Global Data 2019

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: 10%
- Automotive: 6%
- Agriculture: 2%
- Travel & Tourism: 3%
- Retail: 5%
- Financial Services: 7%

Maldives 2019 Key Data

Contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP

- 56.6% of total economy
- Total T&T GDP = MVR48,354.5MN (USD3,141.3MN)
- 2019 Travel & Tourism GDP growth +2.9% vs +4.4% real economy GDP growth

Contribution of Travel & Tourism to Employment

- 155.6 jobs (000’s) (59.6% of total employment)

International Visitor Impact

- MVR49,029.5MN in visitor spend (79.0% of total exports)
- (USD3,185.2MN)

Inbound Arrivals

- 1. China 22%
- 2. Germany 8%
- 3. United Kingdom 8%
- 4. Italy 6%
- 5. India 6%
- Rest of World 50%

Outbound Departures

- 1. Sri Lanka 46%
- 2. India 34%
- 3. Malaysia 8%
- 4. Saudi Arabia 4%
- 5. China 3%
- Rest of World 5%

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

Sector Characteristics (2019)

- Leisure Spending 96%
- Business Spending 4%
- Domestic Spending 4%
- International Spending 96%

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