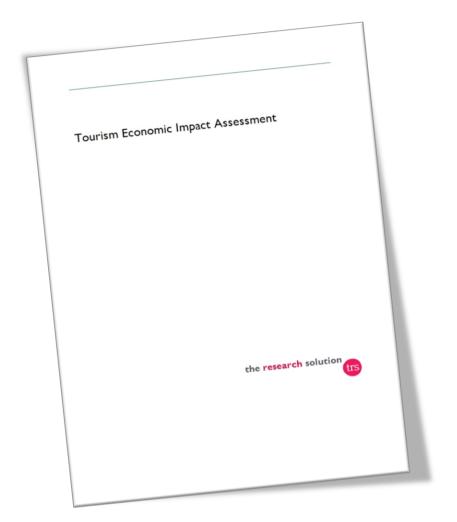
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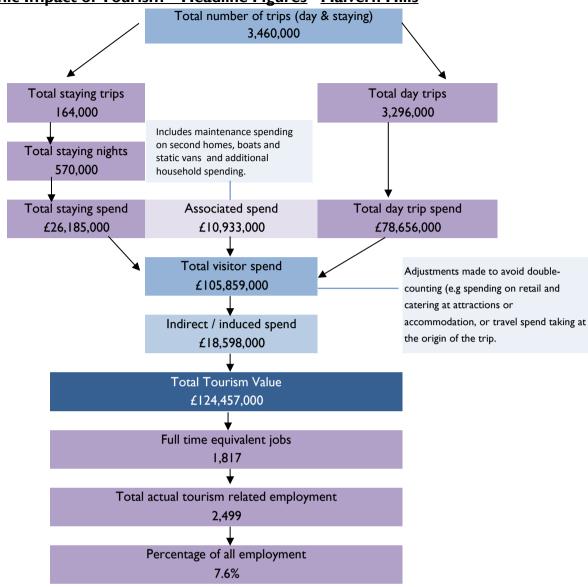
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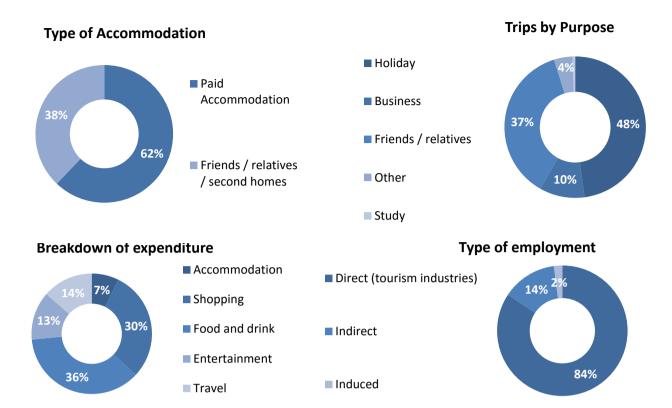
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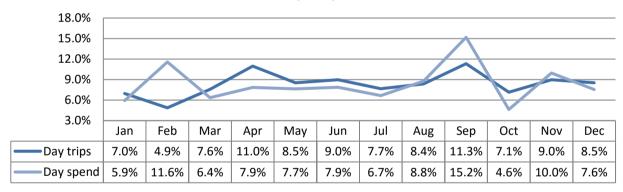
Economic Impact of Tourism - Year on year comparisons

Day Trips	2014	2015	Annual variation
Day trips Volume	3,490,000	3,296,000	-5.6%
Day trips Value	£74,361,000	£78,656,000	5.8%
Overnight trips			
Number of trips	170,000	164,000	-3.5%
Number of nights	541,000	570,000	5.4%
Trip value	£25,447,000	£26,185,000	2.9%
Total Value	£122,999,000	£124,457,000	1.2%
Actual Jobs	2,421	2,499	3.2%

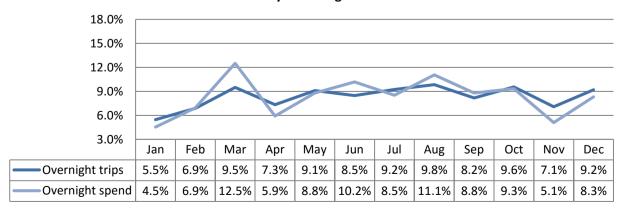
		2014		2015	Variation
Average length stay (nights x trip)		3.18		3.48	9.2%
Spend x overnight trip	£	149.69	£	159.66	6.7%
Spend x night	£	47.04	£	45.94	-2.3%
Spend x day trip	£	21.31	£	23.86	12.0%



Seasonality - Day visitors



Seasonality - Overnight visitors



Contextual analysis

Domestic tourism

In 2015, British residents took 102.7 million overnight trips in England, totalling 300 million nights away from home, with an expenditure of £19.6 billion. The number of domestic trips was 11% higher than in 2014, and the amount spent increased by 8%, reaching an all-time high in nominal terms. The West Midlands region experienced a 10% year-on-year increase in overnight trips during 2015.

Bednights were down 4% on 2014 and expenditure was down by 4%. Based on three-year averages, Worcestershire experienced a 7% decrease in overnight trips during 2013/2015. Bednights were down 3% on 2012/2014 and expenditure was down by 6%. However, the region saw a slight increase in the average length of trips (the number of nights per trip) from 2.2 nights per trip in 2012/2014 up to 2.3 in 2013/2015. The average spend per trip was up from £118.83 per trip in 2012/2014 to £119.84 in 2013/2015. The region received less visitors in the period between 2013 and 2015 than between 2012/2014. However, those who did visit stayed a bit longer and spent a bit more per trip than in 2012/2014.

Visits from overseas

The number of visits in 2015 grew 5% to a record 36.1 million, after several years of growth since 2010. Average spend per visit was £611 in 2015, down from the peak of £650 per visit in 2013 and reflecting the relative strength of sterling in 2015. The number of visitor nights spent in the UK increased by 3% in 2015 to 273 million, with the average number of nights per visit standing at 7.6.

London is a key destination for inbound visitors to the UK. In 2015 18.6 million visitors spent time in the capital, spending just short of £11.8bn. This represents 54% of all inbound visitor spending, with 40% of visitor nights spent in the capital. The rest of England attracted 15.2 million inbound visitors who spent an estimated £7.5bn, representing 34% of all inbound visitor spend.

Overseas trips to the West Midlands region were 8% up on 2014 to reach just 2.11 million overnight trips. The total number of nights was down by 12% to reach 13.7 million in 2014. Spend was also up 7% to £815 million in 2015.

- Holiday visits are particularly likely to include going to a theatre with Stratford-upon-Avon a major draw
- The West Midlands is also one of the most popular areas for watching sport, the number of visitors coming primarily for this reason is behind only London and the North West

- Going to the pub and socialising with locals are popular, whilst eating out is less likely here
 than in many areas probably a reflection of the high proportion of visits which involve
 staying as a guest with friends or relatives
- Those from the Irish Republic and France dominate overseas visits to the area, accounting
 for two in five holidaymakers (compared to around one in five nationally). Short travel
 times and event based visits may contribute to relatively few visits lasting over a week
- The West Midlands attracts holiday visits all year round, possibly boosted by non-seasonal activities such as shopping or going to the theatre. The area sees relatively high numbers of visits from those travelling with children but also from older visitors.

The International Passenger Survey (IPS) is conducted by Office for National Statistics and is based on face- to-face interviews with a sample of passengers travelling via the principal airports, sea routes and the Channel Tunnel, together with visitors crossing the land border into Northern Ireland. The number of interviews conducted in England in 2015 was 40,830. This large sample size allows reliable estimates to be produced for various groups of passengers despite the low proportion of travellers interviewed. The IPS provides headline figures, based on the county or unitary authority, for the volume and value of overseas trips to the UK. The sample for West Midlands was 2,054 interviews.

Day visitors

The 1,525 million Tourism Day Visits that were taken by GB residents during 2015 is lower than compared to those taken in 2014 (1,585 million Tourism Day Visits), falling by -4%. Total expenditure during these visits remained unchanged year-on-year, however, at £53.9 billion in 2015 and £53.8 billion in 2014.

The largest proportion of visits were taken to destinations in England (1,298 million visits or 85% of the total) while 8% of visits (124 million) were taken to Scottish destinations and 5% to places in Wales (75 million). The distribution of expenditure during visits broadly reflects this pattern.

The West Midlands region experienced a 3% decrease in the volume of trips between 2014 (119 million trips) and 2015 (115 million trips). The overall value reached £4.7 billion in 2015.

How accurate is the Regional data?

The regional data has to be interpreted with lots of caution, as the IPS has never been designed to be able to produce highly accurate results at regional level. Whilst the survey gives good precision at the national level, regional breakdowns of the data will almost inevitably lead to less reliable results. For example although the sample size for Merseyside was 322 in 2004 the margin of error for visits to this area is 40.9%. We have to bear in mind that although the IPS matches accurately the overall volume of overseas visitors coming to the UK, the IPS does not give a precise picture of where these overseas visitors stayed during their stay in the UK. This is because some interviews are not done in a few regional airports. For example until 2005 no interviews were carried at Prestwick and Liverpool airports, which may have resulted into less accurate estimates for Scotland and Northern England.

The International Passenger Survey (IPS) data is a key driver for the Cambridge model and as outlined above, needs to be used with caution when looking at regional level data. We have applied a 3 year rolling average to this data to help smooth out short term market fluctuations and highlight longer-term trends.

Volume of Tourism

Staying Visitors - Accommodation Type

Trips by Accommodation

		UK		Overseas		Total	
Serviced		54,000	36%	1,000	6%	55,000	34%
Self catering		18,000	12%	1,000	6%	19,000	12%
Camping		20,000	14%	0	0%	20,000	12%
Static caravans		1,000	1%	0	0%	1,000	1%
Group/campus		1,000	1%	0	0%	1,000	1%
Paying guest		0	0%	1,000	6%	1,000	1%
Second homes		1,000	1%	0	0%	1,000	1%
Boat moorings		0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other		2,000	1%	1,000	6%	3,000	2%
Friends & relati	ves	50,000	34%	11,000	69%	61,000	37%
Total	2015	148,000		16,000		164,000	
Comparison	2014	154,000		16,000		170,000	
Difference		-3.9%		0.0%		-3.5%	

Nights by Accommodation

		UK		Overseas		Total	
Serviced		101,000	27%	7,000	4%	108,000	19%
Self catering		102,000	27%	38,000	20%	140,000	25%
Camping		46,000	12%	2,000	1%	48,000	8%
Static caravans		4,000	1%	0	0%	4,000	1%
Group/campus		4,000	1%	4,000	2%	8,000	1%
Paying guest		0	0%	6,000	3%	6,000	1%
Second homes		1,000	0%	11,000	6%	12,000	2%
Boat moorings		0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
Other		5,000	1%	3,000	2%	8,000	1%
Friends & relati	ves	115,000	30%	119,000	62%	234,000	41%
Total	2015	378,000		192,000		570,000	
Comparison	2014	352,000		189,000		541,000	
Difference		7.4%		1.6%		5.4%	

Spend by Accommodation Type

		UK		Overseas		Total	
Serviced		£9,620,000	49%	£666,000	10%	£10,286,000	39%
Self catering		£5,229,000	27%	£1,267,000	19%	£6,496,000	25%
Camping		£1,162,000	6%	£30,000	0%	£1,192,000	5%
Static caravans		£59,000	0%	£0	0%	£59,000	0%
Group/campus		£102,000	1%	£195,000	3%	£297,000	1%
Paying guest		£0	0%	£475,000	7%	£475,000	2%
Second homes		£27,000	0%	£334,000	5%	£361,000	1%
Boat moorings		£0	0%	£0	0%	£0	0%
Other		£84,000	0%	£155,000	2%	£239,000	1%
Friends & relati	ves	£3,275,000	17%	£3,503,000	53%	£6,778,000	26%
Total	2015	£19,559,000		£6,626,000		£26,185,000	
Comparison	2014	£18,690,000		£6,757,000		£25,447,000	
Difference		4.6%		-1.9%		2.9%	

Serviced accommodation includes hotels, guesthouses, inns, B&B and serviced farmhouse accommodation. Paying guest refers to overseas visitors staying in private houses, primarily language school students. Other trips includes nights spent in transit, in lorry cabs and other temporary accommodation.

Staying Visitors - Purpose of Trip

Trips by Purpose

UK		Overs	seas	Total			
Holiday		75,000	51%	4,000	25%	79,000	48%
Business		16,000	11%	1,000	6%	17,000	10%
Friends & relati	ives	51,000	34%	10,000	63%	61,000	37%
Other		6,000	4%	1,000	6%	7,000	4%
Study		0	0%	1,000	6%	1,000	1%
Total	2015	148,000		16,000		164,000	
Comparison	2014	154,000		16,000		170,000	
Difference		-3.9%		0.0%		-3.5%	

Nights by Purpose

		UK		UK Overseas		seas	Total	
Holiday		207,000	55%	36,000	19%	243,000	43%	
Business		36,000	10%	4,000	2%	40,000	7%	
Friends & relati	ves	129,000	34%	111,000	58%	240,000	42%	
Other		6,000	2%	20,000	10%	26,000	5%	
Study		0	0%	22,000	11%	22,000	4%	
Total	2015	378,000		192,000		570,000		
Comparison	2014	352,000		189,000		541,000		
Difference		7.4%		1.6%		5.4%		

Spend by Purpose

	UK		Over	rseas Total		al	
Holiday		£10,947,000	56%	£1,075,000	16%	£12,022,000	46%
Business		£3,090,000	16%	£211,000	3%	£3,301,000	13%
Friends & relati	ves	£4,569,000	23%	£1,960,000	30%	£6,529,000	25%
Other		£952,000	5%	£684,000	10%	£1,636,000	6%
Study		£0	0%	£2,696,000	41%	£2,696,000	10%
Total	2015	£19,559,000		£6,626,000		£26,185,000	
Comparison	2014	£18,690,000		£6,757,000		£25,447,000	
Difference		4.6%		-1.9%		2.9%	

Day Visitors

Trips and Spend by Urban, Rural and Coastal Area

		Trips	Spend
Urban visits		1,494,000	44,262,000
Countryside vis	its	1,802,000	34,394,000
Total	2015	3,296,000	78,656,000
Comparison	2014	3,490,000	74,361,000
Difference		-5.6%	5.8%

Value of Tourism

Expenditure Associated with Trips:

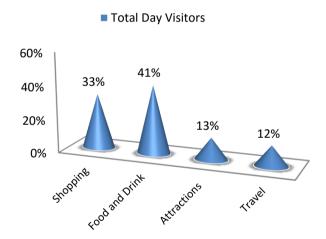
Direct Expenditure Associated with Trips

		Accomm.	Shopping	Food and Drink	Attractions	Travel	Total
UK Tourists		£5,647,000	£3,149,000	£4,794,000	£2,119,000	£3,850,000	£19,559,000
Overseas touris	sts	£1,680,000	£2,091,000	£1,251,000	£1,063,000	£541,000	£6,626,000
Total Staying		£7,327,000	£5,240,000	£6,045,000	£3,182,000	£4,391,000	£26,185,000
Total Staying (%)	28%	20%	23%	12%	17%	100%
Total Day Visit	ors	£0	£24,527,000	£30,578,000	£9,856,000	£9,226,000	£74,187,000
Total Day Visit	ors	0%	33%	41%	13%	12%	100%
Total	2015	£7,327,000	£29,767,000	£36,623,000	£13,038,000	£13,617,000	£100,372,000
%		7%	30%	36%	13%	14%	100%
Comparison	2014	£7,226,000	£29,617,000	£36,512,000	£12,937,000	£13,514,000	£99,806,000
Difference		1.4%	0.5%	0.3%	0.8%	0.8%	0.6%

Breakdown of expenditure

Total Staying (%) 40% 30% 28% 20% 20% 10% 12% 17% 12% 17% Accomm. Shopping Accomm. Shopping Accomm. Shopping Accomm. Accomm. Shopping Accomm

Breakdown of expenditure



Other expenditure associated with tourism activity

Other expenditure associated with tourism activity - Estimated spend							
Second homes Boats Static vans Friends & relatives Total							
£194,000 £0 £46,000 £10,693,000 £10,933,000							

Spend on second homes is assumed to be an average of £2,000 on rates, maintenance, and replacement of furniture and fittings. Spend on boats assumed to be an average of £2,000 on berthing charges, servicing and maintenance and upgrading of equipment. Static van spend arises in the case of vans purchased by the owner and used as a second home. Expenditure is incurred in site fees, utility charges and other spending and is estimated at £2,000. Additional spending is incurred by friends and relatives as a result of people coming to stay with them. A cost of £175 per visit has been assumed based on national research for social and personal visits.

Direct Turnover Derived From Trip Expenditure

Business turnover arises as a result of tourist spending, from the purchase of supplies and services locally by businesses in receipt of visitor spending and as a result of the spending of wages in businesses by employees whose jobs are directly or indirectly supported by tourism spending.

		Staying Visitor	Day Visitors	Total
Accommodation	١	£7,448,000	£612,000	£8,060,000
Retail		£5,188,000	£24,281,000	£29,469,000
Catering		£5,864,000	£29,661,000	£35,525,000
Attractions		£3,295,000	£10,407,000	£13,702,000
Transport		£2,634,000	£5,536,000	£8,170,000
Non-trip spend		£10,933,000	£0	£10,933,000
Total Direct	2015	£35,362,000	£70,497,000	£105,859,000
Comparison 2	2014	£34,026,000	£70,663,000	£104,689,000
Difference		3.9%	-0.2%	1.1%

Adjustments have been made to recognise that some spending on retail and food and drink will fall within attractions or accommodation establishments. It is assumed that 40% of travel spend will take place at the origin of the trip rather than at the destination.

Supplier and Income Induced Turnover

		Staying Visitor	Day Visitors	Total
Indirect spend	d	£4,391,000	£9,550,000	£13,941,000
Non trip spen	ding	£2,187,000	£0	£2,187,000
Income induced		£1,832,000	£638,000	£2,470,000
Total	2015	£8,410,000	£10,188,000	£18,598,000
Comparison	2014	£8,096,000	£10,214,000	£18,310,000
Difference		3.9%	-0.3%	1.6%

Income induced spending arises from expenditure by employees whose jobs are supported by tourism spend.

<u>Total Local Business Turnover Supported by Tourism Activity – Value of Tourism</u>

		Staying Visitor	Day Visitors	Total
Direct		£35,362,000	£70,497,000	£105,859,000
Indirect		£8,410,000	£10,188,000	£18,598,000
Total Value	2015	£43,772,000	£80,685,000	£124,457,000
Comparison	2014	£42,122,000	£80,877,000	£122,999,000
Difference		3.9%	-0.2%	1.2%

Employment

Employment

The model generates estimates of full time equivalent jobs based on visitor spending. The total number of 'actual' jobs will be higher when part time and seasonal working is taken into account. Conversion of full time equivalent jobs into actual jobs relies on information from business surveys in the sectors receiving visitor spending.

Direct employment

			Full tim	ne equivalent (F	ΓΕ)		
		Staying V	/isitor	Day V	isitor	Tot	al
Accommodat	ion	140	25%	11	1%	151	10%
Retailing		40	7%	187	20%	227	15%
Catering		98	18%	497	54%	595	40%
Entertainmer	nt	56	10%	178	19%	235	16%
Transport		20	4%	42	5%	62	4%
Non-trip sper	nd	202	36%	0	0%	202	14%
Total FTE	2015	557		916		1,472	
Comparison	2014	531		889		1,421	
Difference		4.8%		3.0%		3.6%	
			Estim	nated actual job	5		
		Staying V	/isitor	Day V	isitor	Tot	al
Accommodat	ion	206	27%	17	1%	223	11%
Retailing		60	8%	281	21%	340	16%
Catering		147	20%	745	55%	893	42%
Entertainmer	nt	80	11%	251	19%	331	16%
Transport		28	4%	59	4%	88	4%
Non-trip sper	nd	231	31%	0	0%	231	11%
Total Actual	2015	752		1,354		2,106	
Comparison	2014	719		1,315		2,034	
Difference		4.6%		2.9%		3.5%	

Indirect & Induced Employment

Full time equivalent (FTE)							
Staying Visitor Day Visitors Total							
Indirect jobs		122	177	299			
Induced jobs		34	12	46			
Total FTE	2015	156	189	344			
Comparison	2014	150	189	339			
Difference		3.9%	-0.3%	1.6%			

Estimated actual jobs							
Staying Visitor Day Visitors Total							
Indirect jobs		139	202	340			
Induced jobs		39	13	52			
Total Actual	2015	178	215	393			
Comparison	2014	171	216	387			
Difference		3.9%	-0.3%	1.6%			

Total Jobs

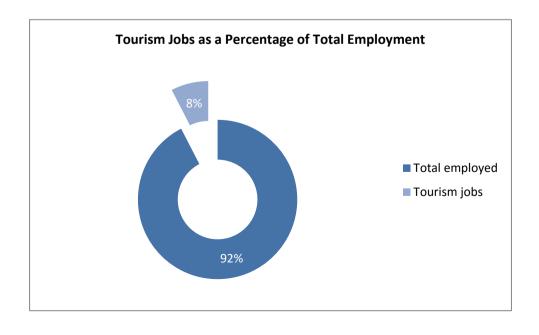
Actual jobs are estimated from surveys of relevant businesses at locations in England and take account of part time and seasonal working.

			Full tim	ne equivalent (F1	ſE)		
	Staying Visitor		Day V	Day Visitor		al	
Direct		557	78%	916	83%	1,472	81%
Indirect		122	17%	177	16%	299	16%
Induced		34	5%	12	1%	46	3%
Total FTE	2015	712		1,104		1,817	
Comparison	2014	681		1,078		1,760	
Difference		4.6%		2.4%		3.2%	
			Estim	nated actual jobs	i		

Estimated actual jobs							
		Staying Visitor		Day Visitor		Total	
Direct		752	81%	1,354	86%	2,106	84%
Indirect		139	15%	202	13%	340	14%
Induced		39	4%	13	1%	52	2%
Total Actual	2015	930		1,569		2,499	
Comparison	2014	890		1,531		2,421	
Difference		4.5%		2.5%		3.2%	

Tourism Jobs as a Percentage of Total Employment

	Staying Visitor	Day visitors	Total
Total employed	33,000	33,000	33,000
Tourism jobs	930	1,569	2,499
Proportion all jobs	3%	5%	8%
Comparison 2014	890	1,531	2,421
Difference	4.5%	2.5%	3.2%



Economic Impact of Tourism – Headline Figures

Malvern Hills

The key volume and value results included in this report are derived from the various sources as described throughout the report. These include regional and county breakdowns from national level data (Great Britain Tourism Survey and International Passenger Survey) as well as jobs and income information such as the Annual Survey of Hours & Earnings.

At a local level, the occupancy survey provides accurate local occupancy levels and known accommodation stock.

The key 2015 results of the Economic Impact Assessment are:

- 3.5 million trips were undertaken in the area
- 3.3 million day trips
- **0.2** million overnight visits
- **0.6** million nights in the area as a result of overnight trips
- £100 million spent by tourists during their visit to the area
 - **£8 million** spent on average in the local economy each month.
 - £26 million generated by overnight visits
 - £79 million generated from irregular day trips.
- £124 million spent in the local area as result of tourism, taking into account multiplier effects.
- **2,499 jobs** supported, both for local residents from those living nearby.
- 2,106 tourism jobs directly supported
 - **393 non-tourism related jobs** supported linked to multiplier spend from tourism.

Appendix I - Introduction about Cambridge Model

This report examines the volume and value of tourism and the impact of that expenditure on the local economy. The figures were derived using the Cambridge Economic Impact Model and the research was undertaken by The Research Solution.

The model utilises information from national tourism surveys and regionally based data held by The Research Solution. It distributes regional activity as measured in those surveys to local areas using 'drivers' such as the accommodation stock and occupancy which influence the distribution of tourism activity at local level.

Limitations of the Model

The methodology and accuracy of the above sources varies. The results of the model should therefore be regarded as estimates which are indicative of the scale and importance of visitor activity in the local area. It is important to note that in the national tourism surveys the sample sizes for each area changes year on year. This is as a result of the random probability nature of the methodology. As such, the results of the Cambridge Model are best viewed as a snapshot in time and we would caution against year-on-year comparisons.

It should be noted that the model cannot take into account any leakage of expenditure from tourists taking day trips out of the area in which they are staying. While it is assumed that these may broadly balance each other in many areas, in locations receiving significant numbers of day visitors from London, there is likely to be an underestimate in relation to the number of overseas day visitors staying in holiday accommodation in London.

Whilst it is important to be aware of these issues, we are confident that the estimates we have produced are as reliable as is practically possible within the constraints of the information available.

Rounding

All figures used in this report have been rounded. In some tables there may therefore be a slight discrepancy between totals and sub totals.

Data sources

The main national surveys used as data sources in stage one include:

- Great Britain Tourism Survey (GBTS) information on tourism activity by GB residents;
- International Passenger Survey (IPS) information on overseas visitors to the United Kingdom;
- Day Visits in the annual Great Britain Day Visitor Survey using information on visits lasting more than 3 hours and taken on an irregular basis

These surveys provide information down to a regional level. In order to disaggregate data to a local level the following information sources are used:

- Records of known local accommodation stock held by The Research Solution;
- VisitEngland's surveys of Visits to Attractions, which provide data on the number of visitors to individual tourist attractions;
- Registrar General's estimates of resident population as based on the 2011 Census of Population;
- Selected data from the 2011 Census of Employment;

Staying Visitors

The GBTS provides information on the total number of trips to the region and the relative proportions using different types of accommodation. By matching these figures to the supply of such accommodation, the regional average number of trips per bedspace or unit of accommodation can be derived. The IPS provides information on the total number of trips by overseas visitors to the region.

Day Visitors

Information on day trips at the regional level is available from the Day Visits in Great Britain survey. The survey includes all leisure-related trips from home. It should be noted that a large proportion are local trips made by people resident in the locality. The model uses information from the survey to estimate the number of longer day trips (defined as those lasting at least 3 hours and involving travel of more than 20 miles) and irregular trips lasting more than 3 hours.

Impact of tourism expenditure

This section examines the impact of the tourism expenditure in terms of the direct, indirect and induced expenditure as well as an estimate of the actual jobs (both direct and indirect) supported by tourism expenditure in the district.

The GBTS, IPS and Day Visits to Great Britain survey data on the breakdown of visitor spending. The impact of this initial round of expenditure will be subsequently increased by multiplier effects. These arise from the purchase of supplies and services by the businesses in receipt of visitor expenditure (indirect impacts), and by the income induced-effects arising from the spending of wages by employees in the first round of business and in subsequent expenditure in supplier business (induced impacts).

The New Earnings Survey which provides information on wage levels by industry sector and region; An internal business database which includes data on the structure of business expenditure, local linkages and multiplier ratios drawn from a wide range of business and economic studies carried out by Geoff Broom Associates, PA Cambridge Economic Consultants and others. By applying the breakdown to the estimates of visitor spending, the model generates estimates of total direct spending.

Evidence from national studies suggests that some minor adjustments are required to match visitor spend to business turnover – for example, some expenditure on food and drink actually takes place in inns and hotels that fall in the accommodation sector and within attractions. More significantly, expenditure on travel costs associated with individual trips is equally likely to take place at the origin of the trip as the destination. Therefore the model assumes that only 40% of travel expenditure accrues to the destination area.

Number of full time job equivalents

Having identified the value of turnover generated by visitor spending, it is possible to estimate the employment associated with that spending. Wages for staff and drawings for the proprietors will absorb a proportion of that turnover. By applying these proportions to the overall additional turnover in each sector, the amount of money absorbed by employment costs can be calculated.

The New Earnings Survey provides data from which the average costs by business sector, adjusted to take account of regional differences, can be calculated. After allowing for additional costs such as National Insurance and pension costs, an average employment cost per full time equivalent job can be estimated. The number of such jobs in the local area can then be estimated by dividing the amount of business expenditure on wages and drawings by the average employment cost per job.

Number of Actual Jobs

The model generates estimates of full time equivalent jobs based on visitor spending. However, the total number of actual jobs will be higher when part time and seasonal working is taken into account. The full time equivalent jobs arising directly from visitor spending are converted into actual jobs using information from business surveys in the sectors receiving visitor spending. In general, the conversion factor varies around 1.5 in those sectors.

The indirect and induced jobs arise across a much wider range of employment sectors. Therefore, the average 1.16 for all sectors based on Census of Employment data has been used to convert full time equivalent jobs in this sector to actual jobs.

The employment estimates generated by the model include both self employed and employed people supported by visitor expenditure. The model also includes an estimate of the additional jobs arising in the attractions sector, which are not related to visitor expenditure. However, the numbers do not include other tourism-related employment such as jobs in local authorities arising from their tourism functions, e.g. tourist information staff, additional public health, parks and gardens, public conveniences, maintenance sections and jobs arising from capital investment in tourism facilities.

Trips, Nights and Spend (Definitions)

'Trips' are classified as trips or journeys away from home involving an overnight stay, taken by adults aged 16 and over and accompanying children aged up to 15. Each adult or child present on the trip counts as a trip, for example, a family of 2 adults and 2 children taking a trip away would count as 4 trips.

'Nights' are the number of nights away taken by adults and accompanying children on these trips. Each night away spent by an adult or a child present on the trip counts as a night. Thus, a family of 2 adults and 2 children taking a 3 night trip away from home would count as 12 nights.

'Spend' is the expenditure relating to these trips. It includes costs paid in advance of the trip, costs paid during the trip itself and also any bills relating to the trip received after returning home. It covers costs paid by adults on the trip for themselves and on behalf of others on the trip, including children. It also includes costs paid on behalf of the person taking the trip, such as an employer paying the cost of a business trip.

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