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

BELGIUM 2019 KEY DATA

CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO GDP

4.3% OF TOTAL ECONOMY

Total T&T GDP = EUR20.2BN (USD22.5BN)

+1.9% vs +1.3% real economy GDP growth

CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO EMPLOYMENT

239.4 JOBS (000's)

(4.9% of total employment)

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR IMPACT

EUR9.2BN

in visitor spend (2.4% of total exports)

(USD10.3BN)

INBOUND ARRIVALS

1. NETHERLANDS 23%
2. FRANCE 16%
3. GERMANY 12%
4. UNITED KINGDOM 11%
5. SPAIN 4%
REST OF WORLD 34%

OUTBOUND DEPARTURES

1. FRANCE 41%
2. SPAIN 10%
3. NETHERLANDS 9%
4. GERMANY 6%
5. ITALY 5%
REST OF WORLD 29%

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

SECTOR CHARACTERISTICS (2019)

- LEISURE SPENDING: 72%
- BUSINESS SPENDING: 28%
- DOMESTIC SPENDING: 52%
- INTERNATIONAL SPENDING: 48%

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