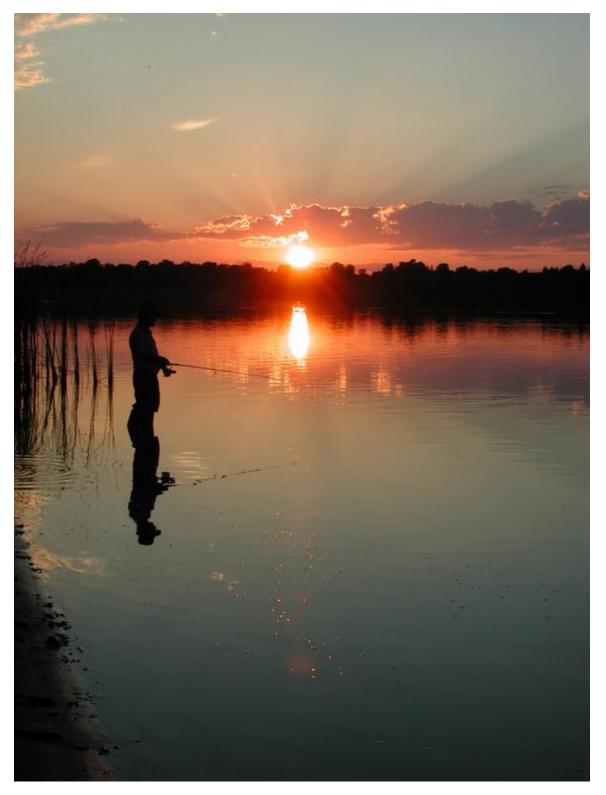
BIMINI



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1. Why Did Stopover Visitors Come to Bimini?

- Approximately seven in ten (72%) stopover visitors came to Bimini for a vacation;
- Approximately one in ten (11%) stopovers came on a business trip and approximately one in every twenty (7%) came to visit friends or relatives.

2. What Influenced Stopover Visitors to Visit Bimini?

| 2012 | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------|--|
| | Bahamas | Nassau/P.I. | Grand Bahama | Out Islands | Bimini | |
| Beaches | 65% | 64% | 64% | 66% | 61% | |
| Climate | 53% | 54% | 52% | 52% | 43% | |
| Rest and Relaxation | 43% | 42% | 44% | 45% | 41% | |
| Friendly People | 27% | 25% | 28% | 34% | 39% | |
| Easy to Get to | 24% | 25% | 24% | 20% | 27% | |
| Safety of Islands | 19% | 17% | 19% | 26% | 24% | |
| Sports | 10% | 7% | 11% | 21% | 21% | |
| Friend recommended Bah. | 11% | 11% | 8% | 14% | 18% | |
| Other | 9% | 9% | 9% | 10% | 17% | |
| Never Been Here Before | 24% | 25% | 27% | 21% | 14% | |
| Had Friends in Bah. | 7% | 5% | 8% | 12% | 14% | |
| Exotic Islands | 15% | 14% | 12% | 19% | 9% | |
| Heard a lot about Bahamas | 9% | 9% | 8% | 8% | 7% | |
| Hotel Facilities | 26% | 30% | 14% | 20% | 6% | |
| Good Package Deals | 17% | 18% | 24% | 9% | 4% | |
| Bahamas Website | 3% | 3% | 3% | 3% | 4% | |
| Best Value for Money | 11% | 11% | 18% | 6% | 3% | |
| Nightlife | 3% | 4% | 3% | 2% | 2% | |
| Shopping | 5% | 5% | 6% | 2% | 1% | |
| Saw Ad on TV | 4% | 5% | 1% | 2% | 1% | |
| Travel Agent/TO | 6% | 6% | 3% | 6% | 1% | |
| Casinos | 9% | 11% | 6% | 1% | 1% | |

TOP INFLUENCES FOR DECIDING TO VISIT THE BAHAMAS ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS 2012

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012 Research and Statistics Dept.

In 2012, there were no casinos open in Bimini, but in summer 2013 that changed and a casino opened on the island so changes should be seen in the 2013 data.

- Approximately six in ten (61%) stopover visitors to Bimini were influenced to visit the Bahamas because of the beaches.
- Approximately four in ten stopovers were influenced to visit by the climate (43%), the rest and relaxation (41%) and the friendly people (39%) on the island;
- Approximately three in ten (27%) stopover visitors were influenced to visit Bimini because it was easy to get to and approximately one in four (24%) were influenced to visit because of the perceived safety of the island.
- Approximately two in ten (21%) stopovers were influenced to visit Bimini because of the sporting attractions available on the island.

3. What Activities Did Visitors Intend to Do While in Bimini?

- Roughly eight in ten (77%) stopover visitors to Bimini intended to enjoy the beaches and six in ten (60%) intended to rest and relax while on the island;
- Sporting activities in Bimini were of particular interest to visitors to the island. Approximately four in ten (39%) stopovers to Bimini intended to go snorkeling and three in ten (27%) intended to go diving. Fourteen percent (14%) of stopovers intended to go deep sea fishing and approximately one in ten wanted to go bonefishing (11%) or sailing (9%) while in Bimini;
- Approximately one in ten (12%) stopovers intended to go on an island tour on their visit to the island;
- 2% of them intended to go bird-watching while in Bimini.

ACTIVITIES VISITORS INTENDED TO DO ON THIS VISIT TO THE BAHAMAS ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS

2012

| | Bahamas | Nassau/P.I. | Grand Bahama | Out Islands | Bimini |
|---------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Enjoy Beaches | 87% | 88% | 87% | 84% | 77% |
| Rest and Relax | 76% | 77% | 76% | 71% | 60% |
| Go Snorkeling | 35% | 31% | 37% | 48% | 39% |
| Go Diving | 9% | 7% | 10% | 15% | 27% |
| Go Deep Sea Fishing | 6% | 4% | 7% | 9% | 14% |
| Other Activities | 6% | 6% | 7% | 5% | 12% |
| Go on Island Tour | 16% | 14% | 20% | 19% | 12% |
| Go Bonefishing | 4% | 2% | 3% | 13% | 11% |
| Shop | 35% | 38% | 46% | 18% | 9% |
| Go Sailing | 8% | 6% | 6% | 16% | 9% |
| Go Birdwatching | 2% | 2% | 4% | 4% | 2% |
| Go to Casinos | 21% | 27% | 20% | 1% | 1% |
| Go Golfing | 5% | 4% | 5% | 10% | 0% |

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012, Research and Statistics Dept., Ministry of Tourism

4. When Did the Stopover Visitors to Bimini Make Their Reservations?

WHEN DID YOU MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS STOPOVER VISITORS 2012

All Bah. Nassau/P.I. Grand Bah. Out Isl. Bimini Same Week of Travel 7% 7% 7% 6% 24% Same Month of Travel 15% 15% 15% 13% 23% 1 to 3 Months Before Travel 46% 47% 50% 43% 34% 4 to 7 Months Before Travel 24% 27% 24% 19% 11% 8 to 12 Months Before Travel 6% 0% 6% 6% 8% More than 12 months Before Travel 1% 1% 2% 2% 0% Non-Response 2% 1% 2% 2% 7%

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012, Research and Statistics, Dept Ministry of Tourism

 Stopover visitors to Bimini primarily booked their reservations anywhere from the same month of travel to seven months in advance of travel. Approximately two in ten stopovers to Bimini made their reservations the same month of travel (23%) and approximately one in four (24%) stopovers to the island not only made their reservations the same month of travel but the same week of travel. Approximately one in three (34%) stopover visitors booked their reservations one to three months before travel and one in ten (11%) the four to seven months in advance of travel.

5. Did Stopovers Use an Online Service to Book Their Reservations to Bimini?

• Approximately half (47%) the stopover visitors to Bimini used an online service to book some or all of their reservations.

a) Which Online Services Were Used Most by Stopover Visitors to Bimini?

MOST POPULAR ONLINE BOOKING SERVICES USED BIMINI

2012

| Wildquest.com | aeroplan.com | homeaway.com |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| expedia.com | aircanada.com | hotels.com |
| booking.com | airmiles.co.uk | hotwire.com |
| orbitz.com | atlantis.com | ibctravel.com |
| Continental.com | ba.com | kayak.com |
| travelocity.com | bahamas.com | onetravel.com |
| United.com | bahamasair.com | opodo.com |
| aa.com | carlsonwagonlit.com | sandals.com |
| Sandals.com | cheapcaribbean.com | spiritair.com |
| Kayak.com | cheapoair.com | superavertravel.com |
| bookit.com | cheaptickets.com | trailfinders.com |
| priceline.com | classicvacations.com | usairwaysvacations.com |
| americanexpress.com | copaair.com | VRBO.com |
| jetblue.com | flybahamasexpress.com | westjet.com |
| delta.com/deltavacations.com | funinthesuntravel.com | worldtvl.com |

Some online services listed for Bimini were also used by visitors to book their reservations

for Nassau because of the fact that some stopovers visited both destinations during their visit. Online services with vellow background were the top 15 and the other top online services are listed in alphabetical order.

(Source: Immigration Cards and Tour Media Exit Survey, 2012)

6. Did Stopover Visitors to Bimini Use a Tour Operator/Travel Agent to Book Any of Their Reservations?

ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS USE OF TRAVEL AGENT 2012

| | All Bah. | Nassau/P.I. | Grand Bahama | Out Islands | Bimini |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Used Travel Agent | 34% | 36% | 28% | 30% | 25% |
| Did Not Use Travel Agent | 64% | 62% | 68% | 68% | 73% |

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012, Research and Statistics, Dept Ministry of Tourism

- One in four (25%) stopover visitors used a travel agent to book some or all of their reservations to Bimini.
- Some stopovers to Bimini who used tour operators/travel agents used the following: RCI Travel, American Express Travel, Wildquest, Airtran, AAA

Travel, IBC Travel, Flight Center, Travel Leaders, Marlin Travel, Nomads Travel, Unique Vacations, Express Travel, Liberty Travel, Best Travel, Travel Time, etc.

- 7. What Electronic Media Did Stopover Visitors to Bimini Use Most When Planning Their Vacation?
 - Approximately six in ten (63%) stopover visitors used the Internet as the electronic media most frequently used when planning their vacation.
 - One in twenty (5%) stopovers used Specialty Cable Channels the most when planning their vacations.
 - 4% of stopover visitors used Network television the most when planning their vacations and 2% used Specialty News Channels.

8. What Were the Favorite TV Stations Watched by Stopovers to Bimini?

| | Bahamas | %Informants | Bimini | %Informants |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| 1 | ESPN | 22% | ABC | 21% |
| | NBC | 21% | CNN | 20% |
| | ABC | 19% | FOX | 19% |
| | CBS | 14% | CBS | 15% |
| | FOX | 14% | TNT | 14% |
| | CNN | 13% | FOOD (Food Network) | 11% |
| | НВО | 12% | NICK (Nickelodeon) | 11% |
| 8 | HGTV (Home & Garden Network) | 10% | НВО | 11% |
| | DISC (Discovery Channel) | 8% | MTV | 9% |
| | FOOD (Food Network) | 7% | SHW (Showtime) | 9% |
| | FOXN | 6% | LIFE (Lifetime) | 8% |
| 12 | TNT | 6% | LFMN (Lifetime Movie Network) | 8% |
| 13 | HIST(History Channel) | 5% | NBC | 8% |
| | USA | 5% | DISC (Discovery Channel) | 7% |
| 15 | BRAVO | 5% | HGTV (Home & Garden Network) | 6% |
| | Nassau/P.I. | % Informants | Grand Bahama | % Informants |
| 1 | | | | |
| | ESPN | 22% | NBC | 22% |
| 2 | ESPN NBC | 22% 22% | NBC ABC | 22% 21% |
| | | | | |
| 3 | NBC | 22% | ABC | 21% |
| 3 4 | NBC ABC | 22% 20% | ABC CBS | 21% 16% |
| 3 4 5 | NBC ABC FOX | 22% 20% 14% | ABC CBS ESPN | 21% 16% 16% |
| 3 4 5 6 | NBC ABC FOX CBS CNN | 22% 20% 14% 14% | ABC CBS ESPN CNN | 21% 16% 16% 13% |
| 3 4 5 6 7 | NBC ABC FOX CBS CNN | 22% 20% 14% 14% 13% | ABC CBS ESPN CNN FOX | 21% 16% 16% 13% 12% |
| 3 4 5 6 7 8 | NBC ABC FOX CBS CNN HBO | 22% 20% 14% 14% 13% 13% | ABC CBS ESPN CNN FOX HGTV (Home & Garden Network) | 21% 16% 16% 13% 12% 10% |
| 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 | NBC ABC FOX CBS CNN HBO HGTV (Home & Garden Network) | 22% 20% 14% 14% 13% 13% 11% | ABC CBS ESPN CNN FOX HGTV (Home & Garden Network) HBO | 21% 16% 16% 13% 12% 10% 10% |
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TOP 15 FAVORITE TELEVISION STATIONS BY VISITORS ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS

2012

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012. Percentages based on informants who watched TV.

 Two in ten stopover visitors to Bimini said that ABC (21%), CNN (20%) and FOX (19%) were their favorite television stations to watch.

9. What Time Were Stopover Visitors Most Likely to Watch Television?

 Stopover visitors to Bimini were most likely to watch television between the hours of 7 am to 9:59 am and 6 pm to 10:59 pm at night. The hours of 8:00 pm to 10:59 pm were of course the most popular times that stopover visitors to Bimini watched television.

10.Did Stopover Visitors Use Print Media When They Were Planning Their Vacations?

 Approximately one in ten (12%) stopover visitors to Bimini used print media when they were planning their vacations. Of the stopover visitors to Bimini who used print media to plan their vacations, approximately one in four (24%) used newspapers and roughly nine in ten (85%) used magazines.

11. Use of Newspapers

TOP 13 FAVORITE NEWSPAPERS READ BY VISITORS ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS 2012

| | Bahamas | % Informants | Bimini | % Informants |
|----|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| 1 | USA Today | 34% | USA Today | 30.2% |
| 2 | New York Times | 25% | Miami Herald | 24.2% |
| 3 | Wall Street Journal | 17% | New York tTimes | 23.9% |
| 4 | Other | 7% | Wall Street Journal | 11.6% |
| 5 | Washington Post | 6% | Other | 7.1% |
| 6 | Daily News | 6% | New York Post | 6.0% |
| 7 | Toronto Star | 6% | Washington Post | 6.0% |
| 8 | New York Post | 5% | New York Daily News | 6.0% |
| 9 | Globe & Mail | 5% | Times | 4.0% |
| 10 | Boston Globe | 4% | Chicago Tribune | 3.6% |
| 11 | Local | 4% | Palm Beach Post | 3.6% |
| 12 | Miami Herald | 3% | Denver Post | 3.6% |
| 13 | Times | 3% | Charlotte Observer | 3.6% |
| | Nassau/P.I. | % Informants | Grand Bahama | % Informants |
| 1 | USA Today | 36% | USA Today | 28% |
| 2 | New York Times | 23% | New York Times | 20% |
| 3 | Wall Street Journal | 15% | Wall Street Journal | 14% |
| 4 | Other | 7% | Other | 8% |
| 5 | Daily News | 7% | Daily News | 7% |
| 6 | Washington Post | 7% | Washington Post | 6% |
| 7 | Toronto Star | 6% | Local | 6% |
| 8 | New York Post | 5% | Toronto Star | 4% |
| 9 | Globe & Mail | 5% | New York Post | 4% |
| 10 | | 1 | | 4.07 |
| 10 | Boston Globe | 4% | Boston Globe | 4% |
| | Boston Globe Times | 4% 3% | Boston Globe Globe & Mail | 4% 4% |
| 11 | | | | |

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012. Percentages based on informants who read newspapers.

 Although only 12% of stopover visitors to Bimini used print media when planning their vacations, approximately six in ten (58%) stopovers read newspapers for their personal enjoyment and edification.

12. Use of Magazines

• Although only 12% of stopover visitors to Bimini used print media when planning their vacations, approximately seven in ten (67%) stopovers read magazines for their enjoyment or personal edification.

TOP 20 FAVORITE MAGAZINES READ BY VISITORS ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS 2012

| | Bahamas | %Informants | Bimini | %Informants |
|--|--|---|---|---|
| 1 | People | 22% | People | 24% |
| 2 | Better Homes & Gardens (BHG) | 15% | In Style | 16% |
| | In Style | 13% | Time Magazine | 16% |
| 4 | Glamour | 11% | National Geographic (Explorer) | 14% |
| 5 | Good Housekeeping | 11% | Food & Wine | 14% |
| | Cosmopolitan (Cosmo) | 11% | Glamour | 13% |
| 7 | Men's Health | 10% | Scuba | 11% |
| 8 | National Geographic (Explorer) | 10% | Travel & Leisure | 10% |
| 9 | Time Magazine | 9% | Bon Appetit | 10% |
| 10 | Food & Wine | 9% | Architectural Digest | 9% |
| 11 | Sports Illustrated | 9% | Better Homes & Gardens (BHG) | 8% |
| 12 | O (Oprah) | 7% | Sports Illustrated | 8% |
| 13 | Conde Nast Travel | 7% | Essence | 8% |
| 14 | Bon Appetit | 7% | Jet | 6% |
| 15 | Travel & Leisure | 6% | Reader's Digest | 6% |
| 16 | Reader's Digest | 6% | Southern Living | 6% |
| | Southern Living | 6% | US/US Weekly | 6% |
| 18 | Architectural Digest | 6% | Men's Health | 6% |
| 19 | In Touch/In Touch Weekly | 6% | Coastal | 6% |
| | Economist | 6% | Business Week | 6% |
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| | Nassau/P.I. | % Informants | Grand Bahama | % Informants |
| 1 | Nassau/P.I. People | % Informants 23% | Grand Bahama People | % Informants 22% |
| | | | | |
| 2 | People | 23% | People | 22% |
| 2 3 | People Better Homes & Gardens (BHG) | 23% 15% | People Better Homes & Gardens (BHG) | 22% 18% |
| 2 3 4 | People Better Homes & Gardens (BHG) In Style | 23% 15% 13% | People Better Homes & Gardens (BHG) Good Housekeeping | 22% 18% 14% |
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Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012, Research and Statistics Dept. Ministry of Tourism Percentages based on informants who read magazines.

13. What Were the Top Compliments & Complaints Given by Visitors to Bimini?

TOURIST COMMENTS POSITIVE VS. NEGATIVE COMMENTS BIMINI ISLANDS

| TOP 5 COMPLIME | NTS | TOP 5 COMPLAINTS | | |
|---------------------|------|-------------------------|------|--|
| | 2012 | | 2012 | |
| General Positive | 45% | Litter (neg) | 41% | |
| People | 16% | Enviroment (neg) | 11% | |
| Scenery/Sightseeing | 14% | Beaches (neg) | 8% | |
| Sea/Water | 5% | Hotel (neg) | 8% | |
| Beaches | 4% | Restaurants (neg) | 6% | |
| No. of Comments | 105 | No. of Comments | 20 | |

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey, 2012. Bahamas Ministry of Tourism

- The top compliments from stopover visitors about Bimini included general positive things, people, scenery, sea/water, and the beaches.
- The top complaints from stopover visitors about Bimini included litter, environment, beaches, hotel and restaurants.

14. How Did Stopover Visitors Rate Their Product Experiences?

| | | Much Better or Better | | | | | Not as Good or Worse | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|-------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|--|
| Rating Area | The Bah. | Nassau/ P.I. | Grand Bahama | Out Islands | Bimini | The Bah. | Nassau/ P.I. | Grand Bahama | Out Islands | Bimini | |
| Attitude of People | 67% | 65% | 66% | 72% | 73% | 6% | 7% | 8% | 3% | 2% | |
| Beaches | 63% | 61% | 65% | 70% | 67% | 4% | 4% | 4% | 2% | 2% | |
| Food in Restaurants | 47% | 46% | 48% | 49% | 60% | 10% | 10% | 11% | 8% | 8% | |
| Climate | 52% | 51% | 52% | 56% | 58% | 9% | 10% | 11% | 7% | 4% | |
| Restaurant Service | 44% | 44% | 44% | 46% | 53% | 11% | 12% | 13% | 7% | 8% | |
| Easy to Get to | 40% | 40% | 44% | 39% | 52% | 7% | 7% | 8% | 8% | 6% | |
| Hotel Rooms | 38% | 39% | 34% | 37% | 43% | 10% | 12% | 14% | 4% | 3% | |
| Food in Hotels | 37% | 38% | 29% | 36% | 39% | 14% | 15% | 17% | 8% | 9% | |
| Overall Value for Money | 33% | 31% | 40% | 36% | 32% | 16% | 19% | 13% | 11% | 9% | |
| Hotel Service | 45% | 48% | 39% | 40% | 32% | 10% | 10% | 12% | 6% | 6% | |
| Value for Money in Hotels | 27% | 26% | 32% | 25% | 22% | 16% | 20% | 13% | 8% | 8% | |
| Bahamas Overall | 61% | 59% | 61% | 67% | 66% | 5% | 5% | 6% | 2% | 3% | |

PRODUCT SATISFACTION RATINGS 2012

Research & Statistics Dept., Ministry of Tourism, includes cruise stopover visitors e.g.Bah. Celebration & Baleria Bah. Express in GBI

Source: Tour Operator and Media Exit Survey 2012

- Attitude of the people received the highest rankings of the 12 product satisfaction experiences asked of the stopover visitors to the island. Approximately seven in ten (73%) stopover visitors thought that the attitude of the people was much better or better than expected and 2% of the stopovers thought that it was not as good as or worse than expected.
- Approximately seven in ten (67%) stopovers thought that the beaches were much better or better than expected but 2% of the stopovers thought that they were not as good as or worse than expected.
- Approximately six in ten thought that the food in restaurants was much better or better than expected but approximately one in ten (8%) thought

that it was not as good as or worse than expected. Approximately half (53%) of the stopover visitors thought that the restaurant service was much better or better than expected but approximately one in ten (8%) thought that it was not as good as or worse than expected.

- Roughly seven in ten (66%) stopover visitors to Bimini thought that the Bahamas overall was much better or better than they had expected it to be but 3% thought it was not as good as or worse than they had expected it to be.
- Approximately one in ten stopover visitors to Bimini thought that the hotel value for money (8%), the overall value for money (9%) and the hotel food (9%) in the island were not as good as or worse than they had expected it to be.
- Approximately one in twenty (6%) stopovers to Bimini thought that the hotel service was not as good as or worse than they had expected it to be.

15. How Did Stopover Visitors to Bimini Get There?

- Approximately two in ten (23%) stopover visitors to Bimini travelled to Bimini on a commercial airline.
- Approximately one in ten (12%) stopovers travelled to the island destination on a private plane and six in ten (60%) by a yacht/private boat.

16. Where Did Visitors to Bimini Stay While There?

Approximately seven in ten (69%) stopovers to Bimini stayed in a hotel, 13% on a private boat/yacht, 5% in their own property, 3% with friends or relatives and 2% in an apt/villa.

17. Which Stopover Visitors to Bimini Tended to Stay the Longest?

- Stopovers from Canada stayed an average of 20.2 nights;
- Stopover visitors from Australasia stayed 19.8 nights;
- Stopover visitors from Africa stayed 15.5 nights;
- Stopover visitors from Europe stayed and average 12.4 nights;
- Stopovers from Latin America stayed an average 9.5 nights, and the Caribbean an average 9.1 nights;
- On average, stopover visitors from the United States stayed 8.5 nights;
- Stopovers from Asia stayed 5.2 nights.

18. What Were the Busiest Months for Stopover Visitors to Bimini?

• Although stopover visitors visit Bimini all year round, the busiest months are normally between the months of May to August. The summer month of July is normally the busiest months.

19. What Were the Slowest Months for Stopover Visitors to Bimini?

• The slowest months for stopover visitors to visit Bimini are normally January, February, October and November.

20. How Many Stopover Visitors Did Bimini Receive and Where Did They Come From (2012)?

- In total, Bimini received 60,058 stopover visitors.
- United States: 89% (53,459) of the stopover visitors came from the United States. Stopovers to Bimini from the United States primarily came from the states of Florida (76%), New York (2%), Texas (2%), California (2%), Georgia (1%), New Jersey (1%) and North Carolina (1%).

Canada: 3% (1,621) of the stopover visitors came from Canada. Stopovers to Bimini from Canada primarily came from the Canadian Provinces of Ontario (37% of them), Quebec (28%), British Columbia (7%) and Alberta (5%),

Europe: 3% (1,788) of the stopover visitors came from Europe. Stopovers to Bimini from Europe primarily came from the UK (23% of them), Spain (12%), France (11%), Germany (10%), Italy (9%), and Switzerland (8%).

Latin America: 2.7% (1,647) of the stopover visitors came from Latin America. Stopover Visitors to Bimini from Latin America primarily came from Venezuela (26%), Mexico (24% of them), Brazil (20%), Colombia (8%) and Argentina (6%).

Other Countries: 3% (1,543) of the stopover visitors to Bimini came from other countries.

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| ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME | | |
| \$25,001 to \$50,000 | 4% | 8% |
| \$50,001 to \$75,000 | 10% | 10% |
| \$75,001 or more | 63% | 60% |
| PREVIOUS VISITS | | |
| First Time Visitor | 23% | 44% |
| Repeat Visitor | 75% | 55% |
| TRAVELLING PARTY SIZE | | |
| One | 20% | 16% |
| Two | 27% | 45% |
| Three or more | 50% | 36% |
| HOUSEHOLD SIZE | | |
| One | 11% | 12% |
| Two | 37% | 40% |
| Three-Four | 43% | 36% |
| COUNTRY OF ORIGIN | | |
| USA | 89% | 79% |
| Canada | 3% | 9% |
| Europe | 3% | 6% |
| Other Countries | 5% | 6% |
| AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY | 9.1 nts. | 6.8 nts. |

*Information on age, sex and avg. length of stay were obtained from immigration card data. *Source:Tour Operator & Media Exit Study 2012. Some rounding may have occurred

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