Australia's South West Overnight Visitor Factsheet 2024

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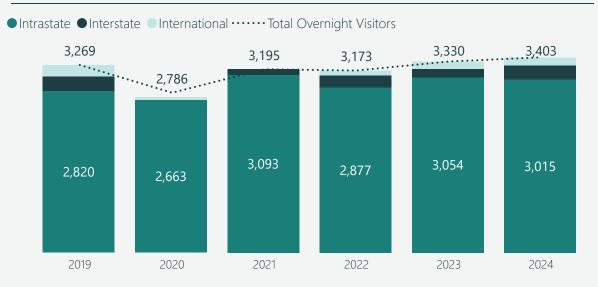




Overnight Visitor Summary 2024 - Australia's South West

The data in this factsheet refers to visitors who have spent at least one night in Australia's South West

Overnight Visitors (000)



Overnight Visitors Spend (\$ millions)

● Interstate ● Interstate ● International · · · · · · Total Overnight Spend



Overnight Visitors (000)

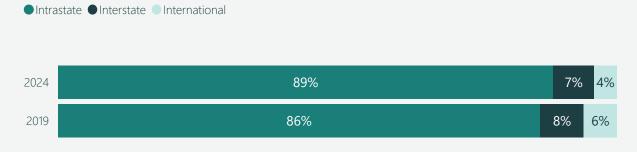
3,403

12,610₂₀₂₄

Total Visitor Nights (000)

Total Spend (\$ million)
\$2,430
2024

Share of Overnight Visitors - change vs. pre-COVID



Overnight Visitor Metrics 2024

Domestic + International

	Average Trip Length	Average Trip Spend	Average Daily Spend
Intrastate	3.1 Days	\$678	\$218
Interstate	4.3 Days	\$912	\$213
International	15.6 Days	\$1,144	\$73
Total	3.7 Days	\$714	\$193

Additional visitor, nights and spend results can be found on the interactive chart on Tourism WA's website here.

Intrastate Overnight Visitor Details - Australia's South West

2023+24 vs. 2018+19

Purpose of Travel

VFR

(Visiting Friends & Relatives)

Business

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Overnight Visitors (000)

3,015

Total Visitor Nights (000)

9,375

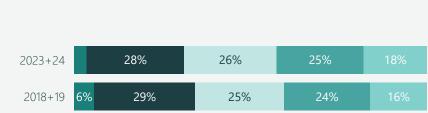
2024

Age



28%

29%



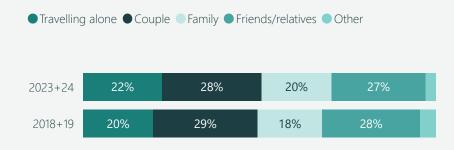
●15-19 ●20-34 years ●35-49 years ●50-64 years ●65+ years

Top 3 Home Local Government Area (LGA)



Stirling Joondalup Rockingham Wanneroo 2018+19 2023+24 9% 8% 6% 6% 5% 5% 4% 5%

Travel Party

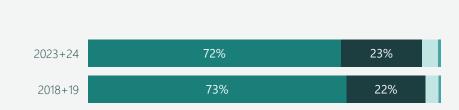


Gender



Length of Stay in Region

●1 - 3 nights ●4 - 7 nights ●8 - 14 nights ●15+ nights



Definition

Domestic Visitors (Intrastate): Western 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.

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

11%

12%

Interstate Overnight Visitor Details - Australia's South West

2023+24 vs. 2018+19

Purpose of Travel

Holiday

VFR

(Visiting Friends & Relatives)

Busines

Other

●2023+24 ● 2018+19

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31%

25%

17%

14%

1%

54%

62%

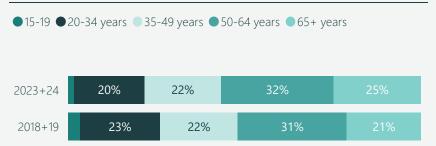
Overnight Visitors (000)
249

Total Visitor Nights (000)

1,064

2024

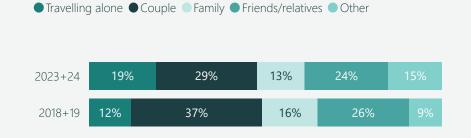




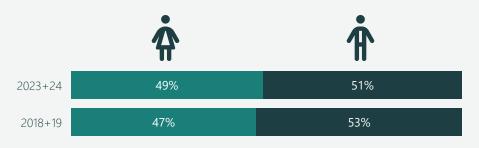
Top 3 Home State/Territory



Travel Party

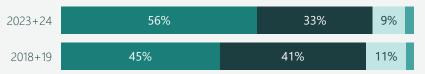


Gender



Length of Stay in Region





Definition

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.

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International Overnight Visitor Details - Australia's South West

2024 vs. 2018+19

Purpose of Travel

Holiday

VFR

(Visiting Friends & Relatives)

Business

Other

2024 **2**018+19

17%

19%

1%

2%

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Overnight Visitors (000)

139

2,171

2024

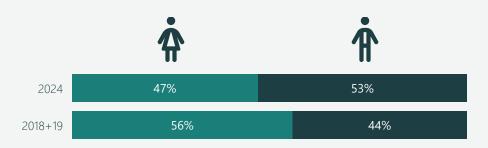
Total Visitor Nights (000)





United Kingdom Singapore Malaysia 2018+19 2024 19% 21% 13% 21% 8% 6%

Gender



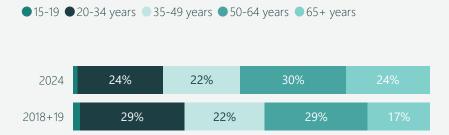
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International Visitors: aged 15 years and over who spent at least one night in the region and are staying in Australia for 12 months or less.

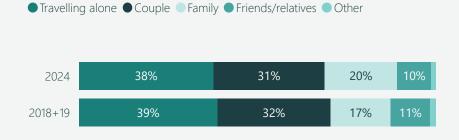
Age

79%

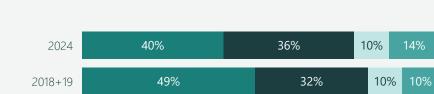
81%



Travel Party



Length of Stay in Region



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Overnight Visitor Details - Australia's South West

2023+24 (2024 international) vs. 2018+19

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Top 3 accommodation (9	6 of niahts) - Intrastate
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Friends or relatives property 32% 28% Hotel/resort/motel or motor Inn 16% 16% Caravan park or commercial 14% 16% camping ground

Top 3 activities - Intrastate



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Eat out / dine at a restaurant and/or cafe	62%	61%
Go to the beach Visit friends & relatives	41% 41%	46% 34%

2018+19 2023+24

Top 3 Local Government Areas (LGA's) visited - Intrastate



	2010+19	2023+24
Busselton	29%	28%
Augusta Margaret River	17%	20%
Bunbury	13%	13%

2019 10 2022 12/

Top 3 accommodation (% of nights) - Interstate

		2018+19	2023+24
	Hotel/resort/motel or motor Inn	40%	27%
5.)	Friends or relatives property	18%	36%
	Rented house/apartment/flat or	16%	15%
5	unit		

Top 3 activities - Interstate



Top 3 Local Government Areas (LGA's) visited - Interstate



	2018+19	2023+24
Augusta Margaret River	49%	41%
Busselton	25%	33%
Albany	25%	13%

Top 3 accommodation (% of nights) - International

		2018+19	2024
1	Friends or relatives property Rented house/apartment/flat or unit	28% 27%	30% 30%
L,	Hotel/resort/motel or motor Inn	10%	19%

Top 3 activities - International*

		2018+19	2024
5	Eat out / dine at a restaurant and/or cafe	95%	98%
20	Sightseeing/looking around Go to the beach	85% 84%	93% 89%

Top 3 Local Government Areas (LGA's) - International



Augusta Margaret River	51%	53%
Busselton	28%	26%
Albany	27%	25%

2018+19

2024

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).

Data has been provided for Interstate and Intrastate (sample size permitting) or Domestic, as well as International by year.

The demographics and trip details for domestic visitors show comparisons between 2023+24 (current) and 2018+19 (pre-COVID). Due to the reduced number of international visitors between 2019 and 2021 and the unreliability of 2022 data, these years have been excluded for international visitors.

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 on Tourism Research Australia's website and the Changing Visitor Spend factsheet on Tourism WA's website.

Sample Size

Market	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Intrastate	1,222	1,050	1,189	970	786	709
Interstate	105	31	51	72	44	49
Domestic	1,327	1,081	1,240	1,042	830	758
International	1,129	337		9,320	535	582

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Source

Tourism Research Australia, National and International Visitor Surveys, 2024

