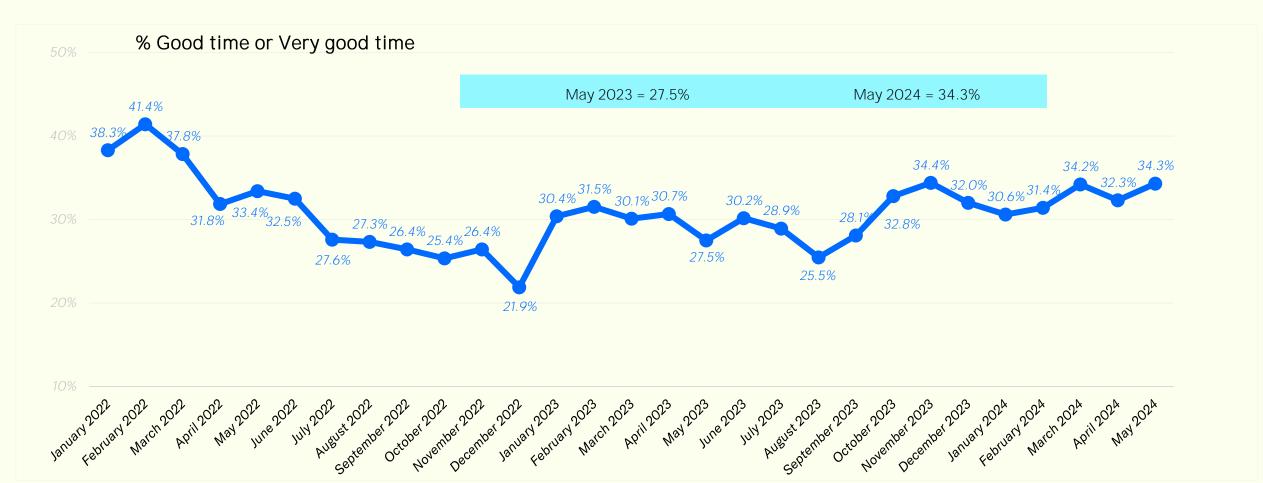




The belief that now is a "good time to spend on leisure travel" increased slightly in the last month.

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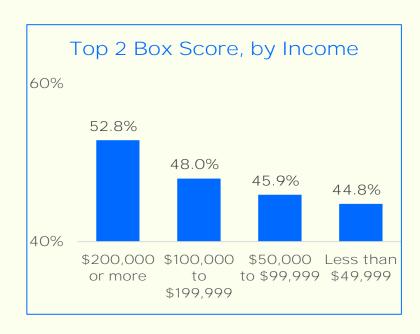


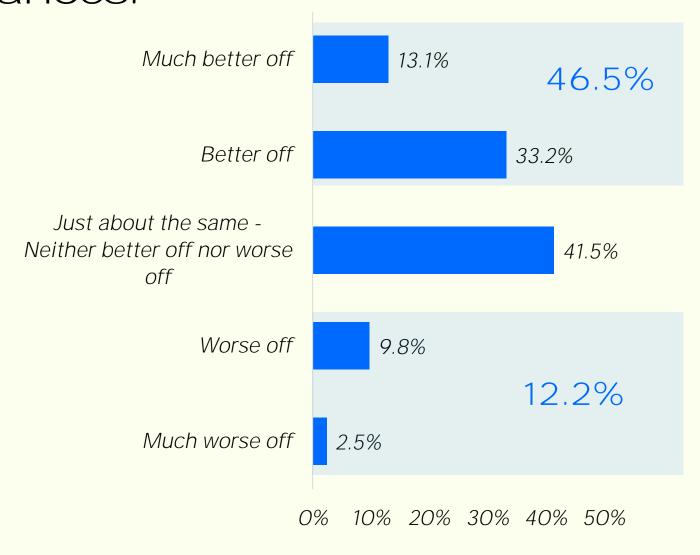


Most travelers maintain a general sense of optimism about their future finances.

Question:

LOOKING FORWARD - Do you feel that a year from now, you (and your household) will be better off financially, or worse off, or just about the same as now?





This financial optimism tipped upward oh so slightly this month.

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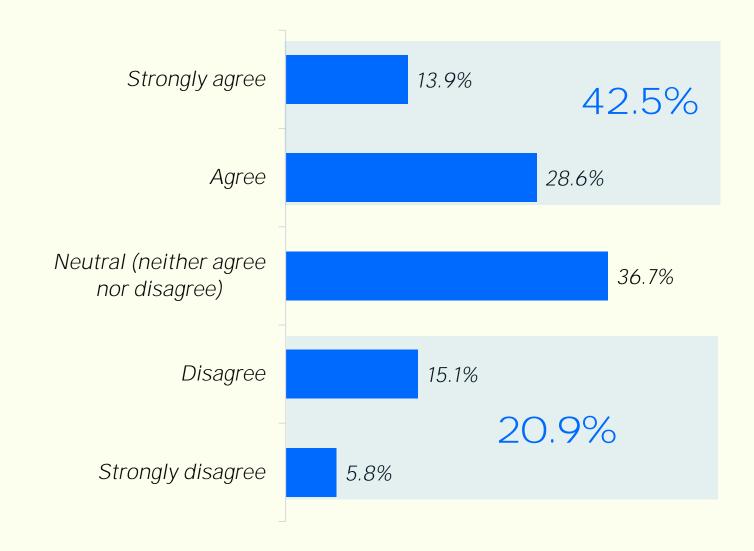
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Only 42.5% of American travelers now expect a coming recessionary period.

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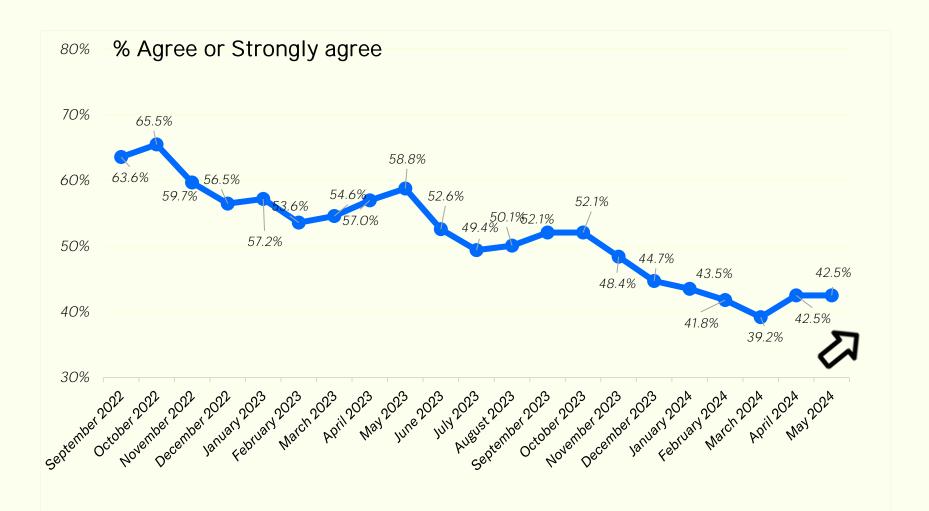
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...this held constant in May.

Statement:

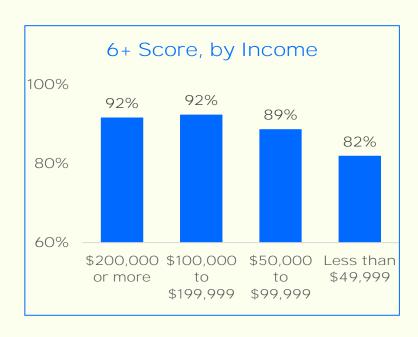
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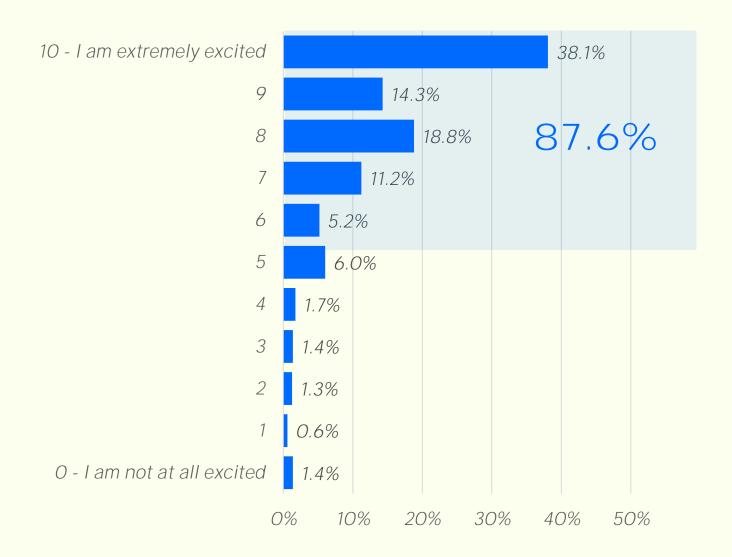


Excitement for travel remains elevated.

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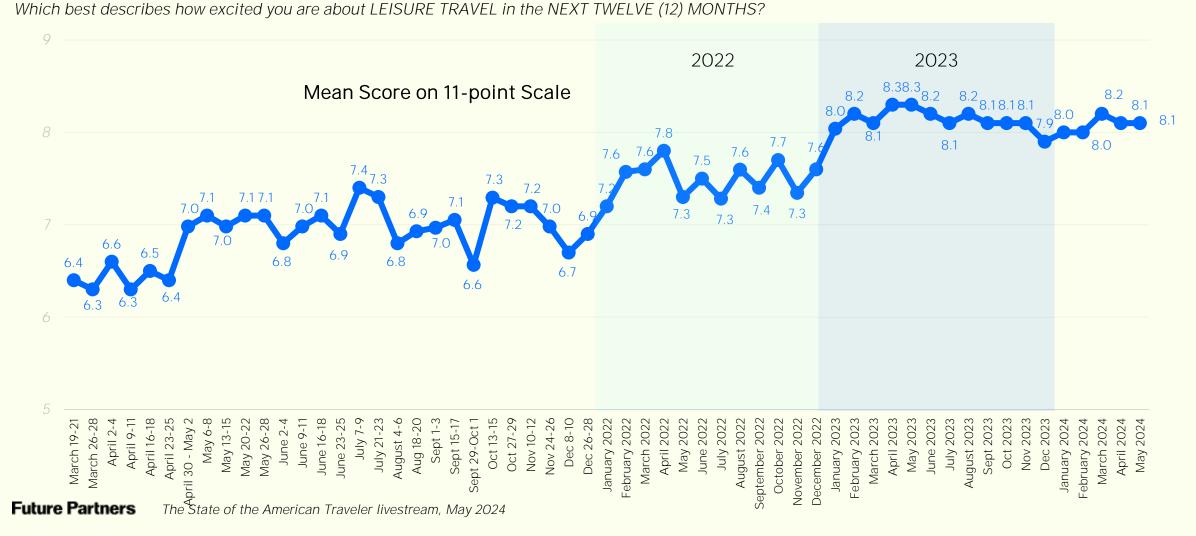
Which best describes how excited you are about LEISURE TRAVEL in the NEXT TWELVE (12) MONTHS? (Please answer using the 11-point scale below)





Overall excitement to travel was flat this month.

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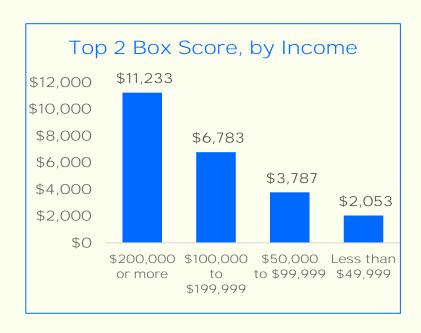


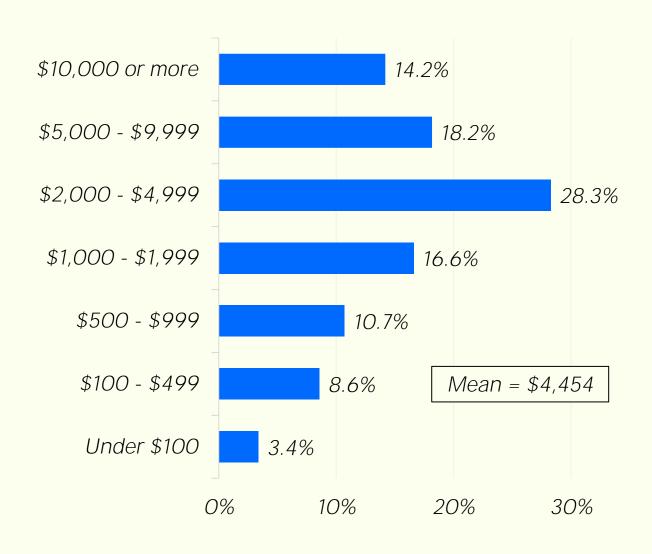
Expected travel budgets however dropped in May

Question:

How much IN TOTAL is the maximum you will spend on leisure travel (including airfare, accommodations and all other trip related spending) during the NEXT 12 MONTHS?

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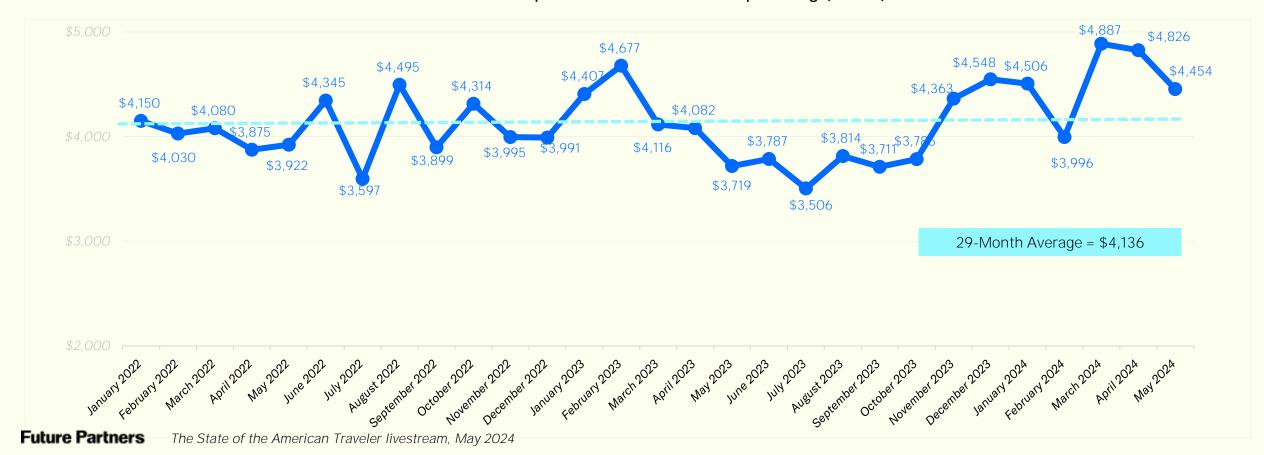


...but still remain above the recent trend.

Question:

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Maximum Expected Annual Travel Spending (Mean)

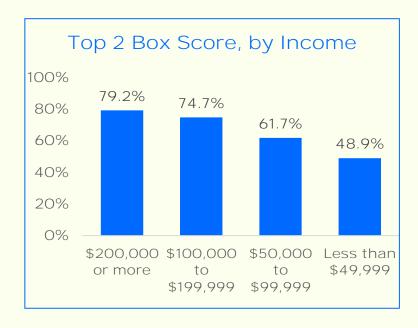


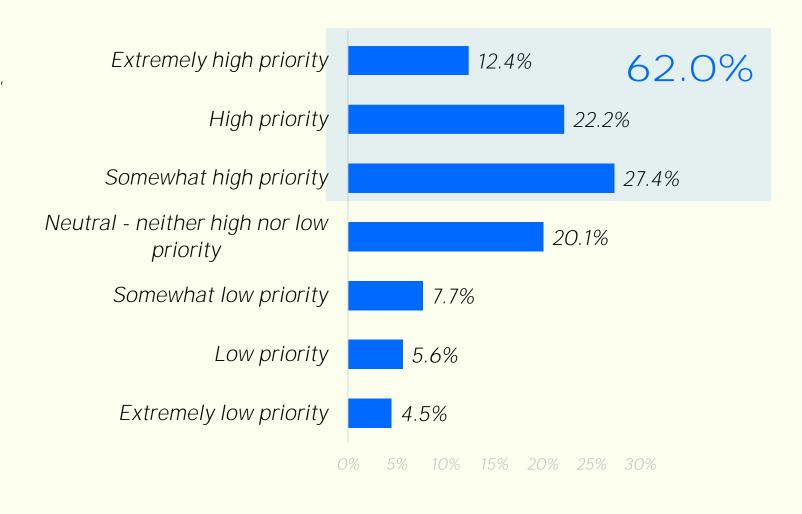
Most intend to make leisure travel a spending priority in the next three months.

Question:

Thinking carefully about how you expect to spend your income in the NEXT THREE MONTHS, please use the scale below to describe your spending priorities.

Leisure travel will be a(n) _____.

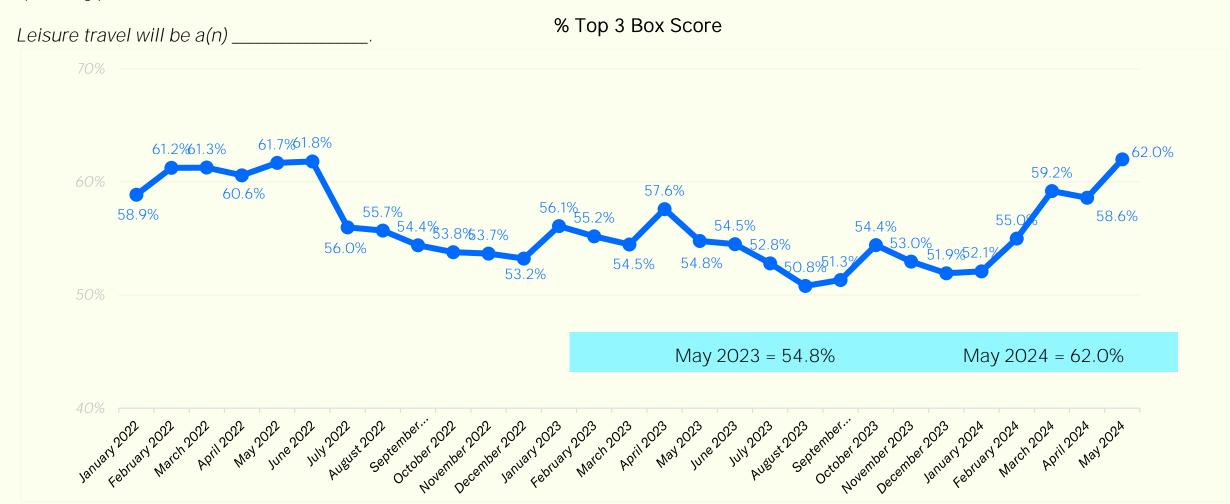




...but moved strongly upward in May.

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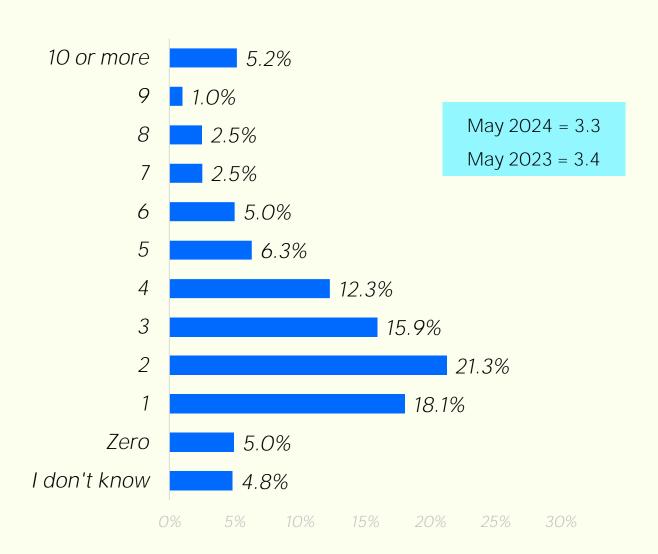
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Travel expectations decreased slightly in May.

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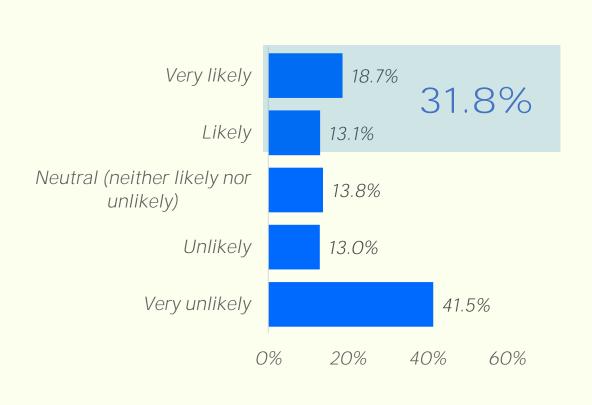
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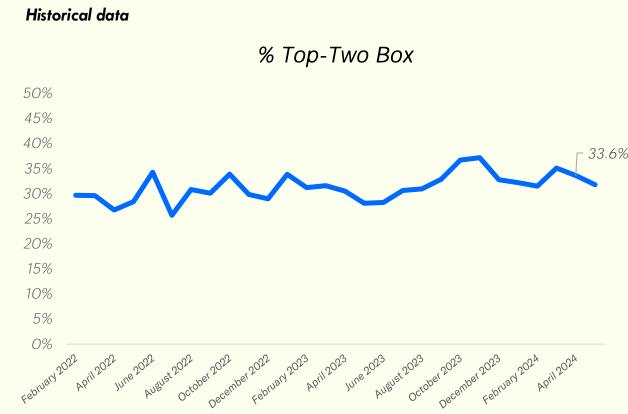
IN TOTAL, how many leisure trips (of 50 miles or more from your home) do you expect to take in NEXT TWELVE (12) MONTHS?



...expectations to travel abroad in the next 12 months dipped slightly this month.

Question: How likely are you to travel outside the United States for leisure in the NEXT TWELVE (12) MONTHS?

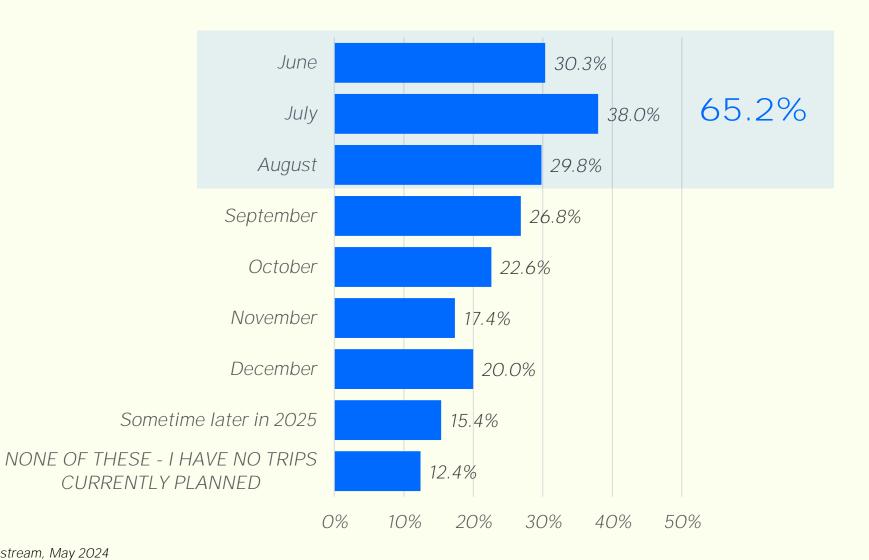




The summer season looks strong, with 65% of travelers having a summer trip on the books.

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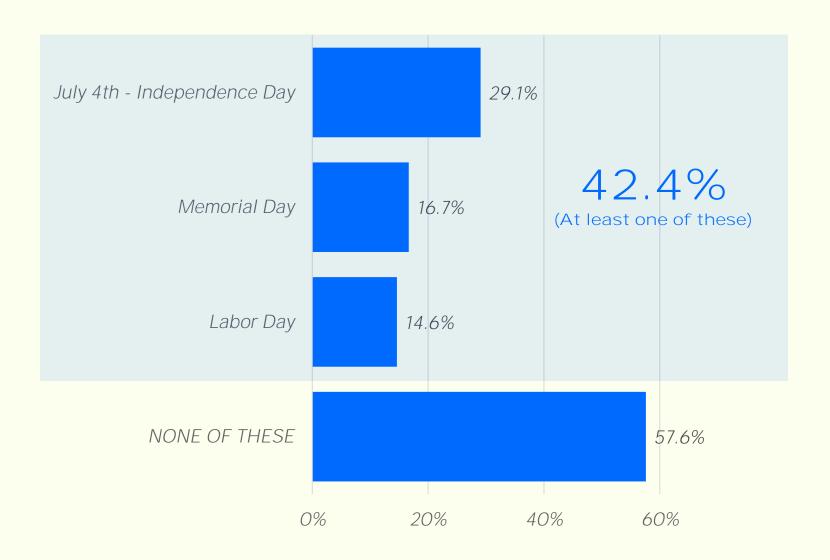
In which months do you currently have any leisure trips planned (even if only tentatively)? (Select all that apply)



Summer holiday travel also is looking strong.

Question:

Do you have any trips (50 miles or more one-way from home) planned specifically to celebrate any of the following holidays?

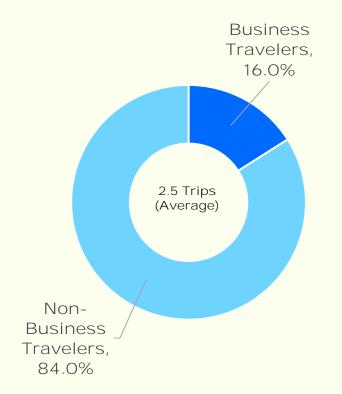




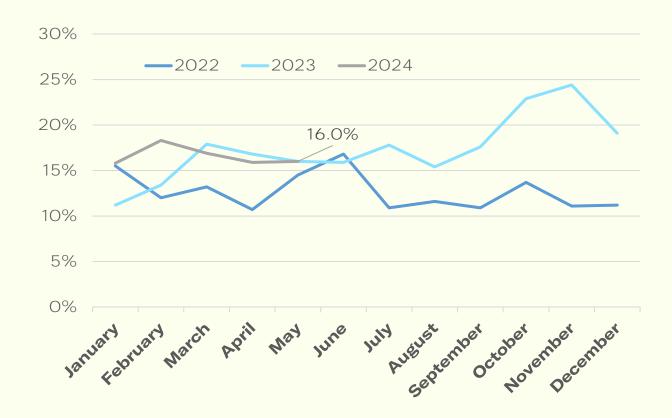
Overnight business travel grew last year and the proportion of travelers taking such trips is solid.

Question: How many OVERNIGHT trips of each type have you taken in the PAST MONTH? (Select the correct number of each trip type)

Took 1 or More Overnight Business Trips

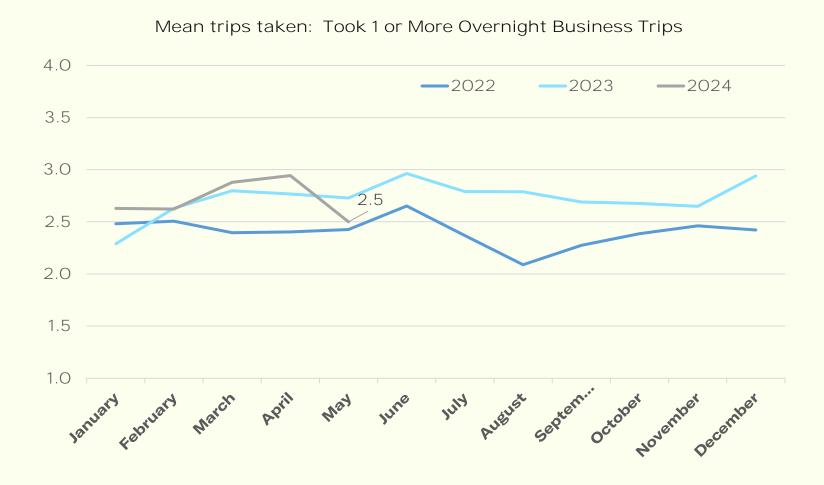


Percent of All Travelers Taking Business Trips



The average number of overnight business trips taken was down in May.

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Overnight group meetings travel followed a similar pattern

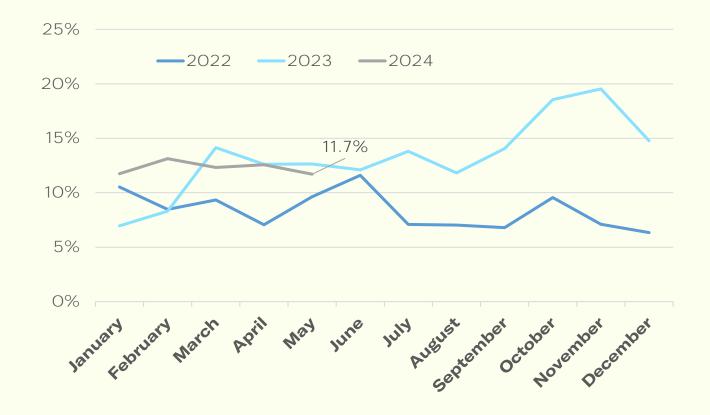
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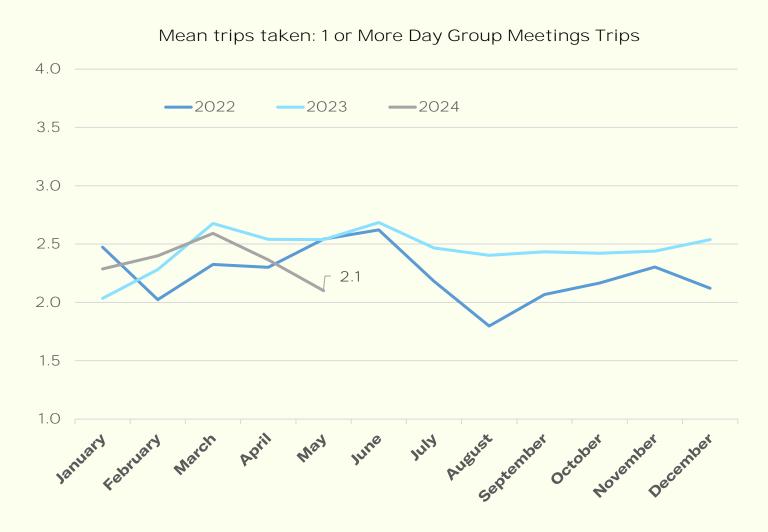


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2-of-3 work in traditional work environments

Question: Is your current working arrangement hybrid or remote or traditional?

Fully remote - work from home or other offsite workspace, 11.9%

Hybrid - a flexible working model where you work partly in the physical workplace, and partly remotely - at home or from another workspace., 23.5%

Traditional fully onsite
(I work all of
my hours at
an
employer's
workspace),
64.6%



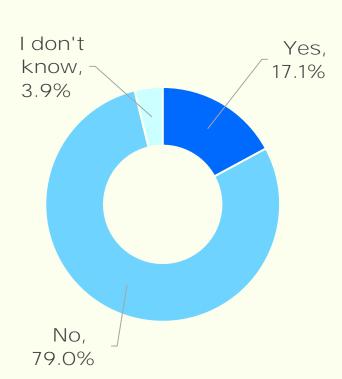
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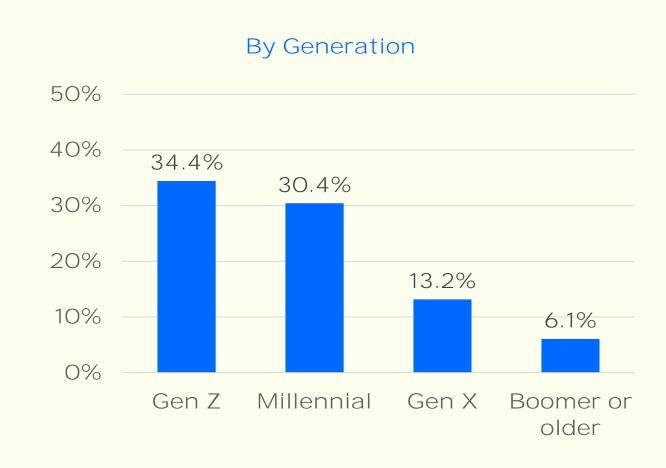
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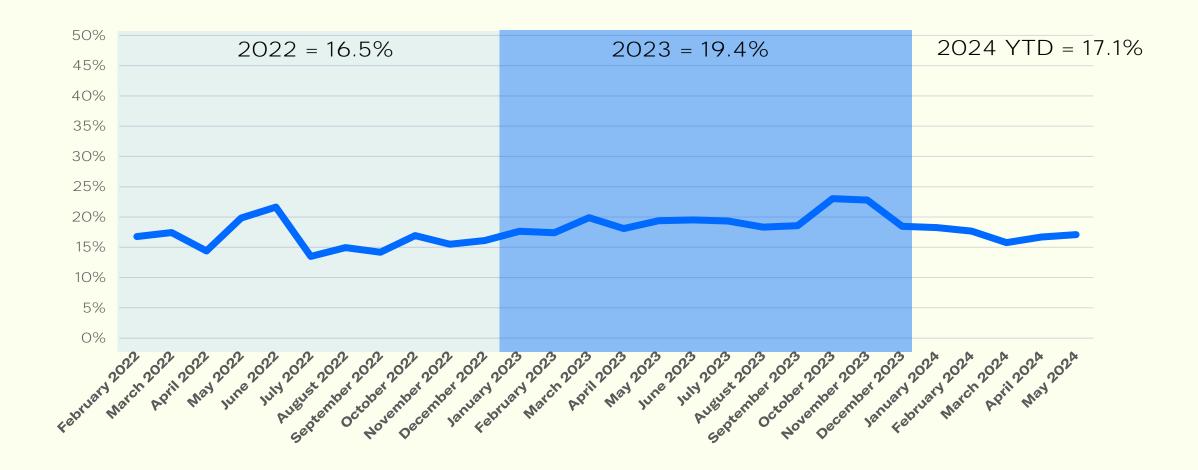
Approximately 1-in-5 travelers use digital influencers to help plan their trips.



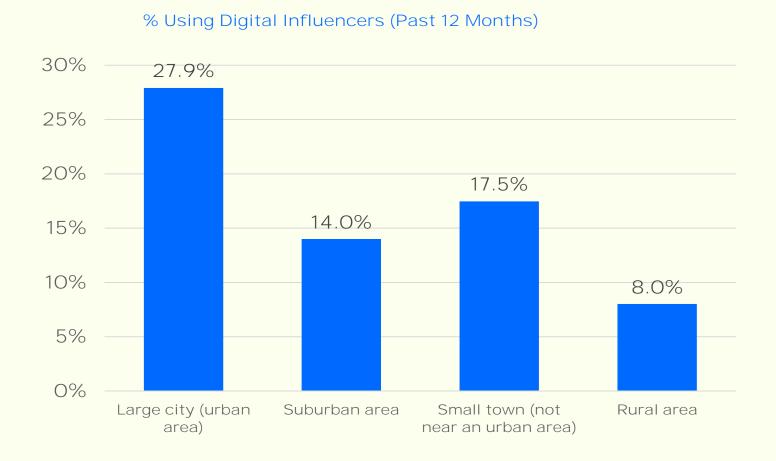




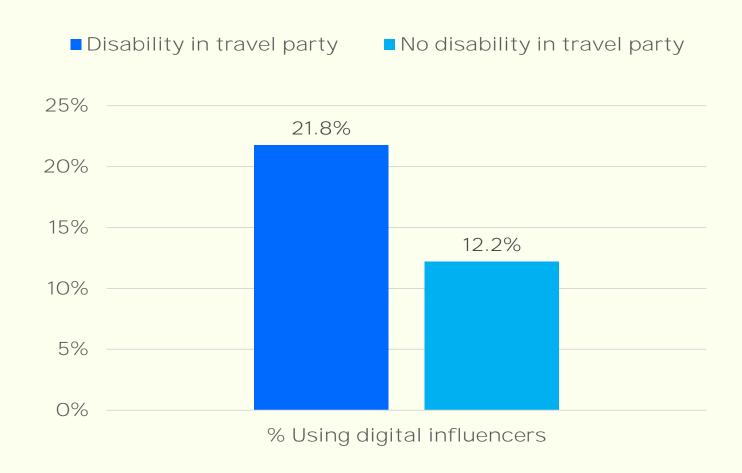
Use of digital influencers increased slightly last year.



Urbanites are the most likely to use digital influencers.



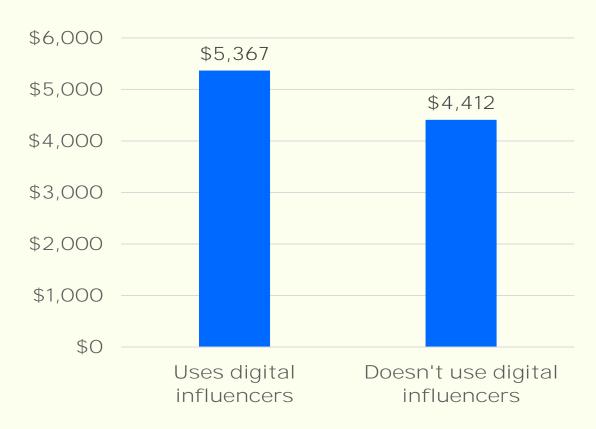
They're more likely to have accessibility concerns.

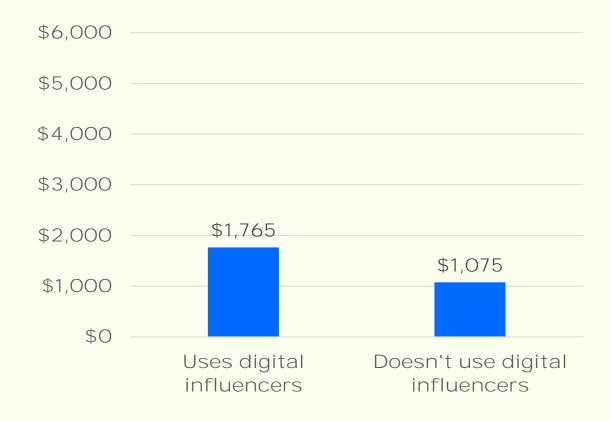


Digital influencer users are big spenders on travel.

Question: How much IN TOTAL is the maximum you will spend on leisure travel during the NEXT 12 MONTHS?

Question: How much IN TOTAL did you spend for each of the following on your most recent overnight trip?





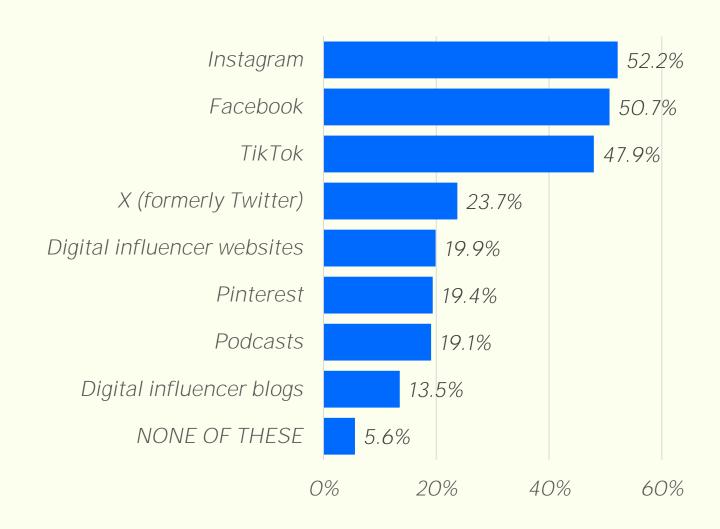
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Instagram, Facebook and Tiktok doiminate the landscape of digital influencer usage.

Question:

In which of these formats do you watch or read content from DIGITAL INFLUENCERS? (Select all that apply)



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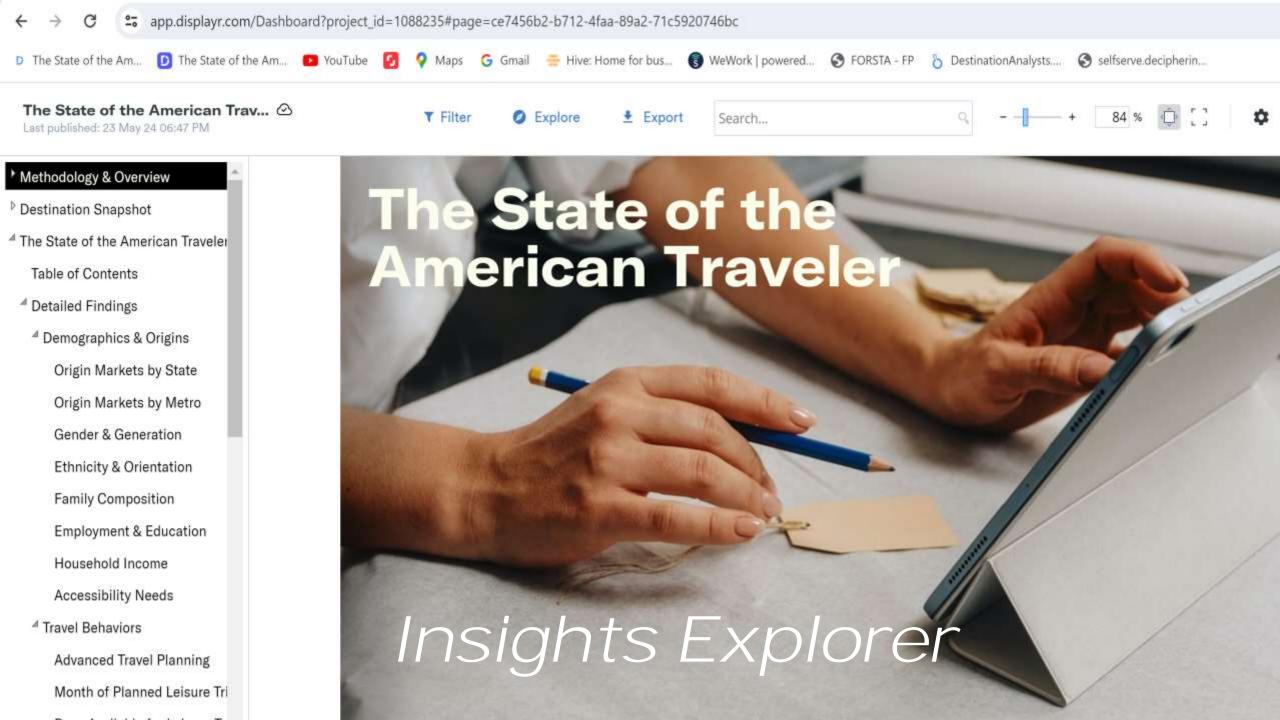
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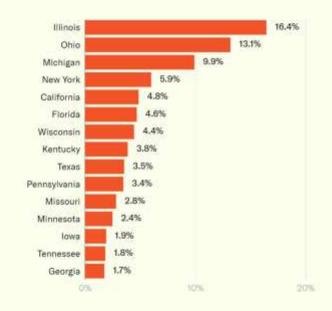
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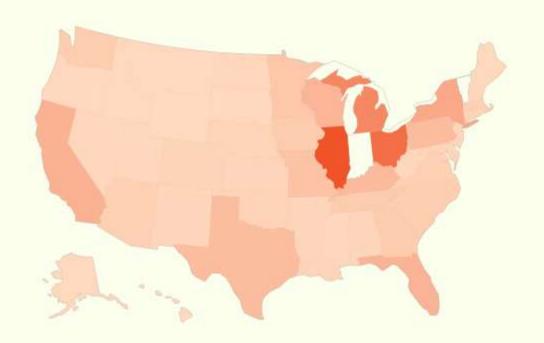
Origin Markets by State

Out-of-State Recent Visitors to Indiana (Past 12 Months)



Origin Market by State





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Question: In which state do you currently live in?

Base: Out-of-State Recent Visitors to Indiana (Past 12 Months), 2024 YTD respondents. 1,440 completed surveys,





































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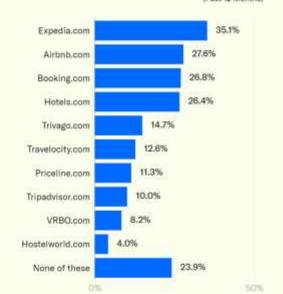
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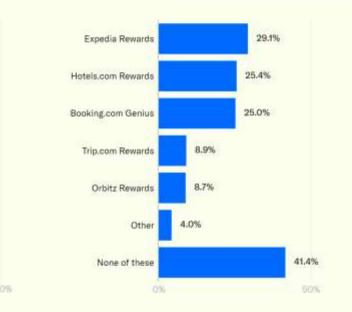


Travel Booking Websites Used

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Travel Booking Website Rewards Programs



Question 1: In the PAST 12 MONTHS, which of these websites do you recall using to book any travel lodging? Question 2: Which of these BOOKING WEBSITE REWARDS PROGRAMS do you currently use? (Select all that apply)

Base: Recent Visitors to Boston, MA (Past 12 Months), 2024 YTD respondents. 1,062 completed surveys.

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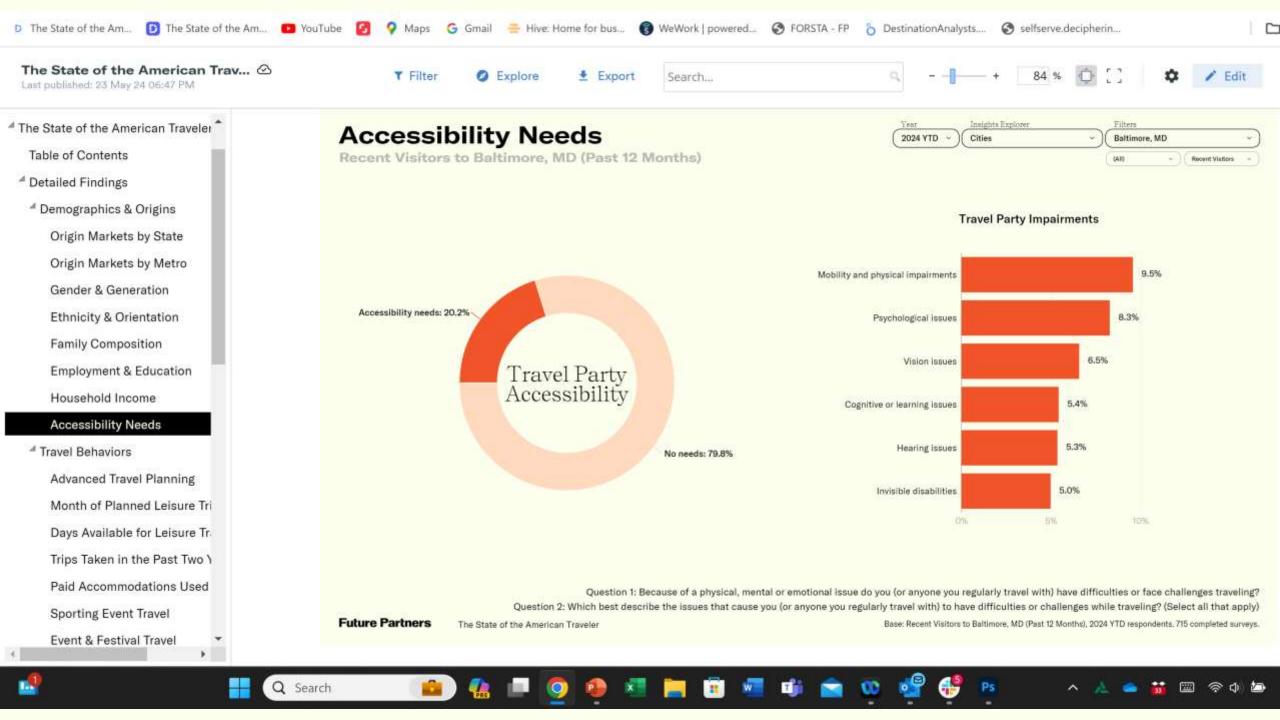












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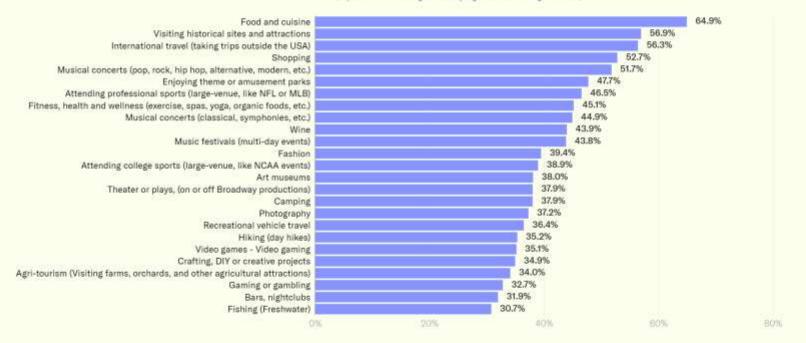
Top Travel Passions & Hobbies

Recent Visitors to Hilton Head, SC (Past Two Years)



Top Travel Passions & Hobbies

(Top 2 Box - % selecting "Extremely high interest" or "High interest")



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Question: Tell us about your hobbies and passions. Please use the scale below to describe your interest in each. Base; Recent Visitors to Hilton Head, SC (Past Two Years), 2023 respondents, 2,616 completed surveys.

































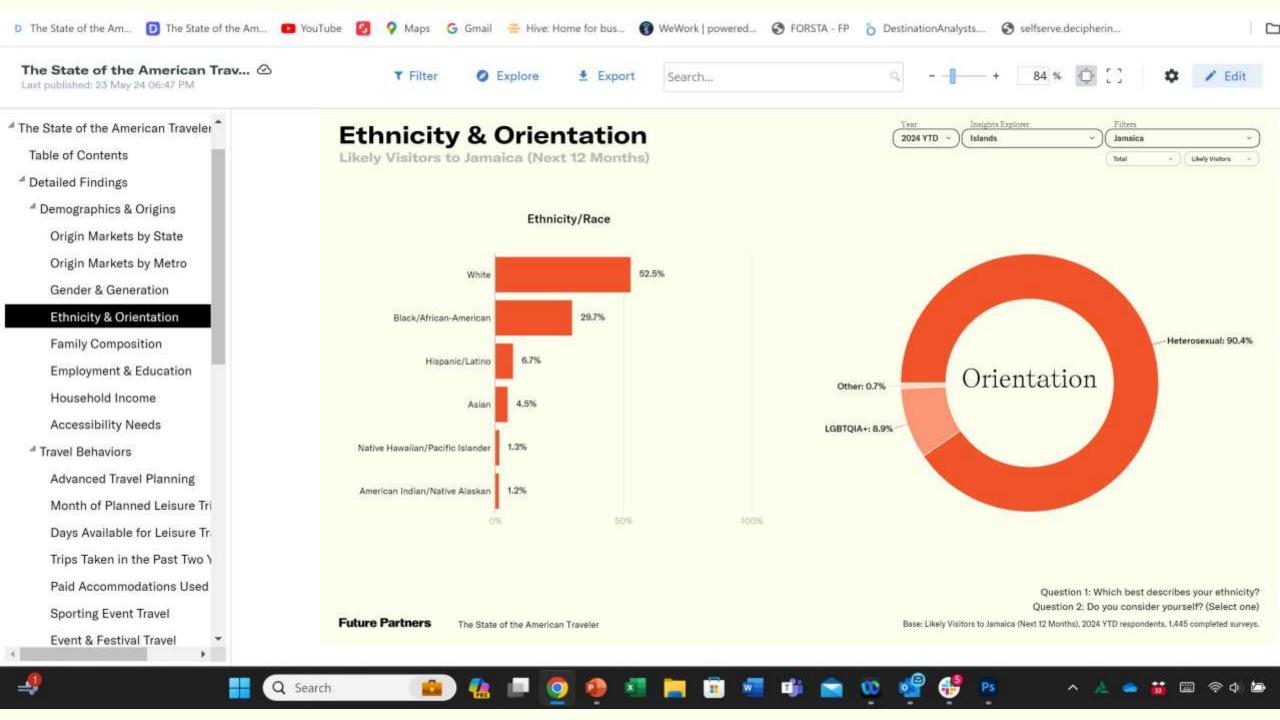


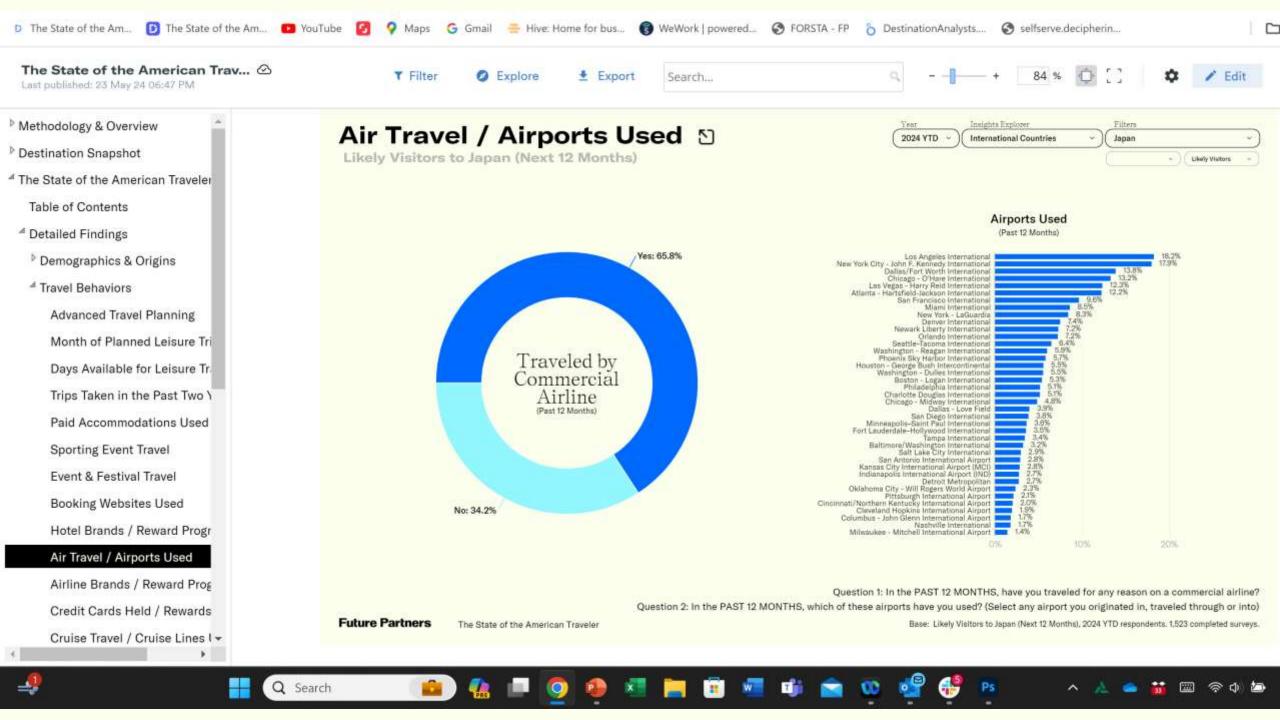


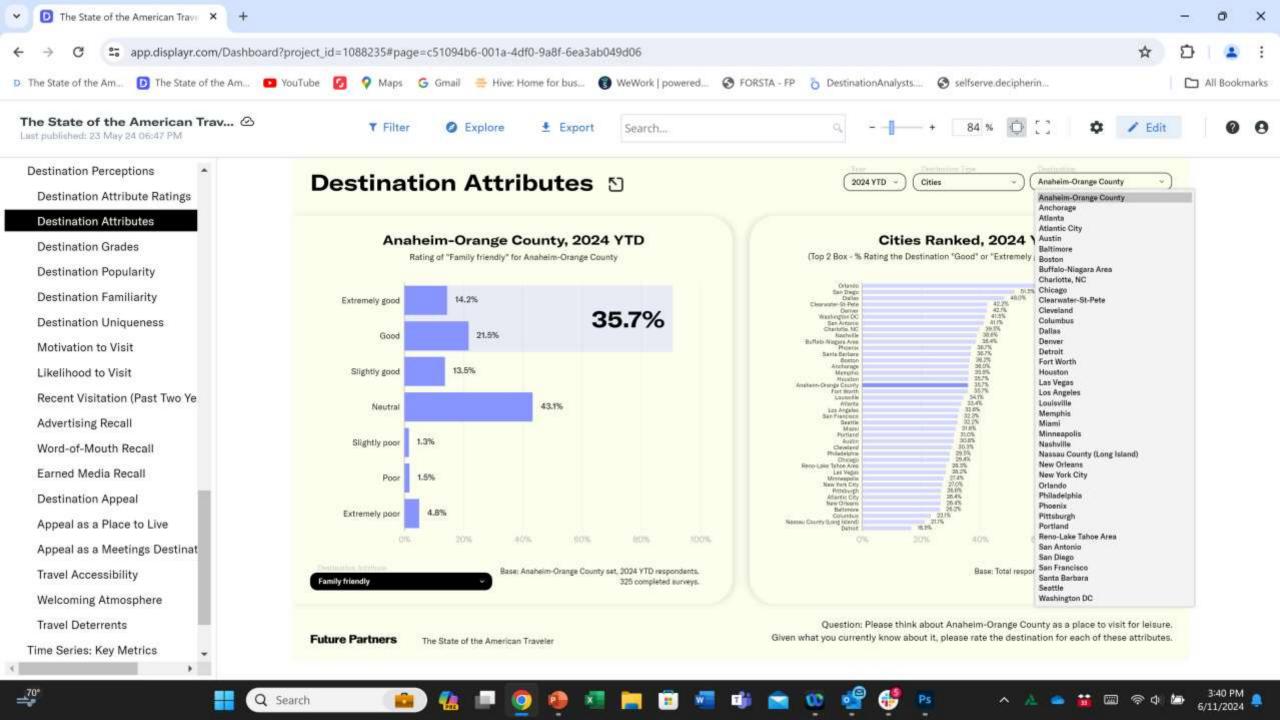


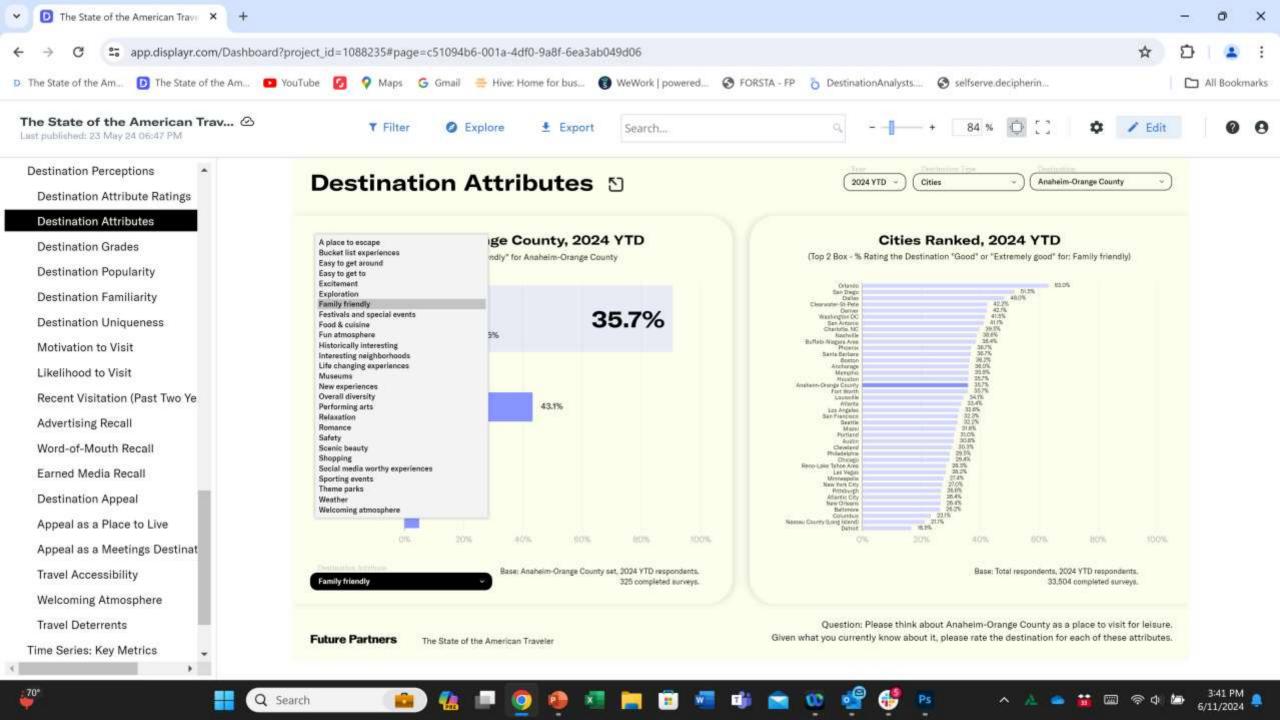


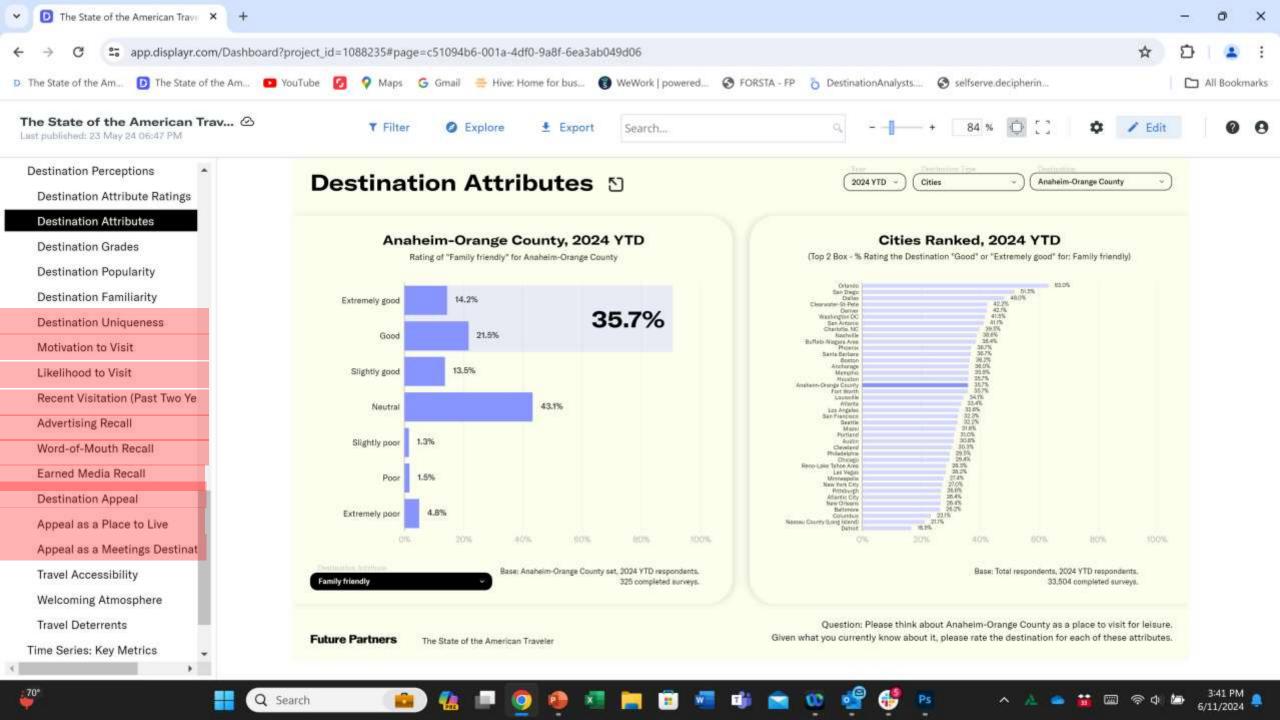












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