

### 2025 HTA Spring Tourism Update - Europe Market

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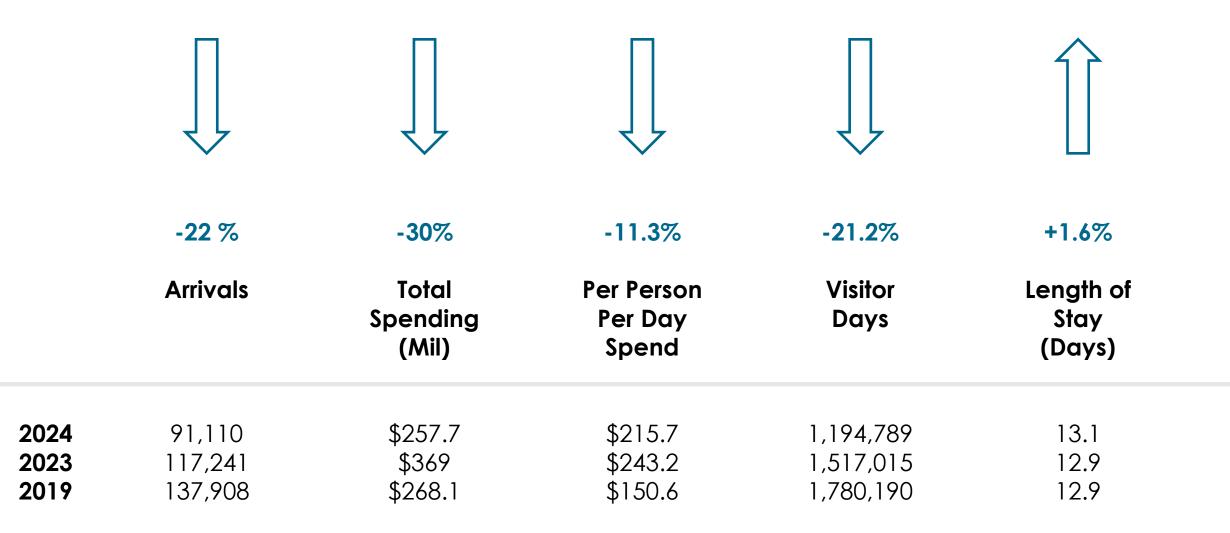
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# **STATISTICS 2024**

### **VISITOR STATISTICS**

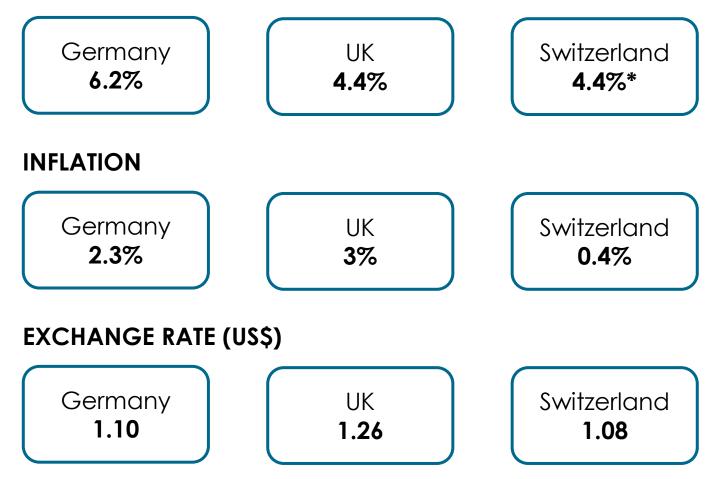


# **MARKET INSIGHTS**



## **GENERAL ECONOMY**

### **UNEMPLOYMENT**



\* December 2024.



## **TRAVEL TRENDS**

- Strong but not exceptional peak booking; longer decision-making process
- Prepared to sacrifice short breaks for long-haul
- Demand for less crowded 'de-tour' alternatives
- Natural phenomenon e.g. Northern Lights and bioluminescent beaches key motivators
- Surges in travel to popular film/TV locations
- Growth in travel to **lesser-known** and **cold-climate** destinations
- Longer holidays to balance flight costs



## **TRAVEL SENTIMENT**

- European travellers report high satisfaction
- View US holidays positively, but **concerns over cost and political change** have dampened enthusiasm
- Half of British more concerned about travel costs
- Consumers aged 50+ particularly optimistic about travel plans for 2025 (UK)
- 63% of Germans anxious about 2025 (up from 59% in 2024), but travel demand remains strong
- Average German holiday duration increased from 8.5 to 10 days for main trips
- Strong desire to visit Hawai'i



## **OUTBOUND TRAVEL**

- UK outbound market generated £51.6 billion in 2024, an increase from 2019
- German market to grow from \$114.96B (2024) to \$292.80B by 2034
- Germans spent nearly €2 billion on holidays in November 2024, a 9% YoY increase
- Swiss outbound set for continued growth in 2025, with high demand for long-haul

### **COMPETITIVE MARKET**





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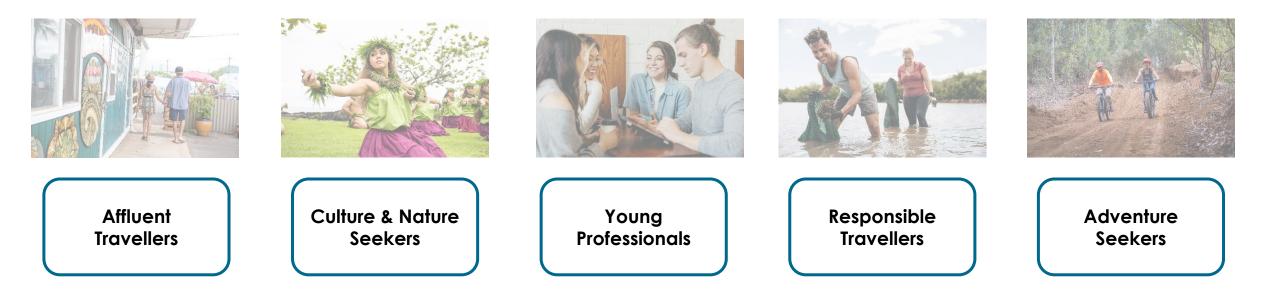


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# **MARKETING STRATEGY**

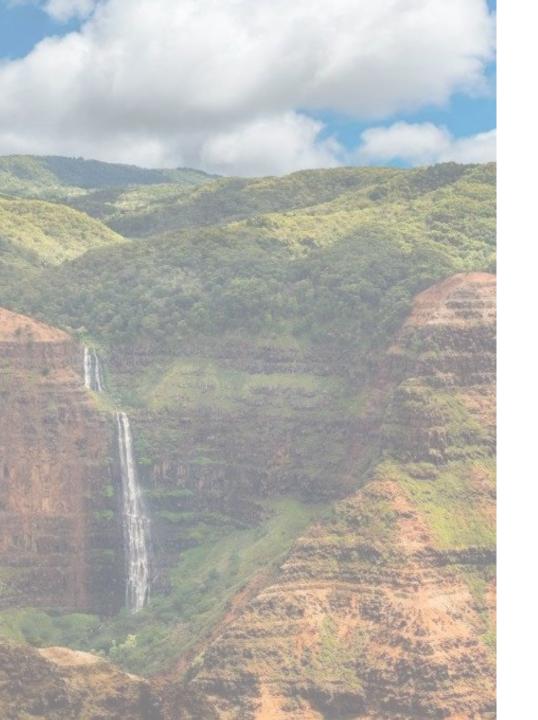
### **TARGET AUDIENCE**





## **CONSUMER STRATEGY**

- Integrated consumer strategy awareness consideration - conversion
- Strategic partnerships tour operators, airlines
- Data targeting utilising technology to reach the right audience
- **Multi-channel approach** rich content with creative technology and data
- **Personalised** content to reach specific audience segments



## TRADE STRATEGY

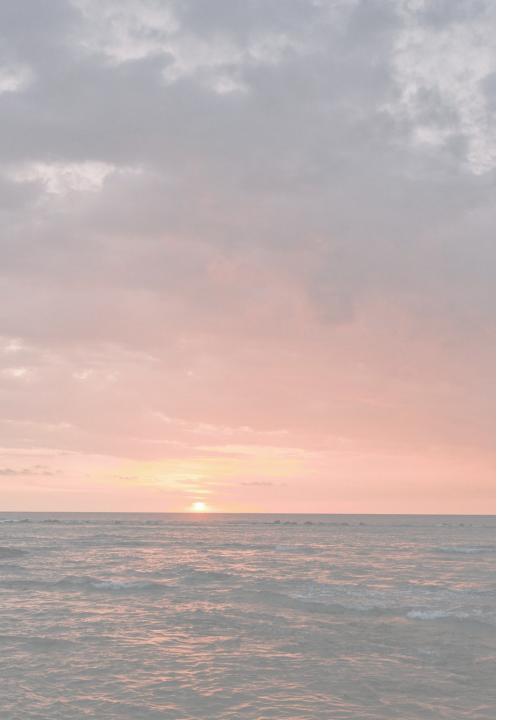
- Travel trade is extremely important in Germany, Switzerland and the UK
- Ensure we educate trade through in-person training, webinars and online training program
- Improve tour operator website / brochure content accuracy and depth
- Showcase Hawai'i's cultural authenticity and regenerative initiatives
- Represent at key **trade shows** and **events** (Loop Luxury, ITB, IPW, Brand USA, Visit USA)
- Host 2 product manager FAM trips to expand knowledge and product range



## **PR STRATEGY**

- Distribute 12 targeted press releases covering unique Hawai'i experiences
- Pitch **customized stories** aligned with editorial calendars, events and brand story
- Attend in key **media events** to maintain regular engagement with **trade** and **consumer press**
- Deliver 1 individual and 1 group press per market annually
- Ensure **crisis** communication **readiness** with established protocols

# MARKETING IMPLEMENTATIONS



### Digital Consumer Campaign "The People. The Place"



### Mālama Hawaiʻi - Mehr als nur eine Reise

Die erfüllendste Reise ist die, die nicht nur Ihnen, sondern auch der Welt etwas zurückgibt. Die Route durch die Inselwelt Hawai'is, die Ihr Leben verändert, finden Sie in keinem Reiseführer. Denn das wahre Geheimnis von Hawai'is Magie liegt nicht nur in der überwältigenden Schönheit der Natur oder der lebendigen Kultur – es ist die tiefe Verbundenheit, die alles miteinander verknüpft.

Wenn Sie durch die atemberaubenden Landschaften von Hawai'i streifen, wird schnell klar: Es geht um mehr als nur beeindruckende Ausblicke. Es geht darum, den Geist von Mälama zu leben – Fürsorge für das Land, die Menschen und das kulturelle Erbe, das diese Inseln so einzigartig macht. Verantwortungsvoll zu reisen, steht im Mittelpunkt dieser Philosophie, damit Hawai'i auch in Zukunft ein blühendes Paradies bleibt. In diesem Abschnitt finden Sie leicht umsetzbare und inspirierende Tipps, wie Sie nachhaltig reisen, die lokale Kultur feiern, die Gemeinschaften unterstützen und die Inseln mit Liebe und Respekt entdecken können.









### Travel Weekly (circ. 6,500) / Aspire (circ. 10,725) UK **Trade Campaign**

Dedicated solus email (dis. 5,000)

strung across Hawai'i Island, Maui

O'ahu and Lāna'i, while The Ritz-

Carlton has three properties, including

luxury residences, across Maui and

O'ahu. Other renowned stays include

celebrity haunt Montage Kapalua

Bay: 1 Hotel Hanalei Bay, which fuses

wellness and sustainability; Kona Village

A Rosewood Resort, set in an ancient

fishing village; and adult-only hideaway

nique experiences

While luxury exists in abundance in

Hawai'i, true meaning is found in

Learn to surf in the gentle, warm

waves of Waikiki Beach. Watch

thousands of kaholä (humpback whales)

migrate to mate and nurse their young in

Maui, Get tickets to Auana, the new Circue

du Soleil show exclusive to O'ahu. Tee off

on a spectacular golf course, the ocean

FUROPE

as vour audience. In Hawai'i, endless

possibilities await beyond the beach.

the richness of experiences. Snorkel

with manta rays on the Kona Coast.

Romer Waikiki at the Ambassador.



Discover a luxury destination with unique cultural richness and authentic experiences at its heart

beach clean-ups and native tree planting.

Even everyday experiences can embrace

erse landscapes that sweep om ocean-lapped coast o misty volcanic peaks, extraordinary experiences rooted in authenticity and tradition, the radiating warmth of genuine

Aloha spirit

meets heartfelt cultural connection.

Hawai'i is as much about its culture

and people as it is the destination.

From learning about the tradition

and meanings of lei with a lei-maker

in O'ahu to sharing the joy of mele

(Hawaiian music) in Kaua'i, clients

will be immersed in the aloha spirit

as soon as they arrive. Visitors will

the Hawaiian 'ohana (family) - an

indescribable feeling that must be

experienced to be believed.

Treading lightly

feel a sense of belonging as they join

Hawai'i is built on the concept of mālam

ocean, the forest to the fish pond, here

the circle of life exists in its purest form.

and connection to nature and communit

is celebrated and treasured. Eco-minded

clients can pay it forward by taking part in

(to give back) - from the land to the

mālama, from enjoying a cup of Kona coffee to shopping for wares crafted by artisans in wood, shells and lauhala (weaving). hospitality - welcome to Hawai'i. Luxury accommodation a unique destination where luxury

A stand-out collection of sanctuarie awaits in Hawai'i and there's a high chance clients will find their favourite brand: Four Seasons' five resorts an

THE FOUR MAIN ISLANDS wai'i Island – the youngest and argest island is full of adventure IUI - home of the sacred 'Iao Valley and, during winter, migrating umpback whales ahu – a foodie's paradise, where the majority of the opulation of Hawai'i resides UQ<sup>1</sup> - the oldest island in the

To learn more, take the Hawai'i Destination Expe Training at agents.gohawaii.com/register waiian chain, often called the HAWAI'I TOURISM

### To discover more about Hawai'i, visit gohawaii.com

arden Island



### SAY 'ALOHA' TO HAWAIIAN CULTURE

Hawai'i is far more than its lauded beaches and tropical landscapes - clients can peer into the islands' soul by embracing its authentic cultural spirit

Sugar-soft beaches, rainbow-hued reefs and steaming volcanoes have long positioned Hawai'i as a byword for paradise. But there is also plenty of substance in the destination's traditional culture and warr hearted people. It's less fly and flop and more of a slow soak and savour - allowing mindful travellers to unravel a completely different side to these Pacific Islands.

The culture of Hawai'i is one that gently simmers through its people and experience knitted together by the warm aloha spirit word that's far more than a simple greeting There's no shortage of ways for clients to embrace the 'ohana (family) aura and tap into the islands' unique pulse, from buying local goods to enjoying festivals or getti involved in voluntourism. Maui's laid-back towns are home to skilled artisans whose products- ranging from honey to Polynes woodcrafts and homegrown coffee - give lients the chance to take an authentic slice



of Hawai'i home. Hawai'i Island, the largest in the archipelago, promises similar encounters with local produce for clients, from touring coffee farms to wandering the farmers' markets that pop up all across the island





ADVERTISING FEATUR

Clients can enrich their travels by making eeper connections with Hawaiian cultu he emerald-hued mountains may have earned Kaua'i its 'areen island' moniker. out it's the locals that make the island tic Visitors can see how by exploring its roots in the hula dance - at a festival, by having a lesson with a local at a hälau hula or as part of a lū'au celebration of Polynesian food and music. They can also uncover the rich history of Hawai'i at O'ahu's 'Iolani Palace (pictured) Bishop Museum and Hawai'i Plantation /illage. Proof there are plenty of layers to lawai'i just waiting to be discovered.

or more information visit GoHawaii.com become a Hawai'i Destin ecialist at tinyurl.com/hawaiiD1





- Visit USA Island Hopping (140 consultants trained 10-minute in-person sessions)
- Loop Leisure Spring Event Focused on Luxury Products







### British Airways Holidays (UK) Co-op Campaign

- You magazine advertorial (800,000 readership)
- MailOnline travel newsletter (158,000 subscribers)
- Channel Hub article (10,000 guaranteed views)
- Targeted digital ads to drive conversions









## **KEY CAMPAIGN**

### **The People. The Place. The Hawaiian Islands.** Mar – Jun 2025

### Overview

Working with premium mindfulness platforms Headspace, 10% Happier, Calm to establish Hawai'i as the ideal destination for affluent wellness seekers.

### Target Audience

High-income professionals seeking meaningful escape and authentic restoration experiences.

### Execution Approach

Captivating visitors through immersive audio-visual content and social advertising, supported by a dedicated microsite. Retargeting to deliver leads to tour operators.



## **KEY CAMPAIGN**

### "Your Personal Aloha" Sept – Dec 2025

### Overview

Al-powered Itinerary Builder technology delivering personalized Hawai'i vacation recommendations to European travelers based on their stated preferences.

### • Target Audience

Qualified long-haul travel intenders from Europe seeking personalized vacation experiences.

### Execution Approach

Delivering AI recommendations through ads and microsite, with retargeting to connect engaged users to tour operators.



## **ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY**

- 4 Press and 2 Trade FAM's (Yearound)
- UK Travel Trade Campaign (Sept/Oct)
- German Co-Op Campaign (Oct)
- Trade & PR Events include:

IPW (Chicago) Visit USA Media Marketplace (UK) Visit USA Summer Affair (UK) Lusso Luxury Roadshow (UK) Brand USA Travel Week (Europe)

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