

Profile of U.S. Travelers Visiting Overseas Destinations: 2011

U.S. Resident Traveler Characteristics	All U.S. Travelers	For Leisure & VFR	For Business & Conv.
Total Number of U.S. Travelers **	27,023,000	22,321,000	5,972,000
Gender and Age of Traveler:			
Male Adults	49%	46%	69%
Female Adults	51%	54%	31%
Average Age of Male (years)	45.9	46.2	45.8
Average Age of Female (years)	44.2	44.5	43.2
Occupation:			
Professional/Technical	37%	36%	43%
Manager/Executive	21%	18%	40%
Retired	14%	16%	3%
Student	11%	11%	4%
Homemaker	6%	6%	1%
Clerical/Sales	4%	5%	3%
Craftsman/Factory Worker	3%	3%	2%
Government/Military	3%	3%	3%
Annual Household Income:			
Average	\$106,300	\$102,700	\$128,900
Median	\$96,500	\$92,400	\$123,000

* Multiple Response.

** NOTE: Percentages listed in this profile can be converted into estimated numbers by multiplying the percentage by 27,023,000 (total U.S. Residents visiting overseas destinations), to yield 22,321,000 (82.6% Leisure/Visit Friends/Relatives) and 5,972,000 (22.1% Business/Convention).

Percentages are listed for all categories reported by 1% or more of the respondents, except for destination and residence categories, which are listed for only for those in which at least 400 respondents were surveyed in 2011.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, ITA, Office of Travel & Tourism Industries, "Survey of International Air Travelers," July 2012.

Survey of International Air Travelers

The Survey of International Air Travelers (or “In-Flight” survey) 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-two tables are then populated. This report, which was constructed using just a fraction of the data available, summarizes what we know about U.S. travelers who visits overseas destinations.

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