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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)

**Contribution of Travel & Tourism to Employment**: 239,400 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%

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