

# **France Market Profile**

This summary provides the most up-to-date data available on France as it relates to their people and economy, travel related motivations and planning behavior and French visitor profile specific to Arizona.

## GENERAL COUNTRY PROFILE

**POPULATION:** 

**67.1 million** 

**INFLATION RATE:** 

1.2%

**EXCHANGE RATES (EUR PER USD):** 

.89

Source:

The World Factbook, reporting 2017 estimates

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP):

\$2.8 trillion (1.6% annual growth rate)

**EXPORTS**:

\$541.3 billion

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE:** 

9.5%

### TRAVEL MOTIVATION AND PLANNING

Top Travel Motivators
<b>61%</b> Local Lifestyle
 55% Cultural/Historical Attractions
 <b>43%</b> Beaches/Seaside Attractions
 43% Dining/Gastronomy



Source used in Destination selection for last leisure trip

**59%** Websites via computer or laptop

**37%** Recommendation from family & friends

**27%** Information in printed travel guidebooks



**Advance Decision Time** 

15% Less than a month

**17%** 1 to 2 months

**34%** 3 to 5 months

**25%** 6 to 12 months

**6%** More than 1 year



Lodging Reservation made before leaving home

**85%** Yes

44% Internet Booking Service\*

**34%** Travel Agency/Tour Operator/Travel Club

**21%** The Lodgng Establishment Directly

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**176** Other

**15%** No

<sup>\*</sup> assume "Internet Booking Service" is an Online Travel Agency (OTA).



How Air Reservations were Booked

**37%** Directly with Airline

**36%** Travel Agency/Tour Operator/Travel Club

**21%** Internet Booking Service\*

Corporate Travel Department

Source: Brand USA, reporting 2017 intercontinental traveler data U.S. Dept. of Commerce - NTTO, reporting 2016-17 aggregate data

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### FRENCH VISITATION TO ARIZONA



150000

#### Visitation Volume to Arizona



#### **Visitor Characteristics**

43 years

Average Age

\$76,127

Average Household Income

2.2 persons

**Average Party Size** 



Length of Stay

35

Average Nights per Destination

**17.6** 

Average Nights in U.S.



#### Port of Entry

**63%** Los Angeles, CA

**18%** San Francisco, CA

3% Las Vegas, NV

3% New York, NY

3% Atlanta, GA



Main Purpose of Trip\*

97% Leisure

**91%** Vacation Holiday

6% Visit Friends/Relatives

.3% Education

**3%** Business

**2.2%** General Business

**0.7%** Convention/Conference/Trade Show

\*Includes overlap of trips covering multiple purposes.



#### Transportation in U.S.

**74%** Rented Auto

**26%** Air Travel between U.S. Cities

**26%** City Subway/Tram/Bus

**24%** Auto, Private or Company

**16%** Feryy/River Taxi/Srt Scenic Cruise



#### **Visa Credit Card Travel Spending**

French Visa Card Spending ranked #6 in 2017 with 3.2% of total International Travel Spending in Arizona.





#### By Arizona Region





#### $Accommodations ^{\ast}$

**84%** Hotel/Motel

**8%** Private Home

**9%** Other

Source

Tourism Economics, reporting 2011-2017 data VisaVUE Travel, reporting 2017 data U.S. Dept. of Commerce - NTTO, reporting 2016-17 aggregate data

<sup>\*</sup> since this is collected through a survey, there is no indication if this is paid or non-paid.