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

Jobs globally (1 in 10 jobs):

- KUWAIT 2019 KEY DATA
  - CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO GDP: 5.3% OF TOTAL ECONOMY
    - Total T&T GDP = KWD2,206.5MN (USD7,294.2MN)
    - 2019 Travel & Tourism GDP growth (6.0% of total employment)
    - +11.6% vs +0.9% real economy GDP growth
  - CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO EMPLOYMENT: 136.6 JOBS (000's)
    - 6.0% of total employment
  - INTERNATIONAL VISITOR IMPACT: KWD342.8MN
    - in visitor spend (1.3% of total exports)
    - (USD1,133.1MN)

INBOUND ARRIVALS:
- 1. SAUDI ARABIA: 35%
- 2. INDIA: 14%
- 3. EGYPT: 11%
- 4. PHILIPPINES: 5%
- 5. UNITED STATES: 3%
- REST OF WORLD: 32%

OUTBOUND DEPARTURES:
- 1. SAUDI ARABIA: 52%
- 2. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES: 11%
- 3. TURKEY: 6%
- 4. BAHRAIN: 5%
- 5. EGYPT: 4%
- REST OF WORLD: 22%

SECTOR CHARACTERISTICS (2019):
- LEISURE SPENDING: 67%
- BUSINESS SPENDING: 33%
- DOMESTIC SPENDING: 83%
- INTERNATIONAL SPENDING: 17%

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

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