



- Totals Arrivals YTD: 639.23K
- 2023 Domestic Nights YTD 1.53

& International Nights YTD 8.75

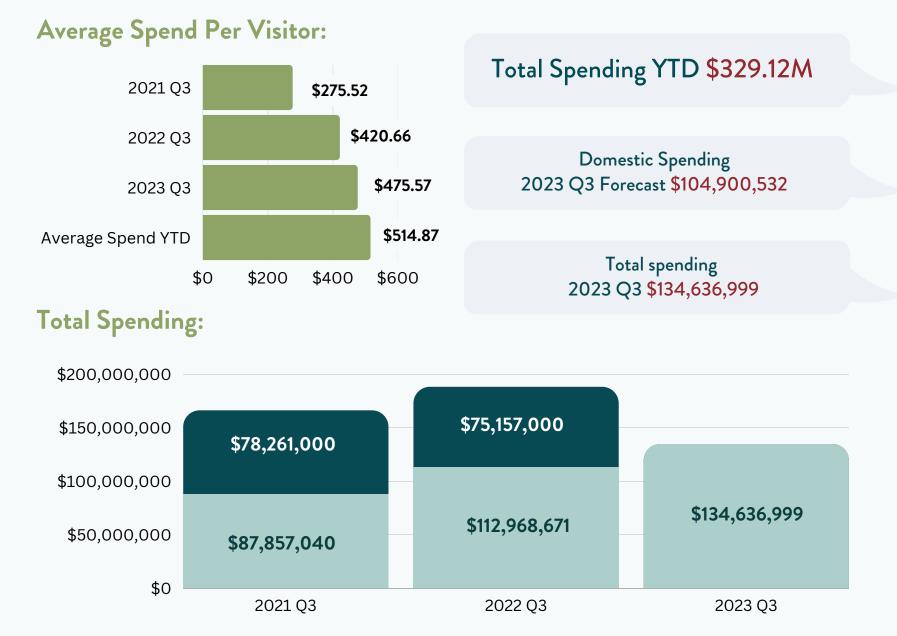
In 2023 Q3 the International Arrivals Forecast is 269,185 &

Domestic Arrivals Forecast is 13,919



0% Top 3 International Arrivals in 2022

Visitor Spending

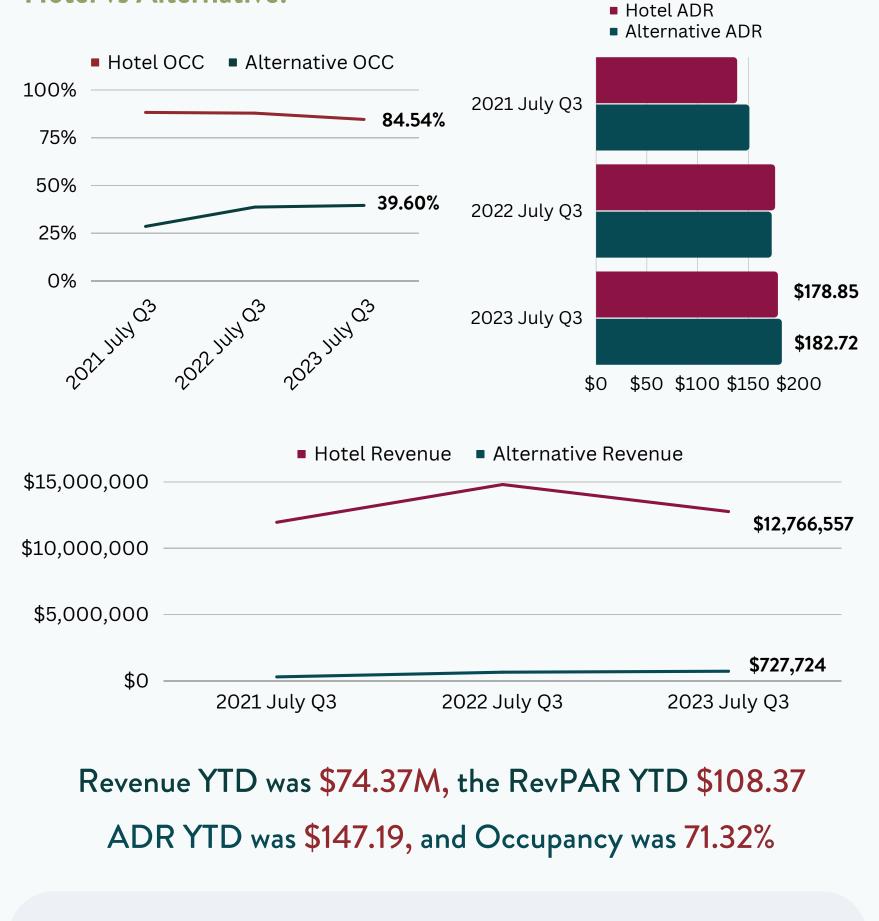




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Accommodation

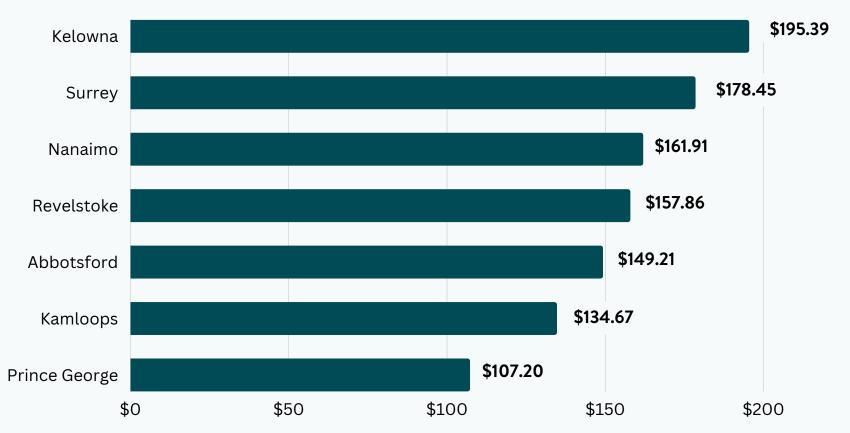
Hotel vs Alternative:



Hotel RevPAR:



July 2023 Q3 ADR Compset:



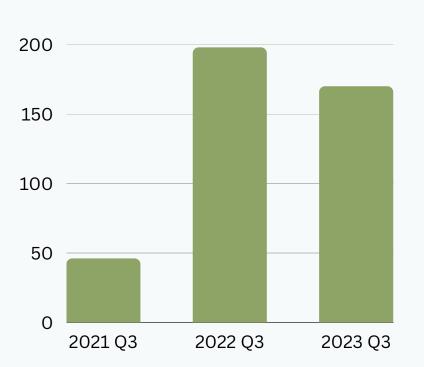
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Travel Trade Report



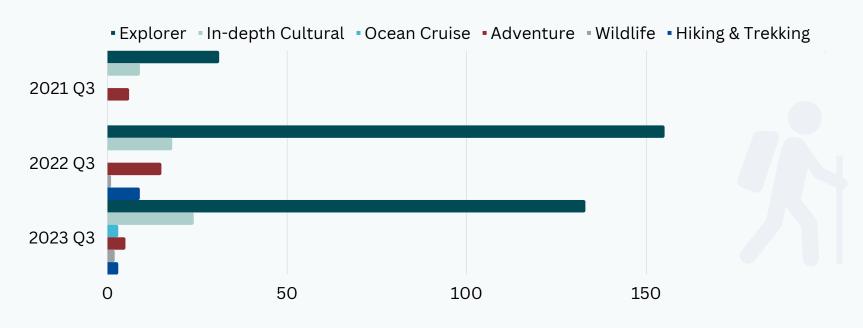
Total Tour Package Arrivals:

Domestic vs International

Tour Package Arrivals:

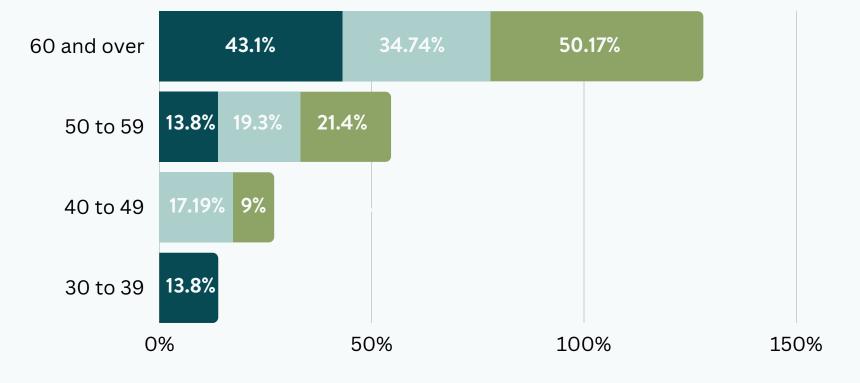


Total Tour Package Arrivals by Tour Type:

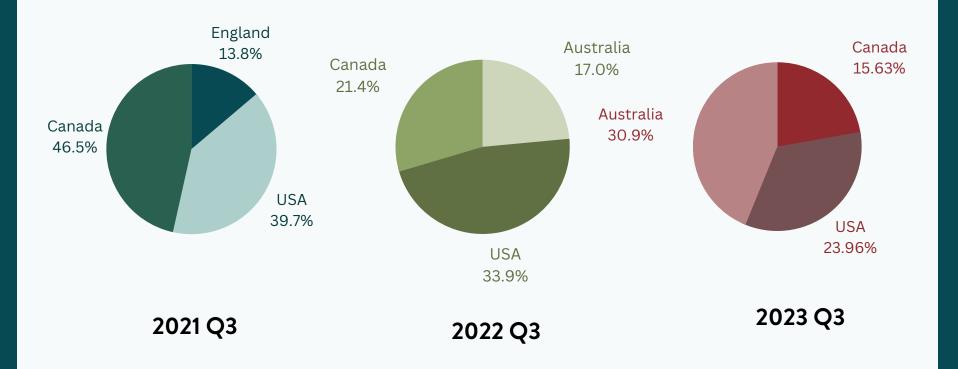


Tour Package Arrivals by Age:

■ 2021 Q3 ■ 2022 Q3 ■ 2023 Q3



Tour Package Arrivals by Country of Origin:

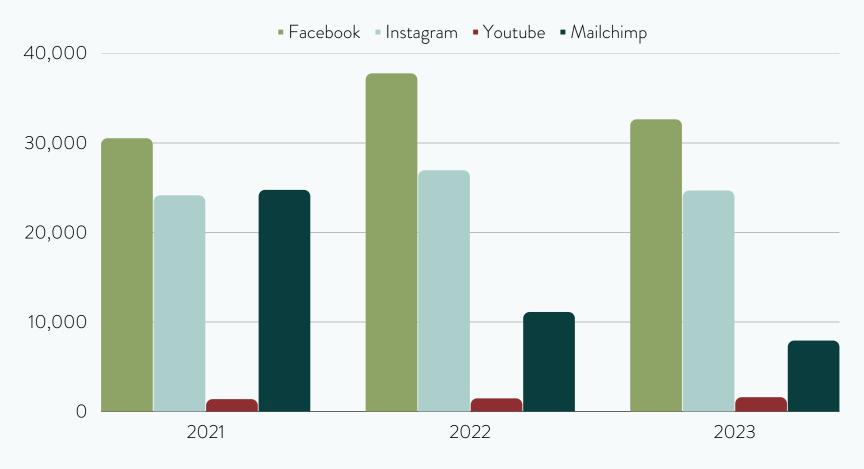






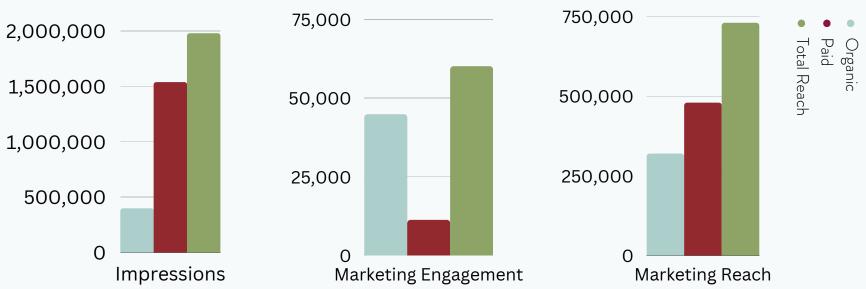
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Subscribers Q3 July:

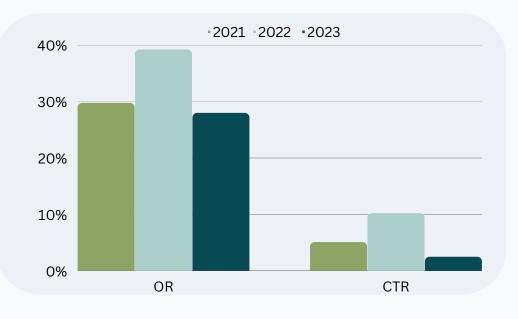


- Video views in 2023 July Q3 were 1,550
- Website sessions & external links in 2023 July Q3 included 65,964 sessions & 20,926 through external links

2023 Q3 July Impressions, Marketing Reach and Engagement:



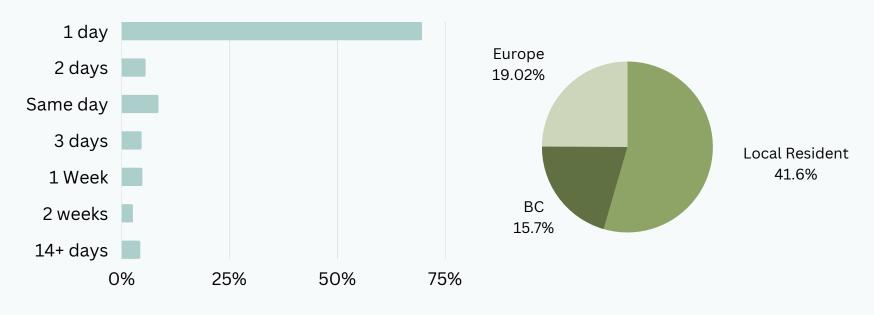
2023 Q3 July the MailChimp Open Rate was 28% and Click Through Rate was 2.5%



Visitor Services*

Nights in Community:

Top 3 Visitor Origins:



* Data reflective of in-person interactions from our Tourism Kamloops Bold Street Team



Visitor Services Continued*





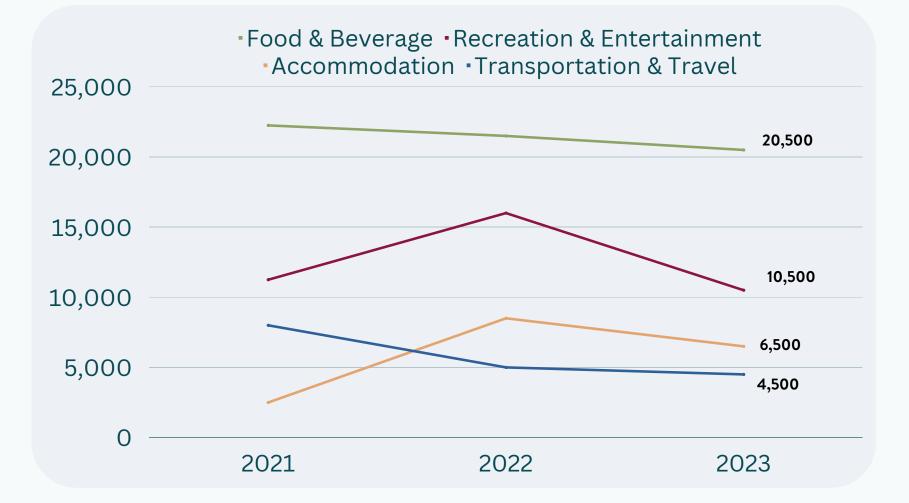
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Employment

2023 Q3 July:

- Total Tourism Employment was 42,000
- Tourism Unemployment Rate was 2%
- Average Hours worked per week by Tourism Employees was 63.01

Tourism Employment by Sector in Q2 May:



 Although employment levels among all four Tourism and Hospitality industry sectors have been impacted by COVID-19, leading occupations in Food and Beverage Services have recovered back to 90% of the normal level. However, Travel and Accommodation Services occupations remained about 15% below pre-COVID levels.

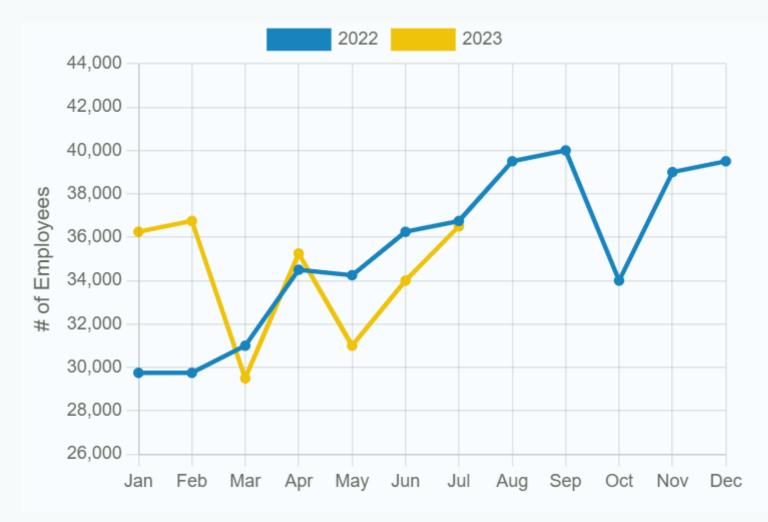




Employment Continued

Go2HR BC BC Tourism and Hospitality Labour Market Information - Employment Tracker

- In July 2023, employment in BC's Tourism and Hospitality sector increased by 1.8% from 355,500 in June 2023. Except for the Kootenay region, employment levels had increased in all other regions in July 2023.
- Employment in the Accommodation and Recreation and Entertainment sectors have increased in July 2023 while the Food and Beverage and Transportation and Travel sectors experienced a decrease.



Thompson Okanagan Employment 2021 vs 2022 vs 2023:

- Of those employed in BC's Tourism and Hospitality industry, 54% are male and 46% are female. However, the Transportation and Travel Services sector has a higher concentration of males. About 70% of workers are between 15 to 44 years of age. Most workers in BC's Tourism and Hospitality industry have at least a High School Diploma, 27% have a degree or diploma below a bachelor's, and 28% have a bachelor's degree or higher.
- In July 2023, Transportation and Travel led BC tourism sectors with approximately 88% full-time workers, as compared to a low of 56% full-time workers in the Food and Beverage sector.

The unemployment rate in the Tourism and Hospitality sector in BC slightly decreased from 4.6% in June 2023 to 4.5% in July 2023. The unemployment rate remained higher than its pre-COVID level (4.5% in July 2023 vs 3.0% in July 2019).



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Destination Overview

To help employers navigate these challenging times, go2HR has curated a list of useful resources relating to wildfire preparation, the hazards of smoke exposure and mental health supports:

- <u>Wildfire Preparedness Guide (PreparedBC) (includes</u> <u>a 'Grab-and-go Bag' list)</u>
- <u>Working in Wildfire Smoke FAQs (WorkSafeBC)</u>
- <u>Coping with Natural Disaster Stress (CMHA-BC)</u>

Kamloops Research Highlights: 639.23K total arrivals YTD \$329.12M Total spending YTD \$147.19 ADR YTD 71.32% OCC YTD

Propolis Cooperative Housing Society is raising \$1.1 million in community bonds to purchase the property for their first housing development. This project will bring 50 units of affordable housing to Kamloops' North Shore, use sustainable and resilient net zero building strategies, and create more walkability, food security and economic development just a few blocks away from The Stir! Investors can earn up to 3.5% interest while supporting this important project.

The Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association (TOTA) and the British Columbia Hotel Association (BCHA) are working together to assess the immediate and long-term impacts on Thompson Okanagan tourism stakeholders from Accommodation Travel Restrictions (Southern Intern Areas) Order by the Province of BC, originally effective August 19 - September 4, 2023.

- TOTA and BCHA are conducting a survey to collect details on the impacts of the order on tourism operations to present a summary of the findings to the BC Ministry of Tourism, Art, Culture, and Sport (MTACS) to share with the other ministries.
- The survey will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. Your input is critical to understanding the impact of the order on businesses.
- If you represent more than one business, please complete additional surveys for each business so that we have a better understanding of the impact of the order.

To complete the survey, go to <u>https://TOTABC.org/Survey</u>.

Google Consumer Insights

- Seventy-two percent of consumers say they're being more thoughtful about what they spend their money on, and 62% are being more thoughtful about where they shop.
- On average, 73% of consumers say they are willing to continue buying from companies that increase their prices if they feel valued as a customer.
- Across surveyed markets, 53% of consumers say they are more likely to buy for durability versus affordable products that may need to be replaced more frequently.

TikTok has been running a partnership with Shopify called TikTok Storefront that allows brands to sell to TikTok users directly from their Shopify inventory. TikTok Storefront is being discontinued, as TikTok says it's looking to build a more robust e-commerce platform of its own. Meanwhile, TikTok Shop is launching, which will contain the entire checkout process within the TikTok app. Shopify, along with other ecommerce platforms like BigCommerce, Lightspeed, and Square will be able to hook into TikTok Shop to connect their inventory and analytics For a few years now, we've been able to use the Meta Ads Transparency tool to check out the ads that other companies in our industry are running. Now they've added the ability to see which content creators they're working with. Meta has a tool called Branded Content that facilitates connections and transactions between brands and creators, but there has been no way to track those relationships, except to scroll through their feeds looking for the branded content tag. Now, you can search for any company that's using Meta's branded content and see not only who they're working with, but also what they've posted together.