Introducing Knowledge Seekers...

Key Differentiators 7% Visited museums/ 93% places of **Knowledge Seekers** interest (Net) **59%** Travellers in this segment are looking to appreciate To explore and learn and understand the 92% is the main places they visit. Their benefit of trip 56% trips are typically about expanding their knowledge and Seeking stimulating their minds knowledge/culture 81% rather than resting and travel experiences 37% relaxing. They are driven (Net) by a desire to explore culture, history, Self describe 54% architecture and natural themselves as landmarks and often 22% **Knowledge Seekers** focus on sight-seeing, museums, galleries and historical sites. Knowledge Seekers Total Travellers



Who Are Knowledge Seekers?

	Knowledge Seekers %
Age:	
18-34 Years	13
35-54 Years	33
55 Or Older	54
Gender:	
Male	44
Female	56
Household Composition:	
Live alone	18
Couple with no children	54
Any children 18 or younger	16

	Knowledge Seekers
Occupation Status:	%
Employed	57
Retired	32
Homemaker/ child caring	5
Student	2
Unemployed/ disability	2
Ethnic Status:	
Born outside Canada/ US	18
Visible minority	15



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Value Metrics

	Knowledge Seekers
Average Annual Household Income	\$102,480
Average Annual Household Travel Budget	\$4,713
Average Number Of Trips In Past 12 Months	3.1
Average Trip Length (in days)	8.0
Average Party Size Per Trip	2.7
Average Spend Per Person In Travel Party	\$1,386
Maximum Spend Per Trip	\$4,486





ravel Attitudes	
Top-2-Box Agreement (Agree Strongly/Somewhat)	Knowledge
	Seekers %
I find it enriching to be exposed to the local customs and routines of people in another country	90
I like to see local architecture or city scapes that are different from my own	90
I enjoy sharing stories back home after my travels	85
I like to take my time at historical sites or museums	83
A family vacation is an important time to make family memories	80
I prefer to thoroughly plan my trips in advance	75
I like to visit small towns and villages when I travel	73
When travelling, I like to walk around and do everyday things like eating and socializing, just as the locals do	72
I tend to choose places to visit where I will be awe-struck by the sheer beauty of nature, land, mountains, seas and wildlife	70
When I travel, I like to experience arts and culture	67
I love travelling to places off the beaten path	66
I am comfortable travelling with groups of people	61
To the extent possible, I plan my pleasure travel around visiting the world's most famous sites and destinations	60
I am much more carefree while on vacation than I am at home	53
When I'm on vacation, I just do whatever I want, however I want	49
Shopping is an important part of the travel experience for me	33
When I travel, I am more interested in understanding the past than in experiencing culture as it exists now	24
I tend to get nervous or anxious when I travel	17
When travelling, I prefer to eat food that is like the food I eat at home	16
One thing that makes me uncomfortable about travelling is having to adjust to unfamiliar locations, foods, people and languages	15
I tend to prefer travel destinations that I know fairly well	12
When choosing a pleasure travel destination, I am influenced by what is currently popular	11



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Lifestyle Attitudes – Top-3-Box Agreement (8/9/10 out of 10)	Knowledge Seekers %	
I am completely open to diverse cultures, lifestyles and ideas	60	
I am generally an optimistic person	59	
I am a confident person	54	
I consider myself to be youthful in spirit	53	
My life revolves around my family	48	
I feel financially secure	47	
I am one of those who likes to have everything planned in advance	45	
I make a point of taking time to relax and unwind	43	
I need to escape my everyday life from time to time and seek new experiences	40	
I never seem to have enough time to accomplish all I need to in a day	36	
People tend to look to me for advice	36	
I love the fine arts and high culture	35	
I spend most of my leisure time at home	35	
I am more adventurous than most of my friends	32	
I am in tune with nature	32	
I often seek solitude and quiet times for contemplation	31	
It is important to me to make a good impression on others	28	
I am more physically active than most people	28	
I have lots of friends	26	
I love to be spontaneous	25	Well Above Average
I'm usually the first among my friends to try something new	17	Above Average
My life is too stressful	12	
I consider myself a follower rather than a leader	11	Below Average
I tend to be the life of the party	7	Well Below Average



Activity Profile (NETS) Trips Taken During Past 12 Months

	Knowledge Seekers	
	Total Trips	Ontario Trips
Any Activities on Trips Taken in Past 12 Months:	(%
Museums, history, galleries, sightseeing and knowledge	86	62
Botanical/ nature parks, scenic landmarks and related learning	76	48
Touring	66	41
Culinary (fine dining and wineries)	55	42
Shopping	54	37
Visiting friends/ relatives and social events	49	40
Beach, resort, spa and water	44	16
Cultural events/ festivals	36	26
Camping and related outdoor activities	27	19
Major tourist attractions (amusement/ theme parks, zoo, aquarium)	24	14
Visiting casinos or other gambling	11	10
Nightclubs and places of entertainment	10	6
Sporting events (spectator, player), golf	9	6

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Activity Profile (Detail) Trips Taken During Past 12 Months Knowledge Seekers

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	Total Trips	Ontario Trips	
Any Activities on Trips Taken in Past 12 Months:	%		
Visiting scenic landmarks	68	42	
Visiting places of historical interest	66	31	
City sightseeing on your own	64	41	
Shopping	54	37	
Visiting museums or galleries	53	29	
Visiting small towns and villages	52	26	
Dining in fine restaurants	52	36	
Visiting friends and relatives	45	33	
Organized city sightseeing	38	15	
Visiting a beach	35	11	
Visiting national or provincial nature parks	35	17	
Touring by bus, boat or train	28	8	
Attending theatre, concerts or dance shows	26	20	
Visiting a garden attraction (e.g., botanical gardens)	25	15	
Touring by car or RV	22	20	
Visiting / staying at a resort	17	5	
Attending family / social event (e.g., wedding, reunion)	16	14	
Visiting a zoo, aquarium	15	8	
Hiking / climbing	14	9	
Visiting theme/amusement park	13	8	
Wildlife / bird watching	13	5	Well Above Average
Taking a nature or science learning trip	12	5	well Above Average
Visiting casinos or other gambling	11	10	Above Average
Attending ethnic cultural events / festivals	11	5	Below Average
Visiting wineries	10	13	
Visiting night clubs or other places of entertainment	10	6	Well Below Average

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Main Activity On Trips Taken During Past 12 Months

	Knowledge Seekers	
	Total Trips	Ontario Trips
Main Activity:	c	%
Museums, history, galleries, sightseeing and knowledge	42	25
Visiting friends/ relatives and social events	39	32
Botanical/ nature parks, scenic landmarks and related learning	17	15
Beach, resort, spa and water	14	5
Touring	13	7
Major tourist attractions (amusement/ theme parks, zoo, aquarium)	6	3
Cultural events/ festivals	6	10
Camping and related outdoor activities	5	4
Culinary (fine dining and wineries)	5	5
Shopping	3	3
Sporting events (spectator, player), golf	2	2
Visiting casinos or other gambling	2	2
Nightclubs and places of entertainment	0	0
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Activity Profile – Knowledge Seekers

	Main Activities		
	Visit Landmarks	Touring	VFR
Other Activities		%	
Visiting scenic landmarks	85	52	24
Visiting places of historical interest	83	52	25
Visiting museums or galleries	54	41	25
City sightseeing on your own	51	46	30
Visiting small towns and villages	50	63	18
Shopping	41	42	35
Organized city sightseeing	40	37	4
Dining in fine restaurants	39	38	33
Visiting national or provincial nature parks	32	22	9
Touring by bus, boat or train	25	53	11
Visiting a garden attraction (e.g., botanical gardens)	17	19	10
Visiting a beach	16	20	15
Attending theatre, concerts or dance shows	15	19	8
Hiking / climbing	14	8	6
Touring by car or RV	12	28	11
Attending ethnic cultural events / festivals	10	6	4
Visiting scenic landmarks	85	52	24
Visiting places of historical interest	83	52	25
Visiting museums or galleries	54	41	25



Ben	efit Profile		
Trips	Taken During Past 12 Months	Knowledg	ge Seekers
	5	Total Trips	Ontario Trips
	Travel Benefits Sought On Trips In Past 12 Months		%
	To see or do something new and different	72	52
	To explore and learn	70	45
	To have fun and be entertained	65	54
	To create lasting memories	64	48
	To gain knowledge of history, other cultures	64	29
	To stay connected with family	51	38
	To relax and relieve stress	49	34
	To experience different ways of life	37	11
	To enrich your relationship with partner/ children	34	30
	To stimulate your mind / be intellectually challenged	31	19
	To re-energize	24	14
	To renew personal connections with people (other than family)	24	22
	To meet new people	19	8
	To be challenged physically	6	3
	To be pampered	5	4
	To seek solitude and isolation	4	3
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Sources Used To Plan Trips

	Knowledge Seekers	Difference vs. Total Travellers
	0,	6
Friends/family/ colleagues (Net)	51	+16
Brochures/pamphlets	25	+8
Travel guides/books	27	+17
Articles/features in travel magazines	11	+4
Articles/features in newspaper	7	+3
Own/previous experience	22	+3
Information from a specific attraction	9	+2
Automobile Associations	15	+6
Travel agent (in person)	9	+4
Airline	6	+2
Travel programs on TV	6	±0
TV ads	1	-4

Q. Thinking about all of the overnight pleasure trips you have taken within Ontario during the past year or so, which of the following information sources did you use when planning your travel? If you have not taken an overnight pleasure trip within Ontario, please think about your last overnight pleasure trip.

	Knowledge Seekers	Difference vs. Total Travellers	
Internet Sources Used:	%		
Any Internet (Net)	87	+5	
 Accommodation websites e.g., hotel 	50	+9	
- Online travel agencies	42	+8	
- Airline websites	36	+2	
 Official destination websites, e.g., VisitFlorida 	34	+11	
- Review sites	33	+12	
- Online blogs	7	±0	
- Social media	2	-4	
- Group buying sites, e.g., Wagjag	3	-1	
- Travel apps	2	-1	

Q. What kind of Internet sources, if any, did you use to plan your trips?



Knowledge Seekers Population Projections Geographic Markets

Segment incidence among

total adults in

each market

4.5%

5.6%

5.7%

5.2%

7.4%

	Projected number of adults 18+ in segment	Segment incidence among total adults in each market
Place of Residence:		
Total Canada	902,005	6.7%
Ontario	578,209	6.4%
GTA	312,233	7.9%
Other Ontario	260,194	5.2%
Quebec	300,668	7.9%
Montreal	225,501	7.8%
Other Quebec	75,167	7.9%
Manitoba	23,128	4.3%

Projected number of adults

18+ in segment

185,027

277,540

364,271

387,400

323,797

	Projected number of adults 18+ in segment	Segment incidence among total adults in each market
Place of Residence:		
Total US	4,880,080	4.8%
States:		
Connecticut	190,809	6.9%
Delaware	23,128	3.3%
Illinois	462,567	4.8%
Indiana	144,552	3.0%
Maryland	289,104	10.8%
Massachusetts	277,540	4.8%
Michigan	231,283	3.1%
Minnesota	213,937	5.2%
New Jersey	491,477	8.6%
New York	751,671	5.5%
Ohio	312,233	3.4%
Pennsylvania	387,400	3.5%
Virginia	393,182	9.5%
Wisconsin	225,501	5.3%
Kentucky	86,731	2.9%
New Hampshire	63,603	4.0%
North Carolina	237,065	3.3%
Rhode Island	28,910	3.5%
Vermont	11,564	2.3%
West Virginia	28,910	2.1%



Place of Residence:

Major US Markets

Philadelphia

New York City

Washington DC

Boston

Chicago

How To Reach Knowledge Seekers

	Knowledge Seekers	Difference vs. Total Travellers		Knowledge Seekers	Difference vs. Total Travellers
% reading newspaper	77%	+11	% using Internet	90%	+1
- Daily print	68%	+10	- Search engine	81%	+4
- Daily on computer	30%	-2	- Weather	59%	+6
- Daily on mobile	6%	-3	- Travel	52%	+19
% reading travel section of			- Newspapers	35%	+6
daily newspaper	34%	+14	- Entertainment	34%	-12
% reading magazine	74%	+9	Avg. # hrs. spent browsing per		
- News	32%	+14	week	11.7	-1.0
- Travel	27%	+14	% using social networks	64	-14
- Science/geography	21%	+7	- Facebook	55	-13
- Business/finance/investment	20%	+5	- Twitter	7	-7
- City (Toronto Life, etc.)	12%	+5	Avg. # hrs. spent on social		
Avg. # hrs. watch TV (reg)	13.9	-0.1	networks	2.4	-2.2
Avg. # hrs. watch PVR	3.6	+0.2	% using smartphone/tablet		
Ave. # hrs. watch TV online	4.7	-0.5	when travelling	29	-11
- News	56%	+11	- Look up information	75	-2
- Dramas	50%	+1	- Check review sites	18	-7
- History	41%	+6	- Make reservations	24	±0
- Travel	31%	+10	- Use travel apps	13	-6
Avg. # hrs. listen to radio	7.9	±0			
- News/talk	49%	+14			
- Top 40	21%	-9			
- Classical	19%	+7			

