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.

11.9% of Total Economy

Total T&T GDP = AED177.8BN (USD48,456.4MN)

745.2 Jobs (000's) (11.1% of total employment)

AED141.1BN in visitor spend (9.9% of total exports) (USD38,435.8MN)

INBOUND ARRIVALS

1. INDIA 12%
2. SAUDI ARABIA 9%
3. UNITED KINGDOM 8%
4. CHINA 6%
5. OMAN 5%
REST OF WORLD 60%

OUTBOUND DEPARTURES

1. SAUDI ARABIA 25%
2. UNITED KINGDOM 12%
3. OMAN 11%
4. FRANCE 7%
5. SWITZERLAND 4%
REST OF WORLD 41%

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

SECTOR CHARACTERISTICS (2019)

LEISURE SPENDING 79%
BUSINESS SPENDING 21%
DOMESTIC SPENDING 23%
INTERNATIONAL SPENDING 77%

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