

The Wheatbelt Region Overnight Visitor Factsheet 2022

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Overnight Visitor Summary - The Wheatbelt Region

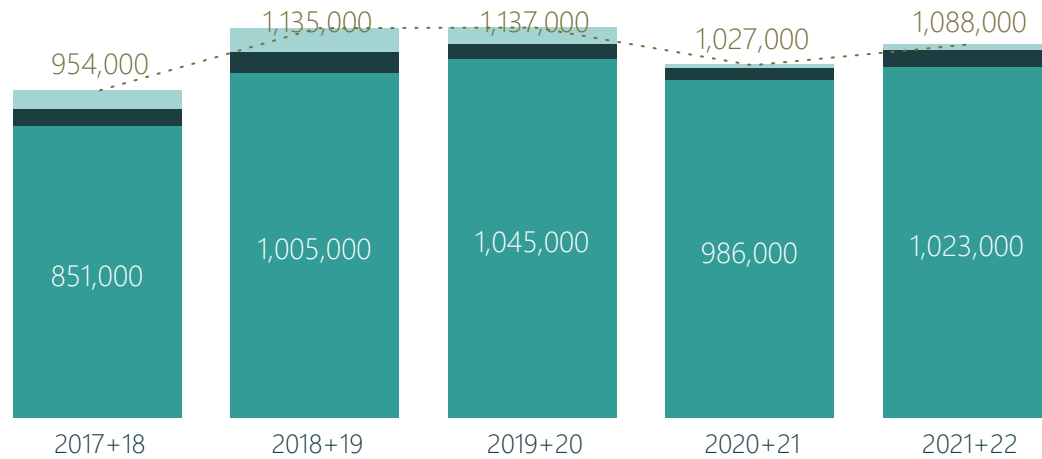
Annual Average - 2021+22

The data in this factsheet refers to visitors who have spent at least one night in The Wheatbelt Region

Total Visitors 1,088,000 Annual average 2021+22	Total Visitor Nights 3,204,000 Annual average 2021+22	Total Spend (\$ Million) \$354 Annual average 2019+20+21+22
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Overnight Visitor Trends - Annual Average

● Intrastate ● Interstate ● International Total Overnight Visitors



Visitors

Market	2017+18	2018+19	2019+20	2020+21	2021+22
International	53,000	67,000	47,000	9,000	16,000
Interstate	50,000	63,000	np	np	np
Intrastate	851,000	1,005,000	1,045,000	986,000	1,023,000
Total	954,000	1,135,000	1,137,000	1,027,000	1,088,000

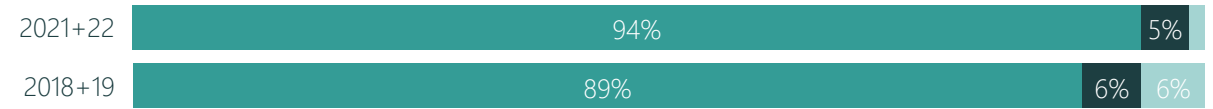


Nights

Market	2017+18	2018+19	2019+20	2020+21	2021+22
International	388,000	533,000	363,000	63,000	163,000
Interstate	253,000	195,000	np	np	np
Intrastate	1,936,000	2,438,000	2,854,000	2,678,000	2,811,000
Total	2,576,000	3,165,000	3,364,000	2,911,000	3,204,000

Share of Overnight Visitors - change vs. pre-COVID

● Intrastate ● Interstate ● International



Overnight Visitor Metrics - Annual Average 2019+20+21+22



Avg. Trip Length



Average Trip Spend



Average Daily Spend

Intrastate	2.7 Days	\$317	\$116
Interstate	4.0 Days	\$379	\$95
International	8.3 Days	\$579	\$69
Total Domestic + International	3.0 Days	\$327	\$111



Total

Domestic + International

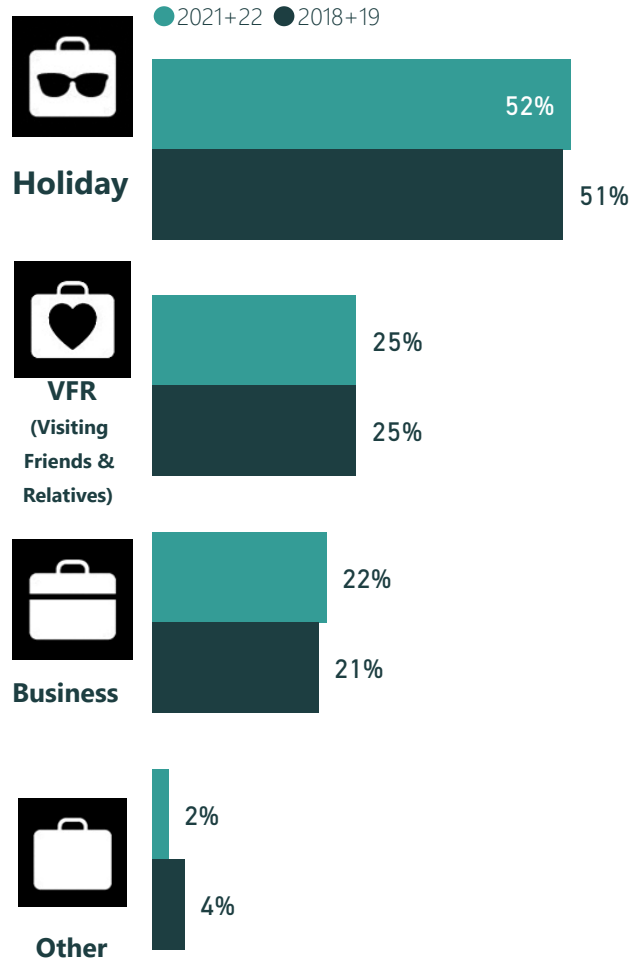
Domestic Overnight Visitor Details - The Wheatbelt Region

Annual Average - 2021+22 vs 2018+19

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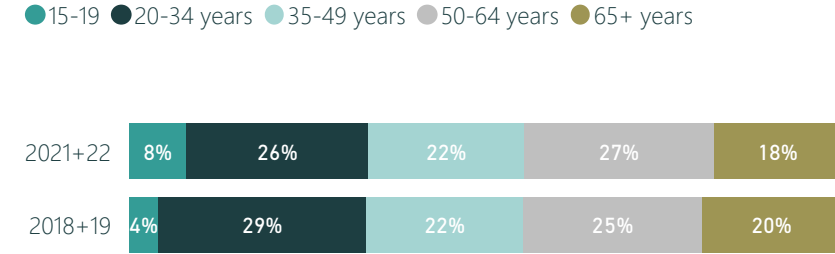
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Purpose of Travel

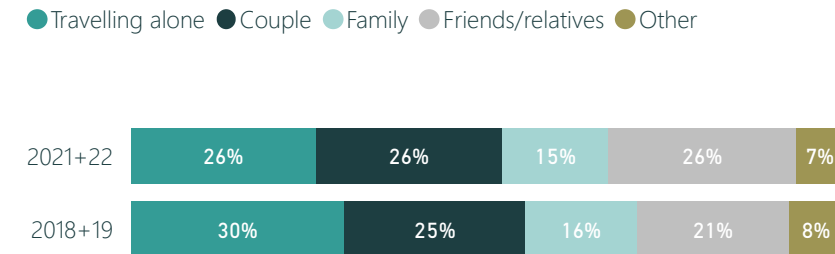


Sum of purpose may add to more than 100% as overnight visitors can visit the Region for more than one reason.

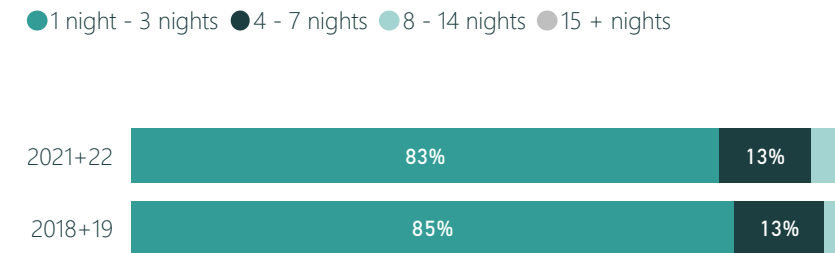
Age



Travel Party



Length of Stay

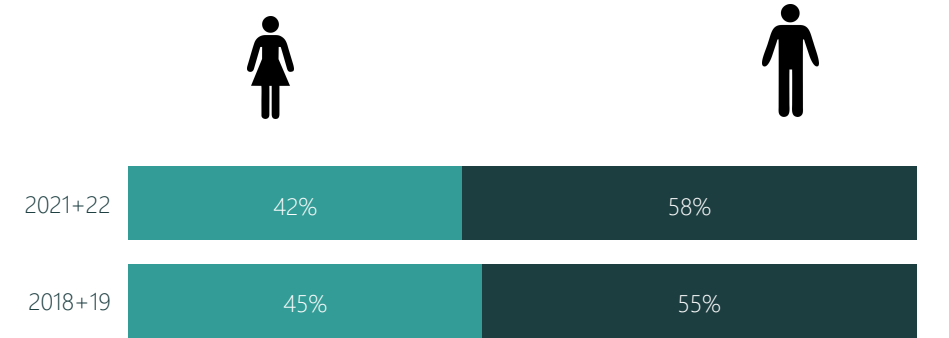


Top 3 accommodation (% of nights)

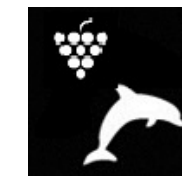


Accommodation	2018+19	2021+22
Friends or relatives property	29%	26%
Caravan park or commercial camping ground	15%	18%
Caravan or camping - non commercial	12%	14%

Gender



Top 3 activities



Activity	2018+19	2021+22
Eat out / dine at a restaurant and/or cafe	39%	34%
Visit friends & relatives	31%	24%
Go to the beach	20%	24%

International Overnight Visitor Details - The Wheatbelt Region

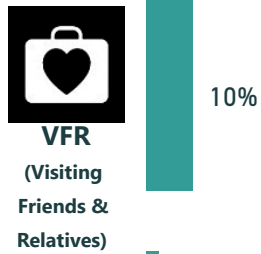
Annual Average - 2018+19

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International Visitors
67,000
Annual average 2018+19

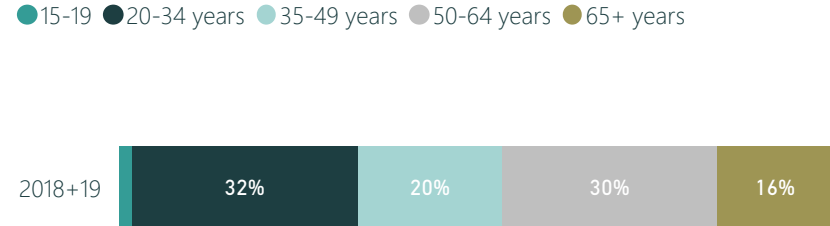
International Nights
533,000
Annual average 2018+19

Purpose of Travel

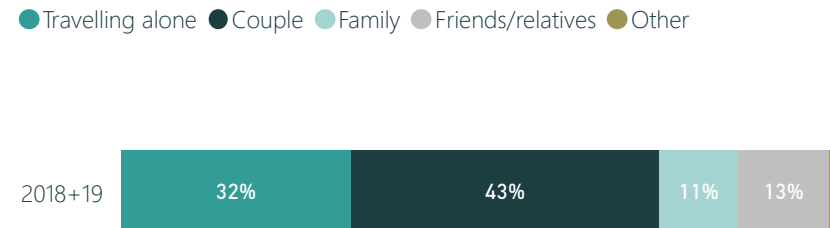


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Age



Travel Party



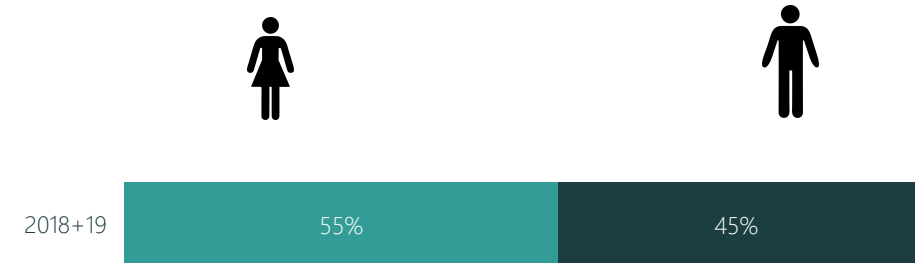
Length of Stay



Top 3 accommodation (% of nights)



Gender



Top 3 activities*

*International visitors may have undertaken the activity in the region or elsewhere in Australia



Visitor Factsheet - Further Information

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Important Note

All data is sourced from Tourism Research Australia's National and International Visitor Surveys (NVS and IVS).

To increase the sample size and hence improve the reliability of the data, visitor and nights estimates in this document are based on an average of two calendar years. Spend estimates are based on an average of four calendar years as per TRA guidelines.

The demographics and trip details for domestic visitors show comparisons between 2021+22 (current) and 2018+19 (pre-COVID). Due to the small number of international visitors to WA since 2019, only 2018+19 has been provided for international visitors. It is hoped that in future revisions of this factsheet, it will be possible to compare international visitor demographics and trip details with pre-COVID.

It is recommended by Tourism WA that the visitation statistics in this fact sheet are used in conjunction with other information sources that you have access to. This might include population statistics from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, feedback from local operators, information from local Visitor Centres, data from local councils etc.

Methodology and definition changes are made to both the IVS and the NVS from time to time. As such, estimates in this factsheet are not comparable to previous factsheets. For further information, see [NVS Methodology](#) or [IVS Methodology](#) on Tourism Research Australia's website and the [Changing Visitor Spend](#) factsheet on Tourism WA's website.

Sample Size and Confidence Intervals

Year Market	2018+19			2021+22		
	Sample size	95% Confidence Interval Visitors (±)	95% Confidence Interval Nights (±)	Sample size	95% Confidence Interval Visitors (±)	95% Confidence Interval Nights (±)
Intrastate	893	8%	15%	694	8%	14%
Interstate	60	30%	52%	35	34%	48%
Domestic	953	7%	14%	729	7%	13%
International	748	9%	26%			

Note: Estimates in this factsheet need to be considered within the Confidence Intervals in this table. Data has not been provided where the Sample Size is less than 40 or the Confidence Interval is greater than ±50%.

Definitions

Domestic Visitors (Intrastate): Australian residents aged 15 years and over who spent at least one night at a place at least 40km from their home. Note, intra-regional travel is included, i.e. the home and stay may fall within the same region.

Domestic Visitors (Interstate): Australian residents aged 15 years and over who spent at least one night at a place at least 40km from their home.

International Visitors: International visitors aged 15 years and over who spent at least one night in the Region and are staying in Australia for 12 months or less.

Source

Tourism Research Australia, International and National Visitor Surveys, 2022. Local Government Areas included to make up The Great Southern Region: Shire of Beverley, Shire of Brookton, Shire of Bruce Rock, Shire of Chittering, Shire of Corrigin, Shire of Cuballing, Shire of Cunderdin, Shire of Dalwallinu, Shire of Dandaragan, Shire of Dowerin, Shire of Dumbleyung, Shire of Gingin, Shire of Goomalling, Shire of Kellerberrin, Shire of Kondinin, Shire of Koorda, Shire of Kulin, Shire of Lake Grace, Shire of Merredin, Shire of Moora, Shire of Mount Marshall, Shire of Mukinbudin, Shire of Narembreen, Shire of Narrogin, Shire of Northam, Shire of Nungarin, Shire of Pingelly, Shire of Quairading, Shire of Tammin, Shire of Toodyay, Shire of Trayning, Shire of Victoria Plains, Shire of Wagin, Shire of Wandering, Shire of West Arthur, Shire of Westonia, Shire of Wickepin, Shire of Williams, Shire of Wongan-Ballidu, Shire of Wyalkatchem, Shire of Yilgarn, Shire of York