



RIDGEDALE AREA -
MINNETONKA, MINNESOTA
2024 VISITOR 360
FOUNDATIONAL REPORT

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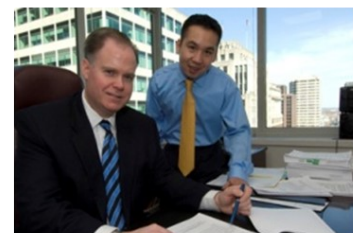
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The purpose of this report is to give decision makers reliable, consistent metrics that support strategic decisions



INTRODUCTION

Ridgedale Area of Minnetonka, Minnesota, is a dynamic place. The purpose of this report is to provide insights that help community leadership tell the right story about who visits the area, their characteristics, where they come from, and where they are going.

This report uses anonymous data to protect the privacy of visitors and residents. It uses statistical extrapolation to ensure a sound baseline about where the area stands today, comparisons to how it stood in the past, and a monitoring tool to help measure future successes and opportunities. Note that these extrapolated numbers are based on different patterns and methodologies than road counters, gate counters, staff observation, or assumptions based on historical studies, so counts may vary from those calculated from other modalities. Typically, this report has an accuracy of +/- 3-5 percent, depending on the number of people visiting the area of study.

This report can be a powerful tool to share with existing community partners, existing businesses, and businesses considering the community as a place to do work in the future. It will strengthen local planning, enhance marketing efforts for new and existing businesses, and be a valuable tool to see today's patterns of who you attract. It is a working document to help drive action. Jot notes in the margin. Brainstorm ways to influence your key metrics in the future.

Please let us know where we can make this report more clear. Special point of interest reports are available if you wish to drill into a specific location or time period. Examples include airports, parks, trails, boat launches, event centers, and more. Also, let us know if you wish to explore our other non-profit programs for benchmarking, engagement, or research; we are here for you. For more information on how Cobalt can help you adapt and thrive, visit the Cobalt website or reach out to us by email.

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How Communities Use This Information



Marketing. Sharing this information helps local businesses and other organizations better shape their outreach efforts and offerings to the people visiting the area of study. This helps the community effectively target its outreach to attract more visitors.



Measuring Progress. How have the visitor volumes and characteristics changed as changes occur in the area being studied? For example, what has been the impact of outreach efforts, new businesses, new events, new streetscaping, global pandemics?



Benchmarking: Identify the draw of other communities, venues, or festivals that are similar or aspirational. Which demographics and psychographics are attracted by an event such as a BBQ cookoff? How many people visit specific shopping areas?



Economic Impact. How many people visit an area and how far they traveled are key variables to calculate direct, indirect, and induced impacts in dollars, taxes, and jobs. Are community investments of time and resources the best use of resources compared with other alternatives?



Due Diligence: Do events asking for resources actually deliver the number of visitors they say? Are destination businesses requesting special treatment actually meaningful destinations? Do amenities such as small airports, plazas, and parks result in people visiting more locations on a trip?

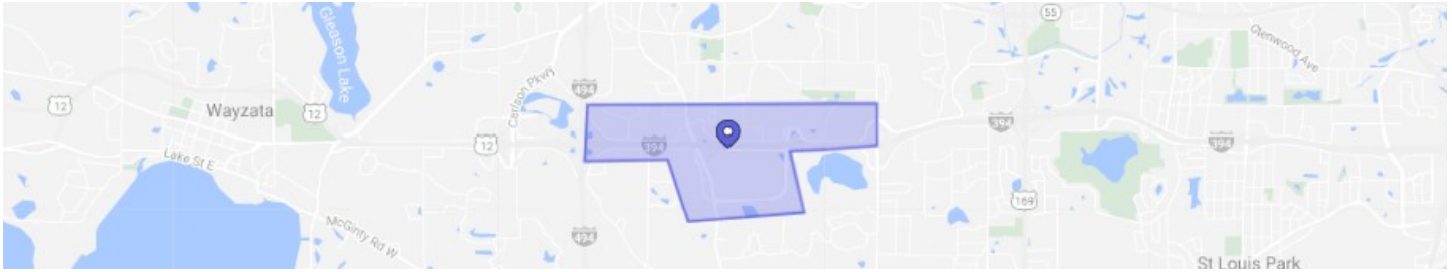


Economic Development: Provide accurate and current data on visitor volume and characteristics that are important to prospective businesses. Demonstrate the number of current and potential visitors by standardized marketing category or by demographic group. Provide information on the entire trade area.

Explore Key Populations: Communities can customize these reports to show not only visitors for specific periods in specific locations, but also employee/labor shed data and current residential data as well, long before census information is collected and updated.

PART 1:

VISITORS

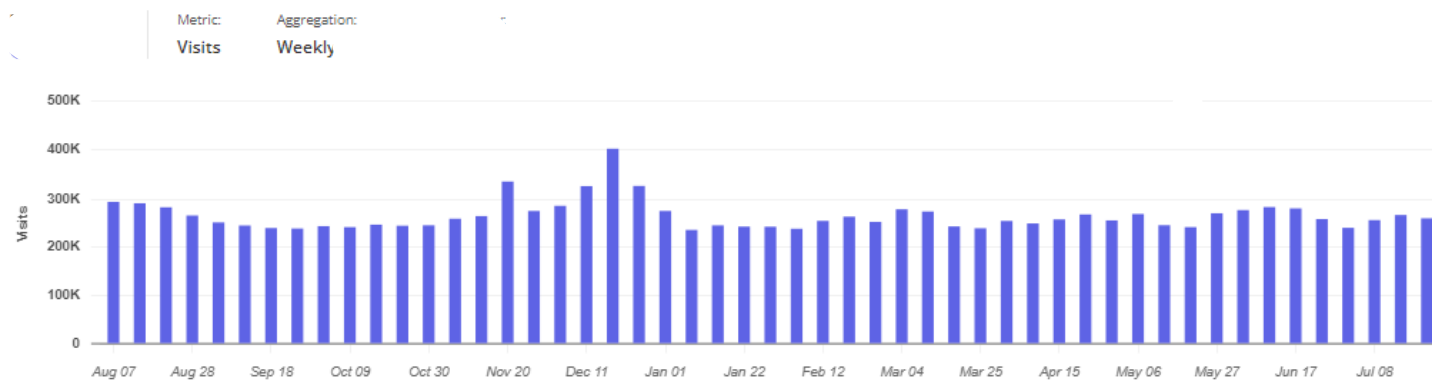


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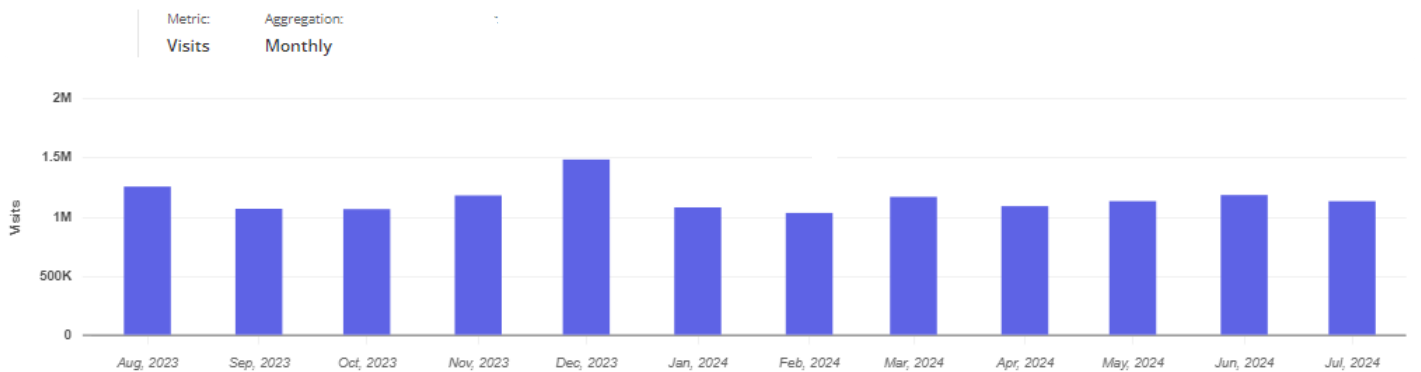
This report includes visitors in the point of interest. Visitors must have remained in the point of interest for at least 10 minutes to be counted. People are counted only once per day if they leave and return.

Total visits in study period: 13.9M Unique individuals visiting: 2.1K Average visits per individual: 6.71

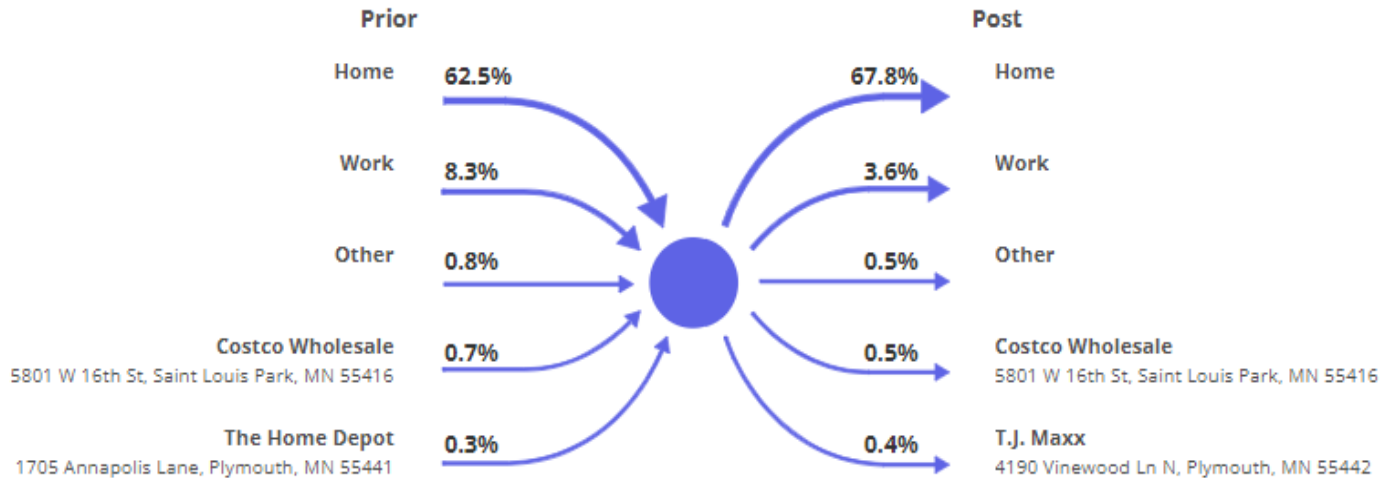
Visits Trend



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Visitor Journey

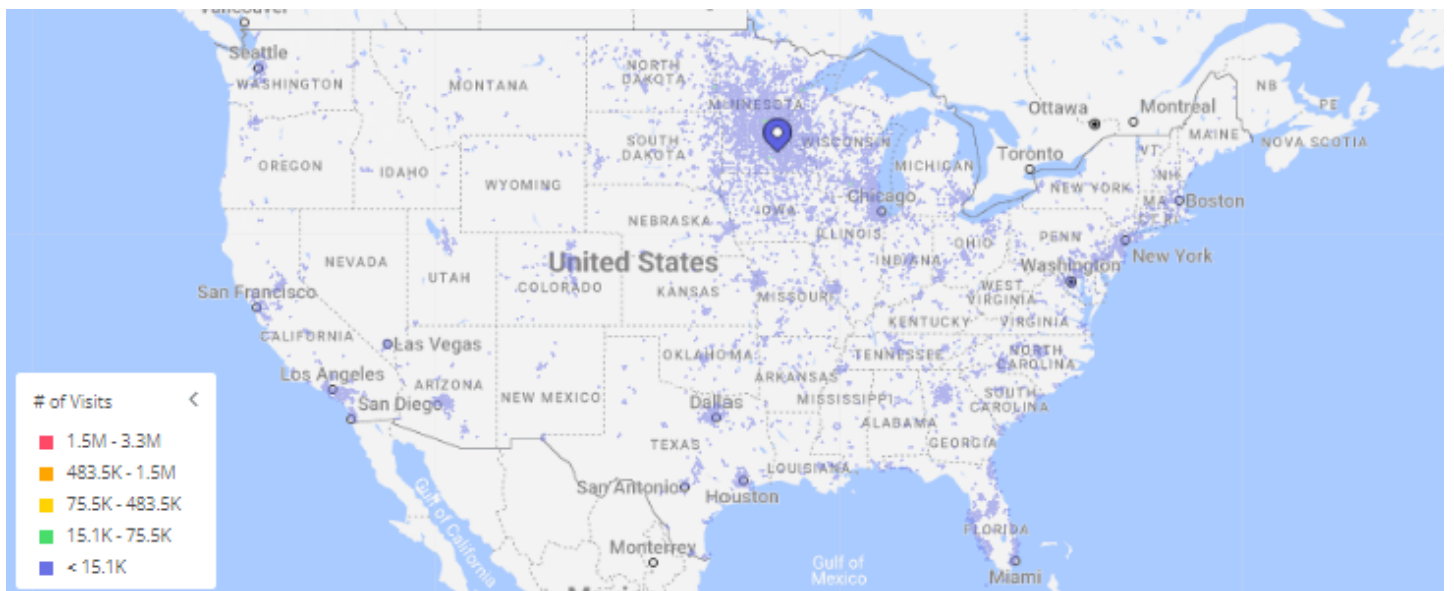
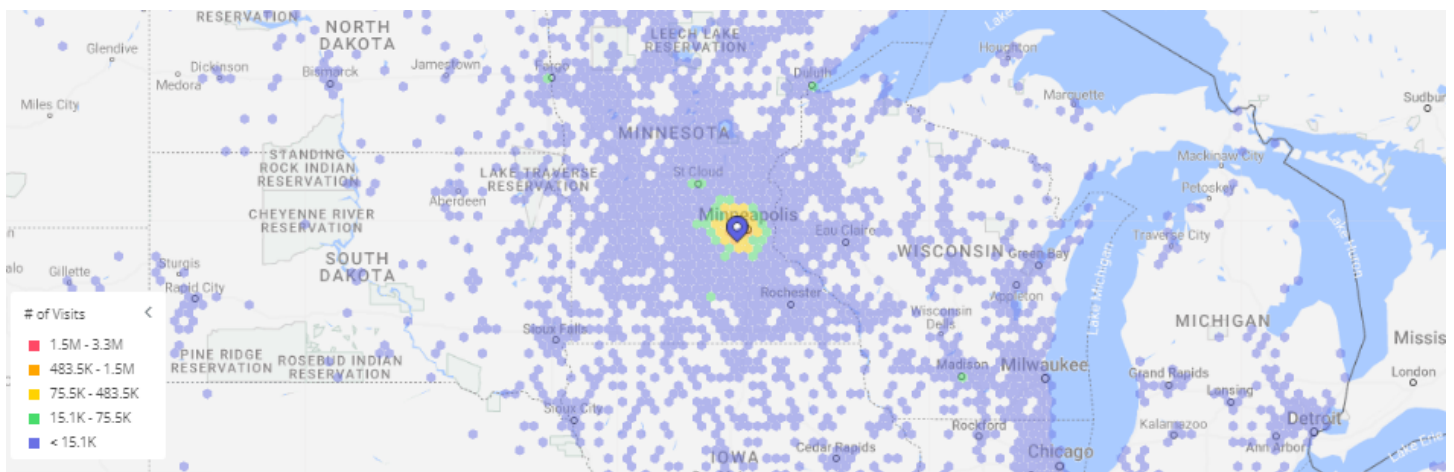
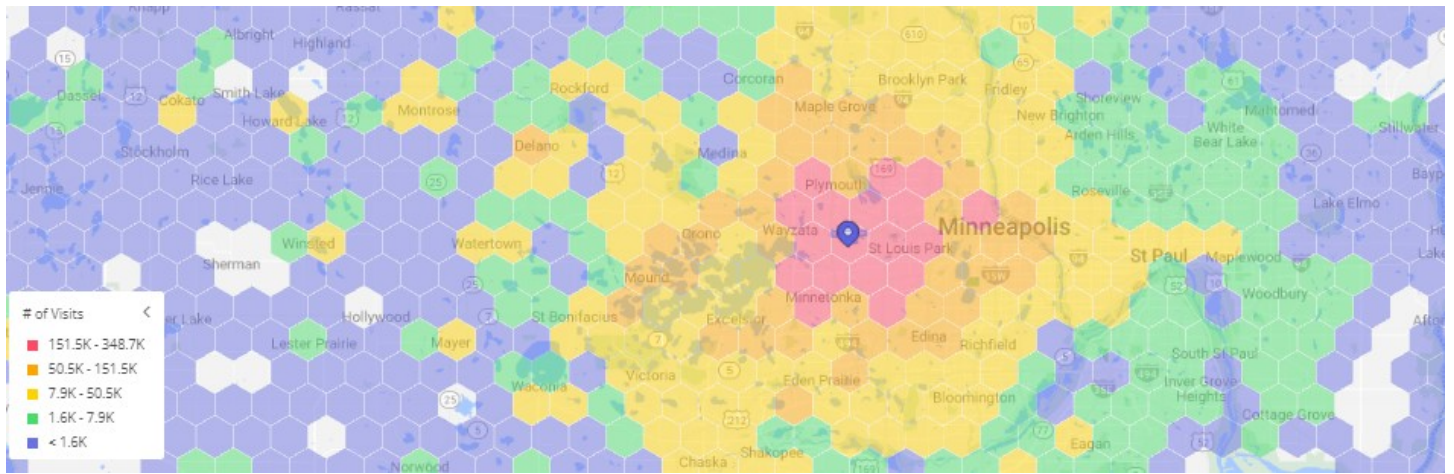


The graph above shows the percentage of people who came from the areas listed on the left to the point of interest (the central circle). The list on the right indicate the top locations they traveled to after they left the point of interest.

The table below shows the top 10 locations, excluding work and home. Note: the names of the businesses may have changed and are not current on public databases, and small properties may show higher values if they are adjacent to a property with high traffic.

Prior			Post		
Rank	Name	Foot-Traffic	Rank	Name	Foot-Traffic
1	Costco Wholesale / W 16th St, Saint Louis Park, MN	0.7%	1	Costco Wholesale / W 16th St, Saint Louis Park, MN	<0.5%
2	The Home Depot / Annapolis Lane, Plymouth, MN	<0.5%	2	T.J. Maxx / Vinewood Ln N, Plymouth, MN	<0.5%
3	Scheels / Flying Cloud Dr, Eden Prairie, MN	<0.5%	3	Target / County Road 101, Minnetonka, MN	<0.5%
4	Lunds & Byerlys / Wayzata Blvd, Wayzata, MN	<0.5%	4	Target / Highway 7, St.Louis Park, MN	<0.5%
5	Menards / Wayzata Blvd, Golden Valley, MN	<0.5%	5	Micro Center / Highway 100 S, Saint Louis Park, MN	<0.5%
6	Aldi / Cedar Lake Rd, Minnetonka, MN	<0.5%	6	Costco Wholesale / Technology Dr, Eden Prairie, MN	<0.5%
7	Costco Wholesale / Technology Dr, Eden Prairie, MN	<0.5%	7	Aldi / Cedar Lake Rd, Minnetonka, MN	<0.5%
8	The Marsh / Minnetonka Blvd, Minnetonka, MN	<0.5%	8	Target / Vinewood Ln N, Plymouth, MN	<0.5%
9	Super Moon Buffet / Wayzata Boulevard, Saint Louis Park, MN	<0.5%	9	Walmart / Singletree Ln, Eden Prairie, MN	<0.5%
10	Minneapolis - Saint Paul International Airport / Glumack Dr,...	<0.5%	10	General Store Of Minnetonka / Highway 7, Minnetonka, MN	<0.5%

The heat maps below show distance people traveled from home location.

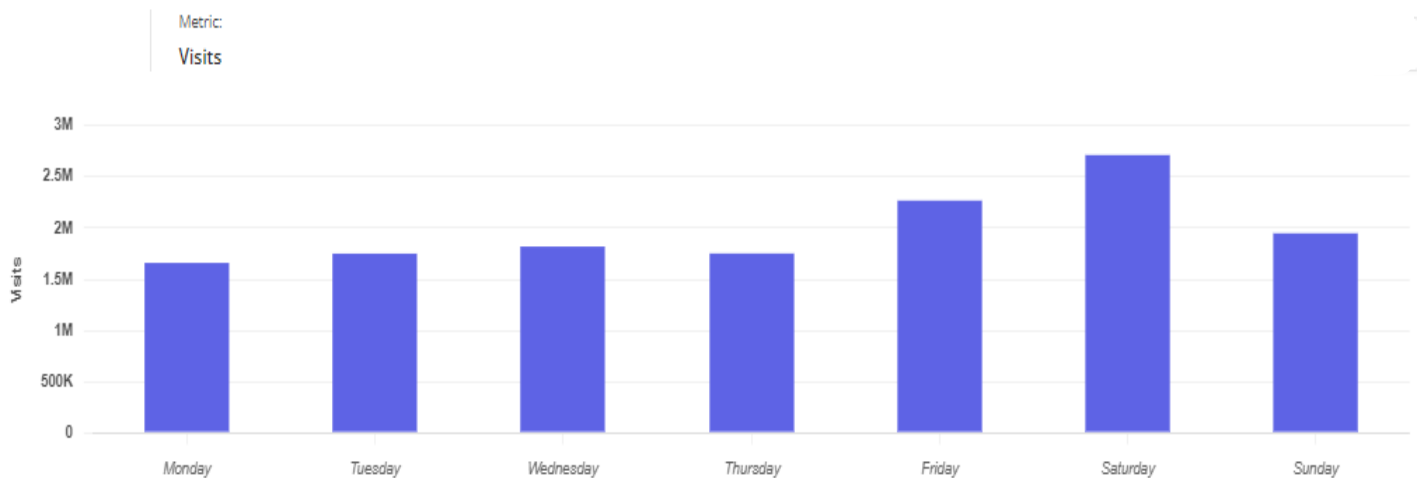


The table below shows the top 25 ZIP Codes that are home to these individuals.

ZIP Code	City	State	% of Visits	Visits
55305	Hopkins	MN	6.048	841038
55447	Minneapolis	MN	4.517	628092
55391	Minnetonka Beach	MN	4.458	619865
55426	Minneapolis	MN	4.236	589065
55441	Minneapolis	MN	3.867	537691
55345	Minnetonka	MN	3.383	470403
55427	Minneapolis	MN	3.22	447748
55446	Minneapolis	MN	2.755	383040
55343	Hopkins	MN	2.722	378503
55416	Minneapolis	MN	2.511	349175
55364	Mound	MN	2.37	329570
55422	Minneapolis	MN	2.345	326028
55311	Maple Grove	MN	2.166	301152
55331	Excelsior	MN	1.86	258588
55356	Crystal Bay	MN	1.67	232183
55369	Osseo	MN	1.217	169279
55347	Eden Prairie	MN	1.207	167893
55359	Maple Plain	MN	1.174	163270
55428	Minneapolis	MN	1.133	157558
55317	Chanhassen	MN	1.131	157209
55442	Minneapolis	MN	1.125	156434
55411	Minneapolis	MN	0.944	131245
55328	Delano	MN	0.918	127665
55405	Minneapolis	MN	0.9	125146
55346	Eden Prairie	MN	0.834	115945

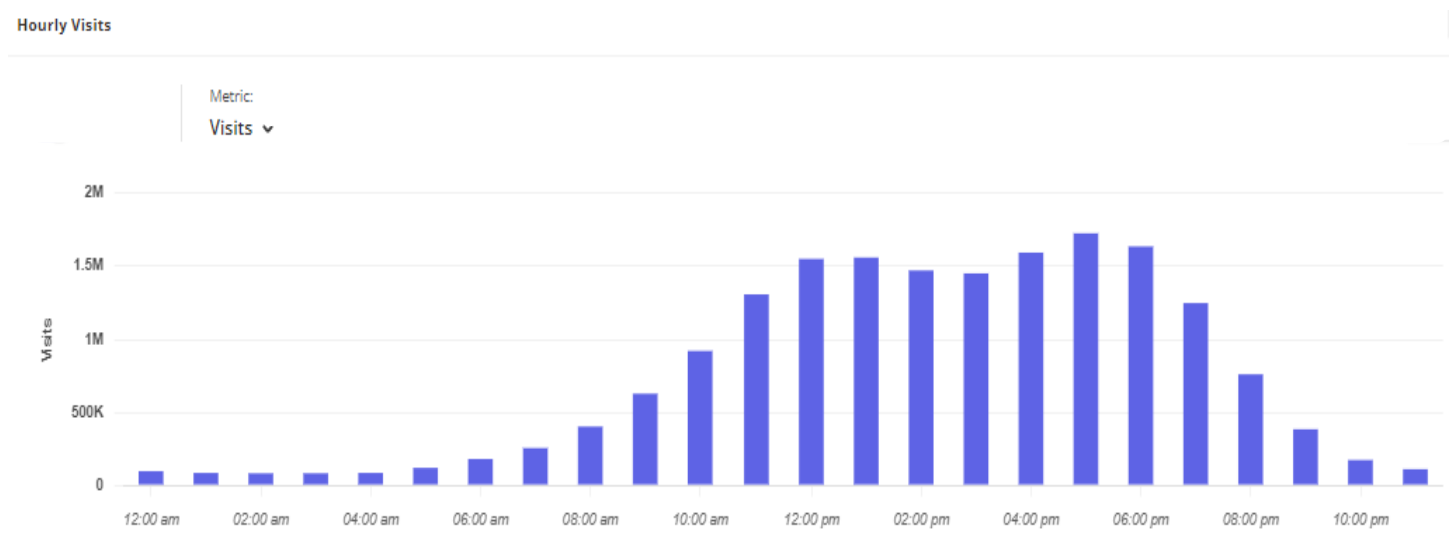
Daily Visits: Includes people who may visit more than one day per week

Daily Visits



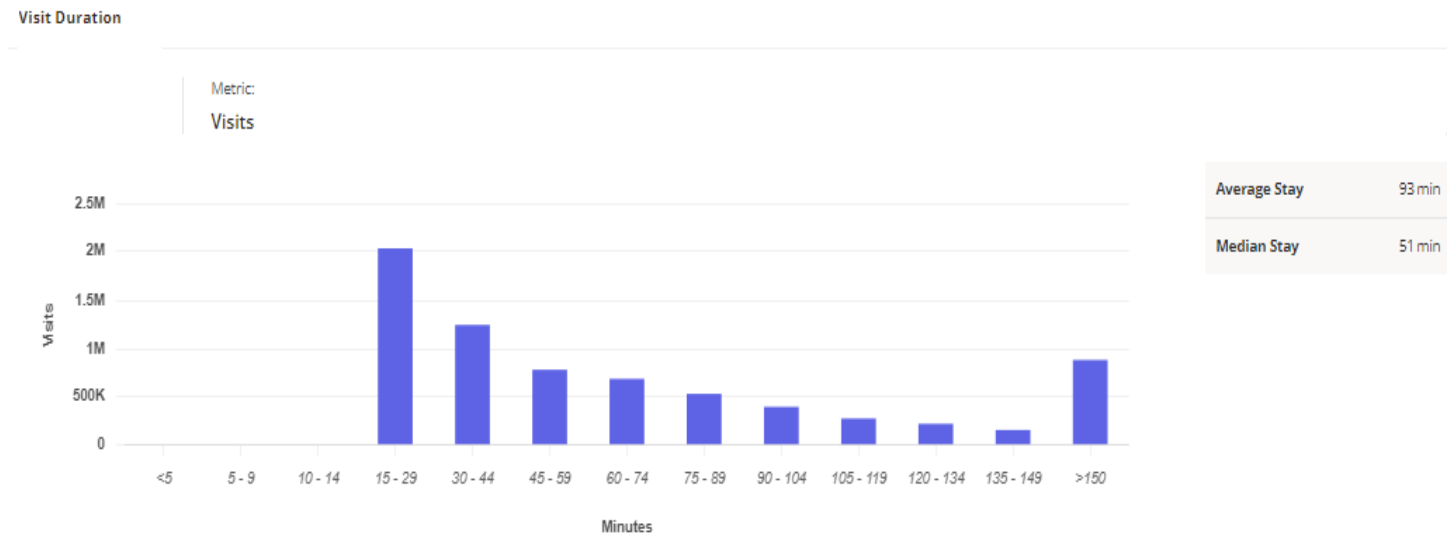
Hourly Visits. Hourly visits are not unique - since visits may overlap between hours, they can be counted in more than one time period.

Week days (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)



How long visits lasted

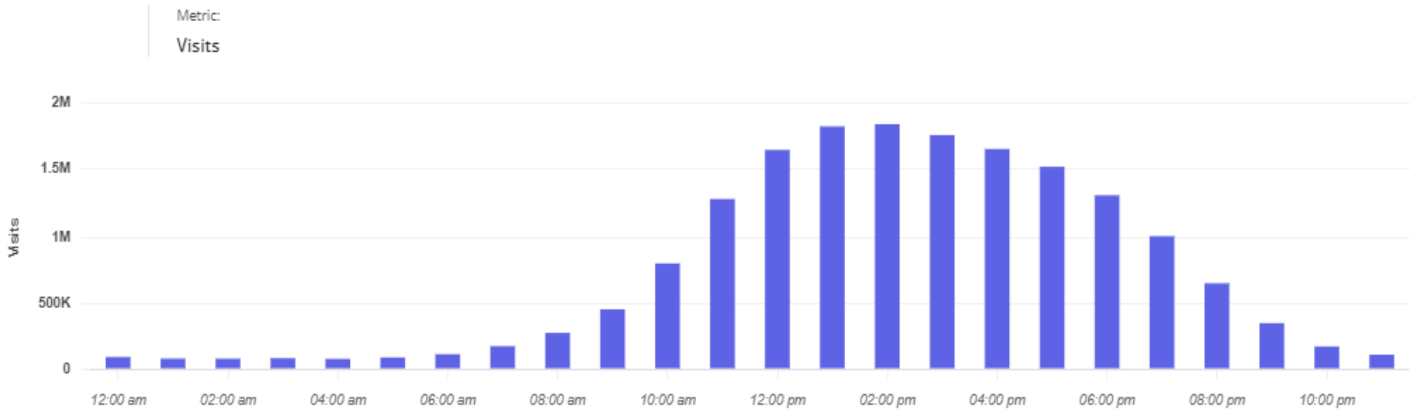
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Weekend days (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday)

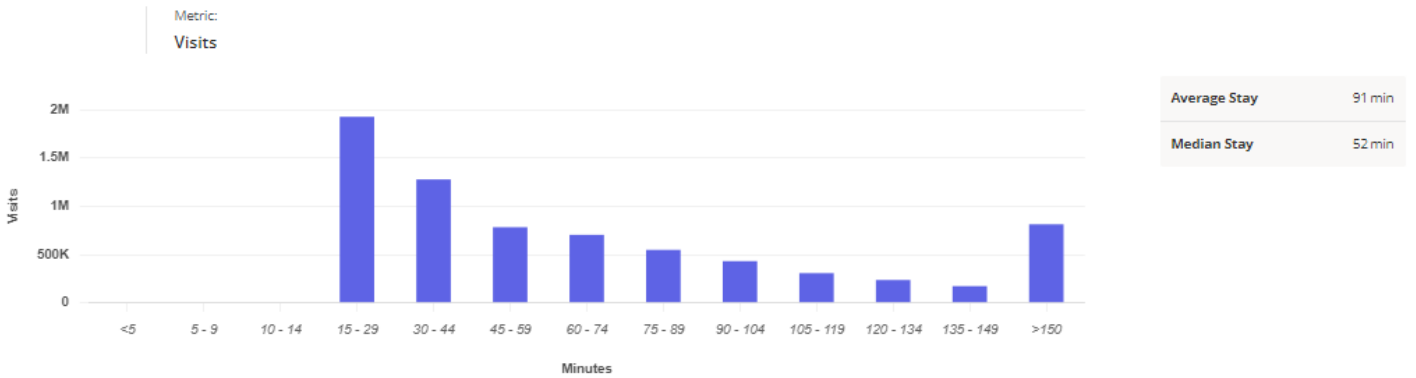
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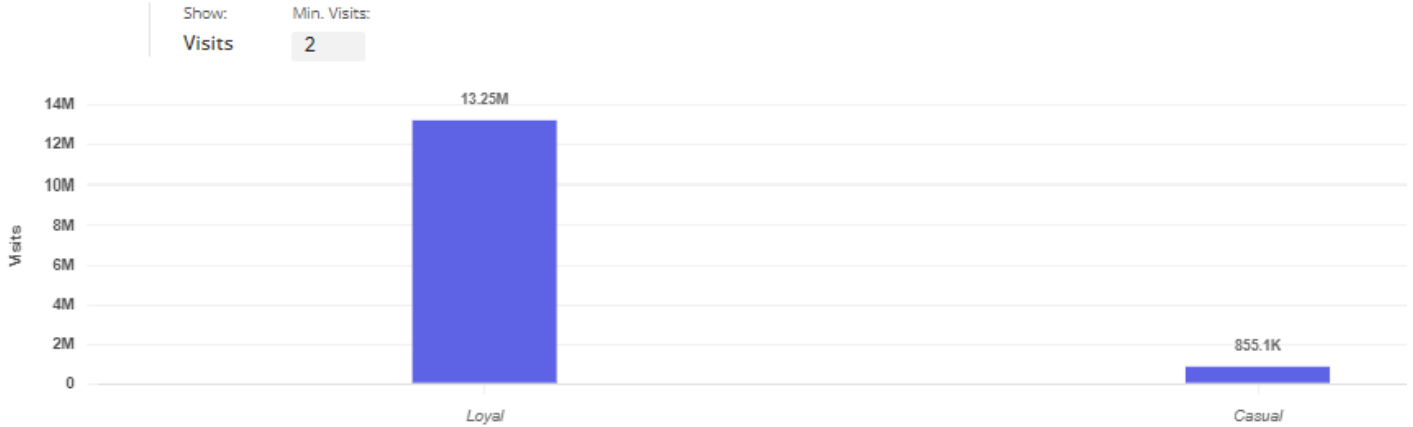
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Visit Duration

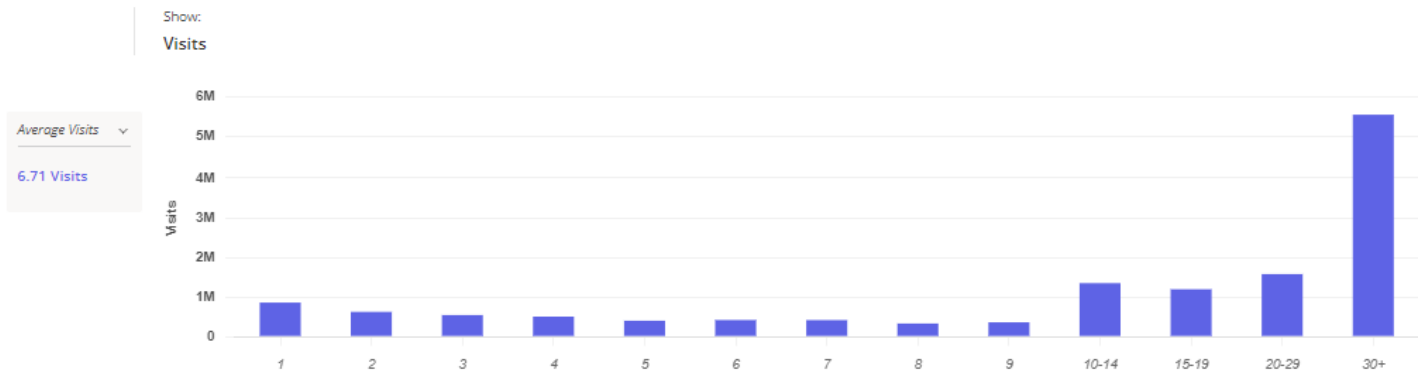


How frequently people returned to the study area during the study period.

Loyal Vs. Casual

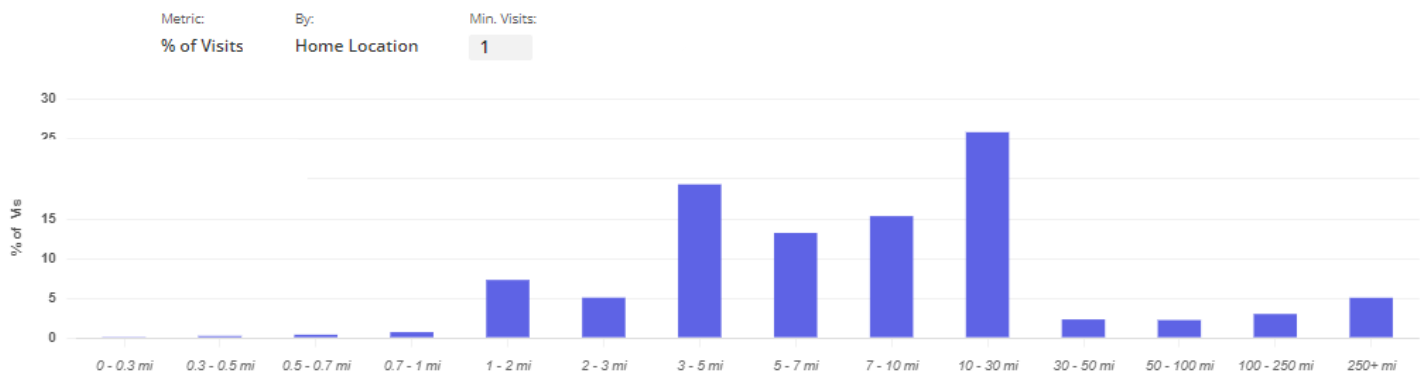


Visits Frequency



How far people traveled to reach the study area during the study period.

Trade Area Coverage by Distance



PART 2:

POPULATION SEGMENTS IN THE TRADE AREA

POTENTIAL MARKET PSYCHOGRAPHIC SEGMENTATION

The Mosaic® segmentation tool is a standardized, household-based consumer lifestyle segmentation system that offers insights to anticipate the behavior, attitudes and preferences of people to build programs, services, and messages to reach them in the most effective communication methodologies. For details, visit cobaltcommunityresearch.org/mosaic.

The following pages show the characteristics of those people who have visited your point of interest and those who share the same location and demographic profile—potential future visitors in the trade area. There are four key pieces of information: Group refers to the Mosaic segment category, which is an industry standard and there is a lot of information about it if you search for it on the internet; households refers to the count of the potential number of households in the trade area represented in the data; percentage, which represents the percentage of your visitors and potential visitors that fall into the Mosaic segment category; and the horizontal bar graph, which shows how your visiting Mosaic segment category differs from the statewide average (a value of 100 equals the state average, and anything above 100 means a draw of a larger share of those categories than the statewide average).

By Households		
* O - Singles and Starters	231,311 (11.4%)	106
G - Young City Solos	68,709 (3.4%)	115
* C - Booming with Confidence	256,650 (12.6%)	114
A - Power Elite	157,627 (7.8%)	117
* E - Thriving Boomers	184,033 (9.1%)	100
Q - Golden Year Guardians	156,518 (7.7%)	92
K - Significant Singles	60,678 (3%)	111
B - Flourishing Families	154,604 (7.6%)	115
D - Suburban Style	130,399 (6.4%)	109
J - Autumn Years	170,406 (8.4%)	79
F - Promising Families	118,373 (5.8%)	113
P - Cultural Connections	21,281 (1%)	101
H - Bourgeois Melting Pot	73,641 (3.6%)	111
S - Thrifty Habits	18,016 (0.9%)	77
L - Blue Sky Boomers	51,735 (2.5%)	81
R - Aspirational Fusion	11,085 (0.5%)	92
I - Family Union	109,443 (5.4%)	87
M - Families in Motion	21,391 (1.1%)	58
N - Pastoral Pride	34,149 (1.7%)	58

You can find details on each group at cobaltcommunityresearch.org/mosaic

The numbers in parentheses show the proportion of your visitors from the Mosaic group

* Biggest percentage of visitors



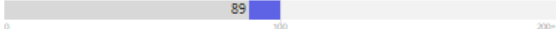
By Population		
* O - Singles and Starters	471,006 (9.3%)	105
A - Power Elite	434,935 (8.6%)	116
* C - Booming with Confidence	664,938 (13.2%)	113
G - Young City Solos	121,255 (2.4%)	114
E - Thriving Boomers	431,355 (8.6%)	99
* B - Flourishing Families	520,760 (10.3%)	114
Q - Golden Year Guardians	305,751 (6.1%)	92
D - Suburban Style	401,873 (8%)	107
K - Significant Singles	124,499 (2.5%)	110
F - Promising Families	298,006 (5.9%)	111
J - Autumn Years	385,295 (7.6%)	79
P - Cultural Connections	51,690 (1%)	101
H - Bourgeois Melting Pot	172,947 (3.4%)	111
L - Blue Sky Boomers	114,194 (2.3%)	82
S - Thrifty Habits	34,722 (0.7%)	78
I - Family Union	329,753 (6.5%)	87
R - Aspirational Fusion	22,433 (<0.5%)	94
M - Families in Motion	77,775 (1.5%)	59
N - Pastoral Pride	74,515 (1.5%)	57













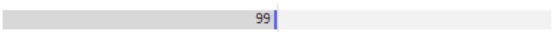


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POTENTIAL MARKET DEMOGRAPHIC SEGMENTATION

The following pages show the characteristics of those people from your point of interest and those who share the same location and demographic profile—potential future visitors in the trade area based on more traditional demographic categories. There are three key pieces of information: the first column refers to the type of information being provided; the second column that represents the value for that information; and the horizontal bar graph, which shows how your visiting and potential visiting population differs from the statewide average (a value of 100 equals the state average, and anything above 100 means a draw of a larger share of those categories than the statewide average).

Overview		
Population	5.1M	
Households	2M	
Persons per Household	2.5	101
Household Median Income	\$88,191.69	105
Household Median Disposable Income	\$74,308	104
Household Median Discretionary Income	\$56,221.29	104
Average Income Per Person	\$45,930.01	103
Median Rent	\$1,231.16	104
Median House Value	\$361,474.63	105
Households in Poverty	175,213 (8.8%)	94
Household Median Wealth	\$89,557.61	101
Average Age	40.04	99
Median Age	38.4	99
Households with Children	562,810 (28.2%)	103
High School Graduate or Higher	3.3M (93.9%)	100
Bachelor's Degree or Higher	1.4M (40.2%)	105
Pop density (per sq mi)	172	
Area (based on blockgroups)	29,616	

Population	
Population 2023 Q4	5.1M
Population 2023 Q3	5.1M
Population 2023 Q2	5.1M
Population 2023 Q1	5.1M
Population 2022 Q4	5.1M
Population 2022 Q3	5.1M
Population 2022 Q2	5M
Population 2022 Q1	5M
Population 2021 Q4	5M
Population 5 Years Forecast	5.2M
Population 10 Years Forecast	5.4M
Persons per Household	2.5 
Group Quarters	110,473 (2.2%) 
Transient Population - Average Last 4 Quarters	52,766 (1%) 
Households	
Households 2023 Q4	2M
Households 2023 Q3	2M
Households 2023 Q2	2M
Households 2023 Q1	2M
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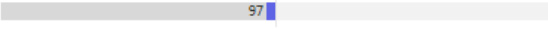
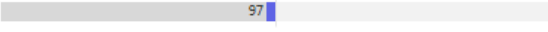


Gender		
Male	2.5M (49.5%)	 100
Female	2.6M (50.5%)	 100
Ethnicity		
White	3.9M (76.2%)	 99
Black	371,148 (7.3%)	 110
Asian	290,634 (5.7%)	 112
Other	245,535 (4.8%)	 92
Hispanic (Ethnic)	308,926 (6.1%)	 104
Household by Ethnicity		
White	1.6M (81.6%)	 99
Black	115,328 (5.8%)	 112
Asian	79,975 (4%)	 113
Other	95,466 (4.8%)	 94
Hispanic (Ethnic)	77,450 (3.9%)	 104
Language Spoken		
Speak English at Home	4.2M (87.2%)	 99
Speak Other Language at Home	419,778 (8.7%)	 108
Speak Spanish at Home	194,354 (4%)	 105

Ancestry		
Other	719,098 (14.1%)	105
German	1M (20.5%)	101
Unclassified	795,942 (15.6%)	99
Scandinavian	733,402 (14.4%)	90
Scottish/Irish	327,048 (6.4%)	104
Other European (e.g. Greek/Russian)	197,395 (3.9%)	102
British	183,720 (3.6%)	102
South Central Asian (e.g. Indian)	62,268 (1.2%)	113
Mexican	199,230 (3.9%)	104
Polish	122,618 (2.4%)	100
American	132,792 (2.6%)	101
South East Asian (e.g. Vietnamese)	149,775 (2.9%)	113
French	87,498 (1.7%)	98
Italian	66,540 (1.3%)	103
Chinese	29,477 (0.6%)	111
South American	30,788 (0.6%)	110
Dutch	41,011 (0.8%)	90
Middle Eastern	20,491 (<0.5%)	105
Other Hispanic	23,876 (<0.5%)	99
Korean	16,677 (<0.5%)	111
Central American	28,293 (0.6%)	96
Puerto Rican	17,134 (<0.5%)	107
Native American (Indian/Eskimo)	26,161 (0.5%)	54
Other Asian	27,005 (0.5%)	108
Cuban	6,584 (<0.5%)	107
Dominican	3,021 (<0.5%)	108
Japanese	5,432 (<0.5%)	109
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1,961 (<0.5%)	86

Households Income		
Household Average Income	\$115,921.46	104
Average Income Per Person	\$45,930.01	103
Household Median Income	\$88,191.69	105
<\$15K	114,773 (5.7%)	91
\$15K - \$25K	105,634 (5.3%)	92
\$25K - \$35K	117,628 (5.9%)	94
\$35K - \$50K	188,113 (9.4%)	96
\$50K - \$75K	316,220 (15.8%)	98
\$75K - \$100K	272,683 (13.7%)	99
\$100K - \$150K	404,088 (20.2%)	102
\$150K - \$175K	146,299 (7.3%)	106
\$175K - \$200K	165,006 (8.3%)	109
\$200K - \$250K	92,798 (4.6%)	108
\$250K - \$500K	39,648 (2%)	108
>\$500K	33,169 (1.7%)	108

Disposable Households Income		
Household Average Disposable Income	\$85,596	103
Household Median Disposable Income	\$74,308	104
<\$15K	125,122 (6.3%)	91
\$15K - \$25K	129,789 (6.5%)	93
\$25K - \$35K	143,467 (7.2%)	95
\$35K - \$50K	236,597 (11.9%)	97
\$50K - \$75K	373,855 (18.7%)	99
\$75K - \$100K	306,791 (15.4%)	101
\$100K - \$150K	415,426 (20.8%)	104
\$150K - \$175K	133,693 (6.7%)	110
\$175K - \$200K	38,275 (1.9%)	109
\$200K - \$250K	37,284 (1.9%)	108
\$250K - \$500K	51,231 (2.6%)	108
>\$500K	4,529 (<0.5%)	108

Age		
Average Age	40.04	99
Median Age	38.4	99
0-4	285,984 (5.6%)	101
5-13	572,125 (11.2%)	100
14-17	278,755 (5.5%)	101
18-21	283,136 (5.6%)	101
22-24	211,953 (4.2%)	102
25-29	288,433 (5.7%)	102
30-34	332,932 (6.5%)	102
35-39	349,361 (6.8%)	102
40-44	340,155 (6.7%)	102
45-49	305,645 (6%)	102
50-54	296,695 (5.8%)	102
55-59	317,395 (6.2%)	101
60-64	331,308 (6.5%)	99
65-69	299,566 (5.9%)	96
70-74	235,162 (4.6%)	95
75-79	168,585 (3.3%)	95
80-84	106,847 (2.1%)	93
85+	97,148 (1.9%)	92



















Wealth per Household		
Household Average Wealth	\$252,839.91	 101
Household Median Wealth	\$89,557.61	 101
<\$0K	332,868 (16.7%)	 100
\$0K - \$5K	157,278 (7.9%)	 99
\$5K - \$10K	86,477 (4.3%)	 100
\$10K - \$25K	124,048 (6.2%)	 100
\$25K - \$50K	135,336 (6.8%)	 100
\$50K - \$100K	204,789 (10.3%)	 100
\$100K - \$250K	367,520 (18.4%)	 100
\$250K - \$500K	273,636 (13.7%)	 100
>\$500K	314,107 (15.7%)	 101
Education (Age 25+)		
Total Educated Population	3.5M	
Elementary (0 to 8 Years)	91,999 (2.7%)	 100
Some High School (9 to 11 Years)	119,014 (3.4%)	 95
High School Graduate (12 Years)	791,706 (22.8%)	 96
Some College (13 to 16 Years)	680,990 (19.6%)	 97
Associates Degree Only	391,765 (11.3%)	 97
Bachelor's Degree Only	907,200 (26.1%)	 105
Graduate Degree	486,558 (14%)	 106

PART 3:

SPENDING PATTERNS

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The following pages show how much those people who have visited your point of interest and those who share the same location and demographic profile –potential future visitors in the trade area – spend in an average week. This is not how much they spent when they visited your point of interest, but how they generally spend their income. There are four key pieces of information: the first column refers to the spending category; the second column which provides the average weekly spending in that category; the third column is the percentage of total weekly spending is spent in that category; and the horizontal bar graph shows how your visiting population and potential visiting population differs from the statewide average (a value of 100 equals the state average, and anything above 100 means a draw of a larger share of those categories than the statewide average).

Overview			
Housing	\$124.48 (28.7%)		102
Transportation	\$119.22 (27.5%)		102
Healthcare	\$55.81 (12.9%)		102
Food	\$44.48 (10.2%)		101
Entertainment	\$27.13 (6.2%)		102
Cash Contributions	\$23.95 (5.5%)		101
Education	\$8.22 (1.9%)		102
Apparel and Services	\$7.76 (1.8%)		101
Personal Care Products and Services	\$6.11 (1.4%)		101
Miscellaneous	\$6.04 (1.4%)		101
Personal Insurance	\$4.84 (1.1%)		102
Tobacco Products and Smoking Supplies	\$3.26 (0.8%)		100
Alcoholic Beverages	\$2.11 (<0.5%)		101
Reading	\$0.8 (<0.5%)		100
Food			
At home	\$26.1 (6%)		100
Away from home	\$18.39 (4.2%)		101
Alcoholic Beverages			
At home	\$1.29 (<0.5%)		101
Away from home	\$0.83 (<0.5%)		102

Housing		
Utilities, fuels, and public services	\$52.81 (12.2%)	102
Shelter	\$32.81 (7.6%)	101
Household furnishings and equipment	\$17.99 (4.1%)	102
Household operations	\$17.06 (3.9%)	101
Housekeeping supplies	\$3.81 (0.9%)	100
Apparel and Services		
Women and girls	\$2.44 (0.6%)	101
Other apparel products and services	\$2.19 (0.5%)	102
Footwear	\$1.51 (<0.5%)	101
Men and boys	\$1.44 (<0.5%)	101
Children (Age < 2)	\$0.18 (<0.5%)	101
Transportation		
Vehicle purchases (net outlay)	\$45.17 (10.4%)	102
Other vehicle expenses	\$36.1 (8.3%)	102
Gasoline and motor oil	\$30.4 (7%)	101
Public transportation	\$7.55 (1.7%)	102
Healthcare		
Health insurance	\$42.43 (9.8%)	102
Medical services	\$9.41 (2.2%)	103
Drugs	\$2.58 (0.6%)	101
Medical supplies	\$1.39 (<0.5%)	102
Entertainment		
Television, radios, sound equipment	\$10.88 (2.5%)	102
Fees and admissions	\$7.45 (1.7%)	103
Pets, toys and playground equipment	\$7.07 (1.6%)	101
Other entertainment supplies, equipment, and services	\$1.73 (<0.5%)	102

Education		
College tuition	\$6.13 (1.4%)	102
Elementary and high school tuition	\$1.47 (<0.5%)	104
Other school expenses including rentals	\$0.27 (<0.5%)	102
Test preparation, tutoring services	\$0.21 (<0.5%)	104
Other schools tuition	\$0.14 (<0.5%)	102
School books, supplies, equipment for daycare, nursery, other	--	
School books, supplies, equipment for college	--	
School books, supplies, equipment for elementary, high school	--	
Cash Contributions		
Cash contributions to church, religious organizations	\$7.98 (1.8%)	101
Other cash gifts	\$7.57 (1.7%)	99
Cash contributions to charities and other organizations	\$4.74 (1.1%)	101
Cash contributions to educational institutions	\$1.23 (<0.5%)	106
Child support expenditures	\$1.19 (<0.5%)	102
Support for college students	\$0.98 (<0.5%)	102
Cash contributions to political organizations	\$0.26 (<0.5%)	101
Tobacco Products and Smoking Supplies		
Cigarettes	\$2.59 (0.6%)	99
Other tobacco products	\$0.66 (<0.5%)	100
Smoking accessories	\$0.01 (<0.5%)	99

Miscellaneous		
Legal fees	\$1.56 (<0.5%)	102
Accounting fees	\$1.1 (<0.5%)	101
Funeral expenses	\$0.7 (<0.5%)	99
Shopping club membership fees	\$0.64 (<0.5%)	101
Expenses for other properties	\$0.58 (<0.5%)	101
Occupational expenses	\$0.57 (<0.5%)	102
Checking accounts, other bank service charges	\$0.28 (<0.5%)	100
Lotteries and parimutuel losses	\$0.2 (<0.5%)	100
Credit card memberships	\$0.14 (<0.5%)	103
Cemetery lots, vaults, maintenance fees	\$0.14 (<0.5%)	100
Online Entertainment and games	\$0.08 (<0.5%)	101
Safe deposit box rental	\$0.04 (<0.5%)	100
Miscellaneous personal services	\$0.02 (<0.5%)	103
Dating Services	\$0.01 (<0.5%)	101
Personal Care Products and Services		
Personal care services	\$4.04 (0.9%)	101
Personal care products	\$2.07 (<0.5%)	101
Personal Insurance		
Life, endowment, annuity, other personal insurance	\$4.49 (1%)	102
Other non health insurance	\$0.35 (<0.5%)	101
Reading		
Magazine/Newspaper subscriptions	\$0.39 (<0.5%)	100
Books not through book clubs	\$0.36 (<0.5%)	101
Magazines/Newspapers, non-subscription	\$0.05 (<0.5%)	100

APPENDIX A

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

FAQ

Q: How do organizations use this information?

A: Non-profit and governmental entities strive to ensure resources are applied as optimally as possible. Data on visits to downtown areas, festivals, parks, trails, boat launches, stadiums, individual business addresses, traffic locations, etc. are very useful in planning and evaluation.

Private organizations likewise use the data to better measure and understand performance. This data are useful for the following purposes: marketing, sponsor development, partner identification, measuring progress, benchmarking other organizations/areas/events, economic impact, economic development, due diligence, grant validation, access/inclusion of various populations, and measuring non-response bias in surveys to assist in proper survey weighting.

Q: What size areas can be covered in a report?

A: The size of the area can range from one point of approximately 30 feet to an area of approximately 200 square miles. The key variable is the number of individuals who go through the area during the study period. Roughly 2,000 people should travel through the space during the study period to allow a report to be generated.

Q: How are the data collected?

A: The Visitor360 program licenses data that complies with privacy practices such as the European Union General Data Privacy Regulations (GDPR) and with the California Consumer Privacy Act of 2018 (CCPA).

Data are collected through thousands of mobile apps and millions of devices. Data collected includes elements such as geo-location data, which is scrubbed of any identifiers before being used to protect the privacy of Consumers. Data are stripped of identifiers, such as mobile advertising identifiers, names, other persistent device identifiers, and contact information associated with individuals. The process is designed to produce only aggregated and extrapolated market research reports without relying on such private information. We are committed to respecting the privacy of service users and utilize the data in a way that protects their privacy and provides insights for improvement.

Q: If data are extrapolated, how accurate is the data?

A: Because of the sampling approach, the margin of error is approximately +/- 3-5%, depending on the number of people going through the area during the study period.

Q: If there is poor cell reception, can a report still be created?

A: Yes. Many apps record location data when there is no cell or wifi connection, but then upload the data when a connection is restored.

Q: My location is small and close to other places –how precise are the data?

A: Depending on the area, resolution is typically between 30 to 100 feet

Q: Does the data include people just driving by?

A: The default for the data is to count only people that spent at least 10 minutes in the study area; however, we can also set up counters that count people regardless of how long they spent or put in a longer minimum stay requirement.

Q: Is home location based on the cell phone number or billing address?

A: Home location is based on the location in which a person spends time that matches a “home location pattern.”

Q: Can we benchmark other organizations/areas other than our own?

A: Yes

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