

STATE HIGHLIGHTS

California

Long-distance trips account for a significant amount of travel and include a large share of American households. This travel has economic, social and environmental consequences.

- During 1995, about 89 percent of the households in California took one or more long-distance trips to a destination 100 or more miles away. California households travel more than the national average which is about 80 percent of all households.
- Travelers who live in California took 109 million person-trips, an average of 3.0 trips and 4,331 miles per traveler. Visitors to California took 89 million person-trips, an average of 3.9 trips and 4,159 miles per traveler.
- The number of trips per visitor to California has decreased 29 percent since 1977, and the number of miles per visitor has decreased 18 percent. On average in the United States, the number of trips per traveler has grown 20 percent and the number of miles has increased 39 percent since 1977.
- People who live in California take 3.5 car trips per traveler compared with 2.3 airplane trips per traveler, however more miles per traveler are flown by air (5,598 miles) than by car (1,961 miles).
- Travelers from California who live in households with incomes less than \$25,000 travel less often than travelers in households with incomes greater than \$50,000, about 3.2 trips per traveler compared with 4.7 trips per traveler.
- The most popular destination states for travelers who live in California are Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii. Arizona, Nevada and Washington are the most popular origin states for travelers to California.

Table 1. Travel Characteristics for California and the United States: 1977 and 1995

	California			United States		
	1977	1995	Percent change	1977	1995	Percent change
People who live in area						
Percent traveling households	80	89	10.9	72	80	10.8
Trips per household	4.4	5.0	13.6	4.1	5.5	34.1
Trips per traveling household	5.5	5.7	3.6	5.7	6.9	21.1
Trips per capita	2.6	3.5	34.6	2.4	4.0	66.7
Trips per traveler	NA	4.0	NA	4.0	4.8	19.0
Miles per traveler	NA	4,331	NA	2,836	3,943	39.0
Miles per trip	NA	1,085	NA	709	827	16.6
People who visit area						
Trips per traveler	5.5	3.9	-29.1	4.0	4.8	19.0
Miles per traveler	5,046	4,159	-17.6	2,836	3,943	39.0
Miles per trip	911	1,063	16.7	709	827	16.6

Note: Data are estimates based on a sample and subject to error; 1995 data are preliminary.

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 1995 American Travel Survey unpublished tables; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 1977 National Travel Survey, TC77-N-2.

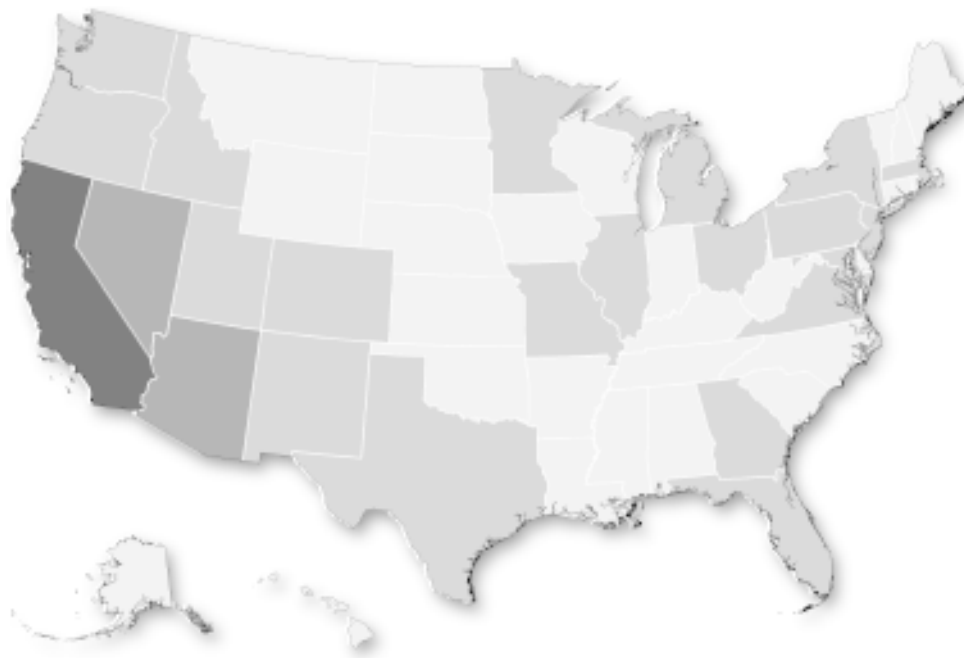
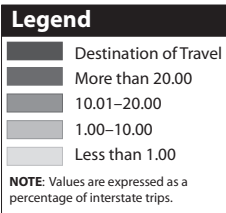


Table 2. Origin States of People Who Visit California (In thousands)

TRIPS WITHIN CALIFORNIA		64,843	
Alabama	152	Montana	89
Alaska	98	Nebraska	130
Arizona	4,076	Nevada	2,922
Arkansas	97	New Hampshire	58
Colorado	1,048	New Jersey	539
Connecticut	196	New Mexico	321
Delaware	28	New York	844
District of Columbia	93	North Carolina	178
Florida	669	North Dakota	31
Georgia	306	Ohio	538
Hawaii	210	Oklahoma	169
Idaho	330	Oregon	1,670
Illinois	965	Pennsylvania	490
Indiana	171	Rhode Island	53
Iowa	234	South Carolina	52
Kansas	185	South Dakota	36
Kentucky	118	Tennessee	226
Louisiana	163	Texas	1,516
Maine	28	Utah	996
Maryland	282	Vermont	32
Massachusetts	437	Virginia	359
Michigan	518	Washington	1,719
Minnesota	439	West Virginia	25
Mississippi	72	Wisconsin	226
Missouri	266	Wyoming	41

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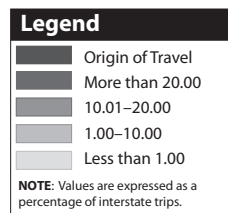
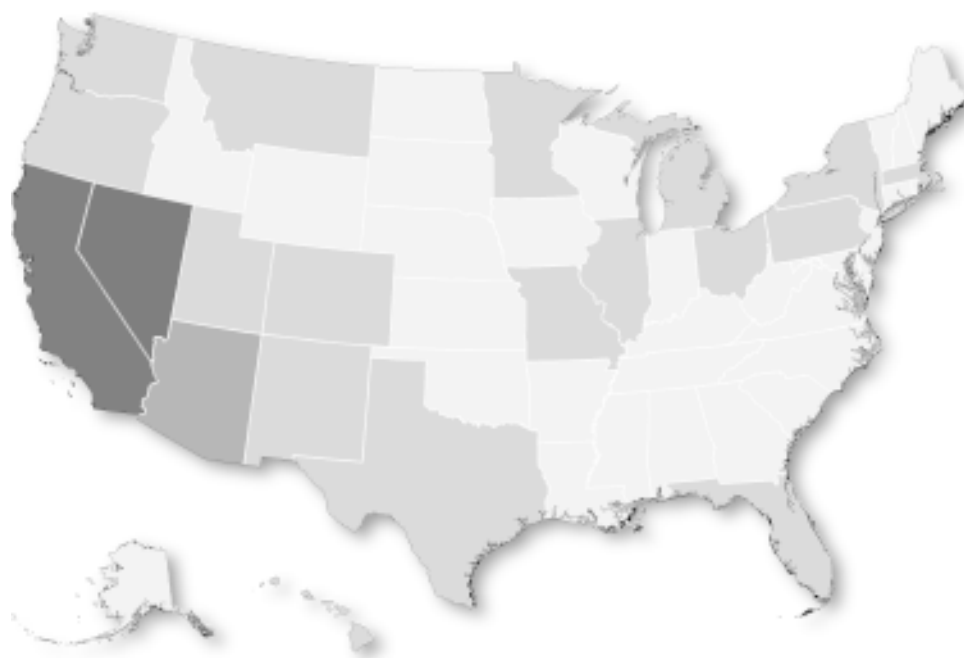


Table 3. Destination States of People Who Live in California (In thousands)

TRIPS WITHIN CALIFORNIA		64,843	
Alabama	97	Montana	533
Alaska	101	Nebraska	17
Arizona	3,832	Nevada	15,175
Arkansas	226	New Hampshire	39
Colorado	1,408	New Jersey	314
Connecticut	190	New Mexico	526
Delaware	13	New York	1,441
District Columbia	425	North Carolina	286
Florida	949	North Dakota	22
Georgia	315	Ohio	651
Hawaii	1,530	Oklahoma	114
Idaho	329	Oregon	1,172
Illinois	594	Pennsylvania	686
Indiana	247	Rhode Island	24
Iowa	69	South Carolina	71
Kansas	141	South Dakota	122
Kentucky	45	Tennessee	183
Louisiana	139	Texas	911
Maine	284	Utah	615
Maryland	133	Vermont	126
Massachusetts	377	Virginia	187
Michigan	452	Washington	1,102
Minnesota	493	West Virginia	118
Mississippi	106	Wisconsin	59
Missouri	477	Wyoming	60

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Table 4. Travel Rates by Trip and Traveler Characteristics for California: 1995

	Person trips [†]	Number of travelers [†]	Trips per traveler	Miles [*]	Miles per traveler	Miles per trip
PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN AREA	108,988	36,781	3.0	118,858	4,331	1,085
Means of transportation						
Personal use vehicle	75,107	21,386	3.5	41,945	1,961	558
Commercial air	29,621	12,825	2.3	71,797	5,598	2,424
Intercity bus	698	349	2.0	695	1,992	996
Train	571	476	1.2	456	958	799
Other	2,992	1,745	1.7	3,964	2,272	1,325
Main purpose						
Business	22,195	6,493	3.4	30,936	4,764	1,394
Visit friends or relatives	33,566	14,770	2.3	36,880	2,497	1,099
Leisure	38,829	16,343	2.4	35,967	2,201	926
Other	14,398	7,234	1.0	15,075	2,084	1,047
Income						
Less than \$25,000	13,902	4,406	3.2	10,783	2,447	776
\$25,000 to \$49,999	32,421	9,949	3.3	25,720	2,585	793
\$50,000 or greater	62,665	13,306	4.7	82,354	6,189	1,314
Age						
Less than 24	24,579	9,009	2.7	19,767	2,194	804
25 to 64	74,272	16,214	4.6	85,893	5,297	1,156
65 and over	10,137	2,630	3.9	13,197	5,018	1,302
Gender						
Male	60,617	14,115	4.3	66,126	4,685	1,091
Female	48,372	13,083	3.7	52,732	4,031	1,090
PEOPLE WHO VISIT AREA	89,286	22,894	3.9	94,735	4,159	1,063
Means of transportation						
Personal use vehicle	64,527	14,427	4.5	37,362	2,590	579
Commercial air	22,162	7,461	2.0	53,749	7,204	2,425
Intercity bus	576	189	3.0	338	1,789	588
Train	502	229	2.2	520	2,272	1,034
Other	1,519	588	2.6	2,765	4,704	1,821
Main purpose						
Business	20,633	5,280	3.9	29,013	5,495	1,406
Visit friends or relatives	29,110	8,749	3.3	29,967	3,425	1,029
Leisure	26,890	9,519	2.8	25,101	2,637	933
Other	12,653	4,084	3.1	10,653	2,608	842
Income						
Less than \$25,000	12,205	3,582	3.4	11,241	3,138	921
\$25,000 to \$49,999	30,193	8,419	3.6	29,138	3,461	965
\$50,000 or greater	46,888	11,531	4.1	54,356	4,714	1,159
Age						
Less than 24	21,545	6,364	3.4	19,550	3,072	907
25 to 64	60,646	14,950	4.1	66,751	4,465	1,101
65 and over	7,095	2,072	3.4	8,434	4,071	1,189
Gender						
Male	50,236	12,216	4.1	51,889	4,248	1,033
Female	39,050	10,980	3.6	42,846	3,902	1,097

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