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Data for visitors to Australia for less than 12 months



Thailand is Australia's eighteenth largest inbound market, having nearly recovered to pre-Covid visitation and expenditure levels. Total spend from Thai visitors was \$442 million for FY2023–24.

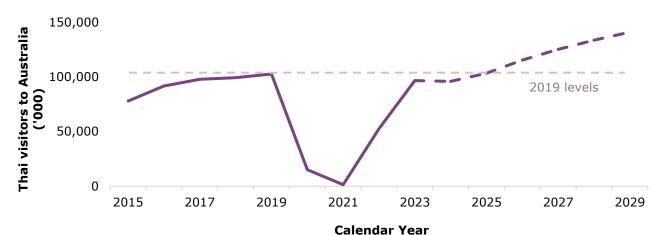


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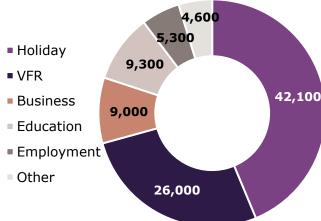


Thailand visitors are forecast to return to pre-pandemic levels by the end of 2025. Nearly three quarters of Thai visitors come to Australia for a holiday or visiting friends and relatives (VFR).

Forecast visitor growth



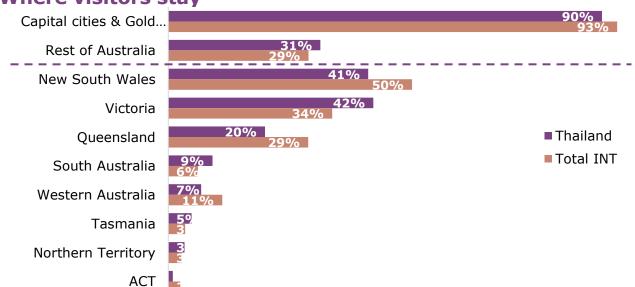
Main reason for visitation



	Thailand To	tal INT
Holiday	44%	43%
Visiting Friends or Relatives (VFR)	27%	34%
Business	9%	9%
Education	10%	6%
Employment	5%	4%
Other	5%	4%

*Total INT = The average for total international visitors to Australia

Where visitors stay

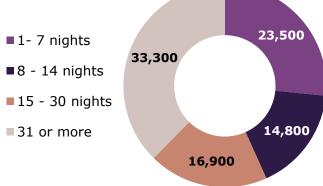




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Thai visitors spend more nights in Australia compared to the average for international visitors. Key demand-driving experiences include social and outdoors activities, local attractions and going to the beach.

Nights Stayed



Nights	Thailand	Total INT
1- 7 nights	26%	34%
8 - 14 nights	17%	23%
15 - 30 nights	19%	17%
31 or more nights	37%	25%

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Visitor experience rating and trip type



Positive trip sentiment (7+ out of 10) 94% Total INT: 96%



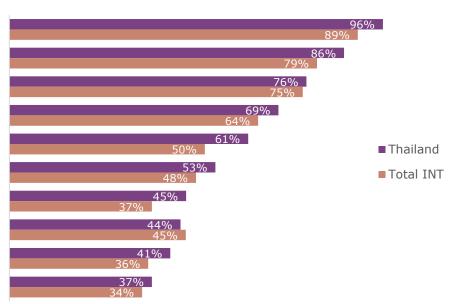
31% Total INT: 36%



Return trip to Australia 69% Total INT: 64%

What visitors do

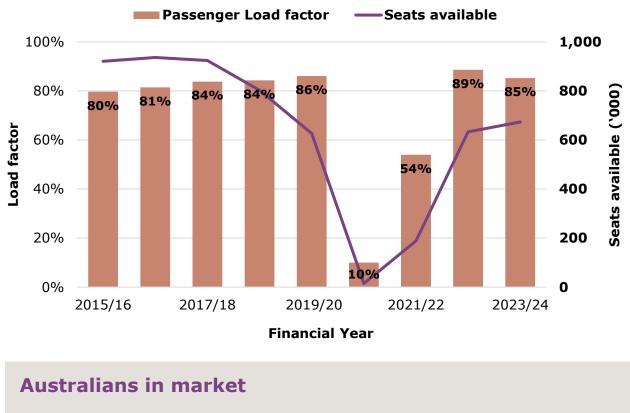
Eat out (restaurants, cafes) Go shopping for pleasure Sightseeing/looking around Go to the beach Go to markets Visit national or state parks Pubs, clubs, discos etc Visit botanical/public gardens Visit museums or art galleries Visit zoos / aquariums





Aviation capacity for Thailand remains below pre-pandemic levels. Over half a million Australians visited Thailand in FY2023-24.

Aviation capacity



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Australian residents returning from market 535,300 Thai residents coming into Australia 96,200 NET visitor balance -439,100

Data sources

- Tourism Research Australia, International Visitor Survey (IVS)
- Australian Bureau of Statistics, Overseas Arrivals and Departures
- Tourism Research Australia, forecasts (arrivals to Australia forecasts)
- Bureau of Infrastructure and Transport Research Economics, Aviation Statistics

Data may not sum to 100% for all measures due to rounding and visitors can visit more than one location and/or experienced more than one activity. Updated December 2024.

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