

Outlook 2024: Everything in Moderation Including Fixed Income Leisure Credits?



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Recap

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- Nov 2017: “A Credit Perspective: How the Next Downturn Will Be Different”
- March 2022: “Revenge Travel and the Fixed Income Markets: Outlook 2022”

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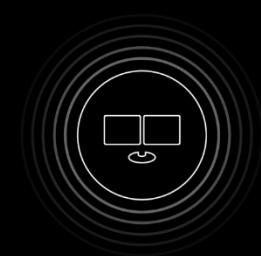
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Credits Under Coverage



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, company websites

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Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; <https://www.flantoons.co.uk/main/flantoons02/travel.html>

Labor Shortages and Wage Inflation

Leisure Hourly Earnings vs. Job Openings



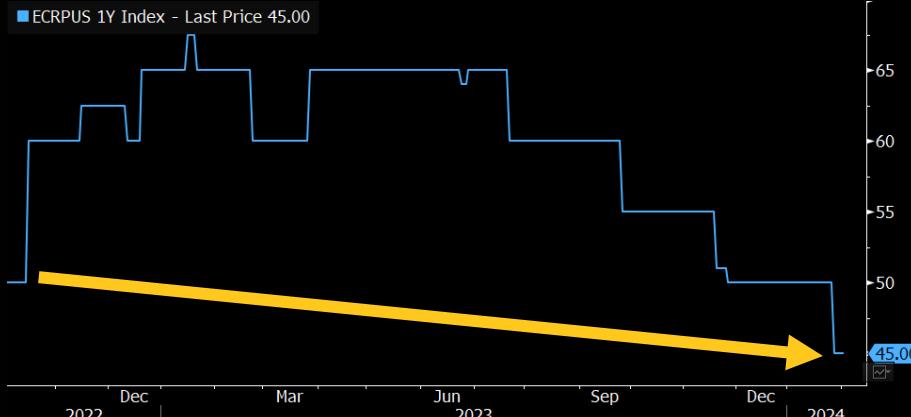
Leisure & Hospitality Unemployment



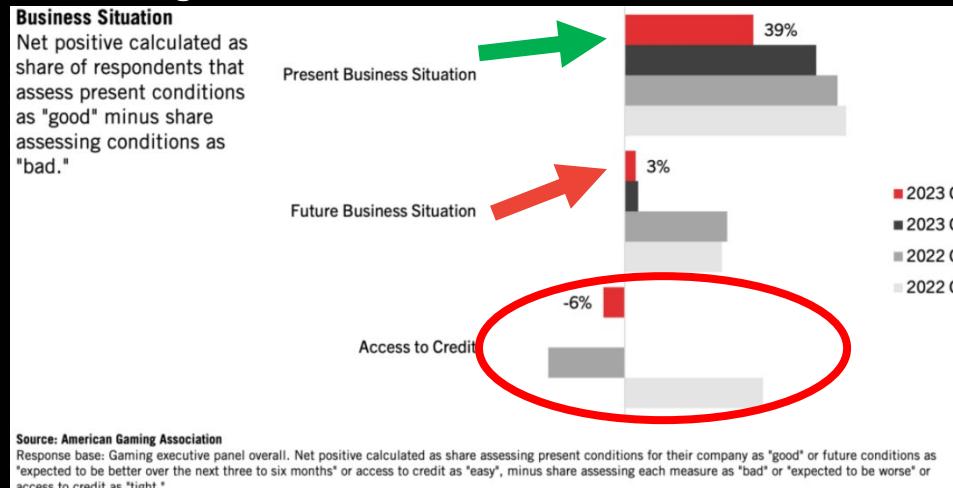
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Headwinds Pushing Against 2024 Tailwinds

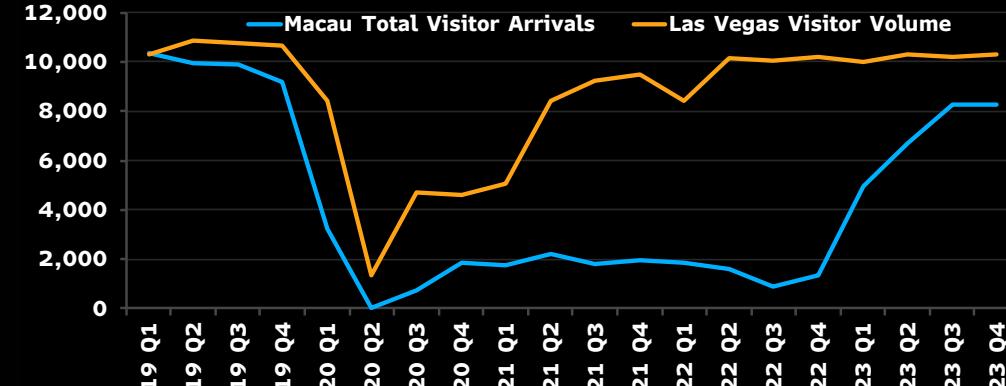
Probability of US Recession: ECFC<GO>



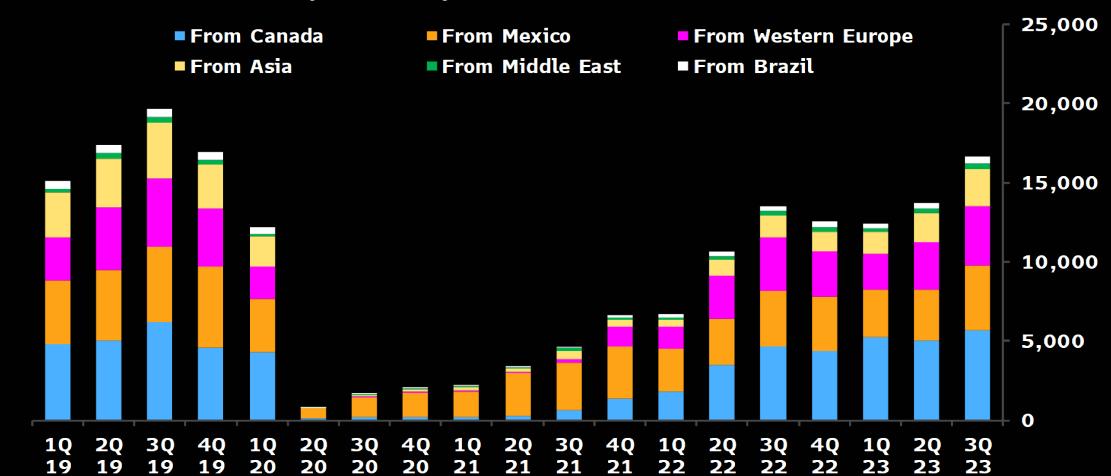
AGA Gaming CEO Outlook: Business Situation Sentiment



Occupancy Levels: Macau and Vegas (in 000s)



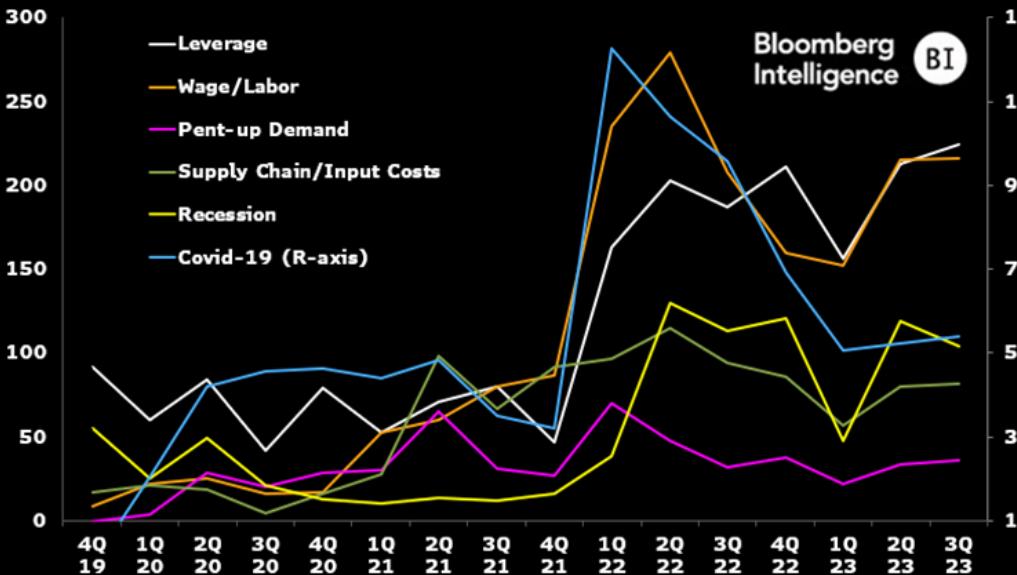
Tourists into the US (in 000s)



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Economic Backdrop: Company Thinking and the Consumer

Topics of Focus By Management Teams



Consumer Spending vs. High Grade Credit Spreads



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Bloomberg document search (DS<GO>) and transcript analyzer (TA<GO>) through 3Q23 in earnings call, conference/presentation, shareholder meeting, M&A call for related words to each category; tickers CAR, CCL, CHH, CZR, DRI, FUN, H, HLT, HTZ, LVS, MAR, MCD, MGM, NCLH, RCL, SBUX, SEAS, SIX, STAY, TNL, WYNN, YUM
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Bloomberg Intelligence First US Travel Survey: Results for 2024 Outlook



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; https://www.cartoonstock.com/directory/w/world_travel.asp

US Travel Survey - 2024

Survey conducted Dec. 20-24, 2023

Sample Size: 3,514 (of which 977 were people who prioritize vacations in 2024, 23 were deemed erroneous)

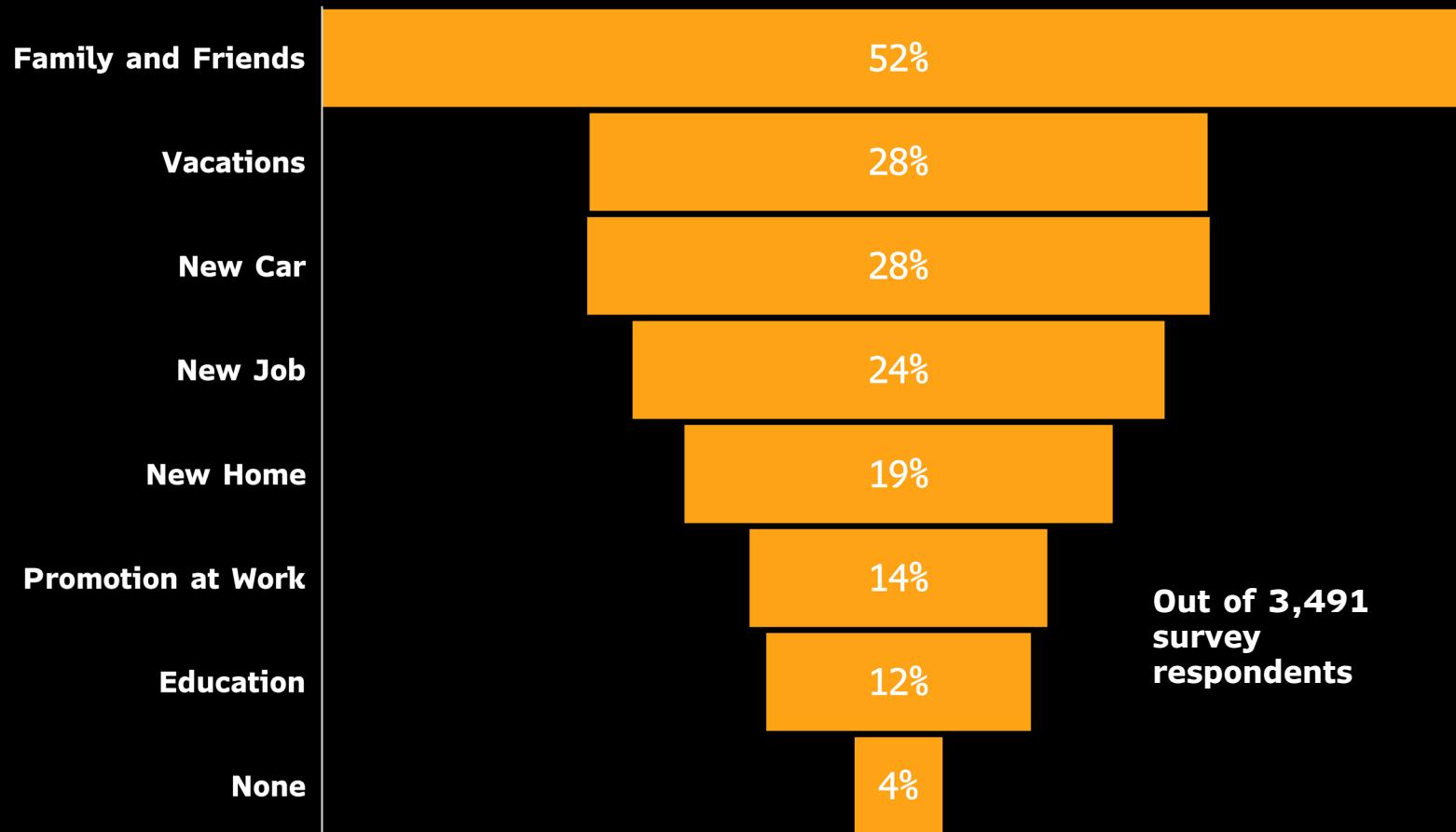
Breakdown for 977

Age: 18-24 (15%), 25-34 (17%), 35-44 (16%), 45-54 (15%), 55-64 (16%), 65+ (21%)

Gender: male (49%), female (51%)

Geography: Northeast (18%), Midwest (21%), South (37%), West (23%)

28% of Respondents Prioritizing Vacations: BI Survey

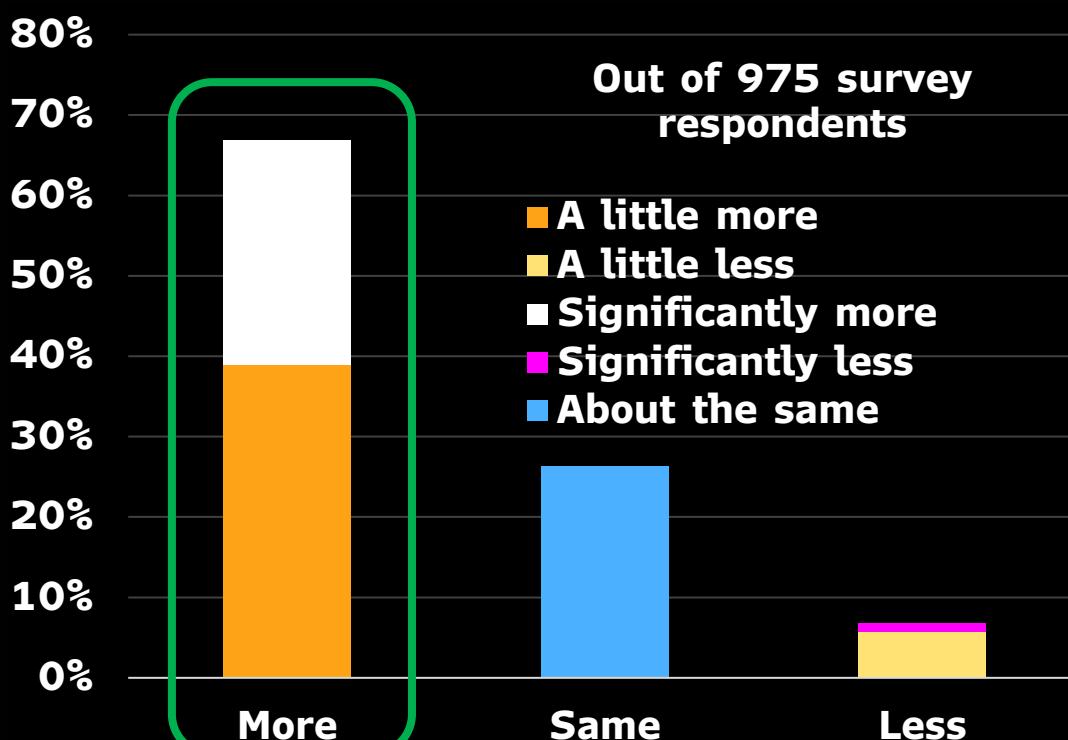


Out of 3,491
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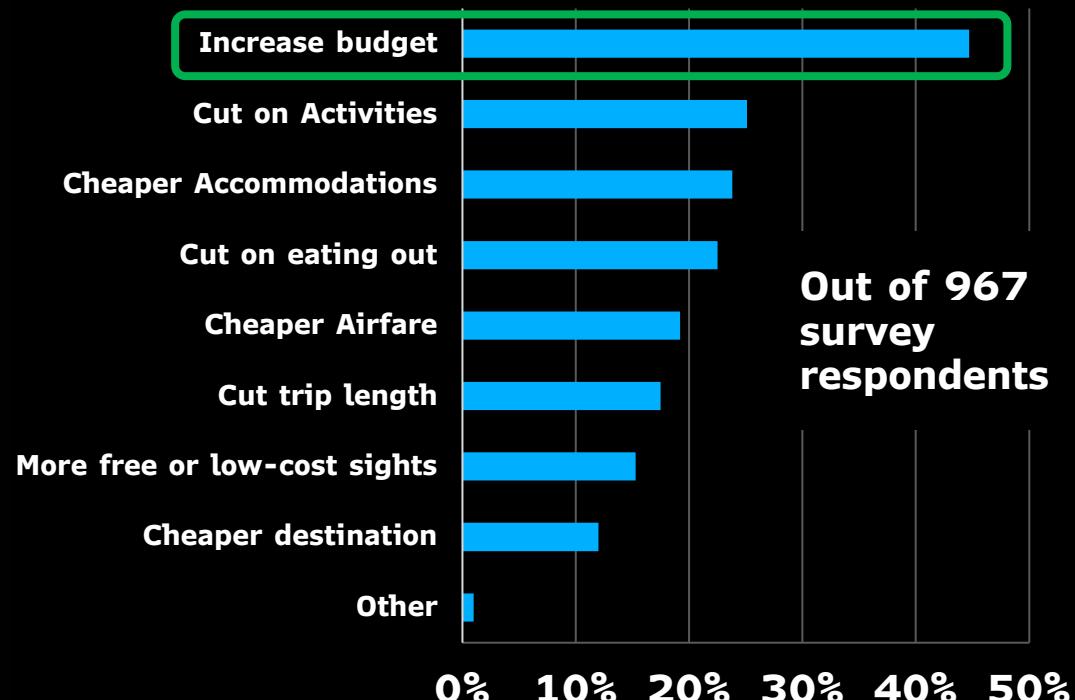
Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, Attest; Survey respondents had the option to pick more than one response

67% of Vacationers Are Prepared to Spend in 2024: BI Survey

2024 Vacation Spending vs. 2023

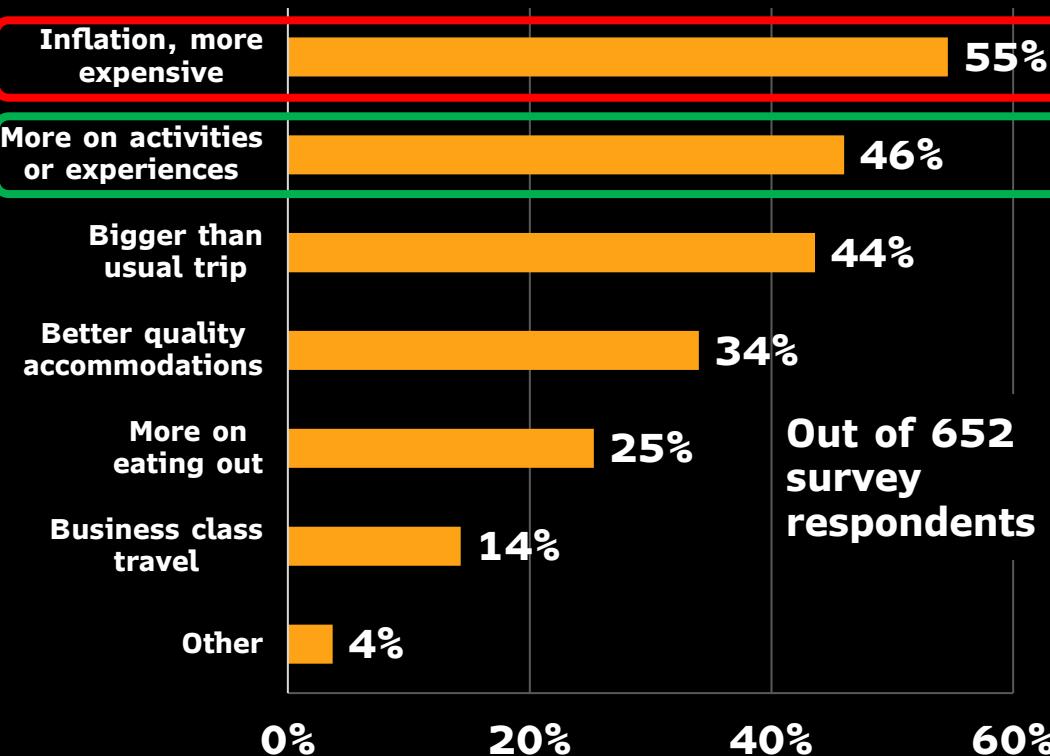


If Main Vacation Cost Exceeds Budget...

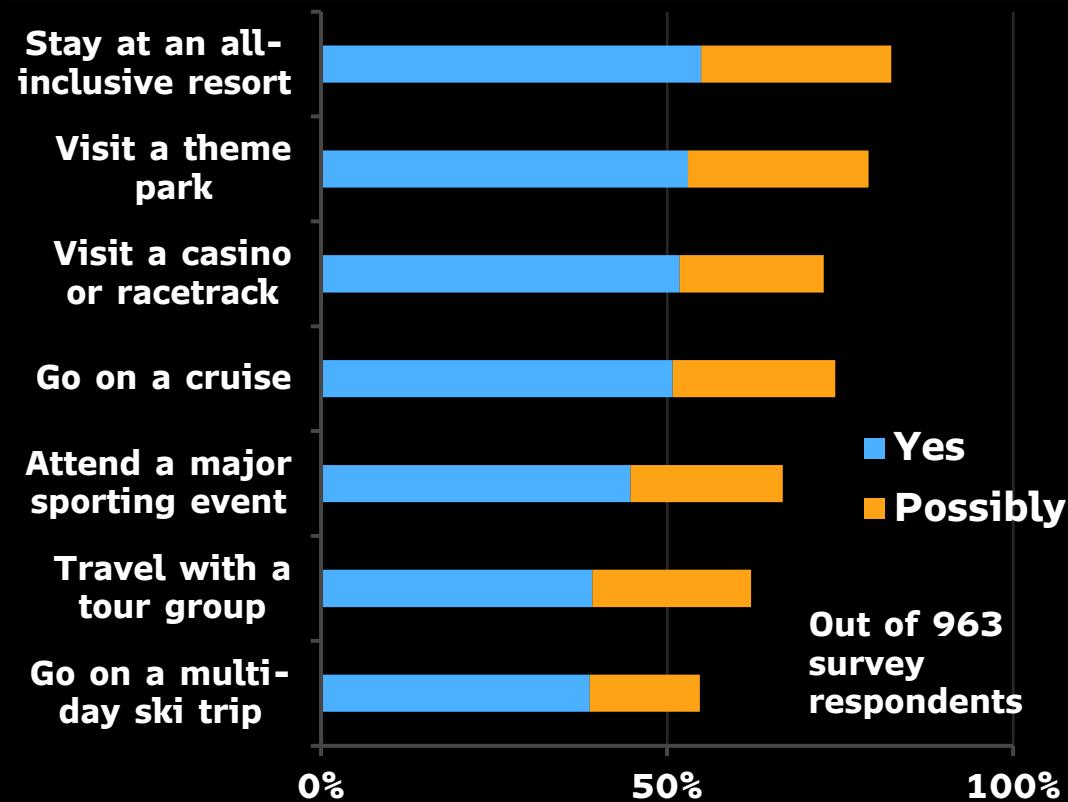


Why 67% of Respondents Are Spending More This Year on Vacations and Where They Plan to Go: BI Survey

Main Reason Respondents Spend More in 2024 vs 2023

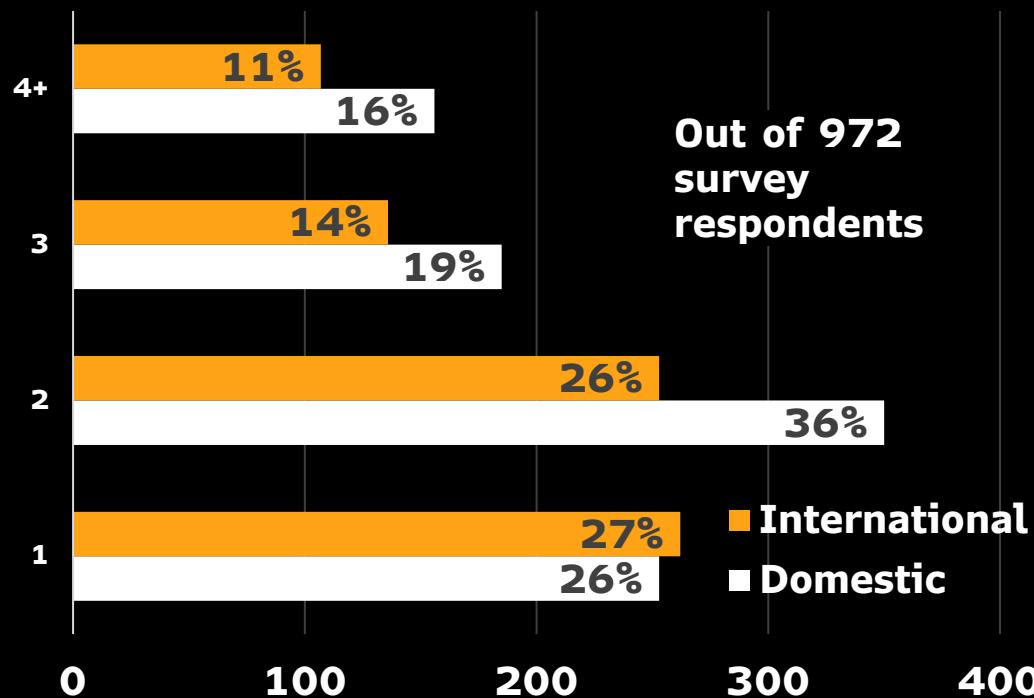


Options for Three-Plus-Day Vacations



Vacations of Three or More Days, Concerns: BI Survey

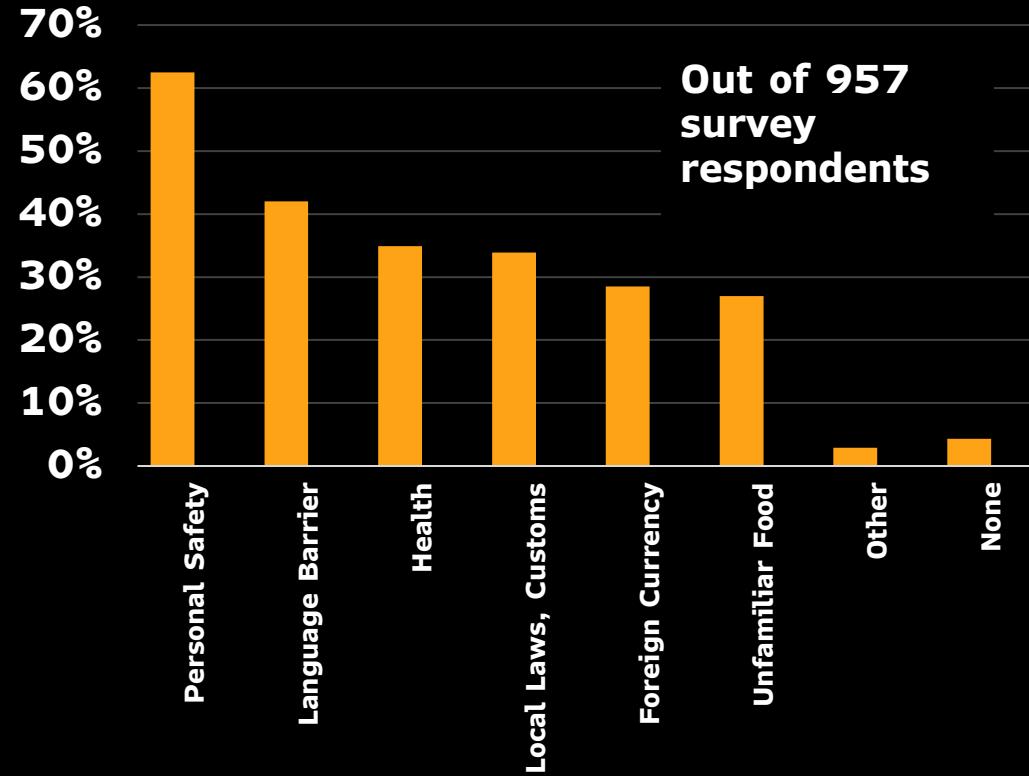
How Many 3+ Day Vacations Planned for 2024



5 respondents skipped the question; Percentages shown are out of total survey respondents and equal to 100% when including those who chose "none" for each category

Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, Attest

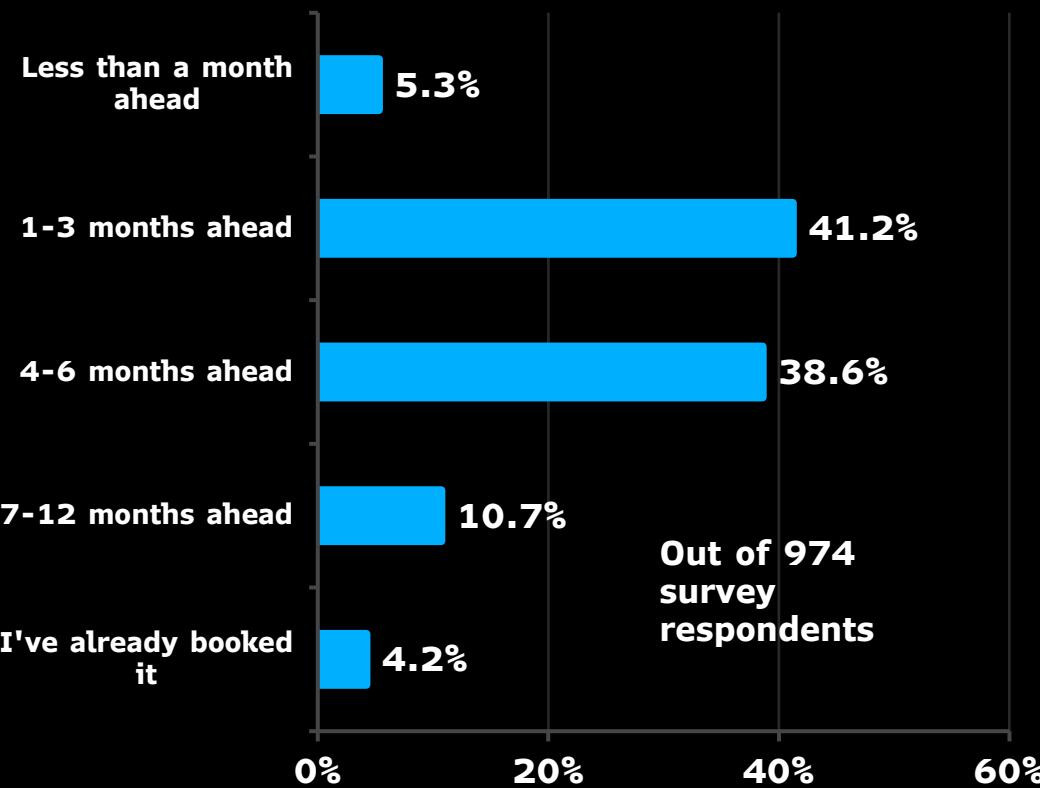
Concerns About Overseas Travel



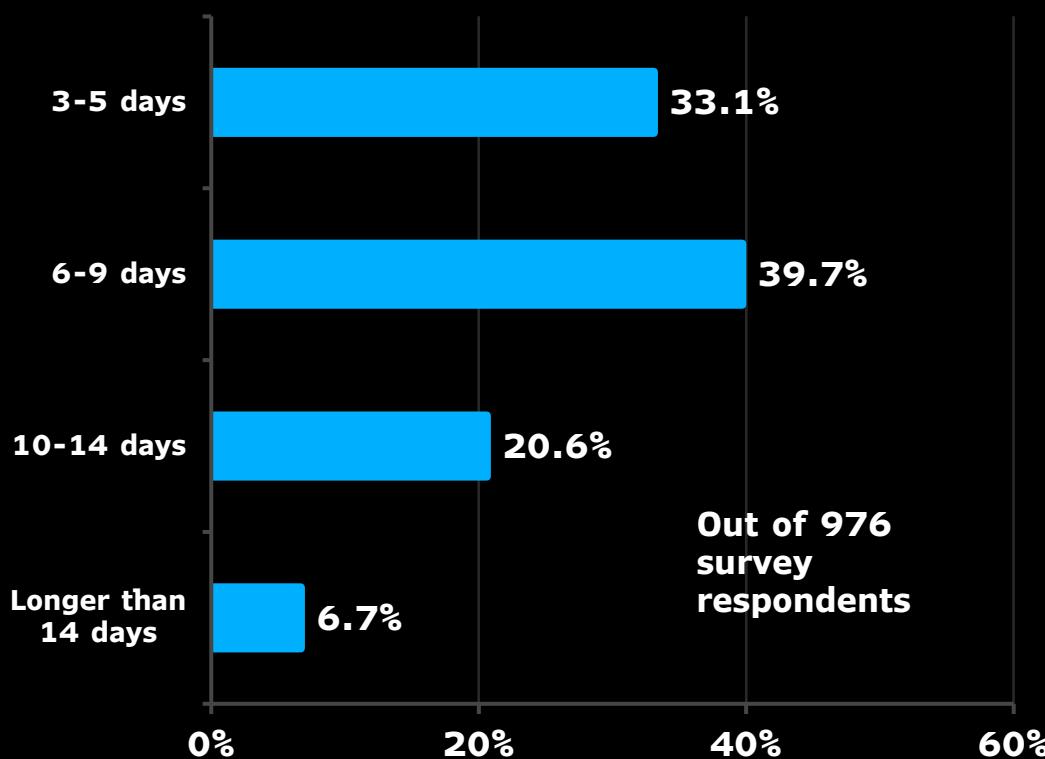
20 respondents skipped the question

Main Vacation Lead Time, Length of Vacation: BI Survey

How Far in Advance Booking Main 2024 Vacation



Length of Main 2024 Vacation



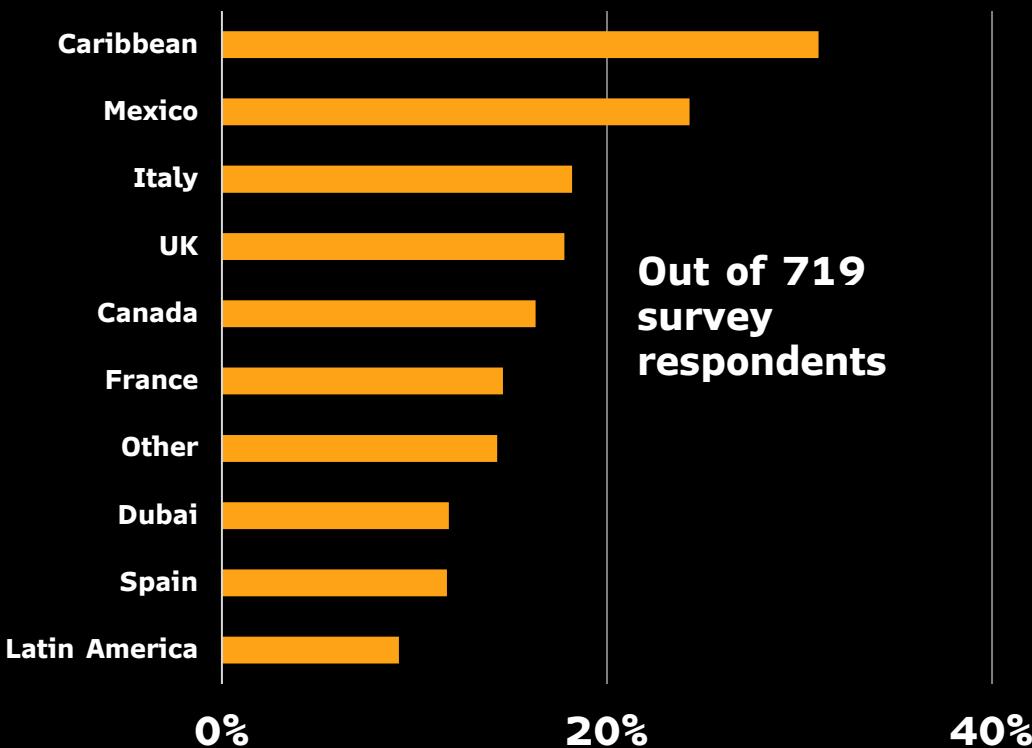
3 respondents skipped the question

1 respondent skipped the question

Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, Attest

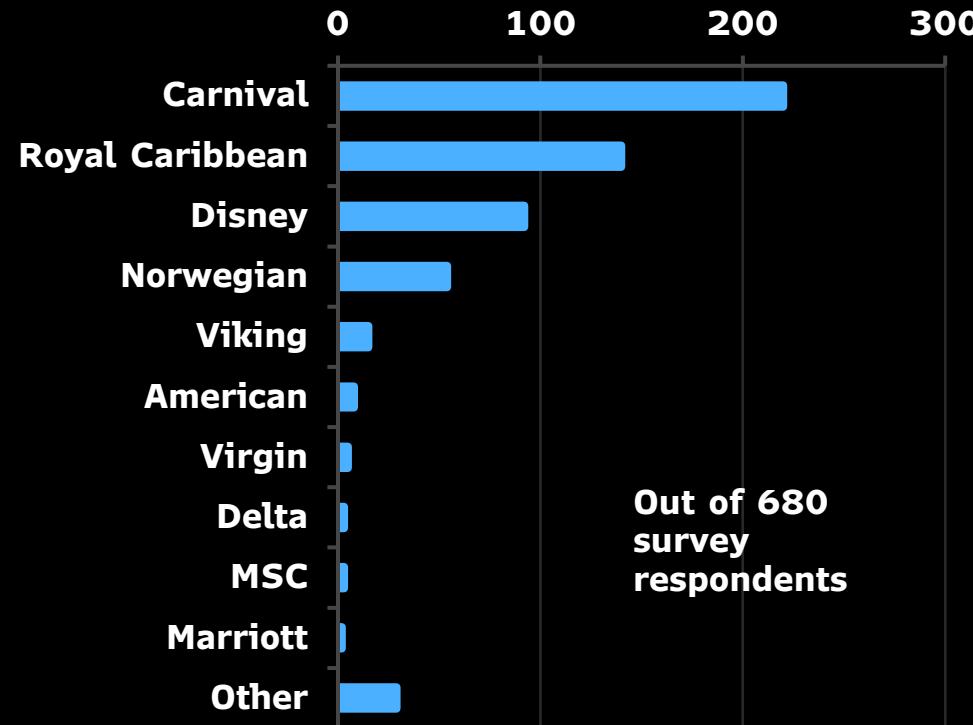
Caribbean Is Main International Vacation Destination, Cruise Lines and All-inclusive Resorts May Benefit: BI Survey

Where Respondents Are Traveling Overseas



Percentages shown are out of survey respondents who said they are traveling overseas in 2024; 42 respondents skipped the question

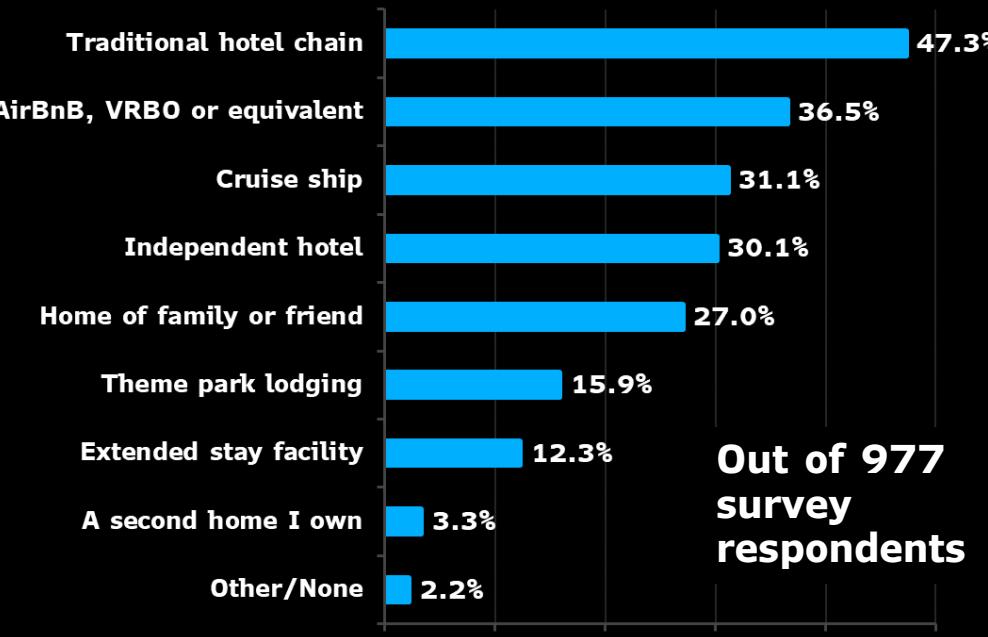
Cruise Favorites, Ranked, in BI's Survey



5 respondents put more than one name, in which case we counted each as a separate response; Aggregated by parent

Respondents Favor Traditional Hotels and Rental Cars When on Vacation: BI Survey

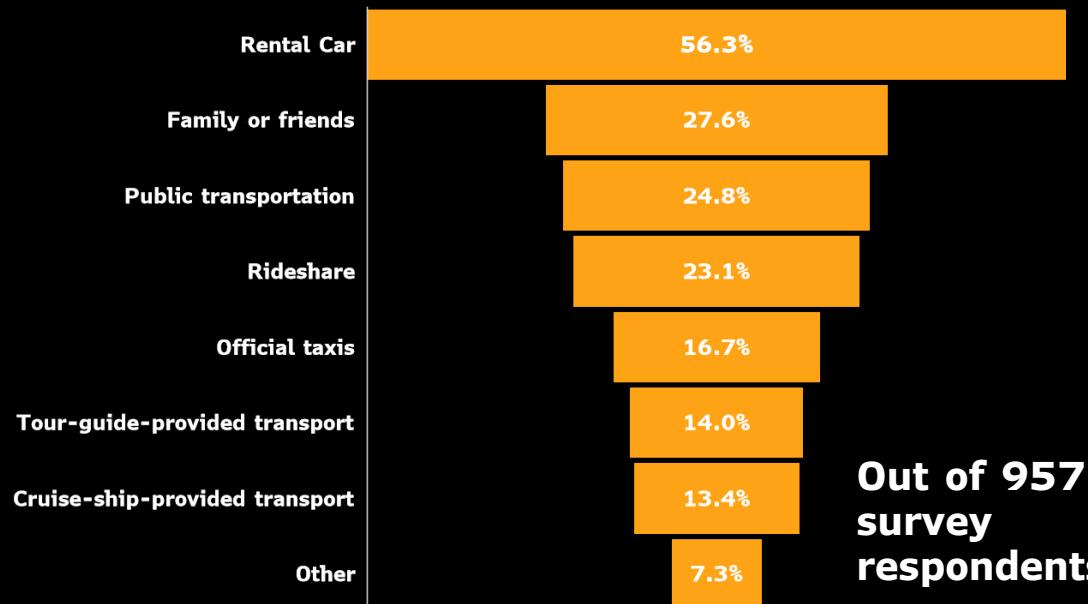
Types of Accommodations for Vacationers



0 respondents skipped the question

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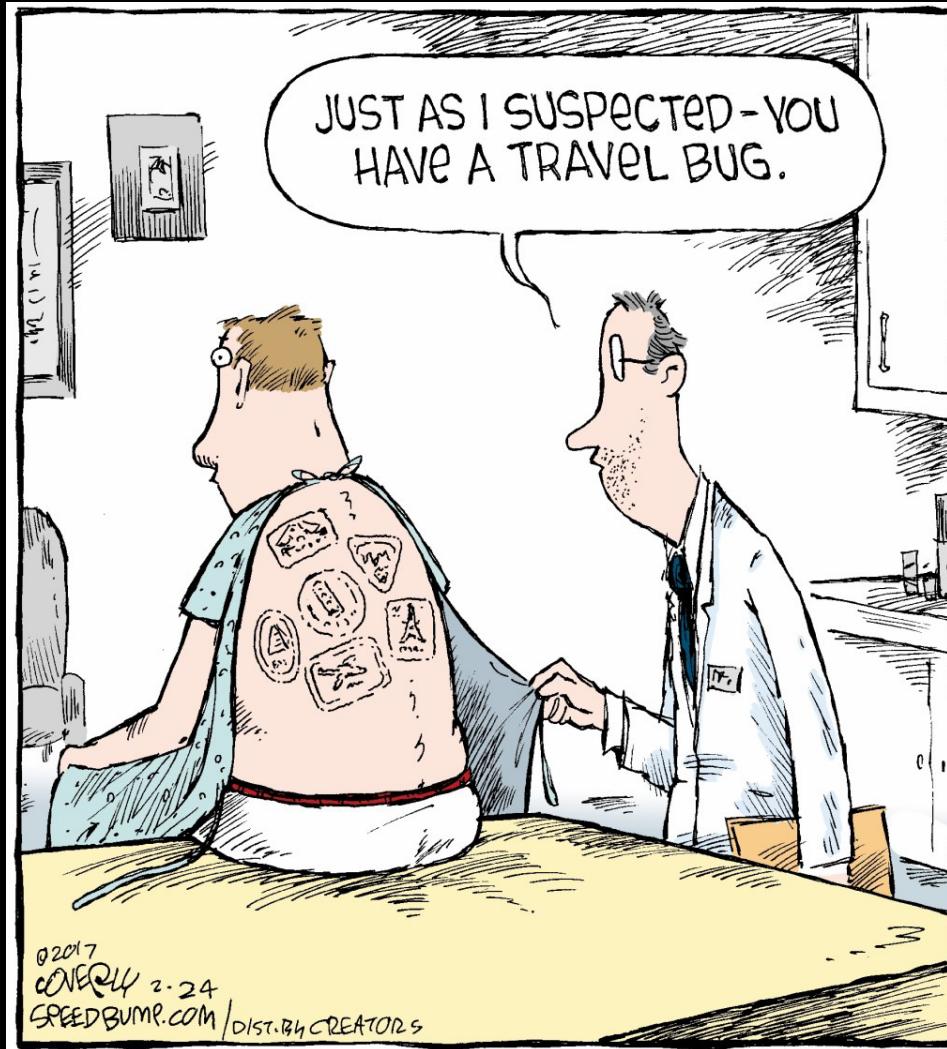
Typical Transportation Once at Destination



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Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, Attest

Leisure, Lodging, Gaming, Restaurants, & Rental Cars: The Details



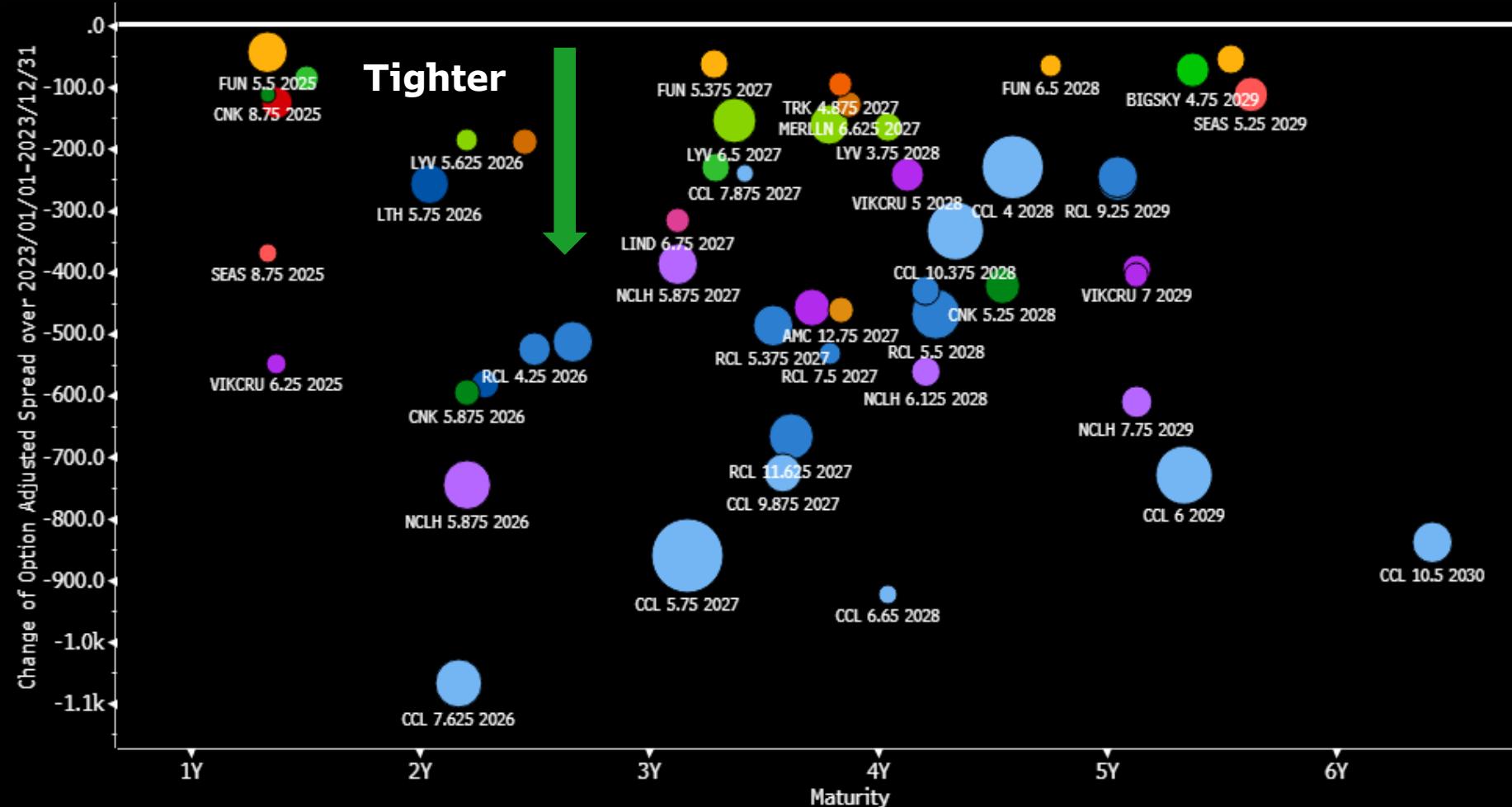
Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; <https://kffhealthnews.org/multimedia/the-travel-bug/>

High Yield Credit Spreads Over Time



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Access G #BI 109210 chart on the Terminal: <https://bloom.bg/3krgRf7>

High Yield: Cruise, Theme-Park Bond Spreads Narrowed in 2023



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Access {FIW @LEISURE2023OAS<GO>} chart on the Terminal

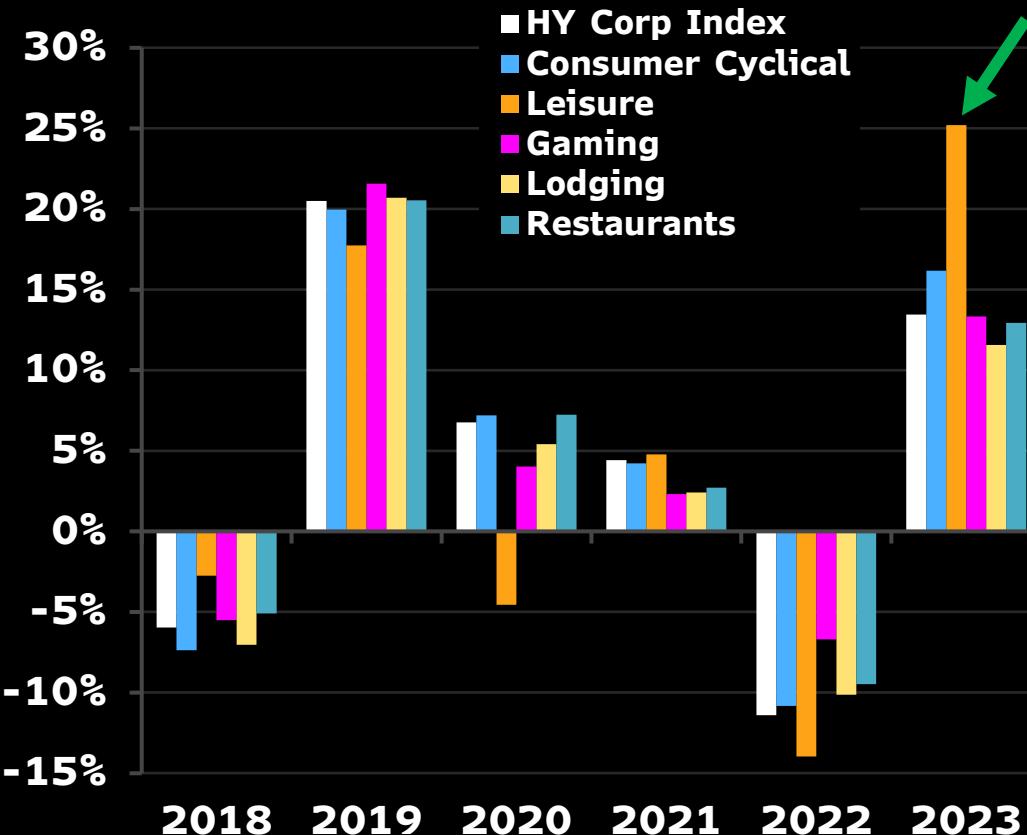
High Grade: Most Leisure, Restaurant Bonds Narrowed



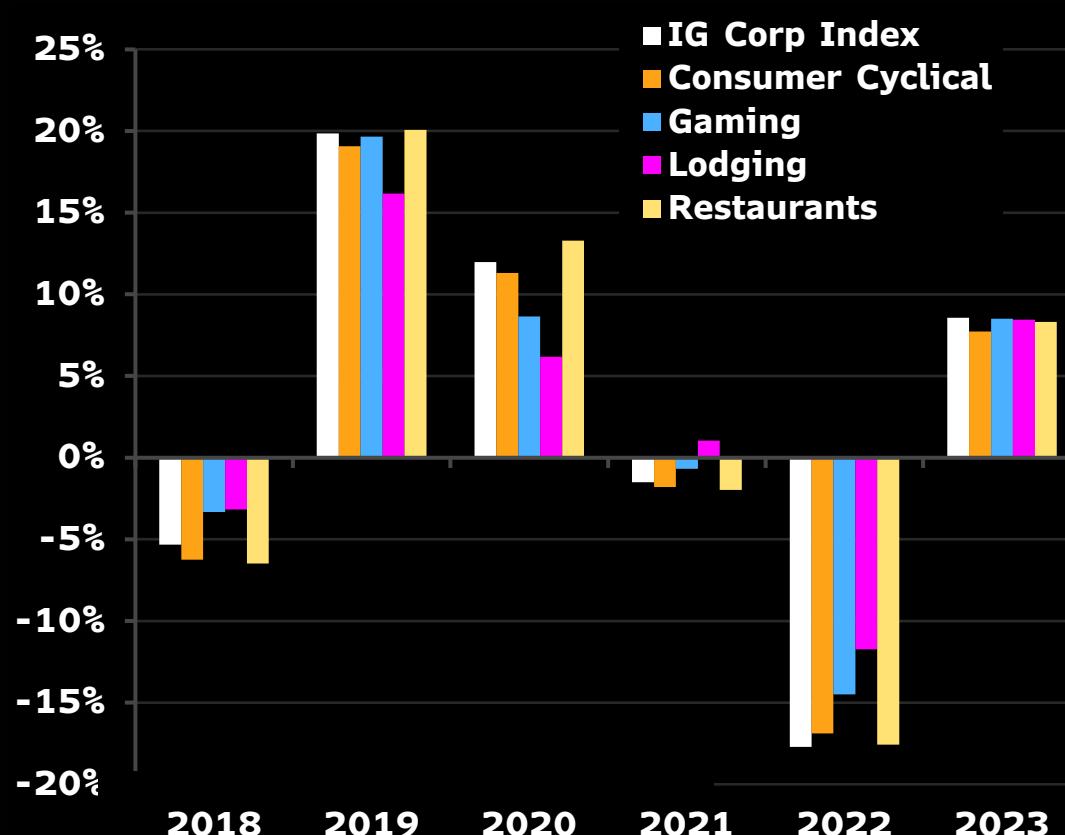
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High-Yield Leisure Bonds' Return Momentum From Last Year; High-Grade Leisure Returns Mirror Broader Index

>10% 2023 Returns in High Yield Leisure, Gaming



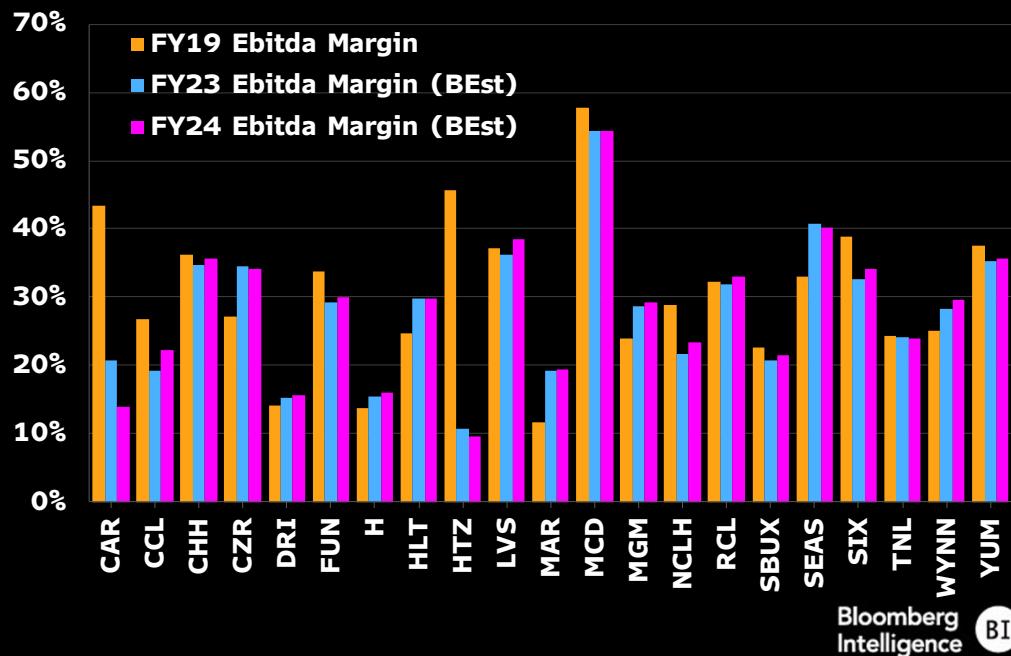
2023 IG Lodging, Gaming Returns Matched Credit



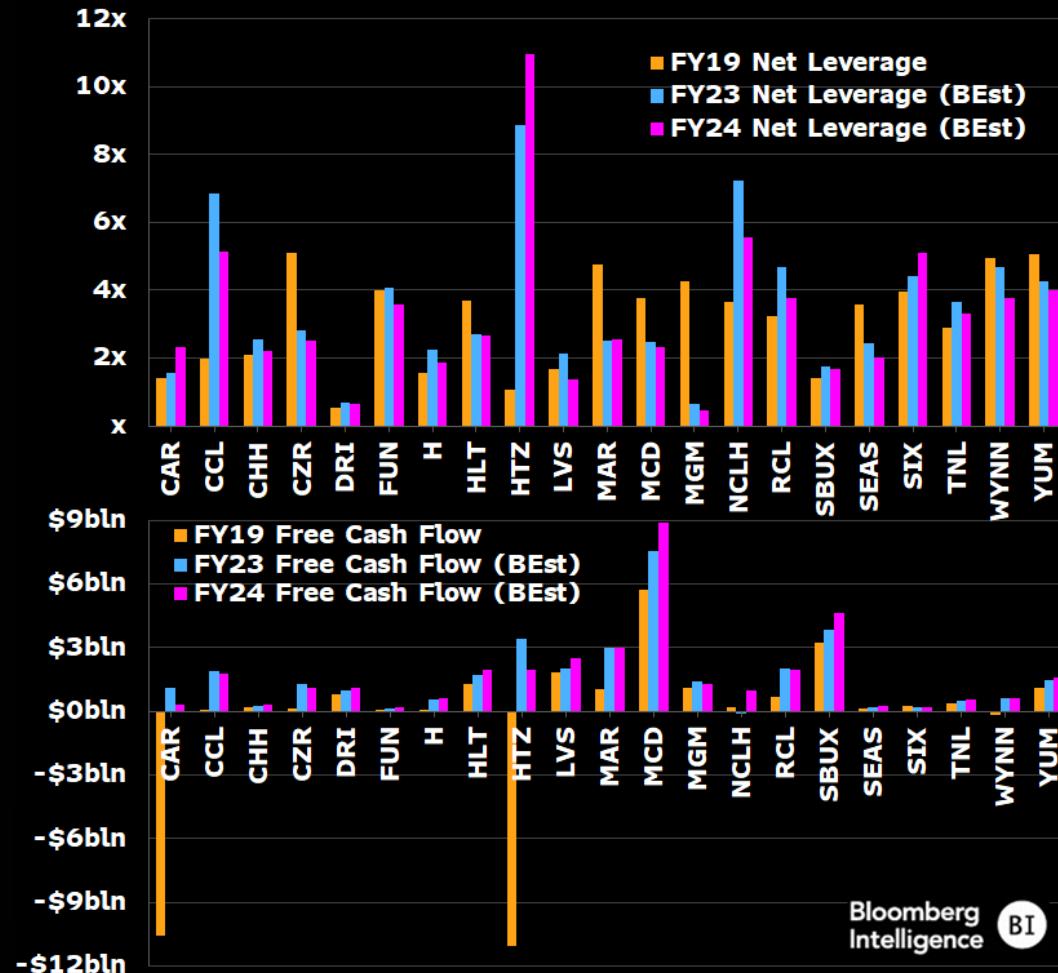
Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, PORT<GO>

Margins, Cash Flows and Net Leverage

2019 vs 2023-24 Ebitda Margin (Best)

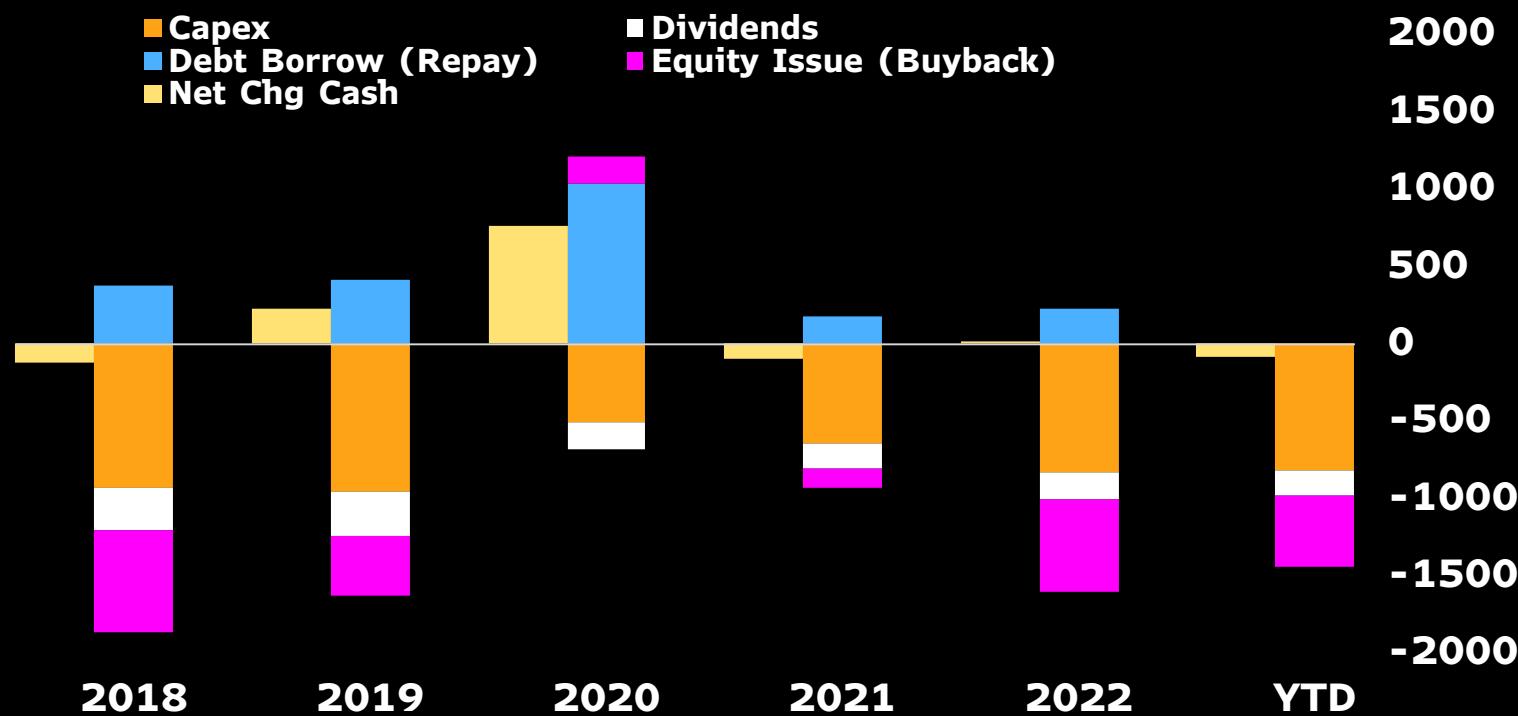


2022-24 Net Leverage and Free Cash Flow (Best)



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; EEO<GO> and MODL<GO> screens on the Terminal for BEst numbers; as of Nov 21, 2023

Average Company's Spend or Save Cash Over Time



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Used FA<GO> data and screened in EQS<GO> on the Terminal for companies based in the US with at least \$1B in long-term debt a/o YE 2021 in the following sectors: Restaurants and Bars, Travel and Tourism, Casinos and Gambling, Hotels and Motels, Recreational Services, Rental and Leasing Services: Consumer

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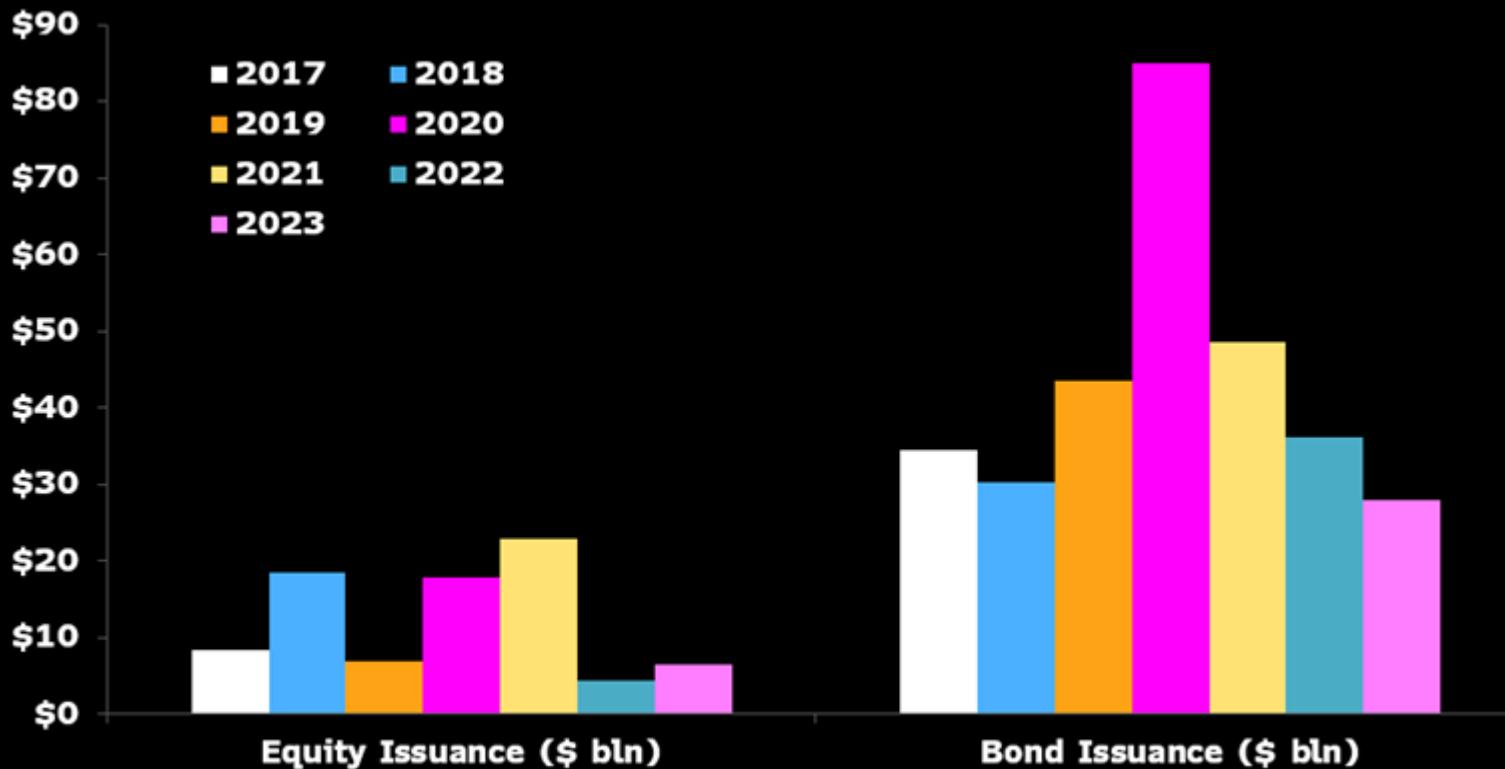


Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; FA<GO>; EQS<GO>; as of Nov 21, 2023

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Sector Issuance Volumes Since 2017



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; SRCH<GO> and LEAG<GO> custom searches from 01/01/2017 to 10/17/2023

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Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; SRCH<GO> and LEAG<GO> custom searches from 01/01/2017 to 11/21/2023

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Universe Ratings Matrix

High Grade

High Yield

High Grade Universe Rating Matrix						
Company	LT Issuer Rating		Outlook			Leverage
	Moody's / S&P / Fitch	Moody's	S&P	Fitch		
DARDEN RESTAURAN	Baa2 / BBB / BBB	●	●	●	1.7x	
MCDONALDS CORP	Baa1 / BBB+ / WD	●●	●●	●●	2.7x	
STARBUCKS CORP	Baa1 / BBB+ / WD	●●	●●	●●	1.9x	
LAS VEGAS SANDS	Baa3 / BBB- / BBB-	●●	●●	●●	3.1x	
CHOICE HOTELS	Baa3 / BBB- *- / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	2.6x	
HYATT HOTELS-A	Baa3 / BBB- / BBB-	●●	●●	●●	3.0x	
MARRIOTT INTL-A	Baa2 / BBB / WD	●●	●●	●●	2.6x	

Source: Company Filings, Bloomberg
 Note: Using Issuer LT rating unless otherwise noted.
 * FFO Adjusted Leverage

Outlook Key: ● Negative ● Stable ● Positive ● Not Applicable

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Company	Insert ticker here, th	LT Issuer Rating		Outlook		Leverage
		Moody's / S&P / Fitch	Moody's	S&P	Fitch	
AVIS BUDGET GROU	CAR US Equity	B2 / BB - / N.A.	●	●	●	9.3x
CAESARS ENTERTAI	CZR US Equity	B1 / B+ / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	3.1x
CARNIVAL CORP	CCL US Equity	B2 / BB- / NR	●●	●●	●●	5.4x
CEDAR FAIR LP	FUN US Equity	B2 ** / BB- ** / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	4.3x
HERTZ GLOBAL HLD	HTZ US Equity	Caa1 / B / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	21.0x
HILTON WORLDWIDE	HLT US Equity	Ba2 / BB / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	2.9x
MGM RESORTS INTE	MGM US Equity	B1 / B+ / WD	●●	●●	●●	1.4x
NORWEGIAN CRUISE	NCLH US Equity	B2 / B / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	7.5x
ROYAL CARIBBEAN	RCL US Equity	B1 / BB- / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	4.0x
SEAWORLD ENTERTA	SEAS US Equity	B2 / B+ / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	3.0x
SIX FLAGS ENTERT	SIX US Equity	B2 ** / B+ ** / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	4.9x
WYNN RESORTS LTD	WYNN US Equity	B2 / B+ / N.A.	●●	●●	●●	6.4x
YUM! BRANDS INC	YUM US Equity	Ba2 / BB+ / WD	●●	●●	●●	4.6x

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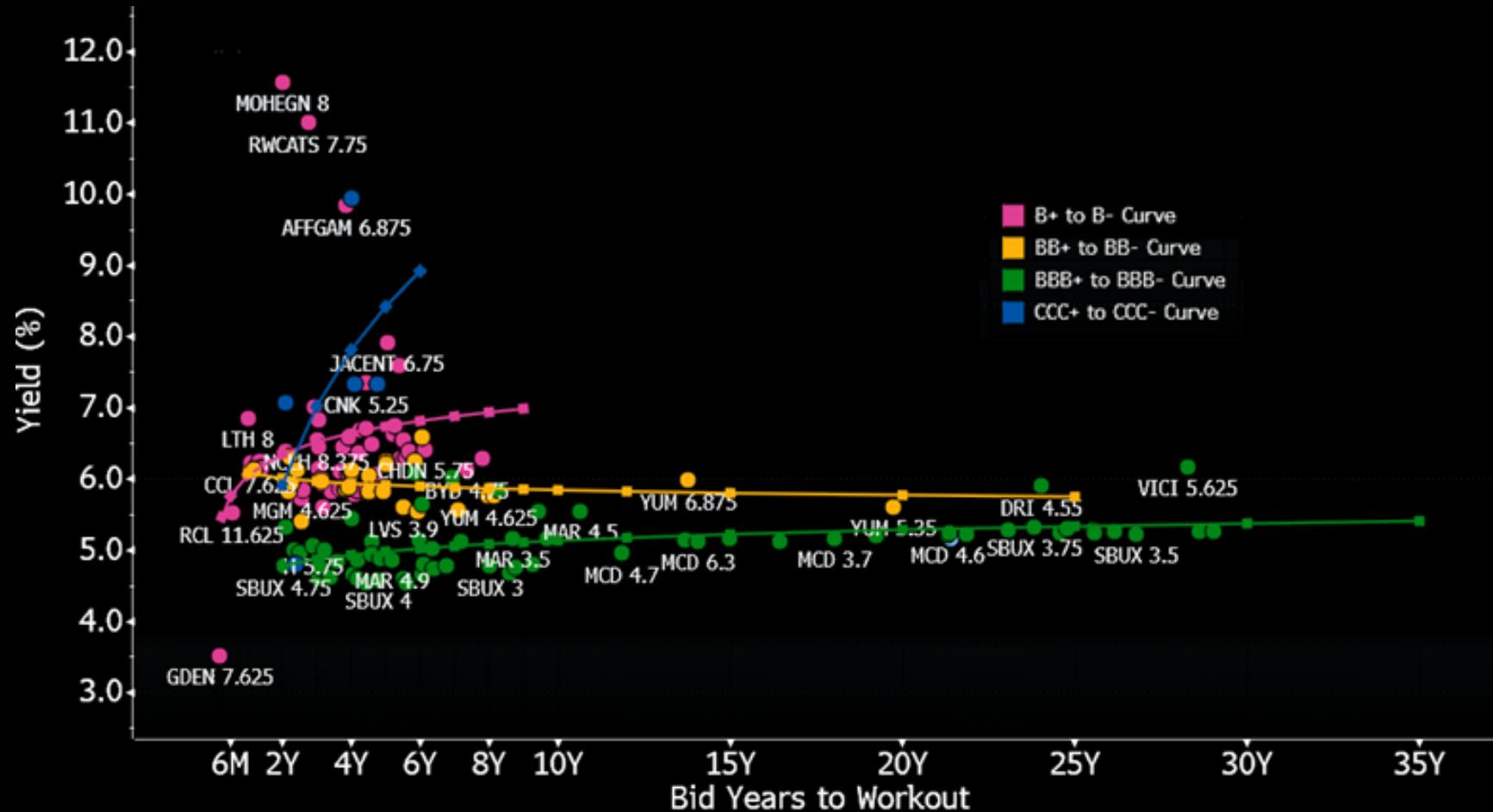
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FIW: High Grade and High Yield Leisure, Lodging, Gaming Restaurant Bonds



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