

# Outlook 2024: Everything in Moderation Including Fixed Income Leisure Credits?





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# Recap

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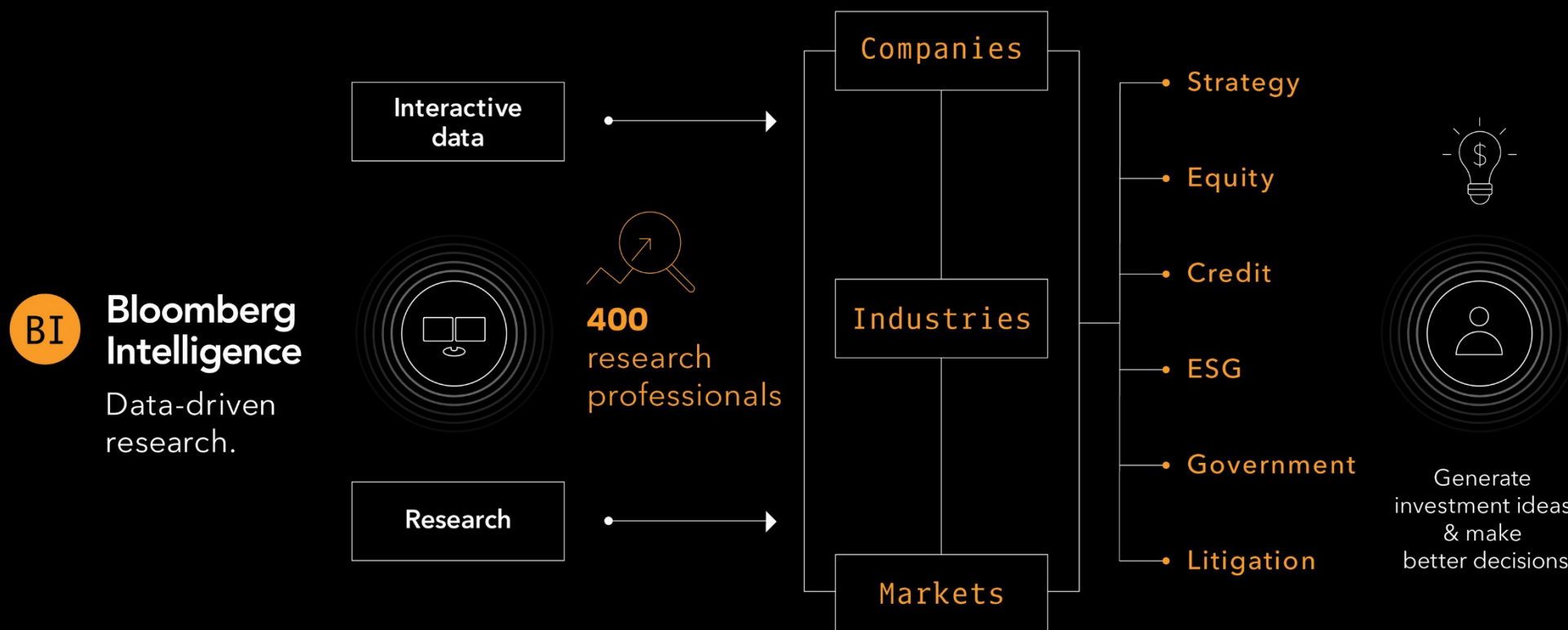
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industries

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companies

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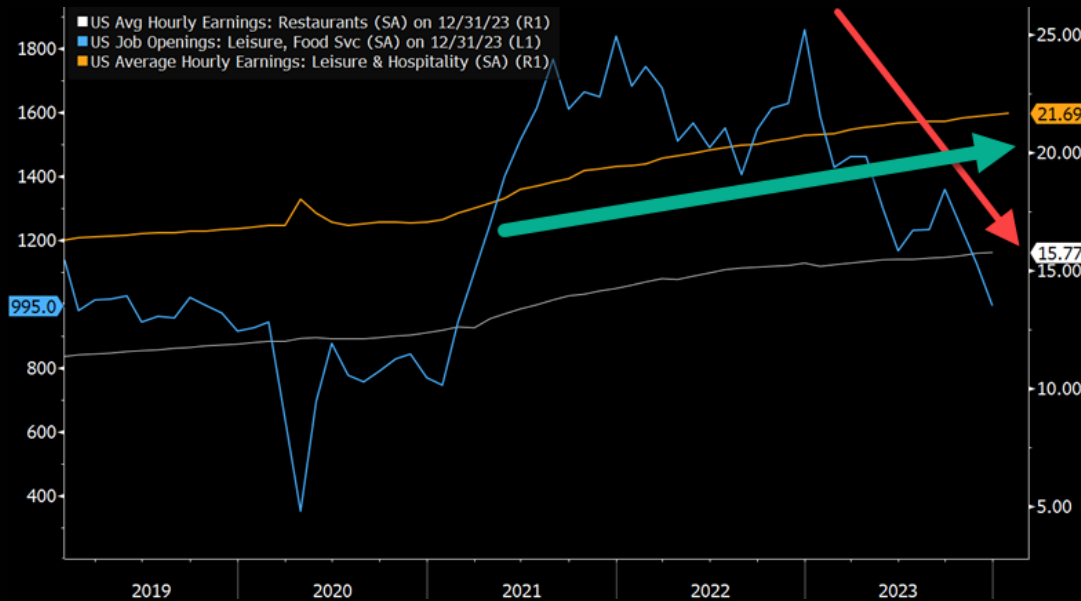


# Backdrop for Today

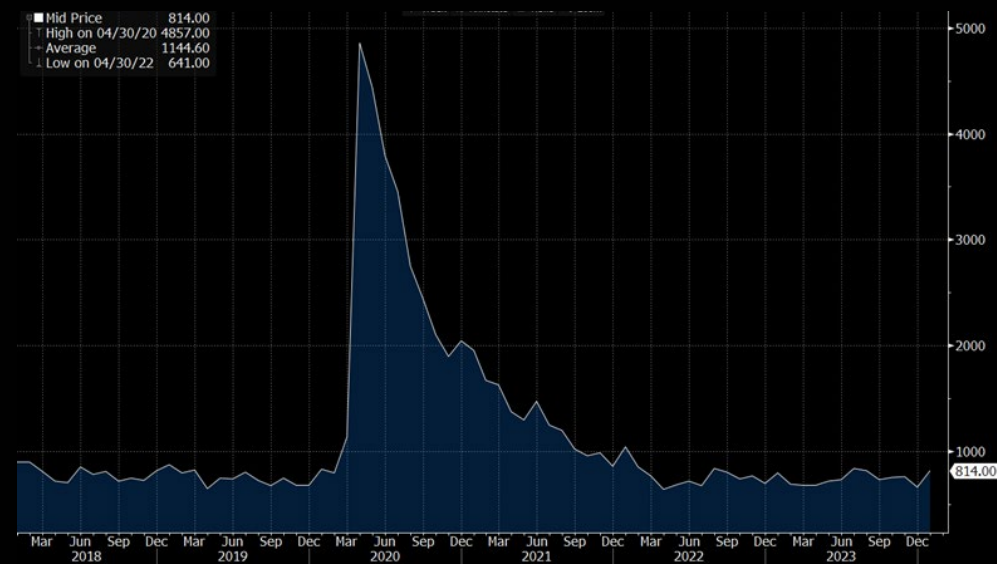


# Labor Shortages and Wage Inflation

## Leisure Hourly Earnings vs. Job Openings



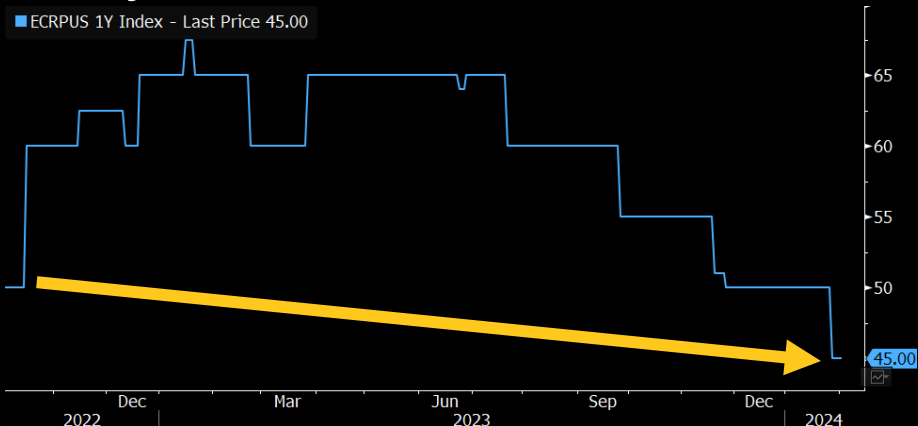
## Leisure & Hospitality Unemployment



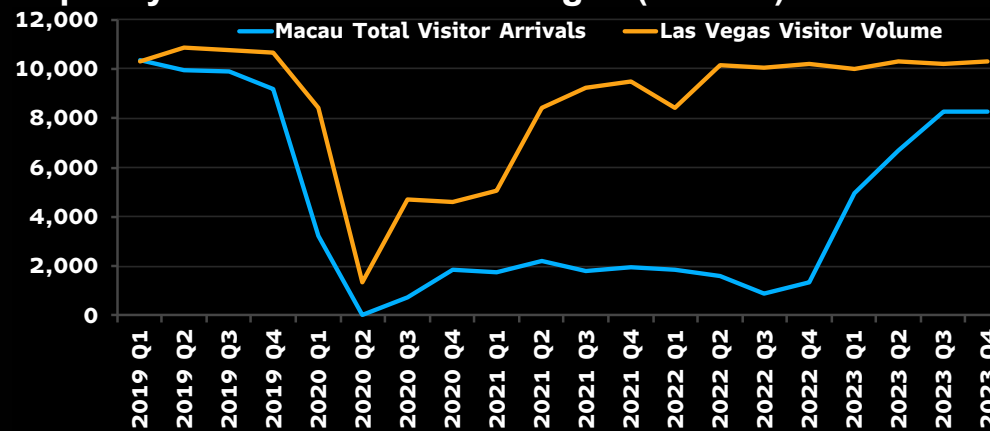
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# Headwinds Pushing Against 2024 Tailwinds

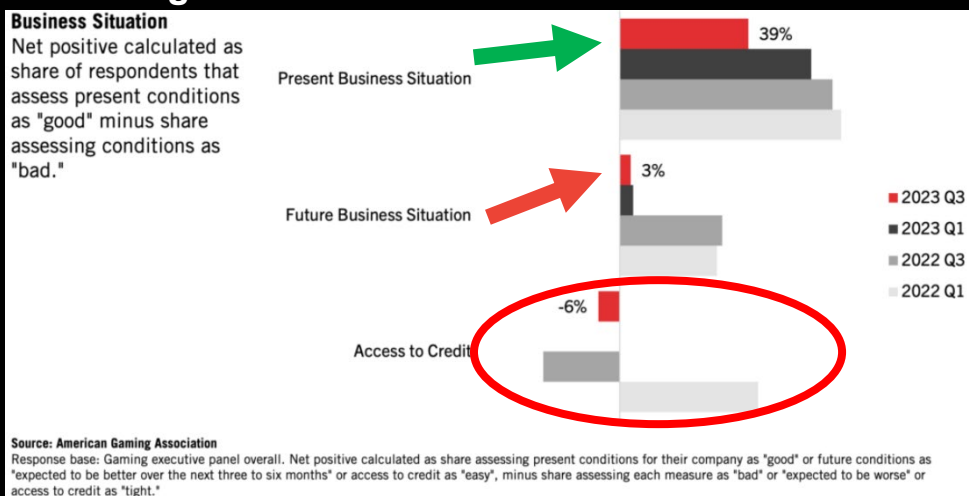
## Probability of US Recession: ECFC<GO>



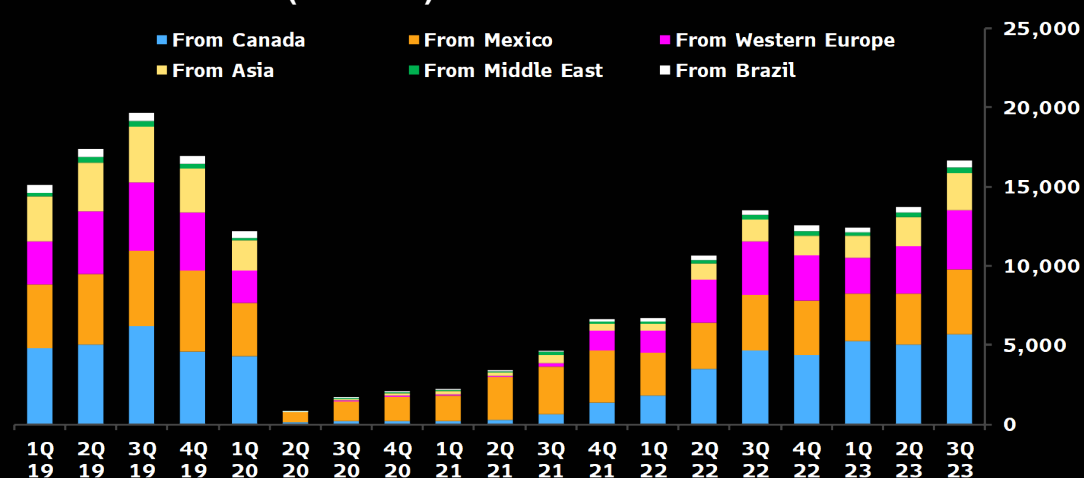
## Occupancy Levels: Macau and Vegas (in 000s)



## AGA Gaming CEO Outlook: Business Situation Sentiment



## Tourists into the US (in 000s)

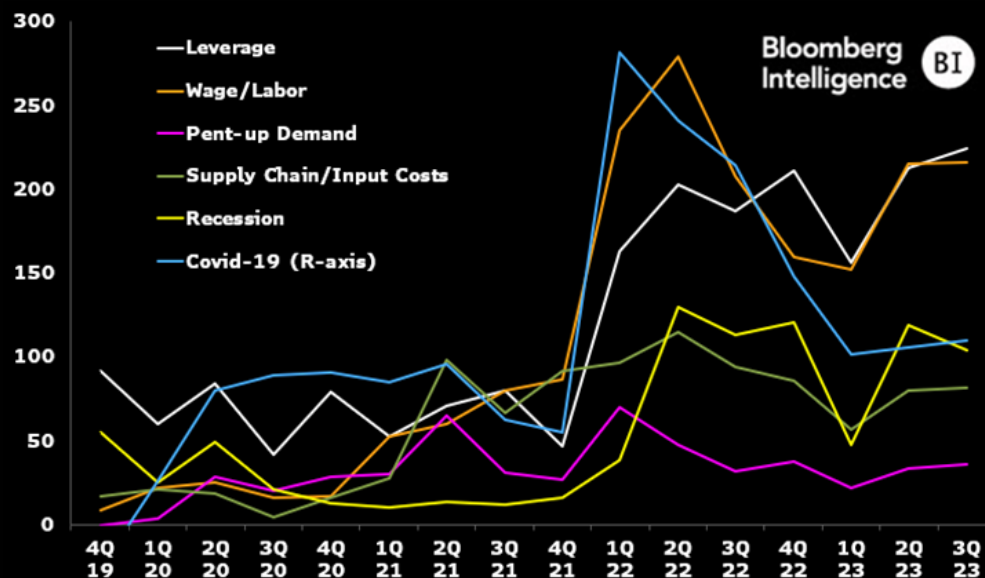


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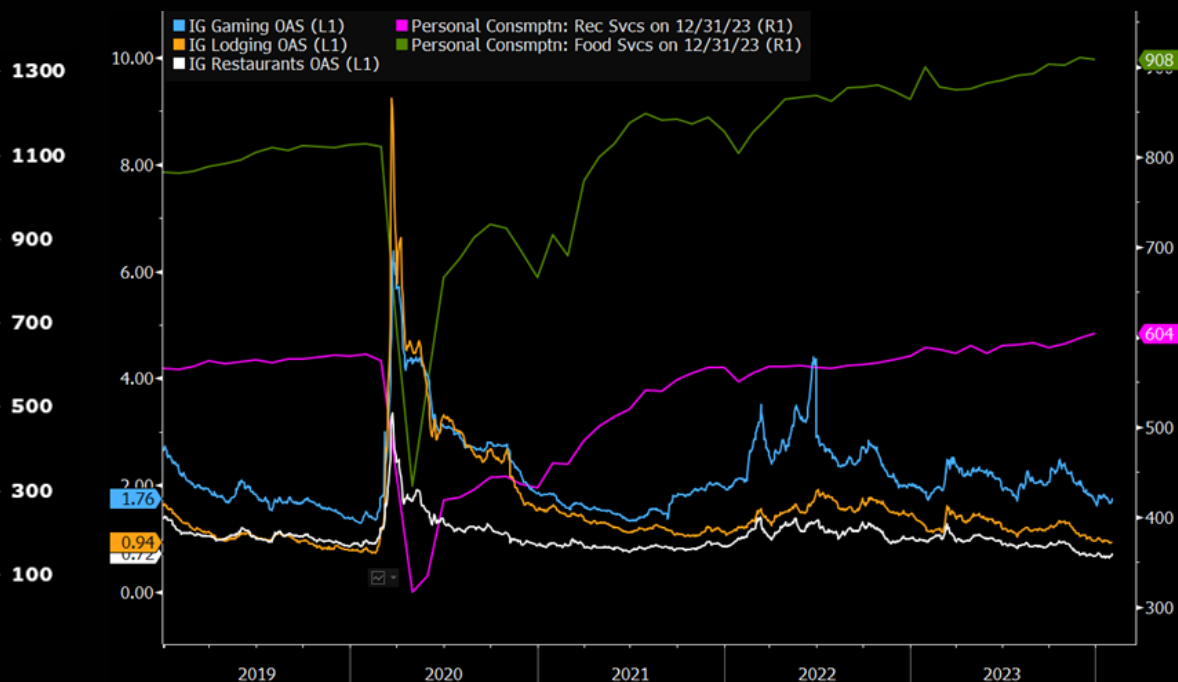


# Economic Backdrop: Company Thinking and the Consumer

## Topics of Focus By Management Teams



## Consumer Spending vs. High Grade Credit Spreads



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Bloomberg document search (DS<GO>) and transcript analyzer (TA<GO>) through 3Q23 in earnings call, conference/presentation, shareholder meeting, M&A call for related words to each category; tickers CAR, CCL, CHH, CZR, DRI, FUN, H, HLT, HTZ, LVS, MAR, MCD, MGM, NCLH, RCL, SBUX, SEAS, SIX, STAY, TNL, WYNN, YUM  
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Travel Survey:  
Results for 2024  
Outlook**

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## **US Travel Survey - 2024**

Survey conducted Dec. 20-24, 2023

Sample Size: 3,514 (of which 977 were people who prioritize vacations in 2024, 23 were deemed erroneous)

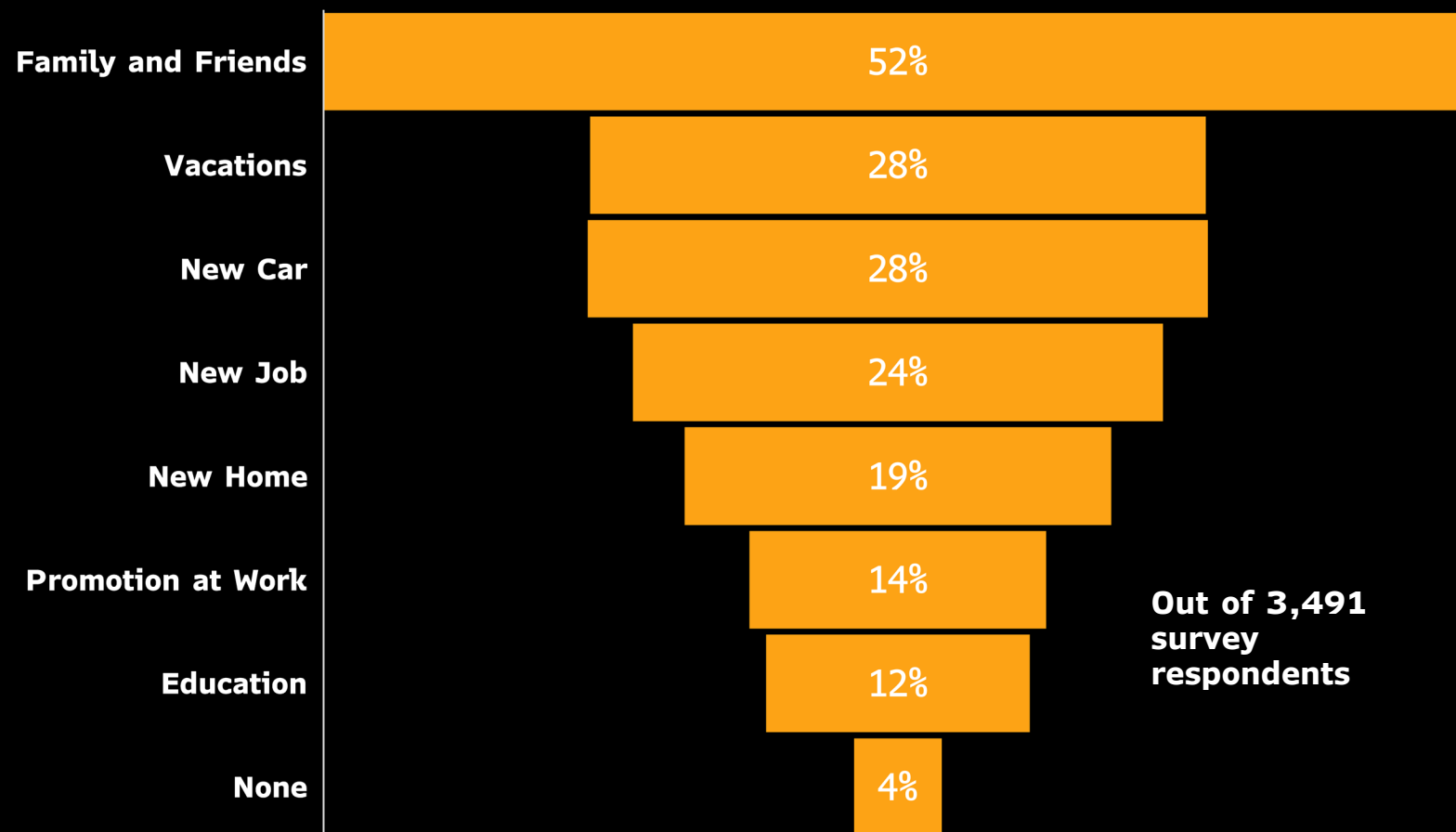
### **Breakdown for 977**

Age: 18-24 (15%), 25-34 (17%), 35-44 (16%), 45-54 (15%), 55-64 (16%), 65+ (21%)

Gender: male (49%), female (51%)

Geography: Northeast (18%), Midwest (21%), South (37%), West (23%)

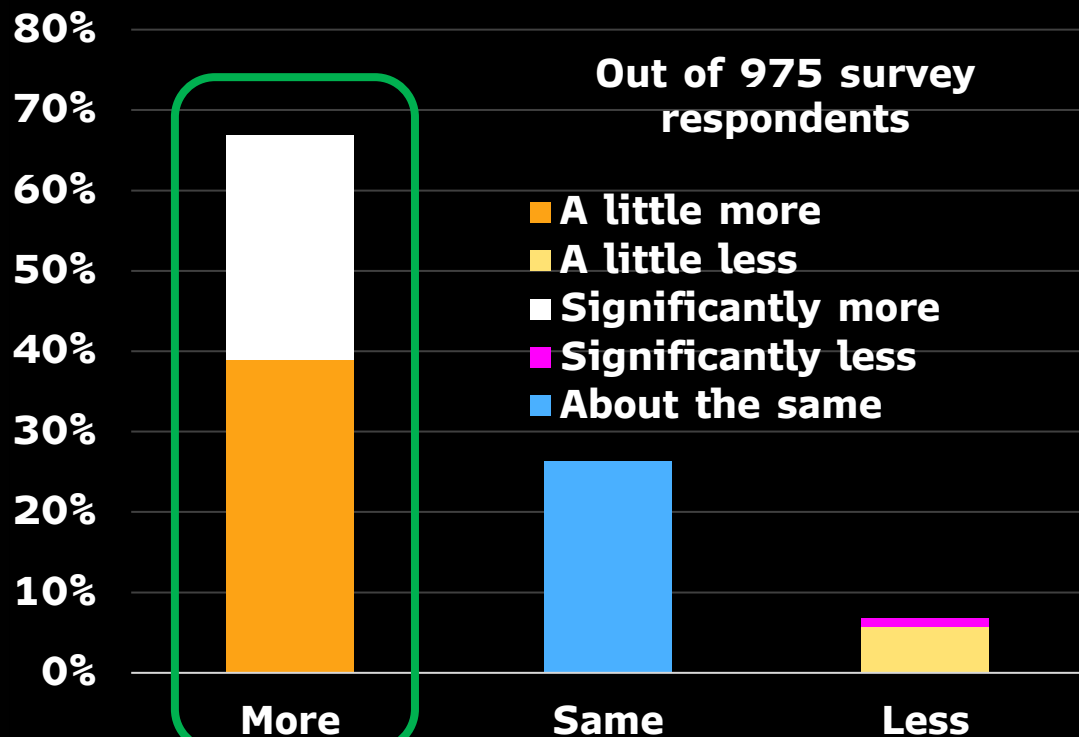
# 28% of Respondents Prioritizing Vacations: BI Survey



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, Attest; Survey respondents had the option to pick more than one response

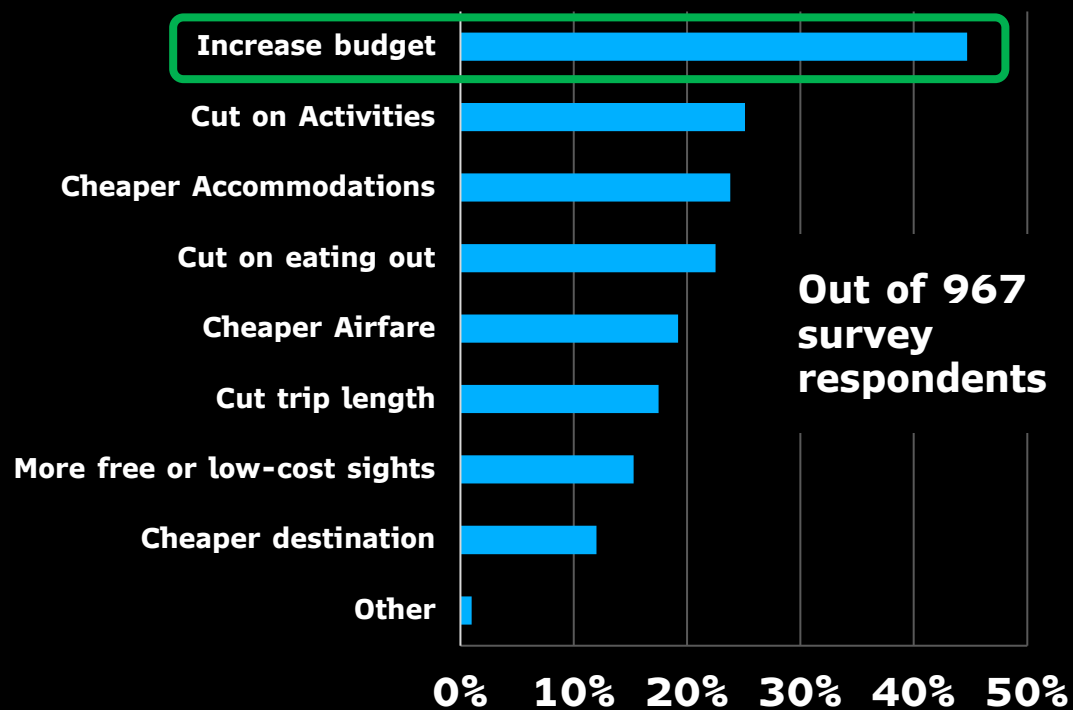
# 67% of Vacationers Are Prepared to Spend in 2024: BI Survey

## 2024 Vacation Spending vs. 2023



2 respondents skipped the question

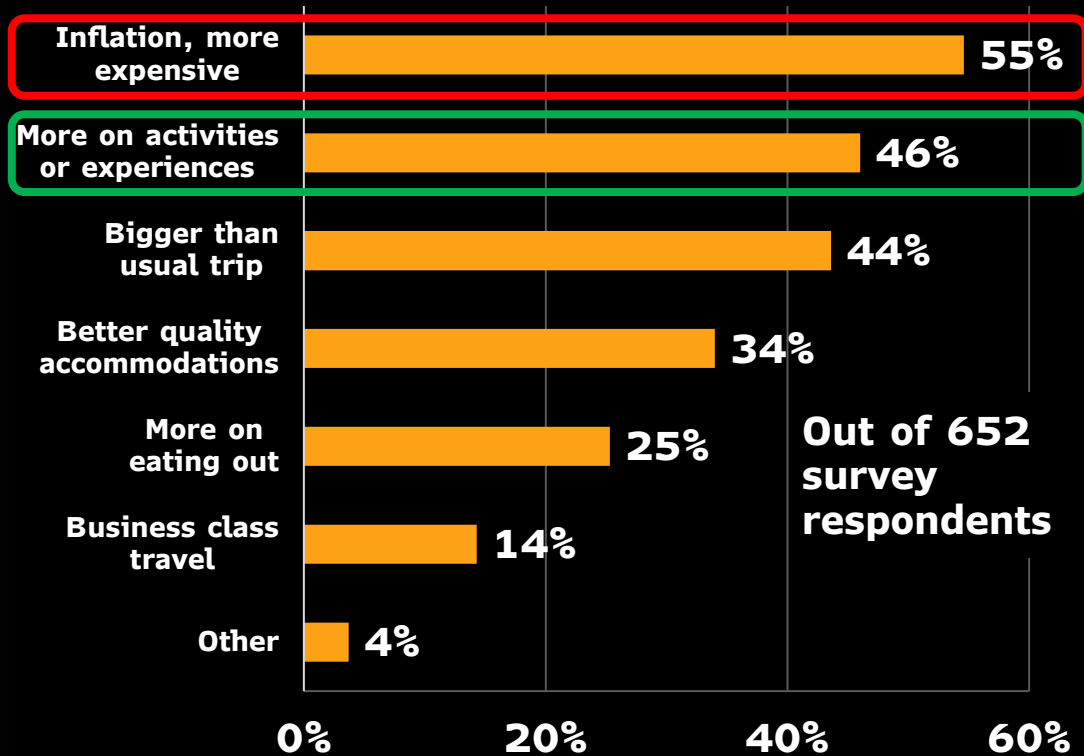
## If Main Vacation Cost Exceeds Budget...



10 respondents skipped the question

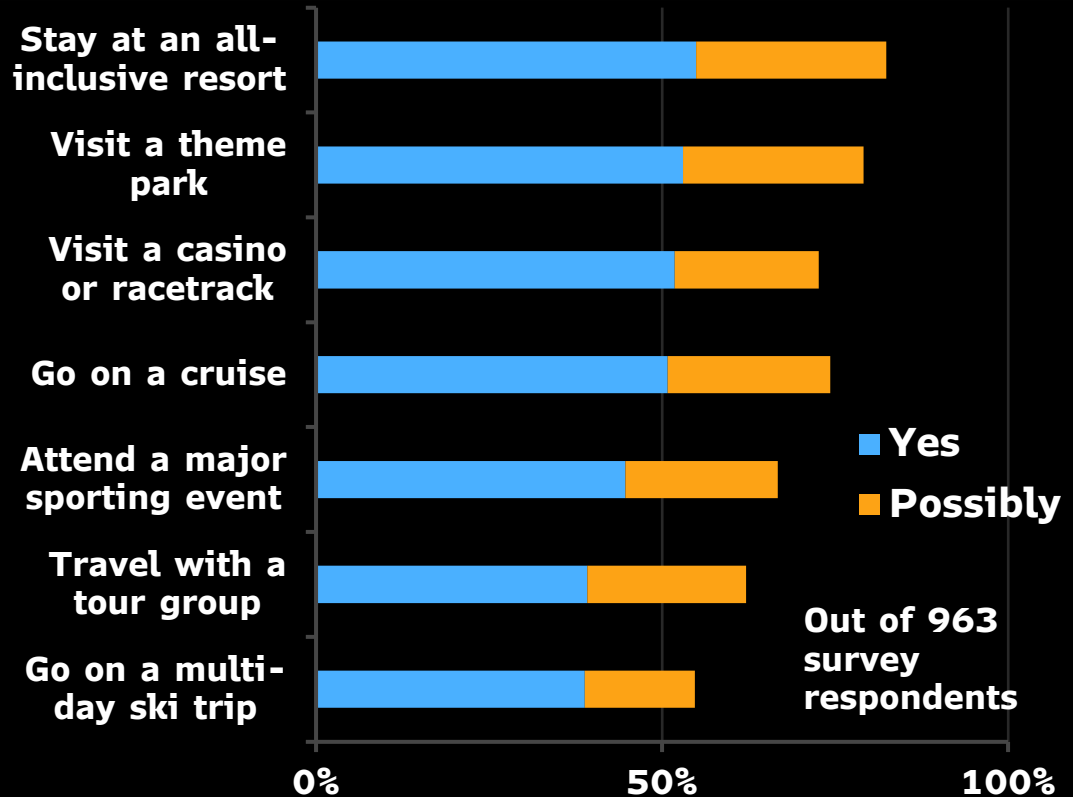
# Why 67% of Respondents Are Spending More This Year on Vacationers and Where They Plan to Go: BI Survey

## Main Reason Respondents Spend More in 2024 vs 2023



0 respondents skipped the question

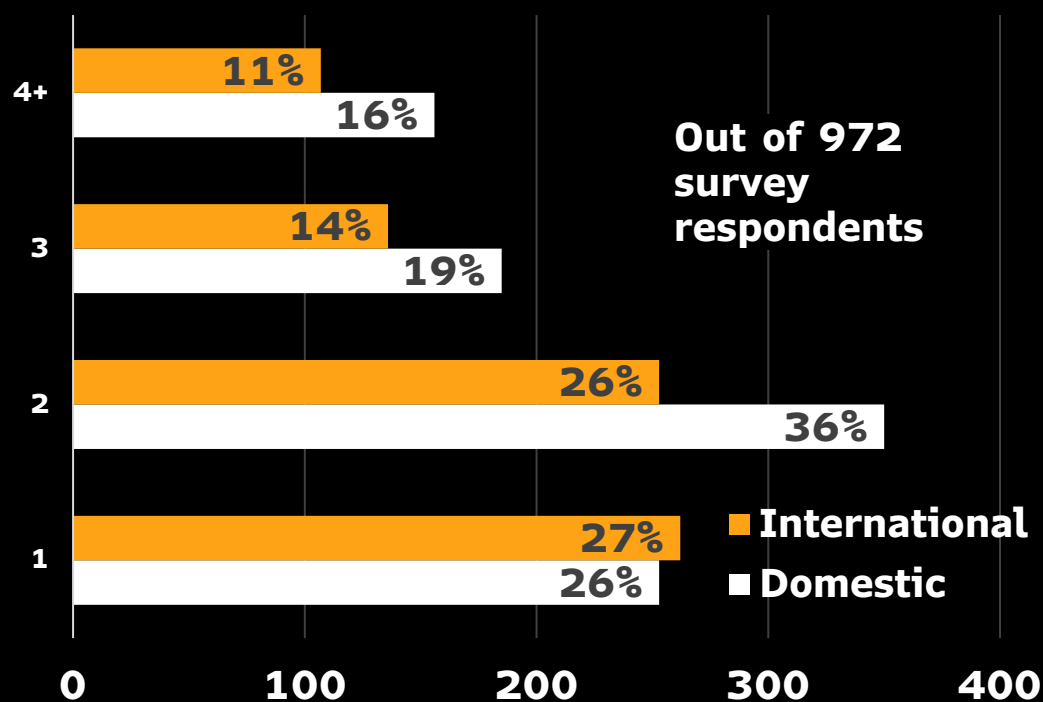
## Options for Three-Plus-Day Vacations



14 respondents skipped the question

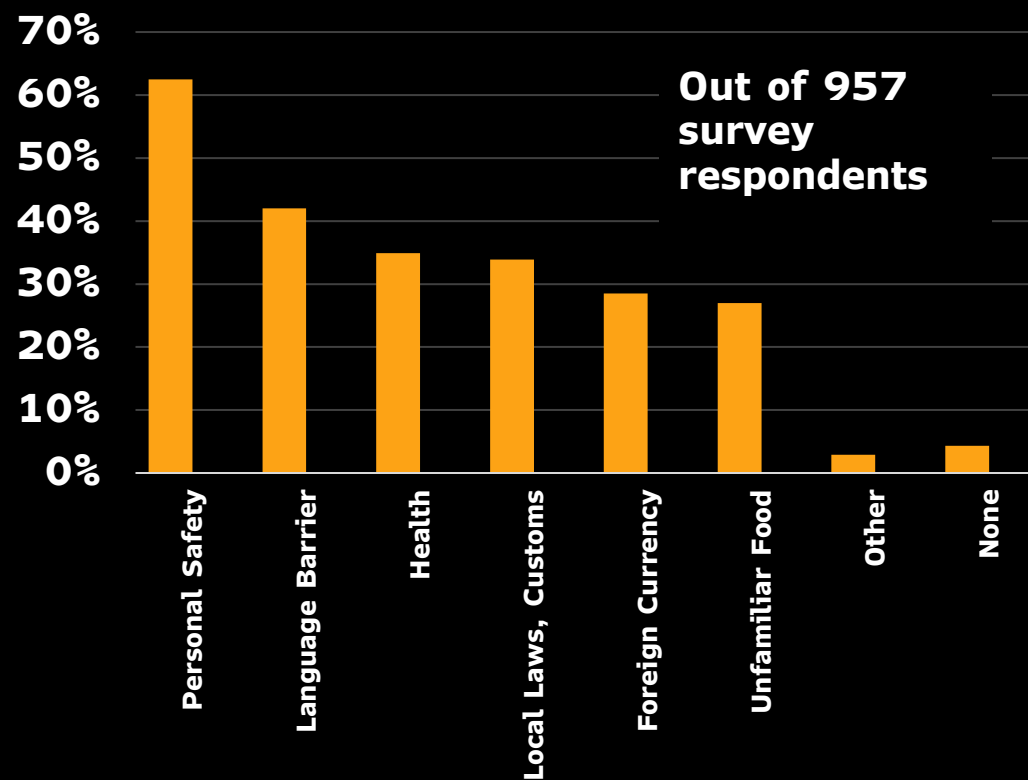
# Vacations of Three or More Days, Concerns: BI Survey

## How Many 3+ Day Vacations Planned for 2024



5 respondents skipped the question; Percentages shown are out of total survey respondents and equal to 100% when including those who chose "none" for each category

## Concerns About Overseas Travel

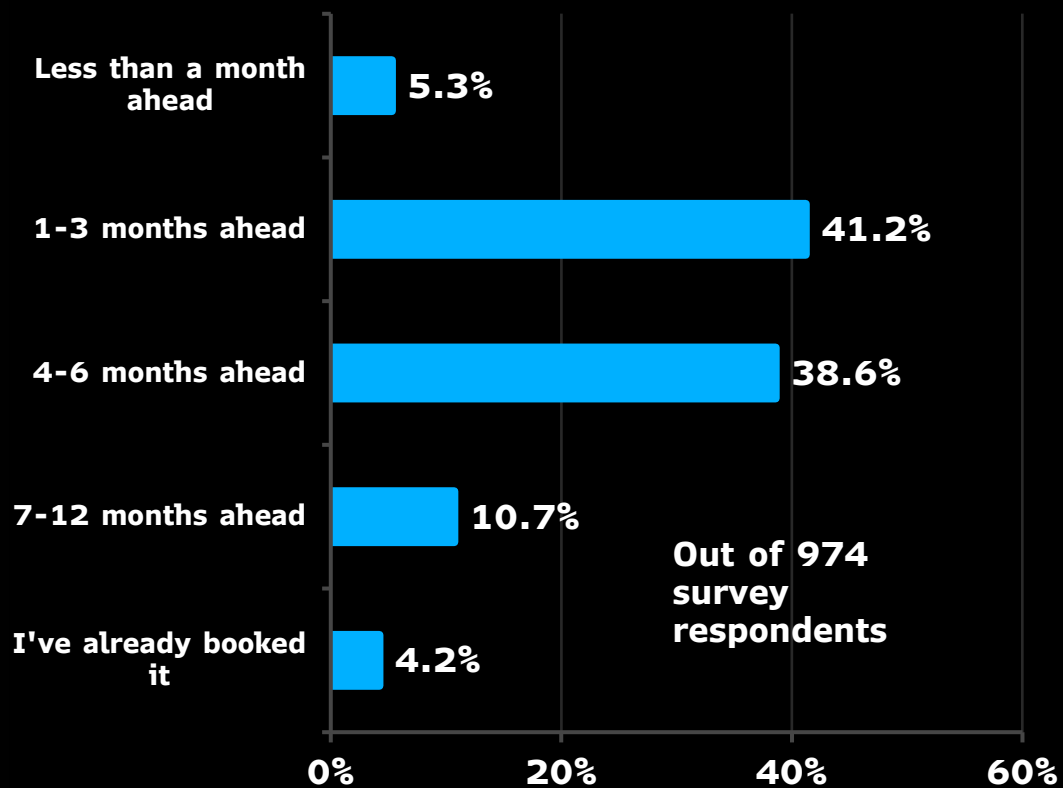


20 respondents skipped the question



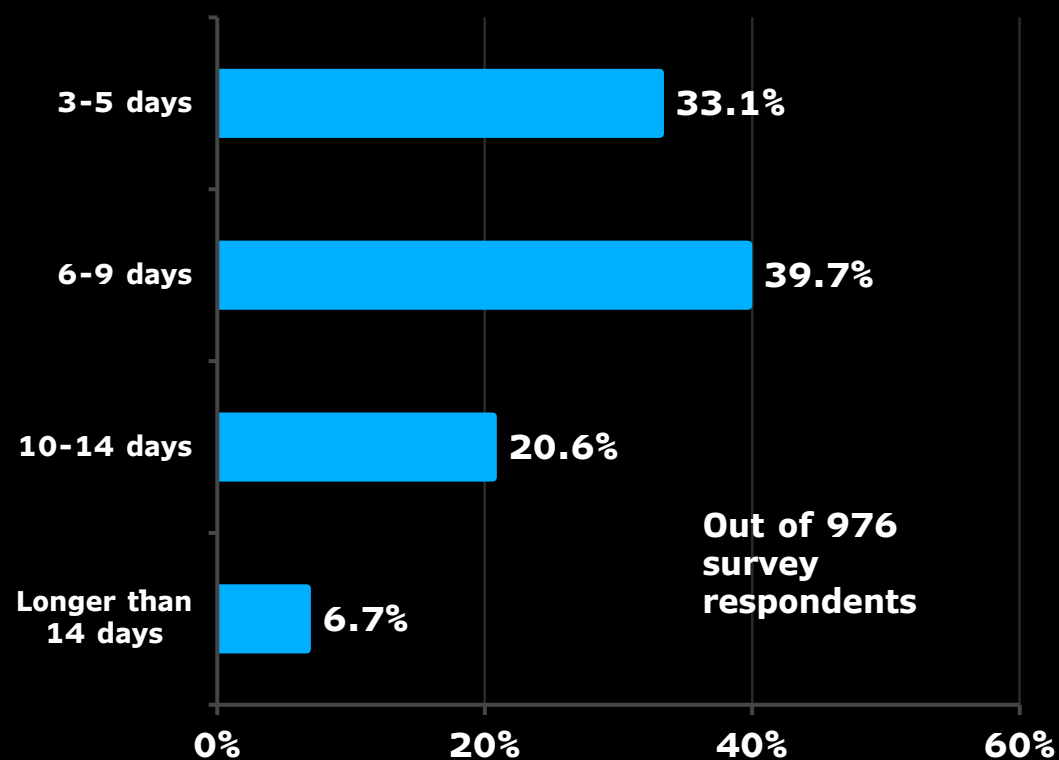
# Main Vacation Lead Time, Length of Vacation: BI Survey

## How Far in Advance Booking Main 2024 Vacation



3 respondents skipped the question

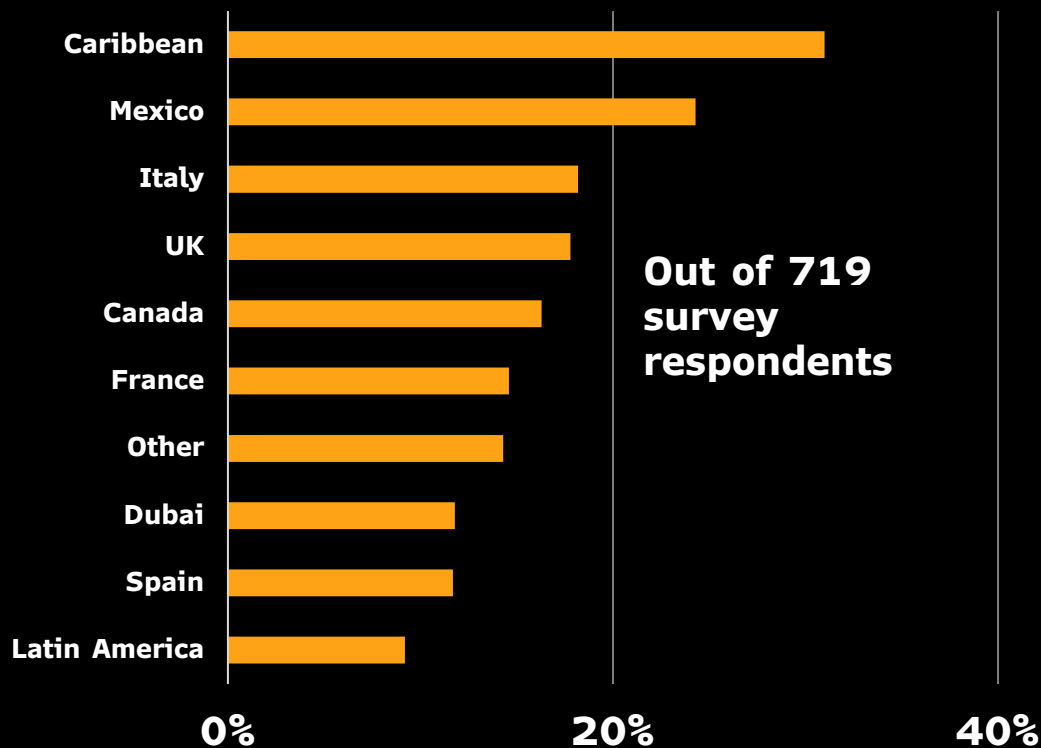
## Length of Main 2024 Vacation



1 respondent skipped the question

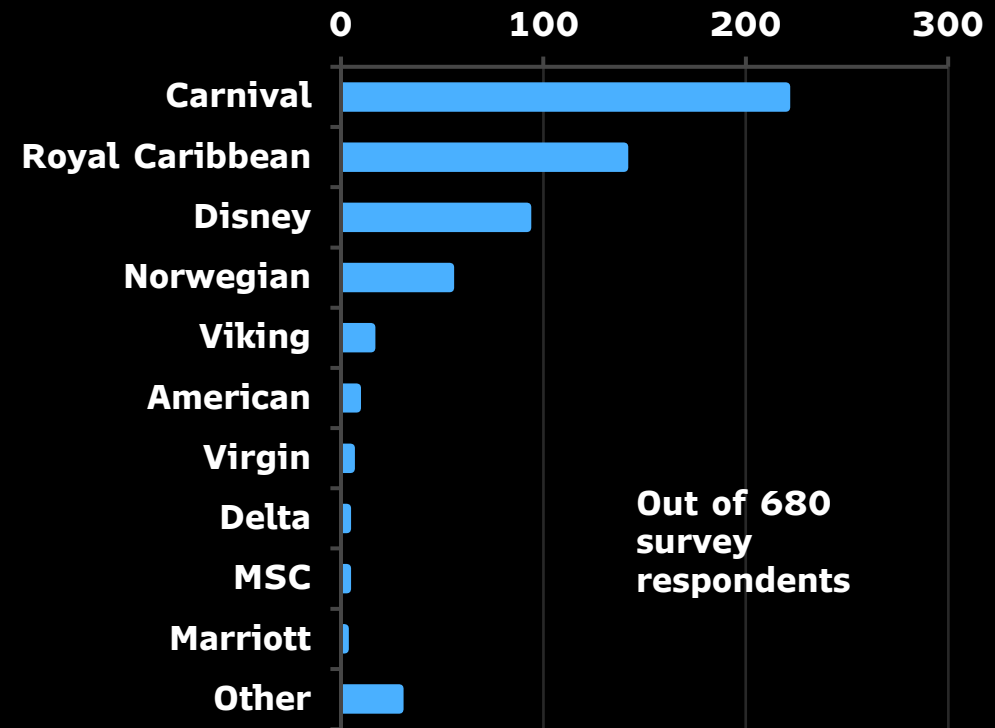
# Caribbean Is Main International Vacation Destination, Cruise Lines and All-inclusive Resorts May Benefit: BI Survey

Where Respondents Are Traveling Overseas



Percentages shown are out of survey respondents who said they are traveling overseas in 2024; 42 respondents skipped the question

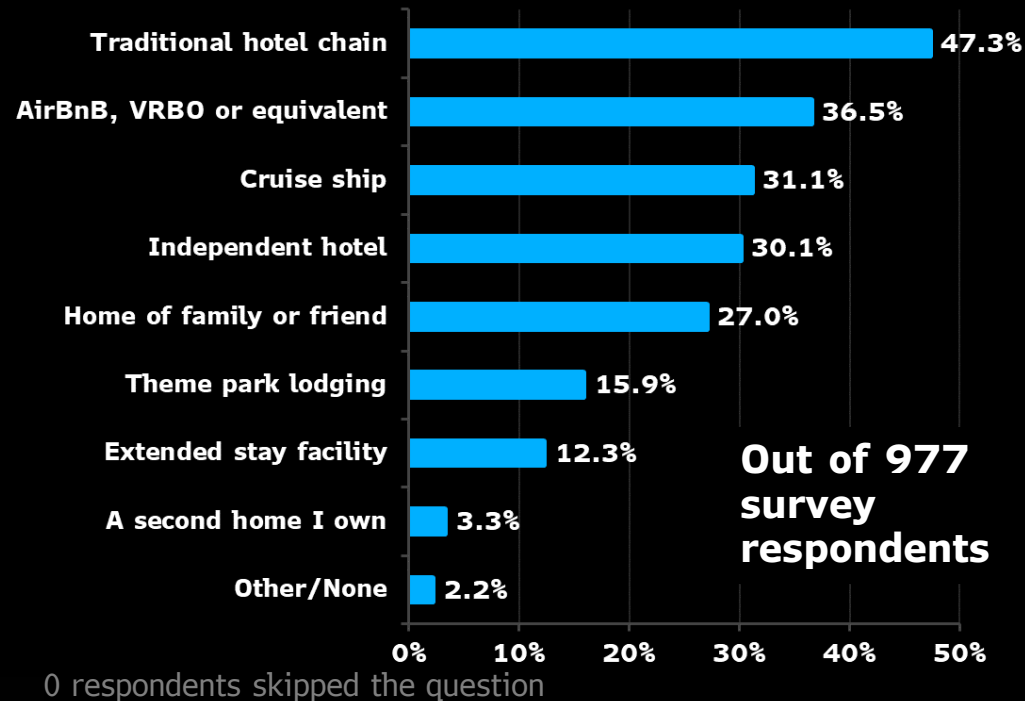
Cruise Favorites, Ranked, in BI's Survey



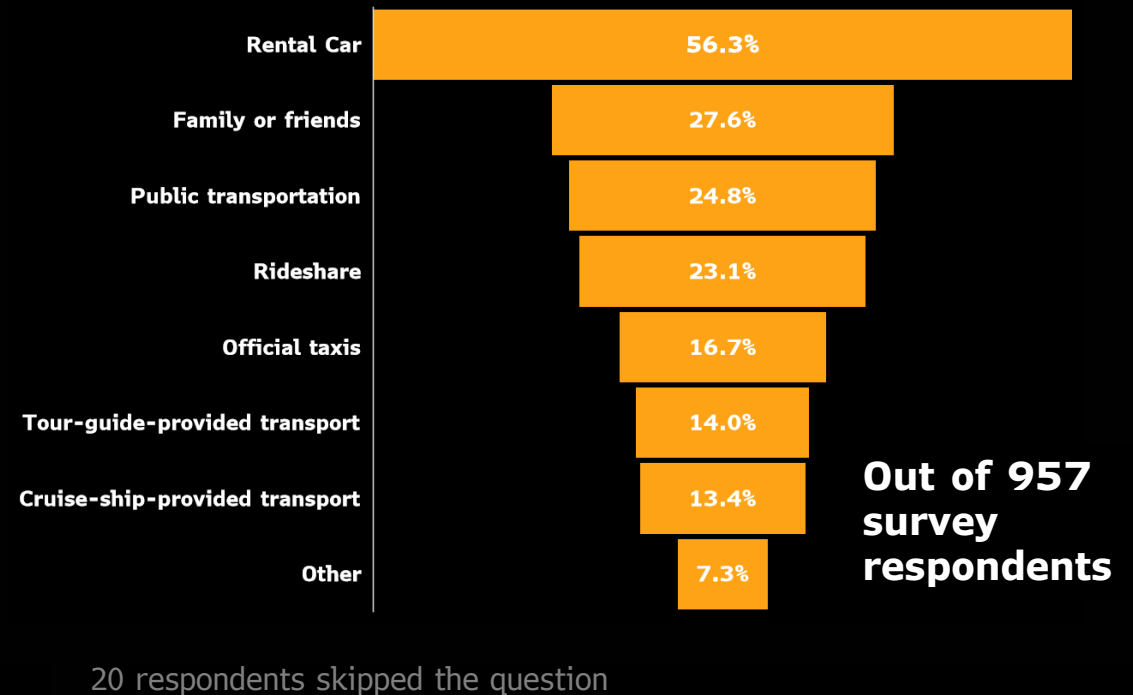
5 respondents put more than one name, in which case we counted each as a separate response; Aggregated by parent

# Respondents Favor Traditional Hotels and Rental Cars When on Vacation: BI Survey

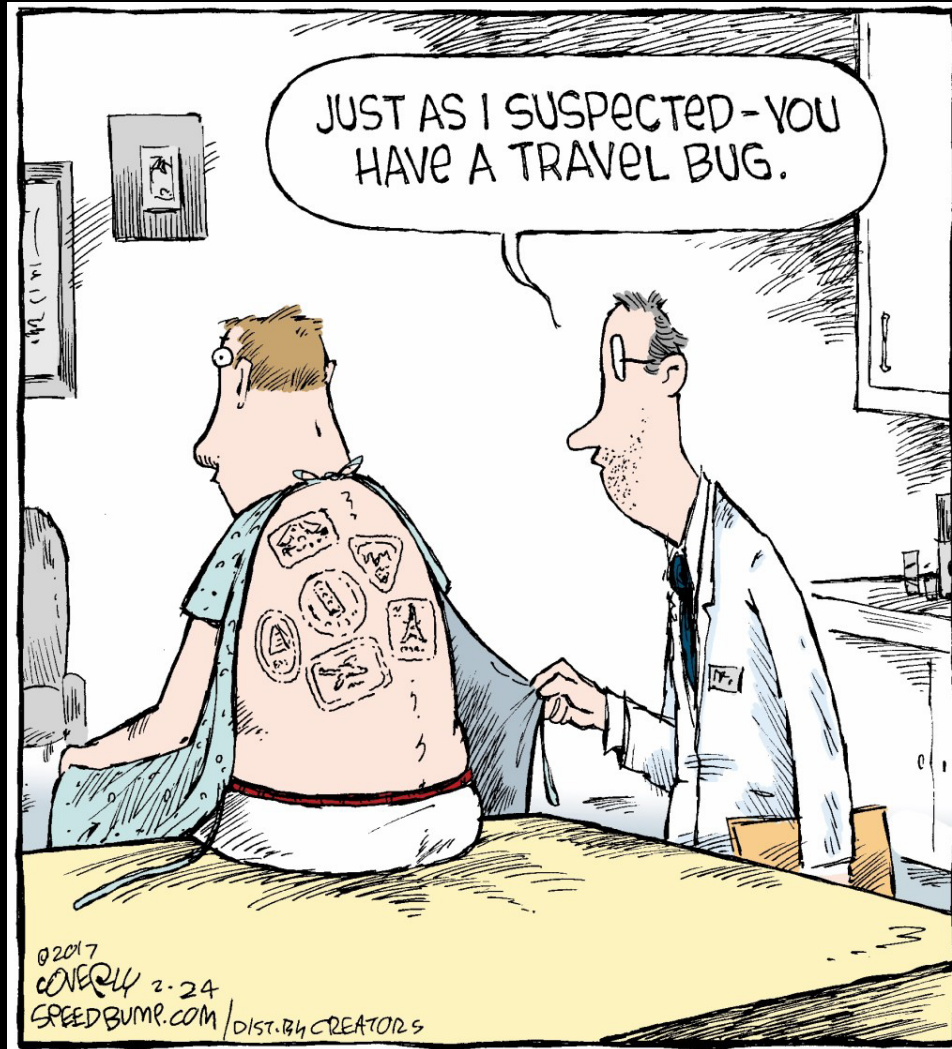
## Types of Accommodations for Vacationers



## Typical Transportation Once at Destination



# **Leisure, Lodging, Gaming, Restaurants, & Rental Cars: The Details**



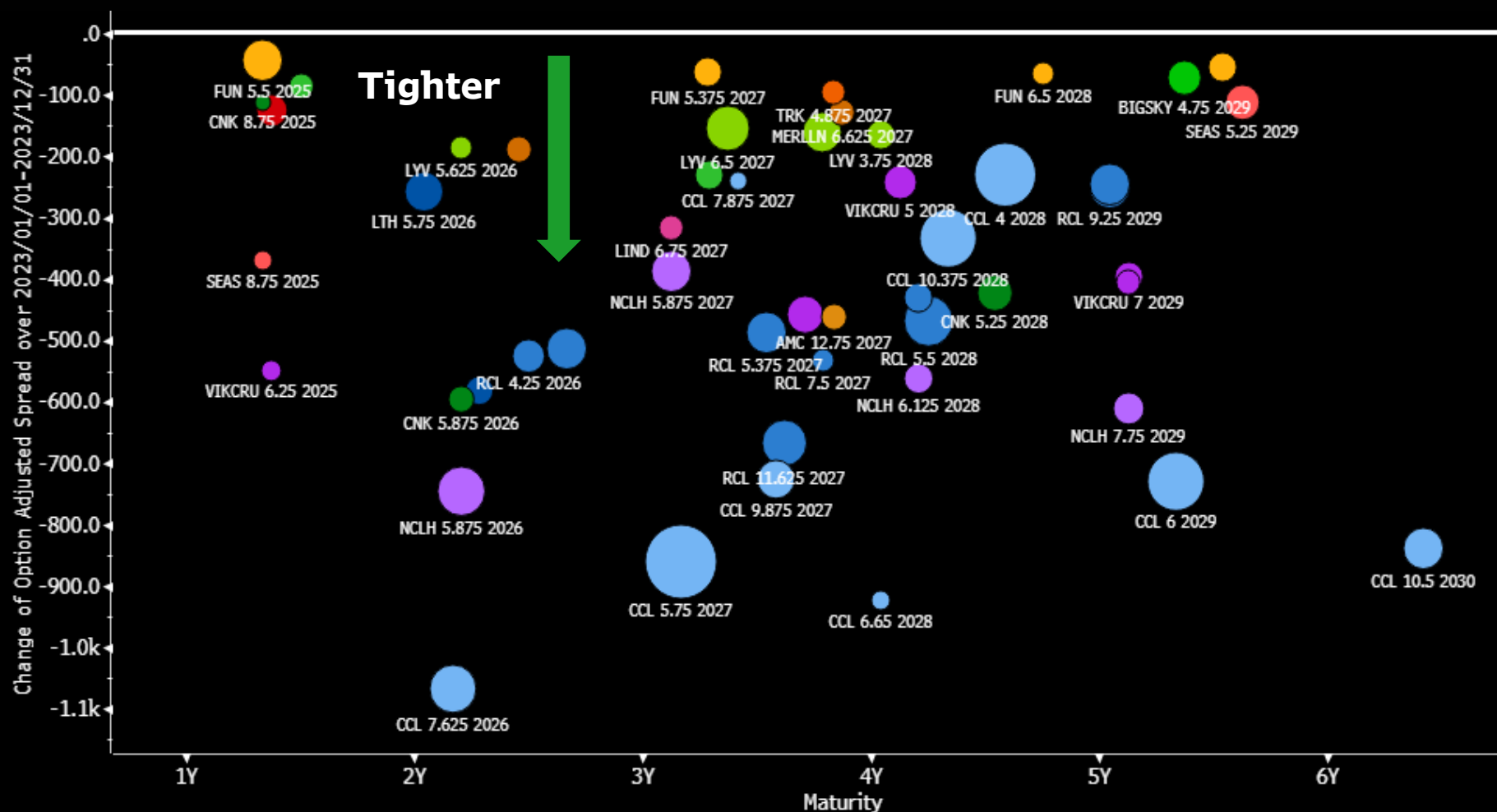
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# High Yield Credit Spreads Over Time



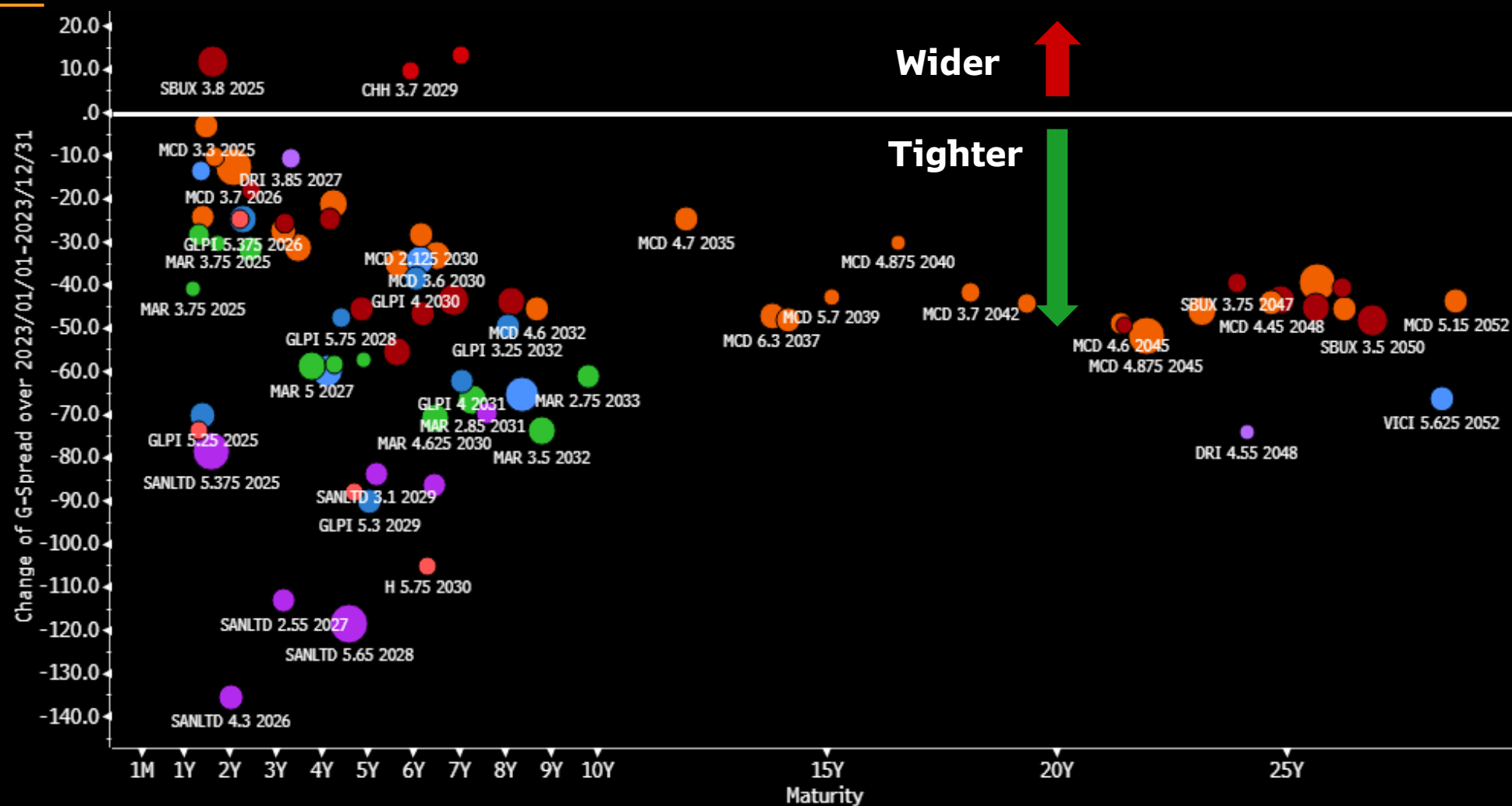
Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Access G #BI 109210 chart on the Terminal: <https://bloom.bg/3krqRf7>

# High Yield: Cruise, Theme-Park Bond Spreads Narrowed in 2023



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# High Grade: Most Leisure, Restaurant Bonds Narrowed

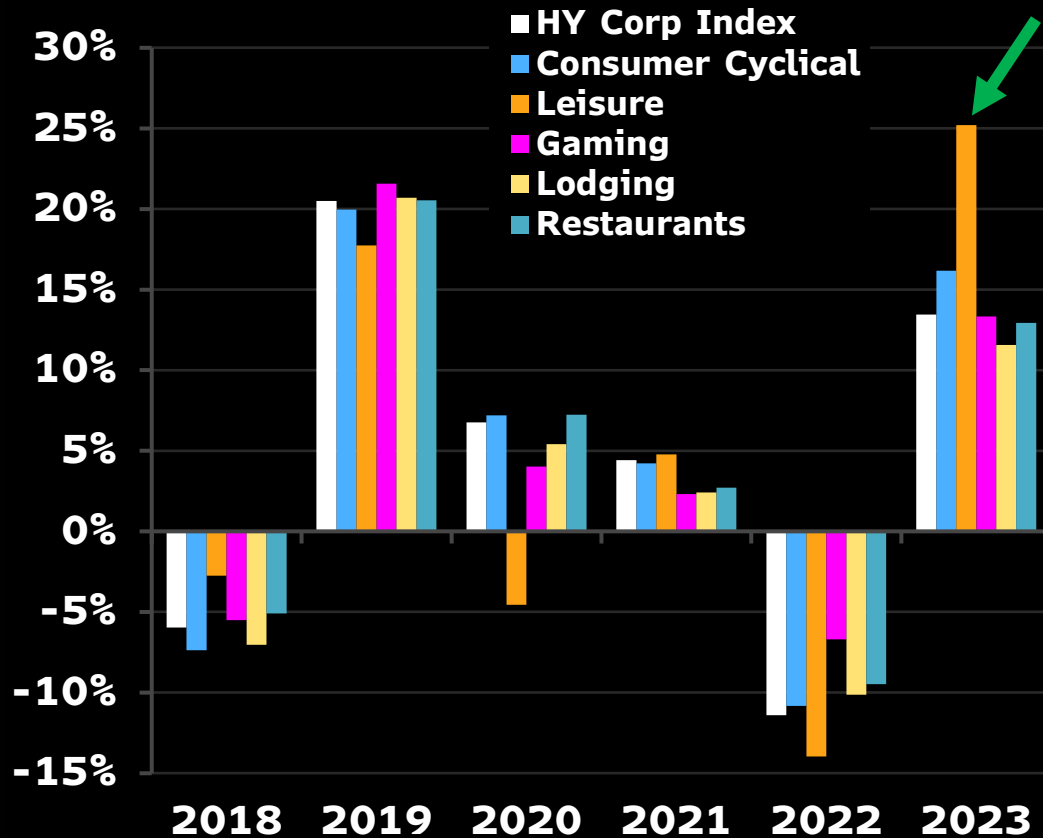


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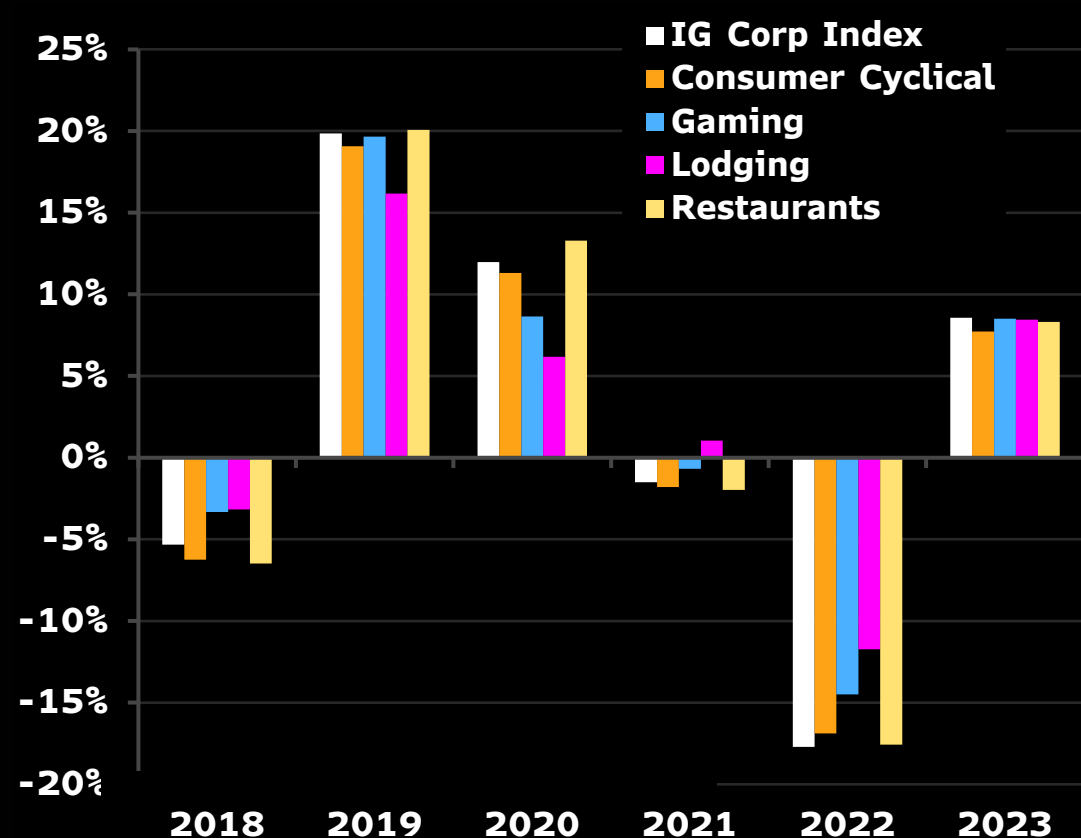


# High-Yield Leisure Bonds' Return Momentum From Last Year; High-Grade Leisure Returns Mirror Broader Index

>10% 2023 Returns in High Yield Leisure, Gaming



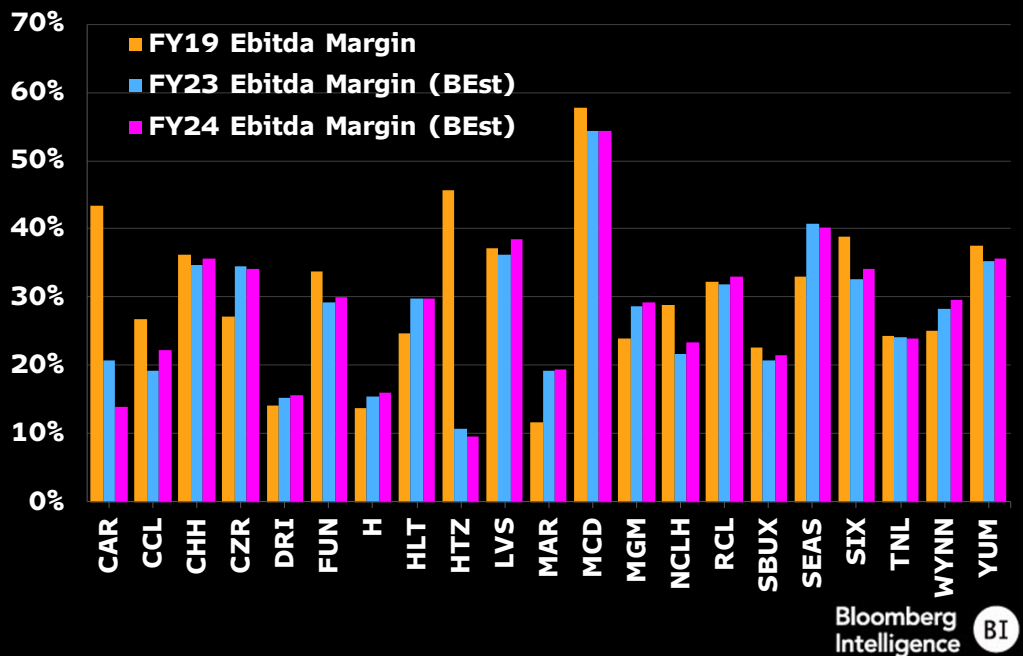
2023 IG Lodging, Gaming Returns Matched Credit



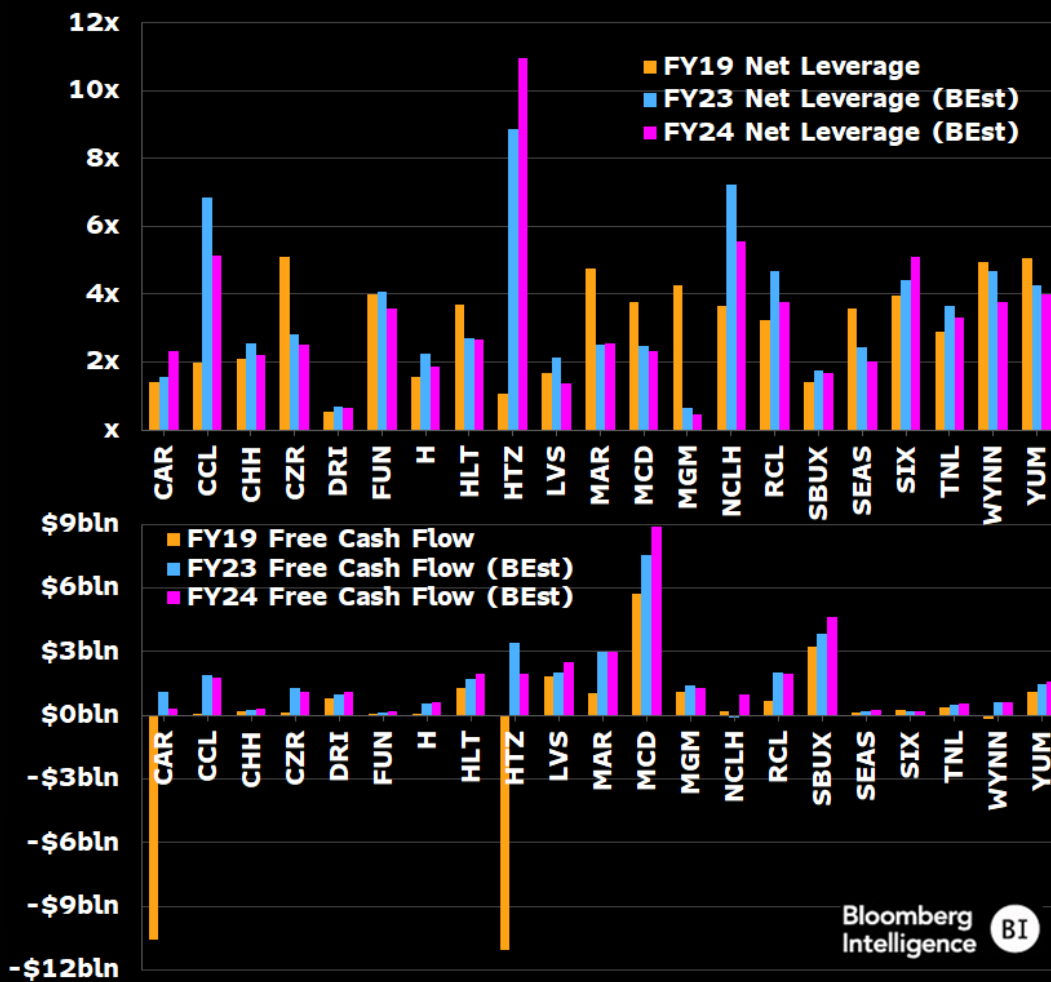
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# Margins, Cash Flows and Net Leverage

## 2019 vs 2023-24 Ebitda Margin (Best)

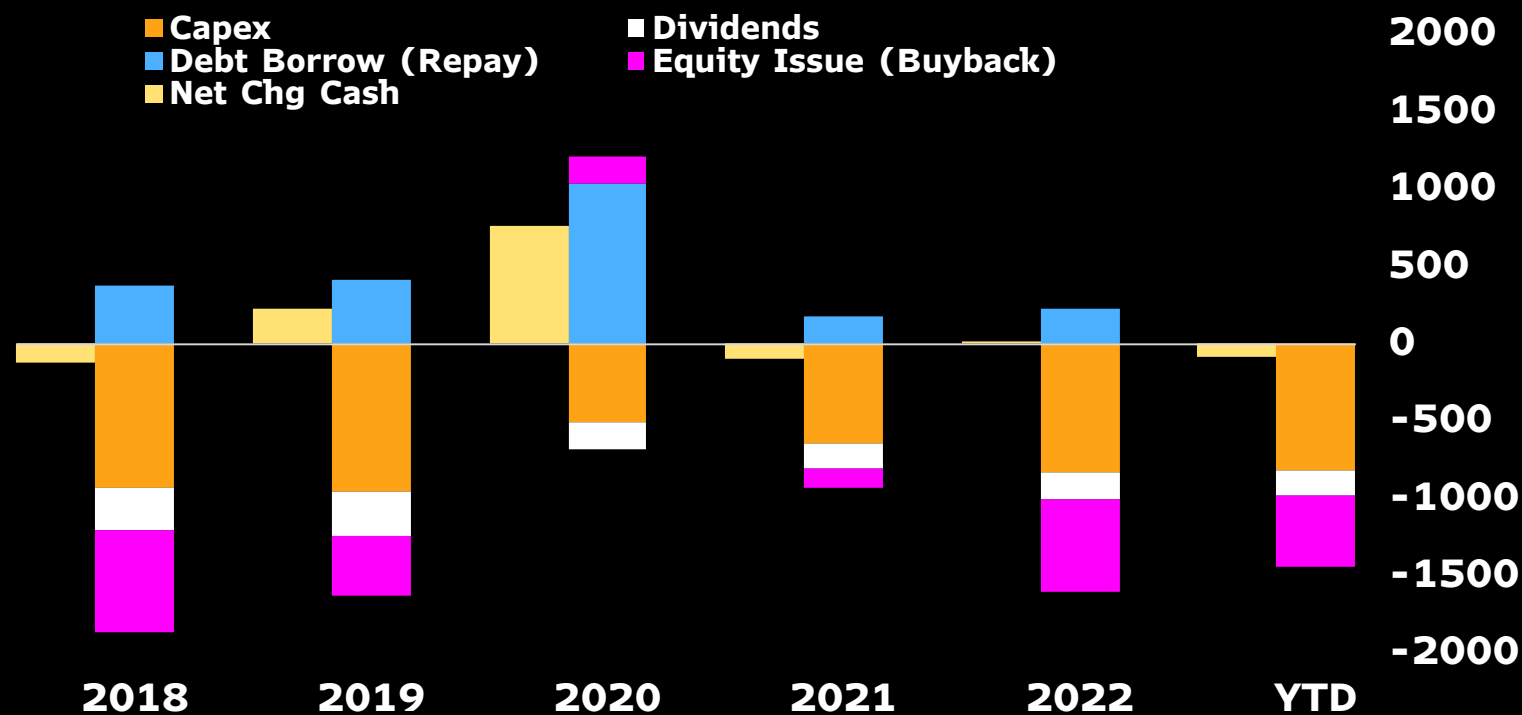


## 2022-24 Net Leverage and Free Cash Flow (Best)



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; EEO<GO> and MODL<GO> screens on the Terminal for BEst numbers; as of Nov 21, 2023

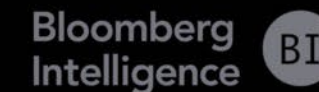
# Average Company's Spend or Save Cash Over Time



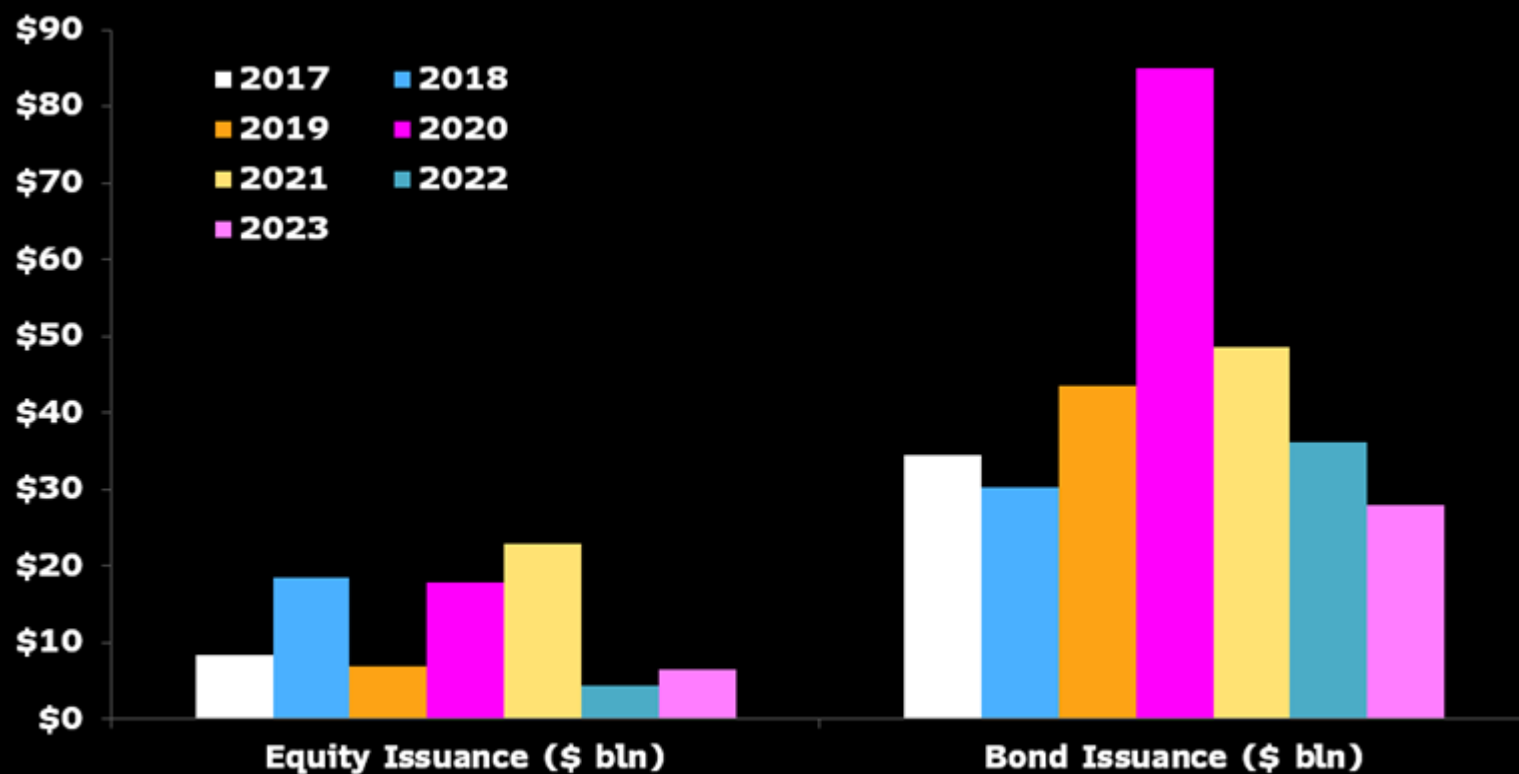
Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; Used FA<GO> data and screened in EQS<GO> on the Terminal for companies based in the US with at least \$1B in long-term debt a/o YE 2021 in the following sectors: Restaurants and Bars, Travel and Tourism, Casinos and Gambling, Hotels and Motels, Recreational Services, Rental and Leasing Services: Consumer



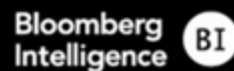
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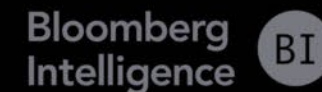
# Sector Issuance Volumes Since 2017



Source: Bloomberg Intelligence; SRCH<GO> and LEAG<GO> custom searches from 01/01/2017 to 10/17/2023



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# Universe Ratings Matrix

## High Grade

High Grade Universe Rating Matrix					
Company	LT Issuer Rating	Outlook			Leverage
	Moody's / S&P / Fitch	Moody's	S&P	Fitch	
DARDEN RESTAURAN	Baa2 / BBB / BBB	●	●	●	1.7x
MCDONALDS CORP	Baa1 / BBB+ / WD	●	●	●	2.7x
STARBUCKS CORP	Baa1 / BBB+ / WD	●	●	●	1.9x
LAS VEGAS SANDS	Baa3 / BBB- / BBB-	●	●	●	3.1x
CHOICE HOTELS	Baa3 / BBB- *- / N.A.	●	●	●	2.6x
HYATT HOTELS-A	Baa3 / BBB- / BBB-	●	●	●	3.0x
MARRIOTT INTL-A	Baa2 / BBB / WD	●	●	●	2.6x

Source: Company Filings, Bloomberg

Note: Using Issuer LT rating unless otherwise noted.

\* FFO Adjusted Leverage

Outlook Key:

● Negative ● Stable ● Positive ● Not Applicable

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## High Yield

High Yield Universe Rating Matrix						
Company	LT Issuer Rating	Moody's / S&P / Fitch	Outlook			Leverage
			Moody's	S&P	Fitch	
AVIS BUDGET GROU	CAR US Equity	B2 / BB - / N.A.	●	●	●	9.3x
CAESARS ENTERTAI	CZR US Equity	B1 / B+ / N.A.	●	●	●	3.1x
CARNIVAL CORP	CCL US Equity	B2 / BB- / NR	●	●	●	5.4x
CEDAR FAIR LP	FUN US Equity	B2 ** / BB- ** / N.A.	●	●	●	4.3x
HERTZ GLOBAL HLD	HTZ US Equity	Caa1 / B / N.A.	●	●	●	21.0x
HILTON WORLDWIDE	HLT US Equity	Ba2 / BB / N.A.	●	●	●	2.9x
MGM RESORTS INTE	MGM US Equity	B1 / B+ / WD	●	●	●	1.4x
NORWEGIAN CRUISE	NCLH US Equity	B2 / B / N.A.	●	●	●	7.5x
ROYAL CARIBBEAN	RCL US Equity	B1 / BB- / N.A.	●	●	●	4.0x
SEAWORLD ENTERTA	SEAS US Equity	B2 / B+ / N.A.	●	●	●	3.0x
SIX FLAGS ENTERT	SIX US Equity	B2 ** / B+ ** / N.A.	●	●	●	4.9x
WYNN RESORTS LTD	WYNN US Equity	B2 / B+ / N.A.	●	●	●	6.4x
YUM! BRANDS INC	YUM US Equity	Ba2 / BB+ / WD	●	●	●	4.6x

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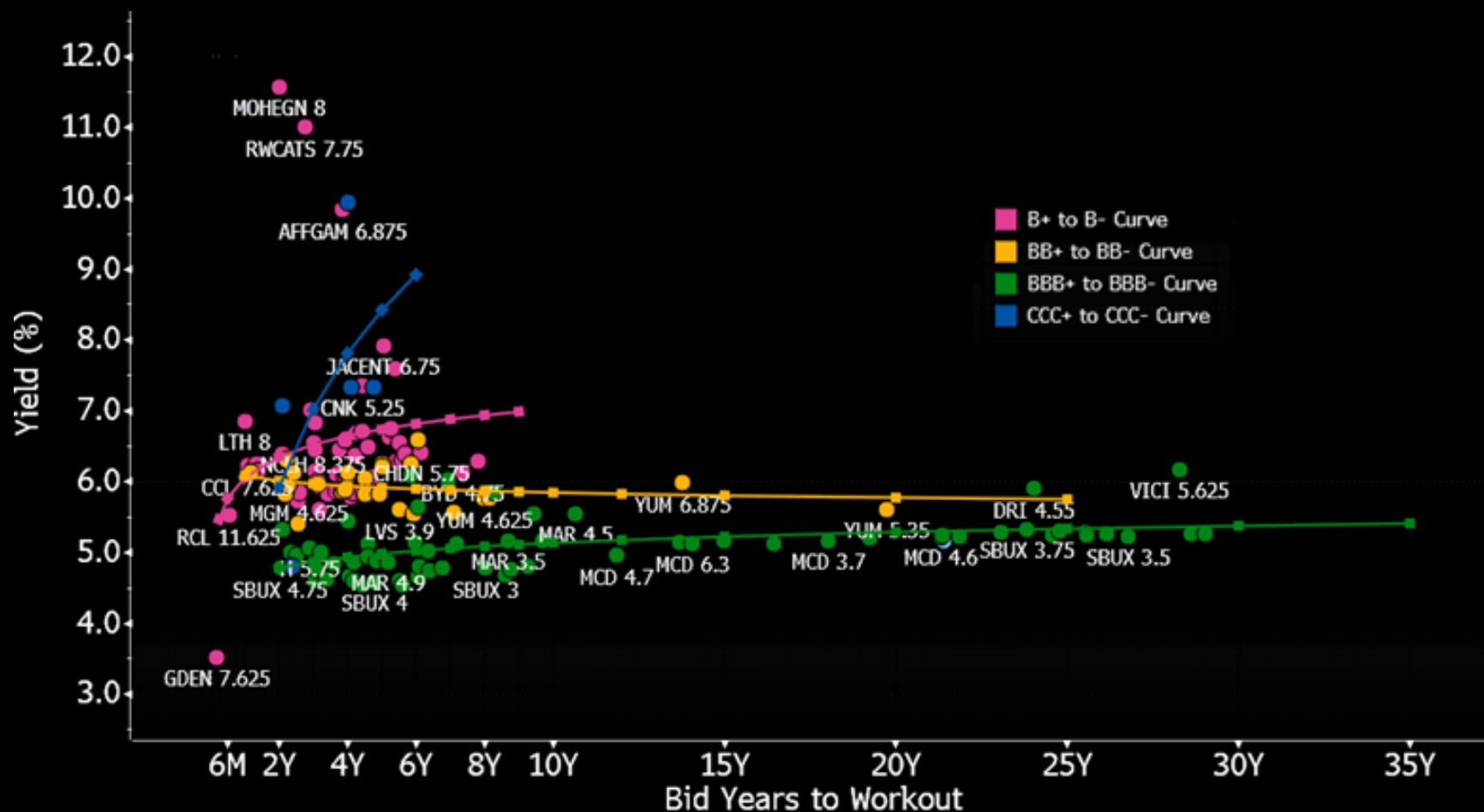
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# FIW: High Grade and High Yield Leisure, Lodging, Gaming Restaurant Bonds



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