

# Pennsylvania's Annual Traveler Profile 2013 Travel Year

December 2014

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#### Introduction



#### **2013 OVERVIEW**

- Travel and tourism is an important industry for Pennsylvania, providing tens of thousands of jobs for the state's residents and generating hundreds of millions in tax revenues for the state and local communities.
- In 2013, Pennsylvania hosted an estimated 189.8 million visitors (as measured in person-trips) – a slight increase (+0.3%) from the previous year's total of 189.2 million.
- The 0.6 million increase in PA's total visitor volume was derived from the daytrip segment, which posted a 0.6% increase in the number of travelers compared to the slight decrease (-0.3%) for the overnight segment.
- Nationally, total overnight visitor volume grew 2%, reaching a new record high level.

#### Research Method



The research for this report was conducted by Longwoods International.

#### The results consist of:

- Estimates of the domestic volume of overnight travel on a nationwide level.
- Estimates of the volume of overnight and day travel to Pennsylvania and its tourism regions.
- Characteristics and profile of overnight and day trips to the state and the individual tourism regions.

The results are based on results from the Travel USA® annual survey of US travelers. Each quarter, a random cross-section of panel members is sent an e-mail invitation to participate in the survey with a reminder e-mail sent several days later to non-responders.

For the 2013 travel year, this produced 229,726 trips for analysis nationally – 153,730 for the overnight segment and 75,996 for day trips.

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# Research Method (cont'd)



- The *Travel USA®* program identified 5,658 survey respondents who visited Pennsylvania on an overnight trip in 2013 and 4,577 on a day-trip.
- A follow-up survey was sent to a representative sample of these visitors to augment the information from *Travel USA®*, providing more in-depth information on visitor spending and visitor activity, as well as strategic data on trip characteristics, planning and booking, and visitor impressions of Pennsylvania's tourism product.
- There were 2,367 total responses for the overnight segment and 1,054 total responses for the day-trip segment from this return sample.
- Estimates of Pennsylvania's overnight and day-trip volume were based on a number of sources, including Travel USA®, the customized returnto-sample research, and consultations with Tourism Economics.



#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**



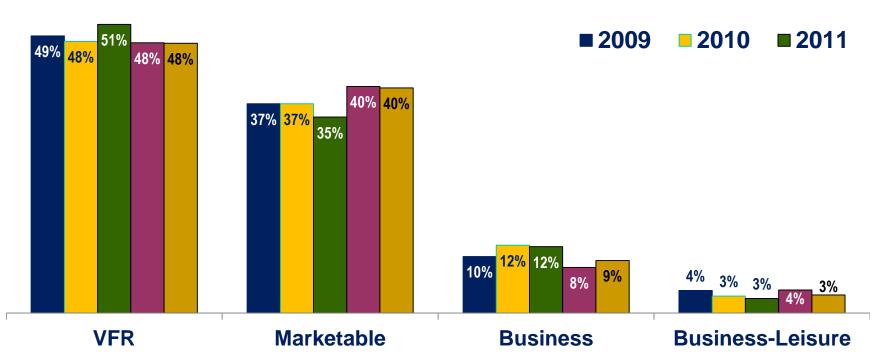
#### PENNSYLVANIA VISITOR VOLUME

Pennsylvania hosted an estimated 189.8 million travelers in 2013 (measured in "persontrips"), a 0.3% increase from 2012.

- As in prior years, slightly more than a third of travelers (64.8 million) stayed <u>overnight</u>, a small decrease from 2012 (-0.3%).
  - Visiting friends/relatives (VFR) remained the primary reason for an overnight stay in PA accounting for 48% of the overnight total (well above the 44% US average).
  - Marketable trips (i.e., non-VFR leisure trips that may be influenced by marketing)
    was the second leading category accounting for 40% of PA's overnight travel, or an
    estimated 25.8 million travelers down 1% from 2012.
  - Nevertheless, the share of PA overnight travel attributable to marketable trips remained well above the 37% average for the years following the recession.
  - For comparison, the marketable overnight segment was responsible for 43% of total US overnight travel in 2013 a nearly 0.7 percentage point increase in the segment's overall share of total overnight travel from 2012.



# Main Purpose for Pennsylvania Overnight Travel 2009 - 2013





#### PENNSYLVANIA DAY-TRIP VISITOR VOLUME

- Pennsylvania hosted an estimated 125.0 million <u>day-trip</u> travelers in 2013 a 0.6% increase from 2012.
  - Marketable trips continued to account for 55% of PA's day-trip travel, or an estimated 68.8 million travelers, a proportion exceeding the 51% US average and the 40% state average for overnight travel.
  - Visiting friends/relatives (VFR) was the second leading reason for a PA day-trip in 2013, accounting for 36% of the day-trip total (up 1.5 percentage points from 2012) below the 38% US average and well below the 48% average for PA's overnight travel segment.
  - Business and Business-Leisure travel accounted for 7% and 2%, respectively, of PA's 2013 day-trip total – each down roughly a percentage point from 2012.
  - Overall, the relative distribution of PA's major day-trip travel types in 2013 was little changed from 2011 and 2012.



#### **ORIGIN MARKETS**

- Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, and Ohio remain the top five origin states for Pennsylvania <u>marketable</u> overnight and day-trip travelers, together accounting for 75% and 86%, respectively, of PA's total in 2013.
- Pennsylvania was the top origin market for PA's leisure travelers accounting for 35% of marketable overnight travelers; 46% of marketable day-trip travelers; 28% of overnight VFR travelers; and 46% of the state's day-trip VFR travelers.
- PA residents comprised a slightly smaller share of the state's leisure travel in 2013 for each of the main leisure segments than in recent years, indicating travelers are once again traveling further as the effects from the recession continue to fall.
- Pennsylvania was also the top origin state for PA <u>business overnight</u> travelers continuing to account for 30% of the state total in 2013, with New York, New Jersey, and Ohio together accounting for an additional 26% of PA's overnight business travelers.

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#### **PENNSYLVANIA REGIONS**

- Philadelphia and The Countryside region remained the leading region for total overnight visitation (i.e., includes business, leisure and VFR travelers) of the state's 11 tourism regions, with an estimated 14.7 million person-trips in 2013, followed by Pittsburgh and Its Countryside (11.0 million), Dutch Country Roads (10.4 million), and the Pocono Mountains region (8.6 million) region.
- These four regions accounted for 59% of Pennsylvania's total overnight persontrips in 2013, a two percentage increase from the previous year.
- The Dutch Country Roads and Philadelphia and The Countryside regions were the state's two leading regions for <u>marketable</u> overnight leisure trips in 2013, followed by the Pocono Mountains and Pittsburgh and Its Countryside regions.
- With their relatively large population bases, Philadelphia and The Countryside and Pittsburgh and Its Countryside regions remained the leading destinations for both PA overnight business and VFR (visiting friends and relatives) travel in 2013. 12



#### Why Pennsylvania?

Nearly half (47%) of Pennsylvania's marketable overnight visitors traveled to/within the state because they had visited before and wanted to see more in 2013 or lived nearby (21%), which was a 4 percentage point increase from 2012.

A recommendation from friends/relatives was responsible for 18% of the state's marketable overnight visitors in 2013 – a 1 percentage point increase from 2012 and 5 percentage point increase compared to 2011.

PA's tourism industry is clearly cultivating a positive image and experience for travelers evidenced by the fact that nearly two-thirds of marketable overnight travelers were either return visitors or had traveled to/within the state in 2013 based on a personal recommendation from someone they trusted.

Advertising influenced 6% of marketable overnight travelers' decision to visit Pennsylvania in 2013, the same proportion who were influenced by a tourism article or news story they heard or read with both down two percentage points from 2012.



#### Planning and Booking by Marketable Overnight Travelers

The planning cycle for today's time-pressed travel consumers is short with 42% of PA's 2013 marketable overnight travelers planning their trip in a month or less – an 11 percentage point increase from 2012 – and another 20% within two months.

The internet remains the single most important planning source – used by 44% of PA's marketable overnight travelers in 2013, followed by personal experience (17% of travelers) and advice from friends/relatives (12%).

Nearly half of PA's marketable overnight travelers (46%) used the internet to research and plan their accommodations in 2013, while more than a third relied on the internet for maps or directions (35%); close to a third to find out about local activities and attractions (30%); and a quarter for information on restaurants (24%).

In terms of technology used, nearly half of PA's marketable overnight travelers used a desktop (47%) or laptop (46%) computer in planning their 2013 PA trip. While only 16% used a smartphone to plan their trip, usage soared to 53% during the trip.



#### Use of Social Media by Pennsylvania's Marketable Overnight Travelers

Almost three-quarters of PA's marketable overnight leisure travelers (72%) used social media in some capacity in 2013 – a bit below the 77% nationwide average.

Not surprisingly, PA travelers in the younger age groups are far more likely to use social media before, during, and after their trips than older travelers, i.e., 84% of travelers below the age of 35 compared to 50% of those 65 year of age or older, although the share of travelers in the older age group utilizing social media has grown dramatically over the past few years.

Posting travel photos and/or videos online remained the most common social media activity in 2013 for PA's marketable overnight leisure travelers below the age of 45, while reading online travel reviews was the most common social media activity for travelers 45 years of age or older, including those in the 65+ age group.



#### **Trip Characteristics**

Pennsylvania is primarily a "drive-to" destination, with the vast majority of the state's marketable overnight travelers from out of state arriving by car, van, truck, or RV in 2013.

Short stays were the norm for the majority of marketable overnight travelers with 65% staying just one or two nights on their Pennsylvania trip in 2013 – a far higher percentage than the 52% US average. However, there was a small 1 percentage point increase in the proportion of PA travelers (9%) staying for 7 days or longer.

Pennsylvania's marketable overnight travelers largely preferred to stay in hotels or motels (51%) in 2013, although 10% opted for housing owned by friends or relatives – a 5 percentage point increase from 2012.

A majority of PA's marketable overnight leisure visitors traveled with a spouse or partner (58%) in 2013, with 35% traveling with children.



#### Trip Experiences

Shopping (both outlet and "other" shopping), scenic drives, and visiting historical houses/museums remained the top three trip experiences of PA's marketable overnight travelers in 2013.

Participation rates for most types of trip experiences by PA's marketable overnight travelers in 2013 were little changed from the prior year, except for the proportion of travelers visiting zoos returning to a level more consistent with the 6% long-term trend.

Shopping, scenic drives, and visiting historical houses/museums were also popular with the state's marketable day-trip travelers in 2013.



#### **Traveler Priorities and Expectations**

Travelers have certain priorities and expectations when choosing to visit a destination.

The top travel destination priorities of PA's marketable overnight leisure travelers in 2013 were in descending order: exciting, adult atmosphere, worry free, family friendly, climate, affordable, sightseeing opportunities, unique, the entertainment, luxurious, and sports and recreation.

As in prior years, Pennsylvania scored extremely well on each of these priorities, with the proportion of travelers agreeing that their Pennsylvania trip experience largely met each of the priorities.

Not surprisingly, Pennsylvania's resident travelers, on average, viewed the state more favorably on each of the priorities than non-resident travelers who visited the state.



#### Benefits from a Pennsylvania Overnight or Day Trip

It is well documented that taking a leisure trip purely for fun offers a number of benefits to travelers' overall health and well-being.

As in prior years, the primary benefit of travel for PA's marketable overnight and day-trip leisure visitors in 2013 was to relax and relieve stress – cited by nearly two-thirds of the survey's respondents – followed by a break from people's day-to-day responsibilities.

Creating lasting memories and improving and enriching personal relationships with family and/or friends was also a key benefit for PA's marketable overnight and day-trip travelers in 2013. Having no fixed schedule rounded out the top 5 list of benefits from their PA trip.

Of lesser importance was visiting places never seen before and trying new things, which were cited by slightly under 20% of overnight and day-trip survey respondents.



#### DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF MARKETABLE OVERNIGHT TRAVELERS

As in prior years, Pennsylvania's 2013 marketable overnight travelers were generally higher income, well-educated, married adults.

- Pennsylvania's marketable overnight travelers had a median age of 41.7 years unchanged from 2012 and slightly above the US median of 40.9 years of age, but below the median age of the state's marketable day-trip travelers (44.5 years).
- The majority were married or with a partner (63%) slightly above the 62% US average and below that of marketable day-trip travelers (64%) in 2013.
- A majority of travelers (53%) had children under 18 years of age living at home a proportion above the US average of 50% and well above that of the state's marketable day-trip travelers (46%).
- The median household income of the state's marketable overnight travelers was \$63,330 or slightly above the \$62,660 US median in 2013, with close to a quarter (23%) of PA travelers with an annual household income of at least \$100,000.



#### TRAVELER CHARACTISTICS BY AGE

The averages noted on the previous slide mask key differences based on age, most notably the presence of children in the household.

 The proportion of marketable overnight travelers with children under 18 years of age differed markedly based on the age of the traveler.

Traveler's Age	Percent With Children Under Age 18
18-24	49%
25-34	64%
35-44	81%
45-54	57%
55-64	19%
65+	8%

 Pennsylvania's marketable overnight travelers were far more likely to travel with children than the U.S. average for every age demographic except the youngest.



#### **Marital Status by Age**

Younger travelers were far more likely to be single than older travelers.

- Pennsylvania's marketable overnight travelers in the youngest age group (18-24) were overwhelmingly single (79%).
- There was a distinct shift to married/with a partner (63%) for the 25-34 age group, with a third still reporting as single.
- The vast majority of the state's marketable overnight travelers aged 35 or above were married/living with a partner (above 70% for each group).
- While the overwhelming majority of travelers in the 65+ age group were married or living with a partner (76%), not surprisingly they had the highest proportion who were widowed while travelers in the age 55-64 age demographic had the highest proportion reporting they were divorced or separated.



# **Detailed Findings**



# Size & Structure of US Overnight Travel Market

# Size and Structure of US Domestic Travel Market

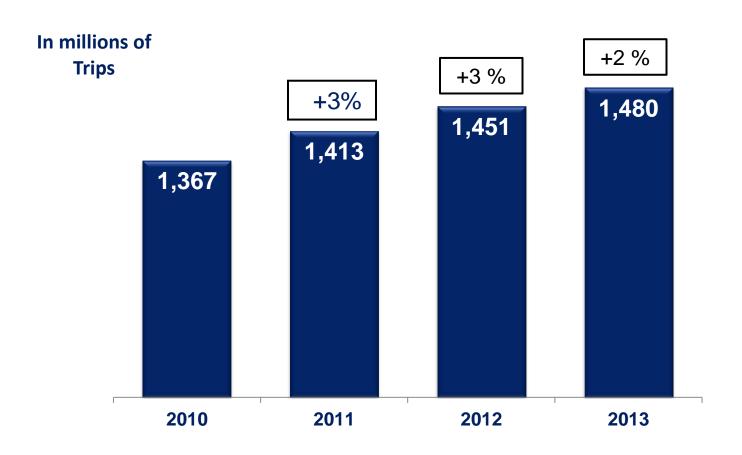


- Overnight travel by Americans increased 2% in 2013 vs. 2012.
- Of the nearly 1.5 billion trips taken, 87% were taken for leisure purposes.
- Almost half of leisure trips were to visit friends and relatives (VFR), with about 43% were of a trip type that can be influenced by marketing, and approximately 3% were business-leisure trips,.
- The top six marketable trip types were touring trips, special event travel, outdoor trips, casino trips, city trips, and resort trips.

# Size of the US Overnight Travel Market 2010 to 2013



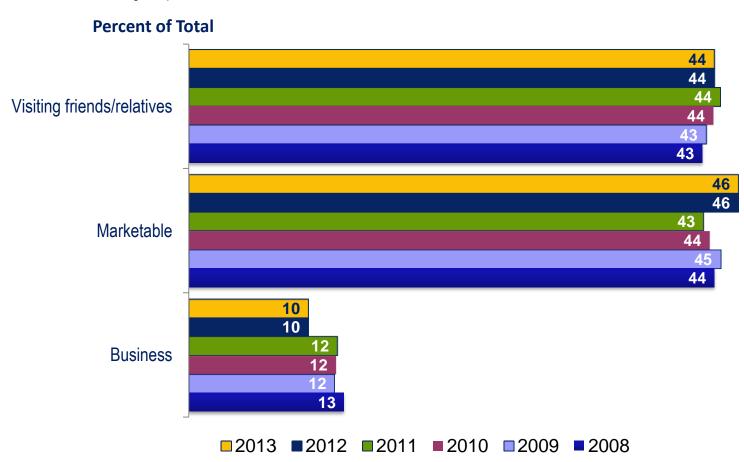
Base: Total Overnight Trips



# Structure of the US Overnight Travel Market — Trends



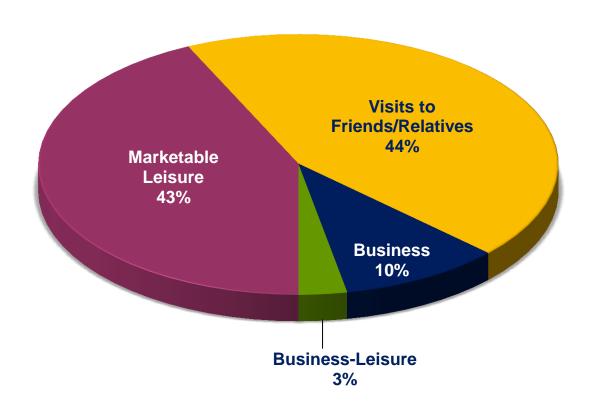
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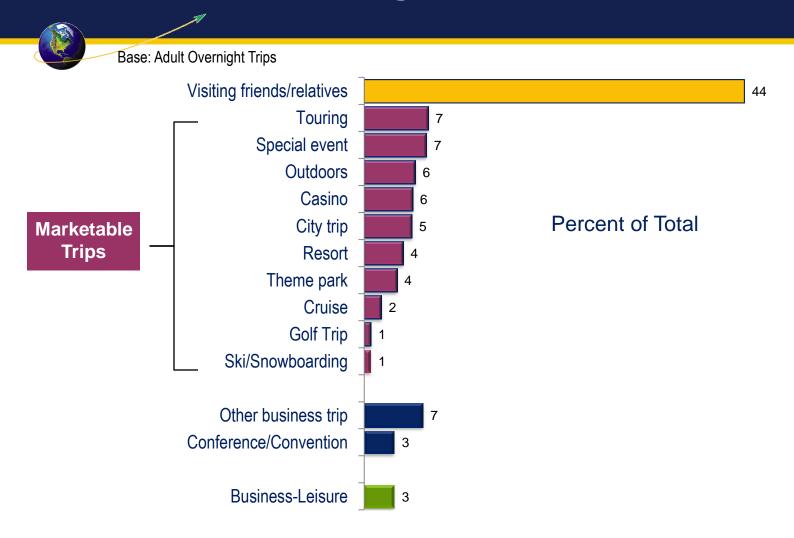
#### **US Overnight Market Segments**



Base: Adult Overnight Trips



# Main Purpose of US Overnight Trips in 2013





# Size & Structure of Pennsylvania's Travel Market

#### Pennsylvania's Travel Market



 An estimated 189.8 million trips were taken to and/or within Pennsylvania by US residents in 2013.

34% were overnight trips and 66% were day trips.

- Of the 64.8 million overnight trips:
  - ❖ 40% were marketable trip types (trips that can be influenced by marketing, i.e., leisure trips excluding visits to friends and relatives).
  - Key marketable trip types for Pennsylvania in 2013 included touring, special events, and outdoors.

#### Pennsylvania Day Travelers



 Of the estimated 125 million day-trip travelers to and/or within Pennsylvania in 2013:

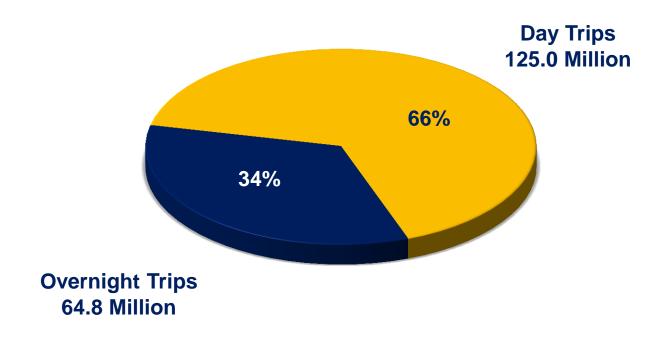
55% were marketable trip types (a much higher percentage than for overnight travel).

 Key marketable day-trip types in 2013 included touring, special events, and shopping.

# Total Trips To/Within Pennsylvania in 2013



Total Person-Trips = 189.8 Million



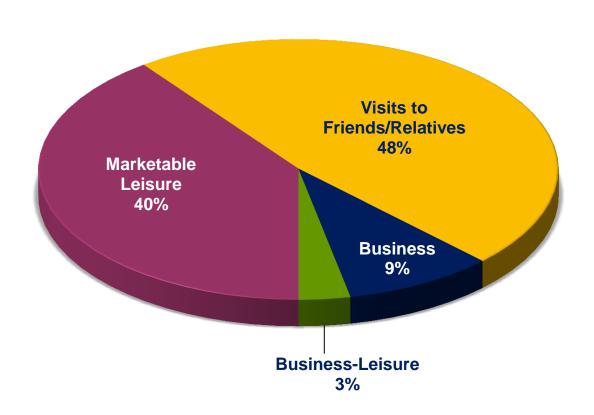


# Pennsylvania's Overnight Travel Segments

# Pennsylvania's Overnight Trip Market Segments



Base: Adult Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania

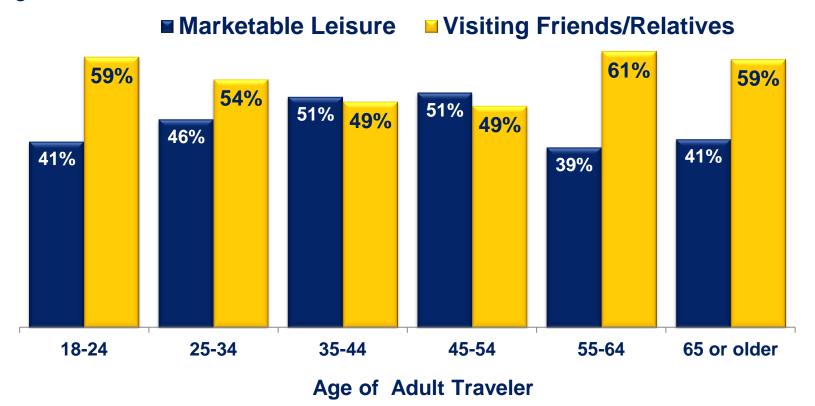


# Pennsylvania's Leisure Overnight Market Segments by Age of Adult Traveler



Base: Adult Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania

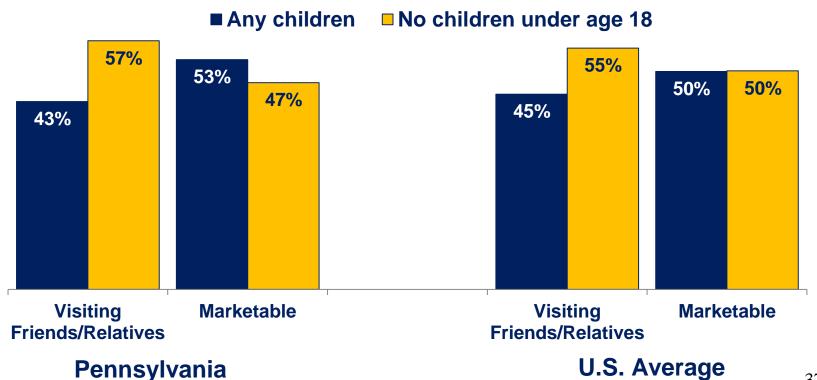
Adult travelers from the youngest and oldest generations were far more likely to travel to/within PA to visit friends and family in 2013 than those in the middle age ranges.



# Pennsylvania and U.S. Overnight Leisure Segments By Presence of Children in Household

Base: Adult Overnight Leisure Trips

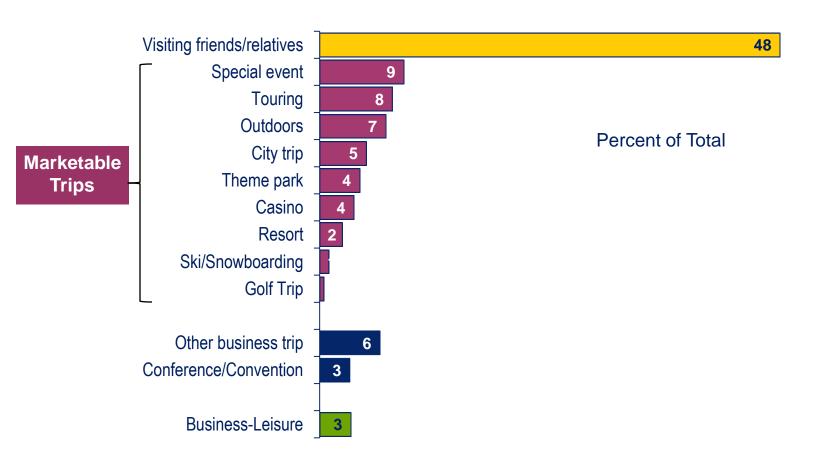
PA's marketable overnight leisure travelers were far more likely to have children under age 18 than those traveling to visit friends/relatives.



### Main Purpose of Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania in 2013

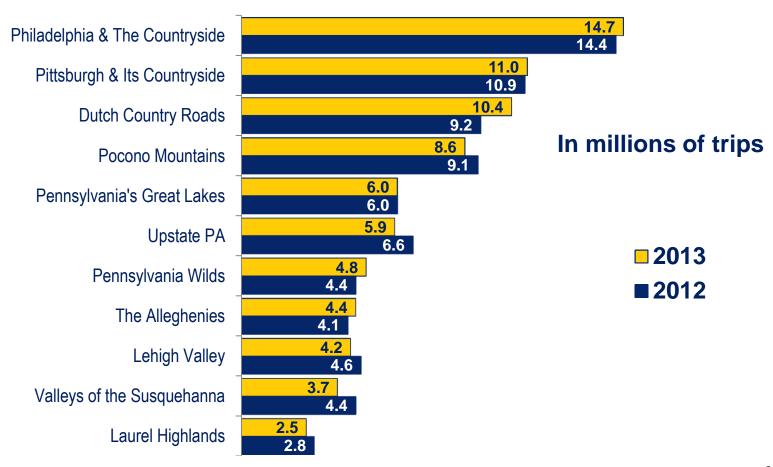


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#### Regions Visited on Overnight Trips\*





<sup>\*</sup>Spent time in region

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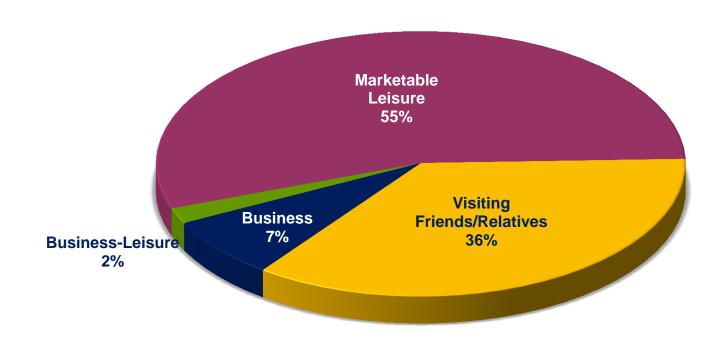


## Pennsylvania's Day-Trip Travel Segments

### Pennsylvania's Day-Trip Market Segments



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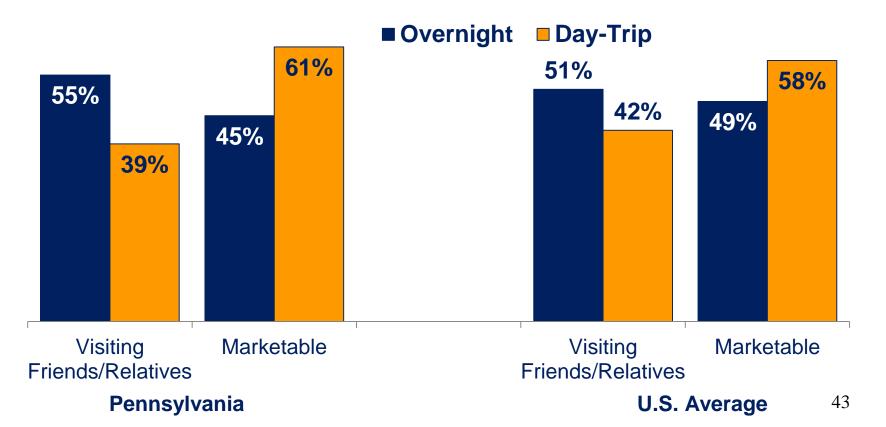


### Main Purpose of Pennsylvania 2013 Day-Trips



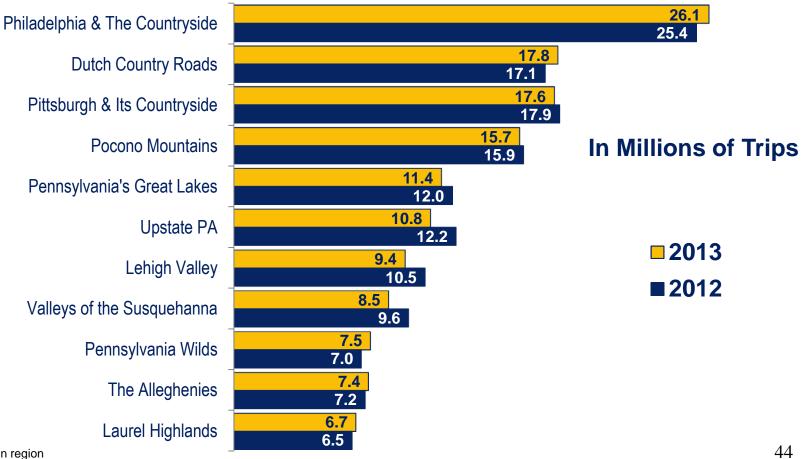
# Pennsylvania and U.S. 2013 Leisure Travel Purpose of Stay Overnight vs. Day-trip

PA's day-trip leisure travelers were more likely to visit the state on marketable trips than the state's overnight travelers and U.S. travelers, on average.



#### Regions Visited on Day-Trips\*





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## Pennsylvania 2013 Marketable Overnight Trips

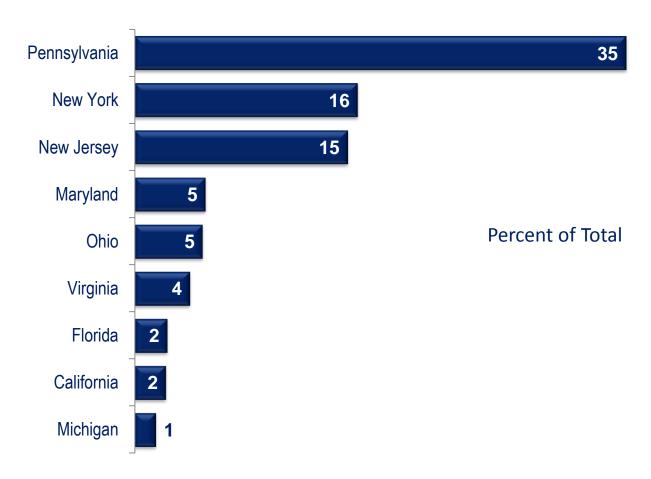
- Main Origin Markets
- Demographic Profile
- Trip Planning & Booking
- Trip Characteristics/Experiences



### Origin Markets for Pennsylvania Marketable Overnight Trips

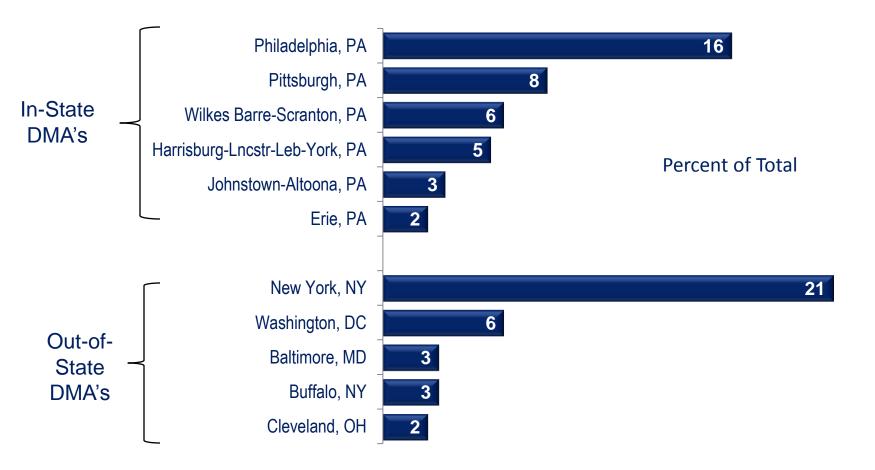
### Main Origin States for Pennsylvania's Marketable Overnight Travelers





### Main Urban Markets for Pennsylvania's Marketable Overnight Travelers

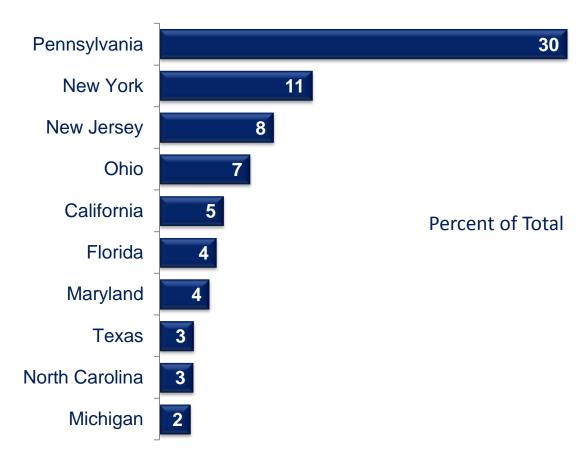




### Main Origin States for Pennsylvania's Business Overnight Travelers



Base: Business Overnight Trips





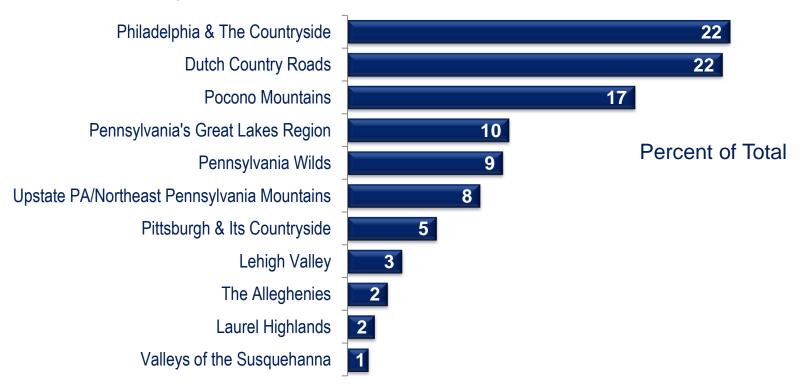
### PA Tourism Regions Visited by Travelers' State of Residence

### Pennsylvania Tourism Regions Visited by New York Residents



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

In a change from prior years, Philadelphia and The Countryside and the Dutch Country Roads regions were the top destinations for travelers from New York.

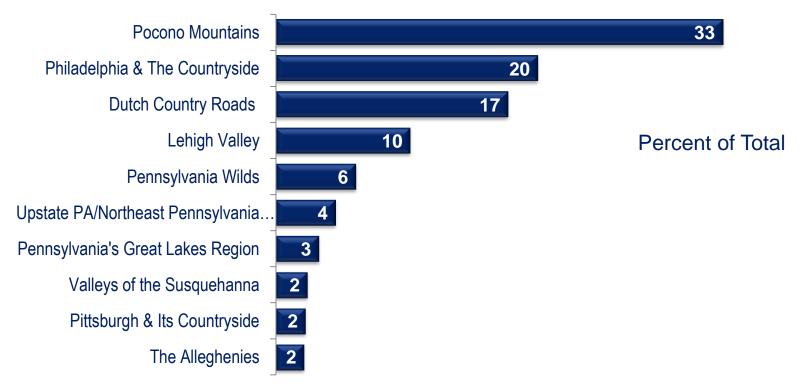


#### Pennsylvania Tourism Regions Visited by New Jersey Residents



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

The Pocono Mountains remained the most popular PA destination for marketable overnight travelers from New Jersey in 2013, followed by the Philadelphia & the Countryside.

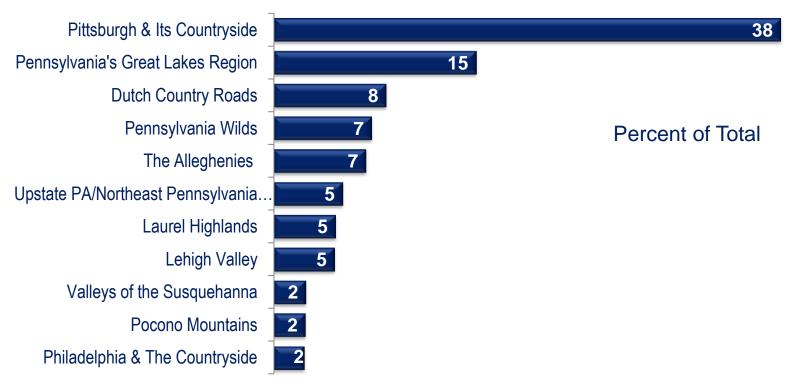


### Pennsylvania Tourism Regions Visited by Ohio Residents



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

Pittsburgh & Its Countryside region remained the most popular PA destination for marketable overnight travelers from Ohio in 2013, followed by Pennsylvania's Great Lakes.

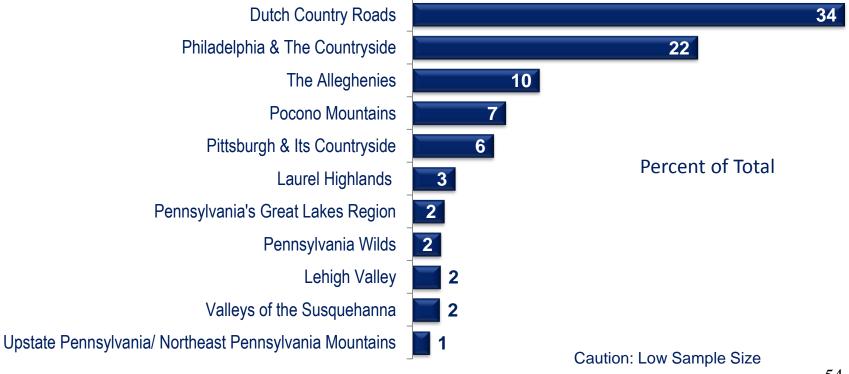


### Pennsylvania Tourism Regions Visited by Maryland Residents



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

The Dutch Country Roads region remained the most popular PA destination for marketable overnight travelers from Maryland in 2013.

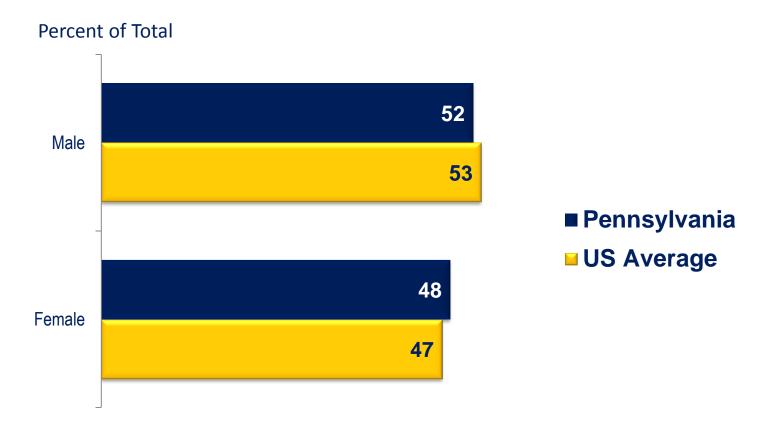




### Traveler Profile — Marketable Overnight Trips

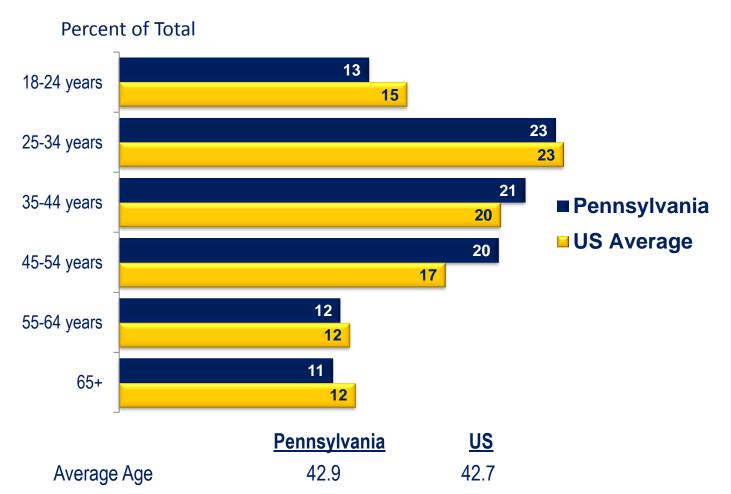
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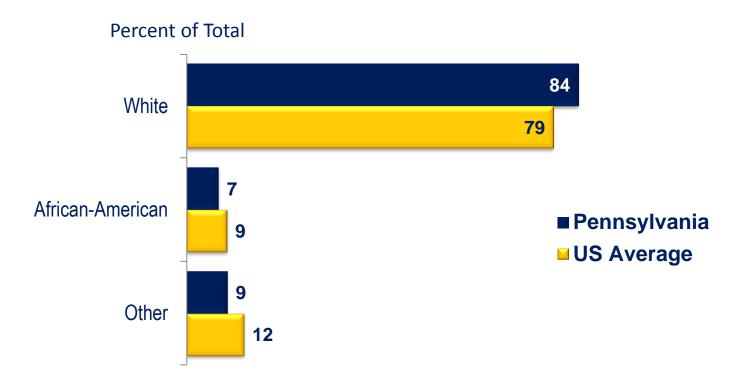
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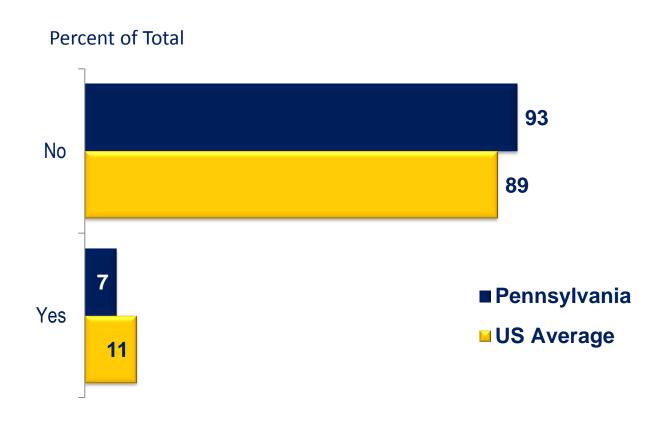
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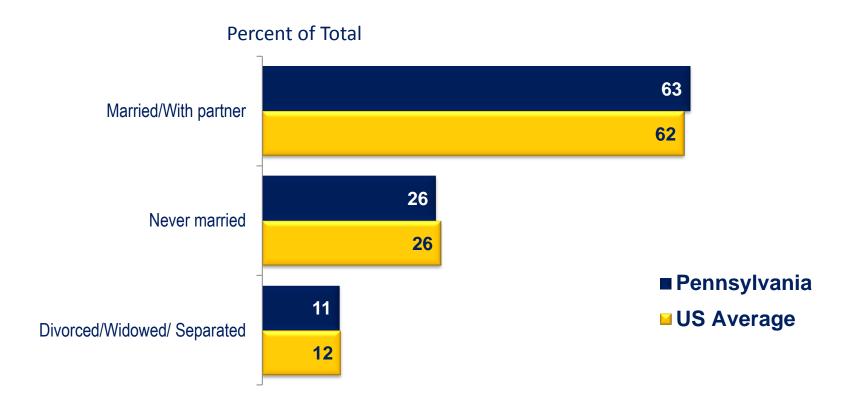
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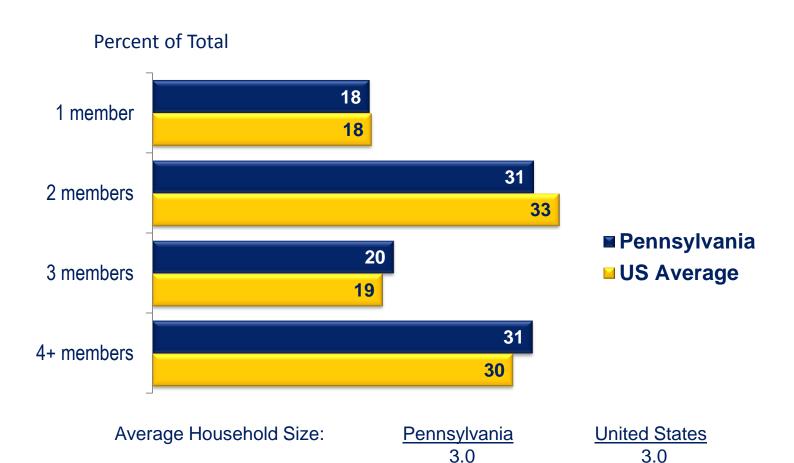
#### **Marital Status**





#### **Household Size**



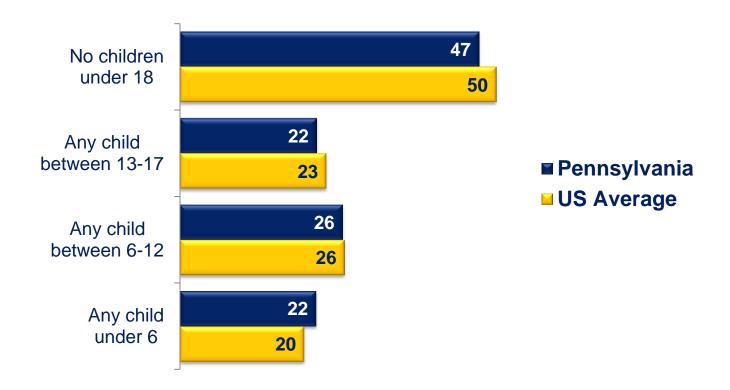


#### Presence of Children in Household



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

Percent of Adult Travelers with Children Under Age 18 Living at Home

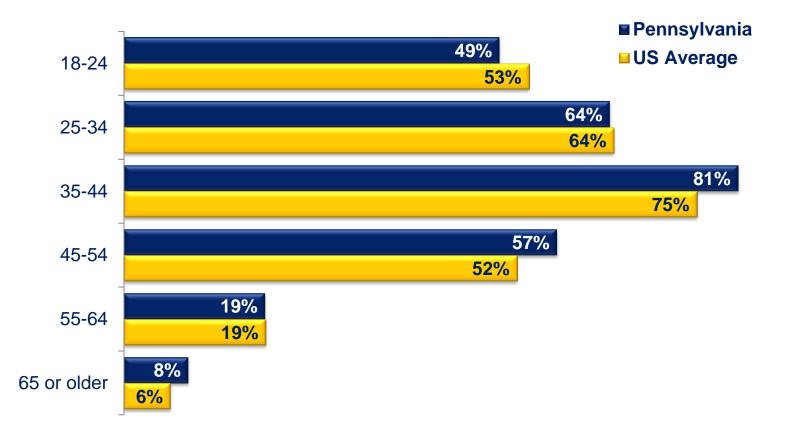


### Presence of Children in Household by Age of Adult Traveler



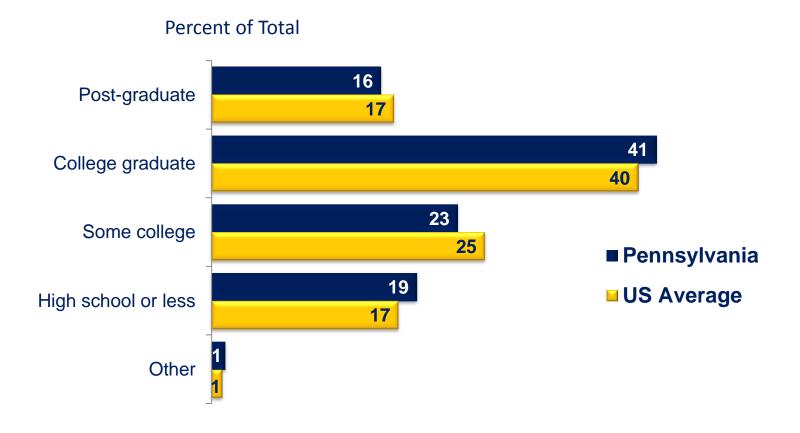
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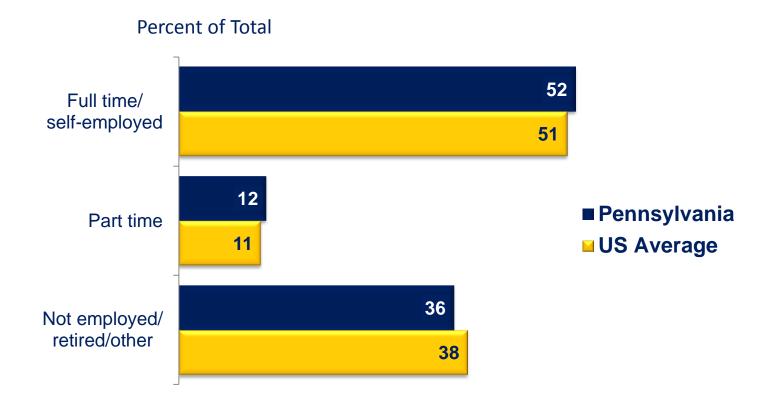
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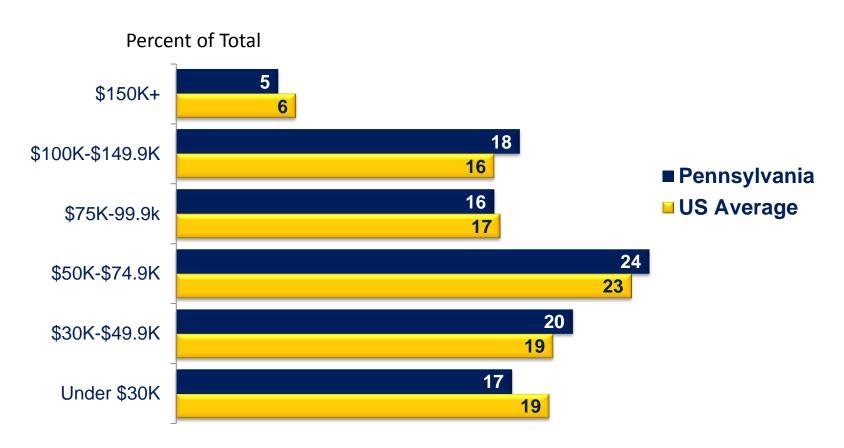
#### **Employment**





#### Income



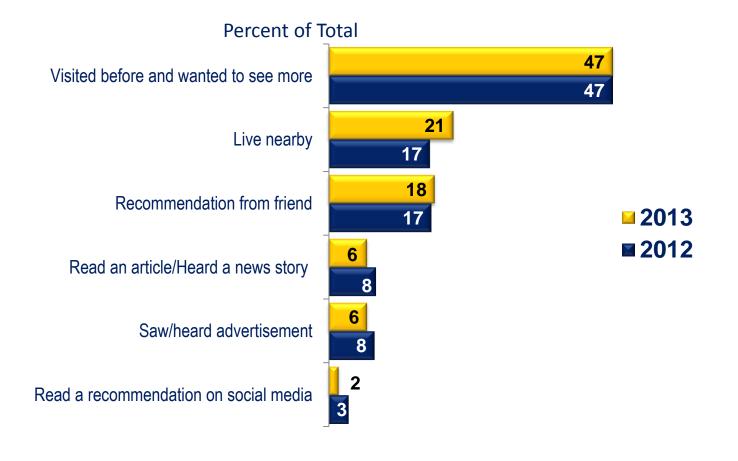




# Trip Planning & Booking Pennsylvania Marketable Overnight Trips

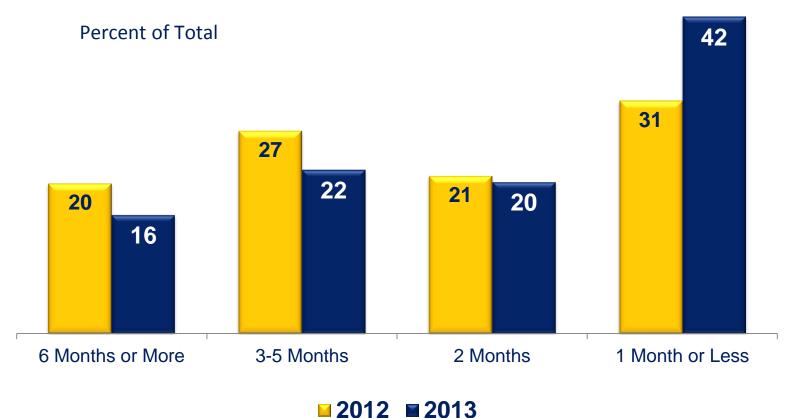
#### Main Reason for Choosing Pennsylvania





### Planning Cycle



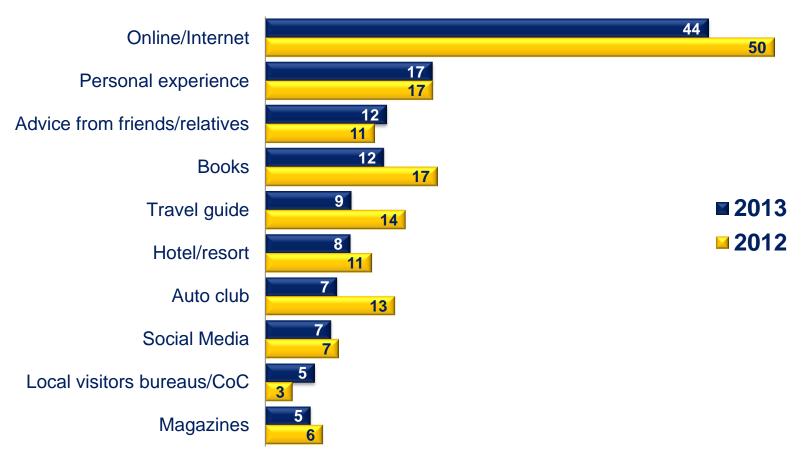


### Information Sources Used for Planning the Trip



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

#### Percent of Total

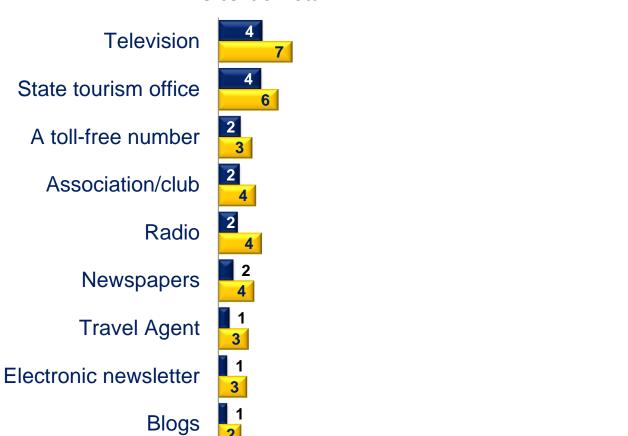


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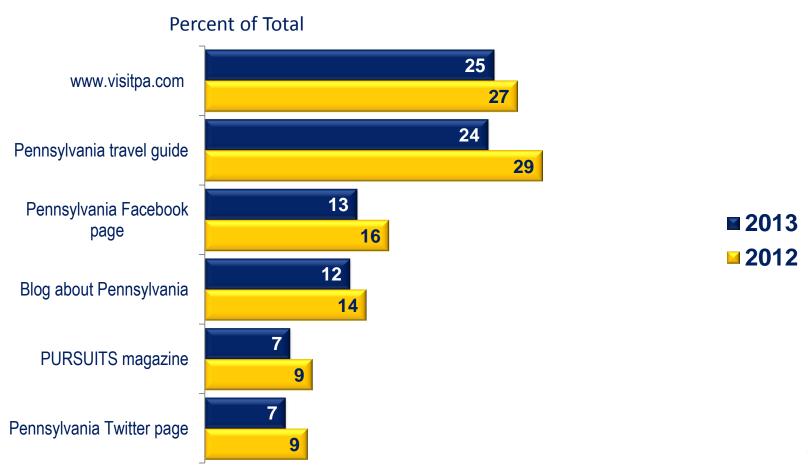
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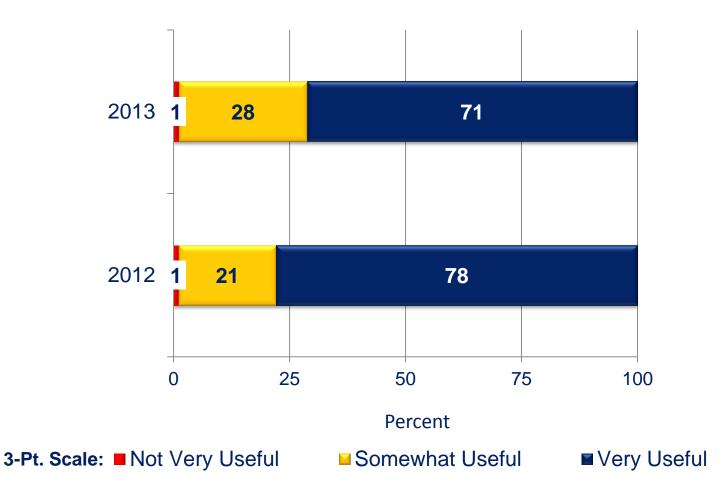
### Use of Pennsylvania Tourism Office Trip Planning Tools





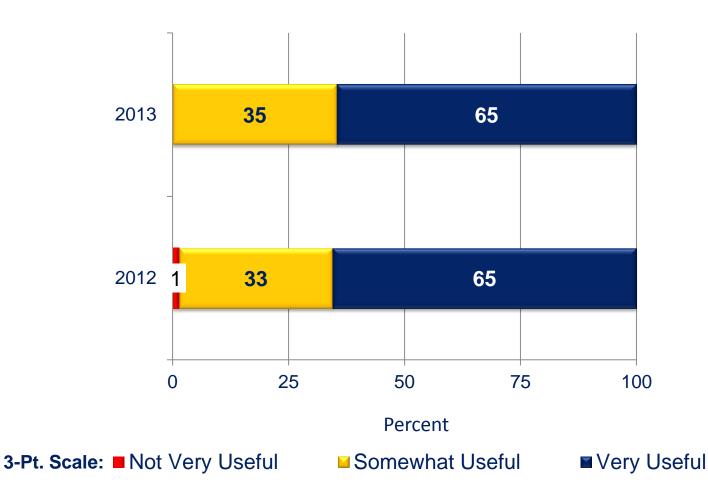
#### www.visitpa.com Usefulness





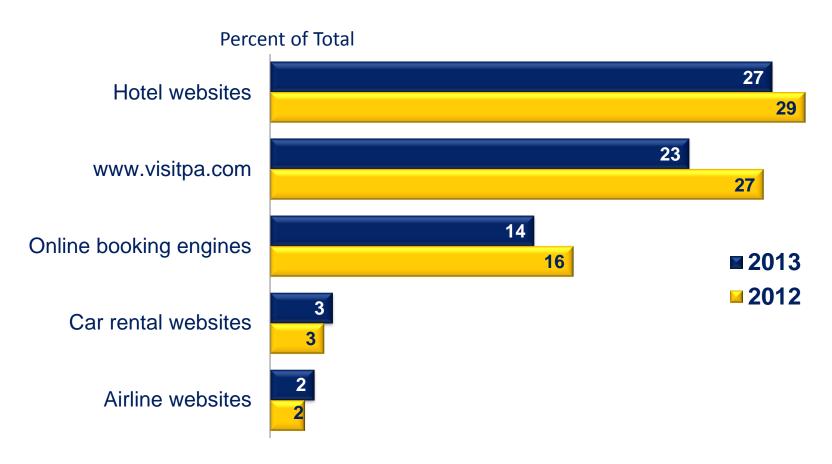
### Pennsylvania Travel Guide Usefulness





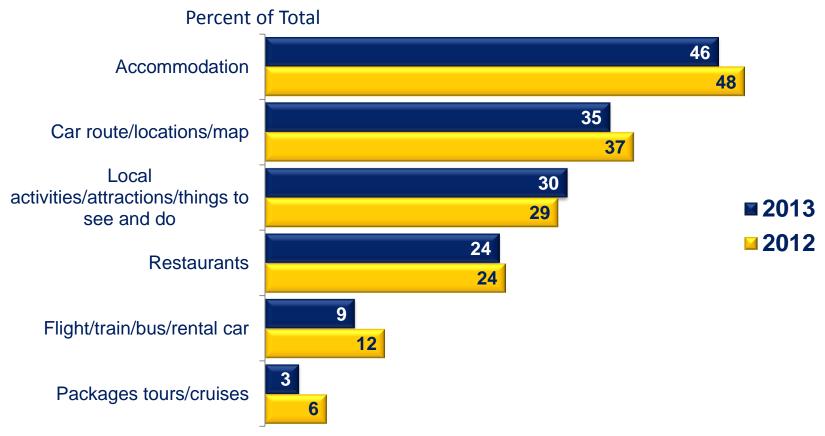
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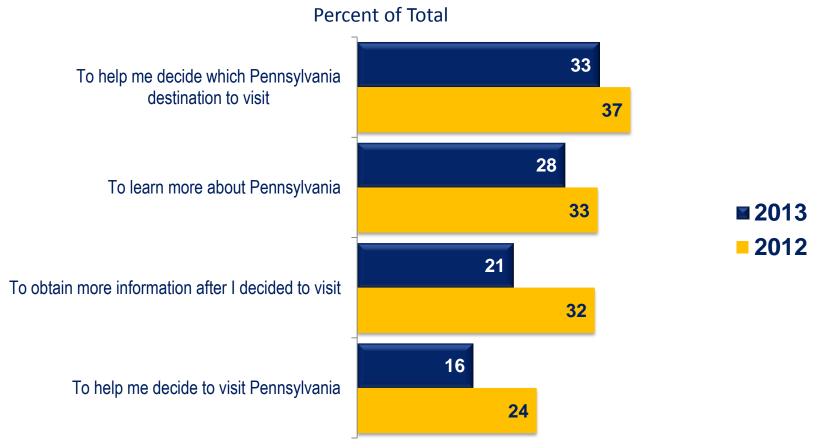
#### **Trip Elements Planned Using Internet**





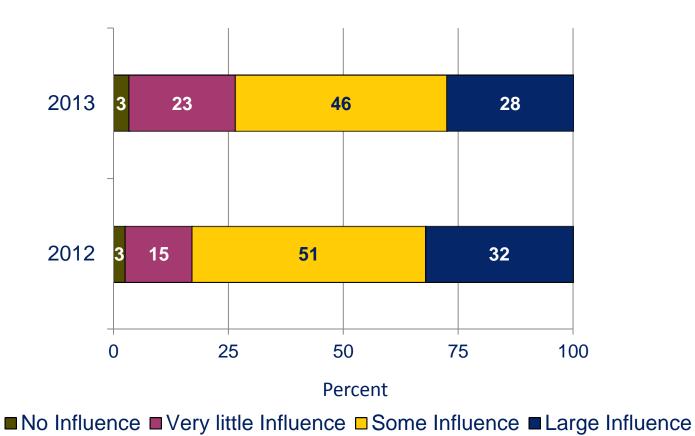
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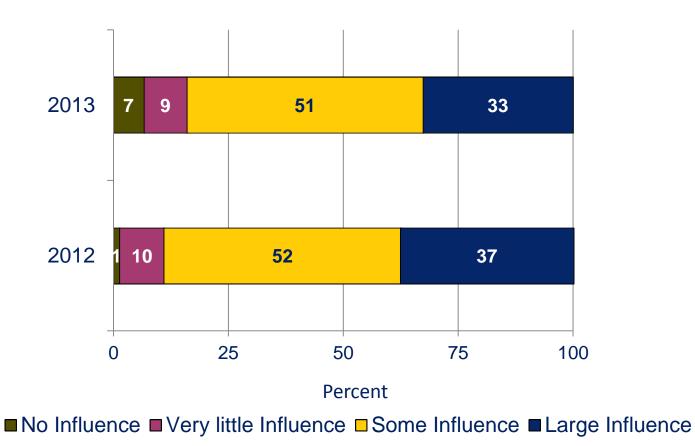
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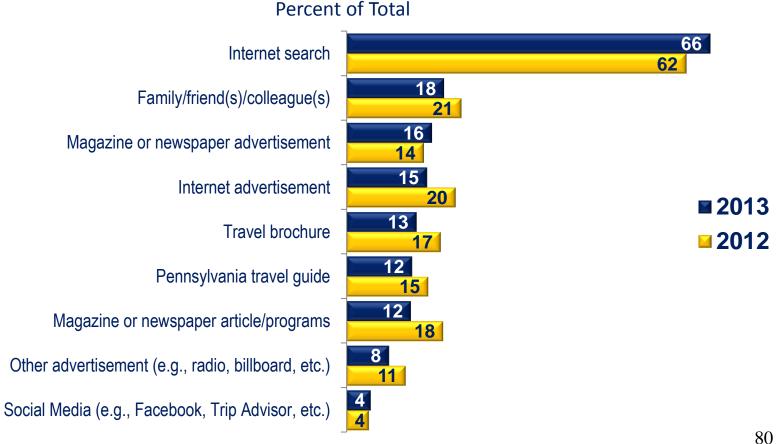
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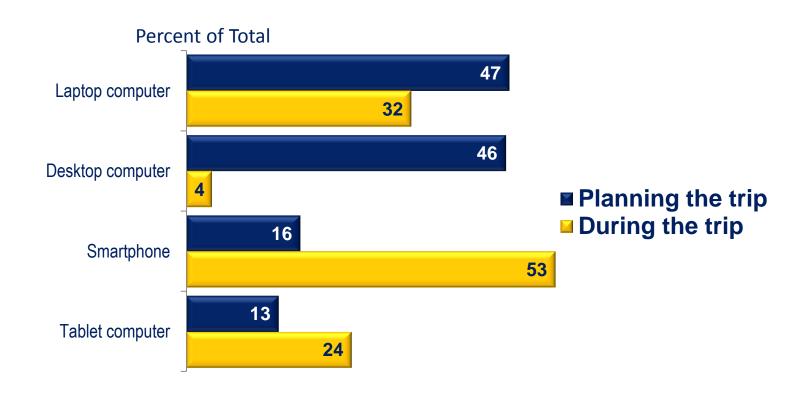
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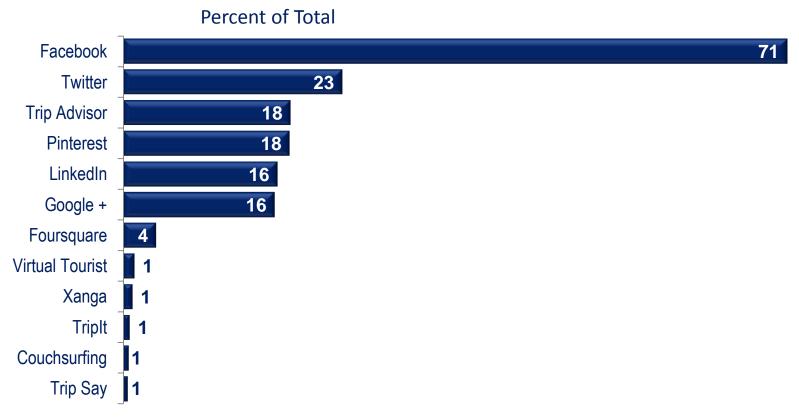
#### **Technology Used by Travelers**





#### **Social Media Visited by Travelers**





#### Planning Considerations Beyond Cost





### Percent of Travelers Booking In Advance



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

#### **Percent of Total**

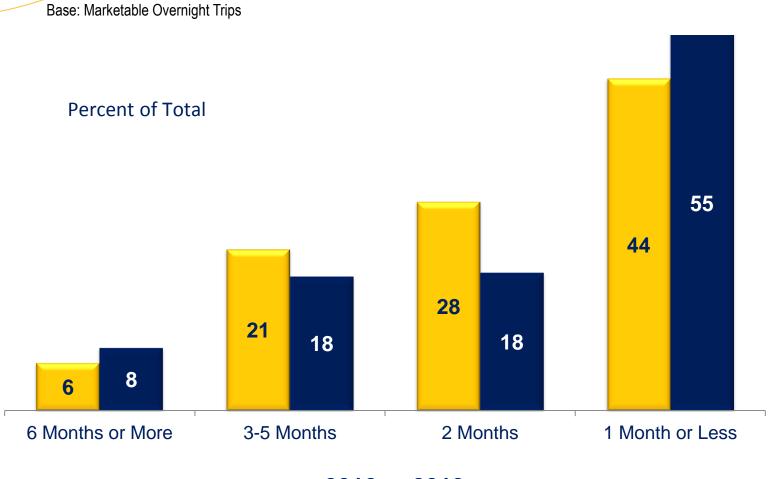


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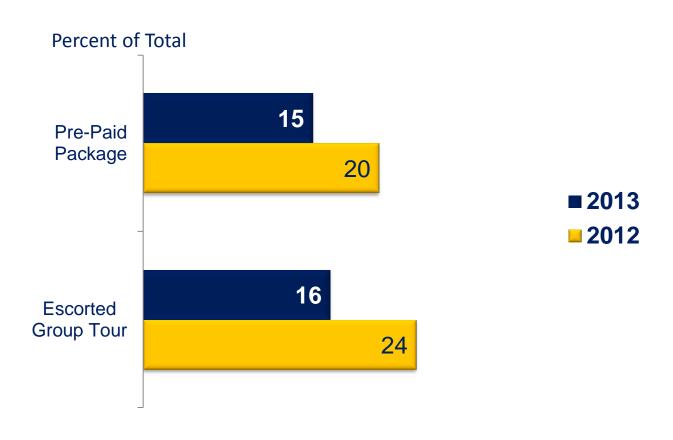
#### **Booking Cycle**





## Use of Vacation Packages and Group Travel



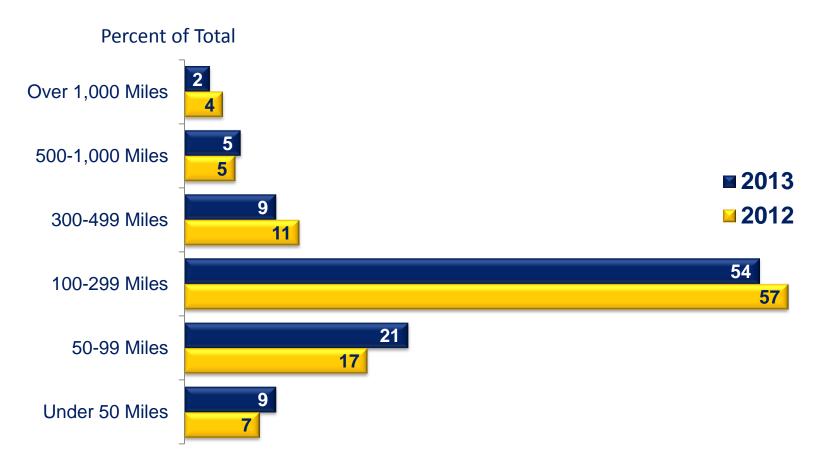




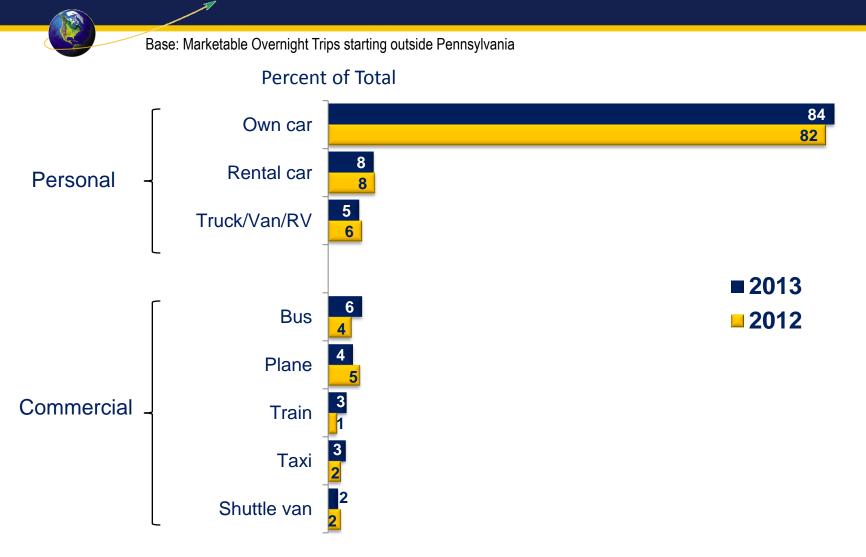
# Trip Characteristics of Pennsylvania's Marketable Overnight Travelers

#### Distance Traveled to Pennsylvania

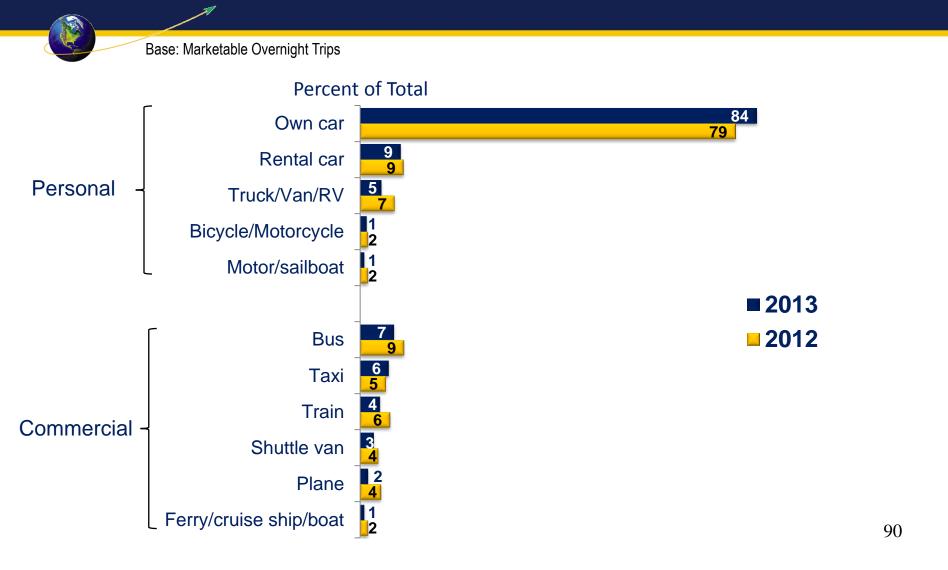




## Transportation Used to Enter Pennsylvania



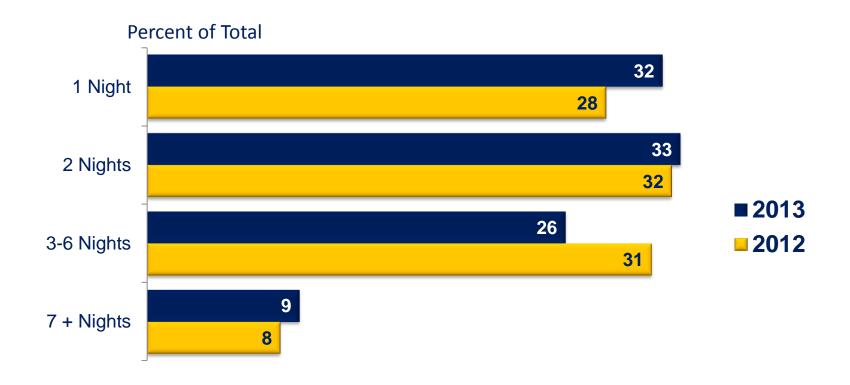
#### Transportation Used Inside Pennsylvania



#### Total Nights Away



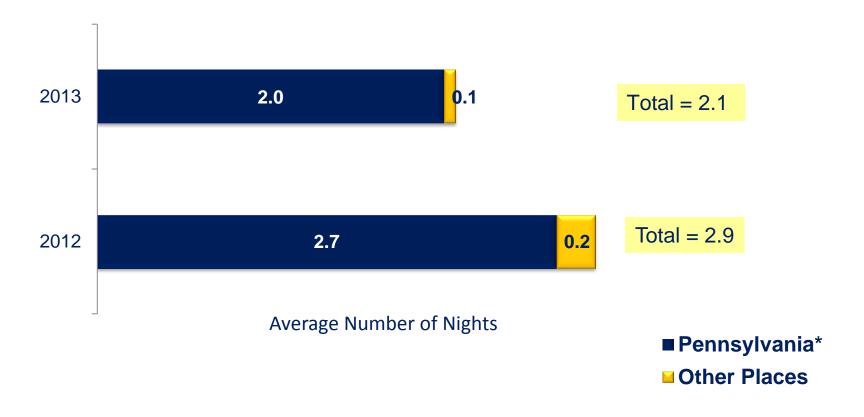
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Average Number of Nights: <u>2013</u> <u>2012</u> 3.1 3.1

#### **Length of Stay**



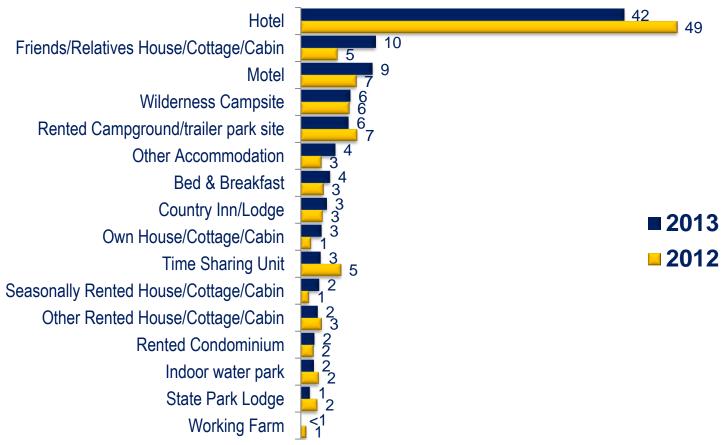


#### **Accommodations\***



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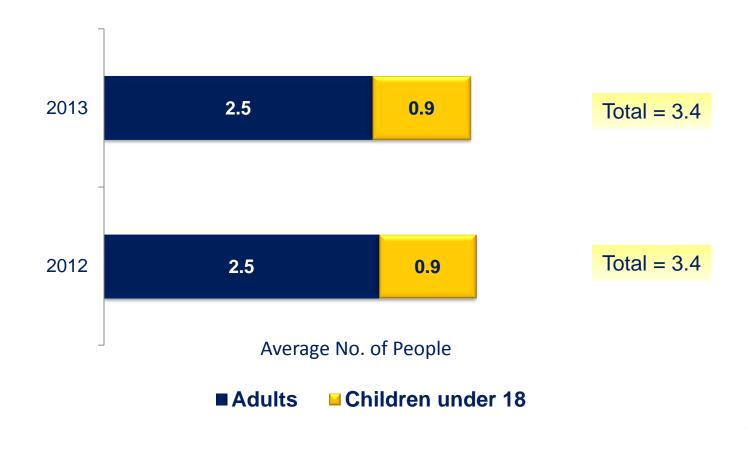
#### Percent of Total



<sup>\*</sup> Percent of trip nights spent in each type of accommodation

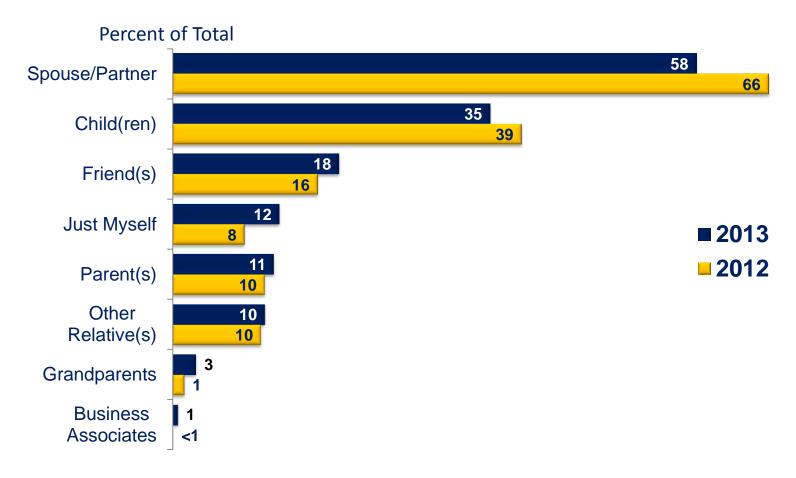
#### **Size of Travel Party**





#### **Composition of Travel Party**



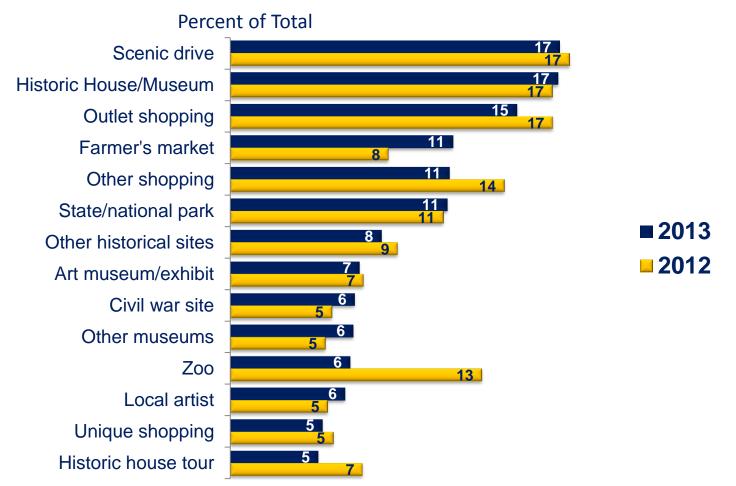




## Trip Experiences — Marketable Overnight Trips

#### Things Seen and Experienced on Trip

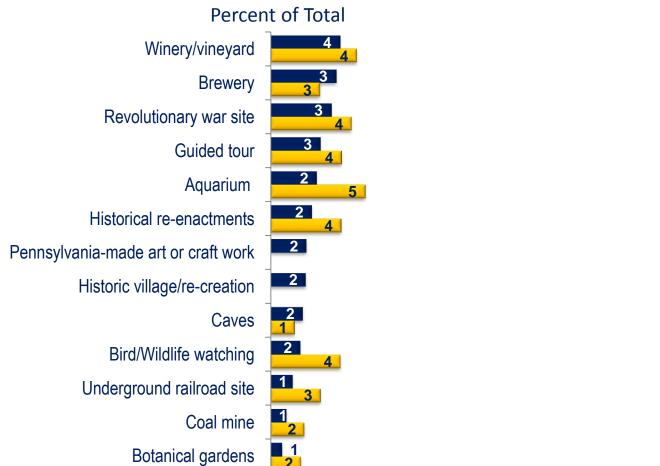




### Things Seen and Experienced on Trip (Cont'd)



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

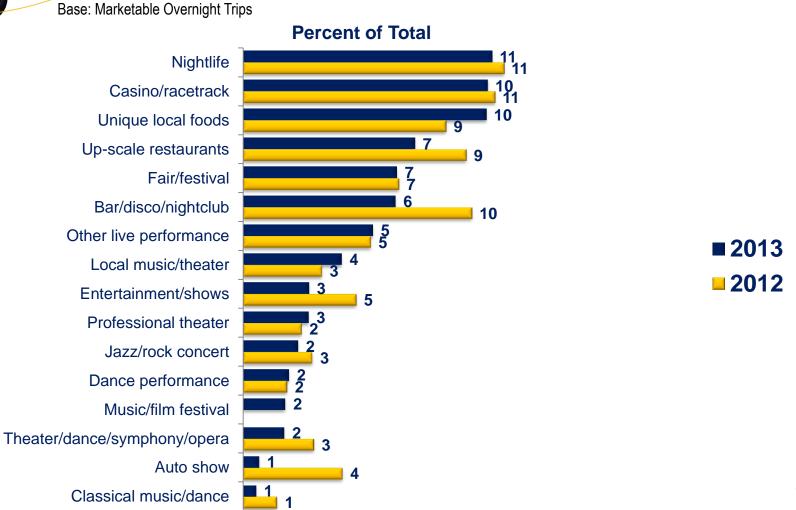


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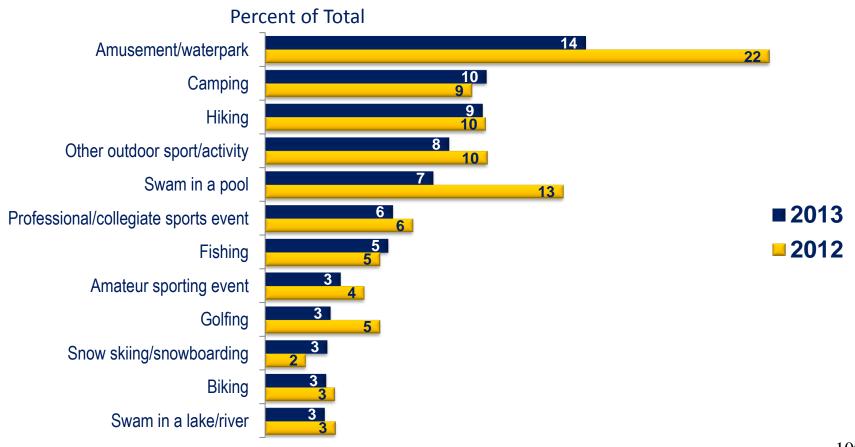
#### **Dining/Entertainment**





#### **Sports and Recreation**

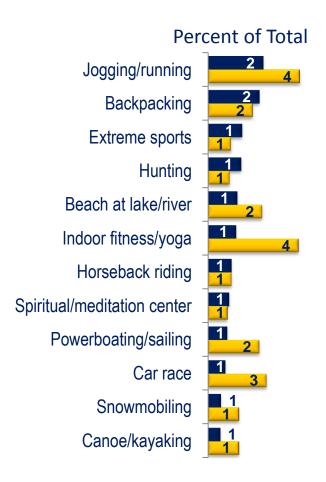




#### **Sports and Recreation (Cont'd)**



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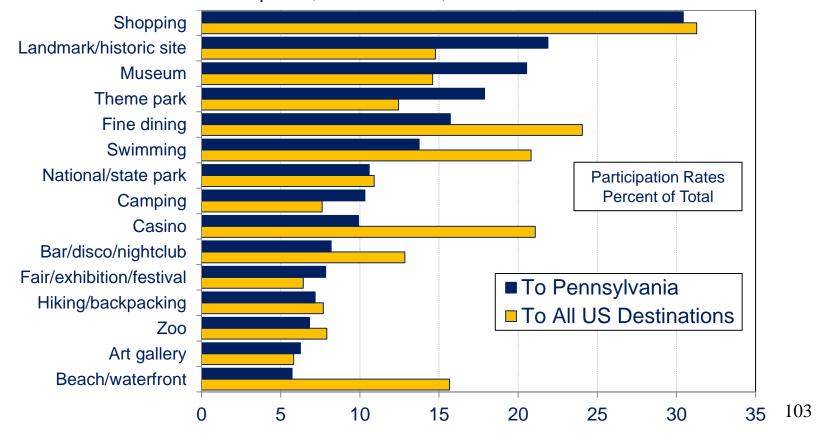
## **Activities by Origin Market of Marketable Overnight Travelers**

## Main Activities of Travelers from New York on Marketable Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania vs to All US Destinations



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

Pennsylvania had a distinct advantage over other US destinations in attracting NY travelers who were interested in theme parks, historic sites, and museums in 2013.

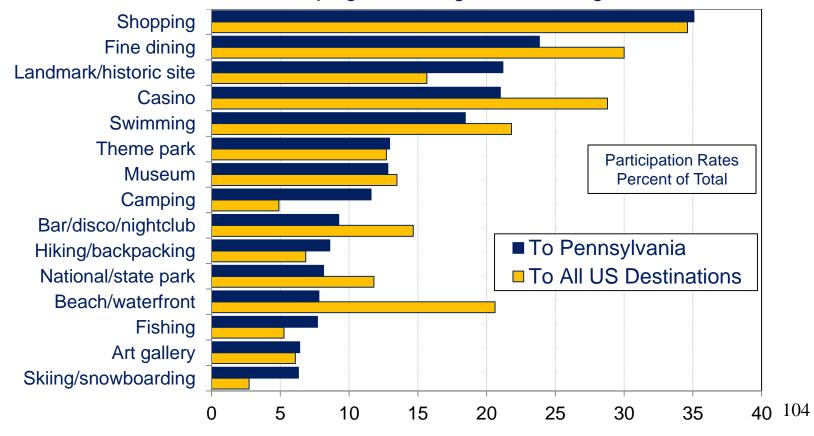


## Main Activities of Travelers from New Jersey on Marketable Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania vs to All US Destinations



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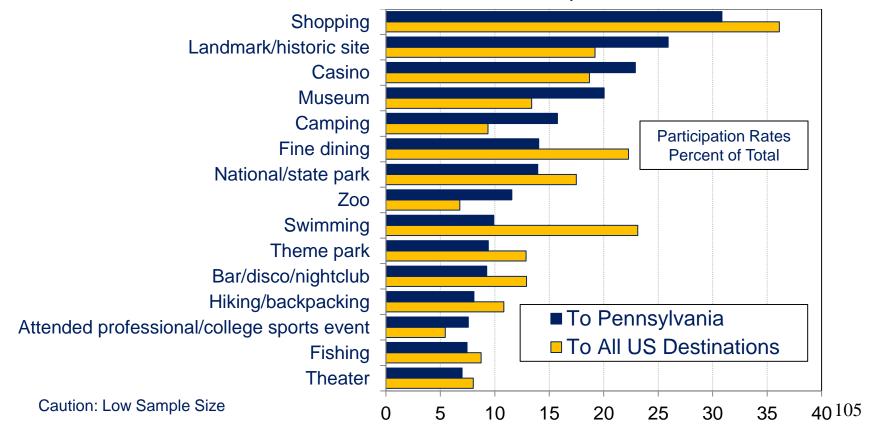


## Main Activities of Travelers from Ohio on Marketable Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania vs to All US Destinations



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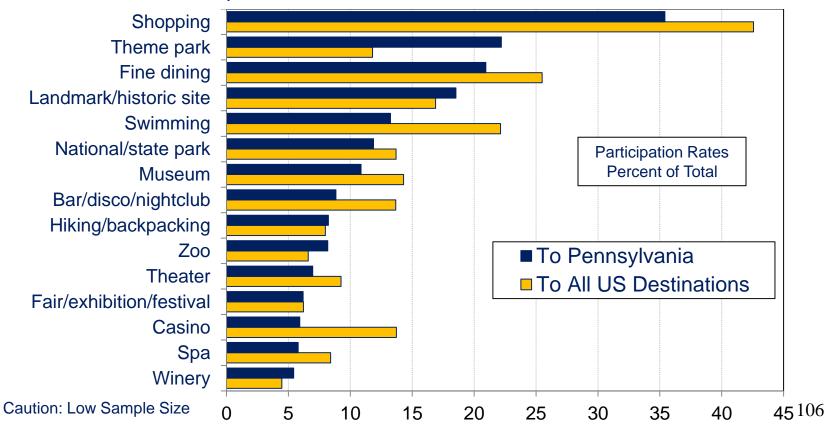


## Main Activities of Travelers from Maryland on Marketable Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania vs to All US Destinations



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Pennsylvania hah an advantage over other US destinations in attracting MD travelers who were interested in theme parks, historic sites, zoos, and wineries in 2013.

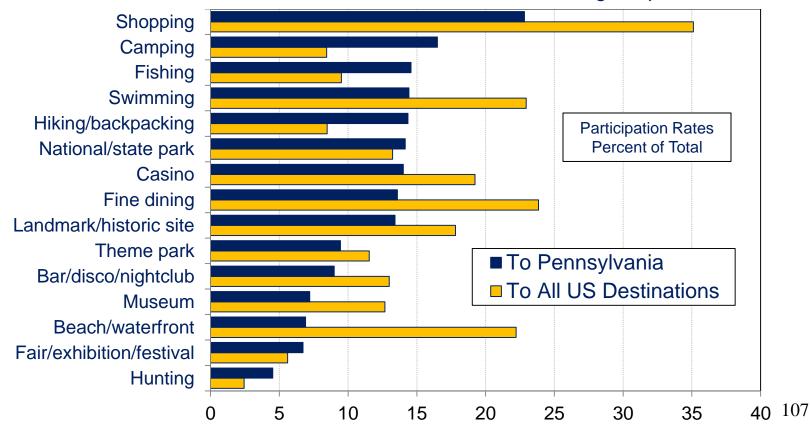


## Main Activities of Travelers from Pennsylvania on Marketable Overnight Trips to Pennsylvania vs to All US Destinations



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

Pennsylvania's outdoor recreational opportunities remained a big draw for the state's resident travelers who took at least one in-state marketable overnight trip in 2013





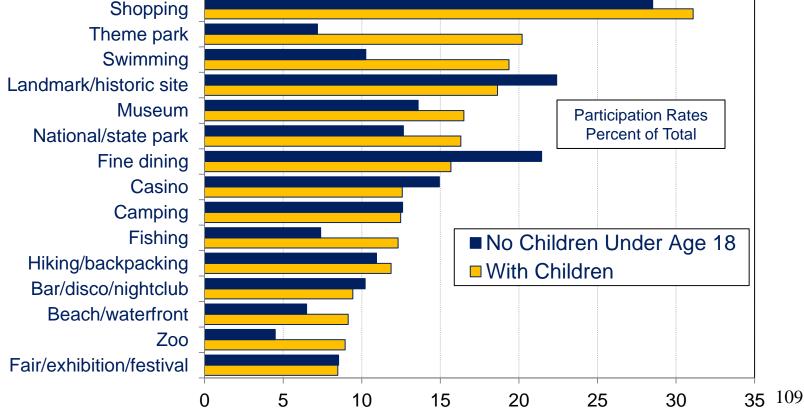
# Activities by Presence/Absence of Children in Travelers' Household

# Main Activities of Travelers to Pennsylvania on Marketable Overnight Trips With Children and Without Children



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

Travelers with children were far more likely to visit a theme park, museum, or national/state park, while those without children were more likely to visit fine dining, casino, or historic site in 2013.





# Regional Attractions Visited on 2013 Marketable Overnight Trips

#### Pennsylvania Regional Map



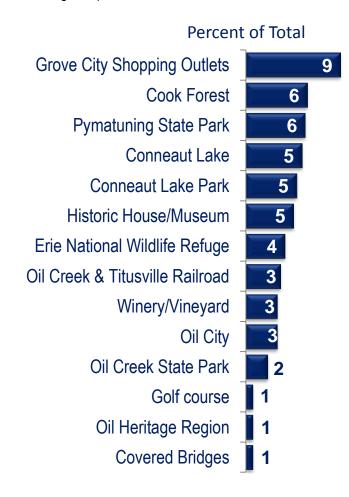
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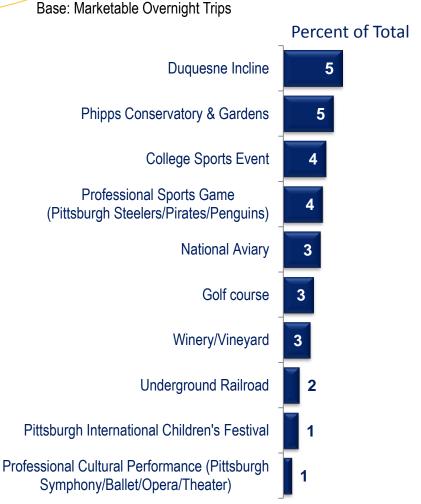




## Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — Pittsburgh and Its Countryside Region\*

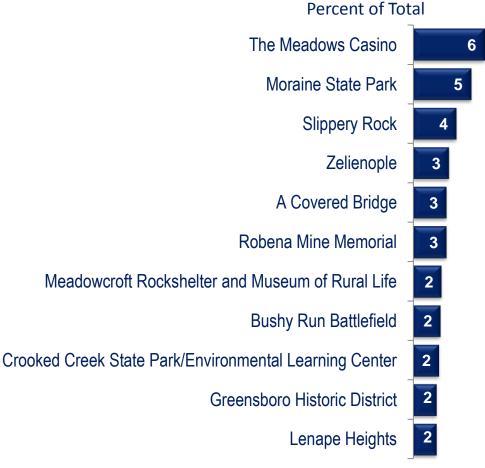


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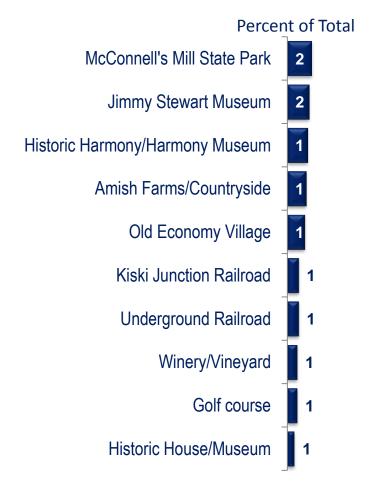
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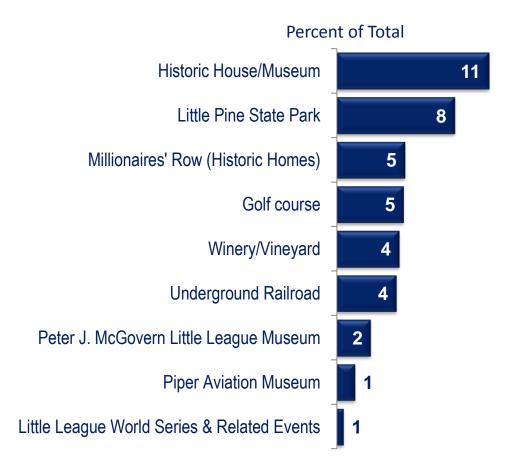
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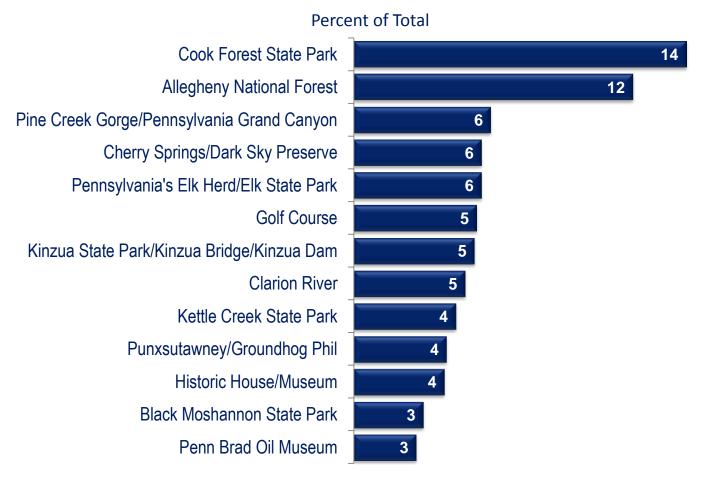
#### Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — Pennsylvania Wilds Region\*





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## Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — Pennsylvania Wilds Region\* (Cont'd)



Base: Overnight Trips

#### Percent of Total

Pennsylvania Lumber Museum Smethport Winery/Vineyard Eldred World War II Museum & Learning Center The Woolrich Store & Outlet Historic Curtin Village/Eagle Ironworks Quehanna Bucktail State Park American Golf Hall of Fame Red Hill Fish Fossil Site Zippo/Case Museum S.B. Elliott State Park

**Straub Brewery** 

### Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — Valleys of the Susquehanna Region\*

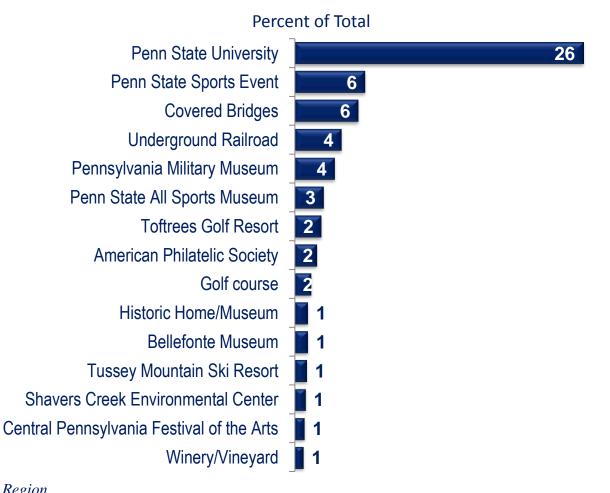






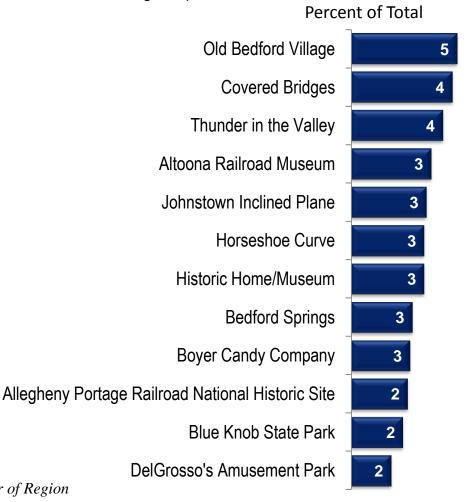
## Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — The Alleghenies Region\*





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## Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — The Alleghenies Region\* (Cont'd)



Base: Overnight Trips

#### Percent of Total

Indian Caverns/Lincoln Caverns
Windber Coal Heritage Center

Johnstown Flood Museum/Memorial

Golf course

Penn's Cave & Wildlife Park

Winery/Vineyard

Lakemont Park

Raystown Lake

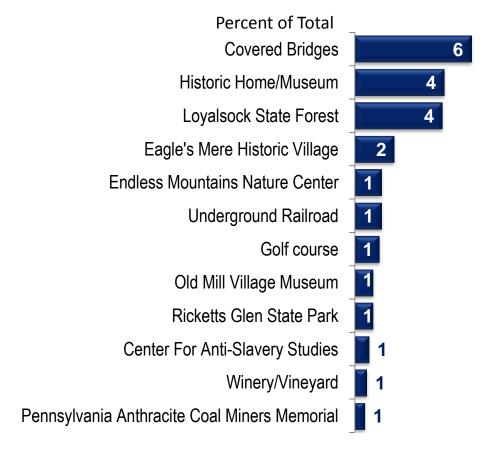
Shawnee State Park

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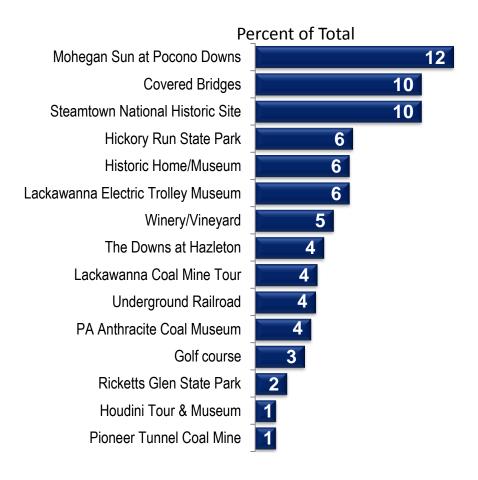
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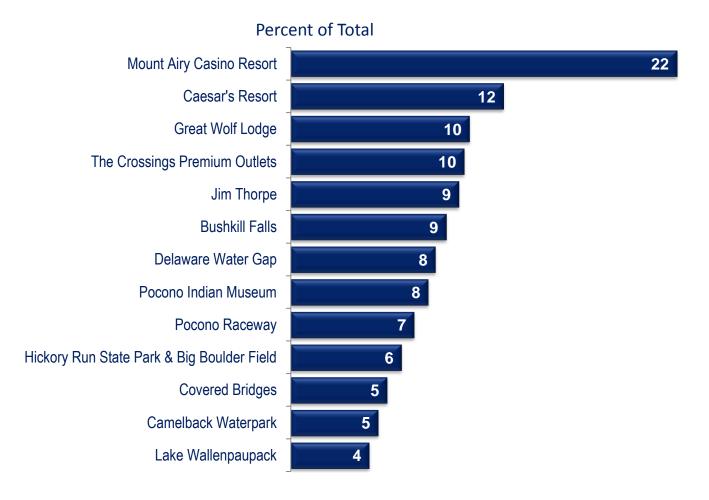
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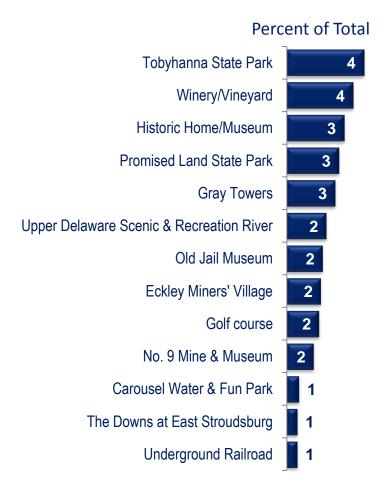
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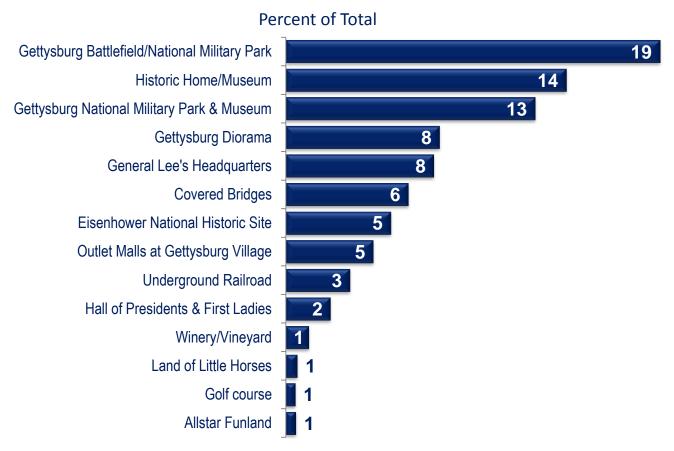


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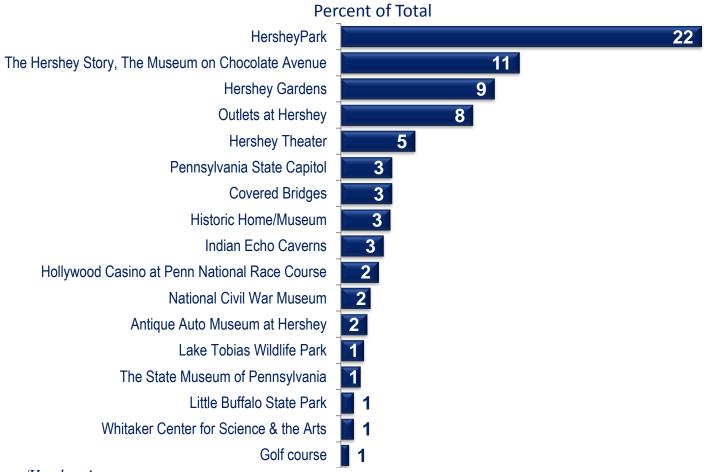




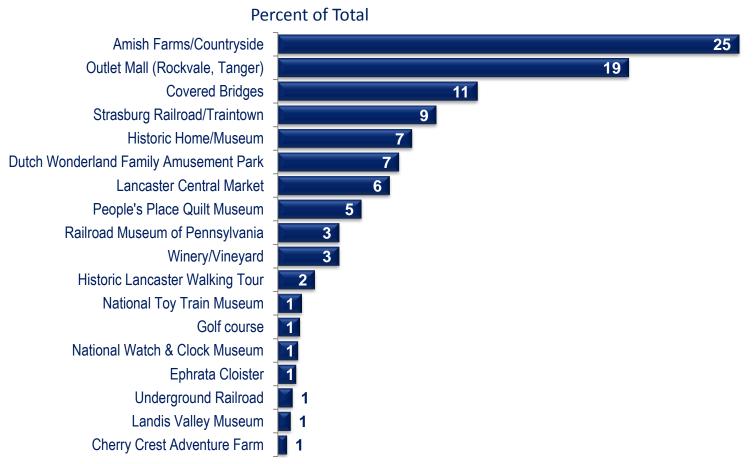


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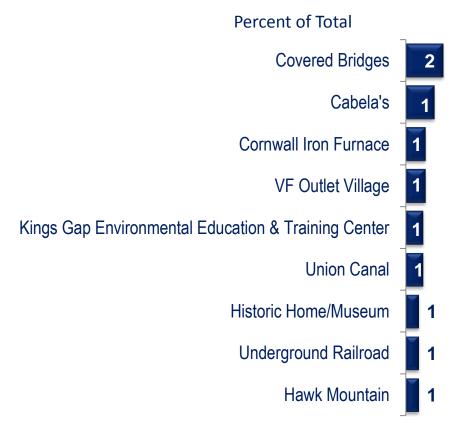






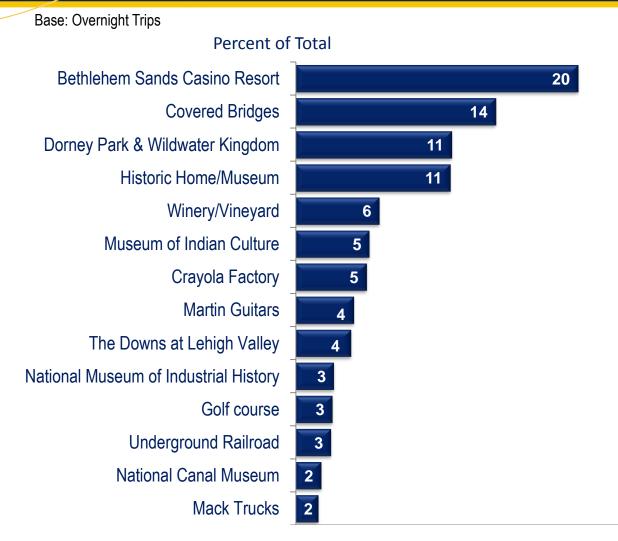






## Pennsylvania Attractions/Events — Lehigh Valley Region















Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

#### Percent of Total

Harrah's Chester Casino & Racetrack **Longwood Gardens** Historic Home/Museum **Covered Bridges** Marsh Creek State Park Brandywine Battlefield Park Hopewell Furnace National Historic Site American Helicopter Museum **Brandywine River Museum** Golf course French Creek State Park Herr's Snack Factory Tour **Underground Railroad** 



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips

#### Percent of Total





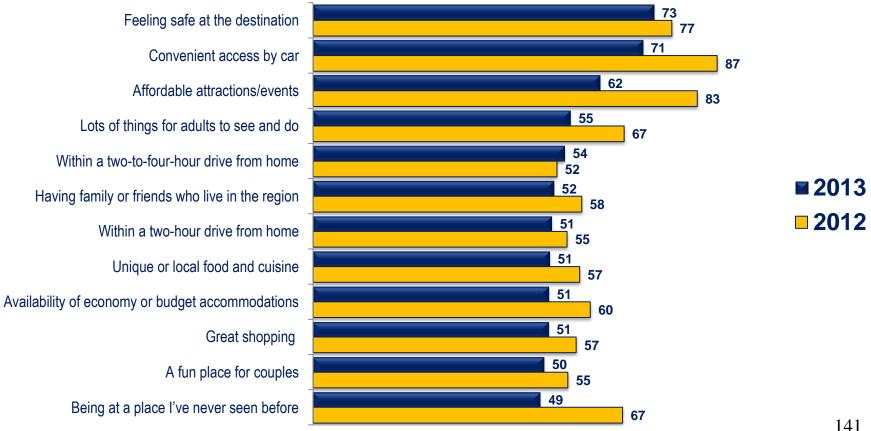
# Importance of Factors in Choice of Pennsylvania Tourism Region

#### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Pennsylvania's Great Lakes Region



Base: Overnight Trips

% Rating Factor As Very Important\*



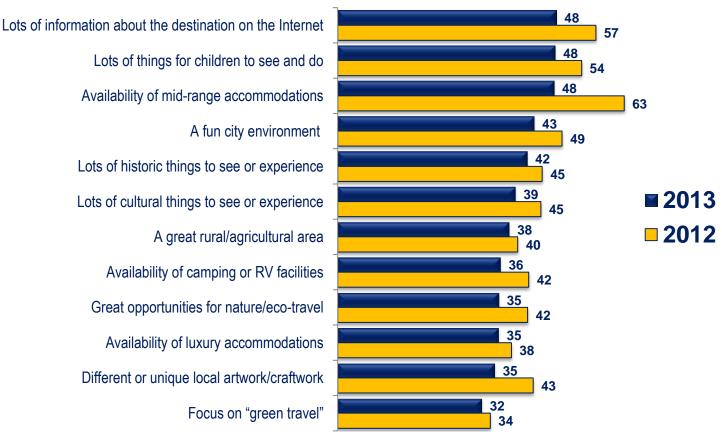
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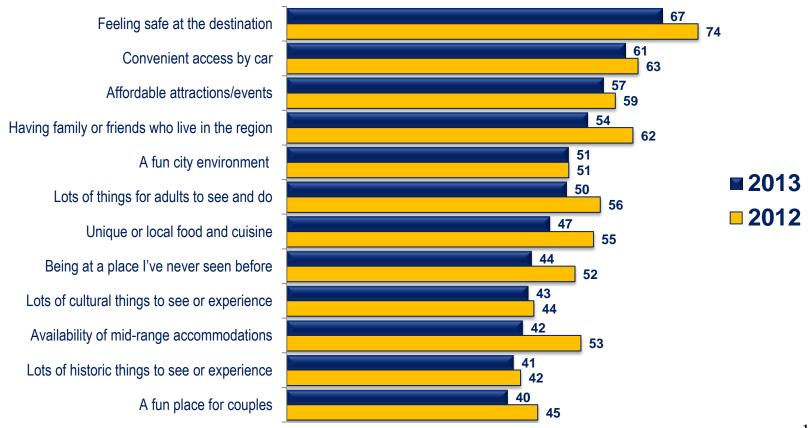
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### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Pittsburgh & Its Countryside



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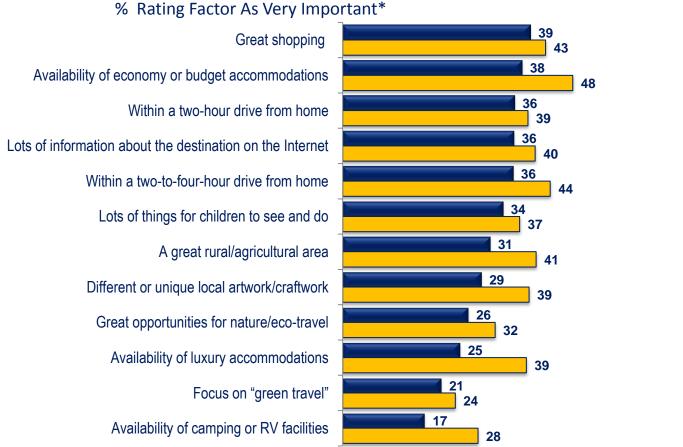


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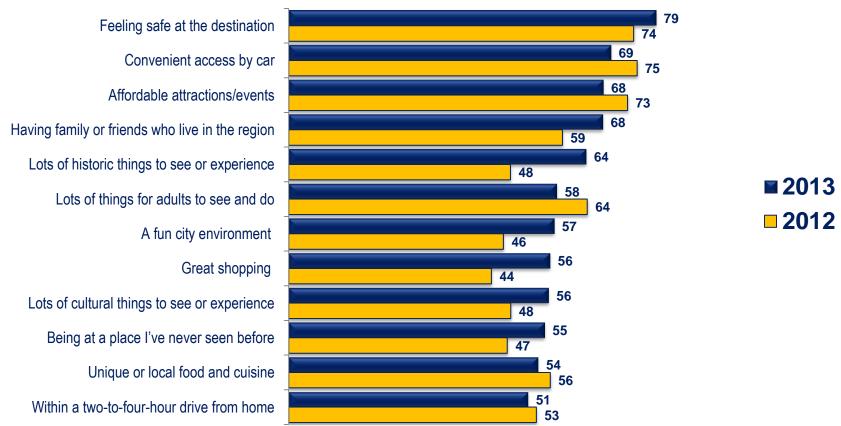
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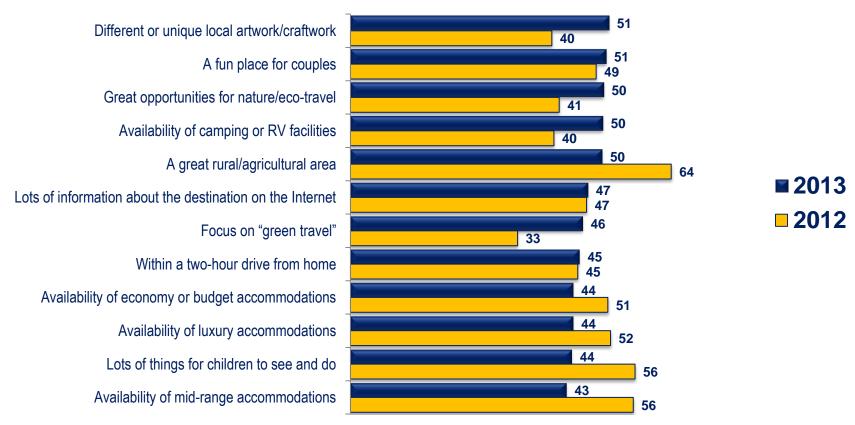
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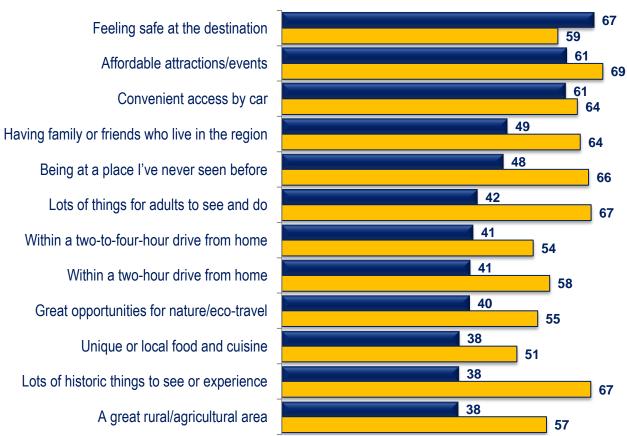
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### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Pennsylvania Wilds



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% Rating Factor As Very Important\*



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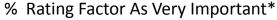
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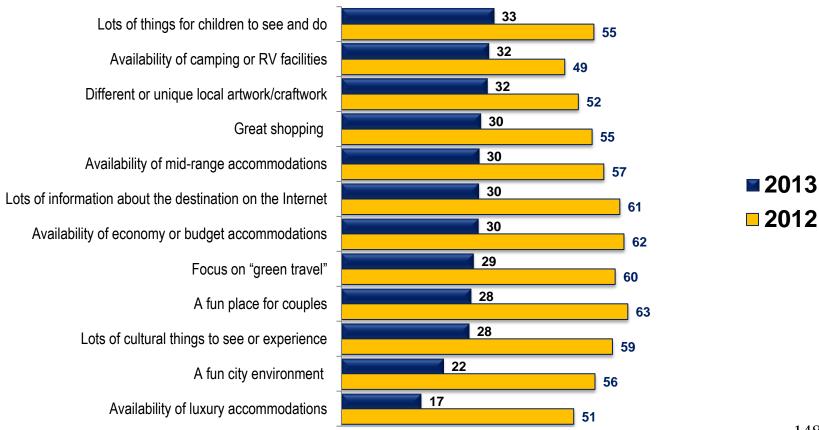
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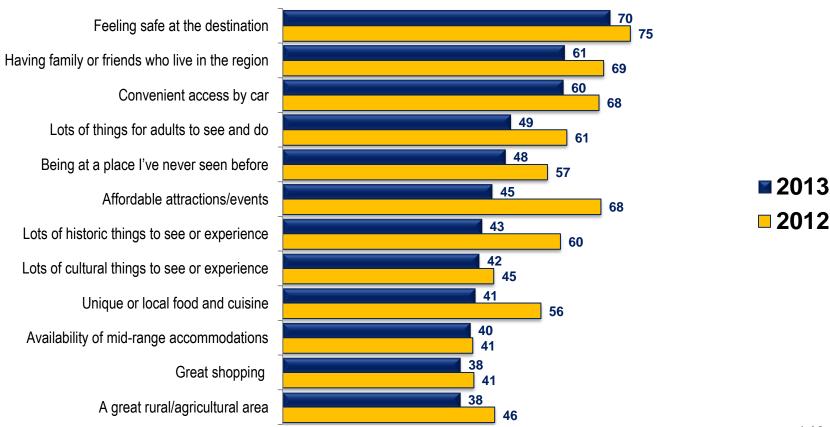
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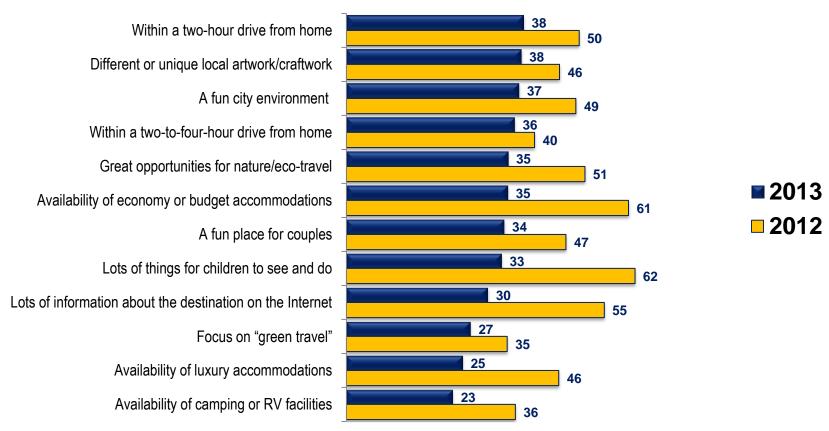
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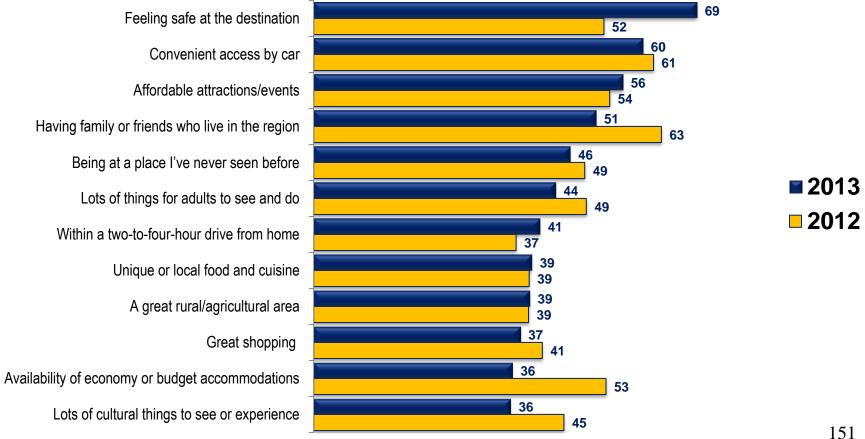
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### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit The Alleghenies Region



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% Rating Factor As Very Important\*



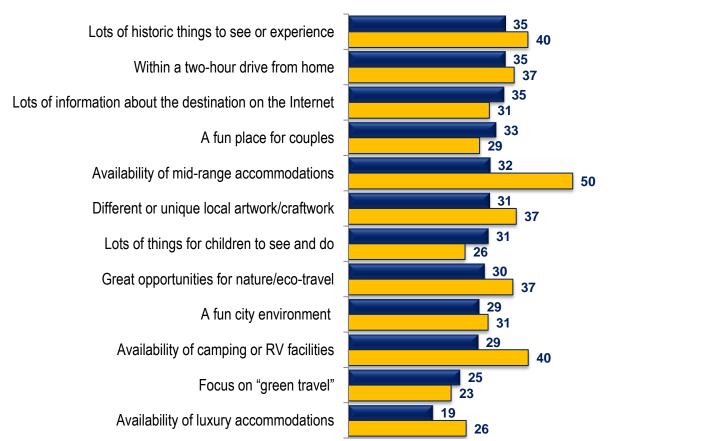
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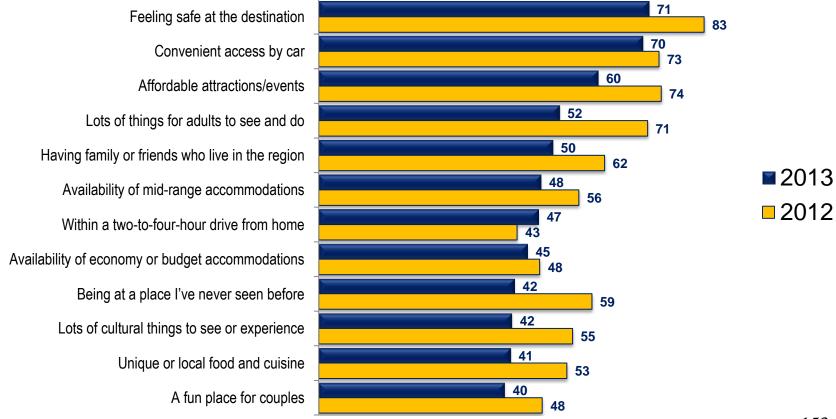
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# Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Upstate PA





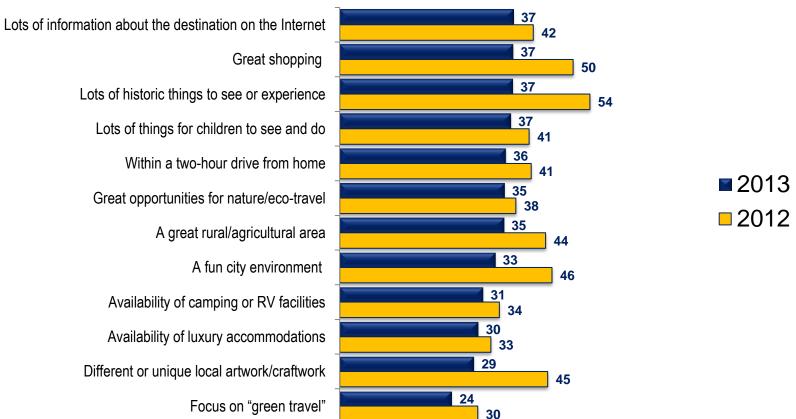


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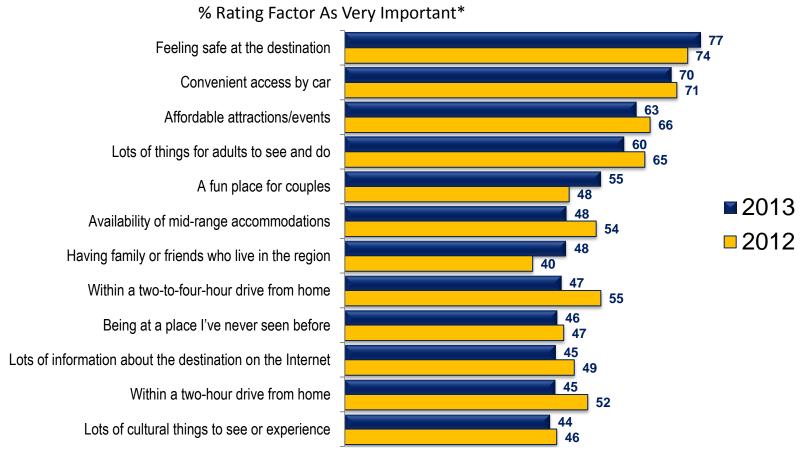




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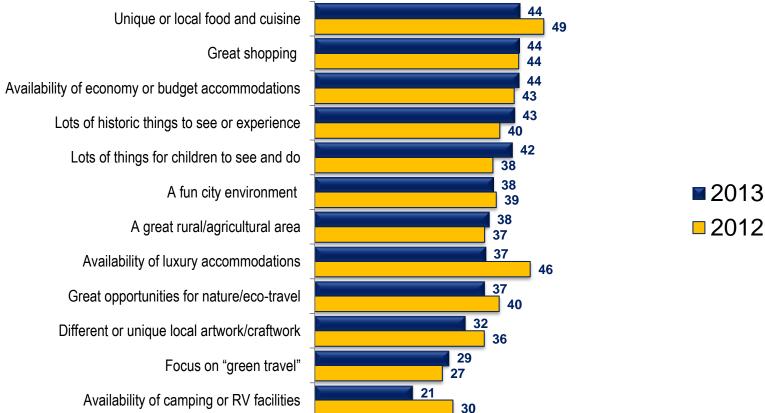


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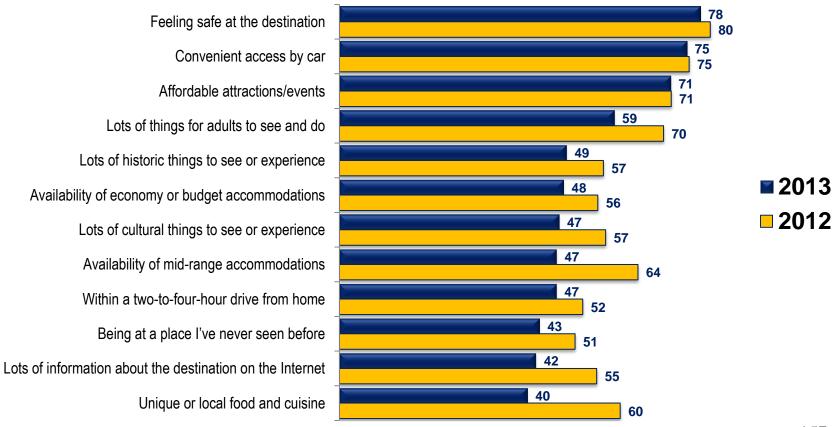
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### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Dutch Country Roads



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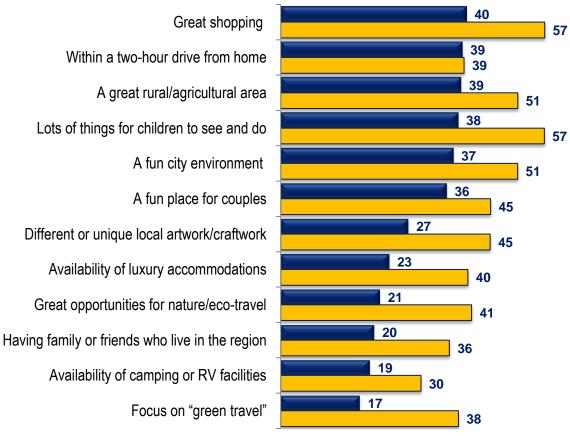
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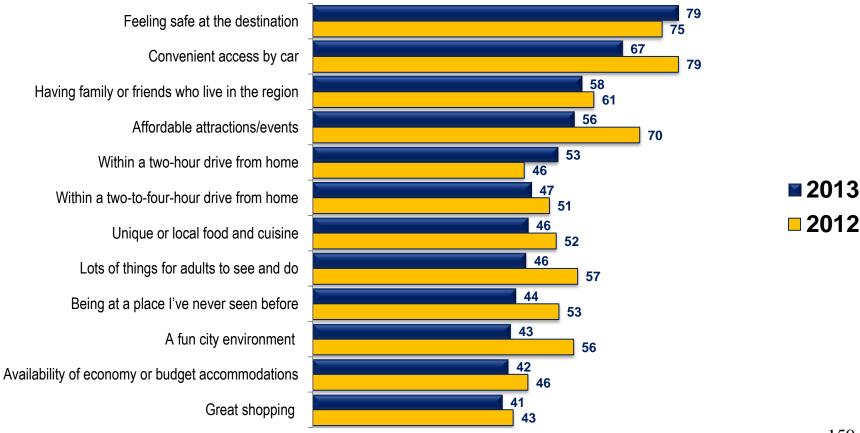
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### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Lehigh Valley



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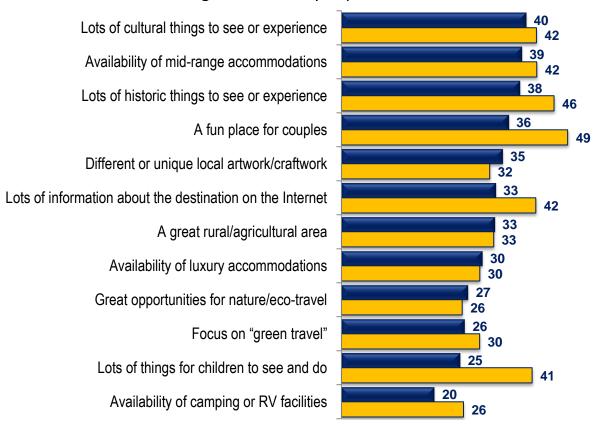
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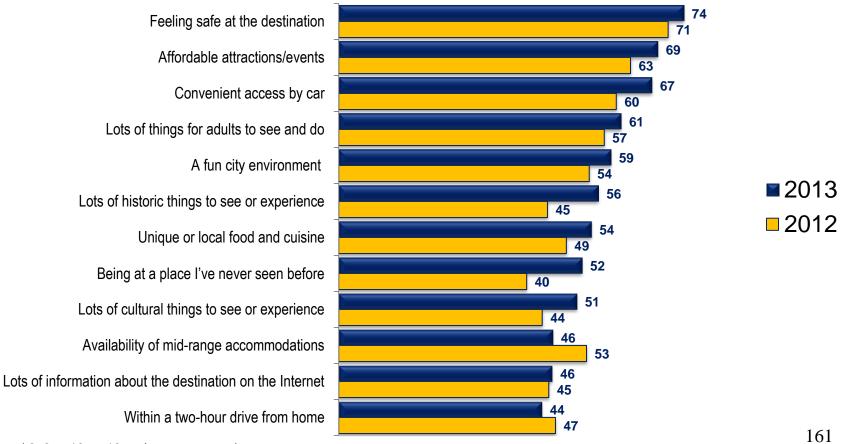
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### Importance of Factors In Choosing to Visit Philadelphia & The Countryside



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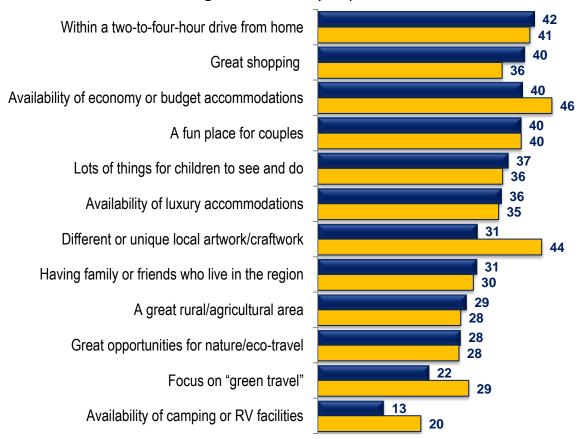
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# Product Delivery — Marketable Overnight Trips

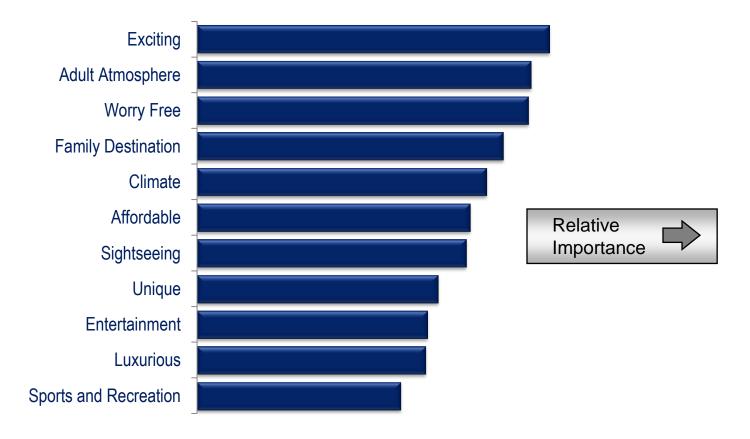
### **Traveler Priorities**



- Respondents were asked to rate Pennsylvania (on a scale of 1 to 10) on approximately 60 destination attributes.
- A factor analysis was undertaken to organize these attributes into 11 categories, or factors, in order to simplify discussion.
- The degree of association between each factor was then measured on whether Pennsylvania is a place "I would really enjoy visiting."
- To motivate Pennsylvania visitors to return, it is important that the state be perceived as a destination that is exciting, attractive for adult vacation, while at the same time safe and worry-free and family-friendly.

### **Traveler Priorities**





### **Hot Buttons**



1	A fun place for a vacation/getaway
2	A place I would feel welcome
3	Good place to get away and relax
4	Lots to see and do
5	Good for adult vacation/getaway
6	Truly beautiful scenery
7	A good place for couples to visit
8	Affordable accommodations

9	Exciting destination
10	Great value for the money
11	Safe place to travel in tourist areas
12	Good place for families to visit
	•
	Very affordable vacation destination
14	Must-see destination
15	Great place for walking/strolling about
16	A place welcoming for children

### **Product Delivery**

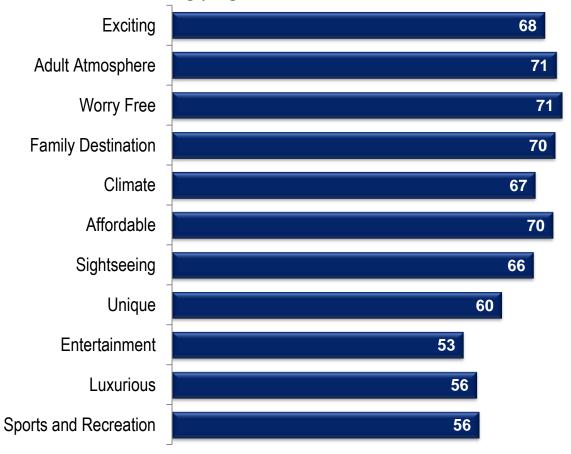


- Image ratings by recent visitors can be viewed as product ratings such that the recent visitor is, presumably, rating Pennsylvania from his/her experience.
- Pennsylvania's image strengths among recent visitors include proximity, beautiful scenery, well-known landmarks, a good place for adults and for families to visit and it's history. Pennsylvania is also seen as a fun, relaxing, welcoming place with lots to see and do.

### Pennsylvania's Product Delivery

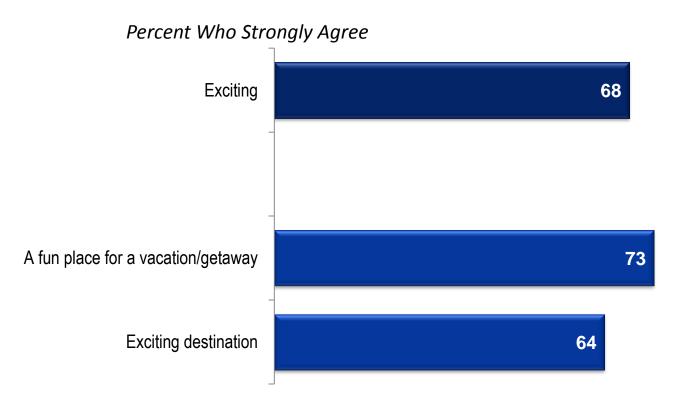


Base: Marketable Overnight Trips



# Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Exciting

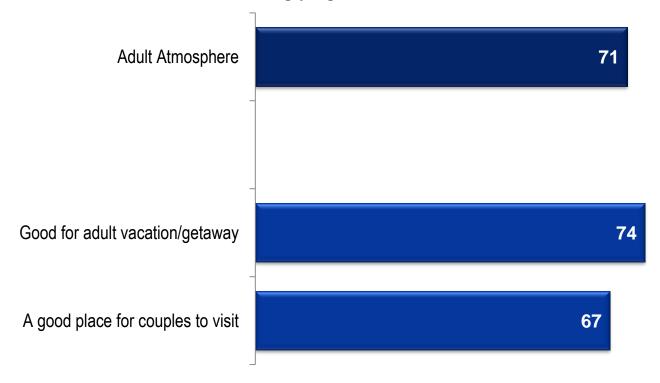




# Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Adult Atmosphere



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# Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Worry Free



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# Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Family Destination



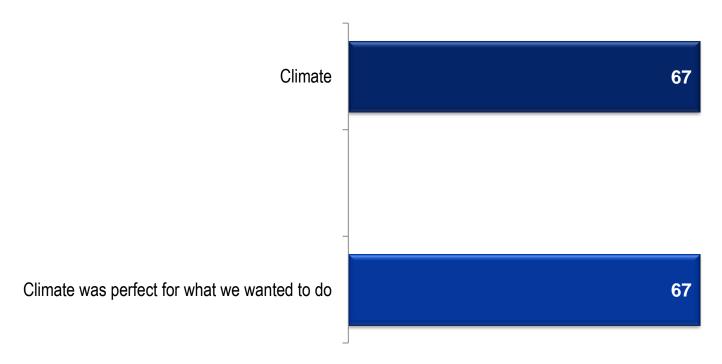
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### Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Climate



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### Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Affordable



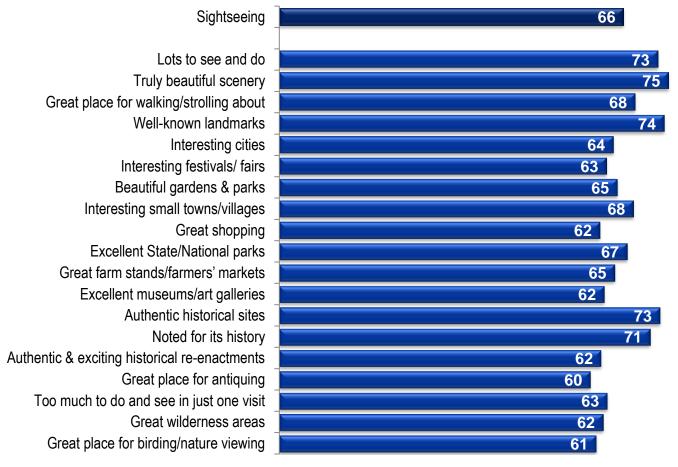
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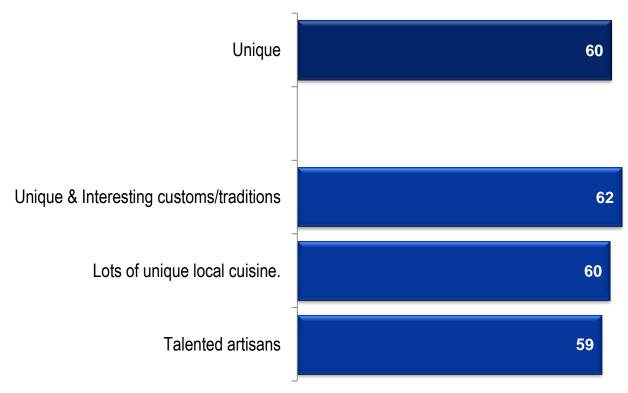
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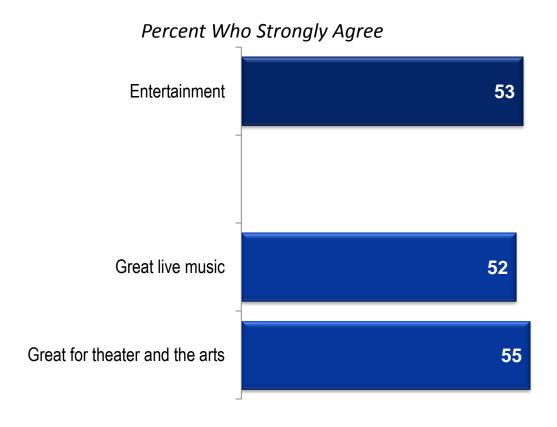


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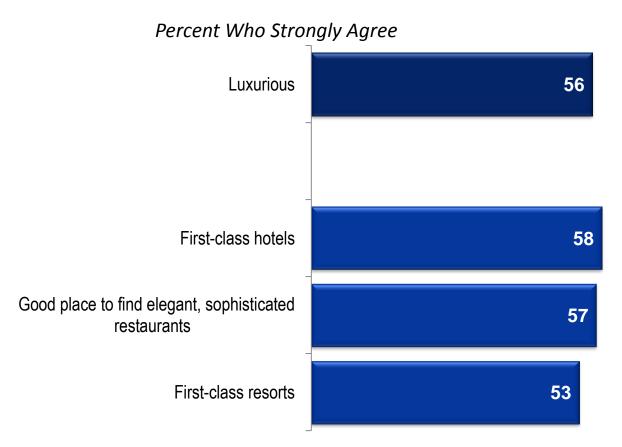
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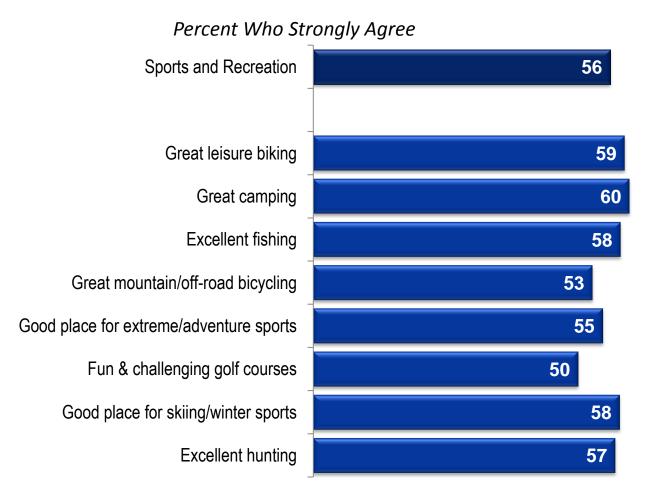
### Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Luxurious





# Pennsylvania's Product Delivery — Sports & Recreation





### Pennsylvania's Top 20 Image Attributes



Base: Marketable Overnight Trips



### Pennsylvania's Top 20 Image Attributes (Cont'd)



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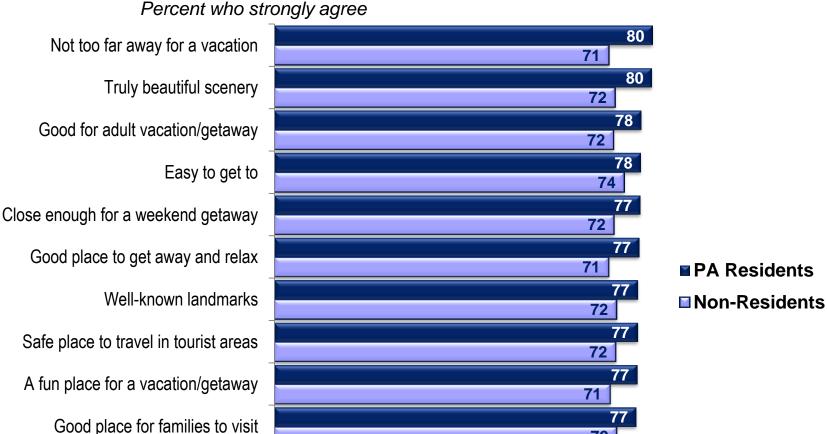
#### Percent Who Strongly Agree



### Pennsylvania's Top 20 Image Attributes: PA Residents vs. Non-Residents



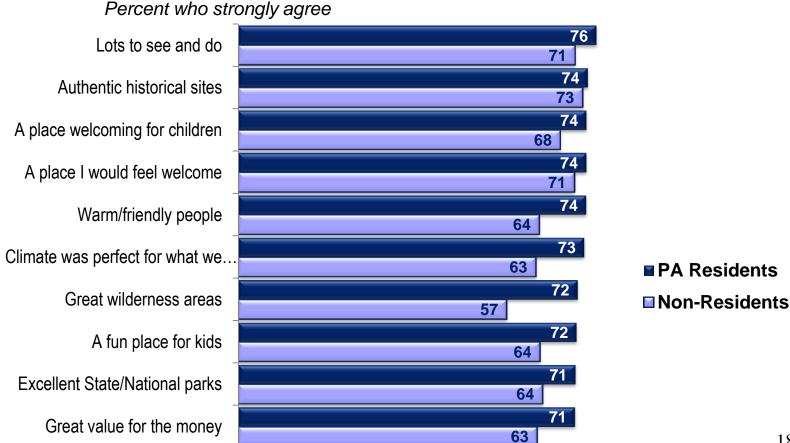
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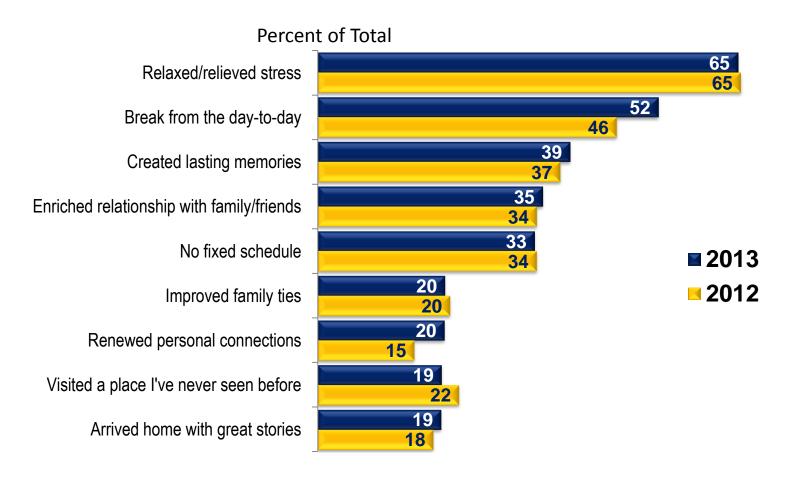


### Trip Benefits — Marketable Overnight Trips

### Benefits From Pennsylvania Overnight Trip



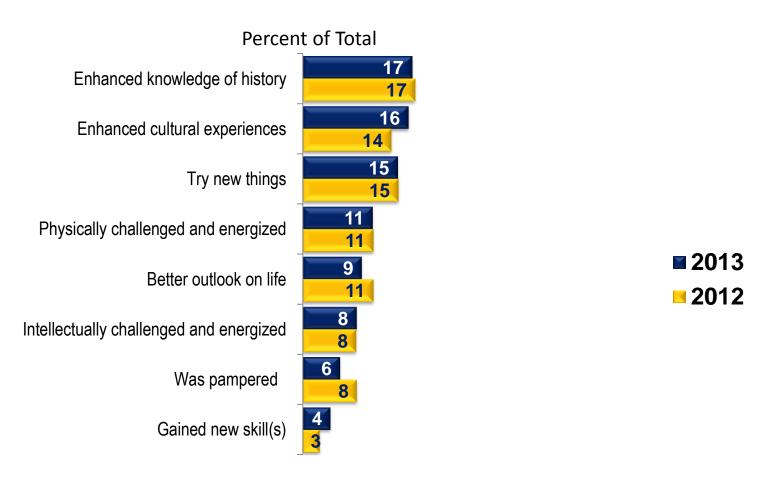
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#### Benefits From Pennsylvania Overnight Trip



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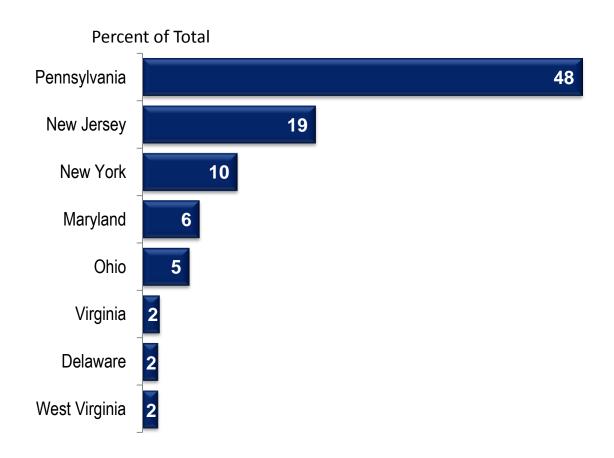
## Pennsylvania Day-Trips



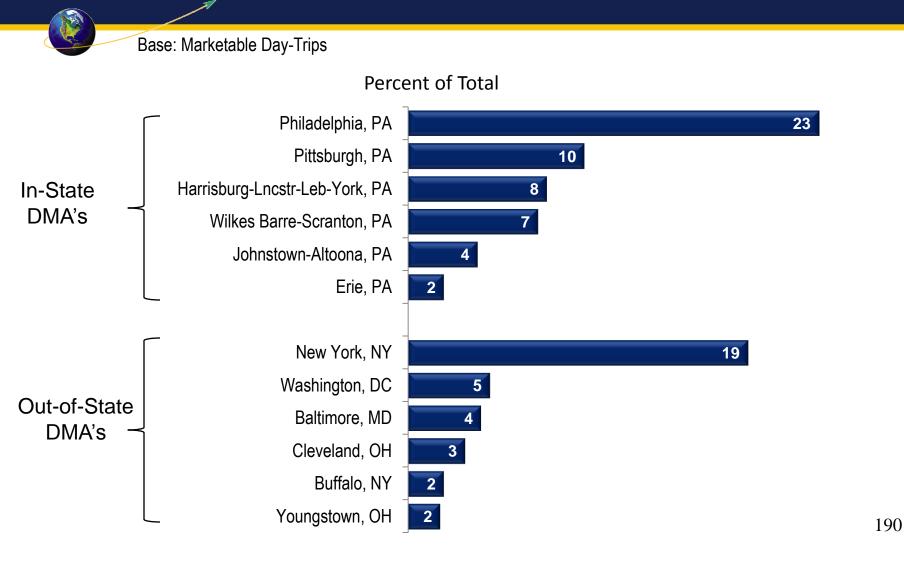
## Origin Markets — Pennsylvania Day-Trips

#### State Origin Markets – Marketable Day-Trips





#### Urban Origin Markets – Marketable Day-Trips

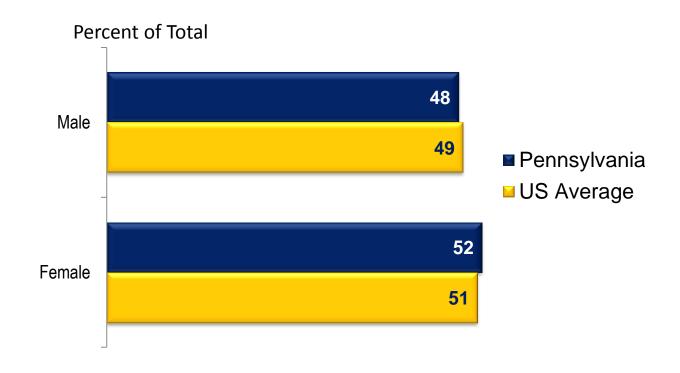




## Traveler Profile — <u>Marketable</u> Day-Trips

#### Gender

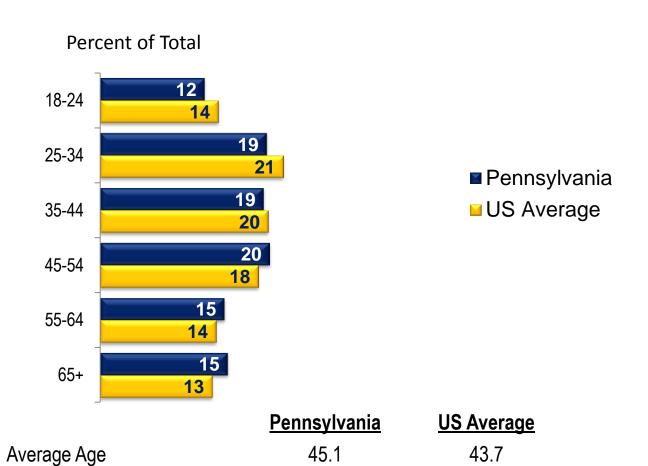




#### Age



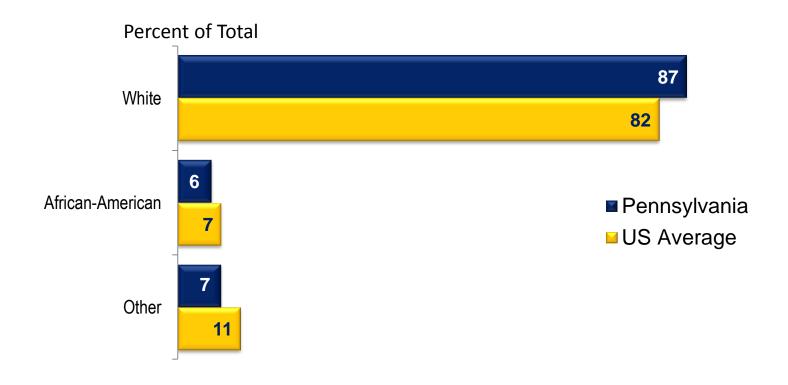
Base: Marketable Day-Trips



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#### Race



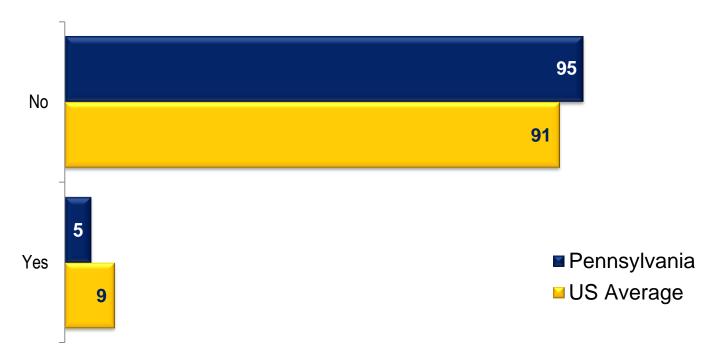


#### **Hispanic Background**



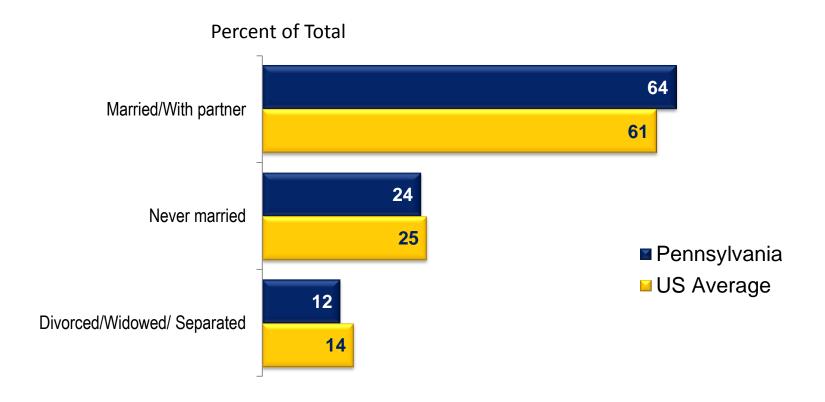
Base: Marketable Day-Trips

#### Percent of Total



#### **Marital Status**

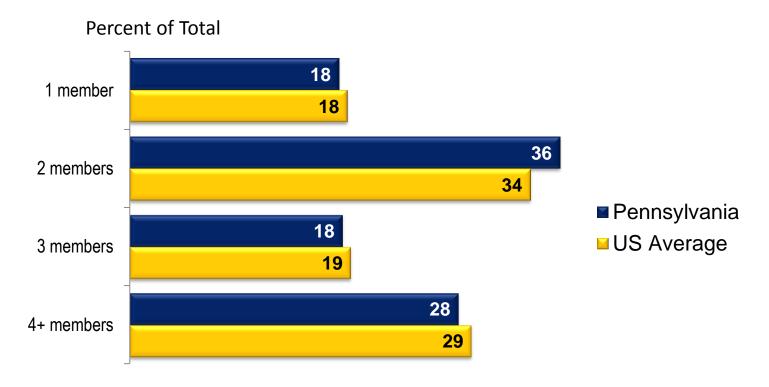




#### **Household Size**



Base: Marketable Day-Trips

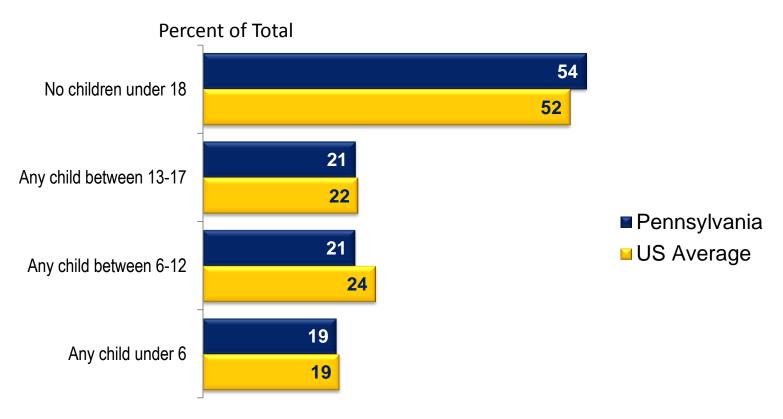


Average Household Size:

Pennsylvania 2.8 United States 2.9

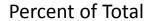
#### **Children in Household**

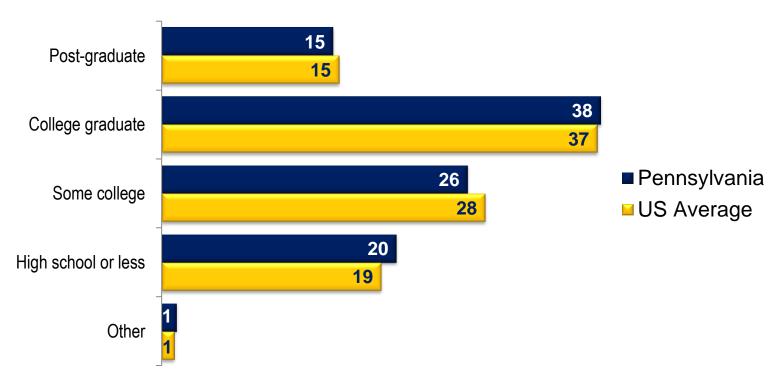




#### **Education**

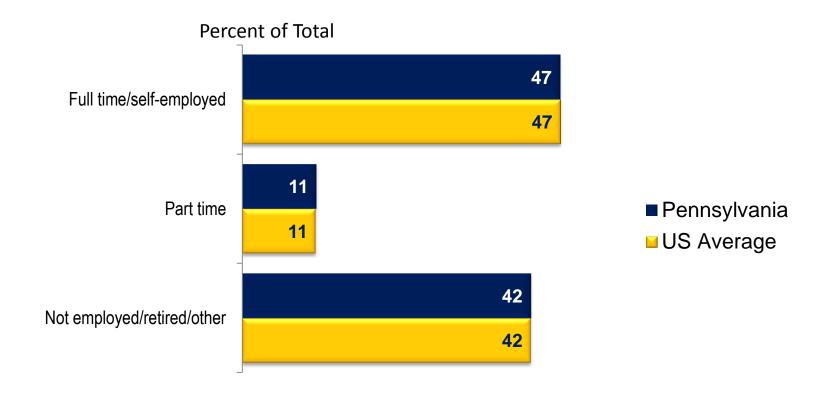






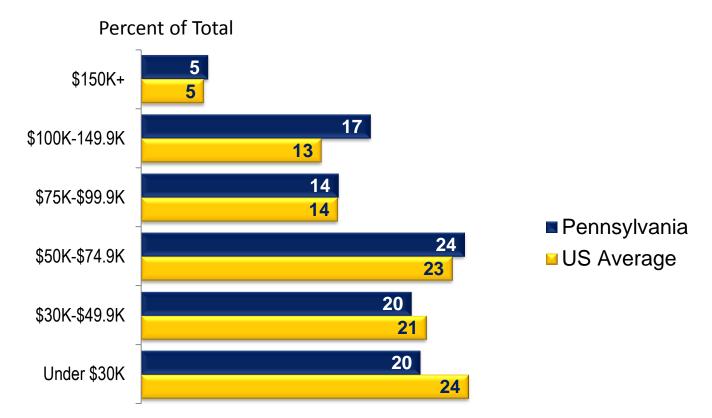
### **Employment**





#### Income



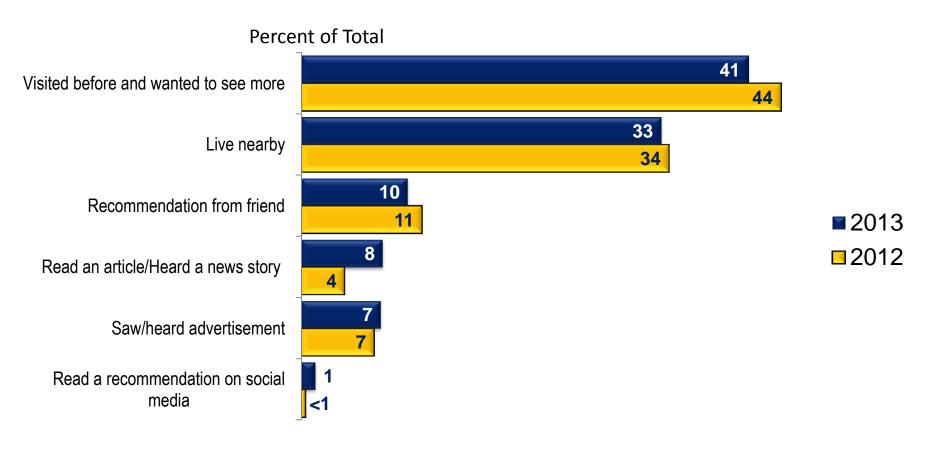




## Trip Planning & Booking — Marketable Day-Trips

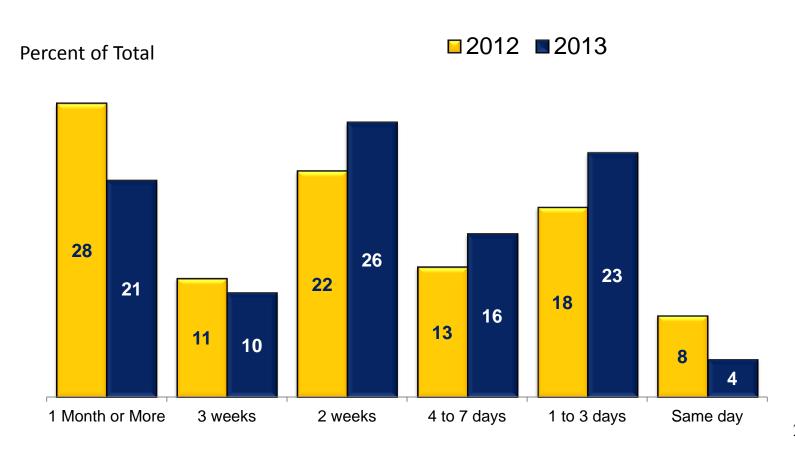
#### Main Reason for Choosing Pennsylvania





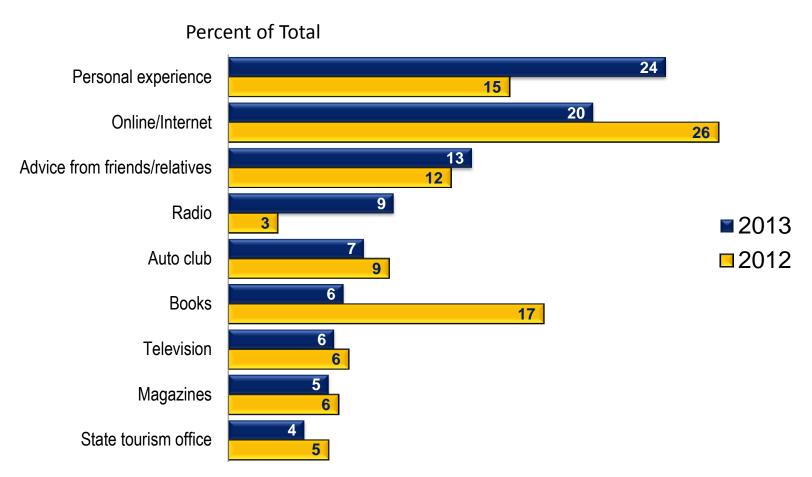
### Planning Cycle





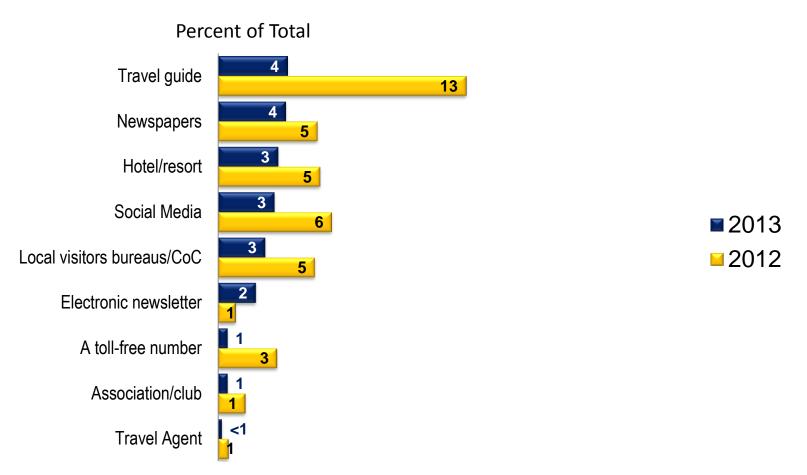
### Information Sources Used for Planning





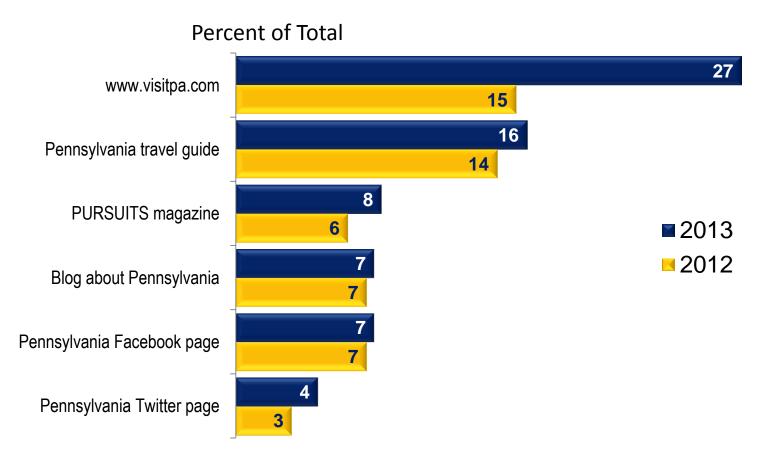
### Information Sources Used for Planning (Cont'd)





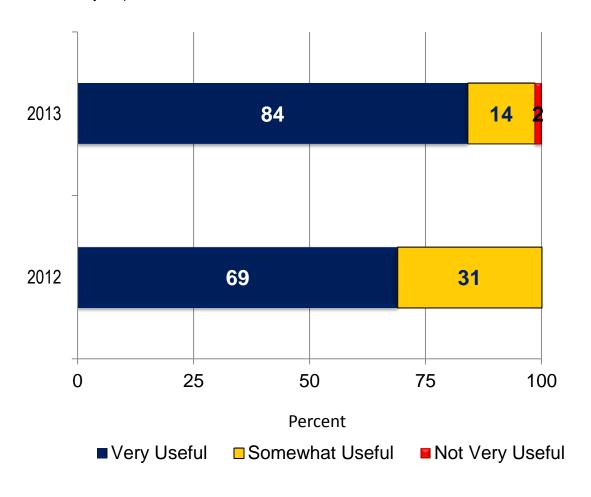
#### Use of Pennsylvania Trip Planning Tools





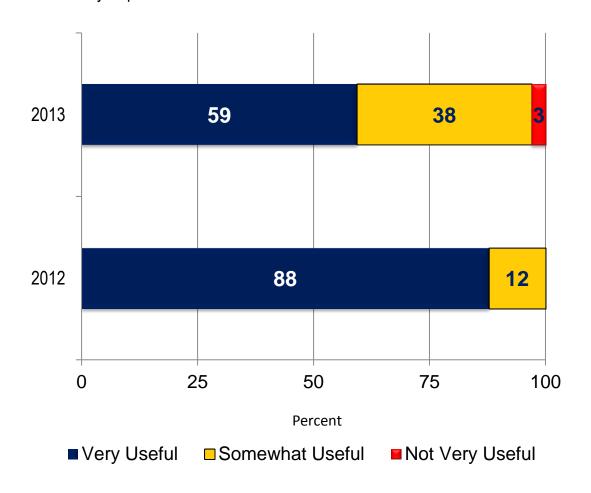
#### www.visitpa.com Usefulness





#### **Travel Guide Usefulness**

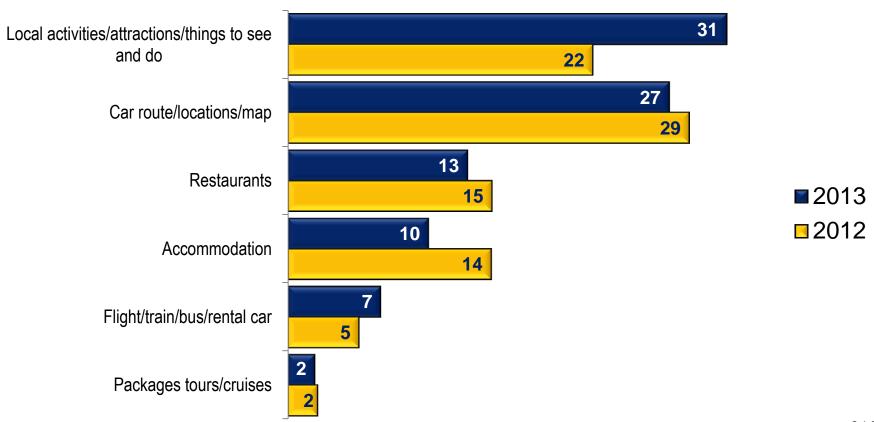




#### **Trip Elements Planned Using Internet**





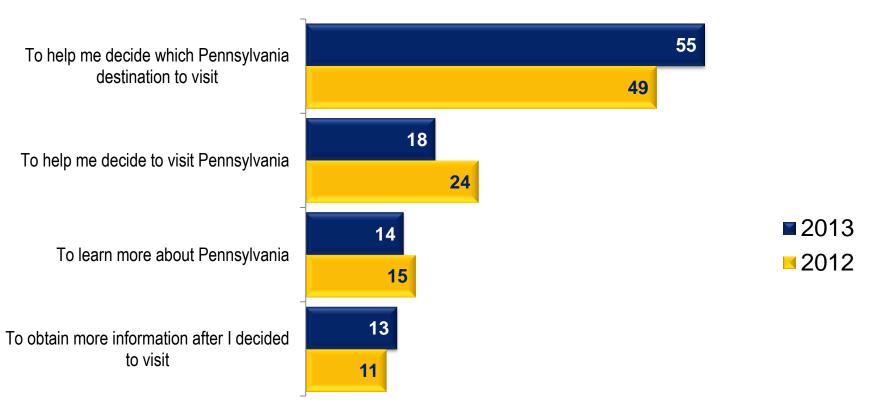


#### Reasons for Visiting <u>www.visitpa.com</u>



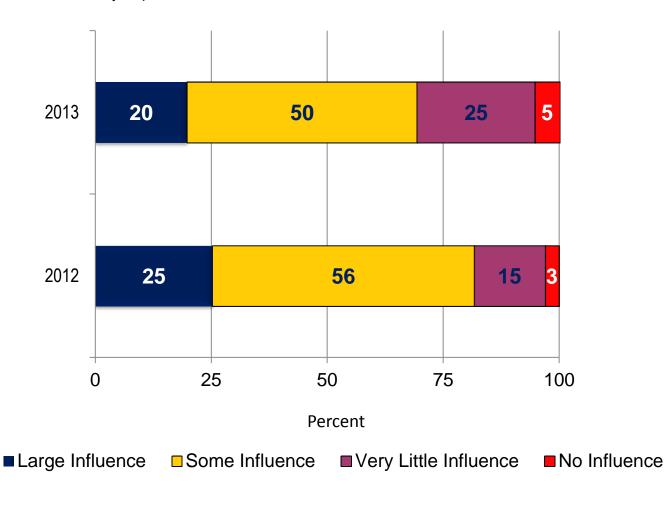
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#### Percent of Total



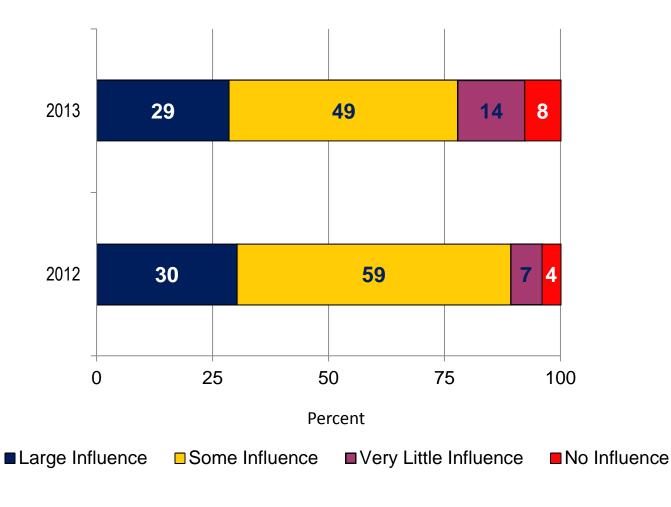
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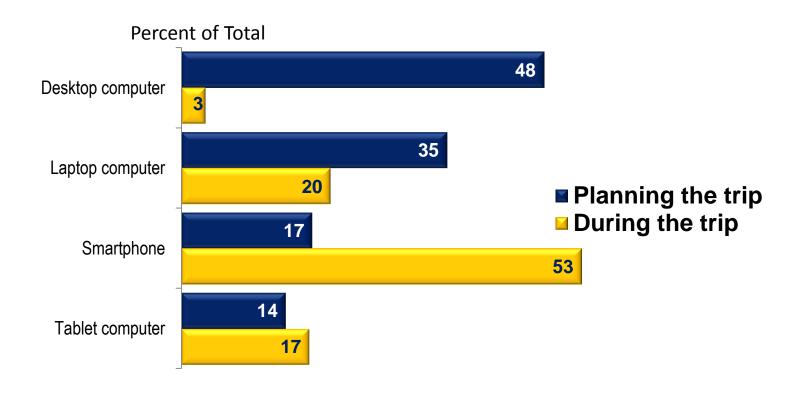
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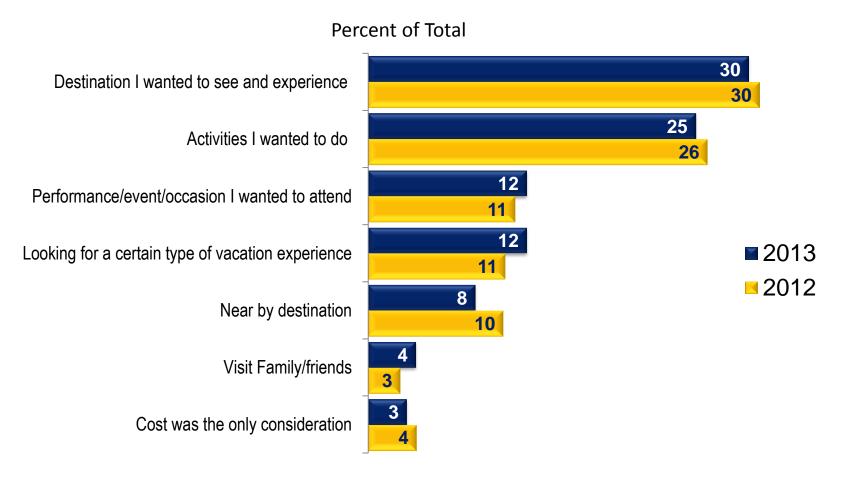
#### **Technology Used by Travelers**





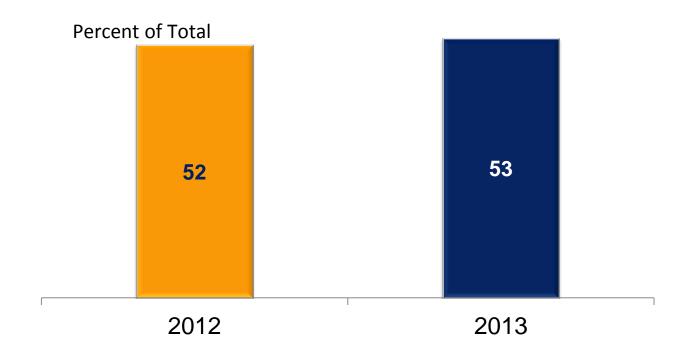
#### **Planning Considerations Beyond Cost**





#### **Percent Who Booked In Advance**

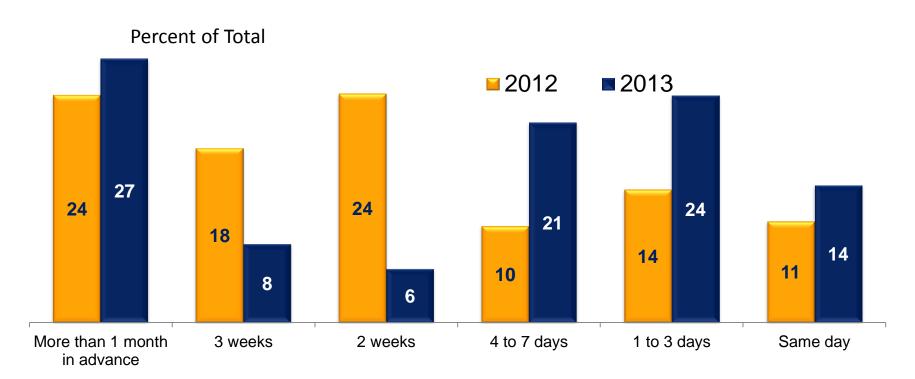




### **Booking Cycle**

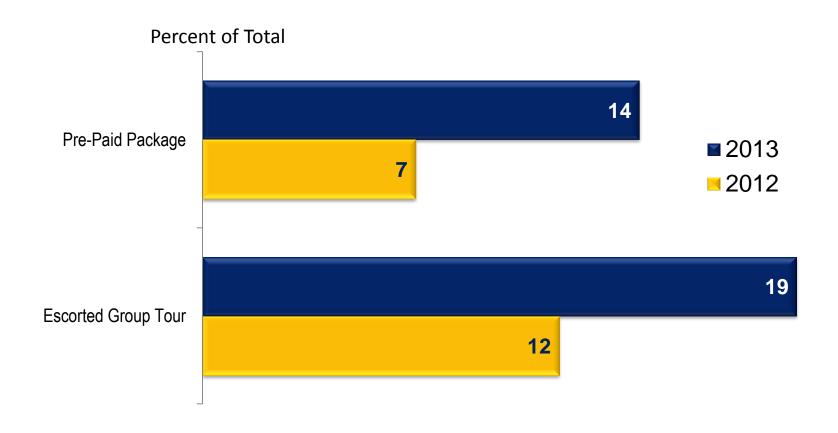


Base: Marketable Day-Trips Booked in Advance



## Use of Vacation Packages and Group Travel



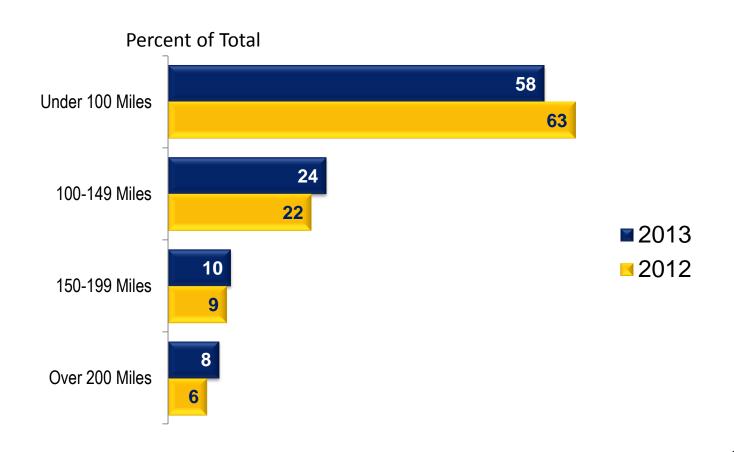




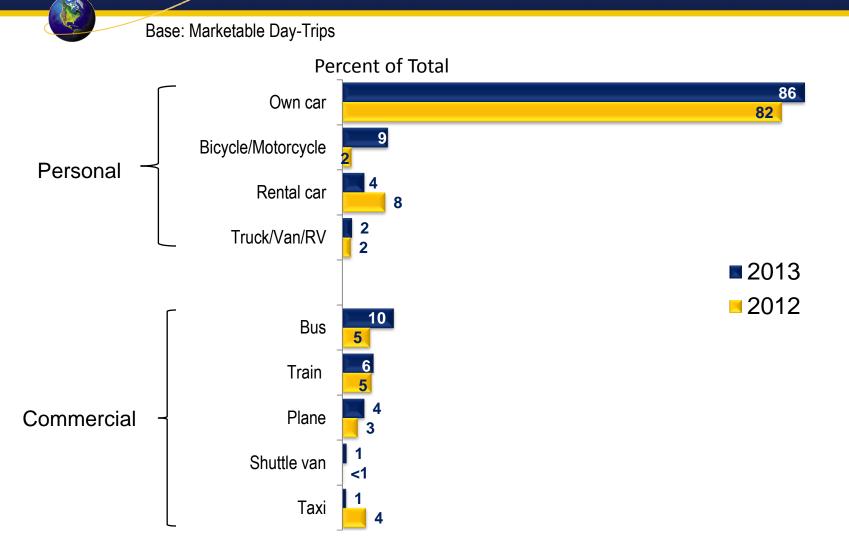
### Marketable Day-Trip Characteristics

### Distance Traveled for Pennsylvania Day-Trip



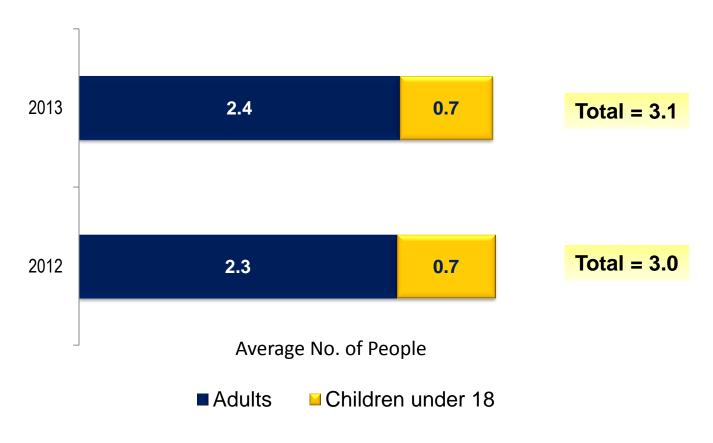


## Transportation Used to Enter Pennsylvania



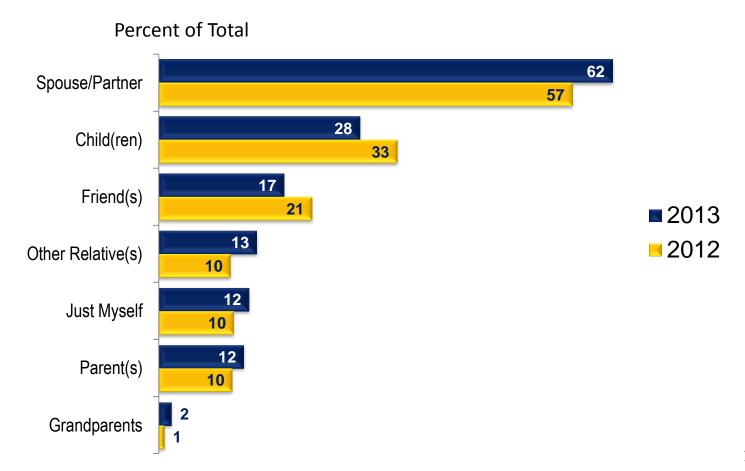
#### **Size of Travel Party**





### **Composition of Travel Party**



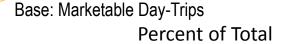


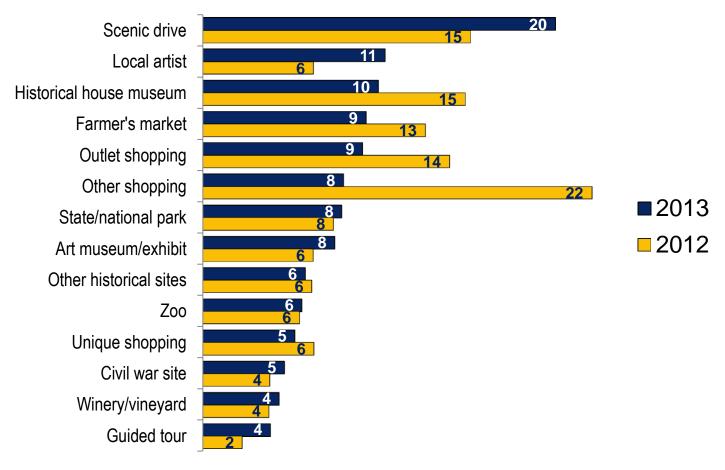


# Trip Experiences — Marketable Day-Trips

### Things Seen and Experienced on Pennsylvania Day-Trip





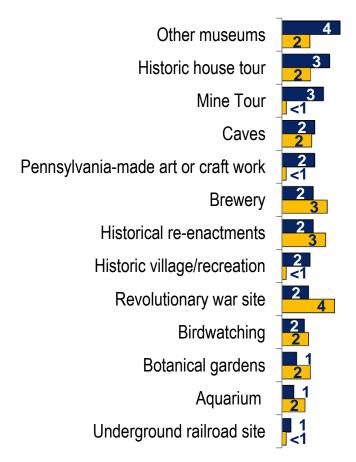


### Things Seen and Experienced on Pennsylvania Day-Trip (Cont'd)



Base: Marketable Day-Trips

Percent of Total

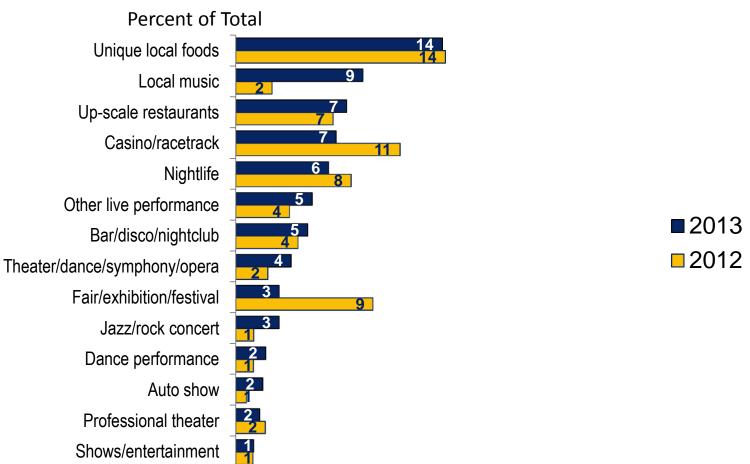


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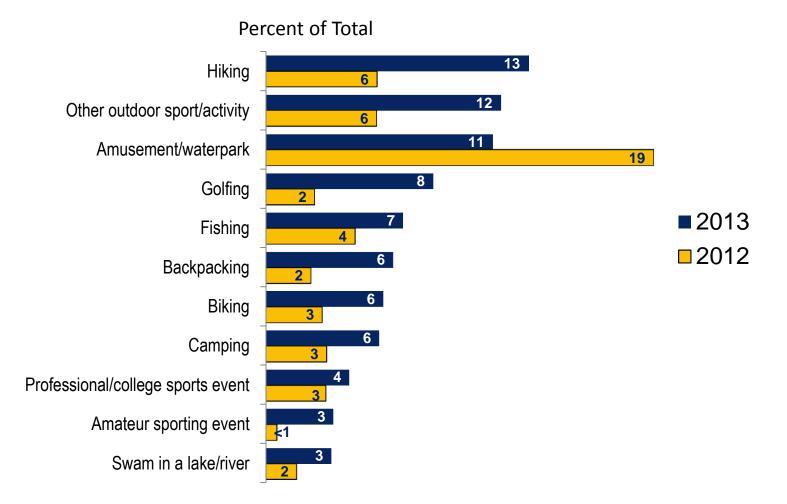
#### **Dining/Entertainment**





#### **Sports and Recreation**

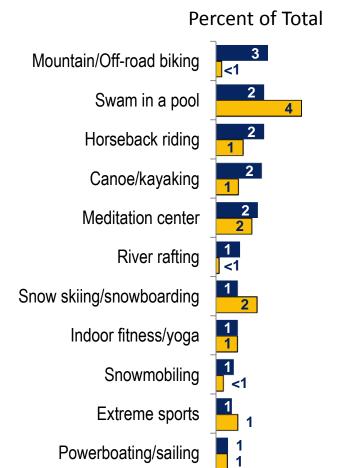




#### **Sports and Recreation (Cont'd)**



Base: Marketable Day-Trips



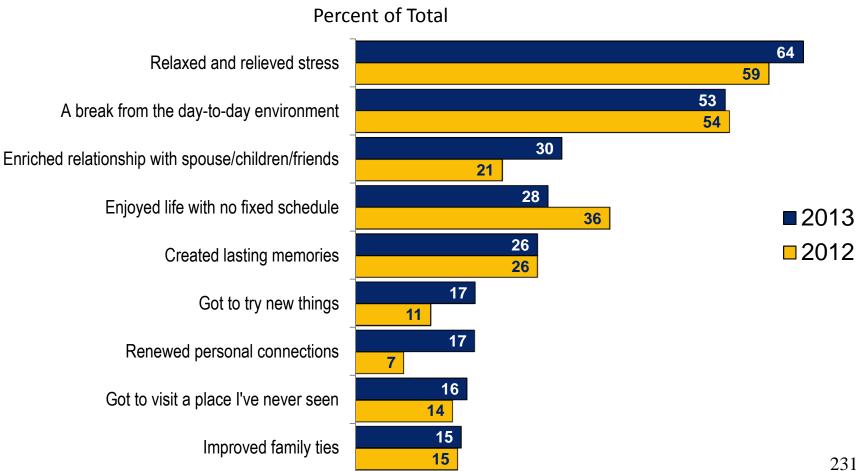
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# Trip Benefits — Marketable Day-Trips

#### **Benefits From Pennsylvania Day-Trip**





### **Benefits From Pennsylvania Day-Trip** (Cont'd)



