# INTERNATIONAL MARKET FOCUS GERMANY

Fall 2023

DESTINATION ONTARIO



### **MARKET SIZE**

- There were **203,600 tourist visits from Germany to Ontario** in 2019 (+25% over 2018).
- On average, German tourists stayed **14 nights** per overnight Ontario visit in 2019.
- Germany accounted for **6% of all overseas visits to Ontario** in 2019, up from 5% in 2018.



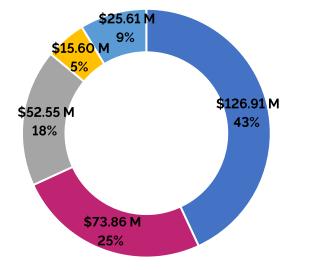
#### **VISITS FROM GERMANY IN ONTARIO**

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Source: Statistics Canada, Visitor Travel Survey

# **VISITOR SPENDING**

- German visitor spending in Ontario totalled **\$294.5 million** in 2019 (+15% from 2018).
- Germany accounted for 5% of overseas spending in Ontario in 2019.
- Tourists from Germany spent an average of \$1,446 per visit in Ontario in 2019 6.5 times more than the average spend per visit in Ontario. The largest share of visitor spending was on transportation (43%).
- Destination Canada has estimated that it may take until 2024 for German tourism spending in Canada to recover to 2019 levels.



### **GERMAN SPENDING BY CATEGORY: 2019**

Transportation

Accommodation

Food + Beverage

Retail/Other

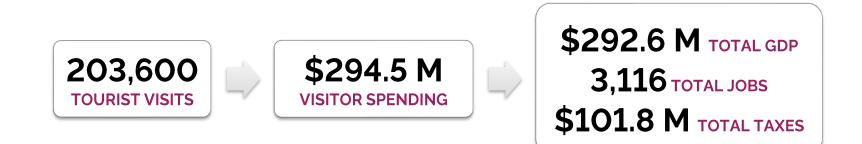
Recreation/Entertainment

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Sources: Statistics Canada, Visitor Travel Survey; Destination Canada, Tourism Outlook Forecast Highlights, Fall 2022

### THE VALUE OF THE GERMAN TRAVELLER

ECONOMIC IMPACT OF VISITOR SPENDING FROM GERMANY IN ONTARIO (2019)

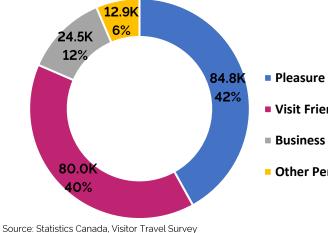


Source: Statistics Canada, Visitor Travel Survey (2019) and the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport's Tourism Regional Economic Impact Model



## **TRIP CHARACTERISTICS**

42% of tourist visits from Germany to Ontario were taken • for **pleasure** 

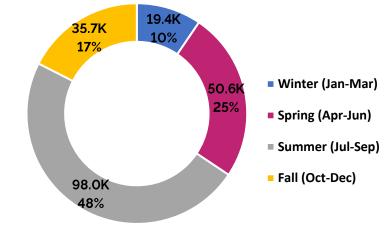


### MAIN PURPOSE OF VISIT FROM GERMANY: 2019

Visit Friends or Relatives (VFR)

Other Personal

• 48% of tourist visits from Germany to Ontario occurred in the summer



#### **GERMANY SEASON OF VISIT: 2019**



## **TRIP CHARACTERISTICS**

### TOP TRIP ACTIVITIES IN ONTARIO (2019)

### TOP TOURISM REGIONS VISITED (2019)

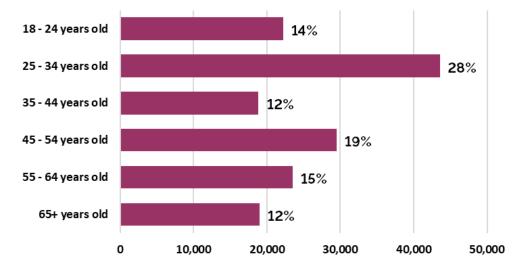
TRIP ACTIVITY	% GERMAN VISITS IN ONTARIO	TOURISM REGION	% GERMAN VISITS IN ONTARIO
Restaurant, bar or club	87%	Region 5: Greater Toronto Area	69%
Sightseeing	80%	Region 2: Niagara Canada	35%
Shopping	70%	Region 10: Ottawa and Countryside	35%
Visit friends or family	49%	Region 9: Southeastern Ontario	10%
Historic site	48%	Region 12: Muskoka, Parry Sound + Algonquin Park	8%

Source: Statistics Canada, Visitor Travel Survey



### DEMOGRAPHICS

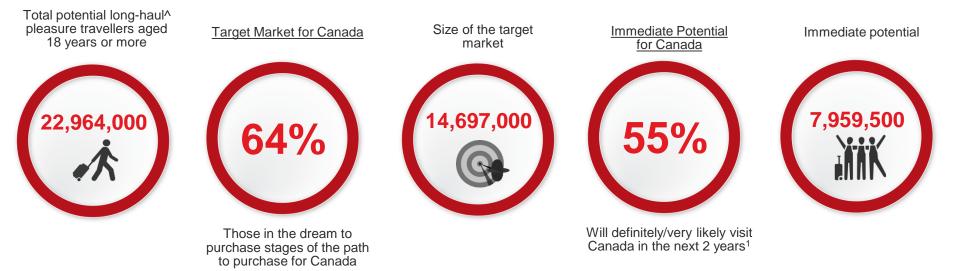
- The largest share of German tourist visits to Ontario was from those aged 25-34 years old in 2019 (28%). **The average age of a German tourist to Ontario was 43**.
- 7% of travel parties from Germany to Ontario had children travelling with them in 2019.
- Of those who stated their gender, slightly more than half (54%) of visits from Germany to Ontario were taken by men in 2019.



GERMAN VISITS TO ONTARIO BY AGE STATED (18+): 2019



## POTENTIAL MARKET SIZE FOR CANADA



Source: Destination Canada 2022 Global Markets Traveller Incidence & Market Sizing Update

^ Long-haul = outside of Europe, North Africa and the Mediterranean |<sup>1</sup> Includes respondents likely to visit Canada for a trip of 1 to 3 nights, or a trip of 4 nights or more



