

Family Fun Travel Profile to Virginia

Source: TNS TravelsAmerica, FY2016

Household Trips 50+ miles, one-way, away from home including day trips or with one or more nights away from home to **Virginia** during **FY2016** including **families with children under 18 years.**

	All
Sample Size (N)	886
Weighted Percent of Total	100% (n=820)
Primary purpose of trip	
Visit friends/relatives	41%
Outdoor recreation	10%
Entertainment/Sightseeing	15%
Other pleasure/personal	14%
Personal business	6%
Business - Convention/Tradeshow	Less than 0.5%
Business - Conference/Seminar	1%
Employee Training/Seminar	4%
Client or Customer Meeting/Service	2%
Internal Business Meeting	1%
Sales/Marketing	Less than 0.5%
Incentive/Reward	Less than 0.5%
Internal Operations/Equipment Repair or Service	1%
Any Other General Business	2%
Other	3%
All purposes of trip	
Visit friends/relatives	56%
Outdoor recreation	36%
Entertainment/Sightseeing	40%
Other pleasure/personal	41%
Personal business	15%
Employee Training/Seminar	9%
Client or Customer Meeting/Service	8%
Internal Business Meeting	8%
Sales/Marketing	6%
Incentive/Reward	7%
Internal Operations/Equipment Repair or Service	6%
Any Other General Business	10%
Business - Convention/Tradeshow	7%

Business - Conference/Seminar	7%
Other	7%
Month of Travel	
July-2015	14%
August-2015	14%
September-2015	9%
October-2015	6%
November-2015	5%
December-2015	7%
January-2016	5%
February-2016	5%
March-2016	9%
April-2016	8%
May-2016	8%
June-2016	10%
Total travel party size	
1	8%
2	18%
3	23%
4	28%
5+	21%
Mean:	3.5
Median:	3.0
Travel party members under 18 years old	
Travel parties that include children under 18	74%
All Modes of Travel Used on Entire Trip	
Own Auto/Truck	86%
Rental Car	12%
Camper/RV	2%
Ship/Boat Ship/Boat	5%
Airplane	12%
Bus	5%
Train	5%
Motorcoach/Group Tour	3%
Other	3%
Motorcycle	2%

Primary Mode of Travel used on Entire Trip	
Own Auto/Truck	82%
Rental Car	6%
Camper/RV	Less than 0.5%
Ship/Boat	1%
Airplane	8%
Bus	Less than 0.5%
Train	1%
Motorcoach/Group Tour	Less than 0.5%
Motorcycle	1%
Other	1%
Total Nights Spent on Entire Trip	
0	14%
1	13%
2	16%
3	11%
4	11%
5	9%
6	5%
7	4%
8-13	12%
14+	4%
Mean:	4.3
Median:	3.0
Total Number of Nights at Lodging used anywhere in Virginia	
0	32%
1	18%
2	16%
3	9%
4	8%
5+	17%
Mean(2015):	2.5
Median(2015):	1.0
Mean(2016):	2.6
Median(2016):	2.0
Types of Lodging used anywhere in Virginia	
Hotel	61%
B&B	4%

Private Home	31%
Personal Second Home/Condo	4%
Rental Condo	5%
Rental Home	6%
Time Share	6%
RV/Tent	5%
Other	2%
Shared Economy Property (AirBnB, VRBO, etc)	1%
Top 15 brands of hotel stayed in the longest in Virginia	
Marriott Hotels/Resorts/Suites	9%
Other	9%
Best Western	9%
Hilton Hotels & Resorts	7%
Hampton Inns/Suites	7%
Comfort Inns/Suites	6%
Holiday Inn Express	6%
Motel 6	4%
Days Inn	3%
Extended Stay America ***	3%
Hyatt Hotels	3%
Courtyard by Marriott	3%
Residence Inn by Marriott	3%
Fairfield Inn	2%
La Quinta Inns	2%
Travel Party Spending	
\$0	7%
\$1 to less than \$100	1%
\$100 to less than \$250	2%
\$250 to less than \$500	1%
\$500 to less than \$750	23%
\$750 to less than \$1000	19%
\$1000+	47%
Mean:	\$652
Median:	\$280
Traveler Spending in Virginia (Percentage of Total Spending by Ca	tegory)**
Average spent on Lodging	24%
Average spent on food/beverage/dining (excluding groceries)	18%
Average spent on groceries	6%
Average spent on entertainment (excluding gaming)/admissions	8%
Average spent on (casino) gaming	1%

Average spent on shopping/gifts/souvenirs	10%
Average spent on amenities (golf fees,spa,health club,ski passes,etc)	2%
Average spent on other	1%
Average spent on transportation to get to state	17%
Average spent on transportation within state	4%
Average spent on gasoline within state	8%
Average spent on parking/tolls within state	2%
**Note: The questionnaire spending categories changed in Q3 2013.	270
General activities/attractions visited in Virginia	
Arts and Culture	
Art galleries	6%
Historic sites/churches	13%
Museums	14%
Musical theater	3%
Old homes/mansions	5%
Symphony/opera/concert	1%
Theater/drama	3%
Native American ruins/Rock art	Less than 0.5%
Local/folk arts/crafts	3%
Musical performance/show	5%
Adventure Sports	
Hang gliding/ Skydiving/ Base jumping	1%
Hiking/ Backpacking/ Canyoneering	4%
Rock/mountain climbing	1%
Scuba diving/snorkeling	1%
Skiing/snowboarding	1%
Water skiing	1%
Whitewater rafting/ Kayaking/ Canoeing/ Paddleboarding	1%
Mountain biking	1%
Sports and Recreation	
Biking /Road biking/ Cycling	1%
Fishing	4%
Golf	1%
Horseback riding	1%
Hunting	1%
Sports events - Major/ Professional	2%
Motor boat/Jet ski	1%
Motor sports - NASCAR/Indy	1%
Sailing	2%
Snowmobiling	1%
Snow sports other than skiing or snowmobiling	Less than 0.5%
Tennis	1%
ATV/Four-wheeling	1%

Horseracing	1%
Sports events - Youth/ Amateur/ Collegiate/ Other (spectator)	2%
Sports events - Youth/ Amateur/ Collegiate/ Other (participant)	1%
Nature/Outdoor Activities	
Beach	13%
Bird watching	2%
Camping	4%
Caverns	2%
Gardens	4%
Nature travel/ecotouring	2%
Wildlife viewing	4%
Farms/ Ranches/ Agri-tours	2%
Other nature (photography, rockhound, etc)	5%
State park/Monuments/ Recreation areas	9%
National park/Monuments/ Recreation areas	7%
Entertainment/Amusement	
Casino/gaming	2%
Fine dining	12%
Nightclub/dancing	4%
Shopping	29%
Spa/health club	3%
Special events/Festivals (e.g., Mardi Gras, hot air balloon races)	2%
Theme park/ Amusement park/ Water park	11%
Wine tasting/winery tour	3%
Rodeo/State fair	Less than 0.5%
Craft breweries	2%
Distilleries	1%
Family Activities	
Family reunion	7%
High School/College reunion	1%
Visiting friends	12%
Visiting relatives	21%
Sightseeing	
Rural sightseeing	12%
Urban sightseeing	8%
Area where a TV show or movie was filmed *	Less than 0.5%
None of the above	20%
Satisfaction with experience in Virginia	
Not At all Satisfied	Less than 0.5%
Not Very Satisfied	Less than 0.5%
Somewhat Satisfied	12%
Very Satisfied	34%
Extremely Satisfied	54%

Advance planning time - considered visiting Virginia	
Less than 2 weeks before the visit	28%
Within 2 weeks-4 weeks of visit	21%
At least 1 month, but less than 3 months before the visit	17%
At least 3 months, but less than 6 months before the visit	12%
At least 6 months, but less than 1 year before the visit	14%
More than a year before the visit	9%
Advanced planning time - decided to visit Virginia	
Less than 2 weeks before the visit	37%
Within 2 weeks-4 weeks of visit	21%
At least 1 month, but less than 3 months before the visit	13%
At least 3 months, but less than 6 months before the visit	13%
At least 6 months, but less than 1 year before the visit	10%
More than a year before the visit	5%
Planning information sources for Virginia	
Offline Sources	
Friends/relatives	27%
Own experience	35%
Travel Agent (in person or by phone)	3%
Travel book	2%
Newspaper	3%
Magazine	4%
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Radio	3%
Destination printed material	7%
Travel provider (airline, hotel, rental car, cruise, etc.) either in person or by phone	4%
Other 'offline' planning sources(s)	1%
Corporate travel department (in person or by phone)	1%
Online Sources	
Online full service travel website (Expedia, Travelocity, etc.)	10%
Corporate desktop travel tool/Intranet	3%
Traditional travel agency website (American Express, Carlson Wagonlit, etc.)	1%
Travel provider website (airline, hotel, rental car, cruise, tour)	1%
Travel club (AAA)	7%
Other online planning sources(s)	1%
Destination website (official site of state, city or attraction)	16%
Pinterest	3%
Facebook	12%
Instagram	2%

Twitter	4%
Travel review sites (TripAdvisor, Yelp,etc.)	7%
Yahoo Trip Planner	2%
VibeAgent	1%
Mobile Web Browsing	5%
Search engines (Google, Bing, Yahoo, etc.)	20%
MySpace	20/
Blogs	2%
Online forums	1%
Other mobile sites	Less than 0.5%
Other Control of the	
Someone else planned for me and I don't know the method	1%
Other social/commercial networking sources	Less than 0.5%
No plans were made for this destination	21%
Other	
Booking methods used for Virginia	
Offline Methods	
Travel Agent	4%
Directly with travel provider in person/phone	10%
Travel club (e.g. AAA)	4%
Corporate travel department	5%
Directly with destination or attraction (tourist/visitor center etc.) in person or by phone	11%
Other 'offline' booking method	2%
Online Methods	
Corporate desktop travel tool/intranet	4%
Travel provider website (airline, hotel, rental car, cruise, tour)	10%
Destination website	10%
Online travel agency (Expedia, Travelocity, etc.)	14%
Traditional travel agency website (American Express, Carlson Wagonlit, etc.)	3%
Some other online booking method	1%
<u>Other</u>	
Someone else booked for me and I don't know the method	3%
No bookings were made for this destination	48%
Unsure, I just used link from social/commercial networking or mobile source *	Less than 0.5%
Top 10 other states visited for leisure in the past 12 months	
Virginia	67%
Maryland	33%
North Carolina	32%
Washington D.C	30%
Florida	30%
Pennsylvania	23%

South Carolina	21%
Georgia	20%
West Virginia	19%
New Jersey	18%
Travel party origin - Top 10 DMAs (Designated Marketing Areas) for the profiled travel segment	
Washington, DC (Hagerstown)	18%
Roanoke-Lynchburg	8%
New York	7%
Norfolk-Portsmouth-Newport News	7%
Richmond-Petersburg	6%
Raleigh-Durham (Fayetteville)	5%
Charlotte	4%
Philadelphia	4%
Tri-Cities, TN-VA	2%
Greenville-New Bern-Washington	2%
Travel party origin - Top 10 States for the profiled travel segment	
Virginia	38%
North Carolina	11%
Pennsylvania	7%
Maryland	6%
New York	5%
New Jersey	4%
Ohio	4%
Florida	4%
West Virginia	3%
California	2%
Ethnicity of household head	
White	85%
Black/African American	12%
Asian or Pacific Islander	3%
American Indian, Aleut Eskimo	
Other	1%
No answer	Less than 0.5%
Hispanic origin of household head	
Yes	9%
No	91%
No answer	Less than 0.5%

Household size	
1	
2	12%
3	21%
4	37%
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Age of respondent	
18-24	7%
25-34	28%
35-44	35%
45-54	19%
55-64	10%
65+	2%
Mean:	39
Median:	38
Marital status	
Now married	77%
Never married	14%
Divorced, Widowed, Separated	9%
Respondent education	
Grade School	
Some High School	Less than 0.5%
Graduated High School	12%
Some College - no degree	20%
Graduated College - Associate's degree (2 year)	14%
Graduated College - Bachelor's degree (4 year)	32%
Post Graduate Degree - MS, MA, MBA, MD, DVM, PhD, DDS, etc	21%
Annual household Income	
Under \$10,000	2%
\$10,000-\$14,999	2%
\$15,000-\$19,999	2%
\$20,000-\$24,999	1%
\$25,000-\$29,999	3%
\$30,000-\$34,999	3%
\$35,000-\$39,999	4%
\$40,000-\$49,999	4%

\$50,000-\$59,999	15%
\$60,000-\$74,999	14%
\$75,000-\$99,999	17%
\$100,000-\$124,999	17%
\$125,000-\$149,999	9%
\$150,000-\$199,999	6%
\$200,000	3%
Mean:	\$87,000
Median:	\$88,000
Top 15 States visited on the same trip	
Virginia	100%
North Carolina	9%
Maryland	8%
Washington DC.	6%
West Virginia	6%
Pennsylvania	4%
South Carolina	4%
Florida	3%
New Jersey	3%
Georgia	3%
Tennessee	3%
New York	2%
Kentucky	2%
Delaware	2%
Ohio	2%
Top 10 Other states plan to visit for leisure in the next 2 years	
Virginia	39%
Florida	34%
North Carolina	25%
Maryland	24%
Washington D.C	24%
New York	20%
South Carolina	17%
California	14%
Pennsylvania	13%
Georgia	11%