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SNAPSHOT OF TOURISM IN WISCONSIN DELLS 2022 - 2023 Economic Impact Comparison

Background

This summary covers traveler expenditures made in the Wisconsin Dells area from January - December 2023.

| Visitor Spending | 2022 | YOY +/- | 2023 | |
|--|-----------------|---------|-----------------|------------|
| Direct Impact* | \$1,371,649,473 | 2.4% | \$1,404,115,546 | |
| Total Impact** | \$1,959,089,842 | 3.2% | \$2,022,579,068 | |
| Direct Visitor Spending by Season | | | | % of Total |
| Winter (Jan-Feb & Dec) | \$ 291,788,125 | 6.0% | \$ 309,355,057 | 22.0% |
| Spring (Mar - May) | \$ 288,307,525 | 5.3% | \$ 303,712,739 | 21.6% |
| Summer (Jun - Aug) | \$ 555,067,058 | 0.9% | \$ 560,178,578 | 40.0% |
| • Fall (Sep - Nov) | \$ 236,486,765 | -2.4% | \$ 230,869,172 | 16.4% |
| Direct Visitor Spending by Category | | | | |
| Lodging | \$ 479,102,403 | 0.9% | \$ 483,179,447 | 34.4% |
| Food & Beverage | \$ 383,562,776 | 4.3% | \$ 400,115,196 | 28.5% |
| • Retail | \$ 228,793,285 | -0.3% | \$ 228,001,857 | 16.2% |
| Recreation | \$ 174,414,378 | 5.5% | \$ 184,032,219 | 13.1% |
| Transportation | \$ 105,776,632 | 2.8% | \$ 108,786,828 | 7.8% |
| Total Jobs Supported | | | | |
| Direct impact* | 11,681 | 3.1% | 12,040 | |
| Total impact** | 14,763 | 2.5% | 15,125 | |
| Total Direct Taxes Generated | | | | |
| • State | | | | |
| Direct impact* | \$ 44,589,616 | 5.8% | \$ 47,187,873 | |
| Total impact** | \$ 60,492,030 | 6.0% | \$ 64,125,487 | |
| Local | | | | |
| Direct impact* | \$ 58,857,603 | 6.7% | \$ 62,796,042 | |
| Total impact** | \$ 80,034,977 | 6.7% | \$ 85,390,494 | |
| • Federal | | | | |
| Total impact** | \$117,397,437 | 6.4% | \$124,967,215 | |

Direct Impact: Visitors' expenditures on recreation, lodging, food/beverage, retail, and transportation.
 Indirect Impact: The flow of visitors' expenditures as traced to food wholesalers, farmers, utilities, marketing, publishing, and so on.
 Induced Impact: The benefits to the economy as tourism employees spend their wages in the local economy, generating additional output, jobs, taxes, and wages.

****Total Impact:** Indirect Impact + Induced Impact.

Research completed by Tourism Economics, an Oxford Economics company located in Philadelphia, PA. The research model used is an Input-Output (IO) IMPLAN model that profiles an economy by measuring the relationship among industries and consumers.