

Quantifying the Size of the Outbound Leisure Market From South Africa



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Objective and Methodology

Methodology: Research Tools

- Conducted personal interviews with outbound leisure travel agencies:
 - ASATA membership list, past attendees to WTM Africa
 - telephone interviews, online surveys, and a focus group workshop held in Johannesburg.
- Interviews with outbound travel market industry partners and associations
- Research and analysis of available statistics on the size of the outbound travel market
 - StatsSA, ASATA, ACSA, key international destinations, population and income data, sales data from outbound leisure travel agencies, and other sources



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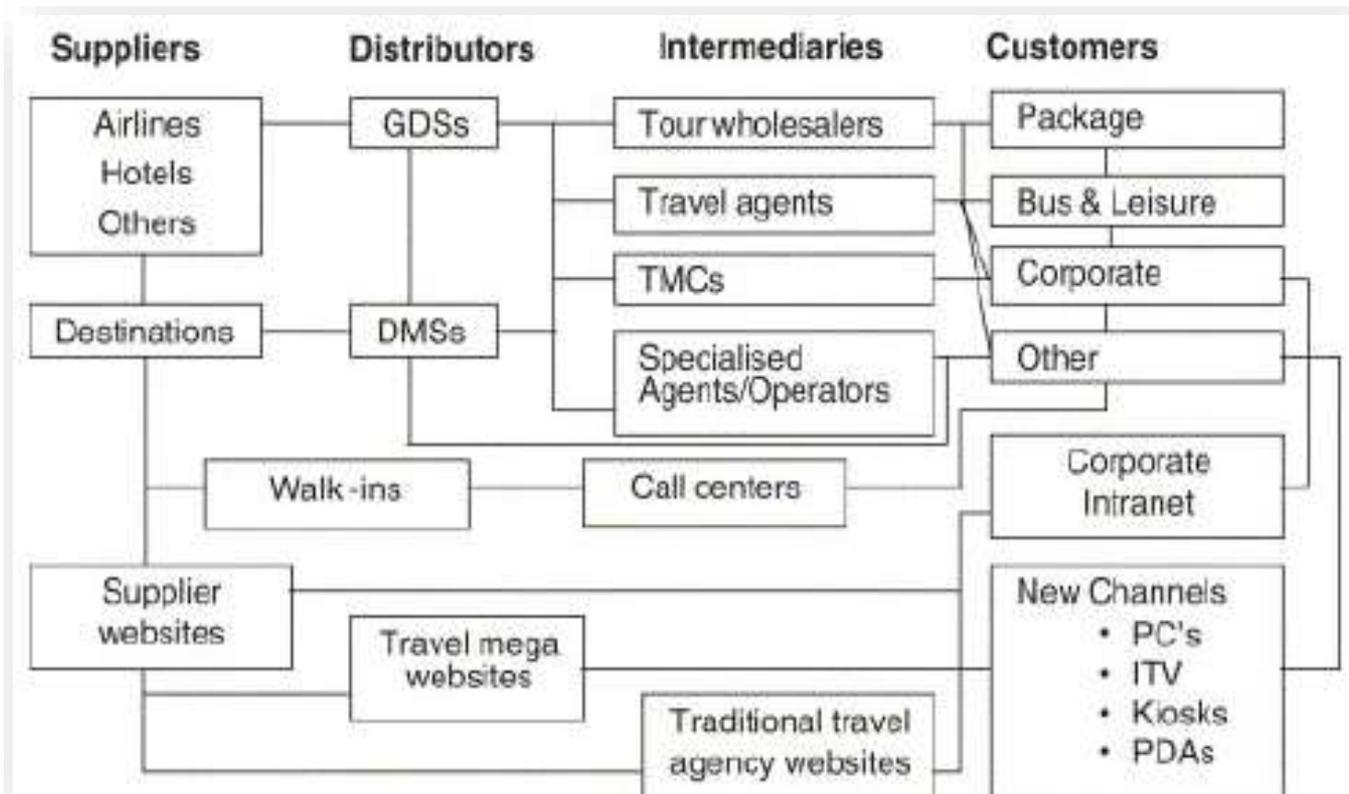
Key Survey Respondents:



The Outbound Market from South Africa

The Travel Intermediary Chain:



Source: Lubbe, B. A New Revenue Model for Travel Intermediaries in South Africa, 2005



The Outbound Market from South Africa

Number of Travel Agencies and Wholesalers in South Africa

- 225 outbound leisure travel agencies and 22 wholesalers in South Africa
 - around 600 travel agency and 34 wholesaler branches
 - Harvey World Travel, Pentravel, Sure Travel, XL Travel Leisure and Flight Centre account for 50% of all branches

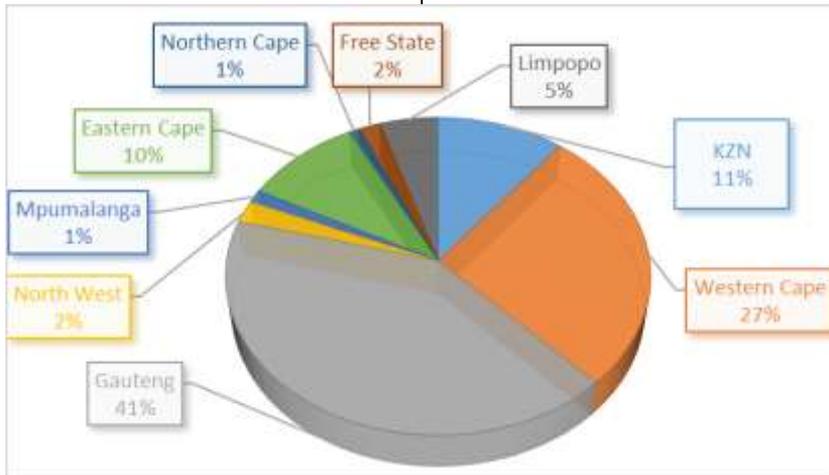


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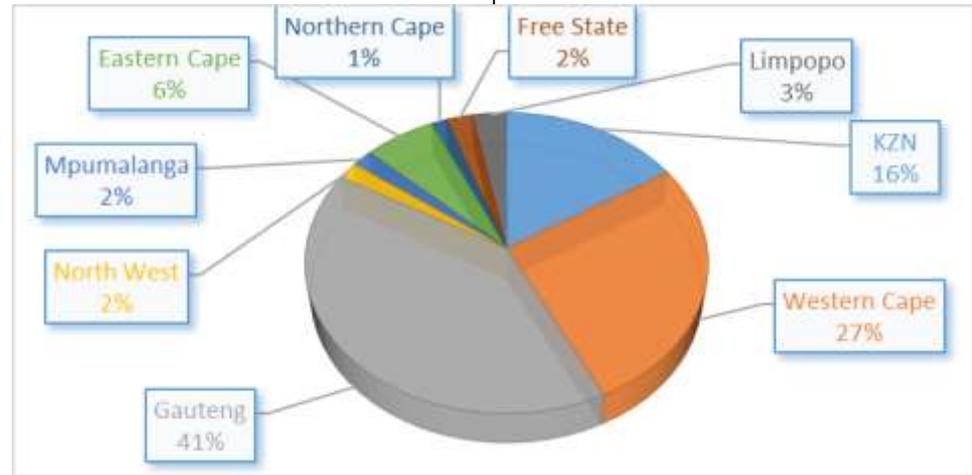
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Travel agency head offices



600

Travel agency branches





The Outbound Market from South Africa

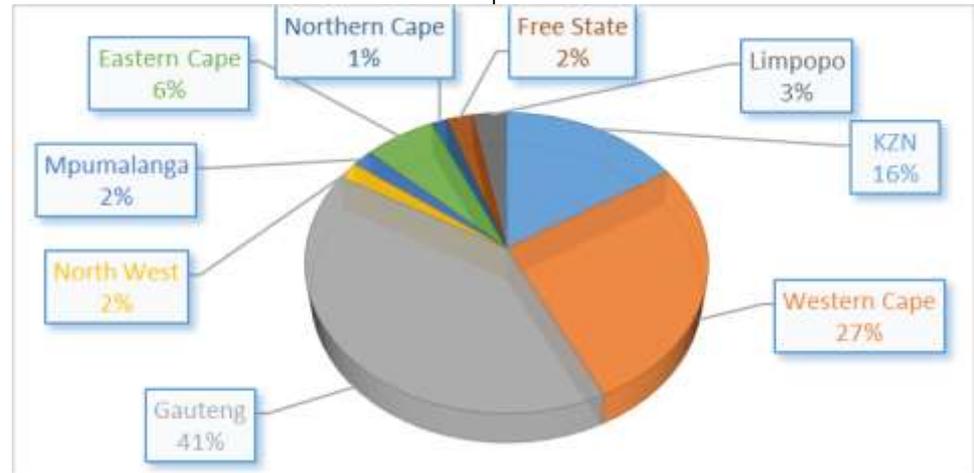
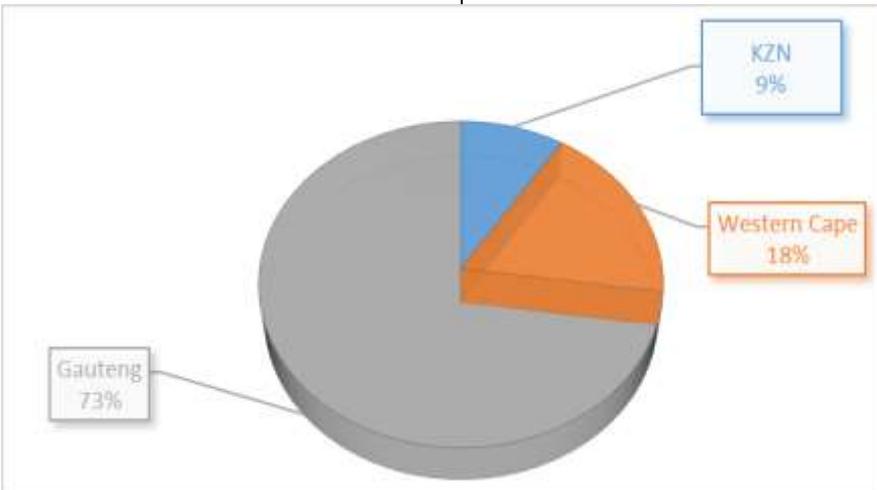
Number of Wholesalers in South Africa

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Wholesaler head offices

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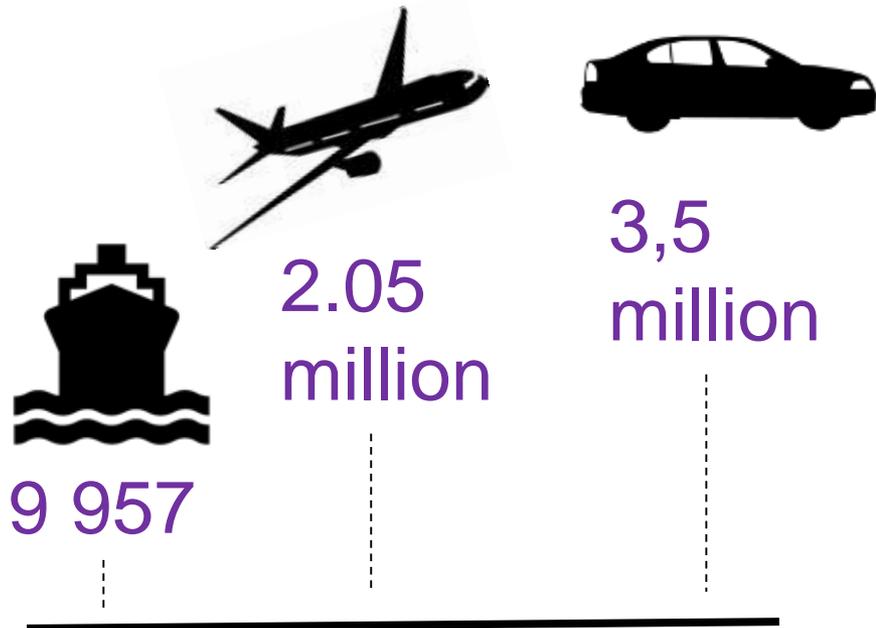
Wholesaler branches





The Outbound Market from South Africa

Number of Outbound Travelers from South Africa (2016)



5,55 million in 2016

Source: Stats SA, Tourism Migration Survey, 2016

**Total Departures
2.5% increase vs 2015**

**Total Air Departures
-0.01% decline vs 2015**

**Total Road Departures
3.96% increase vs 2015**

**Total Sea Departures
71.11% increase vs 2015**

**January (2017 YTD) Air Departures
0.6% increase vs 2016**



The Outbound Market from South Africa

South Africans who can afford to Travel



18 Years or older
(Head of Household)



Income Threshold
R51,200 per month
(R614,400 per annum)



400,000
Households
(3% of households)

2.1 People Per Household



860,000
Individuals
(3% of population)

Source: Stats SA, 2011 Census



The Outbound Market from South Africa

Estimating Outbound Travel Market - Key Destination Arrival Data

Destination	Assumption on % Leisure Visitors	All SA Visitors	South Africa Leisure Visitors
USA	15%	123 869	18 580
Australia	20%	57 600	11 520
Britain	Actual (12,4%)	231 197	28 615
Germany *	15%	185 590	27 838
Indonesia	75%	13 795	10 346
Zanzibar *	95%	13 152	12 494
Mauritius	95%	101 954	96 856
New Zealand	30%	17 008	5 102
Thailand	95%	75 825	72 034
Other Destinations	5%	1 230 010	61 501
Total		2 050 000	344 887

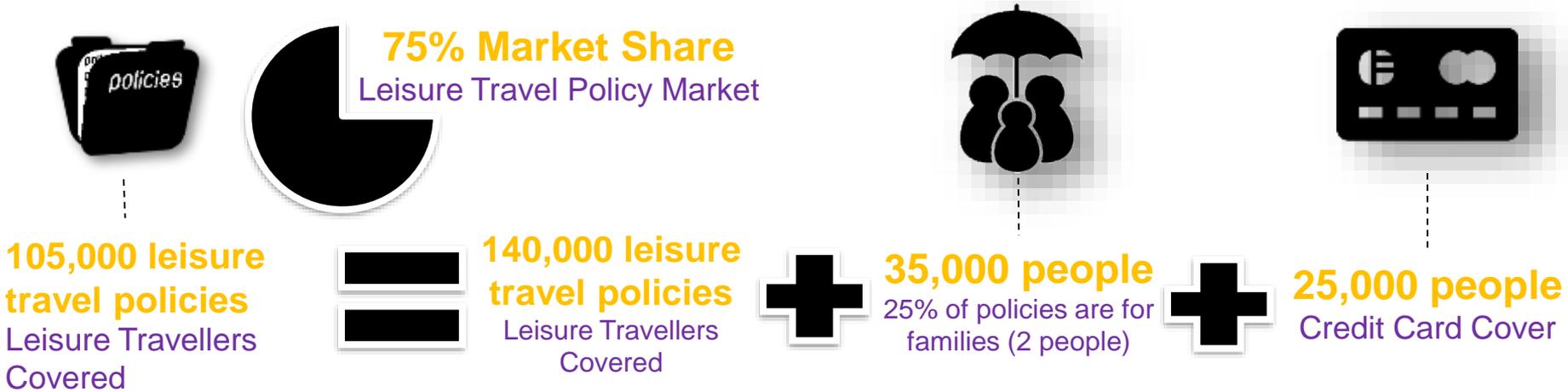
Source: Various Statistical Publications from each Destination / Country, 2016

* - Indicates projection



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Estimating Outbound Travel Market – Travel Insurance Sales



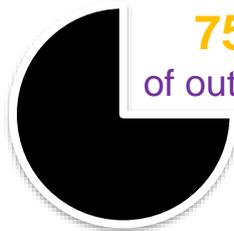
200,000 leisure travellers

Excludes un-ensured travellers



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Estimating Outbound Travel Market - Travel Agency and Wholesale Sales



75% Market Share
of outbound intermediary chain



150,000 to 186,000
outbound leisure travellers
Bookings through dominant
players



200,000 to 250,000
through outbound
intermediary chain in
total – adjusted for double
counting



250,000 to 310,000
including
Independents
Assuming 20% book
through this channel

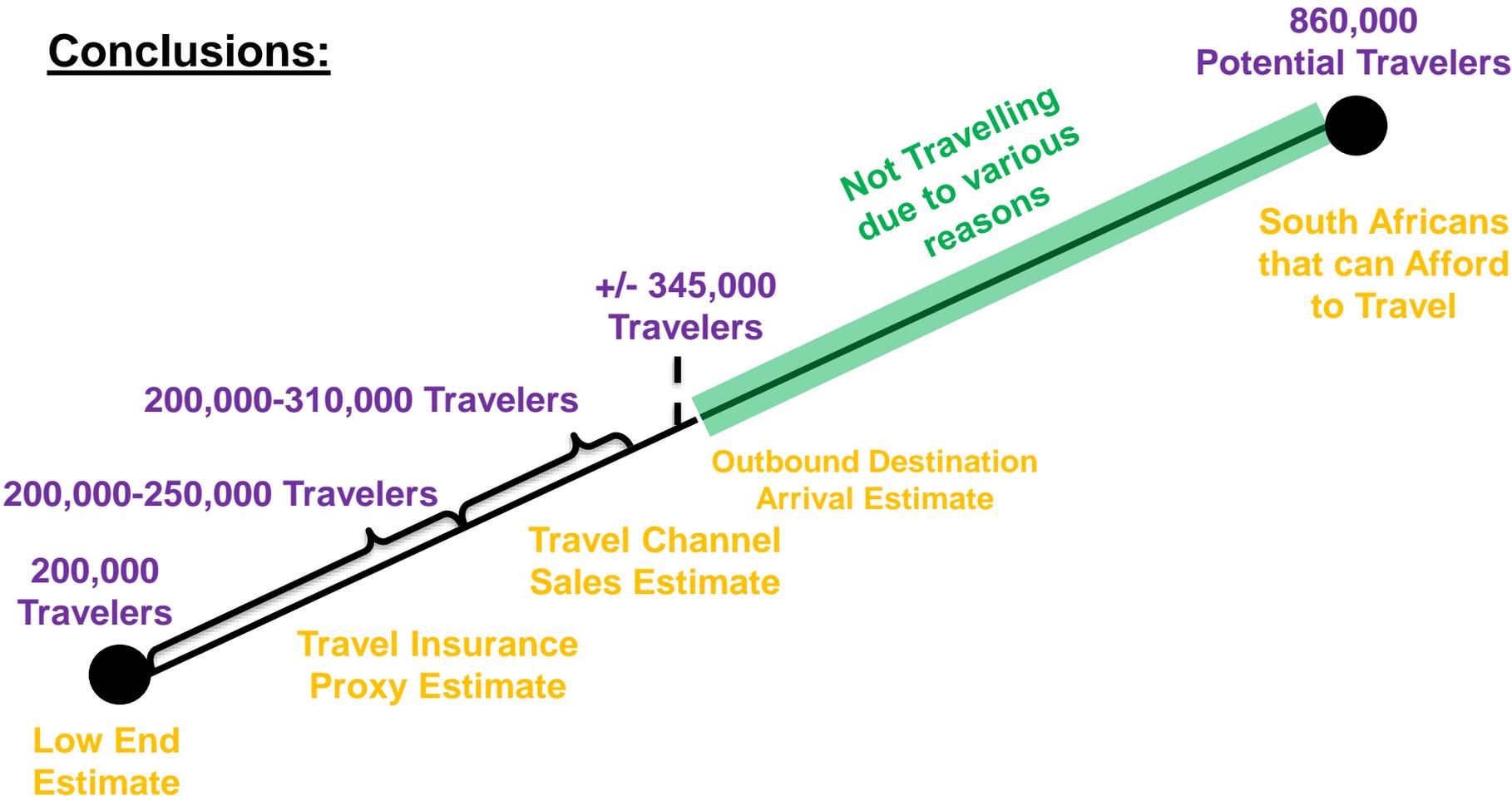
250,000 to 310,000 **outbound leisure travellers**

Including traditional intermediary channel and Independent / Online



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Conclusions:

- Small market
 - only 200,000 to 345,000 travelers (from 400,000 households)
 - 225 travel agencies and 22 wholesalers (dominated by key players)
- South African's are not very adventuress
- Market under pressure
 - Exchange rates
 - Cost of travel
 - Pressure on disposable income
 - VISAs
- Growth potential exists although indicators and current economic climate suggest cautious optimism. Key considerations:
 - Connectivity to markets and product
 - Cost of Travel / Competition
 - Culture of Travel (also growth of independents)
 - Currency Stability / Economic Climate
 - Ease of Travel / Booking

Thank You

