Leisure Drive Market to the NT Three Year Average 2017-2019

WHAT IS THE LEISURE DRIVE MARKET?

A leisure drive traveller is defined as a visitor who stayed for one or more nights in the Northern Territory (NT), used a self-drive vehicle and was on a holiday and/or visiting friends or family.

INSIGHTS

- On average 87% of leisure drive visitors in the NT were from the domestic market, representing 68% of visitor nights.
- Almost one third (32%) of all visits to the NT were by leisure drive visitors. This means that leisure drive visitors represent an important market for the NT. 57% of all domestic leisure visitors who came to the Territory were self-drive visitors.
- The number of leisure drive visitors in the NT has grown in recent years, following a gradual decline during the last half of the 2000 decade.

NORTHERN TERRITORY LEISURE DRIVE VISITORS THREE YEAR AVERAGE 2017-19	Visitors	Visitor Nights	Average Length of Stay (Nights)
Domestic			
Top End	336,000	1,260,000	3.7
Central Australia	175,000	838,000	4.8
Northern Territory	478,000	2,114,000	4.4
International			
Top End	47,000	774,000	16.4
Central Australia	42,000	218,000	5.2
Northern Territory	73,000	993,000	13.6
Combined			
Top End	383,000	2,034,000	5.3
Central Australia	217,000	1,056,000	4.9
Northern Territory	551,000	3,107,000	5.6

Note: Figures for Top End and Central Australia will not sum up to the NT total as visitors may travel to more than one region on their trip



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WHERE ARE THEY FROM AND WHERE DID THEY GO?

International Source Markets **Domestic Source Markets** Germany 2.1% **59**% France 1.4% UK .2% 1 USA 1.0% **6.1**% China* 0.8% 3.8% 0.7% Italy **6.4**% Switzerland 0.7% 4% New Zealand 0.7% On average, 3 out of 10 (35%) leisure Netherlands 0.6% drive visitors in the NT were from interstate. Scandinavia 0.5% 1.0%

* China includes Mainland China, Hong Kong and Taiwan



PARTICIPATION IN ABORIGINAL CULTURAL ACTIVITIES DURING TRIP



23% Domestic Visitors

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Of the international visitors who participated in an Aboriginal cultural experience, 85% visited an Aboriginal site/community, with a smaller number attending Aboriginal performances. The experiences of domestic visitors was more evenly spread with 59% visiting an Aboriginal site/community and 49% experiencing Aboriginal art/craft and cultural displays.



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Demographic Profile

Approximately two fifths (39%) of leisure drive visitors were aged 50 or over, while almost a quarter (24%) were aged 29 or under.







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