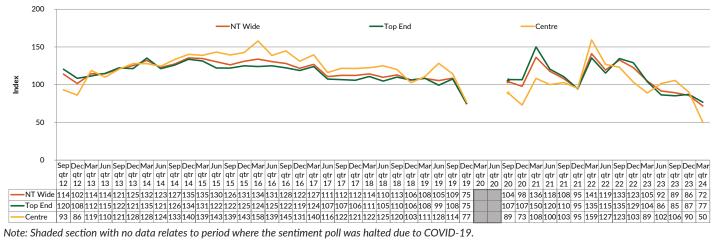


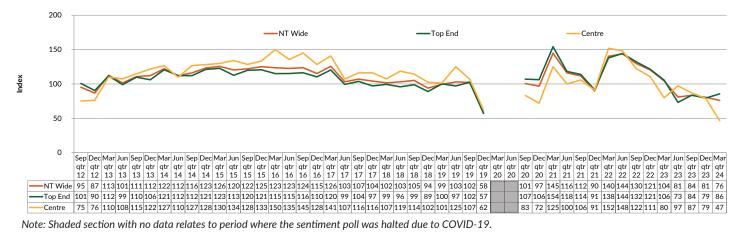
#### Industry Sentiment Poll: Business Outlook

Question: What do you think the outlook for tourism will be like for the next 12 months for your own tourism business?



#### **Industry Sentiment Poll: Regional Outlook**

Question: What do you think the outlook for tourism will be like for the next 12 months for your region?



### **BUSINESS OUTLOOK**

Darwin and Surrounds (81ix)
Katherine and Surrounds (94ix)
Kakadu Arnhem (58ix)
Barkly/Tablelands (N/A)
Alice Springs and Surrounds (50ix)
Uluru and Surrounds (75ix)

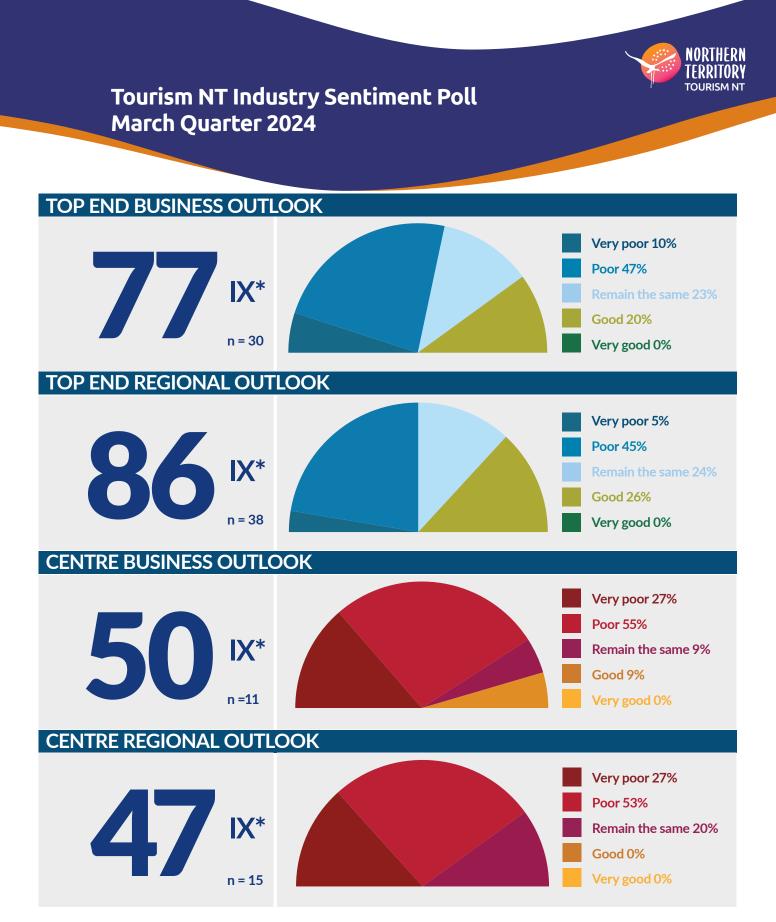


## **REGIONAL OUTLOOK**

Darwin and Surrounds (89ix) Katherine and Surrounds (100ix) Kakadu Arnhem (75ix) Barkly/Tablelands (100ix) Alice Springs and Surrounds (45ix) Uluru and Surrounds (50ix)

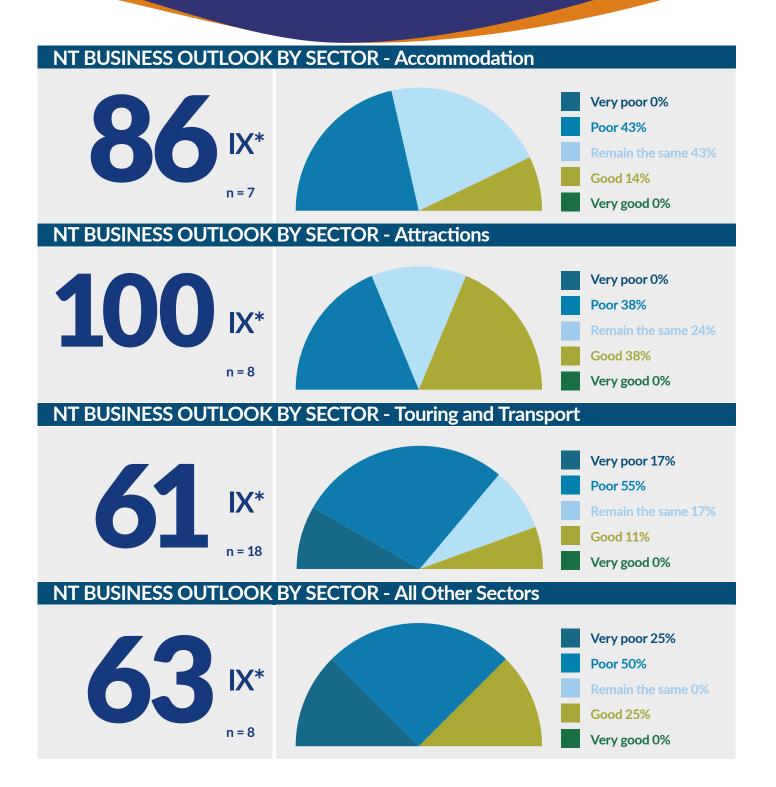
According to the poll, operator sentiment with regards to their own business outlook was negative in the Centre and the Top End region as well as across the NT for the next 12 months. Operator sentiment across most regions with regards to their regional outlook for the next 12 months was also negative, with the Katherine Daly and Barkly regions having a neutral outlook for their own region in the next 12 month period. The most commonly cited concerns by tourism operators include anti-social behaviour and crime, along with negative media coverage impacting on bookings to the NT. The rising cost in living concerns have also been cited. 51 operators participated in the Industry Sentiment Poll for the March quarter 2024.







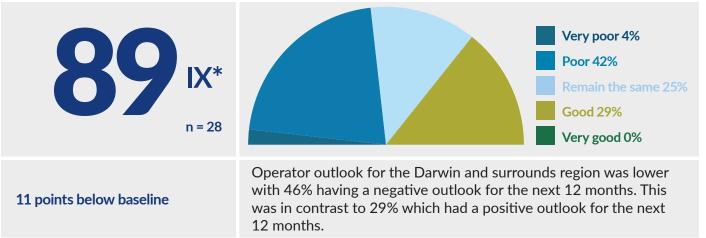




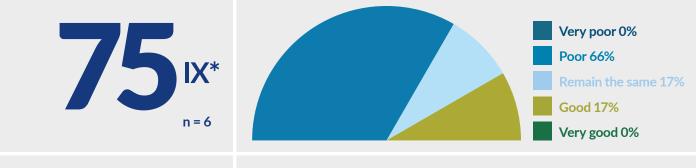




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### **KAKADU ARNHEM** REGIONAL OUTLOOK INDEX\*

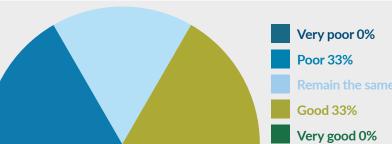


25 points below baseline

Operator outlook for the Kakadu Arnhem region was lower with 66% of operators reporting a negative outlook for the next 12 month period. Only 17% had a positive outlook.

## **KATHERINE AND SURROUNDS** REGIONAL OUTLOOK INDEX\*





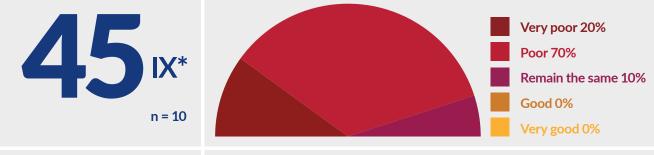
#### At baseline

Operators were almost equally split between poor, the same and good outlooks for the next 12 months for Katherine and surrounds.





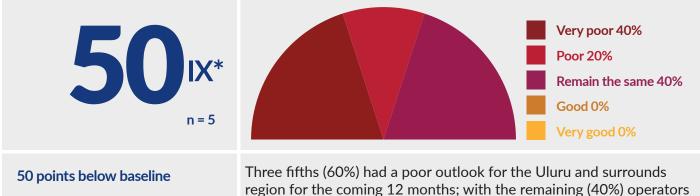
### **ALICE SPRINGS AND SURROUNDS** REGIONAL OUTLOOK INDEX\*



55 points below baseline

Almost all respondents (90%) in the region had a poor outlook for the region and one operator stated they expected things to remain the same over the next 12 months.

#### **ULURU AND SURROUNDS** REGIONAL OUTLOOK INDEX\*



stating the outlook would remain the same.

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\*Using the Index measure: Each Index measure is derived by assigning a value of 0 to a 'large decrease' response, 50 to 'decrease', 100 to 'same', 150 to 'increase' and 200 to a 'large increase'. An average value of 100 across operators therefore indicates performance is "on par with the previous year".

#### Notes:

- **a:** Figures might not add up to 100% due to rounding.
- **b:** Respondents may be operating in multiple sectors, therefore the sum of sectors will not add up to total respondents.

