

# U.S. TRAVEL

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## **Defining Travel**

\$1.1 TRILLION in travel spending

\$277.4

BILLION

payroll

15.8 MILLION Jobs

#7 largest employer of all industries in the U.S.<sup>1</sup>

\$179 BILLION in tax revenue

each household will pay \$1,398 additional taxes per year without the tax revenue from travel

Sources of Travel Spending Total = \$1.1 trillion

\$278.9B Foodservices \$242.3B Lodging \$210.8B

\$169.7B

\$117.8B Recreation/

\$107.3B Retail

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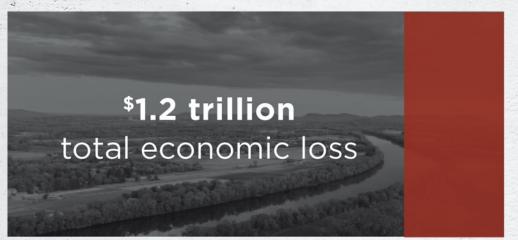
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## IN 2020, TRAVEL WILL EXPERIENCE **DEVASTATING IMPACTS** INCLUDING:









SOURCE: Tourism Economic

## PRIORITIES DURING LAME DUCK CONGRESSIONAL SESSION

- PPP EXTENSION AND EXPANSION INCLUDING A 2ND DRAW LOAN
- **EXTENSION OF THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND** THROUGH END OF 2021
- 5 FUNDING FOR AIRPORTS

## BUILDING BACK BETTER

### Travel's Power to Accelerate Economic Recovery and Reunite America

Recommendations for the First 100 Days of the Biden Administration

## TWO OBJECTIVES

**Establish a national plan to restore domestic travel and reunite America** by quickly developing public health and COVID-19 testing protocols to safely resume travel, and enacting aggressive economic stimulus measures to boost travel demand and bring back jobs.

Safely reopen international travel through risk-based COVID-19 testing protocols, remove international travel bans and set a goal of welcoming 116 million visitors to the U.S. by 2028, which will reestablish the United States as the most welcoming country in the world.

#### The Following Policies should be Part of the Administration's 100-Day Plan:

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- Support passage of a COVID-19 economic relief bill in 2020 that extends and expands support for small businesses, protects workers and invests in public health.
- el demand by establishing a tax credit for leisure and business travel, and providing \$10 billion in domestic travel promotion grants to encourage Americans to reconnect with their family, friends and fellow citizens.
- Quickly develop science-driven, risk-based health and safety guidance that enables domestic travel, large meetings, events and conferences to resume. These standards should include the universal wearing of masks in public places and risk-based COVID-19 testing protocols that remove the need for travelers to quarantine.

- Safely reopen international travel through a science-driven, risk-based approach to COVID-19 testing. The COVID-19 testing protocols should alleviate the need for quarantines upon arrival, should be piloted along highly trafficked international routes, and quickly expanded in order to lift all international travel bans.
- Tourism at the U.S. Department of Commerce.
  The Assistant Secretary would be tasked with implementing policies to facilitate international travel exports and achieve the national goal of welcoming 116 million international visitors by 2028.
  - Invest in the future of travel mobility and infrastructure. Call for historic federal investments in all modes of travel infrastructure, including airports, highways, passenger rail, and public transit. Target investments toward projects that improve national and regional mobility and facilitate greater travel and tourism.



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# The Power of One

A Plan to Rebuild Travel Together



#### **Create Transmission Barriers**

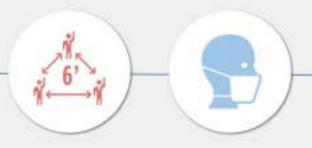
- Implement Touchless Solutions
- Adopt and Implement Enhanced Sanitation Procedures
- Promote **Health Screening Measures** for Employees
- Establish Procedures Aligned with CDC Guidance
- Follow Best Practices in Food and Beverage Service

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(% recovered compared to 2019)



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