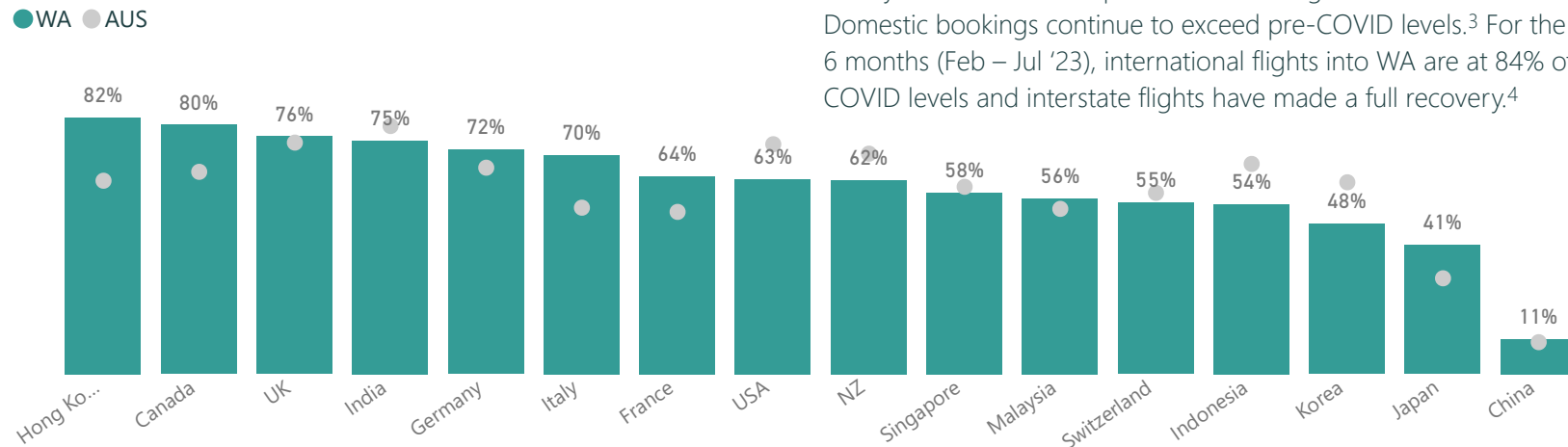


# Return of Inbound Travel to WA - Latest Results

Produced in March 2023

In January 2023, overseas arrivals to WA were 64% of pre-COVID levels, the strongest recovery since WA's border opened and ahead of the Australian average (56%). The results were driven by UK who recovered to 76% of pre-COVID levels.<sup>1</sup> In December 2022, interstate visitors to WA were 91% of pre-COVID levels. Visitors spent on average an additional \$186 per night, resulting in a total interstate spend of \$284 million, +73% ahead of December 2019.<sup>2</sup>

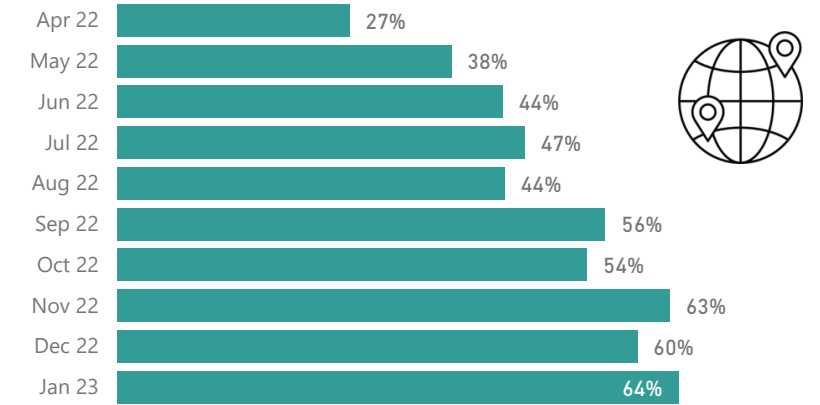
## International arrivals as a % of pre COVID - January 2023



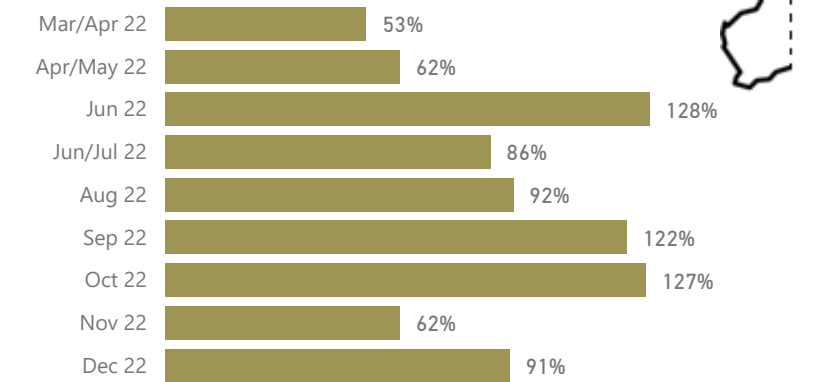
## Future Indicators of the Recovery of Travel to WA

Forward indicators show international bookings into WA will remain steady between Feb to April but ease during the cooler months. Domestic bookings continue to exceed pre-COVID levels.<sup>3</sup> For the next 6 months (Feb – Jul '23), international flights into WA are at 84% of pre-COVID levels and interstate flights have made a full recovery.<sup>4</sup>

## International arrivals as a % of pre COVID



## Interstate visitors as a % of pre COVID



## International aviation - February 2023



650 flights into WA, 78% of pre COVID levels, up from 76% in January '23<sup>4</sup>



Around 169,300 seats into WA, 79% of pre COVID levels, up from 75% in January '23<sup>4</sup>



89 days average lead time vs. 93 days pre COVID<sup>3</sup>



25 nights average length of stay vs. 20 nights pre COVID<sup>3</sup>

## Domestic aviation - February 2023



There were around 1,350 interstate flights, 95% of pre COVID levels.<sup>4</sup>



48 days average lead time vs. 36 days pre COVID.<sup>3</sup>

Source: 1) Department of Home Affairs, Overseas Arrivals and Departures. 2) Tourism Research Australia, National Visitor Survey Monthly. Note that due to sample size, results for some months cannot be displayed. 3) ForwardKeys, On the book arrivals to WA as at 1.3.23. Note: Data from Forward Keys should be considered an indicator only; it is not a comprehensive count of all visitors. 4) AirportIS Portal, accessed 2.3.23.