SRI LANKA
2020 ANNUAL RESEARCH: KEY HIGHLIGHTS

GLOBAL DATA 2019

10.3% OF TOTAL ECONOMY
Total GDP contribution

903.3 JOBS (000's)
Jobs globally (1 in 10 jobs)

-6.8%
2019 Travel & Tourism GDP growth vs +2.6% real economy GDP growth

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.

CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO GDP

CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO EMPLOYMENT

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR IMPACT

SRI LANKA 2019 KEY DATA

10.3% OF TOTAL ECONOMY
Total T&T GDP = LKR1,591.1BN (USD8,924.1MN)

903.3 JOBS (000's)
(11.0% of total employment)

LKR858.6BN
in visitor spend (24.6% of total exports)
(USD4,815.8MN)

INBOUND ARRIVALS

OUTBOUND DEPARTURES

1. INDIA 18%
2. CHINA 13%
3. UNITED KINGDOM 10%
4. GERMANY 6%
5. FRANCE 5%
REST OF WORLD 49%

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2. FRANCE 9%
3. SINGAPORE 7%
4. SAUDI ARABIA 5%
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SECTOR CHARACTERISTICS (2019)

LEISURE SPENDING
79%

BUSINESS SPENDING
21%

DOMESTIC SPENDING
34%

INTERNATIONAL SPENDING
66%

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

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