MARKET OVERVIEW



9.2

2023

6.6

2022

2021

8.5

2024

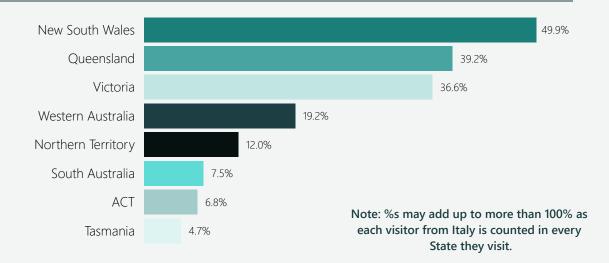
\$17

8.6

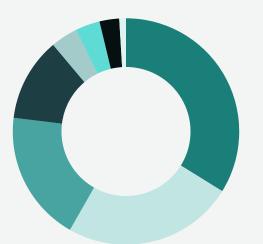
2019

2020

Market Share of International Leisure Visitors to Australia¹



Market Share of International Leisure Visitor Spend in Australia¹

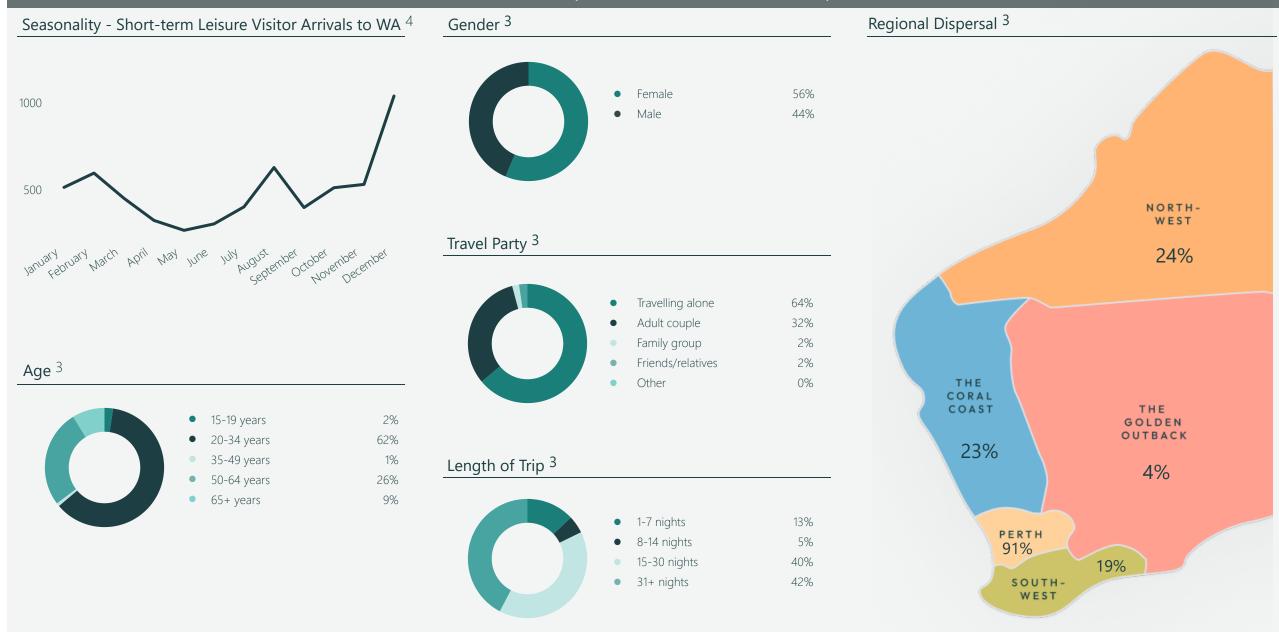


New South Wales	33.8%
Victoria	24.4%
Queensland	18.7%
Western Australia	11.9%
ACT	3.9%
South Australia	3.5%
Northern Territory	2.8%
Tasmania	1.0%

Explanatory note: 11.9% of all Italian leisure visitor spend in Australia was spent in WA.

●WA ●NSW ●VIC ●QLD ●SA ●TAS ●NT ●ACT

TRIP PROFILE (TWO YEAR AVERAGE - 2023/24)



TRIP PROFILE (TWO YEAR AVERAGE - 2023/24)

Top 5 Activities for Leisure Visitors to WA ³						
		-				
(1)	Eat out / dine at a restaurant and/or cafe	97%				
2	Go to the beach	92%				
3	Go shopping for pleasure	91%				
4	Go to markets	79%				
5	Sightseeing/looking around	78%				

NOTE: Activity may have taken in place in WA or elsewhere in Australia during the trip.

NSW 59% QLD 42% VIC 42% 12% NT SA 11% ACT 6% Explanatory note: this chart shows the split of visitors by TAS 3% State who visit at least one other State other than WA.

Group Tour v Free Independent Travellers (FIT) ³

99% of Italian leisure visitors to WA are free independent travellers. 97% of Italian leisure visitors to the rest of Australia are free independent travellers, so only a small proportion are likely to be on a group tour.

Repeat Visitors ³

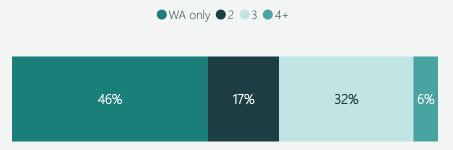
52% of Italian leisure visitors to WA are on a return visit to Australia

Top 3 Accommodation Choices for Leisure Visitors to WA ³

1	Other commercial accommodation	63%
2	Rented house/apartment/flat or unit	42%
3	Hotel/resort/motel or motor Inn	35%

Number of States Visited ³

Other States Visited ³



Travel Packages ³
3% of Italian leisure visitors to WA arrived on a
travel package

IMPORTANCE FACTORS, DESTINATION CONSIDERATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS

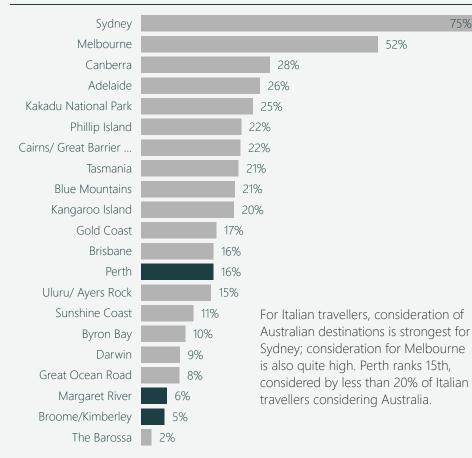
Out of region (OOR) travellers



Travelled outside of their region within the last 5 years for leisure and/or intend to travel outside of their region for leisure within the next 2 years

Consideration of Australian Destinations ⁵

(those considering a trip to Australia in the next 4 years)



Which factors are most important when choosing a destination ⁵

- Easy to get to (time & effort) (1)
 - A family friendly destination
- Value for money (3

(5

75%

- Appealing climate or weather (4
 - A safe and secure destination

Natural wonders to explore e.g. world heritage sites (6)

Italian travellers are more likely than other travellers to seek destinations that offer 'natural wonders', such as world heritage listed sites. They seek destinations that are easy to get to (time and effort), and are family friendly.

What OOR travellers associate with destinations ⁵

	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Perth	Margaret River	Broome/Kimberley region
A family friendly destination	47%	32%	11%	15%	4%	5%
A vibrant city lifestyle		36%	12%	15%	3%	4%
Beautiful natural environments, including mountains, rivers, forests, beaches, and coastlines	15%	13%	6%	9%	14%	8%
Different and interesting local wildlife	15%	10%	6%	9%	7%	9%
Good food, wine/beverages, local cuisine and produce	39%	28%	11%	13%	4%	4%
Interesting events and festivals	47%	29%	10%	10%	3%	4%
Value for money	23%	20%	7%	8%	3%	4%

Italian travellers have strong perceptions of Sydney and Melbourne, but very few assoications with Perth. Margaret River region perfoms on par with Sydney and Melbourne for beautiful natural environments.

NOTES & REFERENCES

Notes

'Leisure' comprises both holiday visitors and those visiting friends and relatives (VFR).

References

1. Tourism Research Australia – International Visitor Survey, YE Dec 24

2. Tourism Research Australia – International Visitor Survey, YE Dec 19/20/21/22/23/24

3. Tourism Research Australia – International Visitor Survey, 2 yr average, YE Dec 23/24

4. Australian Bureau of Statistics via Tourism Research Australia – Visitor Arrivals and Departures (State of Stay: WA, Category of Traveller: Short Term Visitor Arrival, Main purpose of trip: Leisure, Country (TRA benchmarks)), YE Dec 24

5. Tourism Australia – Consumer Demand Project, October - December 2024.

Published by Tourism WA, April 2025 For more information, please contact: research@westernaustralia.com