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Visitation Trends (Arrivals)

[Thousands of Singapore Visitors]	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Change 2009/2002
Total Arrivals	97	88	107	116	123	135	141	107	10
Percentage Change (%)	-2	-10	22	9	6	10	5	-24	10

Spending Trends (Exports)

[Millions of U.S. Dollars]	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009 ^r	Change 2009/2002
Total Travel & Tourism Exports (1)	\$372	\$334	\$401	\$424	\$464	\$500	\$557	\$386	\$14
Travel Receipts	\$332	\$313	\$385	\$412	\$461	\$497	\$552	\$382	\$50
Passenger Fare Receipts	\$40	\$21	\$16	\$12	\$3	\$3	\$5	\$4	-\$36
Change (%) in Total Exports	-3	-10	20	6	9	8	11	-31	4

(r) Revised June 2010.

Information Sources Used for Trip Planning

Information Sources Used (multiple response: top 4 of 12)	2008 (Percent)	2009 (Percent)	Point Change (2)
Personal Computer	35	40	4.1
Travel Agency	41	39	-1.7
Airlines Directly	30	30	-0.1
Corporate Travel Dept.	21	17	-4.0

Main Purpose of Trip

Main Purpose of Trip (top 4 of 8)	2008 (Percent)	2009 (Percent)	Point Change (2)
Business/Professional	44	42	-2.1
Leisure/Rec./Holidays	28	27	-1.1
Visit Friends/Relatives	15	18	3.8
Convention/Conference	10	9	-0.3

All Purposes of Trip

Purpose of Trip (multiple response--top 4 of 8)	2008 (Percent)	2009 (Percent)	Point Change (2)
Leisure/Rec./Holidays	49	53	3.9
Business/Professional	51	47	-4.5
Visit Friends/Relatives	32	36	3.9
Convention/Conference	15	13	-1.6
NET PURPOSES OF TRIP:			
Leisure & VFR	65	67	2.0
Business & Convention	59	55	-4.2

Transportation Used in the United States

Transportation Types Used in United States (multiple response--top 5 of 8)	2008 (Percent)	2009 (Percent)	Point Change (2)
Taxi/Cab/Limousine	57	58	0.8
Airlines in U.S.	38	39	0.9
Rented Auto	36	30	-6.2
City Subway/Tram/Bus	26	22	-4.4
Company or Private Auto	16	19	3.5

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Activity Participation While in the United States

Activity Participation While in the U.S. (multiple response--top 10 of 25)	2008 (Percent)	2009 (Percent)	Point Change (2)
Shopping	92	92	0.0
Dining in Restaurants	92	90	-1.4
Sightseeing in Cities	46	46	-0.2
Visit Historical Places	32	37	5.0
Amusement/Theme Parks	33	27	-6.2
Visit Small Towns	22	24	1.6
Visit National Parks	21	23	1.5
Cultural Heritage Sites	12	17	5.6
Touring Countryside	20	15	-5.3
Concert/Play/Musical	14	15	0.8

Select Traveler Characteristics

Traveler Characteristics	2008	2009	Change (2)
Advance Trip Decision Time (mean days)	64	64	-0.4 days
Advance Trip Decision Time (median days)	30	30	0.0 days
Prepaid Package	8%	4%	-3.9 pts.
First International Trip to the U.S.	22%	16%	-5.8 pts.
Length of Stay in U.S. (mean nights)	19.1	20.9	1.8 nights
Length of Stay in U.S. (median nights)	10	10	0 nights
Number of States Visited (% 1 state)	48%	46%	-1.5 pts.
Average Number of States Visited	1.8	1.8	0.0 states
Hotel/Motel (% 1+ nights)	90%	89%	-1.0 pts.
Average # of Nights in Hotel/Motel	9.5	10.5	1.0 nights
Travel Party Size (mean # of persons)	1.4	1.4	0.0
Gender: % Male (among adults)	74%	63%	-10.8 pts.
Household Income (mean average)	\$134,900	\$125,800	-\$9,100
Household Income (median average)	\$134,000	\$123,100	-\$10,900
Average Age: Female	38	39	0.8 years
Average Age: Male	41	41	0.2 years

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U.S. Destinations Visited (States, Cities, and Regions)

Visitation to U.S. Destinations/Regions (3)	Market Share 2008 (Percent)	Volume 2008 (000)	Market Share 2009 (Percent)	Volume 2009 (000)
REGIONS				
Pacific	57.3	81	**	**
STATES				
California	52.9	75	**	**

(1) Total Travel & Tourism Exports = travel receipts (purchase of travel and tourism-related goods and services, to include food, lodging, recreation, gifts, entertainment, local transportation in the country of travel, and other items incidental to a foreign visit) + passenger fare receipts (fares paid to U.S. air carriers and vessel operators for travel between the United States and foreign countries and between two foreign points).

(2) Percentage-point and percentage changes are based on non-rounded data.

(3) Only census region, state, and city destinations having a sample size of 400 or more are displayed. Due to quarterly data weighting by country and port of entry, some unreported destinations may have a higher proportion of total than those reported.

(**) Estimate not shown due to sample size fewer than 400 for this year.

Note: This profile shows only a portion of the 35 travel characteristics data reported on international arrivals to the United States. Additional information may be obtained for a fee. To learn more, please visit: <http://tinet.ita.doc.gov/research/programs/ifis/index.html>.

For a list of the states that comprise each census region, please visit: http://tinet.ita.doc.gov/outreachpages/census_regions.html.

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Survey of International Air Travelers

The Survey of International Air Travelers provides a level of detail and insight into the traveler characteristics and travel patterns of international visitors to and from the United States not found elsewhere. Responses are weighted with data from the Department of Homeland Security and the following thirty-five tables are then populated. This report, which was constructed using just a fraction of the data available, summarizes what we know about the Singapore traveler who visits the United States.

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