While the global economy grew by 2.5%, Travel & Tourism grew significantly more at 3.5%.

1 in 4 net new jobs were created by Travel & Tourism over the last five years.

Global GDP impact by sector (2018 data). Share of total economy GDP:
- Mining
- Automotive
- Agriculture
- Travel & Tourism
- Retail
- Financial Services

Iraq 2019 Key Data:
- 6.4% of total economy
- Total T&T GDP = IQD14,261.5BN (USD12,024.9MN)
- +6.0% 2019 Travel & Tourism GDP growth vs +2.7% real economy GDP growth
- 626.5 jobs (000's)
- (6.8% of total employment)
- IQD2,778.2BN in visitor spend (3.4% of total exports)
- (USD2,342.5MN)

Inbound Arrivals:
1. Iran 89%
2. Pakistan 4%
3. India 3%
4. Azerbaijan 1%
5. Bahrain 0%
Rest of World 3%

Outbound Departures:
1. Iran 35%
2. Syria 28%
3. Turkey 17%
4. Saudi Arabia 5%
5. Lebanon 5%
Rest of World 10%

Note: Data are average shares over the 2016-2018 period.
Source: Oxford Economics, national sources and UNWTO.

Sector Characteristics (2019):
- Leisure Spending 51%
- Business Spending 49%
- Domestic Spending 75%
- International Spending 25%

1All values are in constant 2019 prices & exchange rates.
As reported in March 2020.