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## Foreword

The World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC) is the global authority on the economic and social contribution of Travel & Tourism. WTTC promotes sustainable growth for the sector, working with governments and international institutions to create jobs, to drive exports and to generate prosperity.

Travel & Tourism's impact on the economic and social development of a country can be enormous; opening it up for business, trade and capital investment, creating jobs and entrepreneurialism for the workforce and protecting heritage and cultural values. To fully understand its impact, however, governments, policy makers and businesses around the world require accurate and reliable data on the impact of the sector. Data is needed to help assess policies that govern future industry development and to provide knowledge to help guide successful and sustainable Travel & Tourism investment decisions.

For 25 years, WTTC has been quantifying the economic impact of Travel & Tourism. This year, the 2015 Annual Economic Reports cover 184 countries and 25 regions of the world, including, for the first time, the Pacific Alliance.

Travel & Tourism generated US\$7.6 trillion (10% of global GDP) and 277 million jobs (1 in 11 jobs) for the global economy in 2014. Recent years have seen Travel & Tourism growing at a faster rate than both the wider economy and other significant sectors such as automotive, financial services and health care. Last year was no exception. International tourist arrivals also surged, reaching nearly 1.14billion and visitor spending more than matched that growth. Visitors from emerging economies now represent a 46% share of these international arrivals (up from 38% in 2000), proving the growth and increased opportunities for travel from those in these new markets.

The sector faces challenges every year and this year is likely to be no different. The weakness and potential volatility of many currencies against the US dollar and a deep recession in Russia, a key outbound market, will slow outbound spending in line with slower world trade overall in 2015. However, falling oil prices will bring significant improvements for net oil importers in 2015, easing upward pressure on living costs, increasing disposable household incomes and domestic consumer spending, and lowering air fares. As a result, Travel & Tourism expansion is forecast to continue at a stronger rate than last year, with the total contribution to GDP expected to increase by 3.7%. New destinations and investment opportunities will also continue to emerge as tourism becomes increasingly affordable across the developing world. This growth will require countries to adopt a concerted and coordinated approach to talent planning and development between their industry, governments and educational institutions to ensure they fulfil their potential in the years ahead.

WTTC is proud to continue to provide this clear and empirical data in order to help both public and private bodies make the right decisions for the future growth of a sustainable Travel & Tourism sector.

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### Thailand

### 2015 ANNUAL RESEARCH: KEY FACTS<sup>1</sup>

### **GDP: DIRECT CONTRIBUTION**

The direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP was THB1,037.3bn (8.6% of total GDP) in 2014, and is forecast to rise by 3.4% in 2015, and to rise by 6.7% pa, from 2015-2025, to THB2,045.0bn (11.7% of total GDP) in 2025.

### **GDP: TOTAL CONTRIBUTION**

The total contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP was THB2,345.1bn (19.3% of GDP) in 2014, and is forecast to rise by 3.2% in 2015, and to rise by 6.4% pa to THB4,496.7bn (25.8% of GDP) in 2025.

### **EMPLOYMENT: DIRECT CONTRIBUTION**

In 2014 Travel & Tourism directly supported 2,210,000 jobs (5.8% of total employment). This is expected to rise by 0.2% in 2015 and rise by 4.6% pa to 3,476,000 jobs (8.6% of total employment) in 2025.

### **EMPLOYMENT: TOTAL CONTRIBUTION**

In 2014, the total contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment, including jobs indirectly supported by the industry, was 14.1% of total employment (5,383,000 jobs). This is expected to rise by 1.0% in 2015 to 5,434,500 jobs and rise by 4.1% pa to 8,140,000 jobs in 2025 (20.2% of total).

### **VISITOR EXPORTS**

Visitor exports generated THB1,309.1bn (14.4% of total exports) in 2014. This is forecast to grow by 3.3% in 2015, and grow by 7.7% pa, from 2015-2025, to THB2,828.6bn in 2025 (17.3% of total).

### INVESTMENT

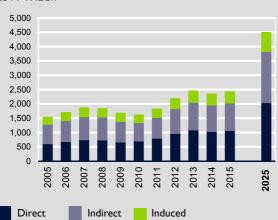
Travel & Tourism investment in 2014 was THB235.3bn, or 7.4% of total investment. It should rise by 5.4% in 2015, and rise by 6.0% pa over the next ten years to THB444.2bn in 2025 (9.6% of total).

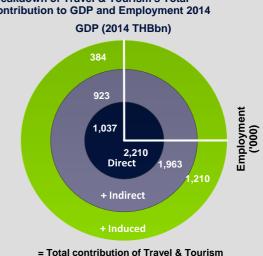
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### WORLD RANKING (OUT OF 184 COUNTRIES):

Relative importance of Travel & Tourism's total contribution to GDP

<b>18</b> ABSOLUTE Size in 2014	<b>38</b> RELATIVE SIZE Contribution to GDP in 2014	96 GROWTH 2015 forecast	15 LONG-TERM GROWTH Forecast 2015-2025
Total Contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP		Breakdown of Travel & To Contribution to GDP and I	
2014 THBbn		GDP (201	4 THBbn)
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2015 forecast





## Defining the economic contribution of Travel & Tourism

Travel & Tourism is an important economic activity in most countries around the world. As well as its direct economic impact, the sector has significant indirect and induced impacts. The UN Statistics Division-approved Tourism Satellite Accounting methodology (TSA:RMF 2008) quantifies only the direct contribution of Travel & Tourism. WTTC recognises that Travel & Tourism's total contribution is much greater however, and aims to capture its indirect and induced impacts through its annual research.



#### **DIRECT CONTRIBUTION**

The direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP reflects the 'internal' spending on Travel & Tourism (total spending within a particular country on Travel & Tourism by residents and non-residents for business and leisure purposes) as well as government 'individual' spending - spending by government on Travel & Tourism services directly linked to visitors, such as cultural (eg museums) or recreational (eg national parks).

The direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP is calculated to be consistent with the output, as expressed in National Accounting, of tourism-characteristic sectors such as hotels, airlines, airports, travel agents and leisure and recreation services that deal directly with tourists. The direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP is calculated from total internal spending by 'netting out' the purchases made by the different tourism industries. This measure is consistent with the definition of Tourism GDP, specified in the 2008 Tourism Satellite Account: Recommended Methodological Framework (TSA: RMF 2008).

#### **TOTAL CONTRIBUTION**

The total contribution of Travel & Tourism includes its 'wider impacts' (ie the indirect and induced impacts) on the economy. The 'indirect' contribution includes the GDP and jobs supported by:

- Travel & Tourism investment spending an important aspect of both current and future activity that includes investment activity such as the purchase of new aircraft and construction of new hotels;
- Government 'collective' spending, which helps Travel & Tourism activity in many different ways as it is made on behalf of the 'community at large' – eg tourism marketing and promotion, aviation, administration, security services, resort area security services, resort area sanitation services, etc;
- Domestic purchases of goods and services by the sectors dealing directly with tourists including, for example, purchases of food and cleaning services by hotels, of fuel and catering services by airlines, and IT services by travel agents.

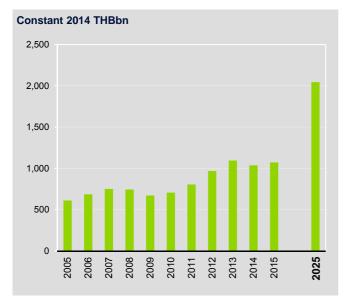
The 'induced' contribution measures the GDP and jobs supported by the spending of those who are directly or indirectly employed by the Travel & Tourism sector.

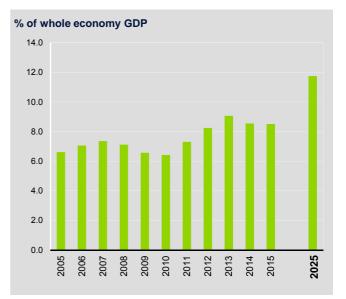
## Travel & Tourism's contribution to GDP<sup>1</sup>

The direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP in 2014 was THB1,037.3bn (8.6% of GDP). This is forecast to rise by 3.4% to THB1,072.6bn in 2015. This primarily reflects the economic activity generated by industries such as hotels, travel agents, airlines and other passenger transportation services (excluding commuter services). But it also includes, for example, the activities of the restaurant and leisure industries directly supported

The direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP is expected to grow by 6.7% pa to THB2,045.0bn (11.7% of GDP) by 2025.

#### THAILAND: DIRECT CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO GDP

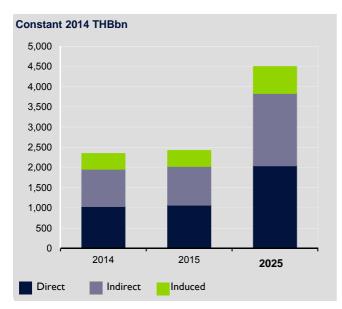


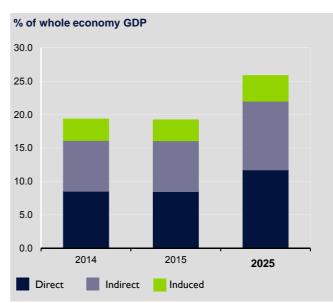


The total contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (including wider effects from investment, the supply chain and induced income impacts, see page 2) was THB2,345.1bn in 2014 (19.3% of GDP) and is expected to grow by 3.2% to THB2,420.7bn (19.2% of GDP) in 2015.

It is forecast to rise by 6.4% pa to THB4,496.7bn by 2025 (25.8% of GDP).







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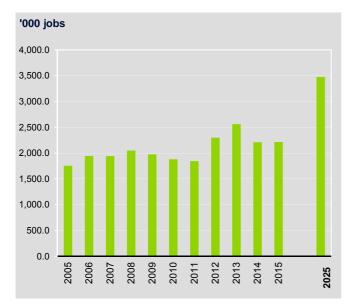
## Travel & Tourism's contribution to employment

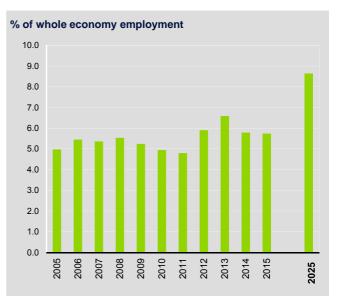
Travel & Tourism generated 2,210,000 jobs directly in 2014 (5.8% of total employment) and this is forecast to grow by 0.2% in 2015 to 2,215,500 (5.7% of total employment).

This includes employment by hotels, travel agents, airlines and other passenger transportation services (excluding commuter services). It also includes, for example, the activities of the restaurant and leisure industries directly supported by tourists.

By 2025, Travel & Tourism will account for 3,476,000 jobs directly, an increase of 4.6% pa over the next ten years.

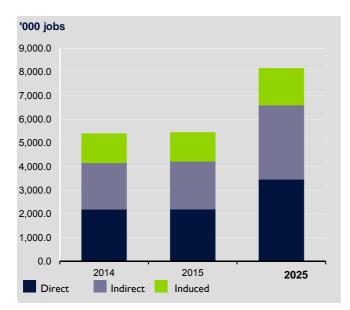
#### THAILAND: DIRECT CONTRIBUTION OF TRAVEL & TOURISM TO EMPLOYMENT



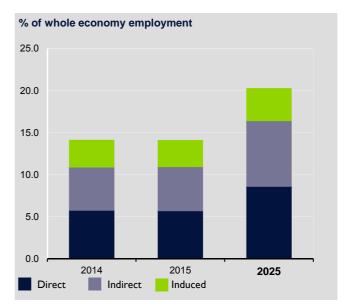


The total contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment (including wider effects from investment, the supply chain and induced income impacts, see page 2) was 5,383,000 jobs in 2014 (14.1% of total employment). This is forecast to rise by 1.0% in 2015 to 5,434,500 jobs (14.1% of total employment).

By 2025, Travel & Tourism is forecast to support 8,140,000 jobs (20.2% of total employment), an increase of 4.1% pa over the period.







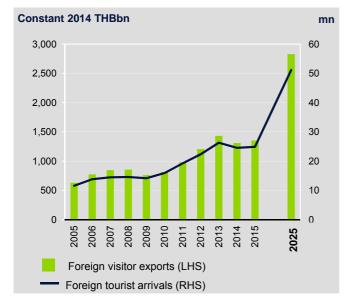
### Visitor Exports and Investment<sup>1</sup>

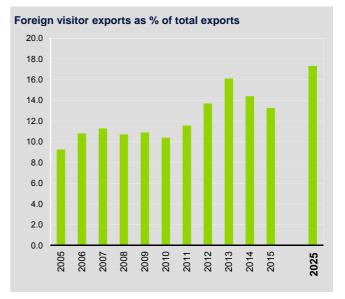
#### **VISITOR EXPORTS**

Money spent by foreign visitors to a country (or visitor exports) is a key component of the direct contribution of Travel & Tourism. In 2014, Thailand generated THB1,309.1bn in visitor exports. In 2015, this is expected to grow by 3.3%, and the country is expected to attract 24,899,000 international tourist arrivals.

By 2025, international tourist arrivals are forecast to total 51,121,000, generating expenditure of THB2,828.6bn, an increase of 7.7% pa.

#### THAILAND: VISITOR EXPORTS AND INTERNATIONAL TOURIST ARRIVALS

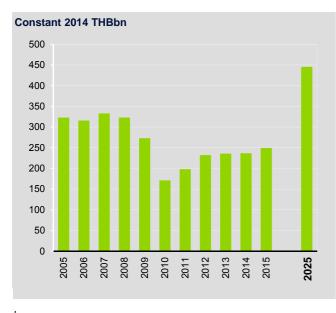




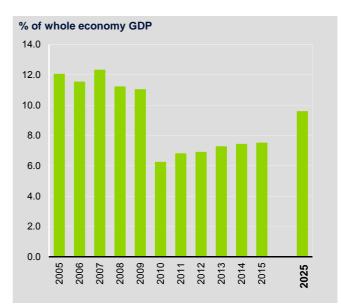
#### INVESTMENT

Travel & Tourism is expected to have attracted capital investment of THB235.3bn in 2014. This is expected to rise by 5.4% in 2015, and rise by 6.0% pa over the next ten years to THB444.2bn in 2025.

Travel & Tourism's share of total national investment will rise from 7.5% in 2015 to 9.6% in 2025.



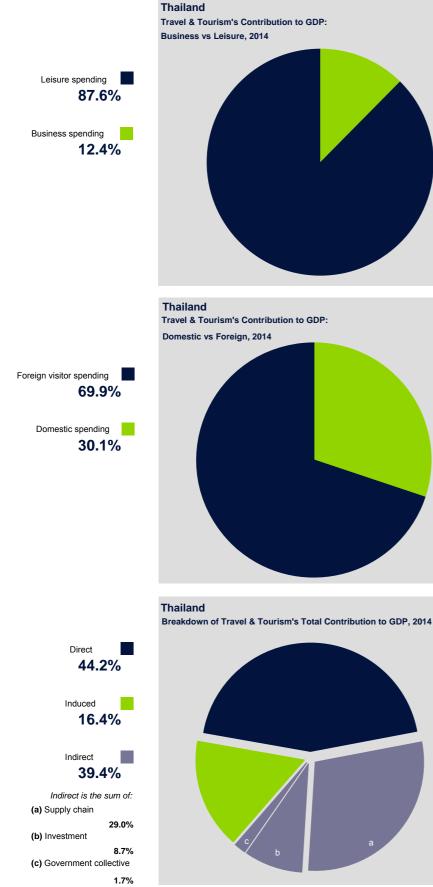
#### **THAILAND: CAPITAL INVESTMENT IN TRAVEL & TOURISM**



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## Different components of Travel & Tourism<sup>1</sup>



Leisure travel spending (inbound and domestic) generated 87.6% of direct Travel & Tourism GDP in 2014 (THB1,641.7bn) compared with 12.4% for business travel spending (THB232.3bn).

Leisure travel spending is expected to grow by 3.5% in 2015 to THB1,699.1bn, and rise by 6.9% pa to THB3,297.2bn in 2025.

Business travel spending is expected to grow by 4.8% in 2015 to THB243.4bn, and rise by 4.7% pa to THB385.3bn in 2025.

Domestic travel spending generated 30.1% of direct Travel & Tourism GDP in 2014 compared with 69.9% for visitor exports (ie foreign visitor spending or international tourism receipts).

Domestic travel spending is expected to grow by 4.5% in 2015 to THB590.0bn, and rise by 3.8% pa to THB853.8bn in 2025.

Visitor exports are expected to grow by 3.3% in 2015 to THB1,352.4bn, and rise by 7.7% pa to THB2,828.6bn in 2025.

The Travel & Tourism industry contributes to GDP and employment in many ways as detailed on page 2.

The total contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP is twice as large as its direct contribution.

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### Country rankings: Absolute contribution, 2014

	& Tourism's Direct bution to GDP	2014 (US\$bn)
2	China	263.0
12	Australia	38.6
14	Thailand	31.9
17	Indonesia	27.5
	Asia Pacific Average	21.7
	World Average	19.4
23	Malaysia	18.6
31	Singapore	14.8
36	Philippines	12.0
43	Vietnam	8.6
47	New Zealand	7.5
74	Cambodia	2.3

	& Tourism's Direct bution to Employment	2014 '000 jobs
1	China	23160.0
5	Indonesia	3325.8
8	Thailand	2210.2
	Asia Pacific Average	2000.0
9	Vietnam	1963.5
13	Philippines	1259.8
17	Cambodia	985.4
	World Average	827.0
24	Malaysia	724.3
32	Australia	504.6
68	Singapore	152.7
88	New Zealand	100.0

	& Tourism I Investment	2014 (US\$bn)
2	China	136.8
10	Australia	18.4
13	Indonesia	14.1
14	Singapore	13.8
	Asia Pacific Average	9.5
20	Thailand	7.2
25	Malaysia	5.9
32	Vietnam	4.6
	World Average	4.5
53	Philippines	2.1
55	New Zealand	1.9
93	Cambodia	0.4

Travel & Tourism's Total Contribution to GDP		2014 (US\$bn)
2	China	943.1
11	Australia	145.7
17	Indonesia	79.8
18	Thailand	72.2
	Asia Pacific Average	67.3
	World Average	58.3
26	Malaysia	49.2
36	Philippines	31.8
37	Singapore	30.4
39	New Zealand	26.6
51	Vietnam	17.3
83	Cambodia	5.1

Travel & Tourism's Total Contribution to Employment		2014 '000 jobs
1	China	66086.2
4	Indonesia	9813.9
7	Thailand	5382.9
	Asia Pacific Average	4673.9
10	Philippines	4231.9
12	Vietnam	4088.6
20	Cambodia	2221.5
	World Average	2076.6
24	Malaysia	1769.9
29	Australia	1415.8
74	New Zealand	353.8
84	Singapore	302.9

/isitor Export		2014 (US\$bn)
3	China	60.8
10	Thailand	40.3
14	Malaysia	22.6
20	Singapore	18.9
21	Australia	18.8
	Asia Pacific Average	12.4
32	Indonesia	11.2
36	New Zealand	8.9
39	Vietnam	7.8
	World Average	7.5
49	Philippines	5.8
60	Cambodia	3.2

The tables on pages 7-10 provide provide brief extracts from the full WTTC Country League Table Rankings, highlighting comparisons with competing destinations as well as with the world and regional average. Averages in above tables are simple cross-country averages. The competing destinations selected are those that offer a similar tourism product and compete for tourists from the same set of origin markets. These tend to be, but are not exclusively, geographical neighbours.

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### Country rankings: Relative contribution, 2014

	& Tourism's Direct bution to GDP	2014 % share
16	Cambodia	13.5
25	Thailand	8.6
48	Malaysia	5.7
58	Singapore	4.9
64	Vietnam	4.6
70	Philippines	4.2
79	New Zealand	3.9
99	Indonesia	3.2
	World	3.1
	Asia Pacific	3.0
118	Australia	2.7
120	China	2.6

	& Tourism's Direct bution to Employment	2014 % share
18	Cambodia	11.7
46	Thailand	5.8
52	Malaysia	5.3
70	New Zealand	4.4
71	Australia	4.4
74	Singapore	4.3
82	Vietnam	3.7
	Asia Pacific	3.7
	World	3.6
97	Philippines	3.3
109	China	3.0
114	Indonesia	2.9

	& Tourism Investment bution to Total Capital Investment	2014 % share
17	Singapore	18.1
27	Cambodia	15.6
45	Vietnam	10.0
63	Thailand	7.4
73	Malaysia	6.8
88	Indonesia	5.3
94	Australia	4.7
99	New Zealand	4.6
	World	4.3
	Asia Pacific	3.7
130	Philippines	3.6
146	China	2.9

Travel & Tourism's Total Contribution to GDP		2014 % share
17	Cambodia	29.9
38	Thailand	19.3
50	Malaysia	14.9
58	New Zealand	13.7
69	Philippines	11.2
80	Australia	10.1
83	Singapore	10.1
	World	9.8
93	China	9.4
94	Indonesia	9.3
95	Vietnam	9.3
	Asia Pacific	9.2

Travel & Tourism's Total Contribution to Employment		2014 % share
21	Cambodia	26.4
47	New Zealand	15.5
51	Thailand	14.1
56	Malaysia	13.0
61	Australia	12.2
72	Philippines	11.1
	World	9.4
99	China	8.6
	Asia Pacific	8.5
101	Singapore	8.5
104	Indonesia	8.4
116	Vietnam	7.7

Visitor Exports Contribution to Total Exports		2014 % share
36	Cambodia	32.7
66	New Zealand	15.8
72	Thailand	14.4
88	Malaysia	8.6
104	Philippines	6.9
108	Australia	6.4
	World	5.7
117	Indonesia	5.6
	Asia Pacific	5.2
125	Vietnam	4.8
144	Singapore	3.3
159	China	2.4

### Country rankings: Real growth, 2015

	& Tourism's Direct bution to GDP	2015 % growth
3	Cambodia	8.4
6	Vietnam	7.9
16	China	6.7
26	Indonesia	6.0
37	Malaysia	5.6
	Asia Pacific	5.1
54	Philippines	5.0
74	Australia	3.9
84	Singapore	3.7
	World	3.7
92	Thailand	3.4
138	New Zealand	2.2

	& Tourism's Direct bution to Employment	2015 % growth
9	Cambodia	6.0
48	Singapore	3.7
52	Vietnam	3.6
56	Malaysia	3.5
76	Philippines	2.6
83	Indonesia	2.3
	World	2.0
	Asia Pacific	1.8
122	China	1.2
136	New Zealand	0.7
147	Thailand	0.2
169	Australia	-1.8

Travel & Tourism Investment		2015 % growth
32	China	7.8
41	Vietnam	7.1
50	New Zealand	6.4
	Asia Pacific	6.3
56	Singapore	6.1
64	Indonesia	5.7
65	Cambodia	5.6
73	Thailand	5.4
76	Malaysia	5.3
	World	4.8
121	Philippines	3.2
168	Australia	0.4

Travel & Tourism's Total Contribution to GDP		2015 % growth
2	Cambodia	8.2
4	Vietnam	8.0
10	China	7.5
12	Indonesia	7.0
	Asia Pacific	5.5
39	Malaysia	5.3
47	Philippines	5.0
57	Singapore	4.7
	World	3.7
86	Australia	3.5
96	Thailand	3.2
149	New Zealand	1.6

	& Tourism's Total bution to Employment	2015 % growth
22	Cambodia	4.5
44	Vietnam	3.6
50	Indonesia	3.3
51	China	3.3
54	Malaysia	3.1
	Asia Pacific	2.8
	World	2.6
69	Philippines	2.5
71	Singapore	2.4
126	Thailand	1.0
141	New Zealand	0.5
165	Australia	-0.9

Visitor Exports		2015 % growth
11	Cambodia	8.3
22	Vietnam	7.4
40	Malaysia	5.8
47	Indonesia	5.5
70	New Zealand	4.5
76	Australia	4.1
91	Thailand	3.3
	Asia Pacific	3.0
	World	2.8
108	Singapore	2.6
121	China	2.2
150	Philippines	-0.3



### Country rankings: Long term growth, 2015 - 2025

	& Tourism's Direct bution to GDP	2015 - 2025 % growth pa
7	Thailand	6.7
11	Vietnam	6.6
15	Cambodia	6.3
24	China	6.0
34	Philippines	5.6
43	Indonesia	5.3
	Asia Pacific	4.9
101	Malaysia	4.1
	World	3.9
138	Australia	3.2
172	Singapore	2.4
174	New Zealand	2.4

	& Tourism's Direct bution to Employment	2015 - 2025 % growth pa
7	Cambodia	4.6
8	Thailand	4.6
52	Malaysia	2.9
64	Philippines	2.6
	World	2.0
	Asia Pacific	2.0
112	Vietnam	1.8
131	Indonesia	1.4
135	China	1.3
138	Singapore	1.3
139	New Zealand	1.2
145	Australia	1.0

	& Tourism Investment bution to Capital Investment	2015 - 2025 % growth pa
11	Indonesia	7.1
14	China	6.6
19	Cambodia	6.4
21	Malaysia	6.3
24	Singapore	6.2
26	Vietnam	6.2
32	Thailand	6.0
	Asia Pacific	5.7
73	Philippines	4.8
	World	4.6
97	New Zealand	4.2
170	Australia	2.0

	& Tourism's Total bution to GDP	2015 - 2025 % growth pa
13	Cambodia	6.5
15	Thailand	6.4
18	China	6.2
19	Vietnam	6.2
27	Indonesia	5.9
31	Philippines	5.7
	Asia Pacific	5.0
73	Malaysia	4.5
	World	3.8
135	Singapore	3.3
149	Australia	2.9
170	New Zealand	2.4

	& Tourism's Total bution to Employment	2015 - 2025 % growth pa
10	Thailand	4.1
33	China	3.3
34	Cambodia	3.3
36	Malaysia	3.2
	Asia Pacific	2.6
57	Philippines	2.6
	World	2.3
105	Indonesia	1.8
116	New Zealand	1.6
125	Australia	1.4
131	Vietnam	1.3
165	Singapore	0.4

	Exports bution to Exports	2015 - 2025 % growth pa
4	Thailand	7.7
11	Vietnam	6.8
17	Philippines	6.6
27	Cambodia	6.0
39	China	5.5
40	Indonesia	5.5
	Asia Pacific	4.7
	World	4.2
123	Malaysia	3.5
126	New Zealand	3.5
163	Australia	2.4
178	Singapore	1.7

### Summary tables: Estimates & Forecasts

Thailand	2014 US\$mn <sup>1</sup>	2014 % of total	2015 Growth <sup>2</sup>	US\$mn <sup>1</sup>	2025 % of total	Growth <sup>3</sup>
Direct contribution to GDP	31,935.4	8.6	3.4	62,959.8	11.7	6.7
Total contribution to GDP	72,201.9	19.3	3.2	138,442.0	25.8	6.4
Direct contribution to employment <sup>4</sup>	2,210.2	5.8	0.2	3,475.5	8.6	4.6
Total contribution to employment <sup>4</sup>	5,382.9	14.1	1.0	8,140.2	20.2	4.1
Visitor exports	40,305.7	14.4	3.3	87,086.2	17.3	7.7
Domestic spending	17,388.9	4.7	4.5	26,287.5	4.9	3.8
Leisure spending	50,543.0	7.5	3.5	101,512.0	10.5	6.9
Business spending	7,151.6	1.1	4.8	11,861.3	1.2	4.7
Capital investment	7,243.2	7.4	5.4	13,676.3	9.6	6.0

<sup>1</sup>2014 constant prices & exchange rates; <sup>2</sup>2015 real growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>3</sup>2015-2025 annualised real growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>4</sup>000 jobs

Asia Pacific	2014 US\$bn	2014 % of total	2015 Growth <sup>2</sup>	US\$bn <sup>1</sup>	2025 % of total	Growth <sup>3</sup>
Direct contribution to GDP	694.1	3.0	5.1	1,177.1	3.2	4.9
Total contribution to GDP	2,153.9	9.2	5.5	3,709.7	10.1	5.0
Direct contribution to employment <sup>4</sup>	64,001	3.7	1.8	79,075	4.0	2.0
Total contribution to employment <sup>4</sup>	149,566	8.5	2.8	199,583	10.2	2.6
Visitor exports	397.8	5.2	3.0	646.9	5.2	4.7
Domestic spending	1,162.7	5.0	5.8	2,000.1	5.5	5.0
Leisure spending	1,206.4	2.2	4.7	2,087.6	2.5	5.2
Business spending	354.2	0.7	6.6	559.5	0.7	4.0
Capital investment	303.5	3.7	6.3	560.2	4.7	5.7

<sup>1</sup>2014 constant prices & exchange rates; <sup>2</sup>2015 real growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>3</sup>2015-2025 annualised real growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>4</sup>000 jobs

Worldwide	2014 US\$bn	2014 % of total	2015 Growth <sup>2</sup>	uS\$bn	2025 % of total	Growth <sup>3</sup>
Direct contribution to GDP	2,364.8	3.1	3.7	3,593.2	3.3	3.9
Total contribution to GDP	7,580.9	9.8	3.7	11,381.9	10.5	3.8
Direct contribution to employment <sup>4</sup>	105,408	3.6	2.0	130,694	3.9	2.0
Total contribution to employment <sup>4</sup>	276,845	9.4	2.6	356,911	10.7	2.3
Visitor exports	1,383.8	5.7	2.8	2,140.1	5.6	4.2
Domestic spending	3,642.1	4.7	3.7	5,465.0	5.0	3.8
Leisure spending	3,850.2	2.3	3.3	5,928.8	2.5	4.1
Business spending	1,175.7	0.7	4.0	1,679.0	0.7	3.2
Capital investment	814.4	4.3	4.8	1,336.4	4.9	4.6

<sup>1</sup>2014 constant prices & exchange rates; <sup>2</sup>2015 real growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>3</sup>2015-2025 annualised real growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>4</sup>'000 jobs

% of total refers to each indicator's share of the relevant whole economy indicator such as GDP and employment. Visitor exports is shown relative to total exports of goods and Domestic spending is expressed relative to whole economy GDP. For leisure and business spending, their direct contribution to Travel & Tourism GDP is calculated as a share of whole economy GDP (the sum of these shares equals the direct contribution). Investment is relative to whole economy investment.



### The economic contribution of Travel & Tourism: Real 2014 prices

Th	ailand								
(THBbn, real 2014 prices)		2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2025F
1.	Visitor exports	761.4	816.7	981.1	1205.6	1430.7	1309.1	1352.4	2828.6
2.	Domestic expenditure (includes government individual spending)	440.1	465.1	487.8	538.6	551.1	564.8	590.0	853.8
3.	Internal tourism consumption (= 1 + 2)	1201.5	1281.8	1468.9	1744.2	1981.8	1873.9	1942.5	3682.4
4.	Purchases by tourism providers, including imported goods (supply chain)	-529.9	-574.9	-663.3	-776.1	-886.9	-836.7	-869.9	-1,637.5
5.	Direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (= 3 + 4)	671.5	706.9	805.7	968.1	1,094.9	1,037.3	1,072.6	2,045.0
6.	Other final impacts (indirect & induced) Domestic supply chain	451.8	475.6	542.0	651.3	736.6	697.8	721.6	1,375.8
7.	Capital investment	271.6	169.6	196.8	230.8	234.4	235.3	248.1	444.2
8.	Government collective spending	32.7	34.1	35.1	38.4	40.3	41.8	44.2	62.6
9.	Imported goods from indirect spending	-41.2	-42.1	-49.9	-52.6	-52.3	-51.4	-56.0	-91.8
10.	Induced	288.4	269.0	290.8	347.0	396.9	384.4	390.4	660.9
11.	Total contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (= 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10)	1,674.8	1,613.3	1,820.5	2,183.0	2,450.9	2,345.1	2,420.7	4,496.7
12.	Employment impacts ('000) Direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment	1,975.9	1,880.9	1,845.5	2,298.9	2,561.6	2,210.2	2,215.6	3,475.5
13.	Total contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment	4,960.2	4,334.0	4,454.3	5,386.5	6,019.0	5,382.9	5,434.5	8,140.2
14	Other indicators Expenditure on outbound travel	164.8	186.1	179.1	195.5	205.3	216.5	230.2	334.9

### The economic contribution of Travel & Tourism: Nominal prices

Thailand								
(THBbn, nominal prices)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2025F
1. Visitor exports	673.8	749.1	937.7	1,168.1	1,409.3	1,309.1	1,359.6	3,696.4
Domestic expenditure 2. (includes government individual spending)	389.4	426.6	466.2	521.8	542.9	564.8	593.1	1,115.8
3. Internal tourism consumption (= 1 + 2)	1,063.2	1,175.8	1,403.9	1,689.9	1,952.2	1,873.9	1,952.7	4,812.1
<ol> <li>Purchases by tourism providers, including imported goods (supply chain)</li> </ol>	-468.9	-527.4	-633.9	-751.9	-873.7	-836.7	-874.5	-2,139.8
5. Direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (= 3 + 4)	594.3	648.4	770.0	937.9	1,078.5	1,037.3	1,078.2	2,672.3
Other final impacts (indirect & induced) <sup>6.</sup> Domestic supply chain	399.8	436.3	518.0	631.0	725.6	697.8	725.4	1,797.9
7. Capital investment	240.3	155.6	188.1	223.6	230.9	235.3	249.4	580.5
8. Government collective spending	28.9	31.3	33.5	37.2	39.7	41.8	44.4	81.8
9. Imported goods from indirect spending	-36.4	-38.6	-47.7	-51.0	-51.6	-51.4	-56.3	-120.0
10. Induced	255.2	246.8	278.0	336.2	391.0	384.4	392.5	863.7
11. Total contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (= 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10)	1,482.0	1,479.8	1,739.9	2,115.1	2,414.2	2,345.1	2,433.5	5,876.2
<ul><li>Employment impacts ('000)</li><li>12. Direct contribution of Travel &amp; Tourism to employment</li></ul>	1,975.9	1,880.9	1,845.5	2,298.9	2,561.6	2,210.2	2,215.6	3,475.5
13. Total contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment	4,960.2	4,334.0	4,454.3	5,386.5	6,019.0	5,382.9	5,434.5	8,140.2
Other indicators 14. Expenditure on outbound travel	145.8	170.7	171.2	189.4	202.2	216.5	231.4	437.6

\*Concepts shown in this table align with the standard table totals as described in the 2008 Tourism Satellite Account: Recommended Methodological Framework (TSA: RMF 2008) developed by the United Nations Statistical Division (UNSD), the Statistical Office of the European Communities (EUROSTAT), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the World Tourism Organization (UNWTO).

Historical data for concepts has been benchmarked to match reported TSA data where available.



## The economic contribution of Travel & Tourism: Growth

Th	ailand								
Gr	owth <sup>1</sup> (%)	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015E	2025F <sup>2</sup>
1.	Visitor exports	-11.1	7.3	20.1	22.9	18.7	-8.5	3.3	7.7
2.	Domestic expenditure (includes government individual spending)	-11.3	5.7	4.9	10.4	2.3	2.5	4.5	3.8
3.	Internal tourism consumption (= 1 + 2)	-11.1	6.7	14.6	18.7	13.6	-5.4	3.7	6.6
4.	Purchases by tourism providers, including imported goods (supply chain)	-12.9	8.5	15.4	17.0	14.3	-5.7	4.0	6.5
5.	Direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (= 3 + 4)	-9.8	5.3	14.0	20.2	13.1	-5.3	3.4	6.7
6.	Other final impacts (indirect & induced) Domestic supply chain	-9.8	5.3	14.0	20.2	13.1	-5.3	3.4	6.7
7.	Capital investment	-15.5	-37.5	16.0	17.3	1.6	0.4	5.4	6.0
8.	Government collective spending	6.7	4.5	2.8	9.4	5.1	3.6	5.7	3.5
9.	Imported goods from indirect spending	-11.4	4.8	13.9	17.8	11.2	-4.5	4.1	6.4
10.	Induced	-0.9	-6.7	8.1	19.3	14.4	-3.2	1.6	5.4
11.	Total contribution of Travel & Tourism to GDP (= 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 + 9 + 10)	-8.6	-3.7	12.8	19.9	12.3	-4.3	3.2	6.4
12.	Employment impacts ('000) Direct contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment	-3.6	-4.8	-1.9	24.6	11.4	-13.7	0.2	4.6
13.	Total contribution of Travel & Tourism to employment	-2.9	-12.6	2.8	20.9	11.7	-10.6	1.0	4.1
14	Other indicators Expenditure on outbound travel	-14.4	12.9	-3.8	9.1	5.0	5.4	6.3	3.8

<sup>1</sup>2009-2014 real annual growth adjusted for inflation (%); <sup>2</sup>2015-2025 annualised real growth adjusted for inflation (%)

### **Glossary** KEY DEFINITIONS

**Travel & Tourism** – relates to the activity of travellers on trips outside their usual environment with a duration of less than one year. Economic activity related to all aspects of such trips is measured within the research.

**Direct contribution to GDP** – GDP generated by industries that deal directly with tourists, including hotels, travel agents, airlines and other passenger transport services, as well as the activities of restaurant and leisure industries that deal directly with tourists. It is equivalent to total internal Travel & Tourism spending (see below) within a country less the purchases made by those industries (including imports). In terms of the UN's Tourism Satellite Account methodology it is consistent with total GDP calculated in table 6 of the TSA: RMF 2008.

**Direct contribution to employment** – the number of direct jobs within Travel & Tourism. This is consistent with total employment calculated in table 7 of the TSA: RMF 2008.

**Total contribution to GDP** – GDP generated directly by the Travel & Tourism sector plus its indirect and induced impacts (see below).

**Total contribution to employment** – the number of jobs generated directly in the Travel & Tourism sector plus the indirect and induced contributions (see below).

### **DIRECT SPENDING IMPACTS**

**Visitor exports** – spending within the country by international tourists for both business and leisure trips, including spending on transport, but excluding international spending on education. This is consistent with total inbound tourism expenditure in table 1 of the TSA: RMF 2008.

**Domestic Travel & Tourism spending** – spending within a country by that country's residents for both business and leisure trips. Multi-use consumer durables are not included since they are not purchased solely for tourism purposes. This is consistent with total domestic tourism expenditure in table 2 of the TSA: RMF 2008. Outbound spending by residents abroad is not included here, but is separately identified according to the TSA: RMF 2008 (see below).

**Government individual spending** – spending by government on Travel & Tourism services directly linked to visitors, such as cultural services (eg museums) or recreational services (eg national parks).

**Internal tourism consumption** – total revenue generated within a country by industries that deal directly with tourists including visitor exports, domestic spending and government individual spending. This does not include spending abroad by residents. This is consistent with total internal tourism expenditure in table 4 of the TSA: RMF 2008.

**Business Travel & Tourism spending** – spending on business travel within a country by residents and international visitors.

**Leisure Travel & Tourism spending** – spending on leisure travel within a country by residents and international visitors.

### **INDIRECT AND INDUCED IMPACTS**

**Indirect contribution** – the contribution to GDP and jobs of the following three factors:

- Capital investment includes capital investment spending by all industries directly involved in Travel & Tourism. This also constitutes investment spending by other industries on specific tourism assets such as new visitor accommodation and passenger transport equipment, as well as restaurants and leisure facilities for specific tourism use. This is consistent with total tourism gross fixed capital formation in table 8 of the TSA: RMF 2008.
- **Government collective spending** –government spending in support of general tourism activity. This can include national as well as regional and local government spending. For example, it includes tourism promotion, visitor information services, administrative services and other public services. This is consistent with total collective tourism consumption in table 9 of TSA: RMF 2008.
- **Supply-chain effects** purchases of domestic goods and services directly by different industries within Travel & Tourism as inputs to their final tourism output.

**Induced contribution** – the broader contribution to GDP and employment of spending by those who are directly or indirectly employed by Travel & Tourism.

### **OTHER INDICATORS**

**Outbound expenditure** – spending outside the country by residents on all trips abroad. This is fully aligned with total outbound tourism expenditure in table 3 of the TSA: RMF 2008.

**Foreign visitor arrivals** – the number of arrivals of foreign visitors, including same-day and overnight visitors (tourists) to the country.



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### **Methodological note**

WTTC has an on-going commitment to align its economic impact research with the UN Statistics Division-approved 2008 Tourism Satellite Account: Recommended Methodological Framework (TSA:RMF 2008). This involves benchmarking of country reports to official, published TSAs, including for countries which are reporting data for the first time, as well as existing countries reporting an additional year's data. New country TSAs incorporated this year include France, Germany, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Oman, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

In addition to producing data on 184 countries, WTTC also produces reports on 24 other regions, sub-regions and economic and geographic groups. This year, there are 8 reports for special economic and geographic groups with Pacific Alliance being included for the first time. Please also note that from this year, the report for Sudan no longer includes data on South Sudan.

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	NORTH AFRICA	Libya			Aruba		ST /	Hong Kong		7	Malta
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		Cameroon			Antilles			Kiribati			Spain
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		Gabon			Puerto Rico			India	E		Bosnia Herzegovina
		Gambia			St Kitts & Nevis			Maldives			-
		Ghana			St Lucia			Nepal Pakistan			Georgia
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		Madagascar			US Virgin Islands			Laos			Montenegro
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