SEDONA VISITOR INTERCEPT SURVEY

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INTRODUCTION

This study was commissioned by the Sedona Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau. The primary purpose of this effort was to determine the demographic profile/travel patterns of Sedona visitors. More specifically, this study focused in the following key areas:

- Visitor demographics (age, income, place of residence)
- Characteristics of trips made to Sedona (length of stay, accommodations, travel mode, party configuration, trip purpose, spending patterns)
- Activities participated in
- Evaluation of Sedona as a travel destination
- Changes in Sedona
- Use of Chamber website
- Attitudes about Sedona

The information contained in this report is based on 351 in-depth face-to-face interviews conducted with individuals who were visiting Sedona. The interviewing on this study was conducted by professional interviewers of the Behavior Research Center between Thursday, October 13 and Sunday October 16, 2016 at the following Sedona locations:

- Tlaquepaque Arts & Crafts Village
- Uptown Sedona shopping area
- Airport Mesa
- Safeway Center
- Chapel of the Holy Cross

When analyzing the results of this survey, it should be kept in mind that all surveys are subject to sampling error. Sampling error, stated simply, is the difference between the results obtained from a sample and those which would be obtained by surveying the entire population under consideration. The size of sampling error varies, to some extent, with the number of interviews completed and with the division of opinion on a particular question. The sampling error for this study is approximately +/-5.3 percent. The sampling error has been calculated at the confidence level most frequently used by social scientists, the 95 percent level and represents the maximum error for the sample base (i.e., for the survey findings where the division of opinion is approximately 50%/50%). Survey findings that show a more one-sided distribution of opinion, such as 70%/30% or 90%/10% are usually subject to slightly lower sampling tolerances.

The information generated from this study is presented in three sections. The first section, *Overview*, offers the primary findings of the study in a brief summary format. The second section, *Summary of the Findings*, reviews each study question in detail. The final section, *Appendix*, contains a copy of the survey questionnaire.

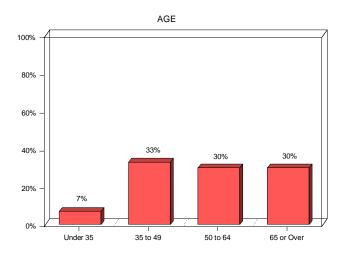
The Behavior Research Center has presented all of the data germane to the basic research objectives of this project. However, if Chamber management requires additional data retrieval or interpretation, we stand ready to provide such input.

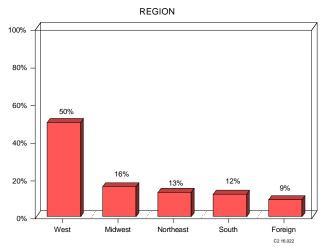
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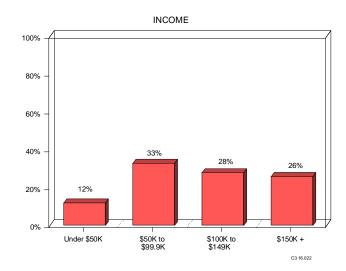
OVERVIEW

VISITOR CHARACTERISTICS

- The typical visitor is 55.0 years old, with 60 percent of all visitors being 55 years old or older.
- Fifty percent of visitors come from the Western U.S. with 30 percent of this group coming from Arizona. In comparison, the Midwest contributes 16 percent of visitors, the northeast 13 percent and the south 12 percent. Nine percent of visitors are from out of the country.
- Sedona visitors are an affluent group with a median household income of \$107,000. This figure is well above the national household income average of approximately \$50,000.

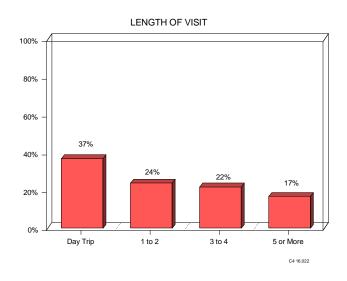


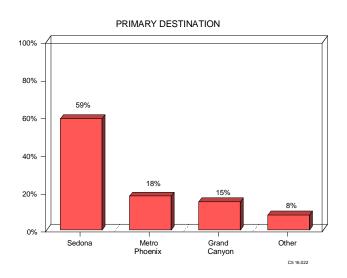


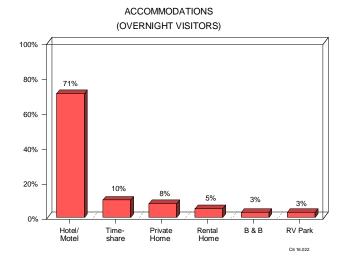


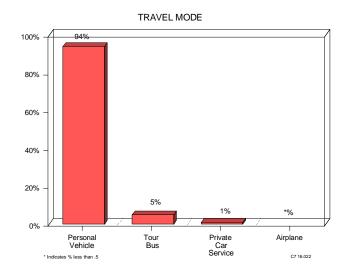
VISITOR TRIP CHARACTERISTICS

- Thirty-seven percent of Sedona visitors are day trippers, while 63 percent are over-night visitors. Day trippers accounted for 25 percent of out-of-state visitors and 65 percent of Arizona visitors. The typical out of state visitors spent 3.1 nights in Sedona while the typical Arizona visitor spent less than one night.
- Sedona is the primary destination of 59 percent of visitors followed by metro Phoenix (18%) and the Grand Canyon (15%).
- Seventy-one percent of overnight Sedona visitors stay at either a limited-service hotel or motel (38%) or a full-service hotel (33%).
- The vast majority of visitors (94%) arrive in Sedona by personal vehicle, while five percent arrive by bus and one percent private car service.

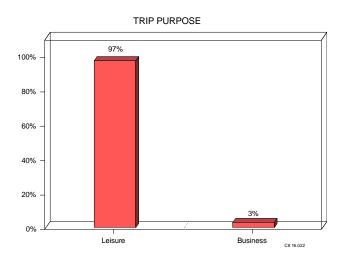


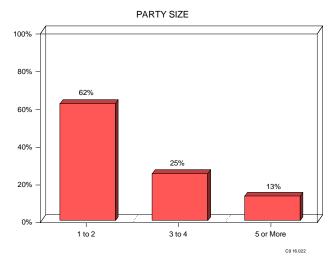


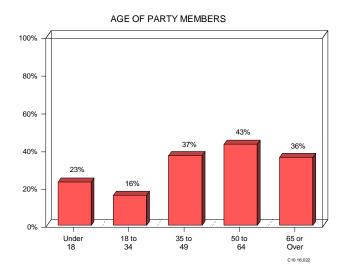


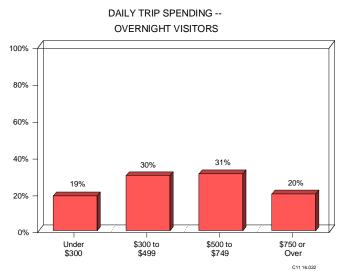


- Ninety-seven percent of visitors are leisure travelers, while only three percent are business travelers.
- The typical travel party size among visitors is 2.0 people, with nearly one-third of all parties (62%) containing one or two individuals. The data also reveals that 43 percent of travel parties contain individuals between 50 and 64 and 36 percent individuals 65 or over.
- The typical overnight Sedona visitor party spent \$508 per day while in Sedona, while median daily spending by day trippers was \$175.





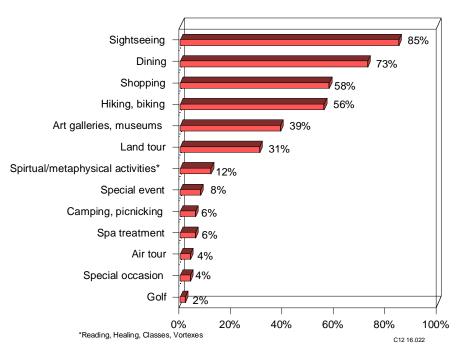




ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN

When overnight Sedona visitors are asked to indicate if they participated in each of 13 specific
activities during their visit, sightseeing leads the list (85%) followed by dining (73%), shopping
(58%) and hiking/biking (56%). These four activities are also the most participated in among day
trippers.

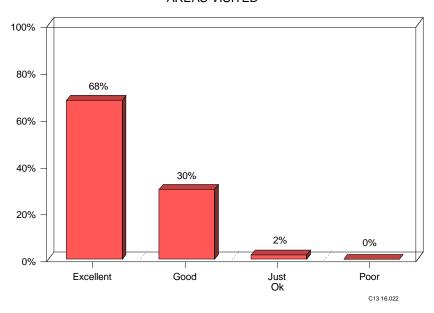
ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN



EVALUATION OF SEDONA AS A TRAVEL DESTINATION

• Over nine out of ten visitors (98%) rate Sedona as either an excellent (68%) or good (30%) travel destination compared to other areas they have visited. In comparison, only two percent rate the town as just okay and no visitor rates it as poor.

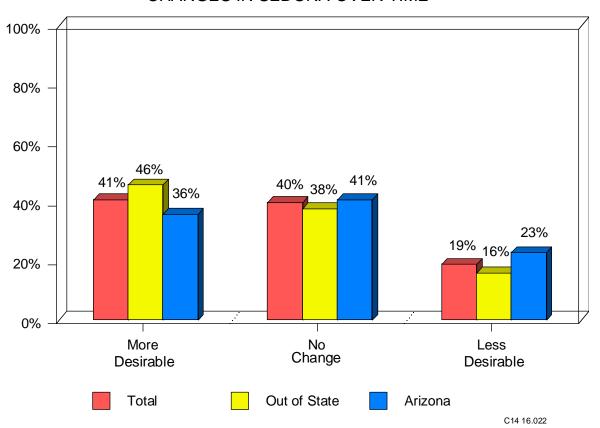
SEDONA COMPARED TO OTHER AREAS VISITED



CHANGES IN SEDONA

 Forty-one percent of visitors who have made multiple trips to Sedona in the past three years believe that it has become a more desirable vacation destination over the years, while 19 percent believe it has become a less desirable destination. Out-of-state visitors are more positive in their response than Arizona residents.

CHANGES IN SEDONA OVER TIME



THINGS MOST/LEAST APPEALING ABOUT SEDONA

- As always has been the case, Sedona's sheer beauty, with a reading of 73 percent, is by far and away the thing about Sedona visitors like the most.
- On the negative side, lack of parking (18%) and traffic congestion (19%) are the least appealing things about Sedona. Four out of ten visitors (40%) say there is nothing about Sedona that is not appealing.

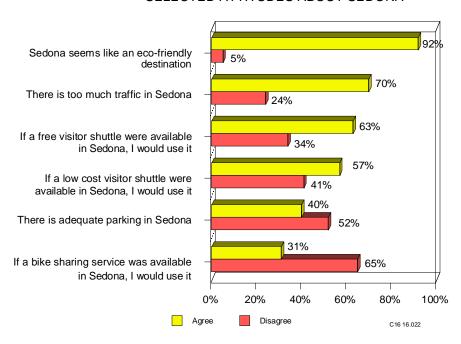
USE OF CHAMBER WEBSITE

Thirteen percent of visitors indicate that they visited the Chamber's website prior to their visit.

SELECTED ATTITUDES ABOUT SEDONA

Sedona is viewed as eco-friendly (92% agree) but also as having too much traffic (70% agree) and not enough parking (52% disagree that it has enough). Further, 57 percent of visitors reveal an interest in a low-cost shuttle while 63 percent reveal an interest in a free shuttle. Nearly one-third of visitors (31%) show an interest in using a bike sharing service if it were available.

SELECTED ATTITUDES ABOUT SEDONA



SUMMARY OF THE FINDINGS

VISITOR CHARACTERISTICS

The socio-demographic characteristics of Sedona visitors are detailed below.

- <u>AGE</u> The typical visitor was 55.0 years old, with 60 percent of all visitors being 55 years old or older.
- INCOME Sedona visitors are an affluent group with a median household income of \$107,000. This figure is well above the national household income average of approximately \$50,000.
- <u>REGION</u> Fifty percent of visitors come from the Western U.S. with 30 percent of this group coming from Arizona. In comparison, the Midwest contributes 16 percent of visitors, the northeast 13 percent and the south 12 percent. Nine percent of visitors are from out of the country.

TABLE 1: VISITOR CHARACTERISTICS

AGE Under 35 35 to 49 50 to 64 65 or over	7% 33 30 <u>30</u> 100%
MEDIAN AGE	55.0
INCOME Under \$25,000 \$25,000 to \$49,000 \$50,000 to \$74,000 \$75,000 to \$99,999 \$100,000 to \$149,000 \$150,000 or over	3% 9 13 21 28 <u>26</u> 100%
MEDIAN INCOME (000)	\$107.1
RESIDENCE Arizona Metro Phoenix Other Arizona	30% 24 6

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Other State West California Washington Colorado Nevada New Mexico Utah Oregon Montana Alaska	61% 20 10 3 2 1 1 1 1 1
Midwest Ohio Minnesota Illinois Michigan Missouri Wisconsin Indiana Kansas Nebraska North Dakota Iowa	16 4 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 *
Northeast New Jersey Pennsylvania New York Massachusetts Connecticut New Hampshire	13 4 3 2 2 1 1
South Texas Florida Georgia Kentucky North Carolina Alabama Oklahoma Mississippi Louisiana Maryland District of Columbia	12 3 3 1 1 1 1 * *
Foreign Canada United Kingdom Austria Sweden Scotland Mexico Netherlands India Japan	9 4 1 1 1 1 * * *

* Indicates % less than .5

TRIP CHARACTERISTICS

The trip characteristics of Sedona visitors are described on the next several pages.

LENGTH OF VISIT

Thirty-seven percent of Sedona visitors were day trippers while 63 percent were over-night visitors. Day trippers accounted for 25 percent of out-of-state visitors and 65 percent of Arizona visitors. The typical out-of-state visitor spent 3.1 nights in Sedona, while the typical Arizona visitor spent less than one night.

TABLE 2: LENGTH OF VISIT

"How many nights, in total, will you spend in Sedona on your trip?"

RESIDENCE

	TOTAL	Out-of- State	Arizona
Day trip 1 to 2 3 to 4 5 to 7	37% 24 22 15	25% 23 29 20	65% 27 4 4
8 or over		<u>3</u> 100%	_ <u>0</u> 100%
MEDIAN	NA	3.1	<1.0

PRIMARY DESTINATION

Sedona was the primary destination of 59 percent of visitors followed by metro Phoenix (18%) and the Grand Canyon (15%).

TABLE 3: PRIMARY DESTINATION

"Is Sedona your primary destination during your trip to Arizona or is some other place in Arizona your primary destination?"

"What other place in Arizona is your primary destination?"

(AMONG OUT OF STATE VISITORS)

Sedona	59%
Other place Metro Phoenix Grand Canyon Northern Arizona Southern Arizona	41 18 15 5 3

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# **MODE OF TRANSPORTATION**

The vast majority of visitors (94%) arrived in Sedona by personal vehicle, while five percent arrive by bus and one percent by private car service.

# **TABLE 4: MODE OF TRANSPORTATION**

"Did you arrive in Sedona by personal vehicle, by tour bus or in some other manner?"

## **RESIDENCE**

|                     |       | Out-of- |         |
|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|
|                     | TOTAL | State   | Arizona |
|                     |       |         |         |
| Personal vehicle    | 94%   | 93%     | 98%     |
| Tour bus            | 5     | 6       | 2       |
| Private car service | 1     | 1       | 0       |
| Airplane            | *     | *       | 0       |
| •                   | 100%  | 100%    | 100%    |

\*Indicates % less than .5

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Seventy-one percent of overnight Sedona visitors stay at either a limited-service hotel or motel (38%) or a full-service hotel (33%).

# **TABLE 5: ACCOMMODATIONS**

"During your visit to Sedona, are you staying in a..."

| Limited-service hotel or motel | 38%  |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Full-service hotel             | 33   |
| Timeshare                      | 10   |
| Private home as a guest        | 8    |
| Rental vacation home           | 5    |
| Bed and Breakfast              | 3    |
| Campground/RV park             | 3    |
|                                | 100% |

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TRAVEL PARTY CONFIGURATION

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The typical travel party size among visitors is 2.0 people, with nearly one-third of all parties (62%) containing one or two individuals. The data also reveals that 43 percent of travel parties contained individuals between 50 and 64 and 36 percent individuals 65 or over.

TABLE 6: TRAVEL PARTY CONFIGURATION

"Including yourself, how many people in your traveling party are. . ."

| PARTY SIZE | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| 1 to 2 | 62% |
| 3 to 4 | 25 |
| 5 or more | <u>13</u> |
| | 100% |
| | |
| MEDIAN | 2.0 |
| % OF PARTIES CONTAINING PERSONS OF FOLLOWING AGES 5 or younger 6 to 17 18 to 34 35 to 49 50 to 64 | 12%
11
16
37
43 |
| 65 or over | 36 |

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# TRIP PURPOSE

Ninety-seven percent of visitors are leisure travelers, while only three percent are business travelers.

# **TABLE 7: TRIP PURPOSE**

"Next, which <u>one</u> of the following categories best describes the primary purpose of your visit to Sedona?" "And for what other reasons are you visiting Sedona?"

|                                                                                         | PRIMARY<br>PURPOSE | TOTAL<br>Purposes    |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--|
| LEISURE                                                                                 | 97%                | 100%                 |  |
| Pleasure/vacation<br>Special event<br>Visit friends/relatives<br>Personal reason/health | 89<br>4<br>3<br>1  | 97<br>14<br>27<br>11 |  |
| BUSINESS/CONVENTION                                                                     | 3%                 | 12%                  |  |

## TRIP SPENDING PATTERNS

The typical overnight Sedona visitor party spent \$508 per day while in Sedona, while median daily spending by day trippers was \$175.

# **TABLE 8: TRIP SPENDING PATTERNS**

"Now I'd like to get some idea of your spending patterns while you are in Sedona. Thinking about a <u>typical day</u> during your visit, on average, how much will you and your travel party spend each day on the following items? When responding, please include the combined spending for all members of your travel party."

| VISITOR T | YPE |
|-----------|-----|
|-----------|-----|

|                       | Overnight Visitors | Day<br>Trippers |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|                       |                    |                 |
| Under \$100           | 4%                 | 26%             |
| \$100 to \$199        | 6                  | 32              |
| \$200 to \$299        | 9                  | 13              |
| \$300 to \$399        | 14                 | 14              |
| \$400 to \$499        | 16                 | 6               |
| \$500 to \$749        | 31                 | 5               |
| \$750 or over         | <u>20</u>          | 4               |
|                       | 100%               | 100%            |
| MEDIAN DAILY SPENDING |                    |                 |
| PER PARTY/PER DAY     | \$508              | \$175           |

## **ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN**

When overnight Sedona visitors are asked to indicate if they participated in each of 13 specific activities during their visit, sightseeing leads the list (85%) followed by dining (73%), shopping (58%) and hiking/biking (56%). These four activities are also the most participated in among day trippers.

# **TABLE 9: ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN**

"Next, which of the activities listed on this card (HAND R CARD A) have you, or will you, participate in during your stay in Sedona?"

# **VISITOR TYPE**

|                                       | TOTAL | Overnight<br>Visitors | Day<br>Trippers |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-----------------|
|                                       |       |                       |                 |
| Sightseeing                           | 80%   | 85%                   | 71%             |
| Dining                                | 72    | 73                    | 70              |
| Shopping                              | 55    | 58                    | 51              |
| Hiking, biking                        | 50    | 56                    | 38              |
| Art galleries and museums             | 30    | 39                    | 14              |
| Land tours                            | 29    | 31                    | 26              |
| Spiritual or metaphysical activities  |       |                       |                 |
| (reading, healing, classes, vortexes) | 11    | 12                    | 9               |
| Camping, picnicking                   | 5     | 6                     | 4               |
| Special events                        | 5     | 8                     | 2               |
| Spa/treatment                         | 4     | 6                     | 2               |
| Air tour                              | 3     | 4                     | 2               |
| Special occasion                      | 3     | 4                     | 1               |
| Golf                                  | 2     | 2                     | 2               |

On the following table it may be seen that participation differs somewhat by visitor gender and age.

# TABLE 10: ACTIVITIES PARTICIPATED IN - DETAIL

|                                                                                                                                         |                                   | <u>GENDER</u>                     |                                   |                                     | <u>A</u>                          | <u>GE</u>                         |                                   |  |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|
|                                                                                                                                         | Total                             | Male                              | Female                            | Under<br>35                         | 35 to<br>49                       | 55 to<br>64                       | 65 or<br>Over                     |  |  |
| Sightseeing Dining Shopping Hiking, Biking Art galleries and museums Land tours Spiritual or metaphysical activities (reading, healing, | 80%<br>72<br>55<br>50<br>30<br>29 | 78%<br>74<br>54<br>52<br>30<br>27 | 82%<br>71<br>57<br>47<br>30<br>32 | 92%<br>82<br>48<br>76<br>36<br>24   | 81%<br>62<br>51<br>65<br>27<br>24 | 76%<br>84<br>59<br>44<br>29<br>31 | 80%<br>64<br>57<br>33<br>33<br>35 |  |  |
| classes, vortexes) Camping, Picnicking Special events Spa/treatment Air Tour Special occasion Golf                                      | 11<br>5<br>5<br>4<br>3<br>3<br>2  | 9<br>7<br>5<br>4<br>3<br>4        | 13<br>4<br>6<br>4<br>3<br>1<br>3  | 12<br>20<br>8<br>12<br>12<br>0<br>0 | 18<br>4<br>5<br>4<br>3<br>2<br>3  | 6<br>2<br>10<br>4<br>2<br>6<br>2  | 9<br>7<br>1<br>2<br>2<br>1<br>1   |  |  |

# **EVALUATION OF SEDONA AS A TRAVEL DESTINATION**

Over nine out of ten visitors (97%) rate Sedona as either an excellent (67%) or good (30%) travel destination compared to other areas they have visited. In comparison, only two percent rate the town as just okay and no visitor rates it as poor.

The main reasons that visitors offer only a just okay rating are: limited parking (2 responses), overpriced (1), limited tourist attractions/activities (1), traffic (1), too commercial (1), poor public transit (1) and limited number of restaurants (1).

# TABLE 11: SEDONA COMPARED TO OTHER AREAS VISITED

"Next, overall how would you rate Sedona as a travel destination compared to other areas you visit – excellent, good, just ok or poor?"

|                                                                                                 | Excel-<br>lent       | Good                 | Just<br>Ok       | Poor             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| TOTAL                                                                                           | 68%                  | 30%                  | 2%               | 0%               |
| GENDER<br>Male<br>Female                                                                        | 65<br>72             | 32<br>28             | 3                | 0<br>0           |
| AGE<br>Under 35<br>35 to 49<br>55 to 64<br>65 or over                                           | 87<br>61<br>72<br>67 | 13<br>37<br>24<br>32 | 0<br>2<br>4<br>1 | 0<br>0<br>0      |
| INCOME<br>Under \$75,000<br>\$70,000 to \$99,999<br>\$100,000 to \$149,999<br>\$150,000 or over | 68<br>58<br>67<br>71 | 28<br>39<br>31<br>29 | 4<br>3<br>2<br>0 | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0 |
| VISITOR TYPE Overnight Day Tripper                                                              | 70<br>65             | 29<br>32             | 1<br>3           | 0<br>0           |

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates % less than .5.

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### **CHANGES IN SEDONA**

Fifty percent of all visitors had been in Sedona more than once in the past three years – 84 percent among Arizona residents and 35 percent among out-of-state residents.

# TABLE 12: SEDONA TRIPS PAST THREE YEARS

"Including this trip, how many times have you been in the Sedona area in the past three years?"

## RESIDENCE

|                       | TOTAL   | Out-of-<br>State | Arizona  |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------|----------|
| One                   | 50%     | 65%              | 16%      |
| Two                   | 14      | 16               | 10       |
| Three<br>Four or more | 8<br>28 | 6<br>13          | 13<br>61 |
|                       | 100%    | 100%             | 100%     |

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Forty-one percent of visitors who have made multiple trips to Sedona in the past three years believe that it has become a more desirable vacation destination over the years, while 19 percent believe it has become a less desirable destination. Out-of-state visitors are more positive in their response (+22 net more desirable) than Arizona residents (+13).

TABLE 13: CHANGE IN SEDONA OVER TIME

(AMONG THOSE HAVE MADE MULTIPLE VISITS)

"Compared to prior visits you have made to Sedona; would you say the area has become a more desirable or a less desirable vacation destination or hasn't it changed much one way or the other?"

RESIDENCE

	Out-of-					
	TOTAL	State	Arizona			
More No change Less	41% 40 <u>19</u> 100%	46% 38 <u>16</u> 100%	36% 41 <u>23</u> 100%			
NET MORE DESIRABLE	+22	+30	+13			

Continuing with this line of questioning, visitors who indicated that Sedona had become more or less desirable were asked why. On the positive side, the most frequently mentioned response was that Sedona has become more beautiful (32%), while on the negative side the lack of parking (42%) and traffic congestion (39%) lead the list.

TABLE 14: REASONS SEDONA (MORE/LESS) DESIRABLE

"Why do you feel it has become a (more/less) desirable vacation destination?"

MORE DESIRABLE

	TOTAL
More beautiful	32%
Close to home/local get away	14
More shopping	13
General positive – just love it	11
Less traffic congestion	9
Quiet/peaceful/laid back	
atmosphere	9
Improved hiking trails	7
More upscale/classier	5
More restaurants	5
Wider variety of things to do	4
More art galleries	2
(Base)	(56)

LESS DESIRABLE

Lack of parking Traffic congestion Too crowded Too expensive	42% 39 19 15
(Base)	(26)

THINGS MOST/LEAST APPEALING ABOUT SEDONA

As always has been the case, Sedona's sheer beauty, with a reading of 73 percent, is by far and away the thing about Sedona visitors like the most.

TABLE 15: THINGS LIKED MOST ABOUT SEDONA

"What is the one thing you like most about Sedona?"

Scenic beauty	73%
Weather	10
Shopping	6
Relaxed/laid back atmosphere	6
Vortex – spiritual healing	5
Hiking/biking trails	5
Chapel of The Holy Cross	4
Family/friend live in Sedona	3
Close to home/local get away	3
Friendly people	2
Clean/well kept	2
Outdoor recreation activities	1
Art galleries	1
Restaurants	1
Lots of bathrooms	1
Hotels/resorts	1

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On the negative side, lack of parking (18%) and traffic congestion (19%) are the least appealing things about Sedona. Note, however, that four out of ten visitors (40%) say there is nothing about Sedona that is not appealing.

# TABLE 16: THINGS LEAST APPEALING ABOUT SEDONA

"And what is the one thing you find least appealing about Sedona?"

| Nothing                         | 40% |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Traffic congestion              | 19  |
| Lack of parking                 | 18  |
| Too crowded                     | 6   |
| Too expensive                   | 5   |
| Too much commercialism          | 4   |
| Weather                         | 2   |
| Limited shopping                | 1   |
| Limited restaurants             | 1   |
| Poor public transit             | 1   |
| Hiking trails – limited, unsafe | 1   |
| Rude/snobby people              | 1   |
| Too spiritual                   | 1   |
|                                 |     |

## **USE OF CHAMBER WEBSITE**

Thirteen percent of visitors indicate that they visited the Chamber's website prior to their visit.

# TABLE 17: USE OF CHAMBER WEBSITE

"Did you visit the Sedona Chamber of Commerce website, "VisitSedona.com", for information about Sedona prior to this visit?"

|                                                                                                 | % YES                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| TOTAL                                                                                           | 13%                  |
| GENDER                                                                                          |                      |
| Male                                                                                            | 14                   |
| Female                                                                                          | 12                   |
| AGE<br>Under 35<br>35 to 49<br>50 to 64<br>65 or over                                           | 12<br>9<br>19<br>13  |
| INCOME<br>Under \$75,000<br>\$70,000 to \$99,999<br>\$100,000 or \$149,999<br>\$150,000 or over | 11<br>10<br>10<br>13 |
| VISITOR TYPE                                                                                    |                      |
| Overnight                                                                                       | 13                   |
| Day Tripper                                                                                     | 13                   |

## **SELECTED ATTITUDES ABOUT SEDONA**

Sedona is viewed as eco-friendly (92% agree) but also as having too much traffic (70% agree) and not enough parking (52% disagree that it has enough). Further, 57 percent of visitors reveal an interest in a low-cost shuttle while 63 percent reveal an interest in a free shuttle. Nearly one-third of visitors (31%) show an interest in using a bike sharing service if it were available.

# TABLE 18: SELECTED ATTITUDES ABOUT SEDONA

"Next, do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each of the following statements?"

|                                          |          |       |       | Strongly |      |       |
|------------------------------------------|----------|-------|-------|----------|------|-------|
|                                          | Strongly |       | Dis-  | Dis-     | Not  | TOTAL |
|                                          | Agree    | Agree | Agree | Agree    | Sure | AGREE |
| Sedona seems like an eco-friendly        | <u>-</u> |       |       |          |      |       |
| destination                              | 34%      | 58%   | 3%    | 2%       | 3%   | 92%   |
| There is too much traffic in Sedona      | 34       | 36    | 21    | 3        | 6    | 70    |
| If a free visitor shuttle were available |          |       |       |          |      |       |
| in Sedona, I'd use it                    | 17       | 46    | 25    | 9        | 3    | 63    |
| If a low cost visitor shuttle were       |          |       |       |          |      |       |
| available in Sedona, I'd use it          | 15       | 42    | 29    | 12       | 2    | 57    |
| There is adequate parking in Sedona      | 3        | 37    | 28    | 24       | 8    | 40    |
| If a bike sharing service was available  |          |       |       |          |      |       |
| in Sedona, I would use it                | 9        | 22    | 42    | 23       | 4    | 31    |

<sup>\*</sup>Strongly Agree + Agree

# **APPENDIX**

SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

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# SEDONA VISITOR INTERCEPT STUDY

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Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm with the Behavior Research Center. We are conducting a brief study for the Sedona Chamber of Commerce and I'd like to speak with you for a few moments. Are you a resident of the Sedona area or are you a visitor? (IF RESIDENT -- THANK & TERMINATE; IF VISITOR -- CONTINUE) To begin, do you live in Arizona, in another state or in another country? Arizona...1 Other state...2 Other country...3 1a. In what (city/state/country) do you live? (IF LIVE IN OTHER STATE/COUNTRY, GO TO Q2: IF LIVE IN AZ. GO TO Q3) 2. Is Sedona your primary destination during your trip to Sedona...1 (GO TO Q3) (GO TO Q2a) Some other place...2 Arizona or is some other place in Arizona your primary destination? 2a. What other place in Arizona is your primary destination? 3. How many nights, in total, will you spend in Sedona on this trip? (GO TO Q3a) NIGHTS: / (GO TO Q4) Day trip...99 A full-service hotel...1 3a. During your visit to Sedona, are you staying in . . .(READ EACH) A limited-service hotel or motel...2 A bed and breakfast...3 A private home as a quest...4 A rented vacation home...5 A timeshare...6 Or a campground or RV park...7 Other (SPECIFY) Did you arrive in Sedona by personal vehicle, by tour bus or in Personal vehicle...1 some other manner? Tour bus...2 Other (SPECIFY) Including yourself, how many people in your traveling party are. . 5 or younger: (READ EACH) 6 to 17: 18 to 34:\_\_\_\_ 35 to 49: \_ 50 to 64: 65 or over: (DO NOT READ) TOTAL: 6. Next, which one of the following categories best describes the primary purpose of your visit to Sedona? (READ EACH) 6a. And for what other reasons are you visiting Sedona? (CIRCLE Q6 Q6a ALL Primary Secondary MENTIONED) A. Pleasure or vacation ......1 B. Visit friends or relatives ......2 2 C. Personal reasons such as health......3 3 D. Special event.....4 4 E. Business meetings or a convention ......5 7. What is the one thing you like most about Sedona?

| 8   | . And                      | I what is the one thing you find least appealing about Sedona?                                                                                            |                                 |                            | - <u>-</u>                 |                            |
|-----|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 9.  |                            | you visit the Sedona Chamber of Commerce website, "VisitSedona.com", for infolona prior to this visit?                                                    | rmation a                       | bout                       | <u> </u>                   | Yes1<br>No2                |
| 10. | Incl                       | uding this trip, how many times have you been in the Sedona area in the past thre                                                                         | ee years?                       | 1                          | NUMBER:                    |                            |
|     |                            | (IF MORE THAN 1 VISIT, GO TO Q10a; OTHERWISE O                                                                                                            | 30 TO Q1                        | 1)                         |                            |                            |
|     | 10a.                       | Compared to prior visits you have made to Sedona, would you say the area haless desirable vacation destination or hasn't it changed much one way or the o |                                 |                            | esirable or a              | More                       |
|     | 10b.                       | Why do you feel it has become a (more/less) desirable vacation destination?                                                                               |                                 |                            |                            | Less<br>Not sure           |
| 1.  |                            | et, overall how would you rate Sedona as a travel destination compared to other as you visit – excellent, good, just ok or poor?                          |                                 | (GO TO                     | ,                          | cellent1 Good2 Just ok3    |
|     | 11a. \                     | Why do you rate Sedona as (just ok/poor)?                                                                                                                 |                                 | (GO                        | TO12) N                    | Poor4<br>ot sure5          |
| 2.  | Nex<br>Sedor<br>A          | B C D E F G H                                                                                                                                             | ach activi                      |                            |                            | our stay i                 |
| 3.  | Nex                        | ct, do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with each the follow<br>Strongly<br>Agree                                                 | ving state<br>Agree             | ments? (R<br>Dis-<br>agree | Strongly Dis- agree        | Not<br>Sure                |
|     | A.<br>B.<br>C.<br>D.<br>E. | There is adequate parking in Sedona                                                                                                                       | 2<br>2<br>2<br>2<br>2<br>2<br>2 | 3<br>3<br>3<br>3<br>3<br>3 | 4<br>4<br>4<br>4<br>4<br>4 | 5<br>5<br>5<br>5<br>5<br>5 |

| 14. | on av                    | I'd like to get some idea of your spending patterns waterage, how much are you and your travel party space the combined spending for all members of your travel. | ending each o                   | Sedona. Thinking ab<br>lay on the following i | out a <u>typical da</u><br>tems? When r | <u>y</u> du<br>espo | ıring<br>ondin | your<br>g, pl  | visit<br>ease |
|-----|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
|     | A.                       | On lodging per night                                                                                                                                             |                                 |                                               | /                                       | /                   | /              | /              | /             |
|     | B.                       | On food and beverage purchases                                                                                                                                   |                                 |                                               | /_                                      | /                   | /              | /              | /             |
|     | C.                       | On entertainment including amusement, attraction a                                                                                                               |                                 |                                               | <u>/</u>                                | /                   | /              | /              | /             |
|     | D.                       | On daily local transportation including gas, taxi, limo                                                                                                          |                                 | -                                             | 1                                       | ,                   | ,              | ,              | ,             |
|     | E.                       | transportation On retail shopping                                                                                                                                |                                 |                                               |                                         |                     |                |                | <del>-/</del> |
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| No  | w befo                   | ore we finish, I need to ask you a couple of questions                                                                                                           | for classificatio               | n purposes.                                   |                                         |                     |                |                |               |
| 15  | First                    | which one of the following categories best describes                                                                                                             | vour age? (RF                   | AD FACH)                                      |                                         |                     |                |                |               |
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| 16. |                          | inally, which one of the letters on this card (HAND R                                                                                                            |                                 |                                               | amily income for                        | last                | ,<br>year      |                | ea5           |
|     | I mea                    | an before taxes and including everyone in your house                                                                                                             | hold? Just call                 | off the letter in front of                    | of the correct am                       | ong                 | ١.             |                |               |
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|     |                          |                                                                                                                                                                  |                                 | \$75,000 to \$99,999                          |                                         |                     |                |                |               |
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| yo  | ank yo<br>u a ca<br>AME: | ou very much, that completes this interview. If we hall once you get back home? (VERIFY PHONE NUM)                                                               | ve any additior<br>BER)<br>IONE | nal questions about yo                        | our trip to Sedon<br>#:                 |                     |                | we gi          | ive           |
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| OI  | BSER                     | VED DATA:                                                                                                                                                        |                                 |                                               |                                         |                     |                | Male.<br>nale. |               |
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