

Research Methodology

The primary objective of this research is to understand the United Kingdom's travel behavior and take a deeper look at the affluent travel behaviors, type of traveler, planning and booking behavior, spending behavior, and travel preferences and criteria.

In addition, with this research, we seek to understand the UK resident's specific needs and requirements for their vacation.

An online survey was created and deployed by the online service Qualtrics to their Database. Responses amongst UK travelers were collected during the month of December 2022.

In total, we received 1,112 respondents. After the data clean-up, the final sample size was 1,050 respondents (N).

Qualifying criteria:

- 1. Do you currently reside in the United Kingdom?
- 2. Household Income: \$50K-100K (~50%) and >100K (~50%)

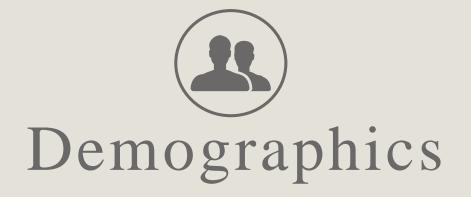
Additionally, from the mentioned criteria, a screening question was used to select respondents who have traveled or will travel internationally to the Caribbean and if they have traveled in the past two years.

The Survey consisted of 16 questions.

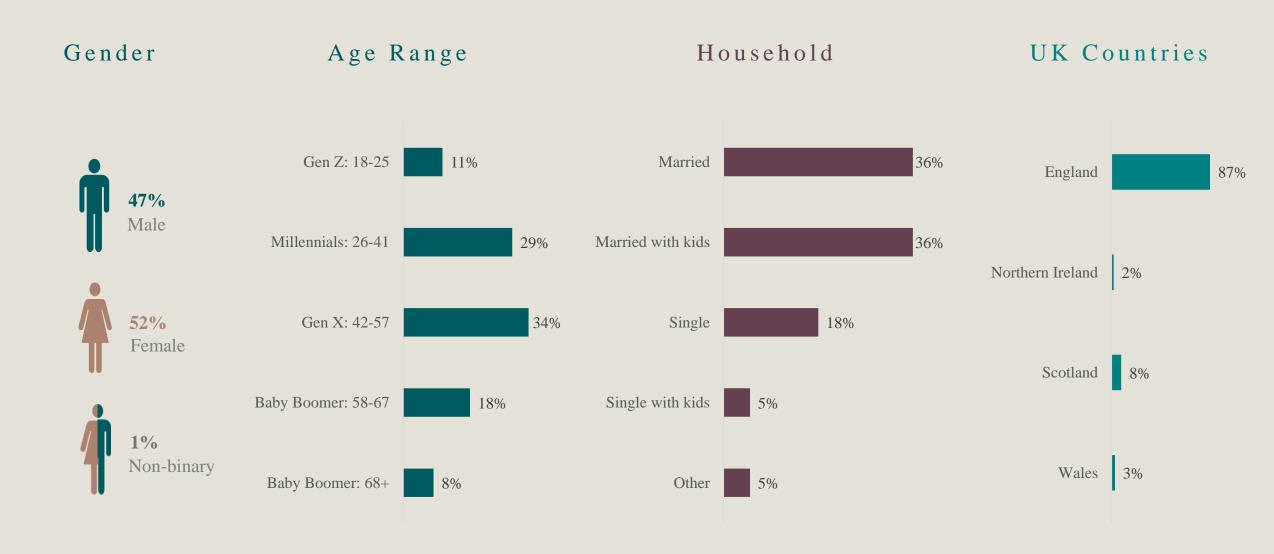




Quantitative







49% of the respondents are considered Affluent.

Household Income



Note: In the UK an Affluent is considered Household Income of £80.000 or higher

Household Income By Generation



Question: What is your annual household income? | Age Range?

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UK Countries



Household Income By Province



Insights

- 34% of the respondents belong to Generation X, followed by the Millennials (29%), Babyboomer (18%), and Gen Z (11%).
- 36% of the respondents were married, and 36% were married with kids.
- 87% of the respondents are from England.
- 49% are considered Affluent.
- When looking at the Household Income £80.000 or higher, England scored the highest.



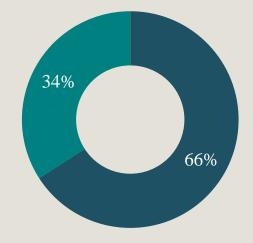
Travel Behavior



Type of Traveler - Explorer vs. Loyal Traveler

Type of Traveler

- I like to explore new destinations on each vacation
- I like to revisit a destination I have already been to



Likelihood of Traveling to a Caribbean Island next 12 months

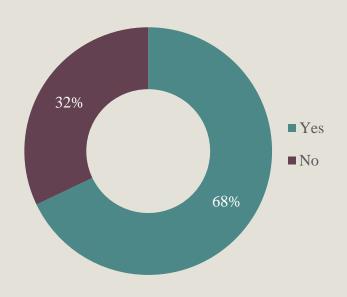
- Extremely unlikely & Somewhat unlikely
- Neither likely nor unlikely
- Extremely likely & Somewhat likely



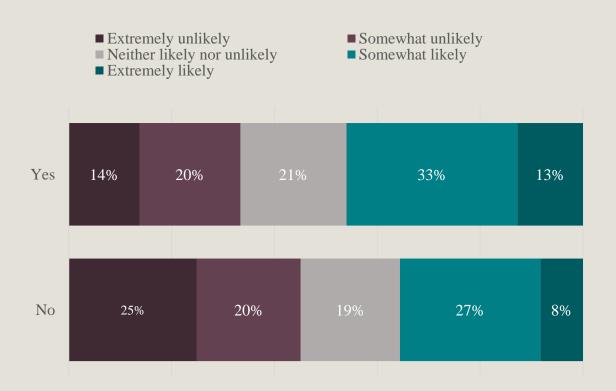
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Heard About Aruba



Likelihood of Traveling to a Caribbean Island next 12 months By Familiar with Aruba

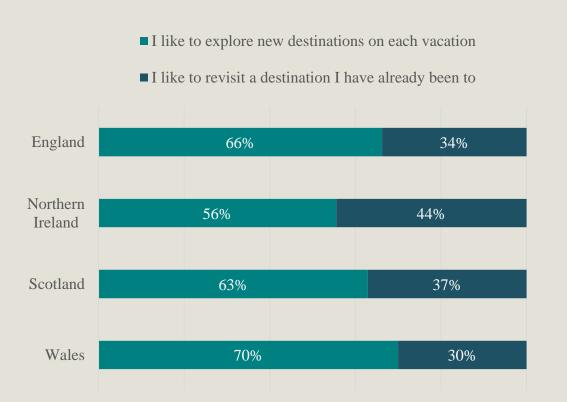


Question: How did you hear about Aruba? / How likely are you to travel abroad to a Caribbean island in the next 12 months?

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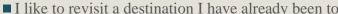
Type of Traveler - Explorer vs. Repeat Traveler

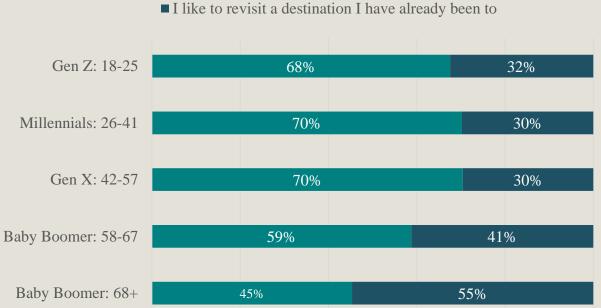




Type of Traveler By Generation







Question: Which of the following best describes you as a traveler? | Which Country in the United Kingdom do you currently reside in? | Age Range?

Type of Traveler By Household Income

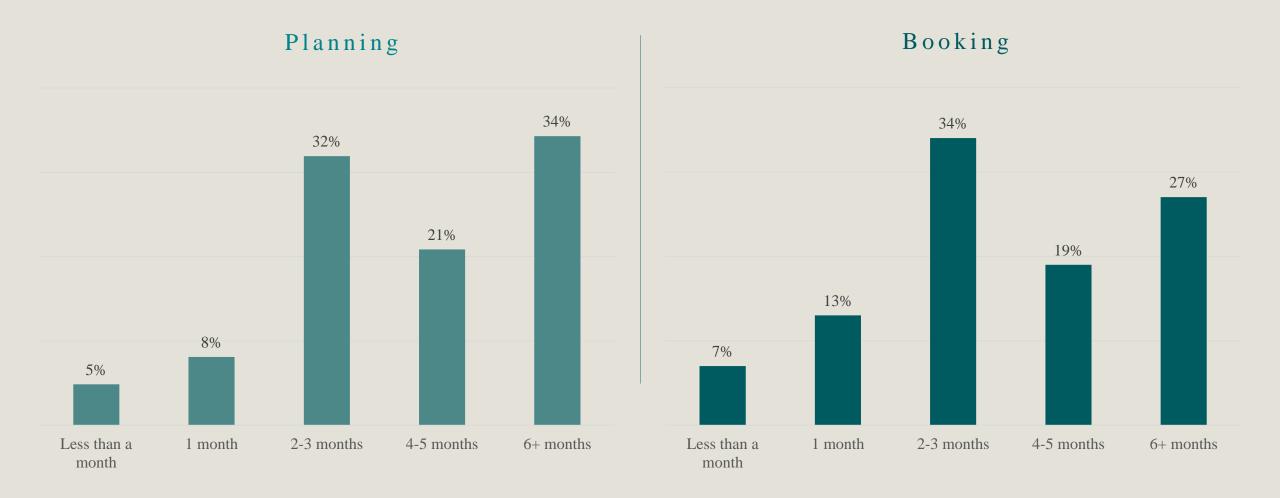
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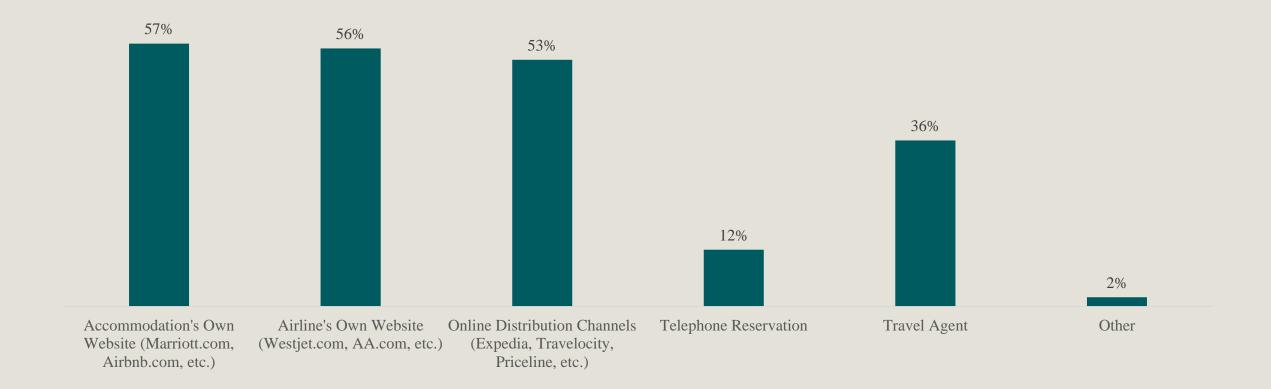
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Planning & Booking Behavior



Question: How far in advance do you start planning a vacation? / How far in advance do you purchase your flight tickets for a vacation?

Channel used for Planning and Booking



 $\label{thm:power} \textit{Question: How do you normally arrange your reservation} (s) \textit{for your vacation? Select all that applies}$

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Spend Behavior



Spend Per Day
F&B and Activities



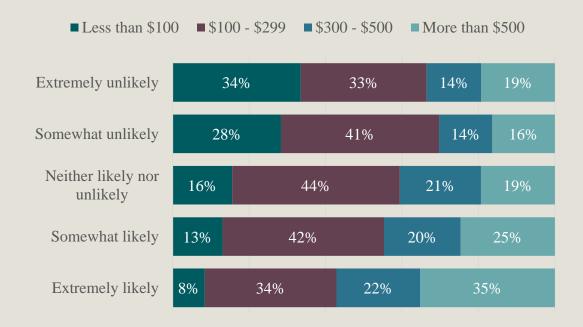
Spend Per Day By Household Income



Spend Per Day

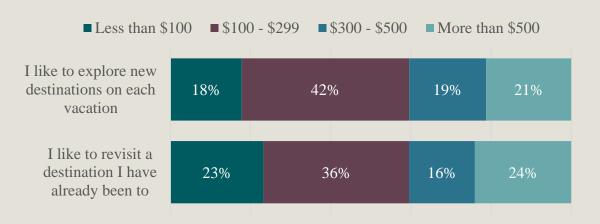
By Likelihood of Travel to a Caribbean

Destination Next Year



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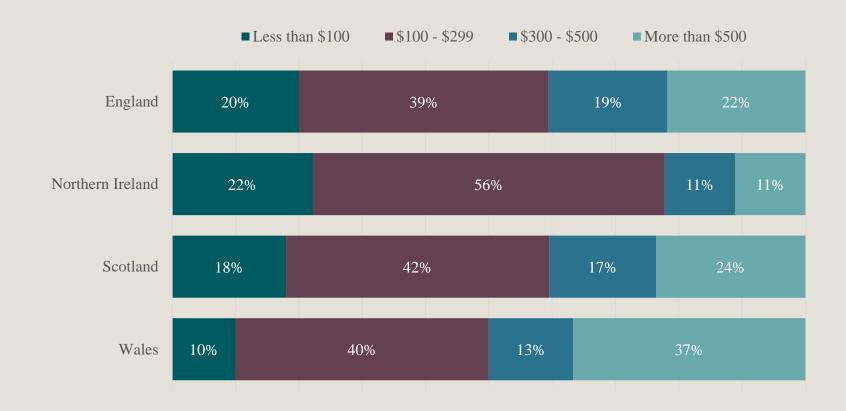
Spend Per Day By Type of Traveler



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Travel Spend Behavior

Spend Per Day By Country



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Travel Preferences



TOP 5Key Marketing Messages to Focus On

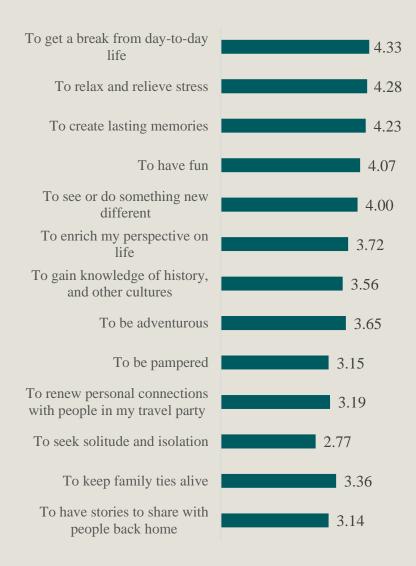
Important Destination Criteria		Important Vacation Benefits		Preferred Activities/ Experiences	
1	Cleanliness	1	To get a break from day-to-day life	1	Going out to eat
2	Safety	2	To Relax and Relieve Stress	2	Outdoor Activities
3	Appealing Natural Environment	3	To Create Lasting Memories	3	Zoos & Aquariums
4	Locals Are Welcoming & Hospitable	4	To Have Fun	4	Museums
5	Direct Flights	5	To See or Do Something New	5	Festivals & Fairs

Note: Important key marketing messages to point out: the respondents indicated that Safety and health-focused measures must be communicated clearly. Another interesting observation is that UK travelers scored Direct Flights as essential criteria.

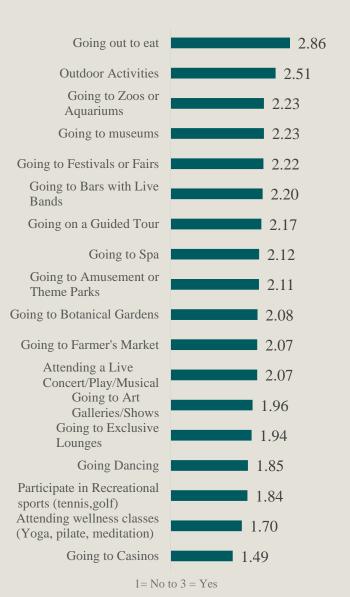
Important Destination Criteria

Cleanliness 4.30 Safety 4.20 Appealing Natural Environment Local People Are 3.84 Welcoming & Hospitable Direct flights 3.83 3.53 Cost Easily Accessible Tourist 3.46 Information Variety of Vacation Rental 3.42 **Options** Different Culture Than My 3.37 Own Tropical Weather 3.35 Luxury Hotels 3.21 Fine Dining Options 3.11 Adults only Activities 2.83 Familiar Culture and 2.79 Language Activities for Children 2.46

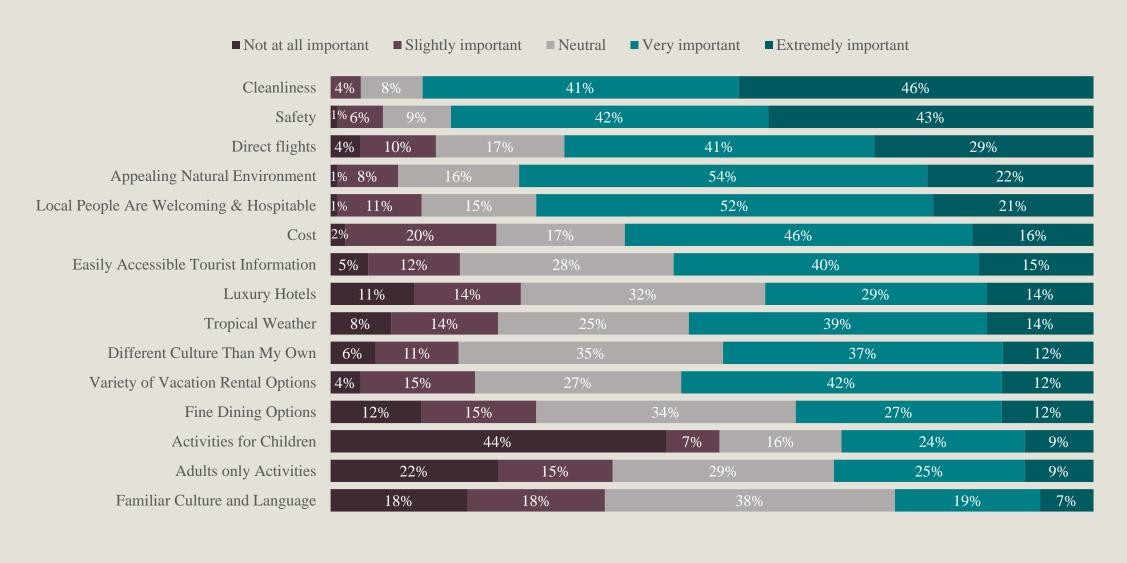
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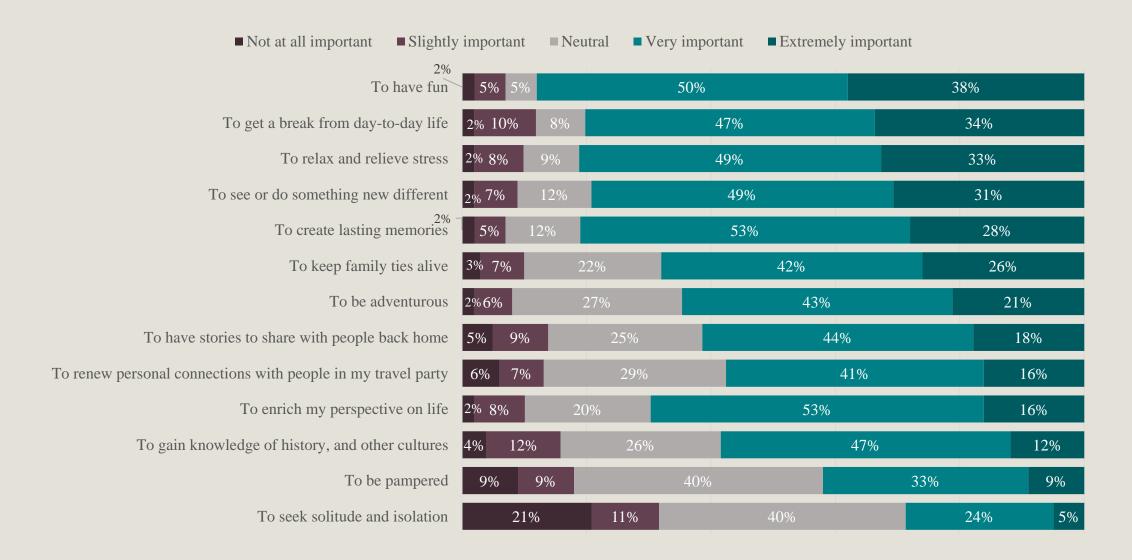
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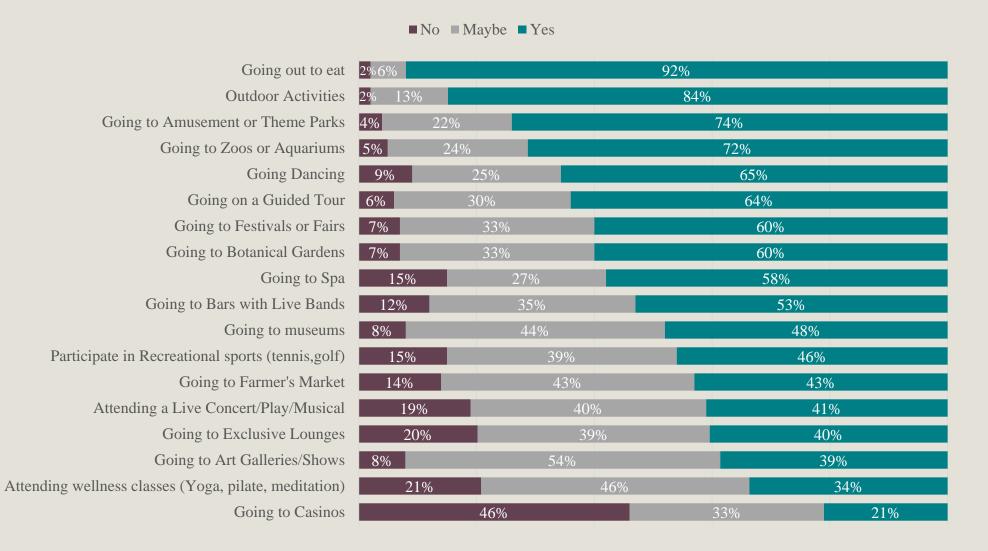
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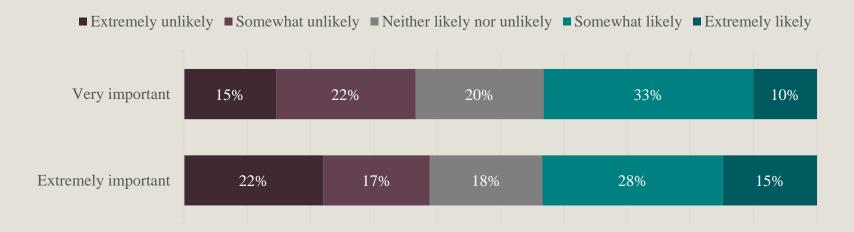
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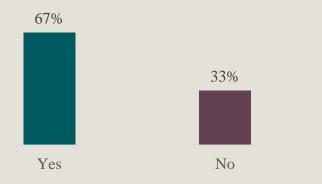
Insights

Direct Flights

The likelihood of Caribbean Travel next 12 months



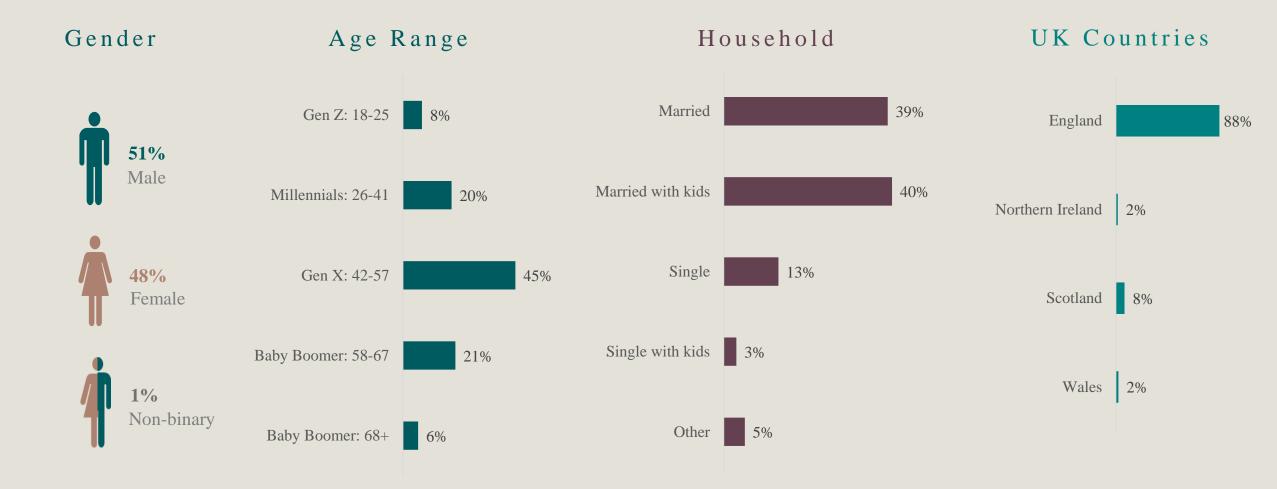
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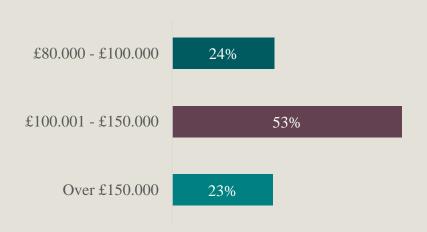
Affluent

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Household Income



Household Income By Generation



Spend Per Day
F&B and Activities



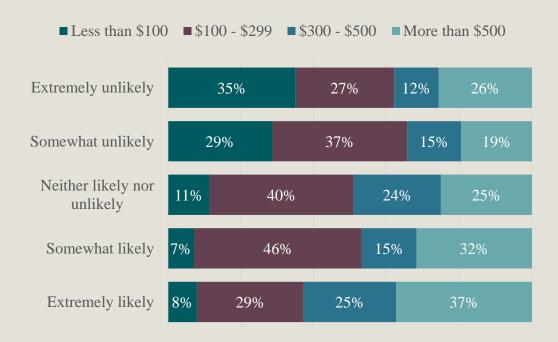
Spend Per Day By Household Income



Spend Per Day

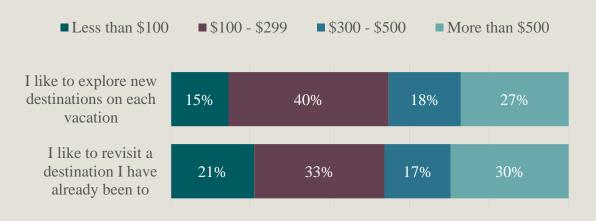
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Destination Next Year



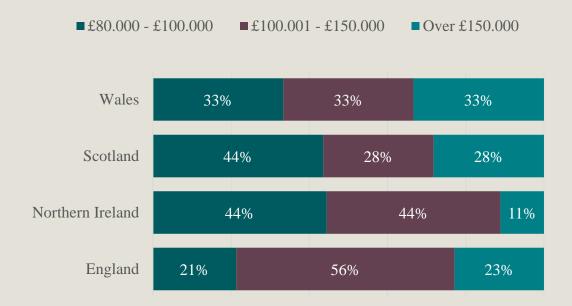
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Household Income By UK Country



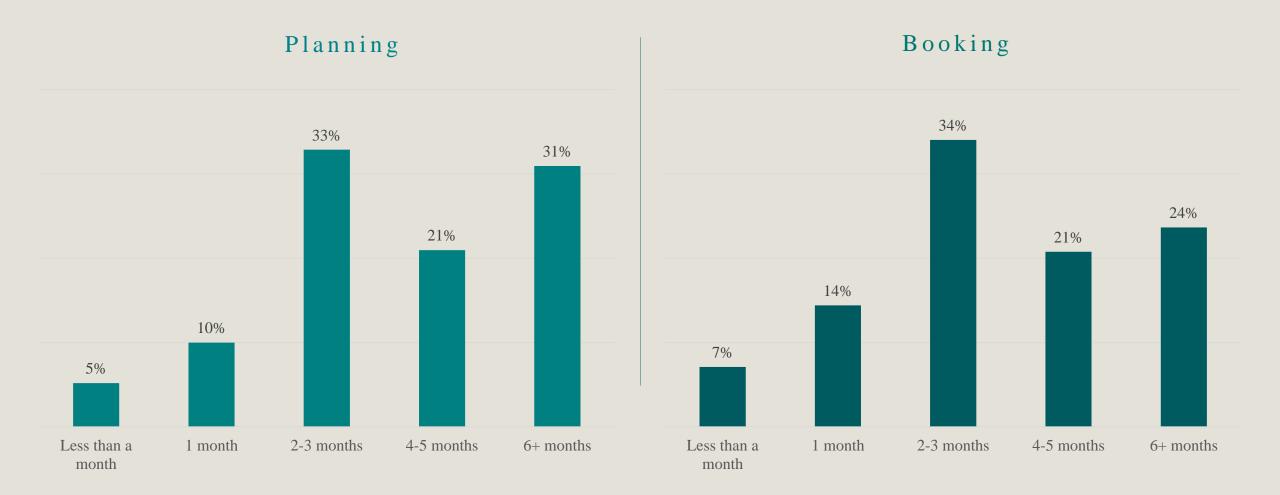
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Spend Per Day By UK Country

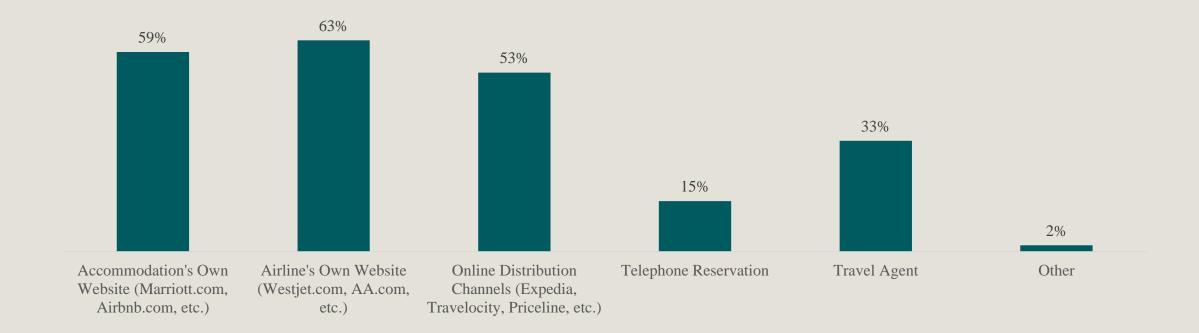


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Planning & Booking Behavior



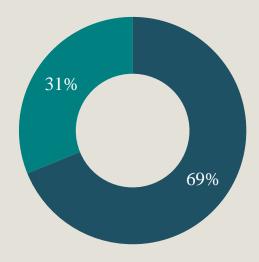
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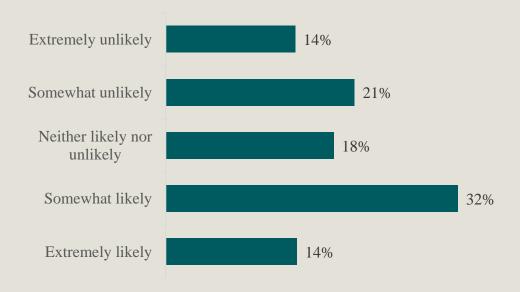
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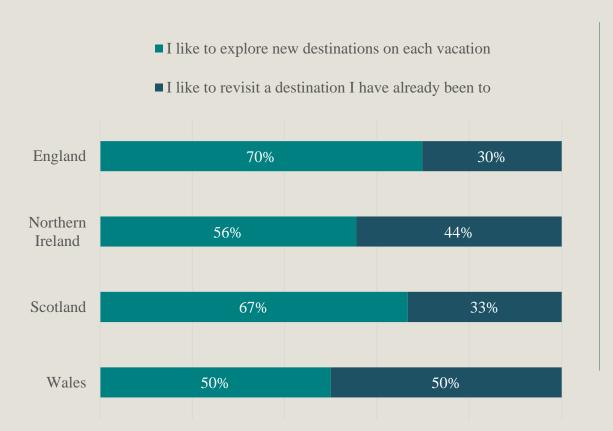
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Likelihood of Traveling To a Caribbean Island Next Year



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Type of Traveler By Country



Type of Traveler By Generation



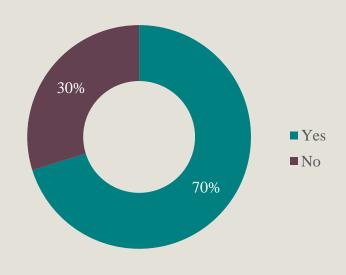




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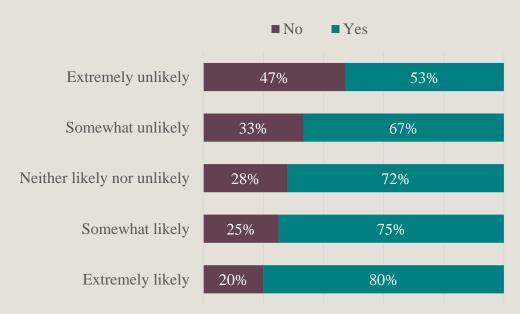
Heard about Aruba



Question: Have you heard about Aruba?

70% of all Respondents indicated that they have heard about Aruba before.

Heard about Aruba By Likelihood of Traveling to the Caribbean next year



Respondents that indicated that they have heard about Aruba are more likely to travel to the Caribbean in the next 12 months.

TOP 5 ALLMessaging When Choosing a Destination

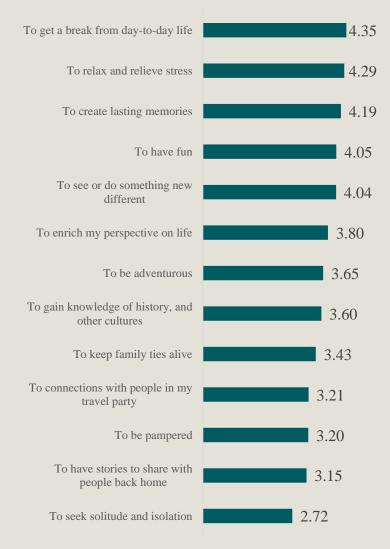
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Note: The Affluent UK travelers scored Direct Flights as the third most important criteria, while the UK respondents generally considered this the fifth most important criteria when choosing a destination. Another interesting observation is that the Affluent indicated that one of their preferred activities while on vacation was going to bars with live music, and scored this within their top 5.

Important Destination Criteria



Important Vacation Benefits



Preferred Activities/ Experiences

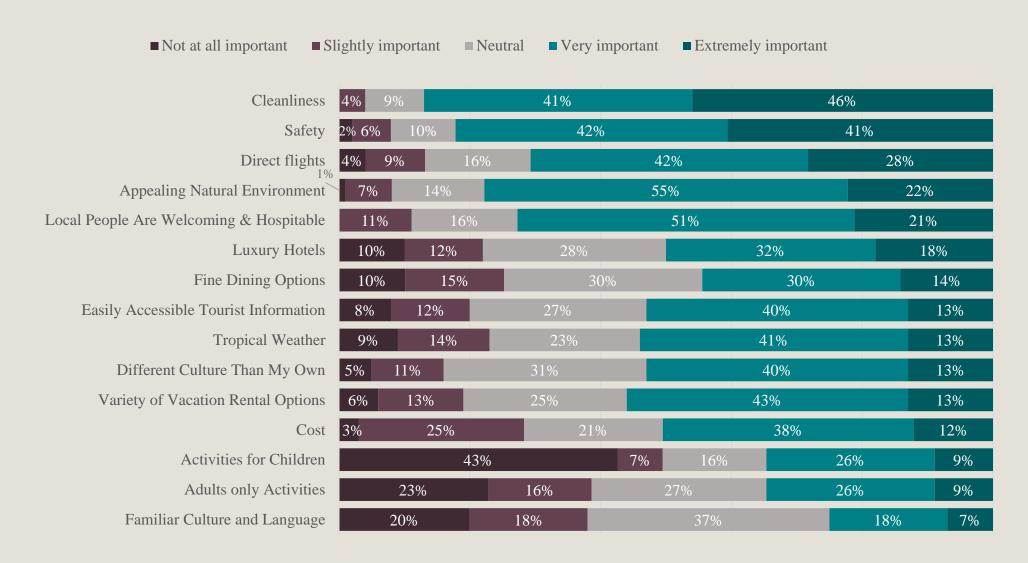


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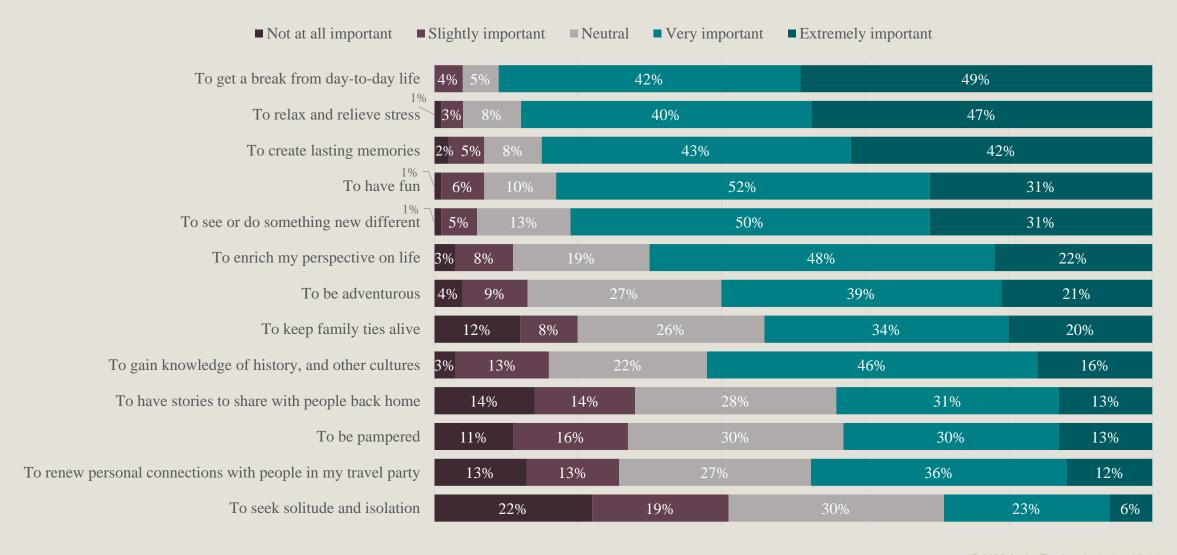
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Important Destination Criteria



Important Vacation Benefits



Preferred Activities/ Experiences

