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Active Considerer
(AC) Monitor
USA and Canada (H1 FY25)

Report

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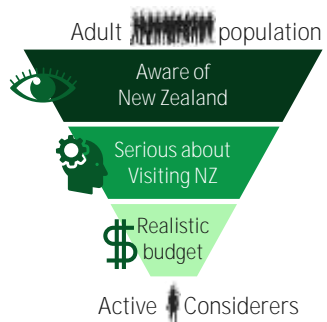


Kantar conducts a **monthly online survey** in each of Tourism New Zealand's six tier 1 & 2 markets:

- Australia, China, Germany, Japan, UK and USA; as well as (from FY25) India and Singapore
- 150 ACs per country each month
- Standard reporting is of a **six-month rolling average** which avoids month-by-month variability and ensures a focus on long term trends in the data – the exception to this is Q2 FY25 where results are based on a 5-month period (Jul – Nov 24)

Kantar conducts a **bi-annual survey** for emerging markets:

- Canada and South Korea
- 300 ACs per country per wave



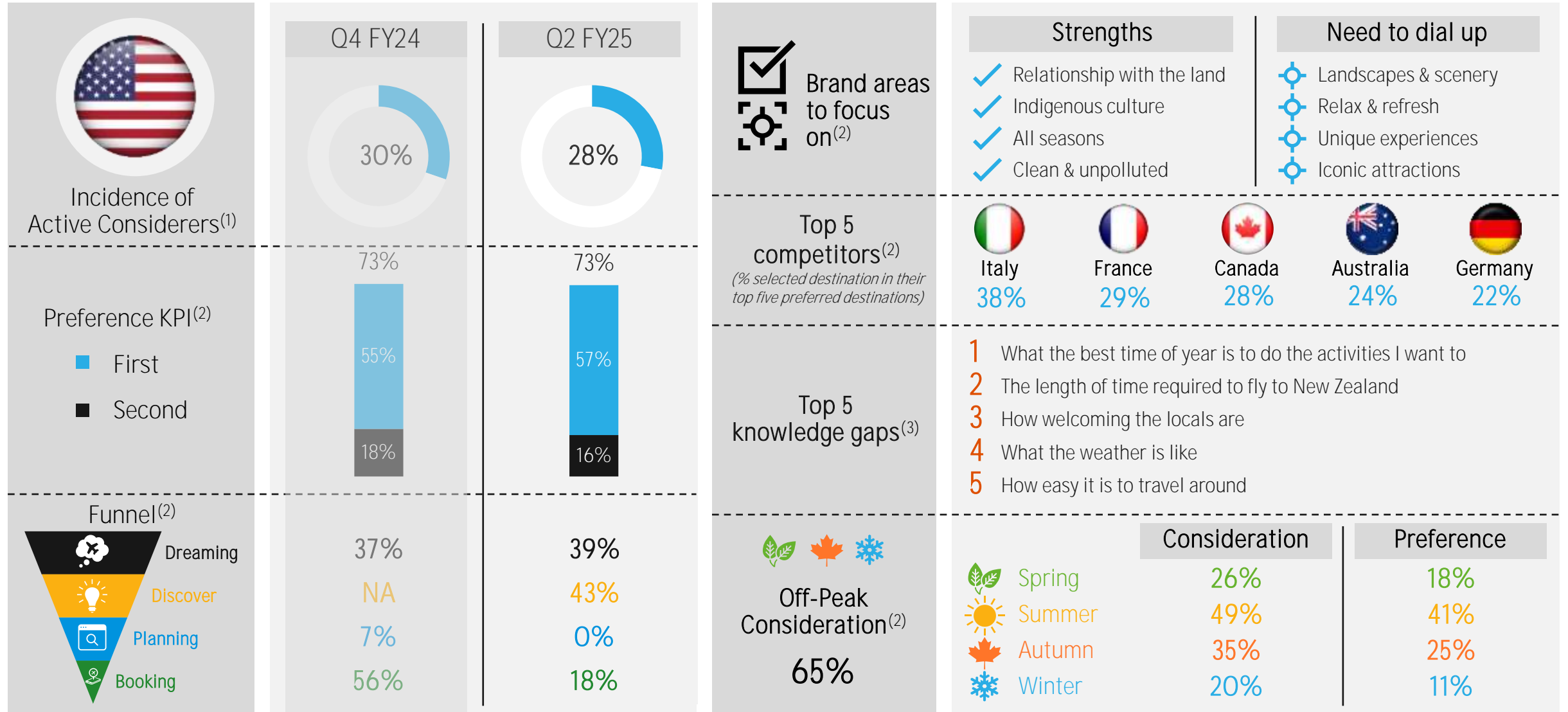
We survey **Active Considerers (ACs) of New Zealand**

- ACs are those who are aware of New Zealand, **serious** about visiting and who have a **realistic** budget

Kantar ensures a representative sample by **weighting** to the age, gender and region distribution of the online population

- Online population estimates come from Kantar's 2024 market sizing exercise

Performance Dashboard





Performance Dashboard

	Apr-24	Oct-24			
Incidence of Active Considerers			<p>Key brand weakness / strengths to focus on</p>	Strengths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Landscapes & scenery ✓ Friendly people ✓ Relationship with the land ✓ Clean & unpolluted 	
Preference KPI	57%	57%		Dial up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⚙️ All seasons ⚙️ Iconic attractions ⚙️ Quality food & wine ⚙️ Fun & enjoyment 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ First ■ Second 	35%	35%		Top 5 competitors <i>(% selected destination in their top five preferred destinations)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australia: 37% Italy: 30% Japan: 27% France: 27% Hawaii: 25%
Dreaming: 47% Discover: N/A Planning: 16% Booking: 37%	47%	48%			Top 5 knowledge gaps <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The length of time required to fly to New Zealand What the best time of year is to do the activities I want to How safe it is from crime How easy it is to travel around What the weather is like
Consider off-peak travel to New Zealand 					



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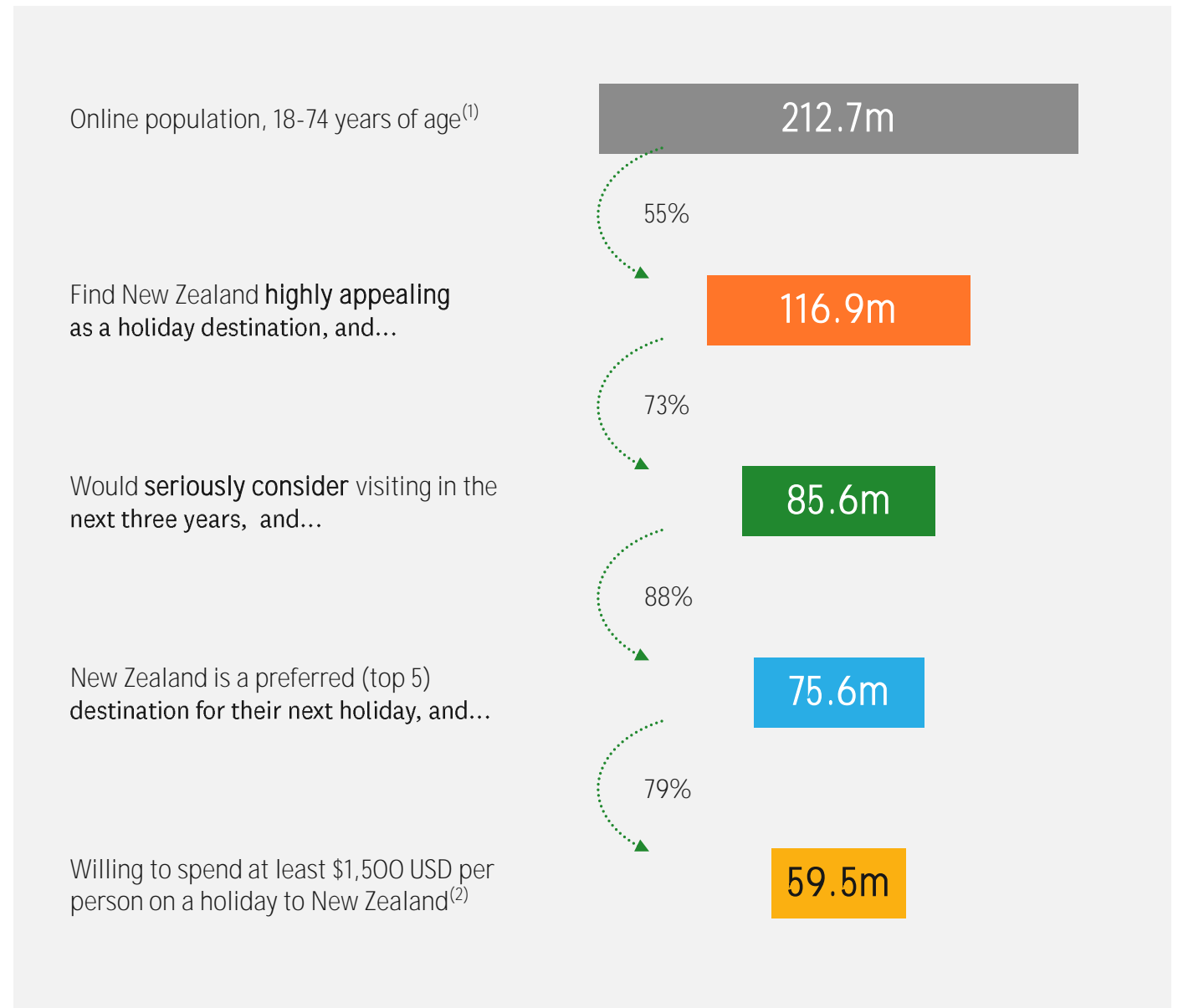
What is the size of opportunity in the USA?



Active Considerer Funnel – USA

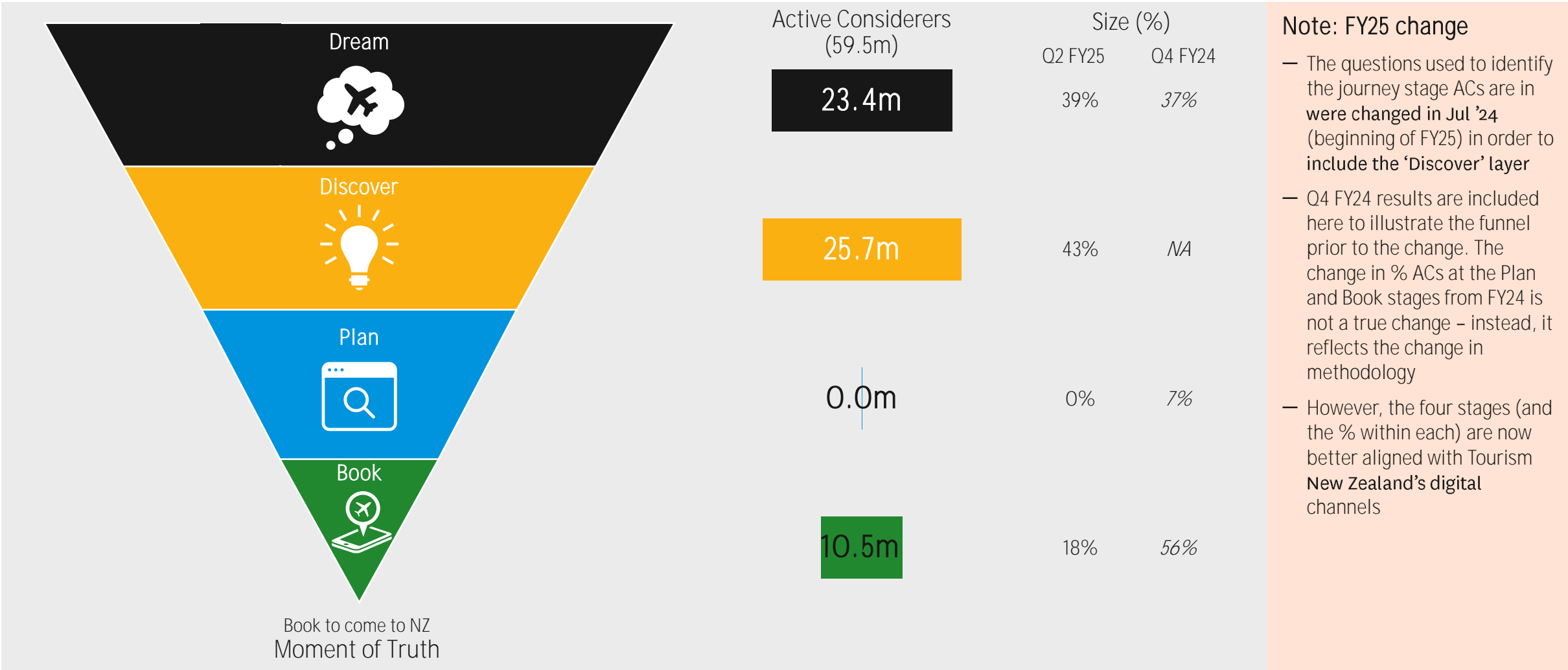
Active Considerers definition

Active Considerers find New Zealand highly appealing as a vacation destination, would seriously consider visiting in the next three years, see New Zealand as a preferred destination for their next vacation, and have a realistic budget for their visit (at least \$1,500 USD per person) to New Zealand



Journey funnel to New Zealand – USA

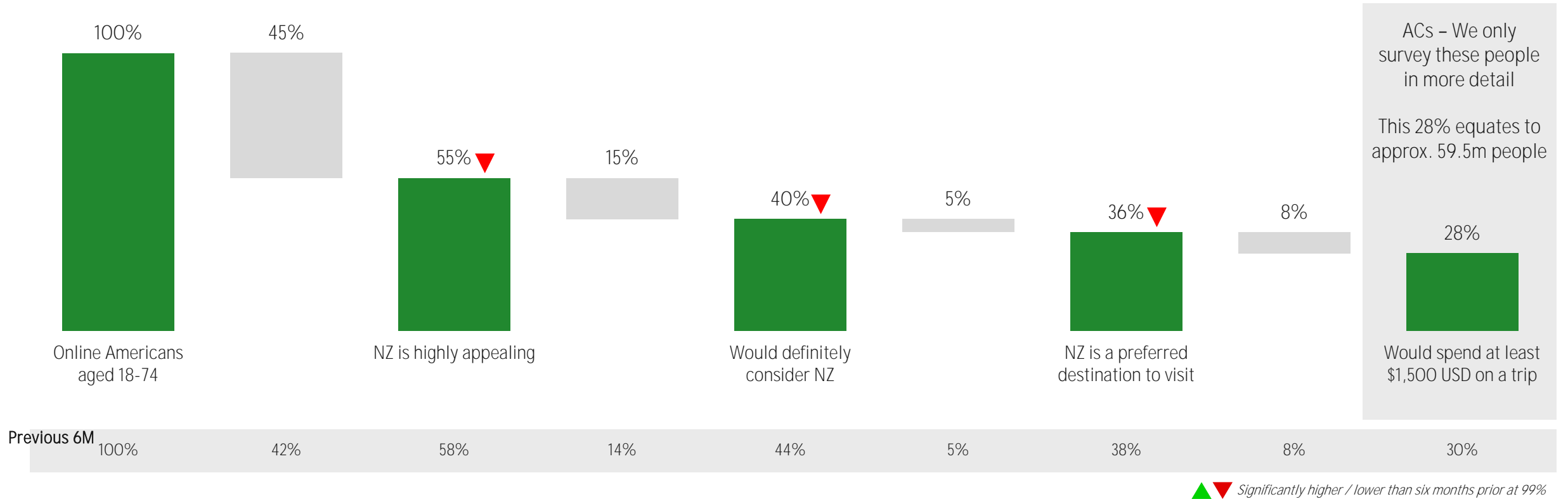
***The addition of 'Discover' into our Brand Tracking commenced in July 2024 (at the start of FY25). We are still calibrating and reviewing this question.**



Overall, the AC incidence in USA is relatively stable at 28%, equating to 59.5 million people

Qualifying criteria for defining ACs

AC Monitor | Current 5M | % Online users aged 18-74

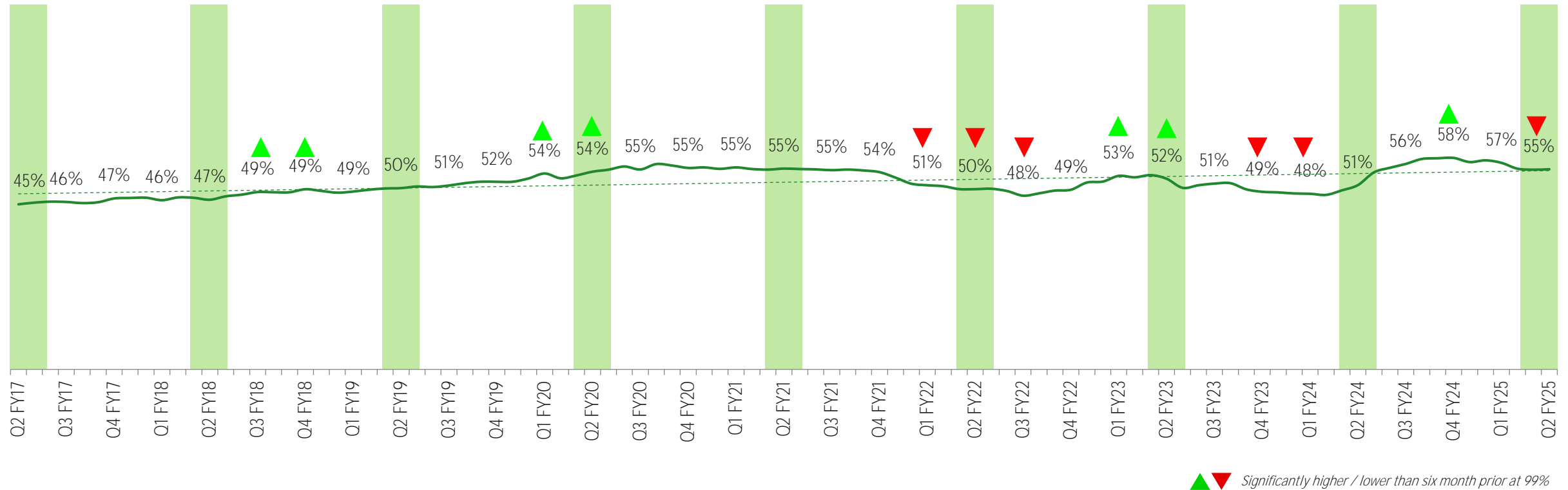


Appeal of New Zealand has declined in Q2 FY25, but is above the level from a year ago

Appeal

AC Monitor | 6MRA | Target online population aged 18-74

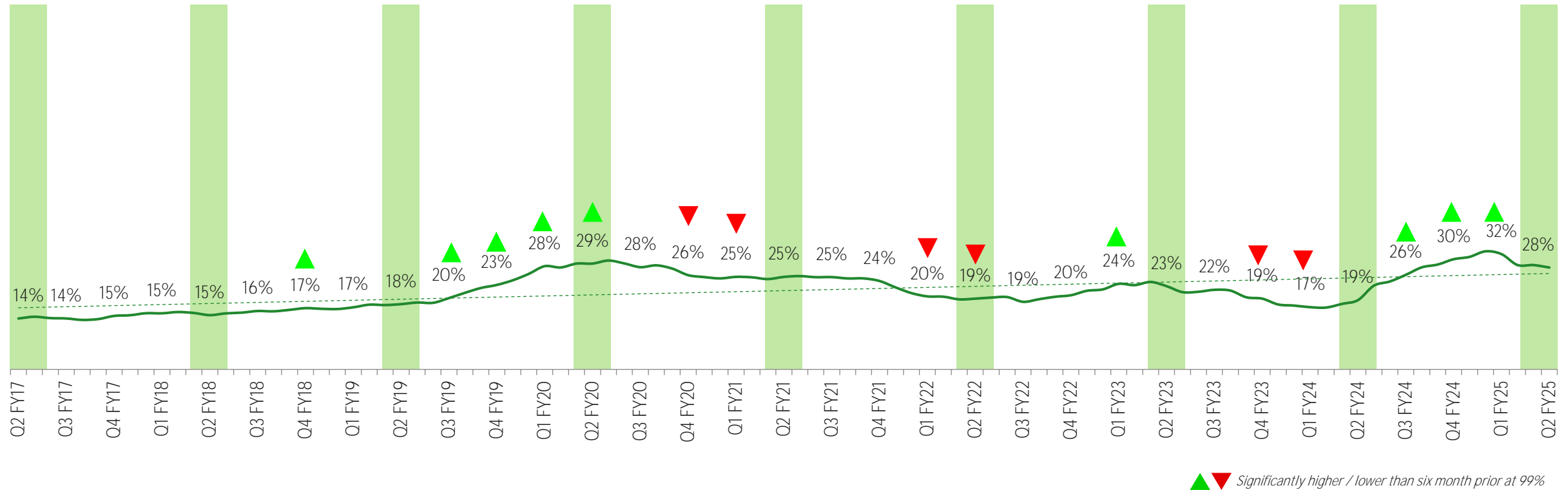
- Appeal is measured among the total online population aged 18 to 74 years old, and is the 'above the funnel' measure
- Appeal measures the emotive connection to the brand, irrespective of the barriers people have in converting their appeal to active consideration and arrivals
- Appeal is likely to be impacted by macro situation, scalable events (i.e., Rugby World Cup, NZ handling of Covid pandemic), and high impact earned mass-reach media TNZ efforts



The AC incidence has been growing over the last year, settling at 28% - considerably above levels from a year ago

Incidence of ACs

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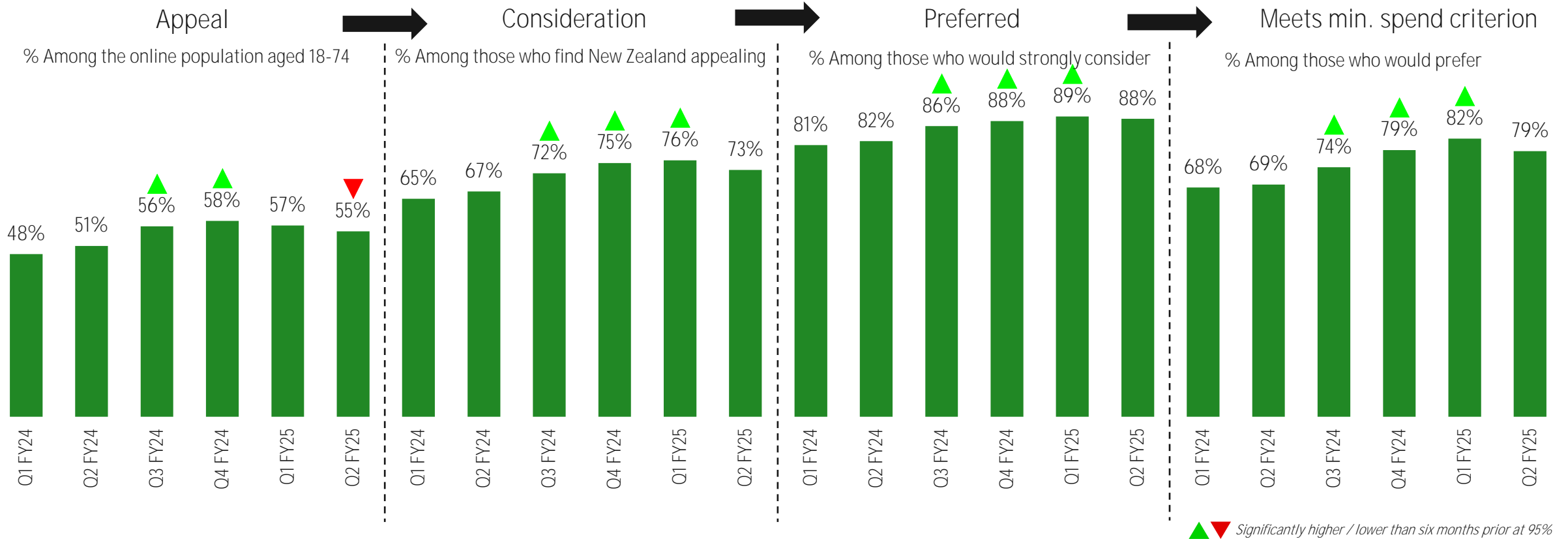


▲ ▼ Significantly higher / lower than six month prior at 99%

Despite a recent dip in appeal, conversion through the AC funnel has improved in the last year and remains strong

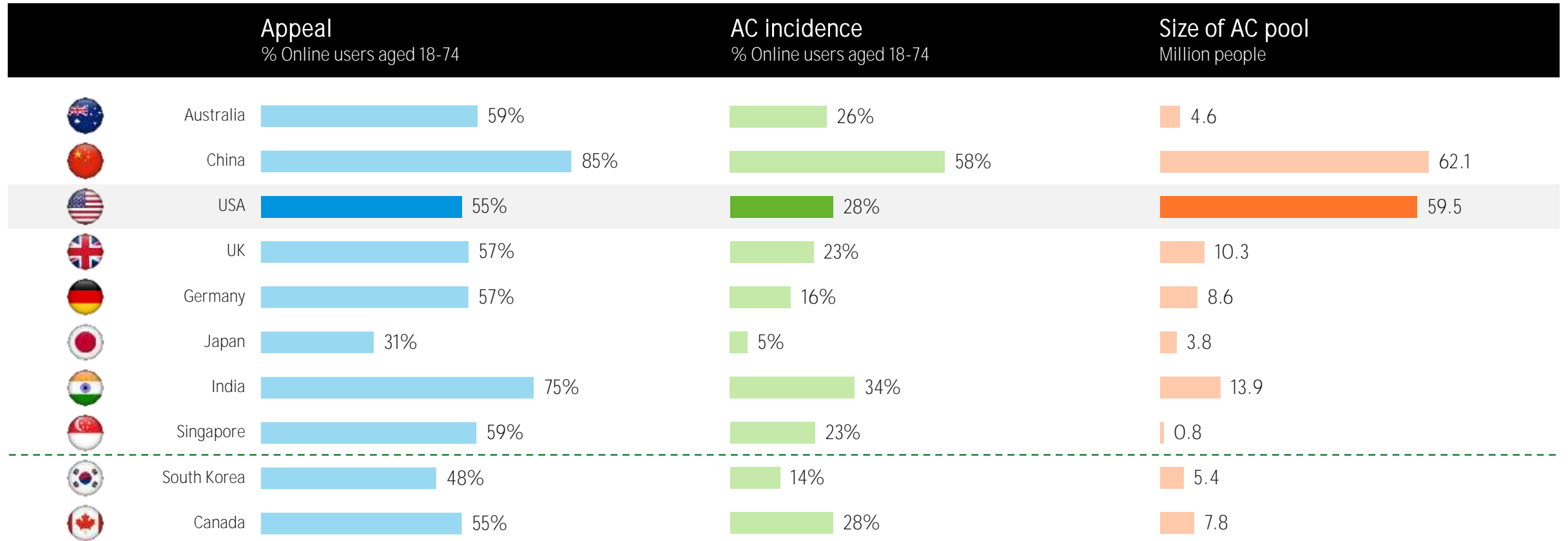
Conversion of ACs through the Consideration Funnel

AC Monitor | 6MRA



1. Sample size: Q1 FY24 – Q2 FY25 (6MRA): Appeal n = 7999, 7194, 4888, 4481, 4357, 3994 | Consider n = 3482, 3242, 2458, 2295, 2148, 1914 | Prefer n = 1988, 1898, 1572, 1492, 1435, 1266 | Spend n = 1490, 1443, 1288, 1228, 1198, 1056
2. Question “Putting aside any thoughts about time and cost, how appealing do you find New Zealand as a holiday destination?”
3. Question “Would you consider visiting New Zealand for a holiday within the next three years?”
4. Question “To what extent do you agree or disagree that New Zealand is a preferred destination for your next holiday?”
5. Question “On a per person basis, how much would you be willing to spend on a holiday to New Zealand?”

With 59.5 million ACs, USA represents a major opportunity for TNZ to drive arrivals



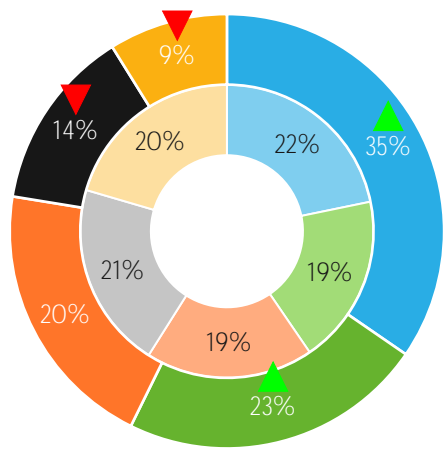
Compared to non-ACs, ACs are more likely to be aged 18-39 years, male and reside in the West and North East; 57% are families with pre-school or school aged children

Profile of Active Considerers

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Active Considerers vs Non-Active Considerers

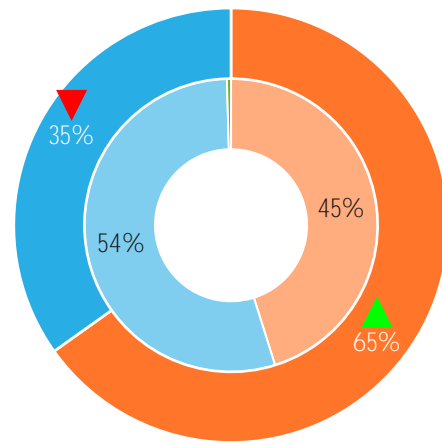
Outer ring: US Active Considerers
Inner ring : US non-Active Considerers

By age segment



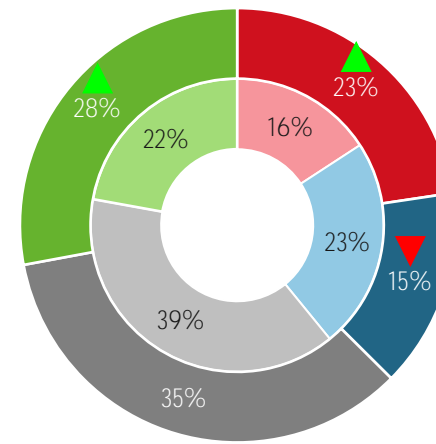
- 18 - 29 years
- 30 - 39 years
- 40 - 49 years
- 50 - 59 years
- 60 - 74 years

By gender



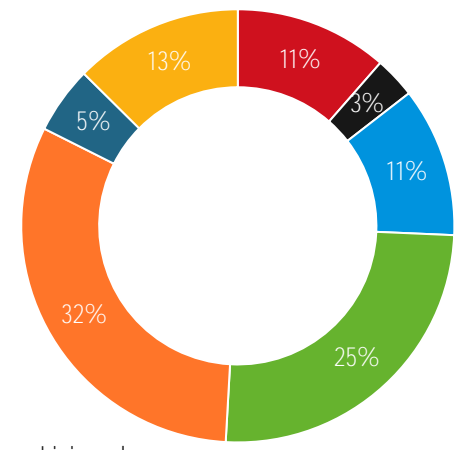
- Male
- Female
- Gender diverse

By region



- Northeast
- Midwest
- South
- West

Household Composition



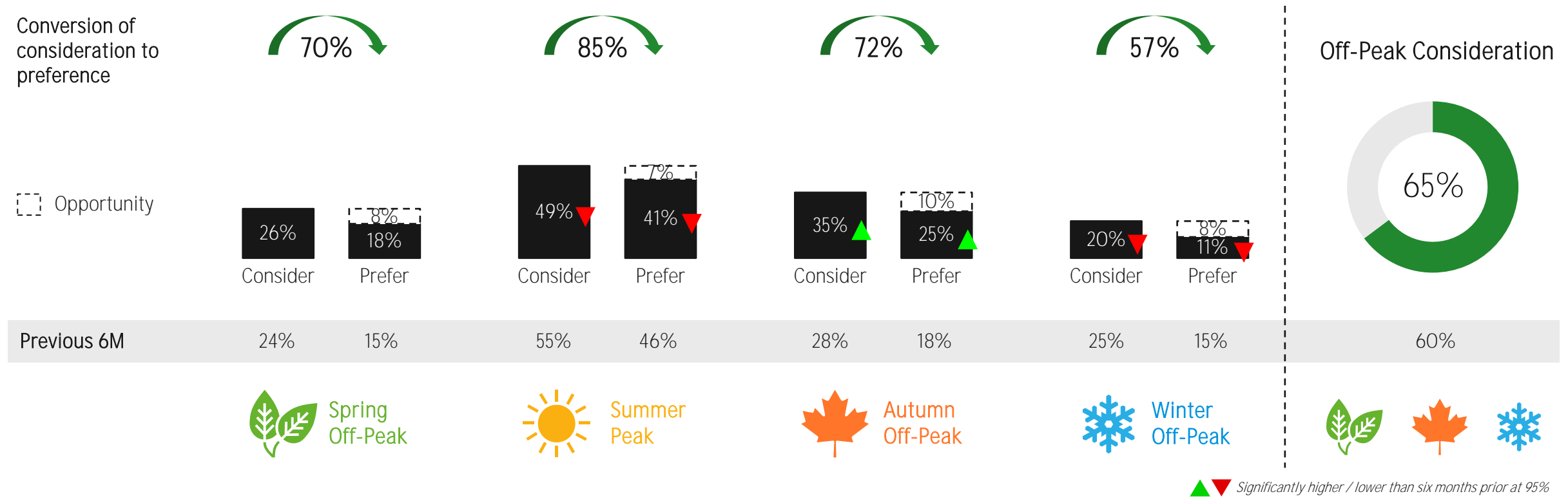
- Living alone
 - Living with friends / flat mates
 - Couple - no children
 - Family with mainly pre-school children
 - Family with mainly school-age children
 - Family with mainly independent children
 - Living at home with my parents
- ▲ Significantly higher / lower than non-ACs

Off-peak consideration is indicatively higher than 6 months ago, driven by a recent shift in interest towards autumn



Seasons – Consideration & Preference

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers

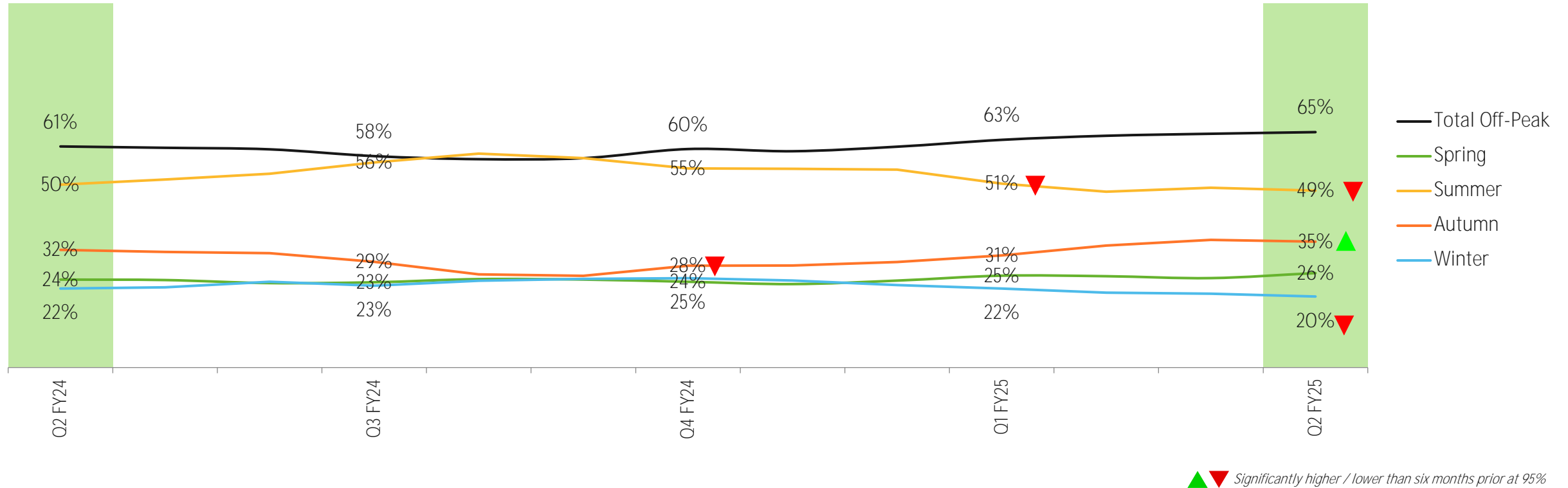


Consideration for off-peak seasons as a whole has been steadily trending upwards over the last 6 months, largely driven by autumn; conversely, consideration for summer is moving downwards

Seasonal consideration

AC Monitor | 6MRA | Total Active Considerers

Metrics are not statistically different from a year ago (Q2 FY24)

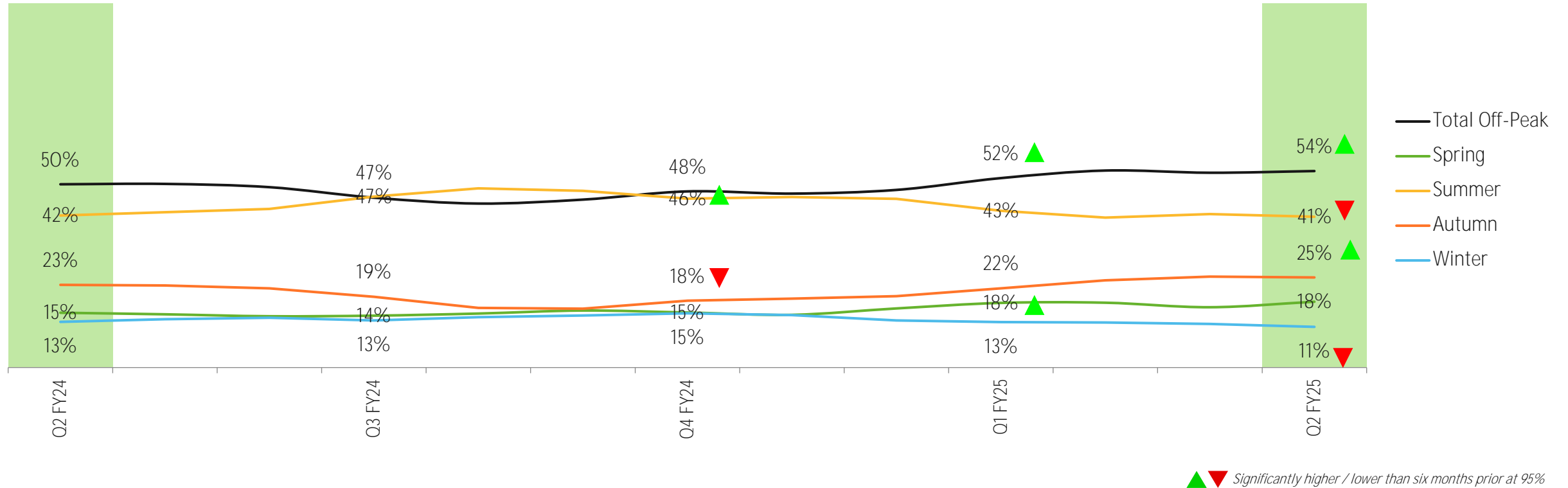


Preference for off-peak travel has increased over the past two quarters, due to recent increases in preference for both spring and autumn

Seasonal Preference

AC Monitor | 6MRA | Total Active Considerers

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Autumn considerers skew towards higher income households, families with dependent children and those from Southern USA while spring considerers skew towards females

Profile of Seasonal Considerers

AC Monitor | Current 5M |
Total Active Considerers



Spring
Off-Peak



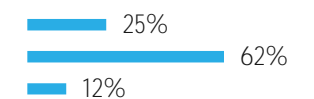
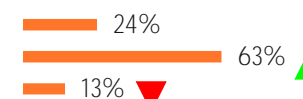
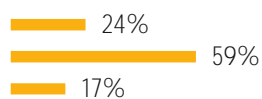
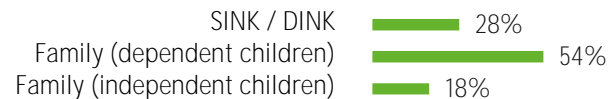
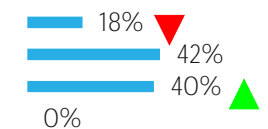
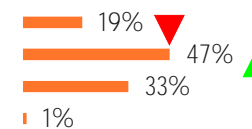
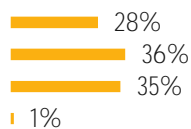
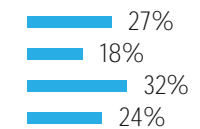
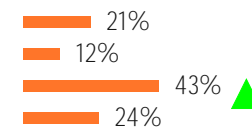
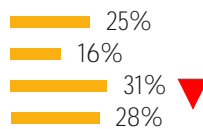
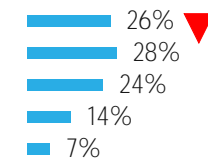
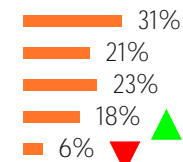
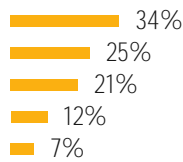
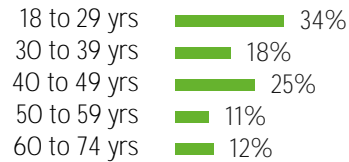
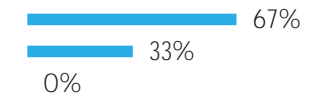
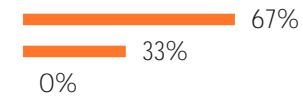
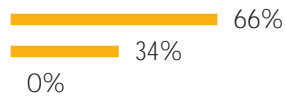
Summer
Peak



Autumn
Off-Peak



Winter
Off-Peak



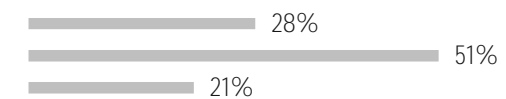
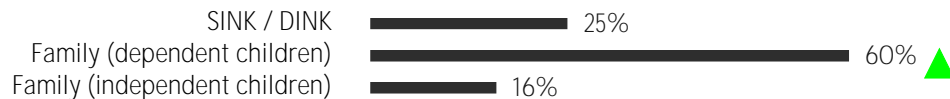
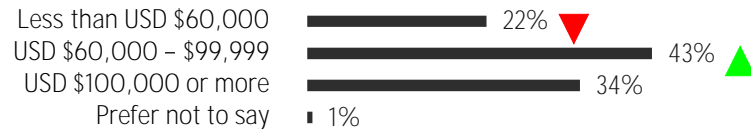
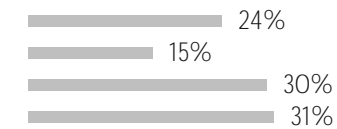
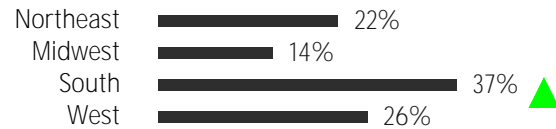
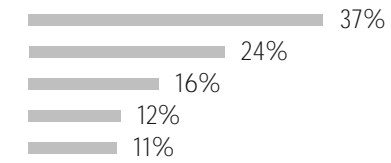
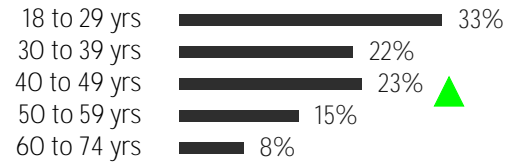
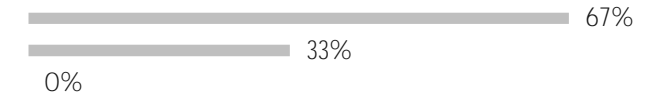
The demographic profile of off-peak considerers skews towards those aged 40-49, higher income households, families with dependent children, and those from Southern USA

Profile of off-peak considerers

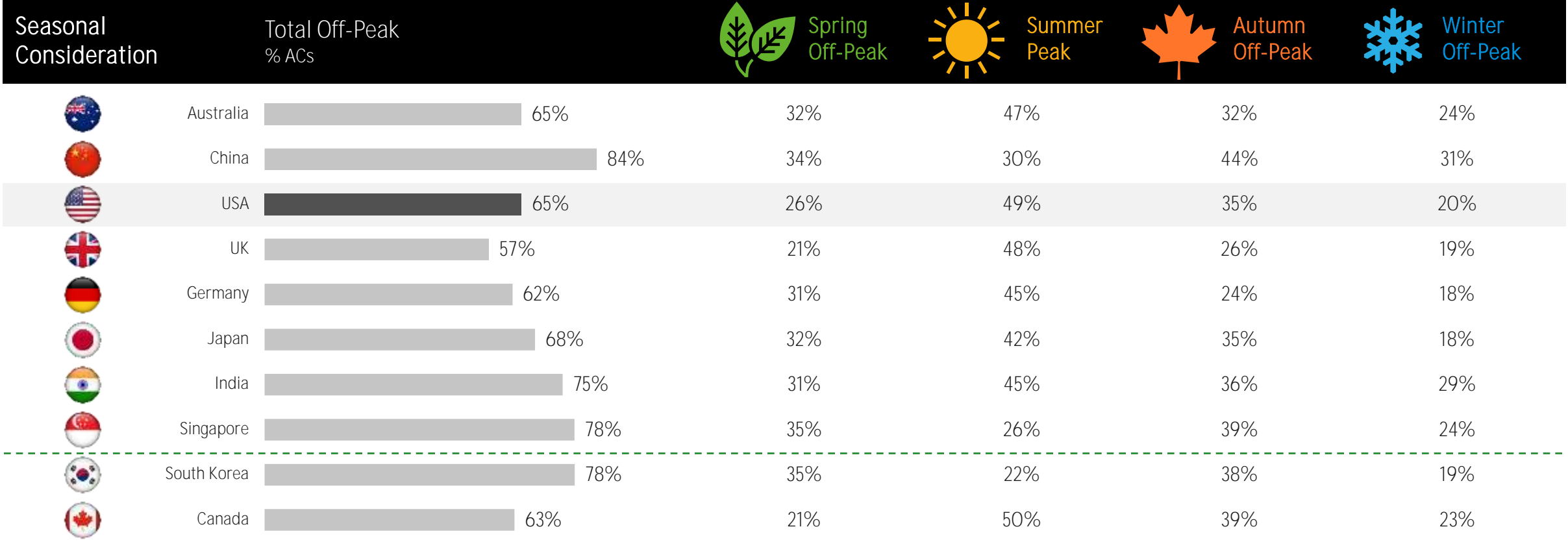
AC Monitor | Current 5M | off-peak considerers



Peak-only considerers



At 65% off-peak consideration, the opportunity to drive off-peak arrivals among USA ACs is sizeable, with autumn providing the primary opportunity



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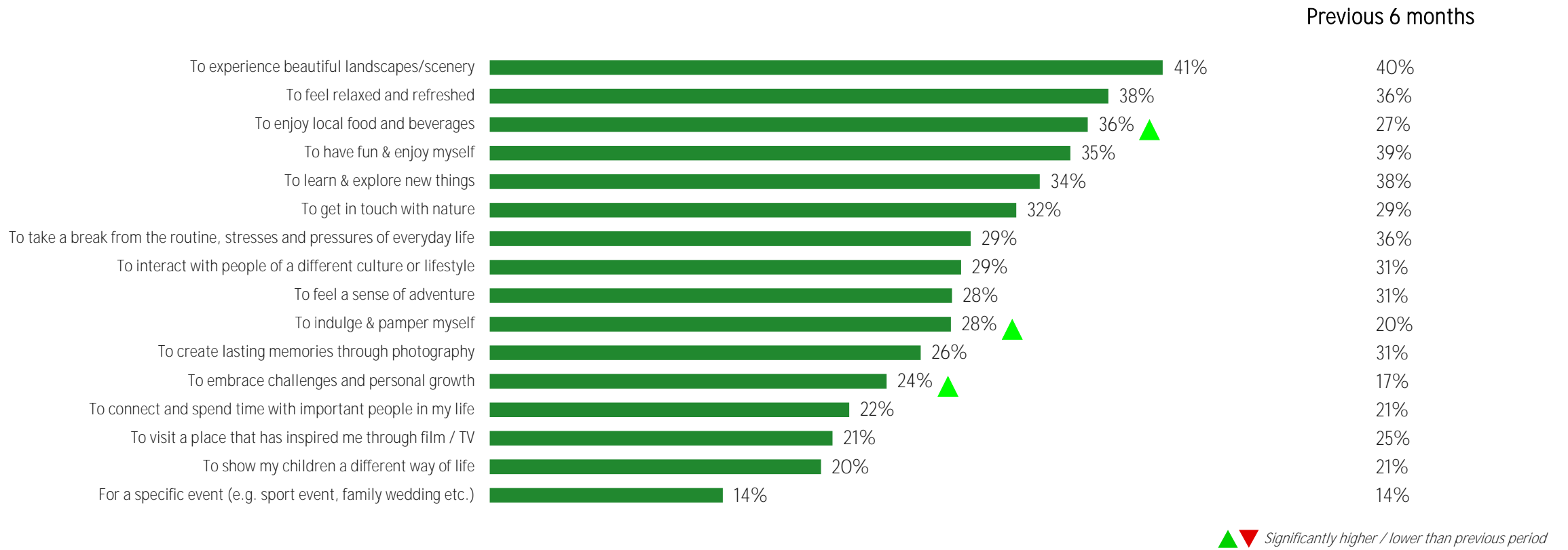
How can TNZ drive desirability of New Zealand as a holiday destination?



Marketing messages should continue to reinforce stunning landscapes and opportunities to feel refreshed and have fun which remain key motivators to visit; additionally, messaging promoting local cuisine, opportunities for pampering and personal growth can be dialed up

Reasons to visit New Zealand for a holiday

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers

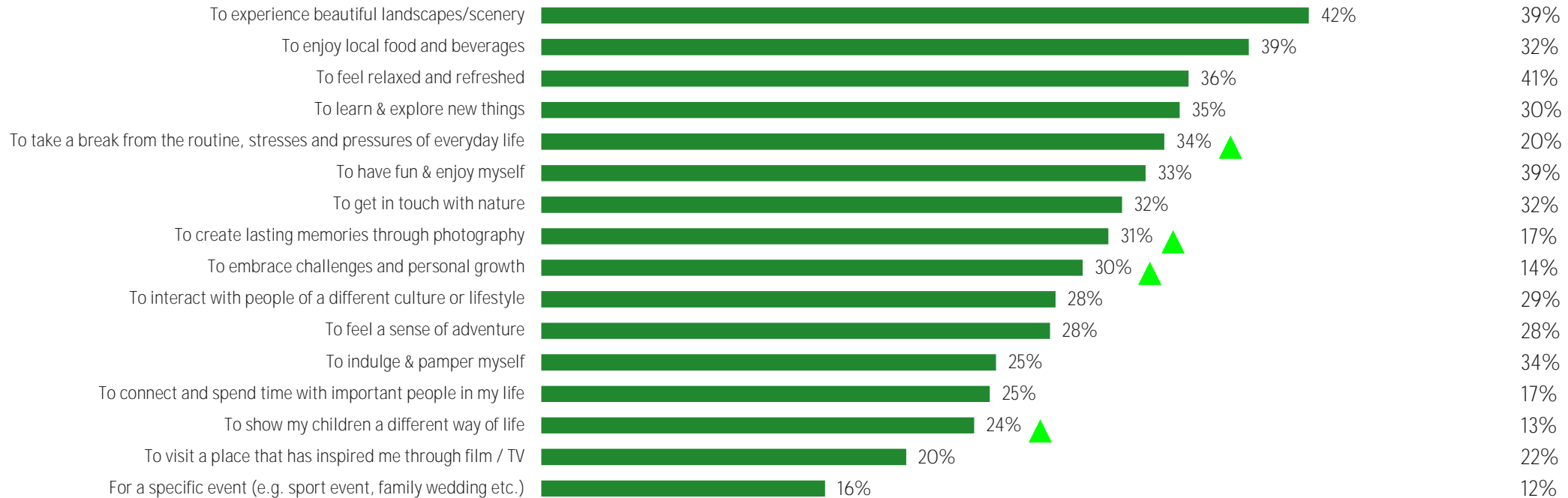


Compared to peak-only considerers, off-peak considerers are more motivated by the need to take a break, embrace personal growth, take photos and show children a different way of life – as such, consider tailoring messaging

Reasons to visit New Zealand for a holiday

AC Monitor | Current 5M | off-peak considerers

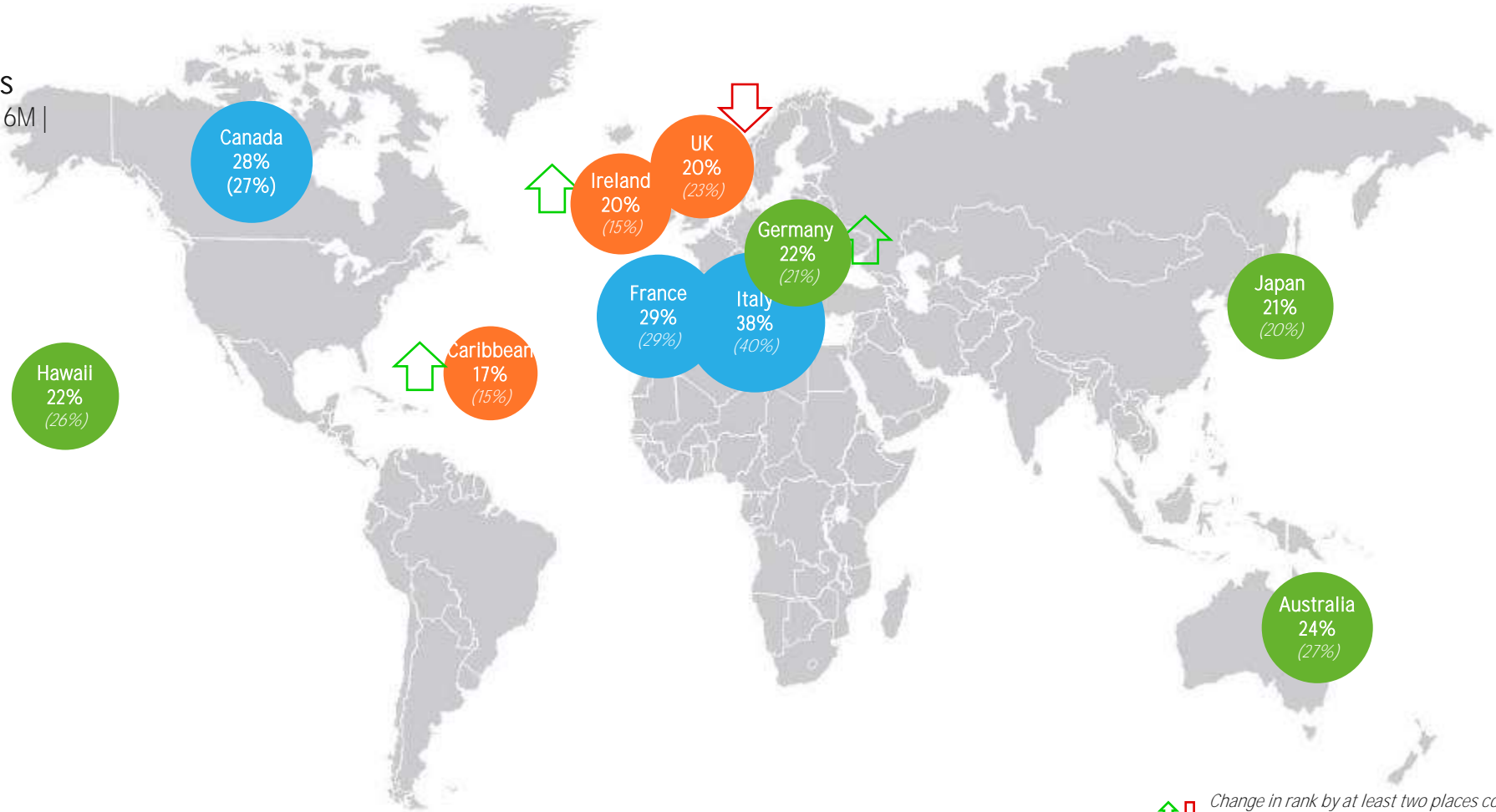
Peak-only considerers



▲ ▼ Significantly higher / lower than Peak-Only Considerers

New Zealand's key competitors are in Europe and America, with Italy remaining number one competitor, followed by France and Canada

Top ten competitor set for ACs
 AC Monitor | Current 5M vs. Previous 6M |
 Total Active Considerers



Switzerland and UAE have dropped out of the Top 10 ranking

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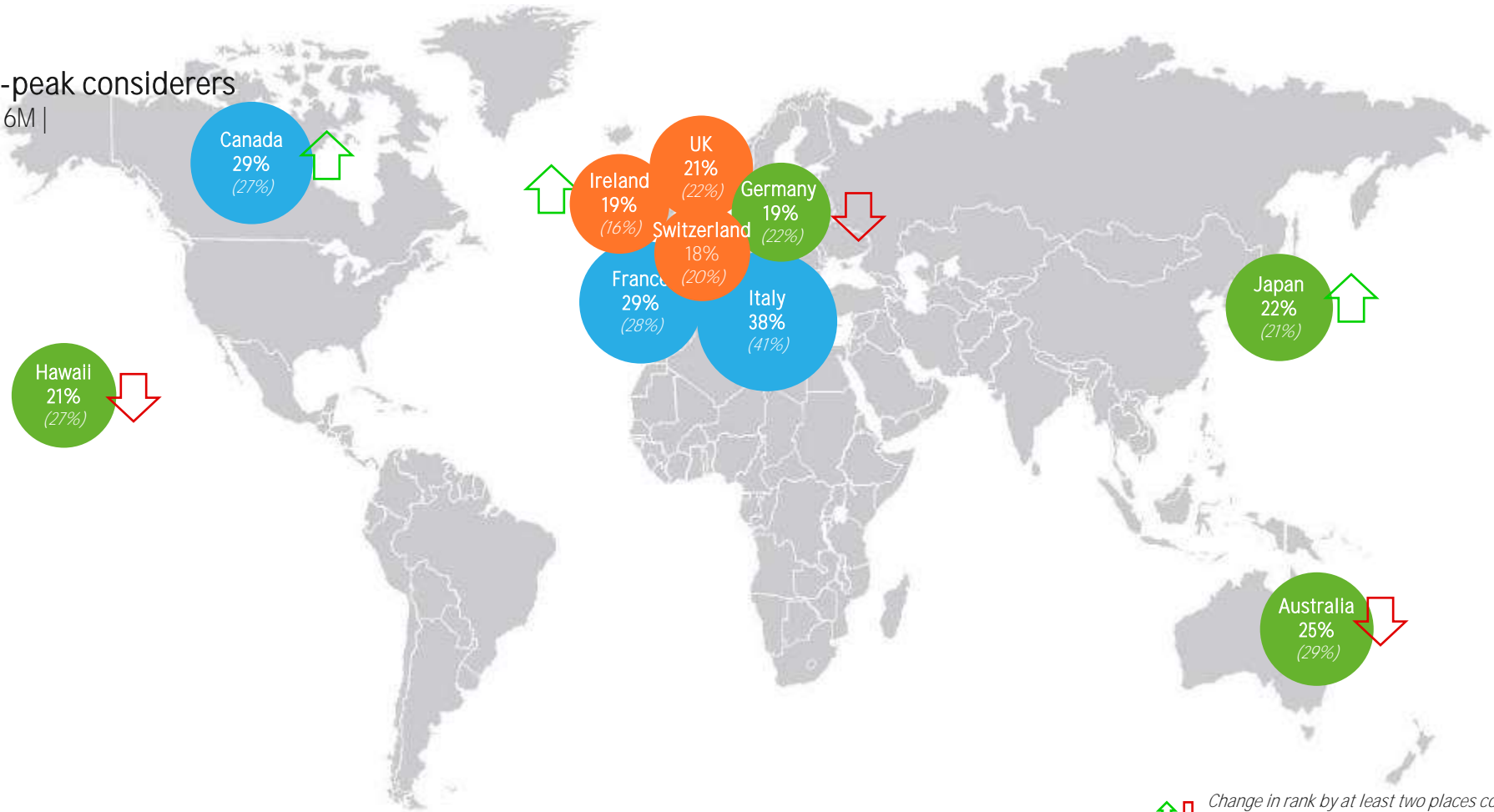
- Top 3
- Rank 4-7
- Rank 8-10

↑↓ Change in rank by at least two places compared to 6 months ago

The top 10 competitors for off-peak considerers largely align with those for total ACs, except for the Caribbean, which did not make the top 10, and Switzerland, which did

Top ten competitor set for off-peak considerers

AC Monitor | Current 5M vs. Previous 6M | off-peak considerers



The same countries have remained in the Top 10 ranking

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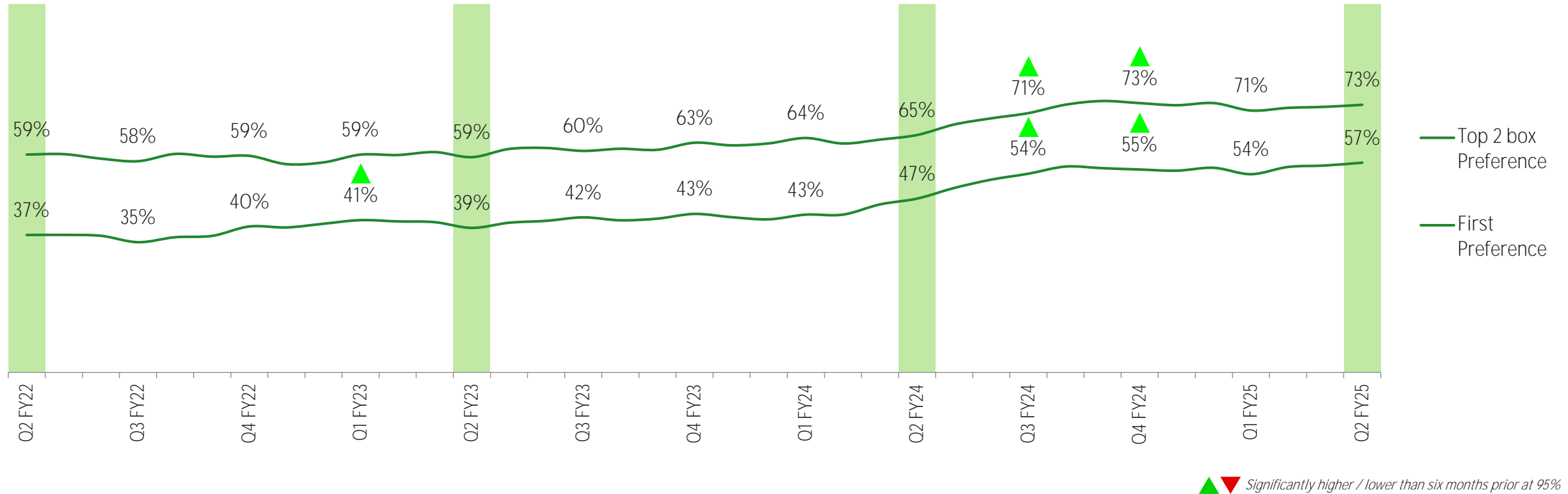
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Among ACs, both first-choice and top 2 box preference for New Zealand are trending upwards

New Zealand Preference KPI

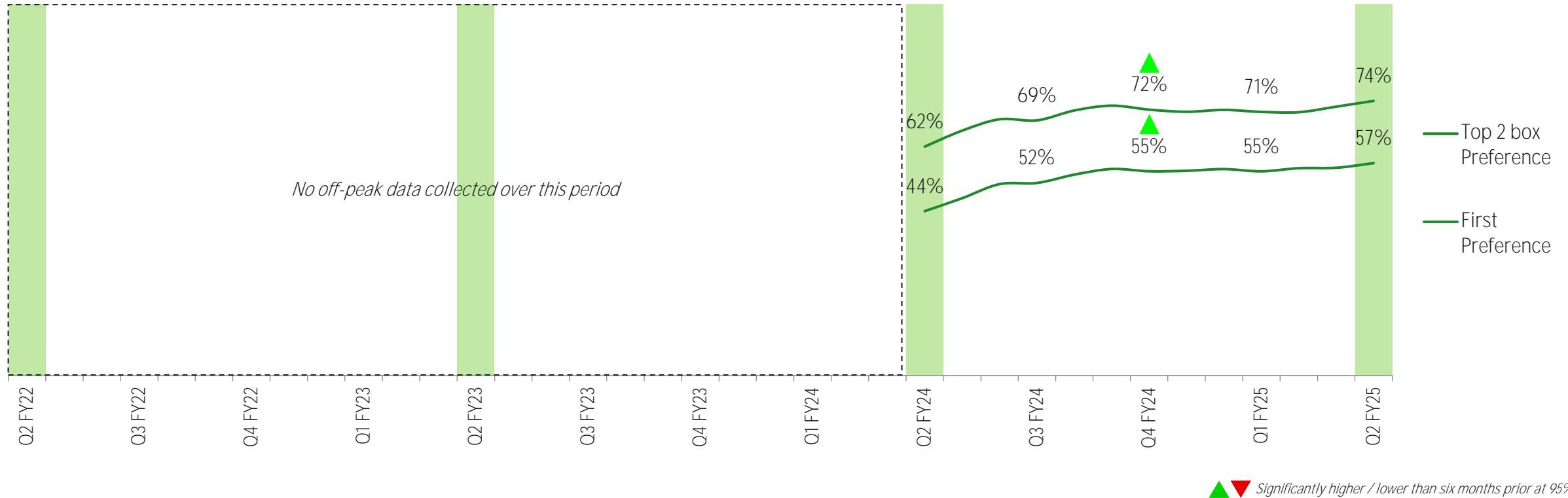
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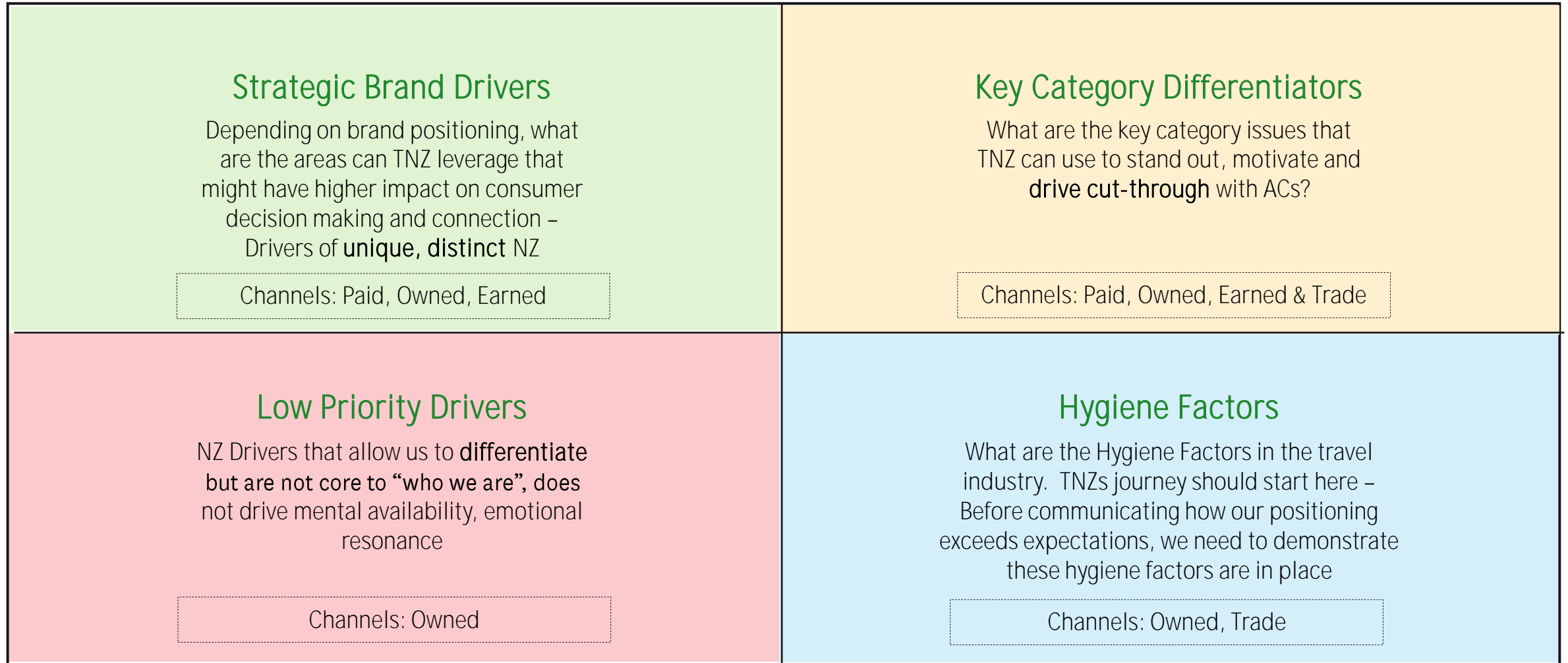
Preference for New Zealand among off-peak considerers is trending upwards

New Zealand Preference KPI for off-peak considerers

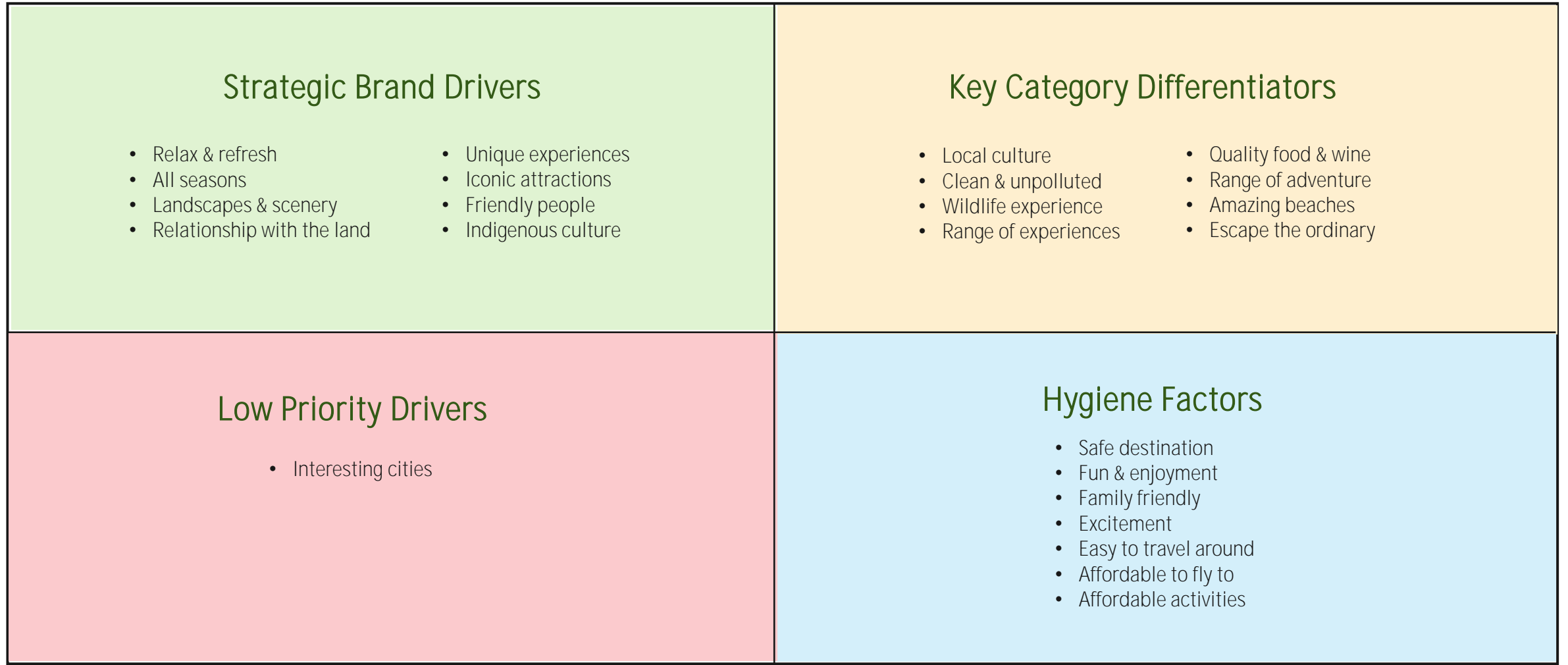
AC Monitor | 6MRA | off-peak considerers



A framework to organise and optimise the brand associations that matter



Brand associations



Appendix: Brand associations wording

We ask ACs which of their preferred destinations they associate with a number of statements, including the following core attributes:

Shorthand	Full wording
Affordable activities	Things to see and do are affordable
Affordable to fly to	It's affordable to fly to this destination
All seasons	Suitable for a holiday all year round
Exciting to visit	Thinking about visiting makes me feel really excited
Clean & unpolluted	The environment there is clean and unpolluted
Beaches	Has amazing beaches and coastlines
Easy to travel around	It's easy to travel around to see and do things
Family friendly	Ideal for a family holiday
Friendly people	The locals are friendly and welcoming to all visitors
Fun & enjoyment	Ideal for having fun and enjoying yourself
Iconic attractions	Has iconic attractions and landmarks
Wildlife experiences	Has amazing wildlife experiences

Shorthand	Full wording
Interesting cities	Has interesting cities to visit
Landscapes & scenery	Spectacular natural landscapes and scenery
Local culture	Offers opportunities to experience local culture
Escape normal life	A place you can escape from the ordinary
Quality food & wine	Offers quality local food and wine experiences
Range of adventure	Offers a wide range of outdoor and adventure activities
Range of experiences	Offers a wide variety of tourist experiences
Relationship with the land	A destination where the people have a special relationship with the land
Relax & refresh	Ideal to relax and refresh
Safe destination	I would feel safe travelling around this destination
Unique experiences	Offers experiences that you can't get anywhere else
Indigenous culture	Has a unique indigenous culture

Context to preference driver analysis

Using Jaccard's analysis, we estimate which brand associations and destination attributes drive preference for New Zealand and how New Zealand performs relative to its key competitors in order to identify priorities for each market

We typically do brand preference driver analysis once a year on key markets

The brand driver analysis included in this report is based on the most recent results available: Data from Jul-24 to Nov-24

Positively, New Zealand’s strategic drivers are well aligned with the top drivers of preference and so should be promoted, particularly all seasons, indigenous culture and landscapes and scenery which emerge as stronger drivers of preference in 2024

Drivers of preference for New Zealand

AC Monitor | Rank | 2024 (Jul-Dec 24) | Total Active Considerers

	2024 rank	2023 rank	2022 rank ⁽¹⁾
All seasons	1 ↑	22 ↓	12
Safe destination	2 ↑	8	6
Indigenous culture	3 ↑	19	17
Range of adventure	4	5	8
Landscapes & scenery	5 ↑	14 ↓	2
Range of experiences	6	4 ↑	19
Fun & enjoyment	7 ↓	1	4
Clean & unpolluted	8	11	9
Excitement	9 ↓	2	*
Amazing beaches	10 ↑	24	*
Unique experiences	11	7	10
Relationship with the land	12 ↑	21 ↓	5
Relax & refresh	13	13	16
Family friendly	14 ↑	23 ↓	7
Iconic attractions	15 ↑	20	22

	2024 rank	2023 rank	2022 rank ⁽¹⁾
Local culture	16 ↓	9	13
Easy to travel around	17	3 ↑	26
Affordable activities	18	18 ↑	29
Escape the ordinary	19 ↓	6	11
Friendly people	20	16	14
Wildlife experiences	21 ↓	15 ↑	28
Quality food & wine	22	25 ↑	30
Interesting cities	23 ↓	17	15
Affordable to fly to	24	26 ↑	31

Changes in brand attribution list affect comparability in ranking over time

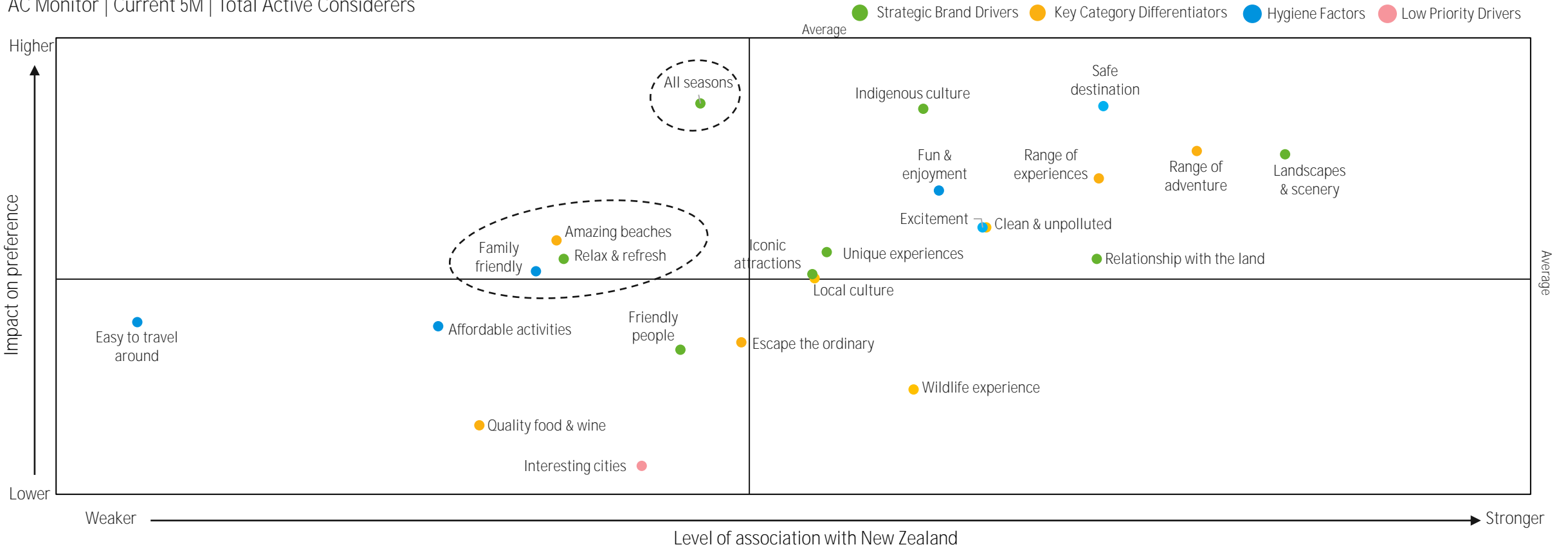
Strategic Brand Drivers	Key Category Differentiators
Low Priority Drivers	Hygiene Factors

1. Some ranks may be missing if the statement has been removed for the current analysis period
 * Not asked at that time

New Zealand as a destination performs more strongly on its higher impact drivers but boosting **perceptions of New Zealand's suitability to travel across all seasons deserves focus**, as does its family friendliness, amazing beaches and opportunities to relax and refresh

Brand Associations of New Zealand x Impact on preference

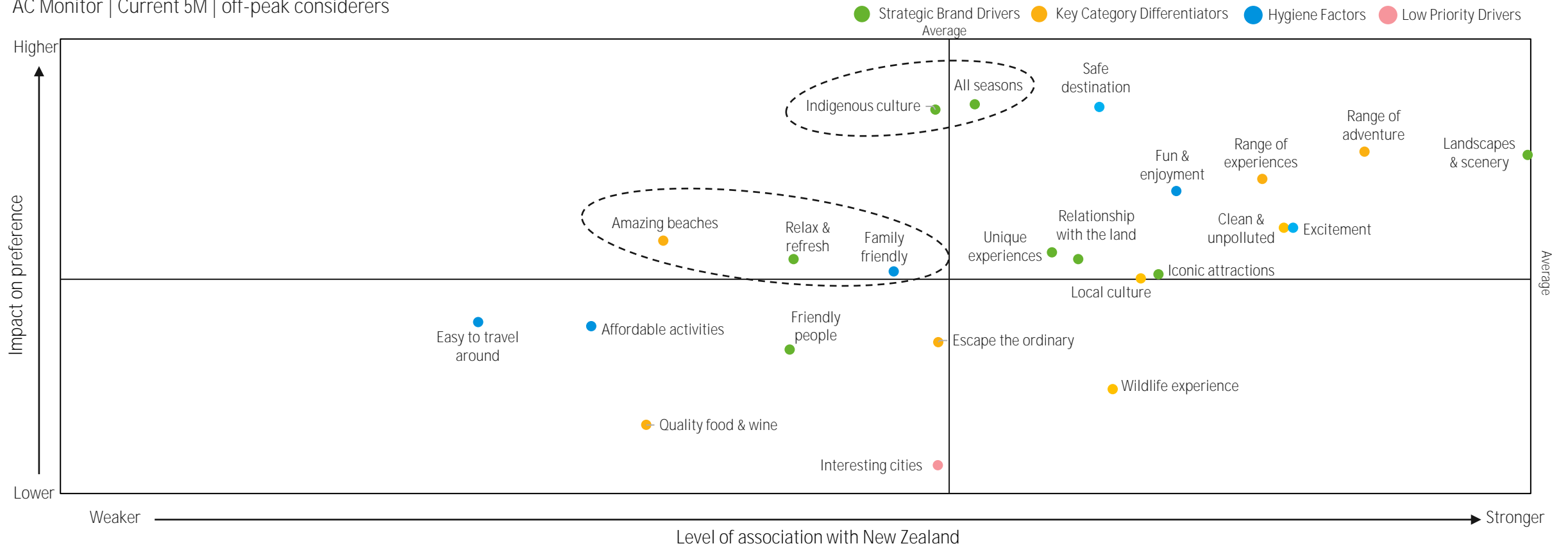
AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers



To drive preference among off-peak considerers there is an opportunity to improve perceptions of **New Zealand's suitability to travel across all seasons, its family friendliness, amazing beaches and opportunities to relax and refresh**

Brand Associations of New Zealand x Impact on preference | off-peak considerers

AC Monitor | Current 5M | off-peak considerers



Relative to competitors, New Zealand has several strengths to leverage but there is an opportunity to enhance its competitive positioning on some key strategic drivers, including landscapes and scenery, unique experiences, relax and refresh and iconic attractions

Relative brand positioning for Strategic Brand Drivers and Key Category Differentiators

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers (New Zealand and top five competitors) | Index (see appendix)

		New Zealand	Italy	France	Canada	Australia	Germany	
Strategic Brand Drivers	All seasons	106	85	96	99	102	110	Actions for TNZ: Strengths: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Relationship with the land — Indigenous culture — All seasons — Clean & unpolluted — Amazing beaches — Wildlife experiences Drivers to dial up: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Landscapes & Scenery — Relax & Refresh — Unique experiences — Iconic attractions — Quality food & wine
	Indigenous culture	107	97	96	85	110	93	
	Landscapes & scenery	101	80	110	101	105	105	
	Unique experiences	96	100	98	91	96	128	
	Relax & refresh	101	98	104	98	110	83	
	Relationship with the land	112	85	98	96	99	103	
	Iconic attractions	92	114	109	96	93	103	
	Friendly people	98	97	104	117	97	89	
Key Category Differentiators	Range of adventure	103	101	92	106	109	81	
	Range of experiences	98	124	100	88	95	91	
	Clean & unpolluted	110	90	74	112	103	101	
	Amazing beaches	109	83	107	74	115	99	
	Local culture	98	118	88	101	97	97	
	Escape the ordinary	102	102	83	98	113	94	
	Wildlife experience	109	78	76	108	125	88	
	Quality food & wine	91	124	111	97	82	104	

New Zealand's performance across hygiene and low priority factors is, at best, on par with key competitors with the greatest need to boost its competitive positioning on fun and enjoyment and ease of travelling around

Relative brand positioning for Hygiene Factors and Low Priority

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers (New Zealand and top five competitors) | Index (see appendix)

		New Zealand	Italy	France	Canada	Australia	Germany
Hygiene Factors	Safe destination	100	98	104	108	87	110
	Fun & enjoyment	95	109	112	91	97	100
	Excitement	100	94	108	88	107	103
	Family friendly	97	100	98	114	96	100
	Affordable activities	100	94	109	113	92	97
	Easy to travel around	92	105	96	115	95	107
	Affordable to fly to	98	106	116	114	81	92
Low Priority	Interesting cities	90	107	108	92	97	116

Actions for TNZ:

Drivers to dial up:

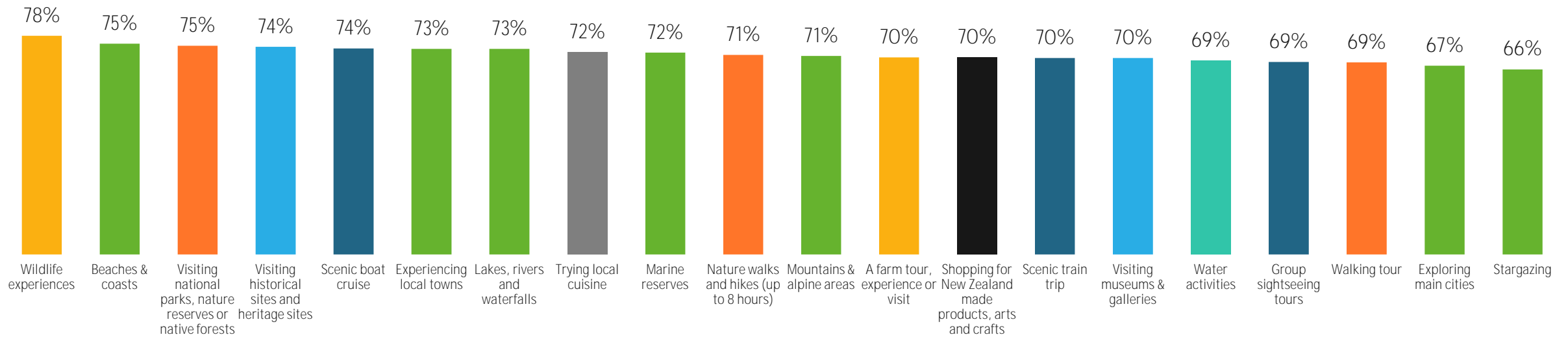
- Fun & Enjoyment
- Easy to travel around

ACs are interested in a wide range of activities, presenting an opportunity to promote the variety of experiences on offer in New Zealand – there is an opportunity to dial up messaging of certain activities, like scenic boat cruises, to off-peak considerers

Activities interested in doing in New Zealand (Top 20)

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers

■ Food & Wine ■ Arts & Culture ■ Scenic attractions ■ Walking & Cycling ■ Wildlife ■ Scenic trips ■ Shopping ■ Other land sports ■ Water Sports ■ High adrenaline



off-peak considerers



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How can TNZ maximise impact along consumer path to purchase?



Guiding ACs on the ideal time of year to enjoy desired activities should be a priority as this is the top knowledge gap of ACs and provides an opportunity to promote off-peak travel; positively, weather concerns are lessening which is promising for off-peak arrivals

Top ten knowledge gaps

AC Monitor | Current 5M vs. Previous 6M | Total Active Considerers

Project Koru also found that some of these messages also need to be addressed at the brand level not just the tactical level (planning and booking)

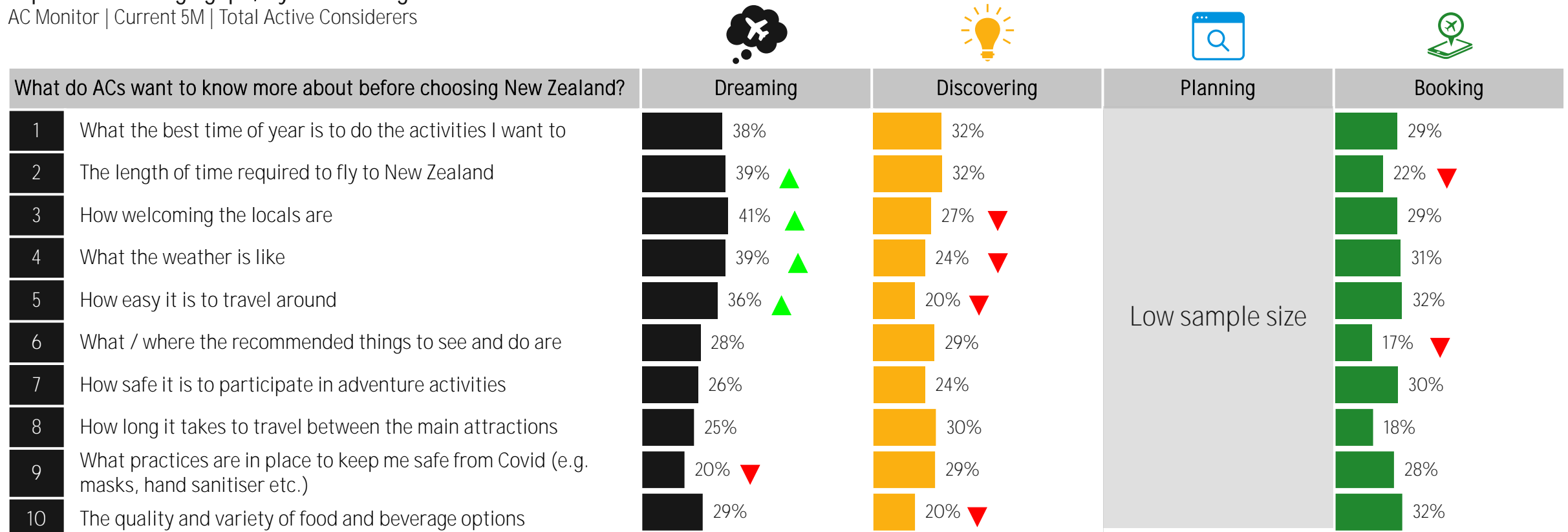
What do ACs want to know more about before choosing New Zealand?		Now	Previous 6 months
1	What the best time of year is to do the activities I want to	34%	NA
2	The length of time required to fly to New Zealand	33%	36%
3	How welcoming the locals are	33%	34%
4	What the weather is like	31% ▼	39%
5	How easy it is to travel around	28% ▼	35%
6	What / where the recommended things to see and do are	26%	28%
7	How safe it is to participate in adventure activities	26%	31%
8	How long it takes to travel between the main attractions	26%	28%
9	What practices are in place to keep me safe from Covid (e.g. masks, hand sanitiser etc.)	25%	28%
10	The quality and variety of food and beverage options	25% ▼	33%

Ranks higher now than six months ago
▲
▼ Significantly higher / lower than six months prior at 95%

Messages around flight duration, how welcoming the locals are, the weather and ease of travelling around need to be surfaced early in the AC journey as dreamers are more likely to have these knowledge gaps

Top ten knowledge gaps, by funnel stage

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers



▲ ▼ Significantly higher / lower than comparison group at 95%

Key knowledge gaps are broadly similar between off-peak and peak-only considerers, hence similar tactical communications will resonate with both audiences

Top ten knowledge gaps for off-peak considerers

AC Monitor | Current 5M | off-peak considerers

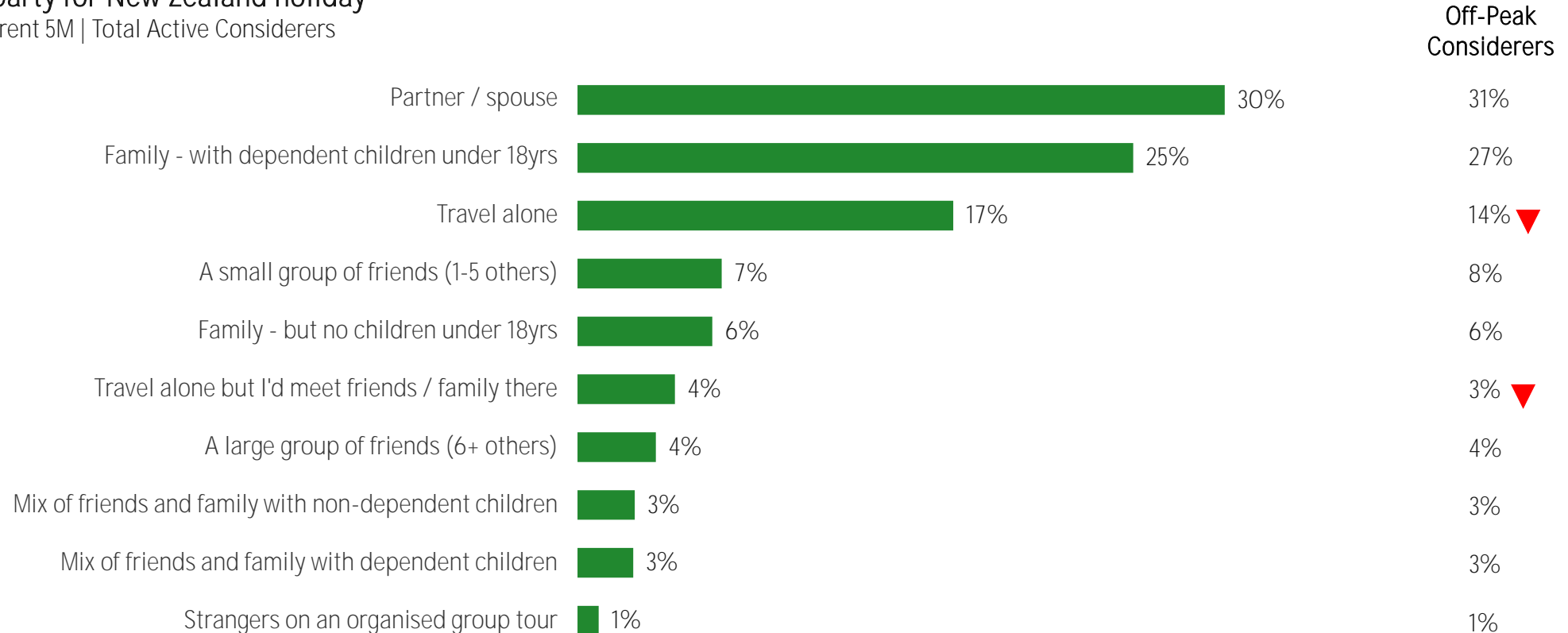
What do ACs want to know more about before choosing New Zealand?		off-peak considerers	Peak-Only Considerers
1	What the best time of year is to do the activities I want to	35%	31%
2	The length of time required to fly to New Zealand	33%	33%
3	How welcoming the locals are	35%	30%
4	What the weather is like	31%	33%
5	How easy it is to travel around	30%	25%
6	What / where the recommended things to see and do are	29%	22%
7	How safe it is to participate in adventure activities	28%	22%
8	How long it takes to travel between the main attractions	27%	23%
9	What practices are in place to keep me safe from Covid (e.g. masks, hand sanitiser etc.)	26%	25%
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  Significantly higher / lower than Peak-Only Considerers

USA ACs are most likely to travel to New Zealand with their partner and/or family – this is also the case for off-peak considerers who are also less likely to travel alone

Likely travel party for New Zealand holiday

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers



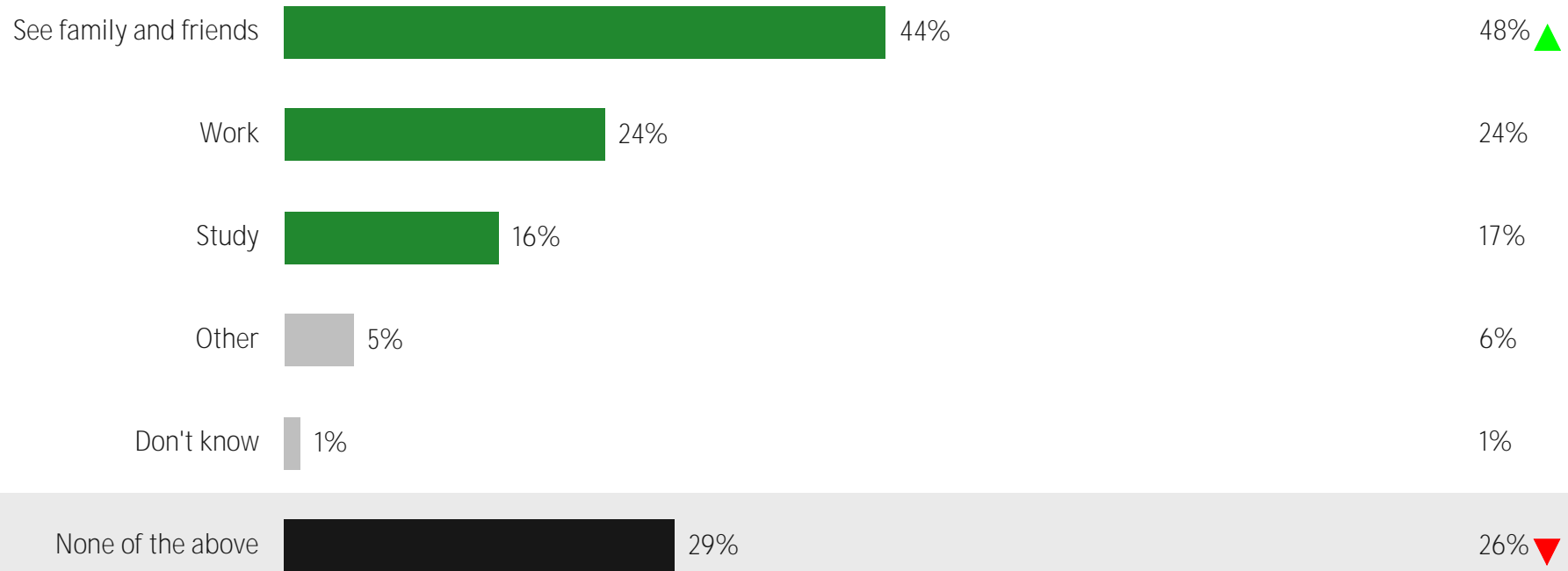
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A sizable minority of ACs intend to visit family and friends while holidaying in New Zealand - this rises to 48% among off-peak considerers

Additional intentions when on holiday in New Zealand

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers

Off-Peak Considerers



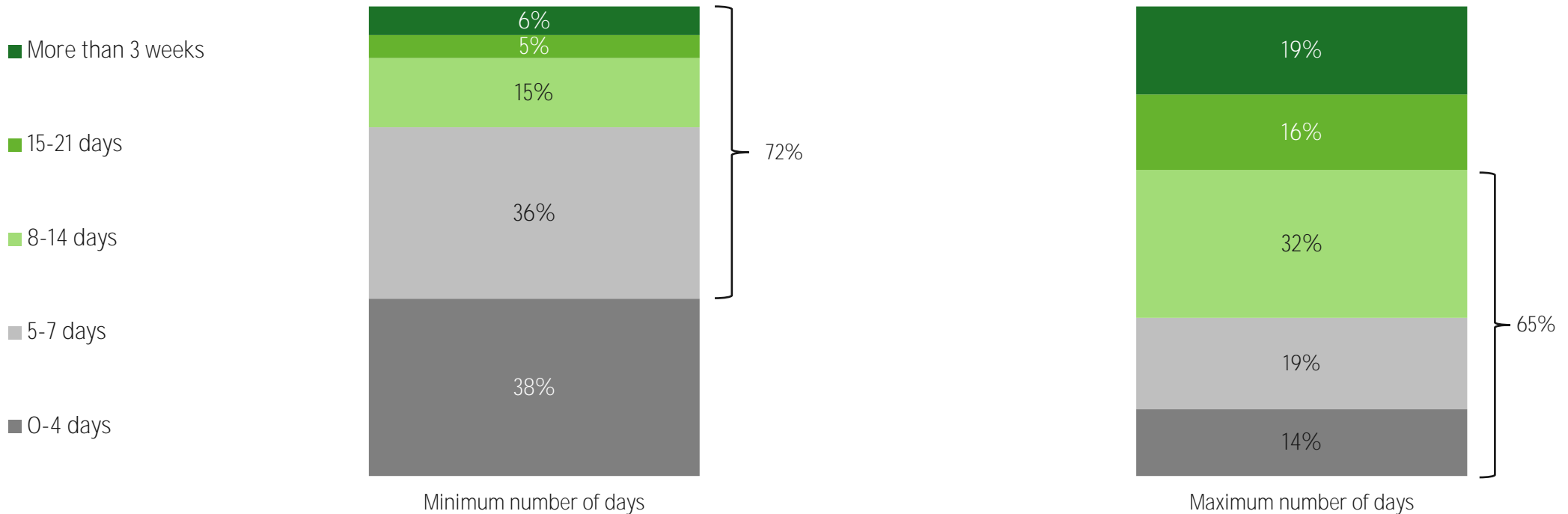
This represents ACs who are considering travelling to New Zealand for a holiday ONLY

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Most Americans consider their ideal holiday in New Zealand to be no less than 5 days and no more than 14 days

Ideal minimum and maximum numbers of days spent on holiday in New Zealand

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers





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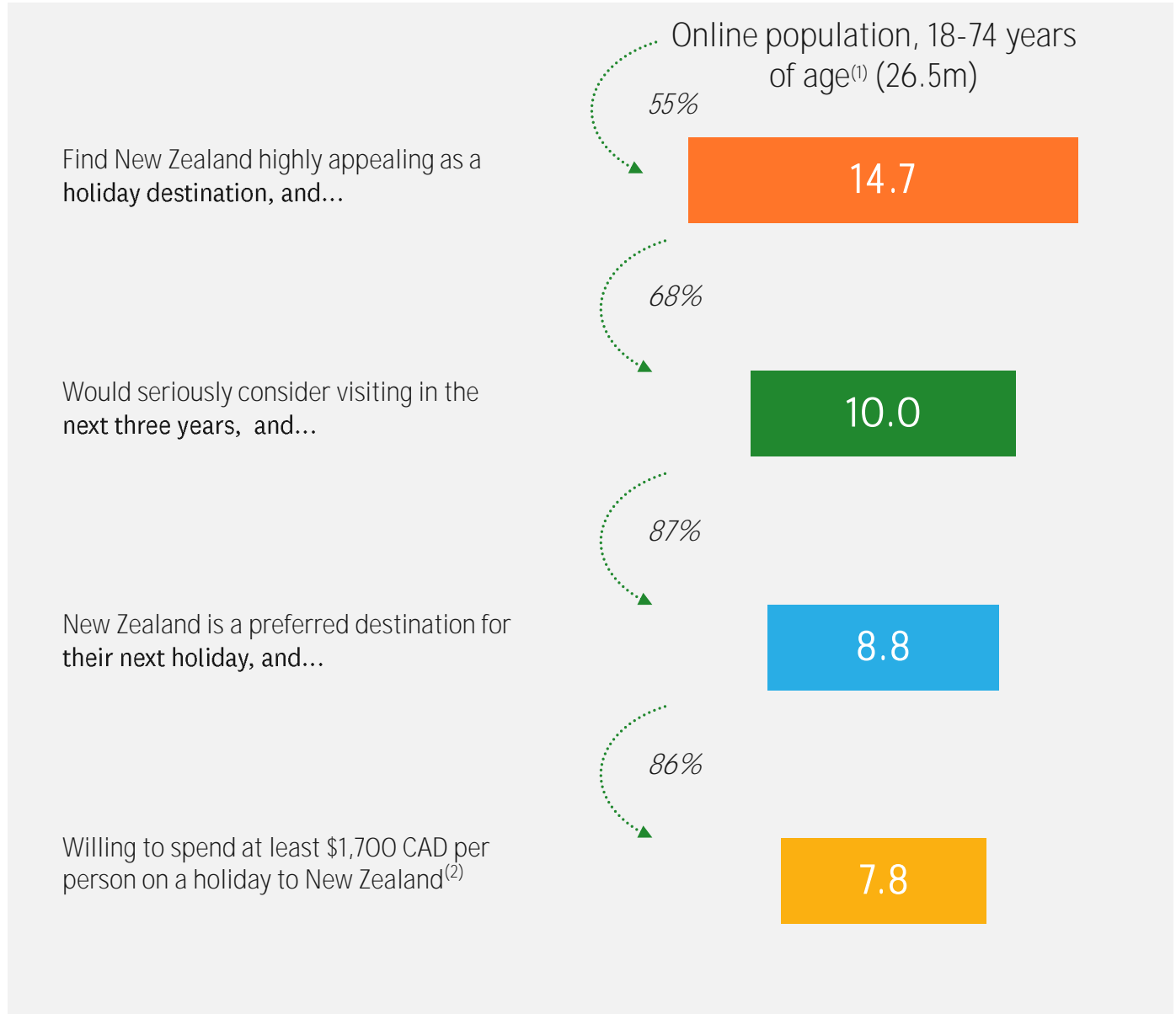
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What is the size of opportunity for TNZ in Canada?

Active Considerer journey funnel – Canada

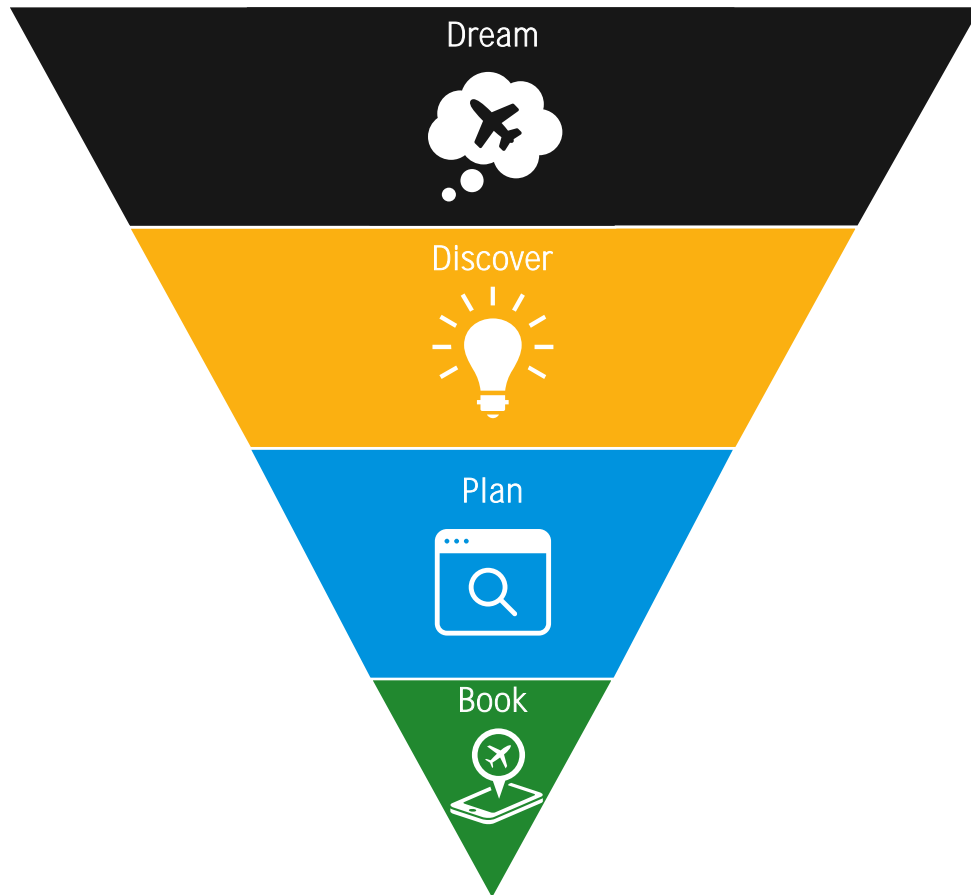
Active Considerers definition

Active Considerers find New Zealand highly appealing as a vacation destination, would seriously consider visiting in the next three years, see New Zealand as a preferred destination for their next vacation and have a realistic budget for their visit (C\$1,700 per person on a holiday to New Zealand).



Consumer Journey funnel to New Zealand – Canada

***The addition of 'Discover' into our Brand Tracking commenced in July 2024 (at the start of FY25). We are still calibrating and reviewing this question.**



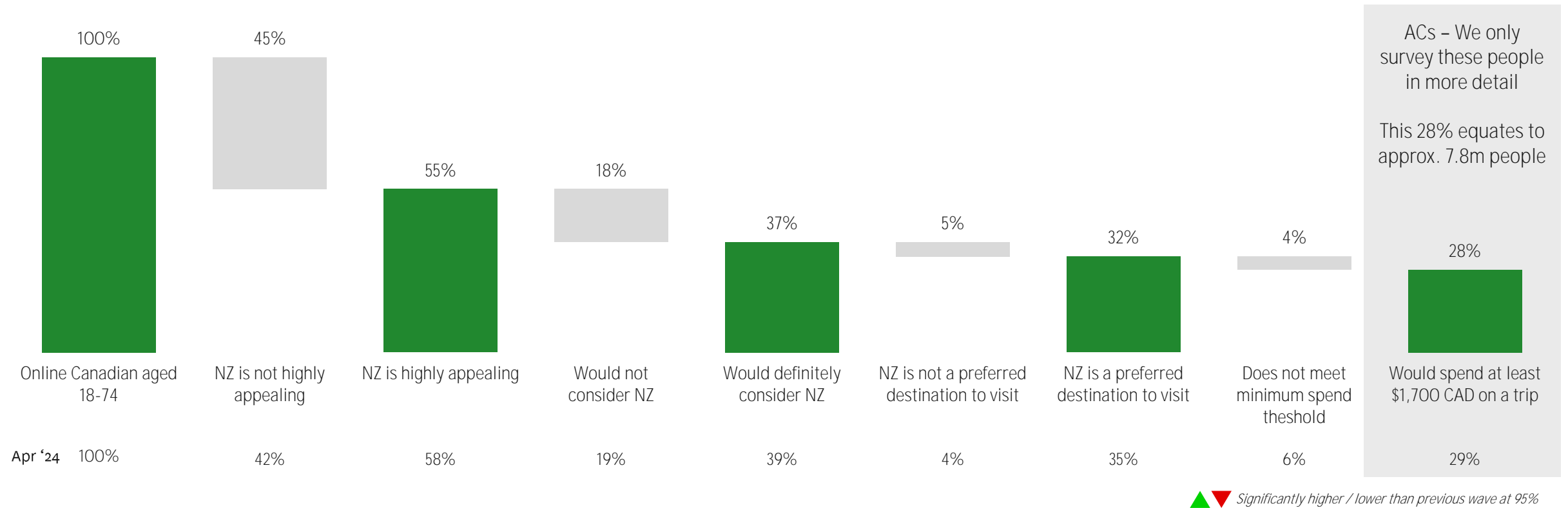
Active Considerers (7.8m)	Size (%)	Size (%)	
		Q2 FY25	Q4 FY24
3.7m	48%	48%	47%
3.3m	42%	42%	N/A
0.1m	1%	1%	16%
0.7m	9%	9%	37%

The 'Discover' layer was added in Q2 FY25 affecting comparability in size of funnel stage over time

With a stable AC incidence of 28%, equating to 7.8 million people, the opportunity in Canada remains sizeable

Qualifying criteria for defining ACs

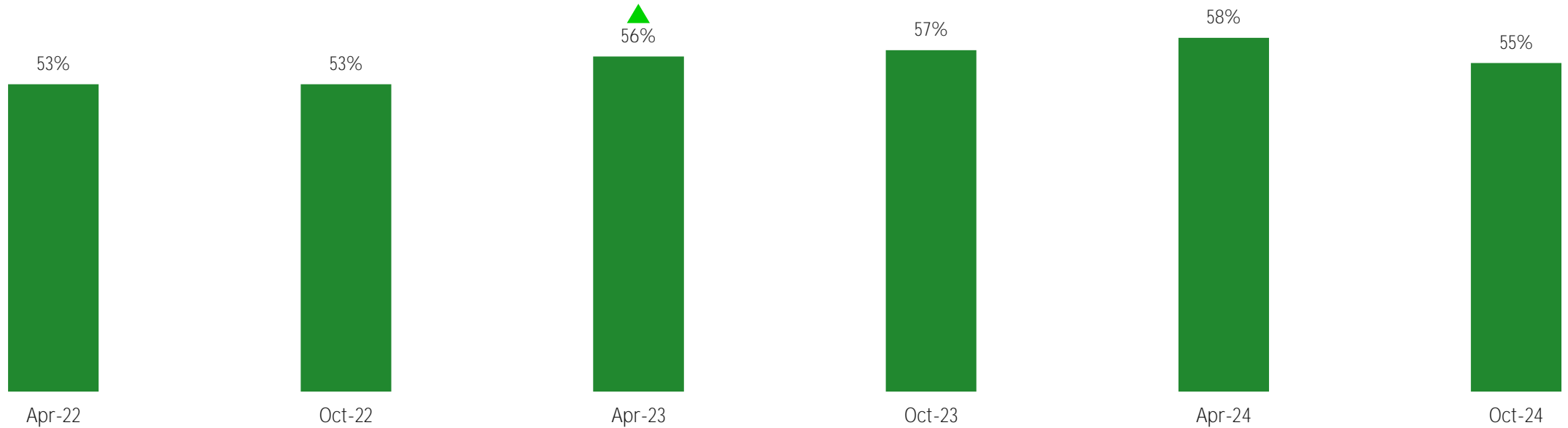
AC Monitor | Oct 24 | % Online users aged 18-74



Appeal for New Zealand as a holiday destination remains stable

Appeal
% Online users aged 18-74

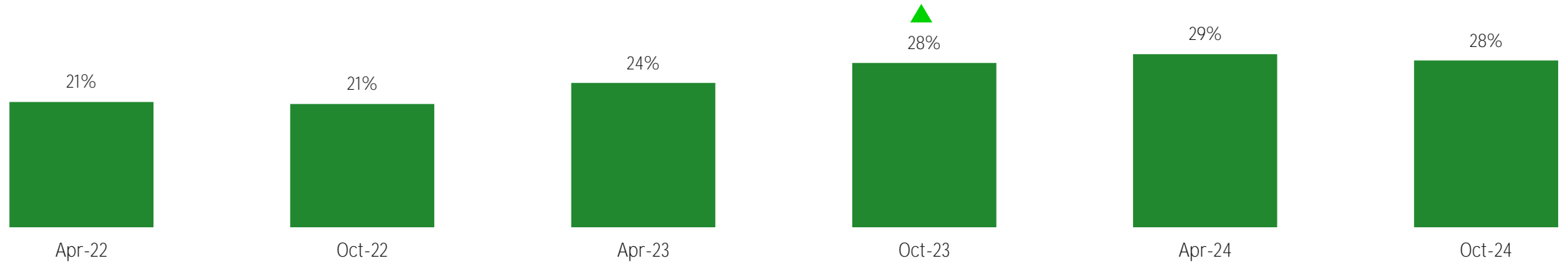
- Appeal is measured among the total online population aged 18 to 74 years old, and is the 'above the funnel' measure
- Appeal measures the emotive connection to the brand, irrespective of the barriers people have in converting their appeal to active consideration and arrivals
- Appeal is likely to be impacted by macro situation, scalable events (i.e., Rugby World Cup, NZ handling of Covid pandemic), and high impact earned mass-reach media TNZ efforts



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The AC incidence in Canada has sustained the peak levels achieved a year ago

Incidence of ACs
% Online users aged 18-74

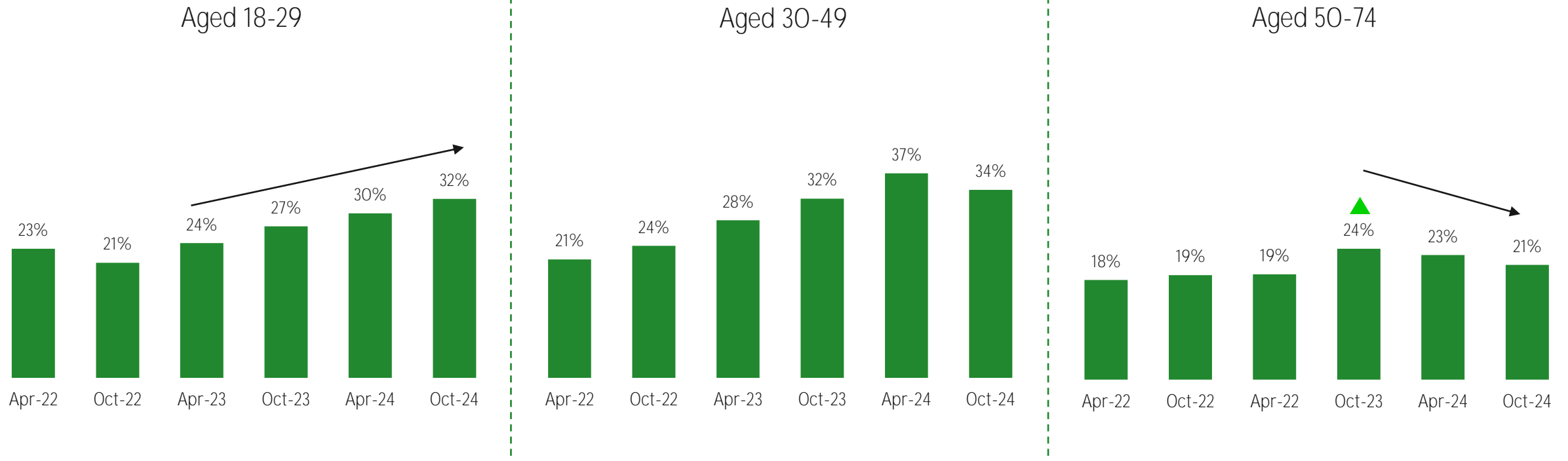


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Despite a stable AC incidence at the overall level, it is shifting upwards among those aged 18-29 years, yet downwards among those aged 50-74

Incidence of ACs

% Online users aged 18-74 | By age group

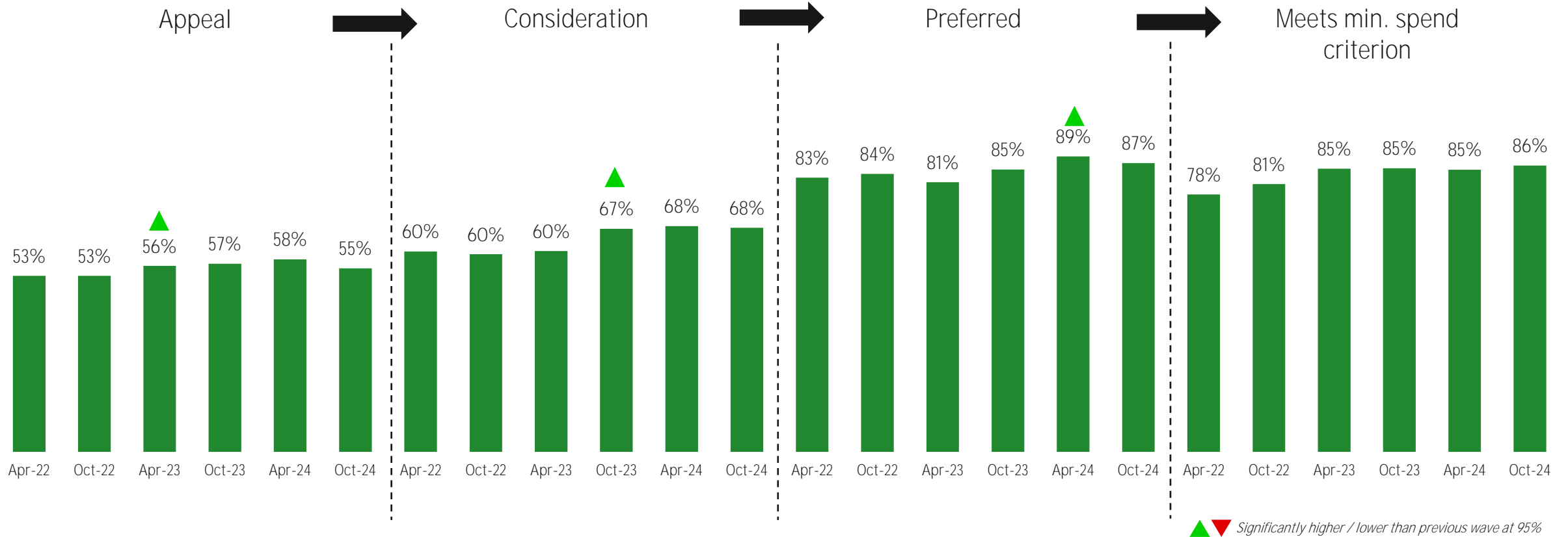


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Metrics are stable across all stages of the AC funnel

Conversion of ACs through the Consideration Funnel

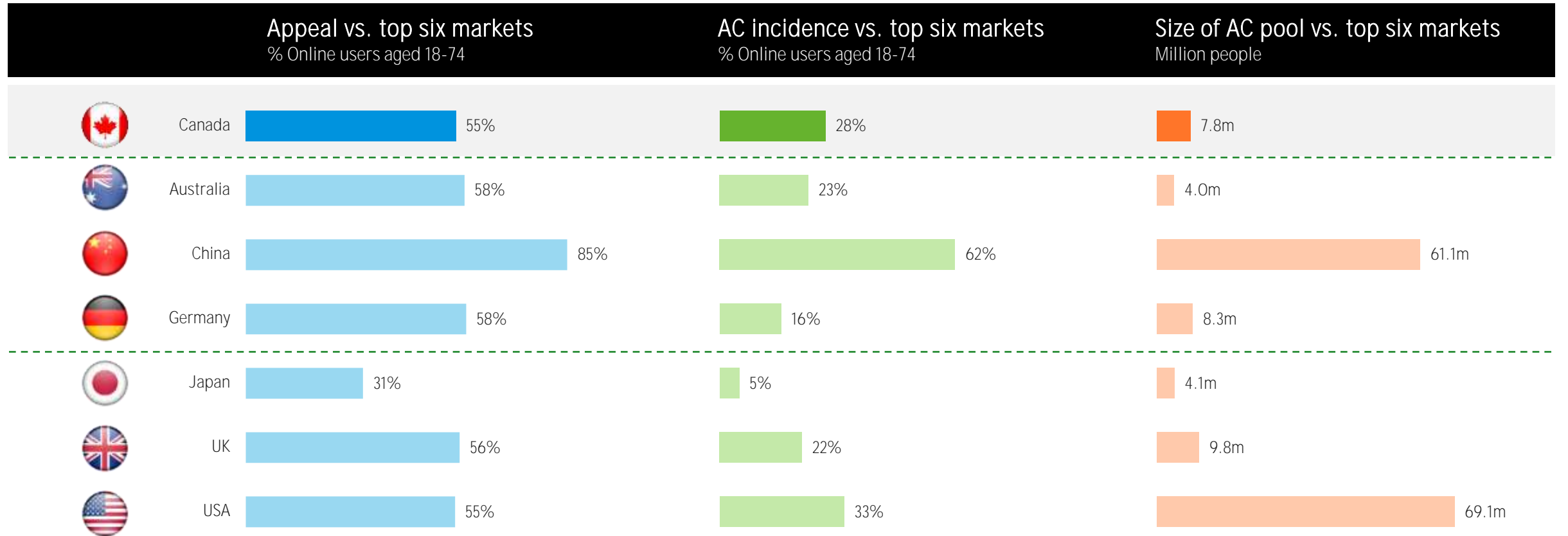
% Online users aged 18-74



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Sample size: Apr 22 n = 4,148 | Oct 22 n = 2,001 | Apr 23 n = 1,785 | Oct 23 n = 1,374 | Apr 24 n = 1,957 | Oct 24 n = 1,356
 Question "Putting aside any thoughts about time and cost, how appealing do you find New Zealand as a holiday destination?"
 Question "Would you consider visiting New Zealand for a holiday within the next three years?"
 Question "To what extent do you agree or disagree that New Zealand is a preferred destination for your next holiday?"
 Question "On a per person basis, how much would you be willing to spend on a holiday to New Zealand?"

With 7.8 million ACs, Canada continues to represent an attractive opportunity for TNZ



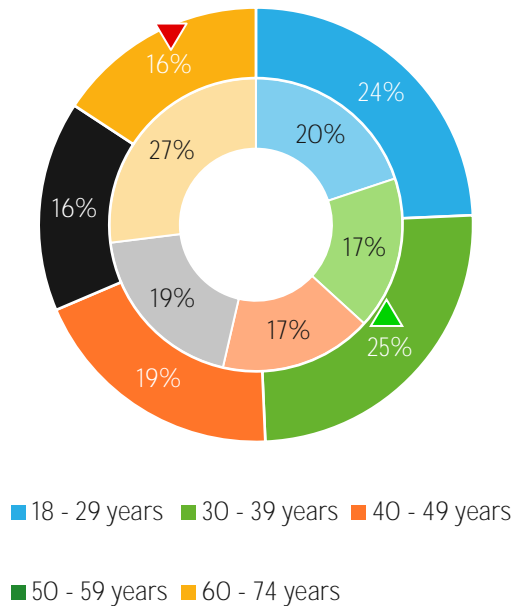
ACs are concentrated in Ontario and skewed towards males and those aged 30-39 years; 32% of the AC pool have pre-school or school-aged children

Profile of Active Considerers

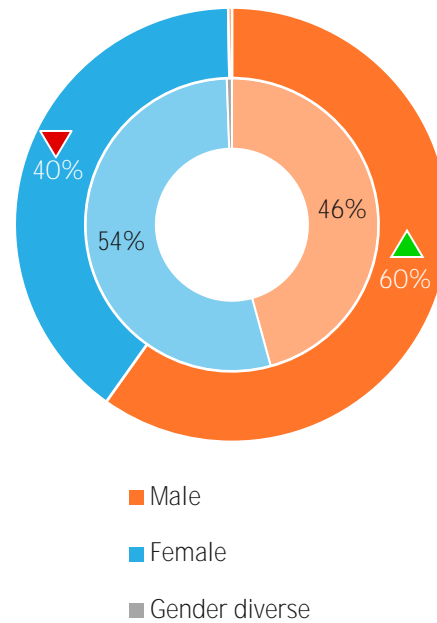
% Active Considerers vs Non-Active Considerers | Oct 24

Outer ring: Canada Active Considerers
Inner ring: Canada non-Active Considerers

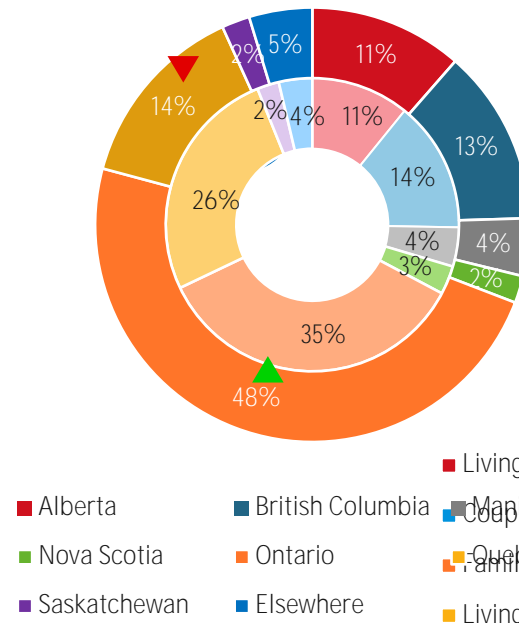
By age segment



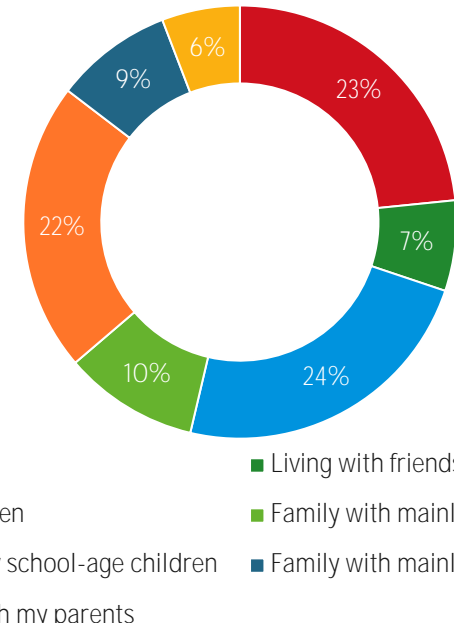
By gender



By region



Household Composition



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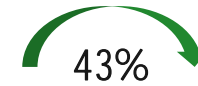
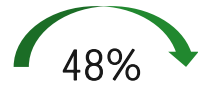
While summer remains the most preferred time to visit New Zealand, consideration for autumn has recently increased, establishing it as the most attractive off-peak season



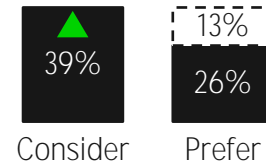
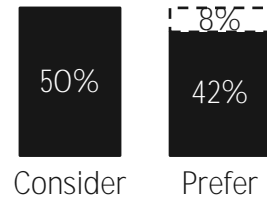
Seasons – consideration & preference

% Active Considerers | Oct 24

Conversion of consideration to preference



Opportunity



Apr 24

23% 15%

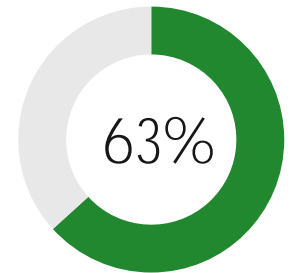
44% 38%

28% 20%

21% 16%



Off-peak consideration



60%



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Summer considerers tend to skew older while Autumn considerers skew towards middle-income households and Spring considerers skew towards ACs in Alberta

Profile of seasonal considerers

% Active Considerers | Oct 24



Spring
Off-peak



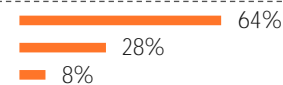
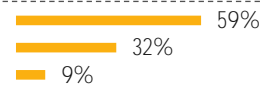
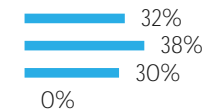
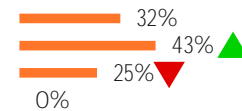
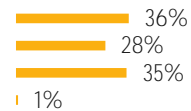
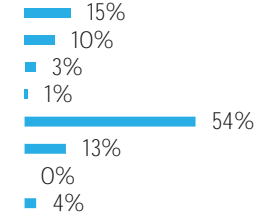
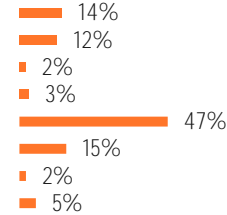
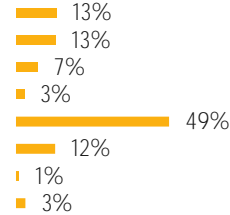
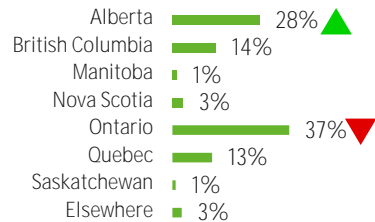
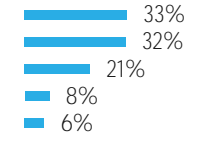
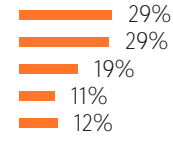
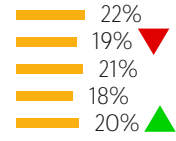
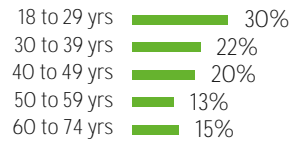
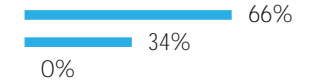
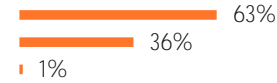
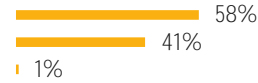
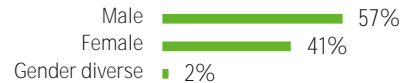
Summer
Peak



Autumn
Off-peak



Winter
Off-peak



Compared to summer considerers, off-peak considerers skew younger and towards middle-income households

Profile of Seasonal Considerers

% Active Considerers | Oct 24



Peak



Off-peak



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How can TNZ drive desirability of New Zealand as a holiday destination?

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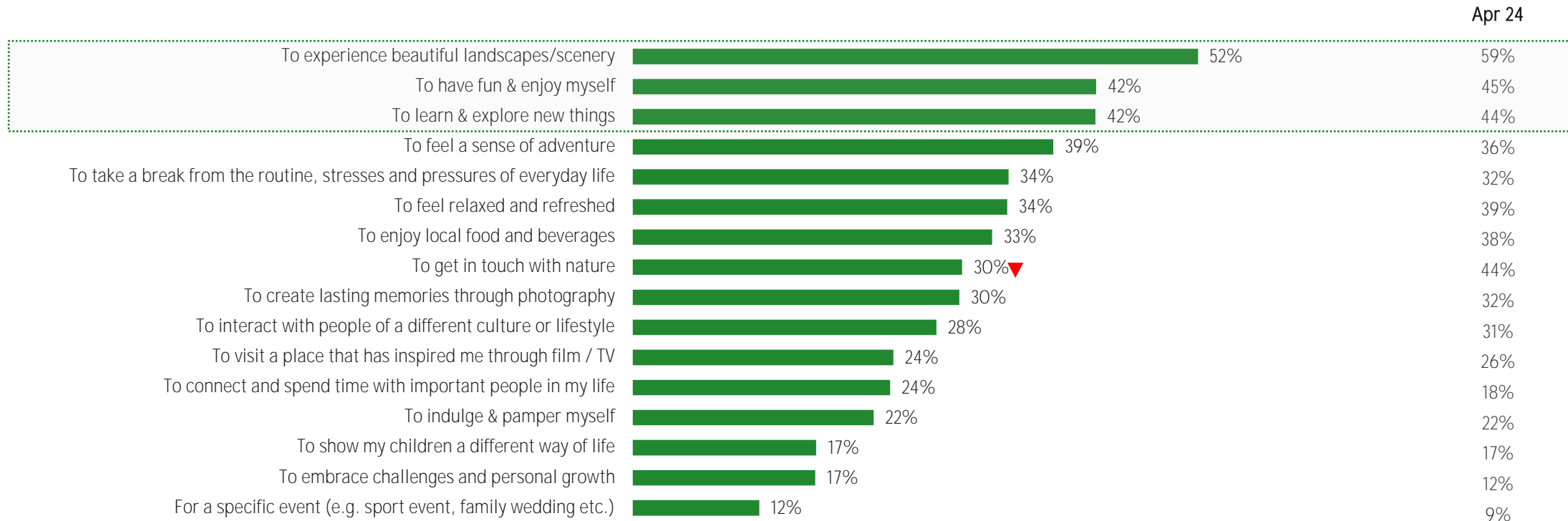


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Brand messaging should continue to tap into key motivations to visit by emphasizing New Zealand's stunning landscapes and opportunities for fun and exploration; less emphasis is needed on nature immersion, as it has become a less compelling motivator to visit

Reasons to visit New Zealand

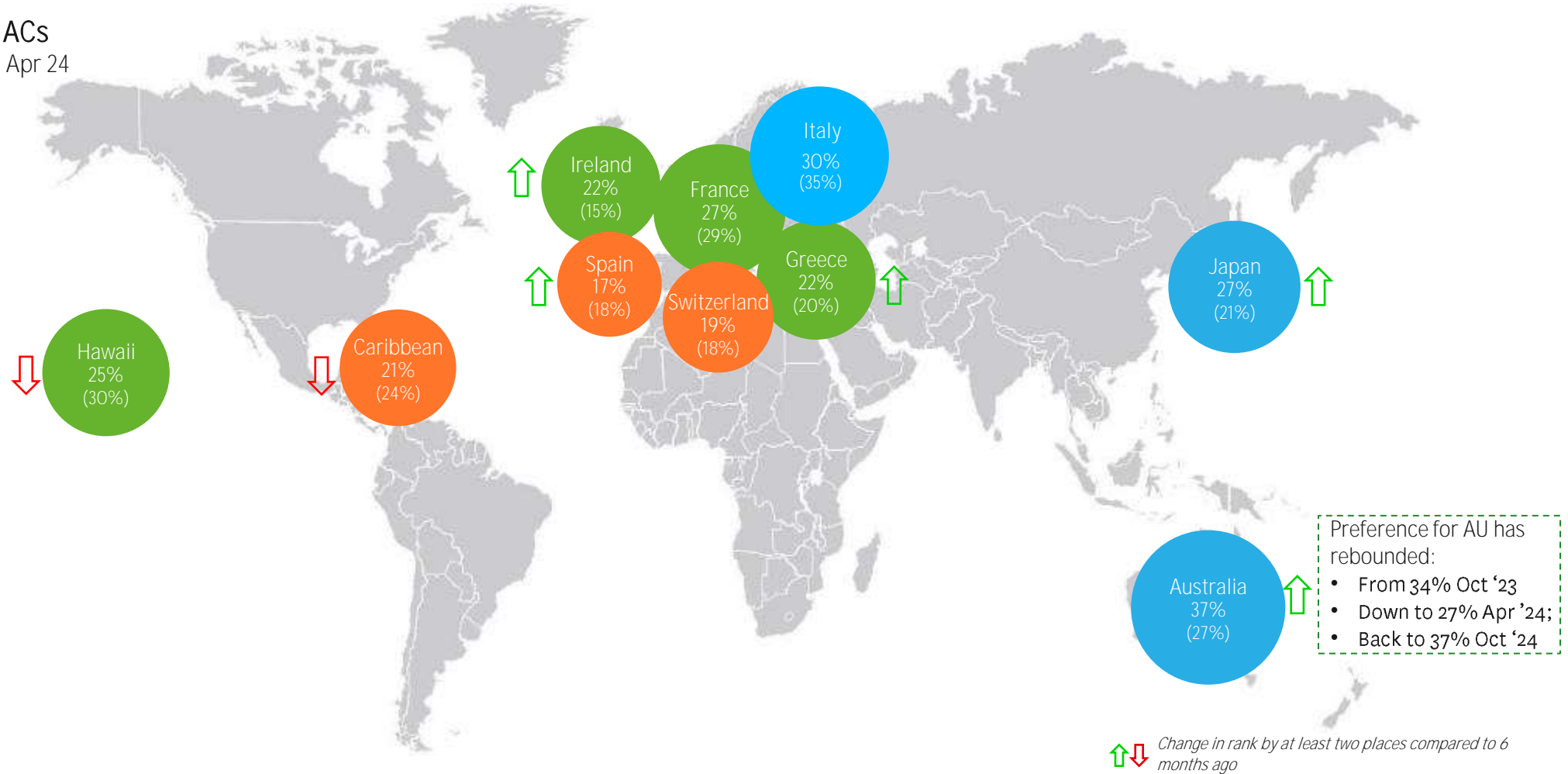
% Active Considerers | Oct 24



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Preference for Australia has rebounded, re-establishing it as the top competitor destination followed by Italy and Japan, which has also seen a recent increase in preference

Top ten competitor set for ACs
 % Active Considerers | Oct 24 vs. Apr 24



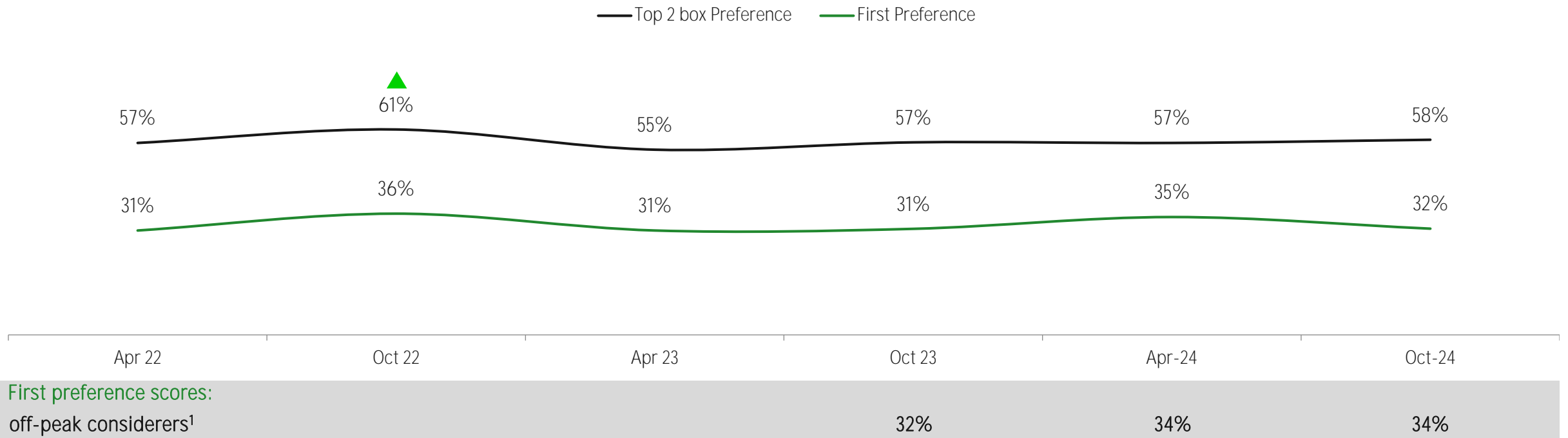
Legend

- Top 3
- Rank 4-7
- Rank 8-10

Among ACs, first-choice preference for New Zealand remain stable over time

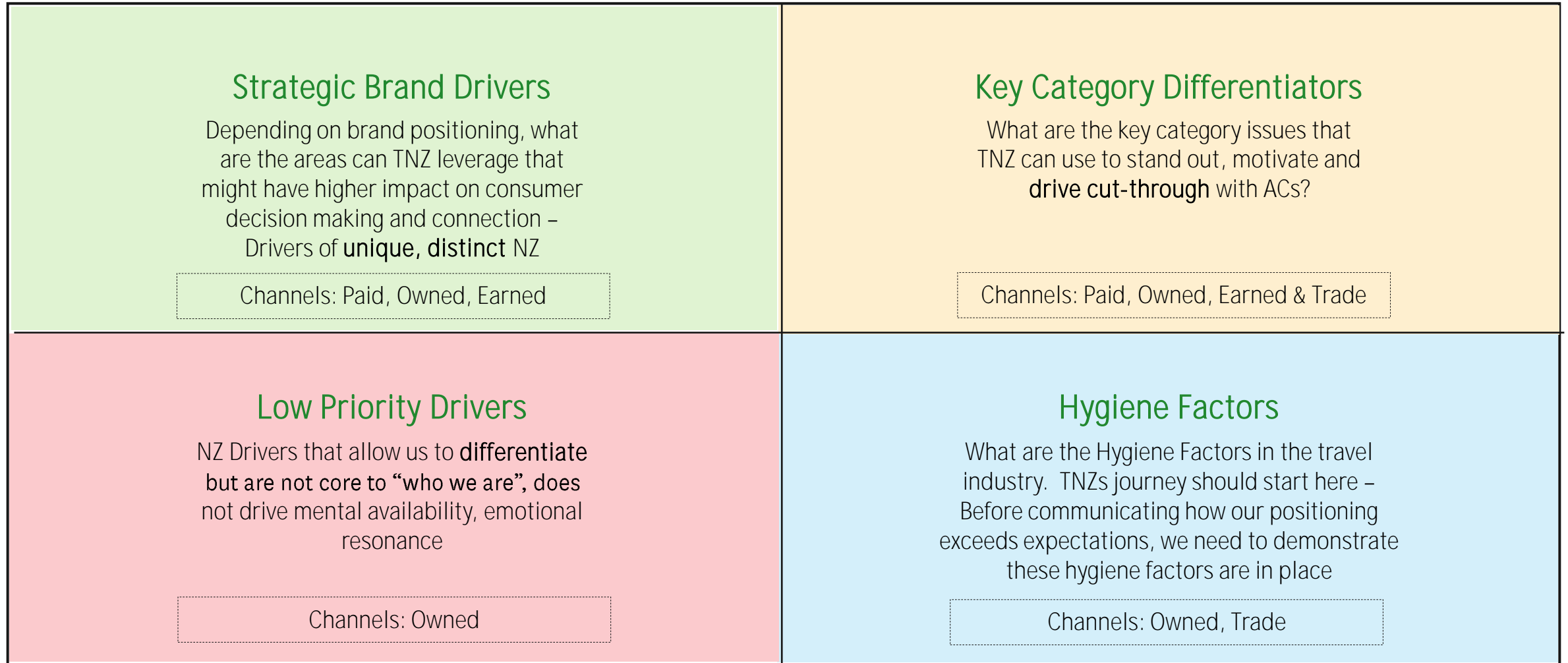
Preference KPI

% Active Considerers | % off-peak considerers

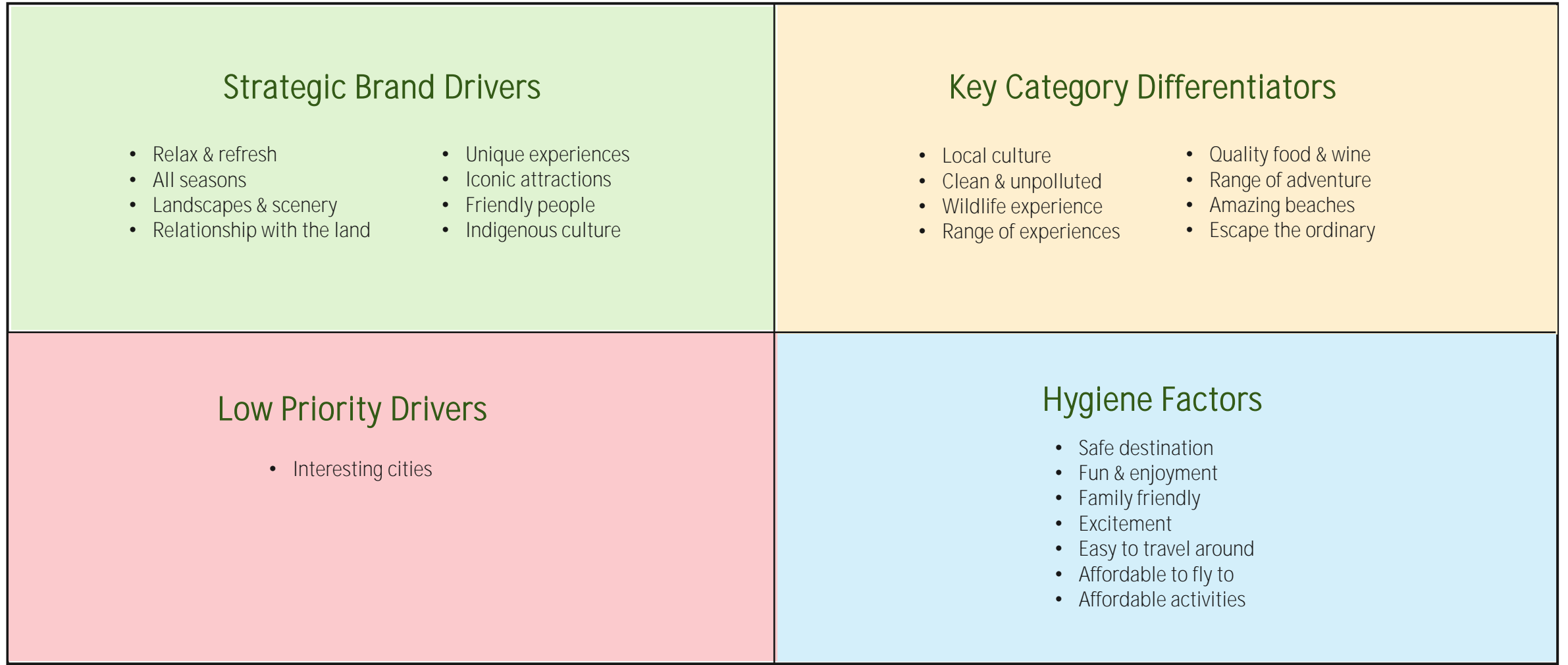


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A framework to organize and optimize the brand associations that matter



Brand associations



Appendix: Brand attribute wording

We ask ACs which of their preferred destinations they associate with a number of statements, including the following core attributes:

Shorthand	Full wording
Affordable activities	Things to see and do are affordable
Affordable to fly to	It's affordable to fly to this destination
All seasons	Suitable for a holiday all year round
Exciting to visit	Thinking about visiting makes me feel really excited
Clean & unpolluted	The environment there is clean and unpolluted
Beaches	Has amazing beaches and coastlines
Easy to travel around	It's easy to travel around to see and do things
Family friendly	Ideal for a family holiday
Friendly people	The locals are friendly and welcoming to all visitors
Fun & enjoyment	Ideal for having fun and enjoying yourself
Iconic attractions	Has iconic attractions and landmarks
Wildlife experiences	Has amazing wildlife experiences

Shorthand	Full wording
Interesting cities	Has interesting cities to visit
Landscapes & scenery	Spectacular natural landscapes and scenery
Local culture	Offers opportunities to experience local culture
Escape normal life	A place you can escape from the ordinary
Quality food & wine	Offers quality local food and wine experiences
Range of adventure	Offers a wide range of outdoor and adventure activities
Range of experiences	Offers a wide variety of tourist experiences
Relationship with the land	A destination where the people have a special relationship with the land
Relax & refresh	Ideal to relax and refresh
Safe destination	I would feel safe travelling around this destination
Unique experiences	Offers experiences that you can't get anywhere else
Indigenous culture	Has a unique indigenous culture

Context to preference driver analysis

Using Jaccard's analysis, we estimate which brand associations and destination attributes drive preference for New Zealand and how New Zealand performs relative to its key competitors in order to identify priorities for each market

We typically do brand preference driver analysis once a year on key markets and on an ad hoc basis on emerging markets

The brand driver analysis included in this report is based on data from Apr-24 and Oct-24

Brand messaging should focus on key drivers of preference, emphasizing New Zealand as an exciting and fun destination with stunning beaches and landscapes, and a friendly, safe environment for visitors; messaging around local culture can also be dialled up

Brand Associations which drive preference for NZ

AC Monitor | % | Oct '24 (Apr '24 – Oct '24 combined) | Total Active Considerers | Index (see appendix)

Latest results	Oct '24 rank	Apr '24 rank ⁽¹⁾	2022 rank ⁽²⁾
Excitement	1	1	*
Safe destination	2	9	1
Amazing beaches	3	7	*
Fun & enjoyment	4	5	4
Landscapes & scenery	5	3	2
Clean & unpolluted	6	4	3
Friendly people	7	14	6
Escape the ordinary	8	2	16
Wildlife experiences	9	6	10
Range of adventure	10	12	5
Local culture	11	16	15
All seasons	12	10	19
Range of experiences	13	18	7
Family friendly	14	17	12
Relationship with the land	15	15	11

Latest results	Oct '24 rank	Apr '24 rank ⁽¹⁾	2022 rank ⁽²⁾
Unique experiences	16	19	13
Relax & refresh	17	21	9
Iconic attractions	18	22	17
Quality food & wine	19	24	21
Indigenous culture	20	20	14
Easy to travel around	21	13	20
Interesting cities	22	23	18
Affordable activities	23	25	22
Affordable to fly to	24	26	23

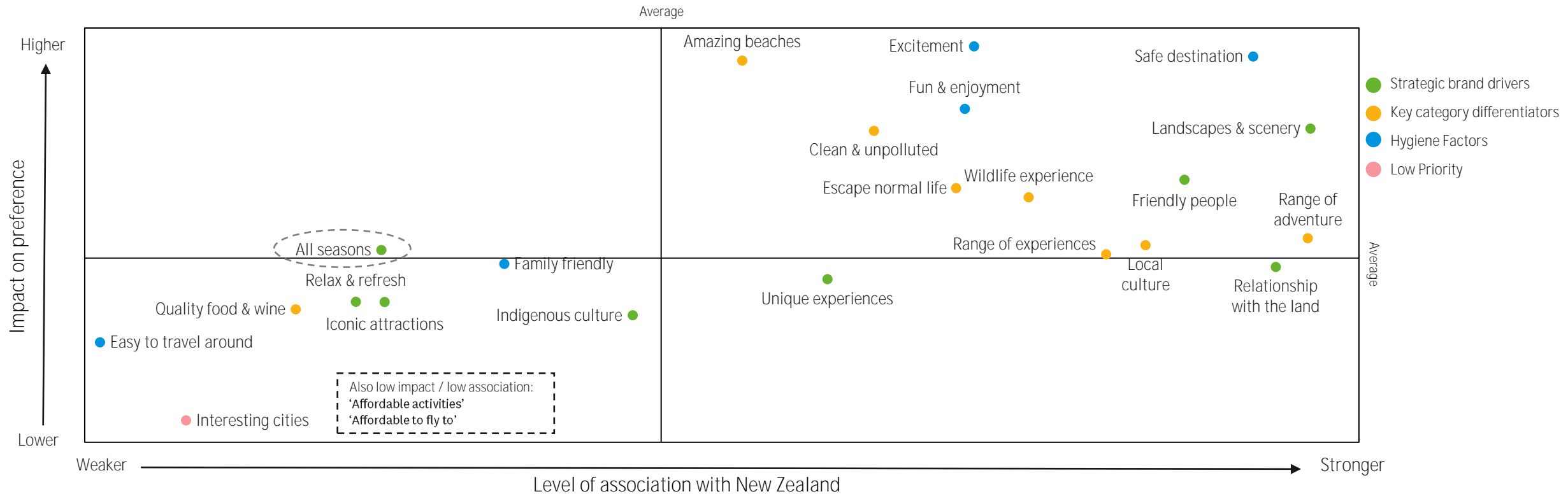
Changes in brand attribution list affect comparability in ranking over time	Strategic Brand Drivers	Key Category Differentiators
	Low Priority Drivers	Hygiene Factors

1. Some ranks may be missing if the statement has been removed for the current analysis period
 * Not asked at that time

New Zealand as a destination demonstrates stronger associations with higher impact drivers – the **exception to this is ‘all seasons’ which is a higher impact driver, yet where perceptions could be enhanced**

Brand Associations of New Zealand x Impact on preference

% All markets



Relative to competitors, New Zealand has several strategic and category brand strengths it can leverage but there is room to boost perceptions of its year-round travel suitability, with opportunities to visit iconic attractions and sample quality food and wine

Relative brand positioning for Strategic Brand Drivers and Key Category Differentiators

% Active Considerers | Oct 24 | Total (New Zealand and top five competitors) | Index (see appendix)

	New Zealand	Australia	Italy	Japan	France	Hawaii	
Strategic Brand Drivers	Landscapes & scenery	105	91	99	91	107	
	Friendly people	108	105	98	92	85	
	All seasons	98	101	109	92	113	
	Relationship with the land	109	100	83	90	112	
	Unique experiences	101	102	90	119	93	
	Relax & refresh	101	94	100	92	125	
	Iconic attractions	89	105	138	110	123	81
	Indigenous culture	104	108	75	97	71	120
Key Category Differentiators	Amazing beaches	103	107	93	55	91	145
	Clean & unpolluted	113	99	85	91	64	90
	Escape normal life	97	106	108	100	89	106
	Wildlife experience	119	131	43	62	48	97
	Range of adventure	109	94	79	84	87	114
	Local culture	98	97	102	119	96	94
	Range of experiences	98	97	96	107	120	96
	Quality food & wine	88	98	139	103	150	79

Actions for TNZ:

Strengths:

- Landscapes & scenery
- Friendly people
- Relationship with the land
- Clean & unpolluted
- Wildlife
- Range of adventure

Drivers to dial up:

- All seasons
- Iconic attractions
- Escape normal life
- Quality food & wine

New Zealand is on par with its key competitors on perceptions of safety, family friendliness and having affordable activities but it falls short on its perceived opportunities for fun, ease of travelling around and affordability to fly to

Relative brand positioning for Hygiene Factors and Low Priority Drivers

% Active Considerers | Oct 24 | Total (New Zealand and top five competitors) | Index (see appendix)

	New Zealand	Australia	Italy	Japan	France	Hawaii
Hygiene Factors	Excitement	98	91	93	104	110
	Safe destination	99	96	96	110	94
	Fun & enjoyment	94	101	119	102	102
	Family friendly	100	102	104	80	124
	Easy to travel around	91	92	112	126	121
	Affordable activities	103	94	98	112	124
	Affordable to fly to	92	95	106	121	150
Low Priority	Interesting cities	87	98	122	136	141

Actions for TNZ:

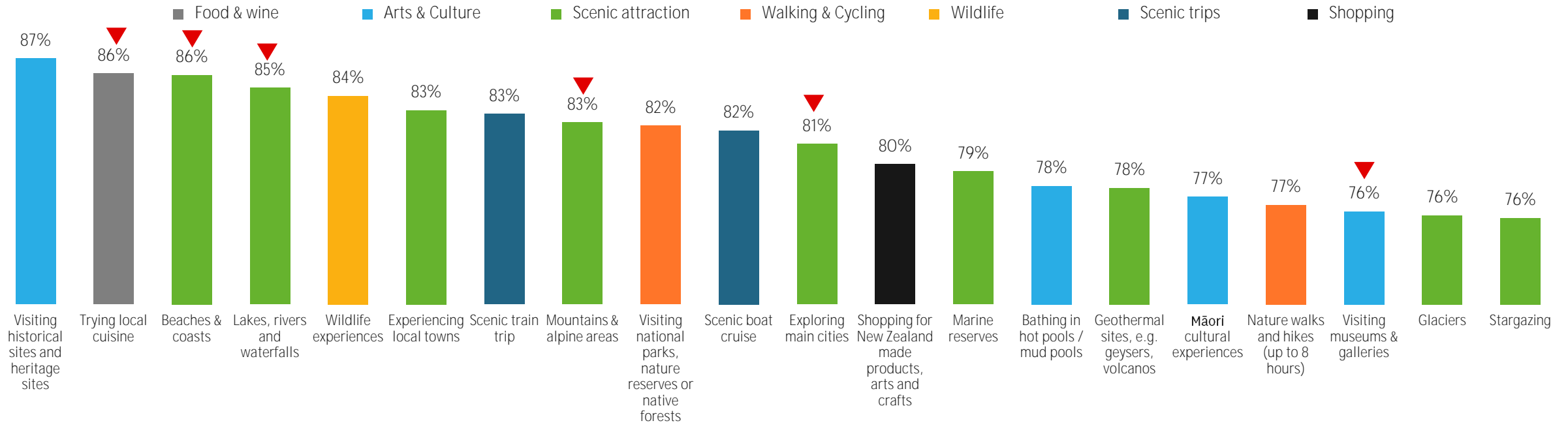
Drivers to dial up:

- Fun & enjoyment
- Easy to travel around
- Affordable to fly to

The most common activities of interest include visiting historical sites, trying local cuisine and exploring scenic attractions; promoting these activities can help strengthen less competitive brand perceptions, including suitability for all seasons, iconic attractions and quality cuisine

Activities interested in doing in New Zealand (Top 20)

% Active Considerers | Oct 24




▲ ▼ Significantly higher / lower than previous wave at 95%

The length of time required to fly to NZ remains the top concern for potential travellers, as well as the best time of year to enjoy their desired activities and safety; however weather concerns are reducing which is an encouraging sign in driving off-peak arrivals

Top ten knowledge gaps

% Active Considerers | Over time

		Oct-24	Apr-24
1	The length of time required to fly to New Zealand	46%	44%
2	What the best time of year is to do the activities I want to	38%	N/A
3	How safe it is from crime	33%	30%
4	How easy it is to travel around	32%	37%
5	What the weather is like	28% ▼	44%
6	How long it takes to travel between the main attractions	27%	29%
7	What / where the recommended things to see and do are	27%	23%
8	Driving on the left hand side of the road	27%	25%
9	The length of time needed to experience New Zealand properly	26%	31%
10	How welcoming the locals are	25%	32%

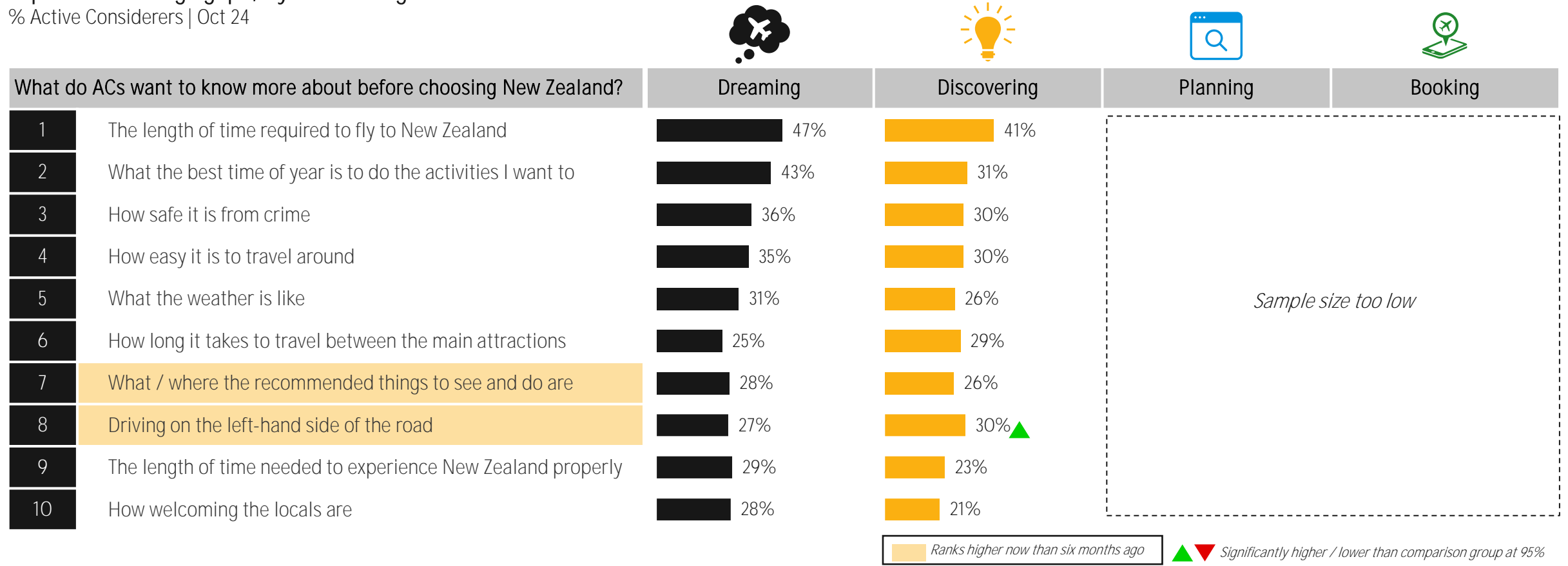
 Ranks higher now than six months ago

  Significantly higher / lower than previous wave at 95%

Similar tactical communications would resonate with Dreamers and Discoverers

Top ten knowledge gaps, by funnel stage

% Active Considerers | Oct 24



The top knowledge gaps among ACs are consistent among off-peak considerers

Top ten knowledge gaps, by off-peak considerers

% Active Considerers | off-peak considerers | Oct 24

What do ACs want to know more about before choosing New Zealand?		All ACs	off-peak considerers ¹
1	The length of time required to fly to New Zealand	46%	47%
2	What the best time of year is to do the activities I want to	38%	37%
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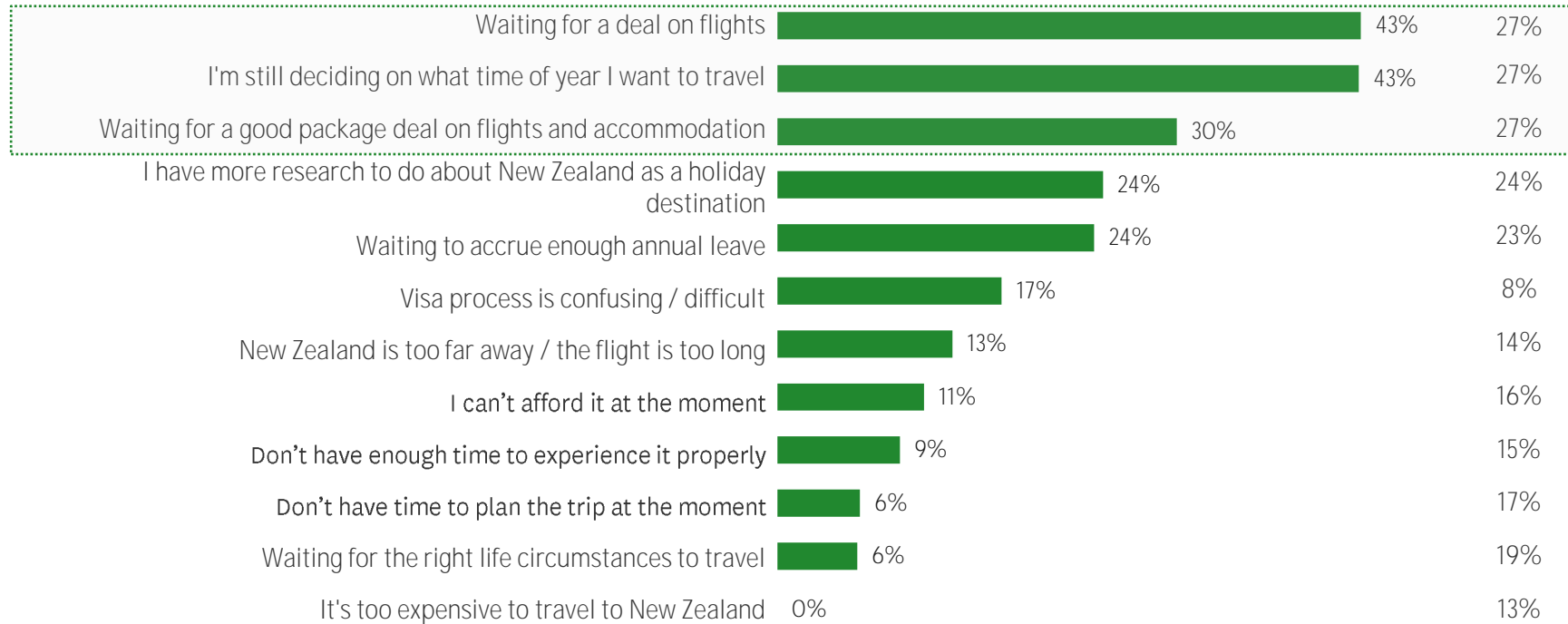
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TNZ can help prompt ACs to book by providing advice on the best time of the year to travel, and working with trade partners to offer bundled package deals on flights and accommodation

Barriers to booking holiday to New Zealand

% Active Considerers | Oct 24

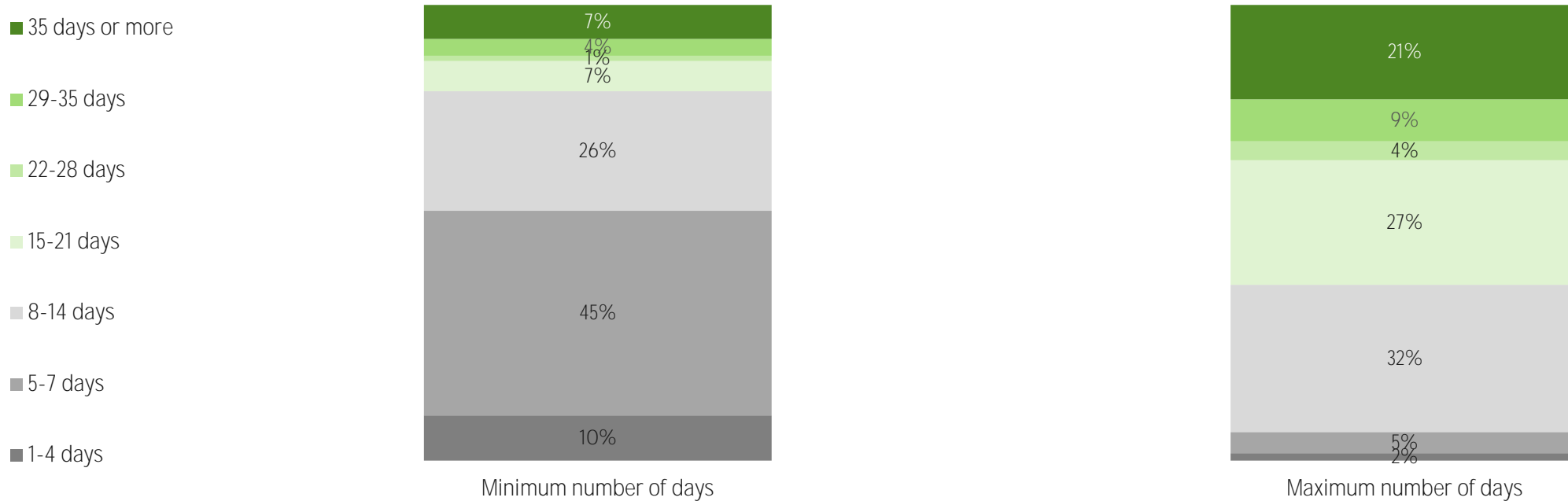
Caution: Low sample size for Oct-24 Apr-24



Most Canadians are looking to spend between 5-21 days on holiday in New Zealand

Ideal minimum and maximum numbers of days spent on holiday in New Zealand

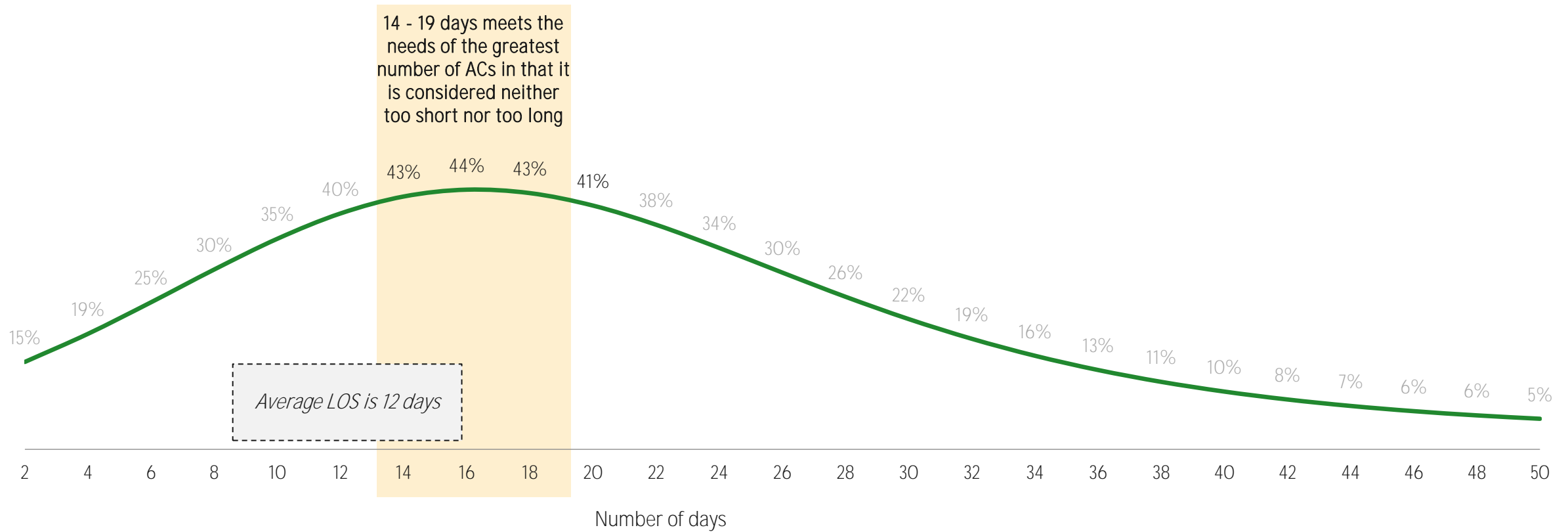
% Active Considerers | Oct 24



Promoting holiday packages between 14-19 days will cater to the broadest range of ACs, ensuring maximum appeal

Desired length of holiday in New Zealand (% for whom the number of days is neither too long or too short)

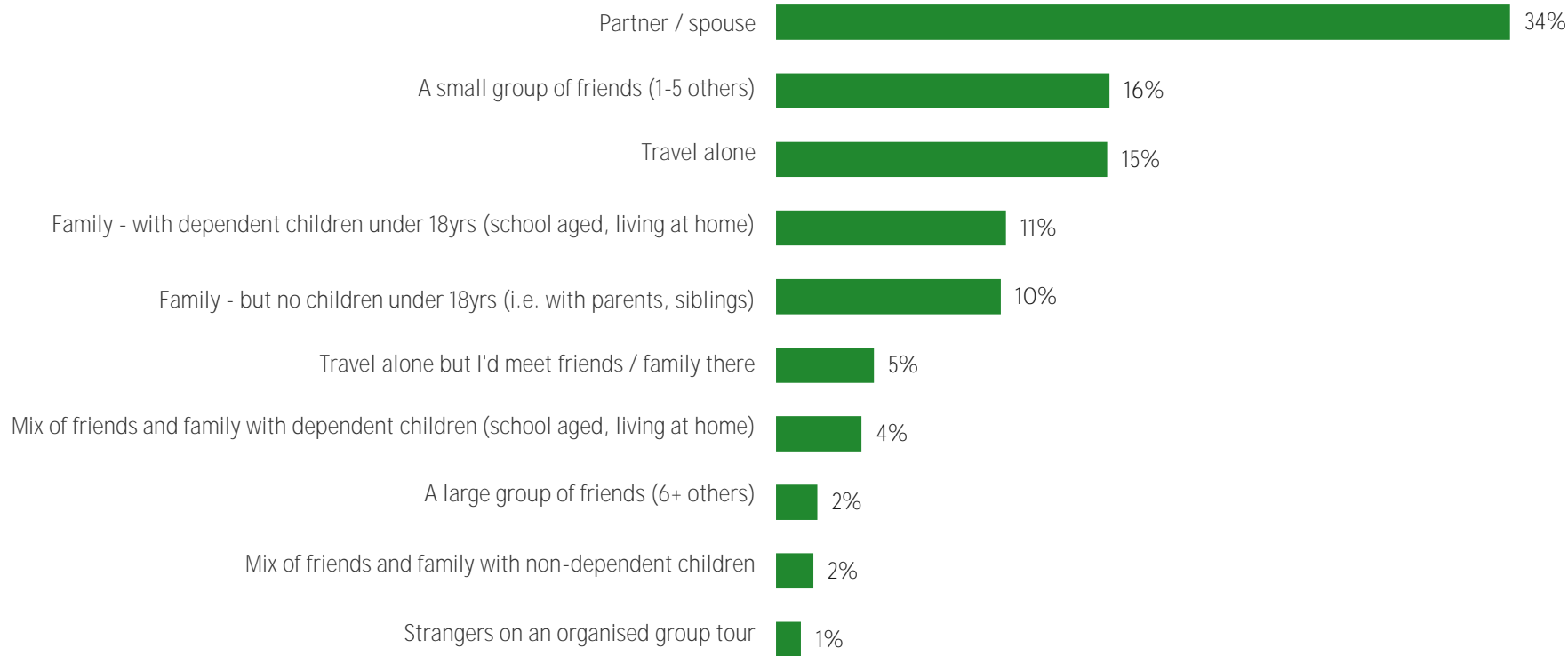
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Canadian ACs are more inclined to travel to New Zealand in smaller groups, with 34% likely to travel with a partner

Likely travel party for New Zealand holiday

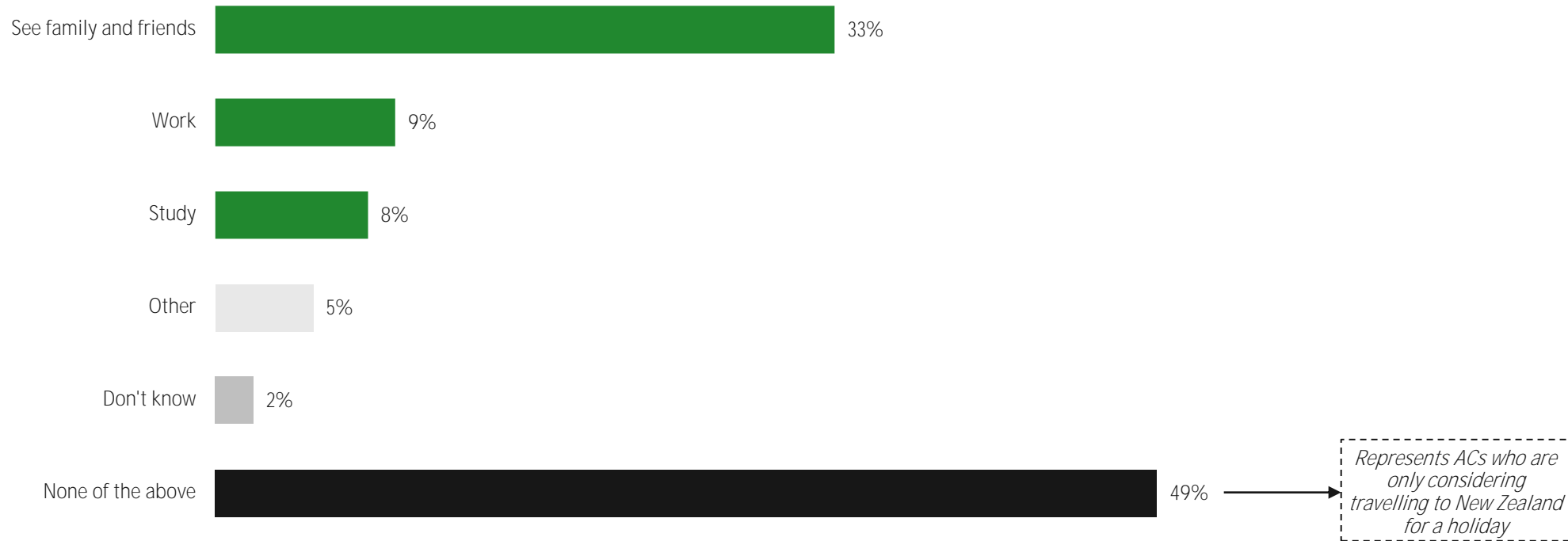
% Active Considerers | Oct 24



Almost half of the AC pool intend to visit New Zealand for a holiday only, while 33% would look to visit family and friends while on holiday in New Zealand

Additional intentions when on holiday in New Zealand

% Active Considerers | Oct 24

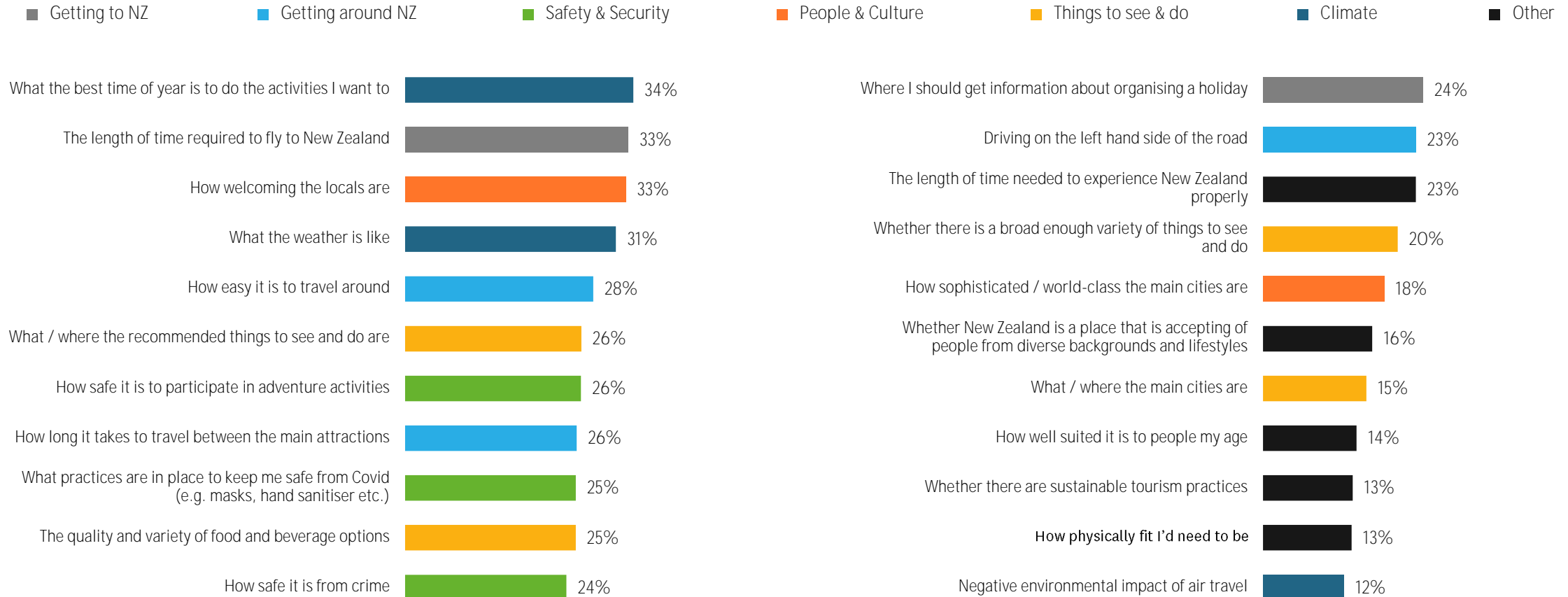


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Knowledge gaps (full list)

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers

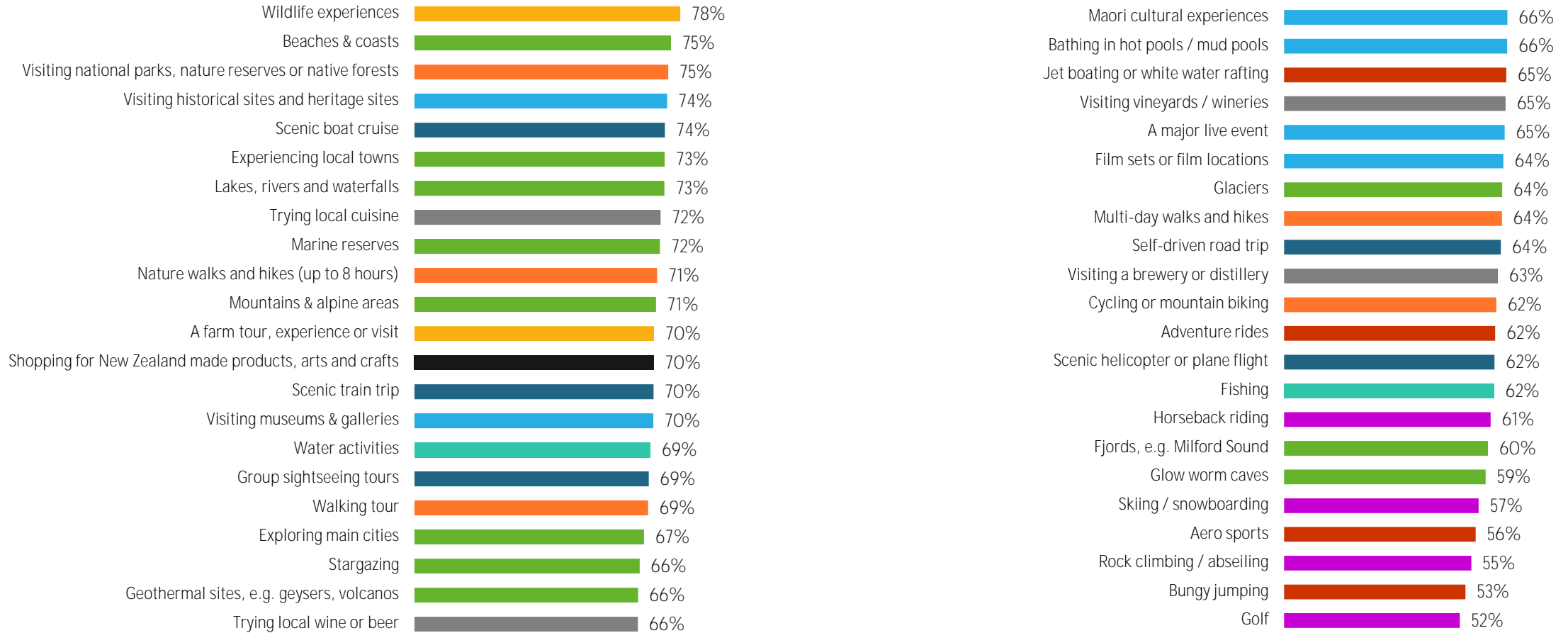


Activities interested in doing in New Zealand (full list)

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers



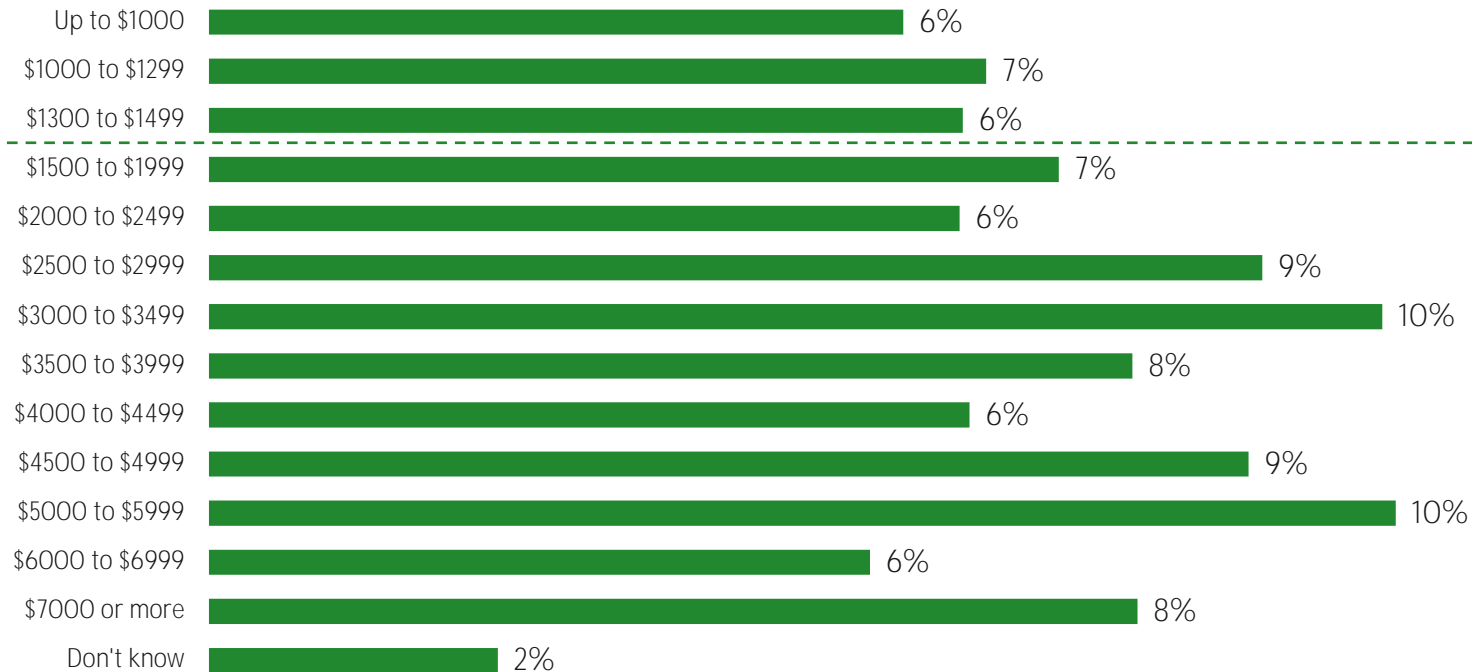
■ Food & Wine
 ■ Arts & Culture
 ■ Scenic attractions
 ■ Walking & Cycling
 ■ Wildlife
 ■ Scenic trips
 ■ Shopping
 ■ Other land sports
 ■ Water Sports
 ■ High adrenaline



Willingness to spend on holiday in New Zealand



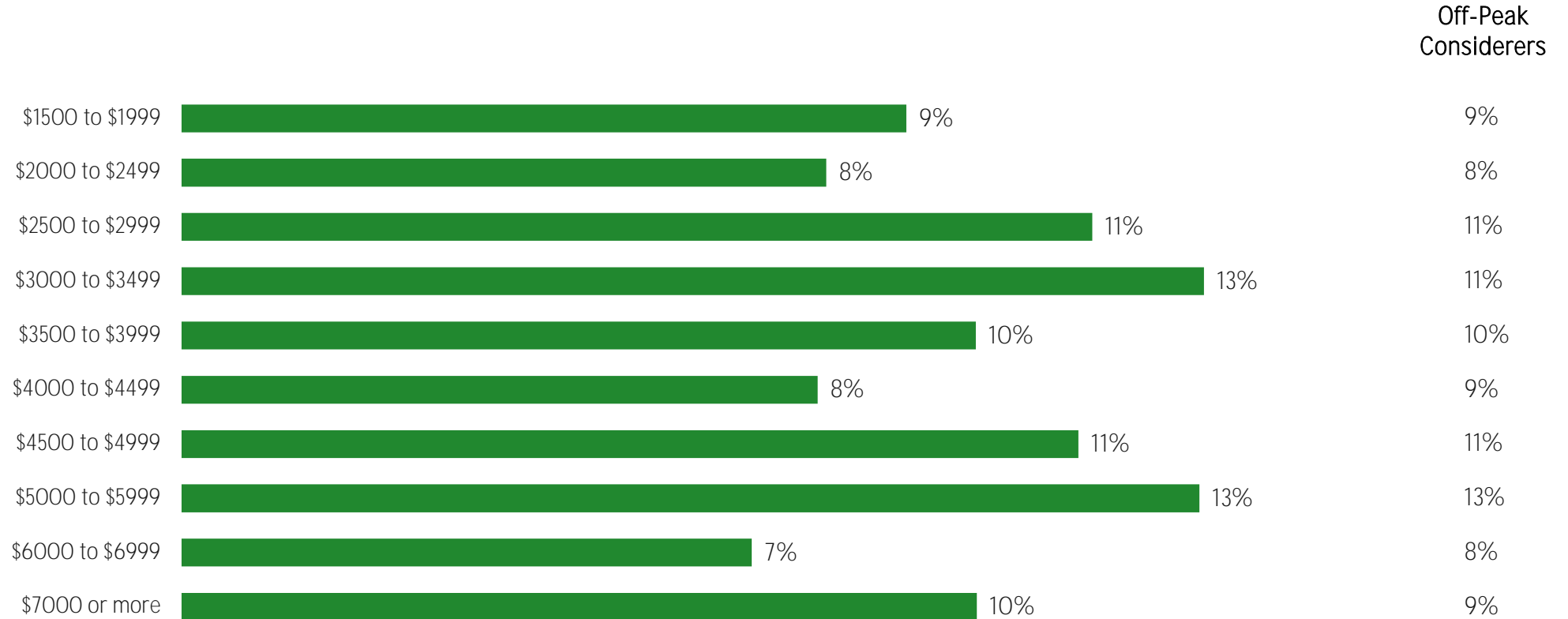
% Those who agree NZ is a preferred holiday destination | Current 5M



Willingness to spend on holiday in New Zealand among ACs



AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers



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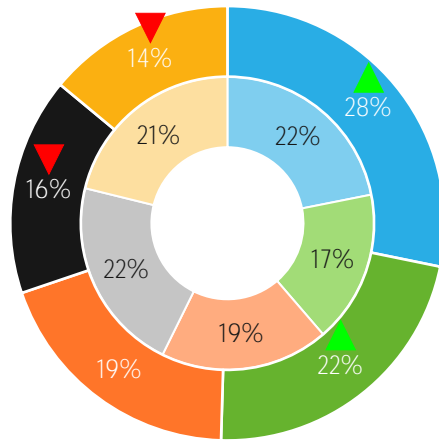
Compared to those who do not find New Zealand appealing, those who do skew male, towards those aged 18-39, and from the West and Northeast regions

Profile of those who find New Zealand highly appealing

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Those who find New Zealand highly appealing vs. not

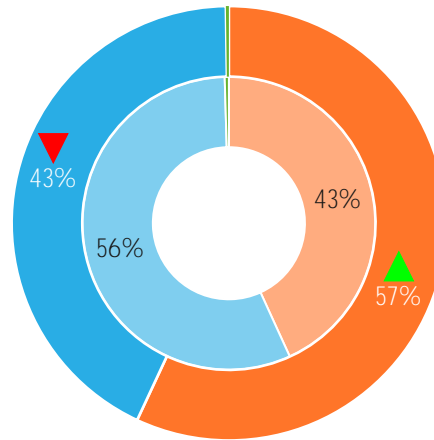
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By age segment



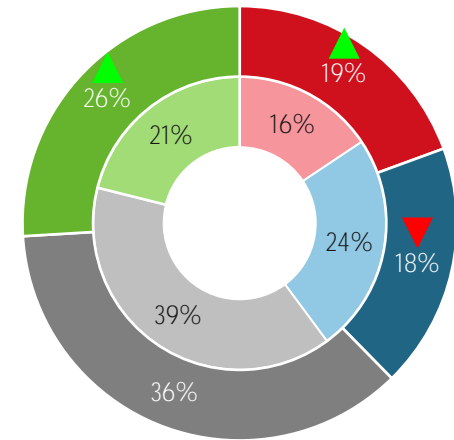
- 18 - 29 years
- 30 - 39 years
- 40 - 49 years
- 50 - 59 years
- 60 - 74 years

By gender



- Male
- Female
- Gender diverse

By region



- Northeast
- Midwest
- South
- West

▲ Significantly higher / lower than those who do not find New Zealand appealing

Amongst those who find New Zealand highly appealing, people who are serious considerers of visiting (vs. not) are significantly more like to be male and those aged 18-29

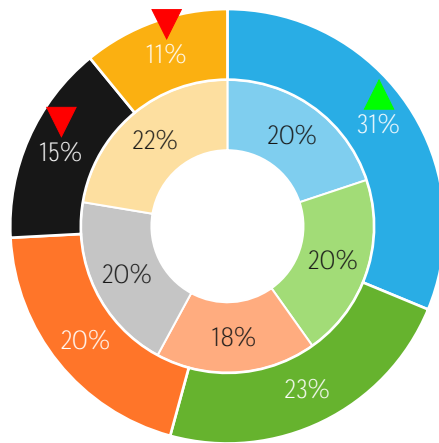


Profile of those who would seriously consider visiting New Zealand

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Those who find New Zealand highly appealing

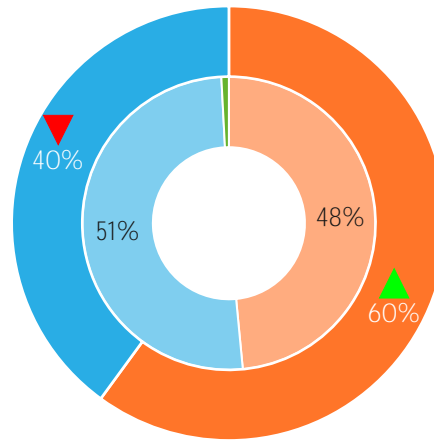
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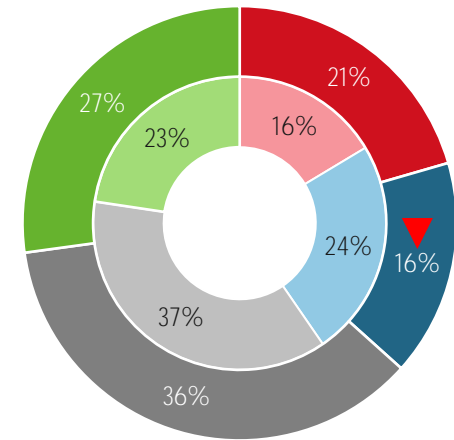
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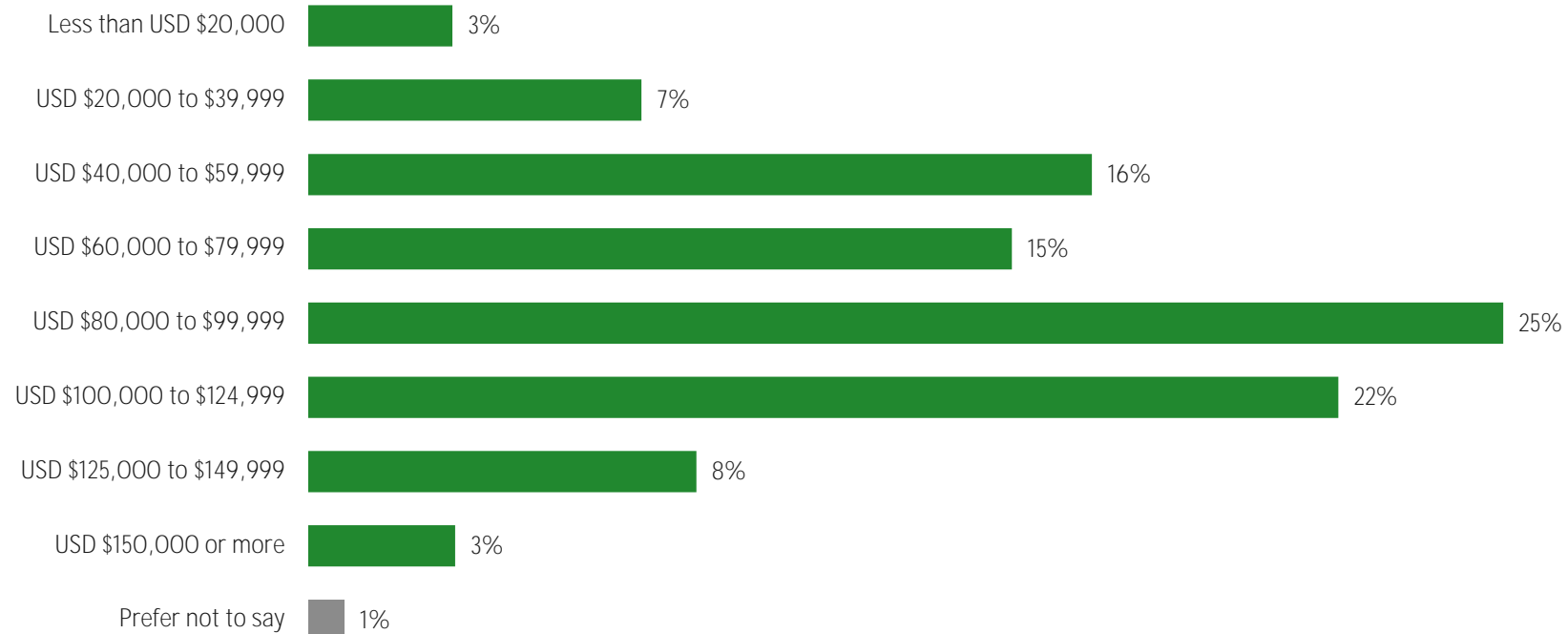
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A quarter of total ACs have a household income of between 80k but under 100k



Household Income

AC Monitor | Current 5M | Total Active Considerers

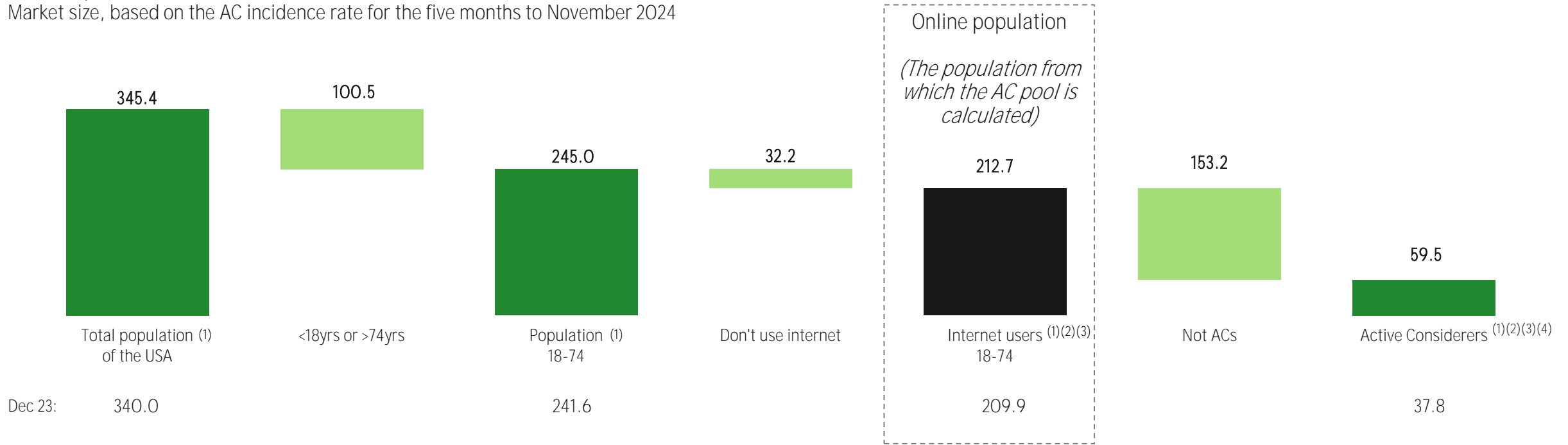


USA Market Sizing



Nov 24 | Million people

Market size, based on the AC incidence rate for the five months to November 2024



SOURCES/NOTES:

- (1) US Census Bureau, Annual Estimates of the Civilian Population by Single Year of Age and Sex for the United States and States; Time period ending: July 2024; Coverage: Civilian population
- (2) Worldometer population clock, USA; Time period as at November 2024
- (3) Kantar Population Profiler, Internet usage by age; Time period: 2024
- (4) Tourism New Zealand, Active Considerer Monitor Australia; Time period: Jul-Nov 2024, under the latest AC definition
- (5) Kantar Analysis



Top concerns around visiting New Zealand are logistical – ACs need reassurances around the time needed to get to and ease of travelling around New Zealand, and what the best time of year to travel is

Knowledge gaps (full list)

% Active Considerers | Oct 24

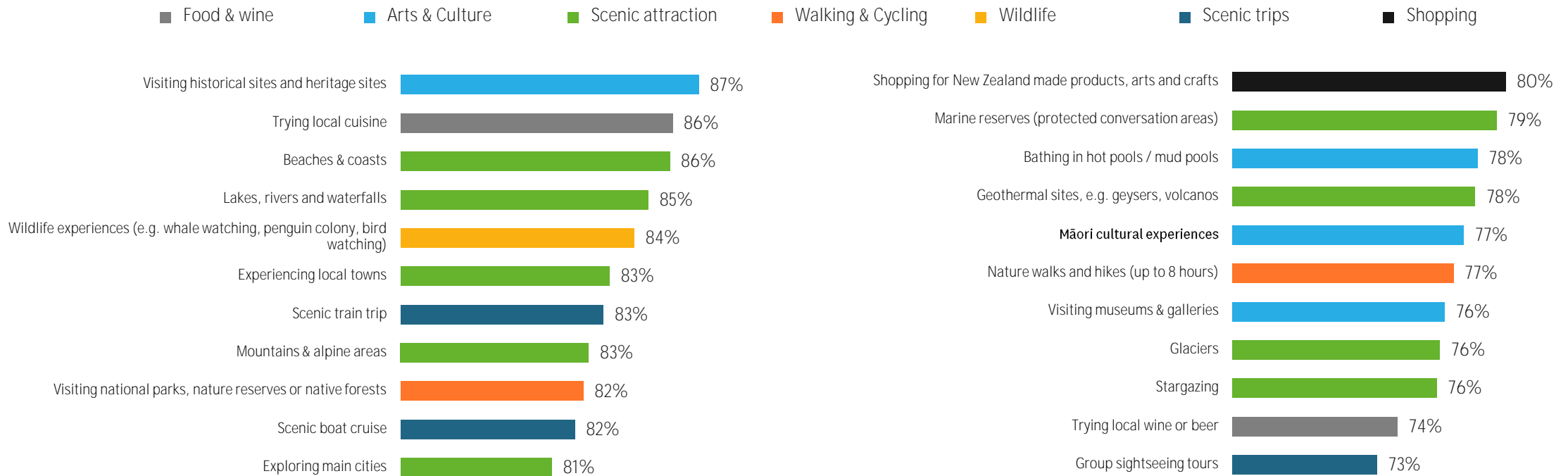




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Activities interested in doing in New Zealand (full list)

% Active Considerers | Oct 24

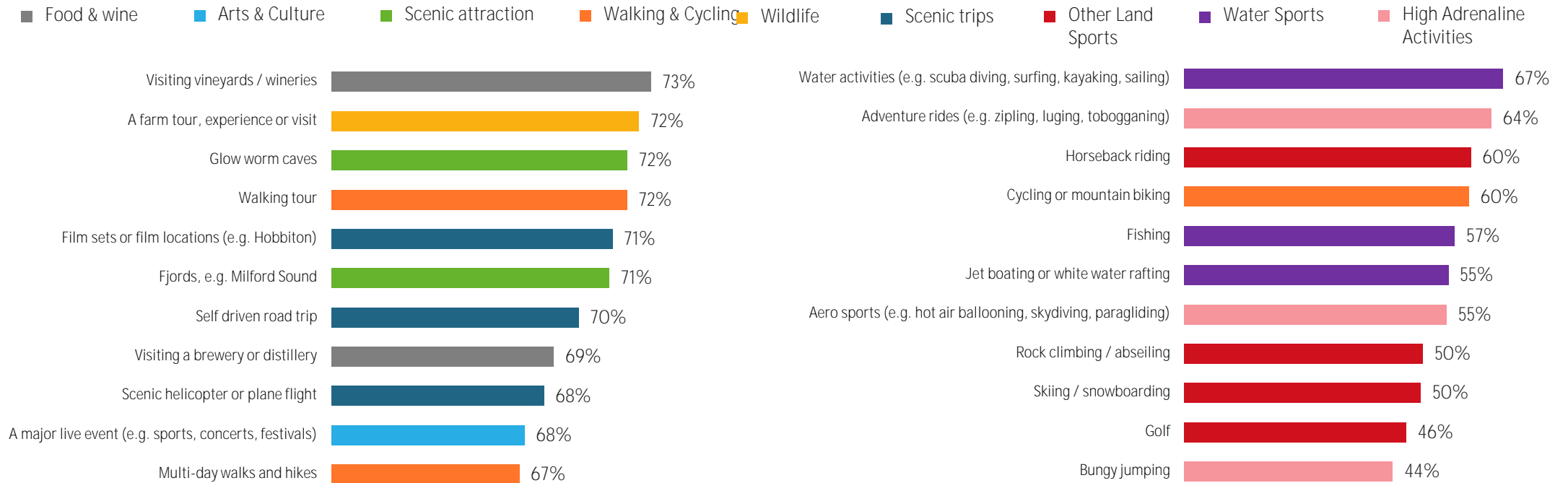


General sporting and high adrenaline activities generate less interest among ACs



Activities interested in doing in New Zealand (full list continued)

% Active Considerers | Oct 24



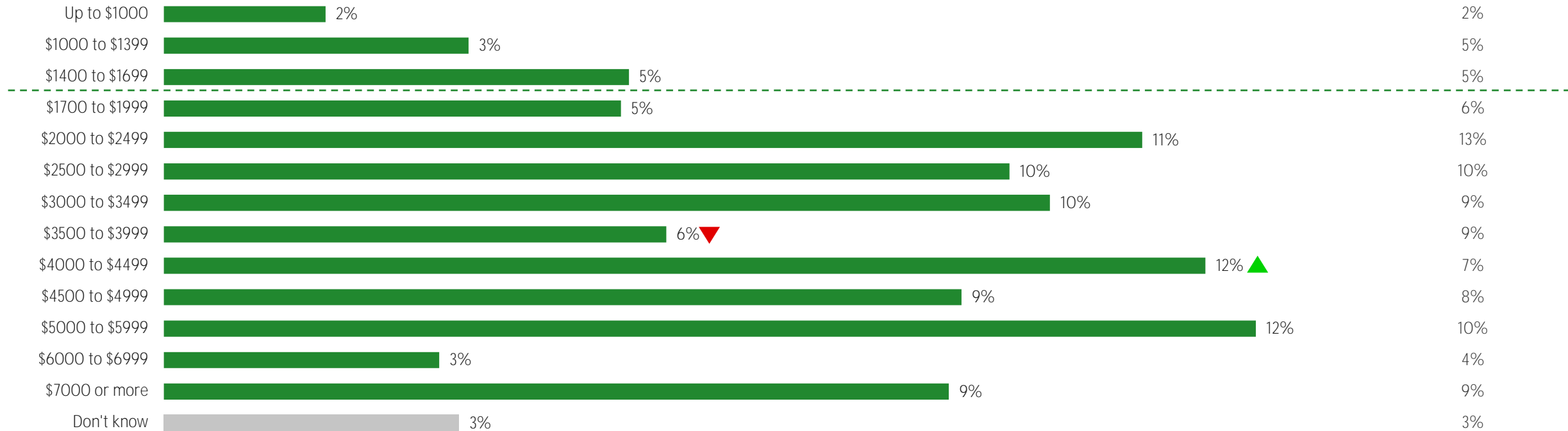


Amongst Canadians who agree that New Zealand is a preferred holiday destination, only 10% do not meet the current spend threshold of \$1,700 CAD

Anticipated spend on holiday in New Zealand

% Those who agree NZ is a preferred holiday destination | Oct 24

Apr-24



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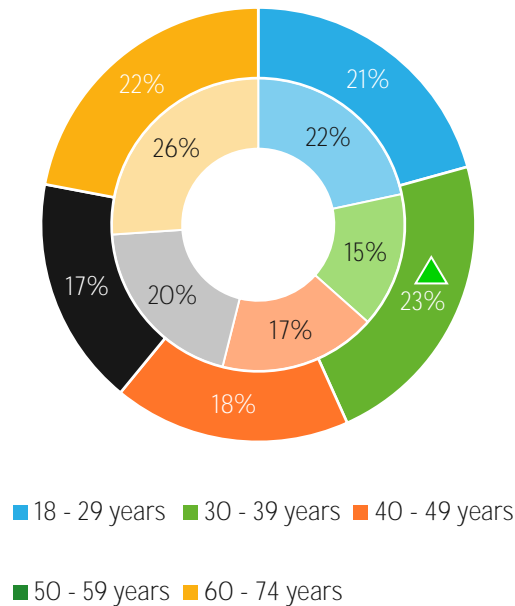
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Profile of those who find New Zealand appealing

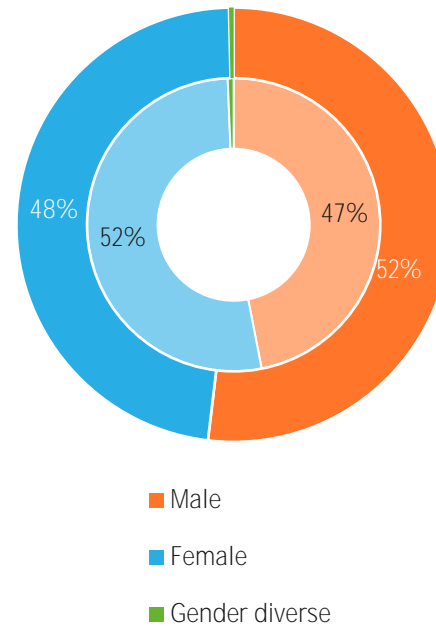
Those who find New Zealand appealing vs. not | Oct 24

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Inner ring: Those who do not find New Zealand appealing

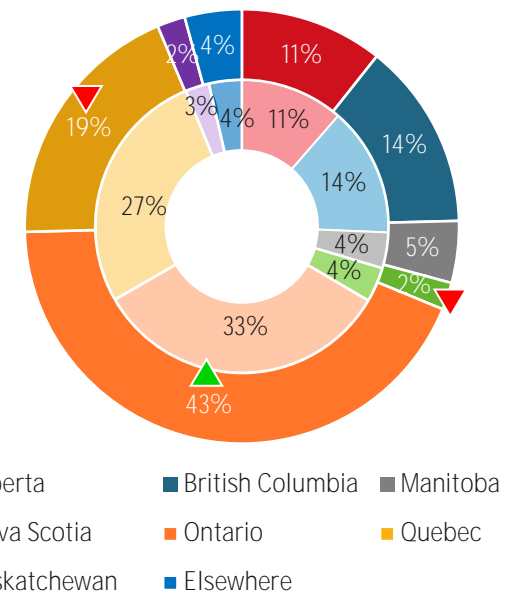
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By gender



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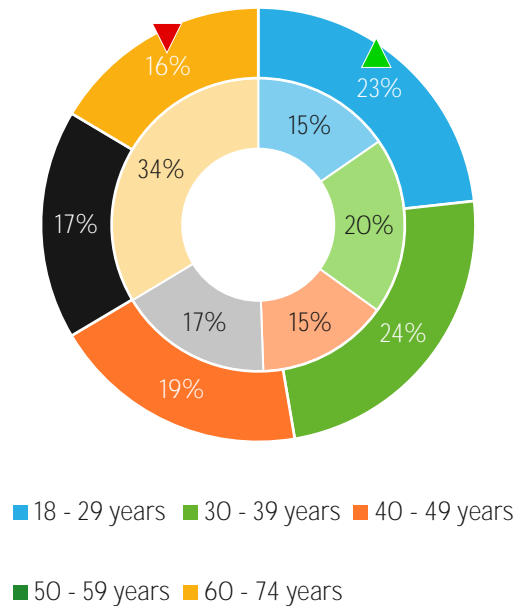
Compared to non-considerers, the profile of serious considerers in Canada is skewed more towards males, those aged between 18-29 years and those residing in Ontario

Profile of those who would seriously consider visiting New Zealand

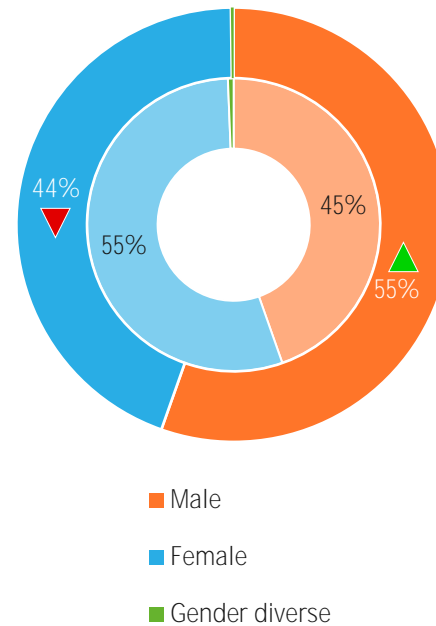
Those who would seriously consider vs. not | Oct 24

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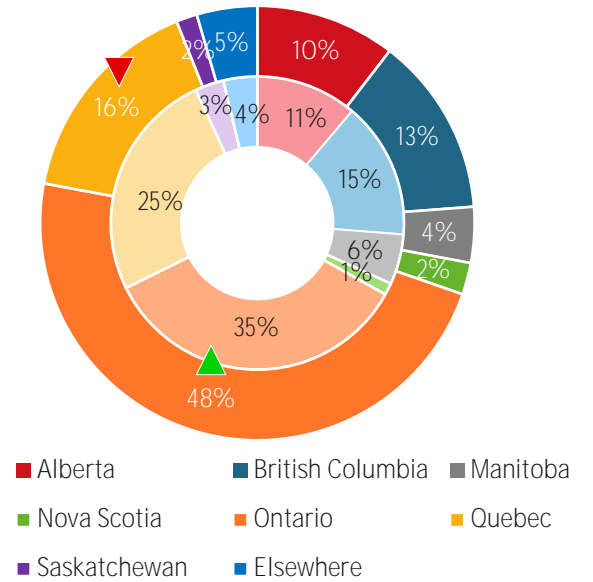
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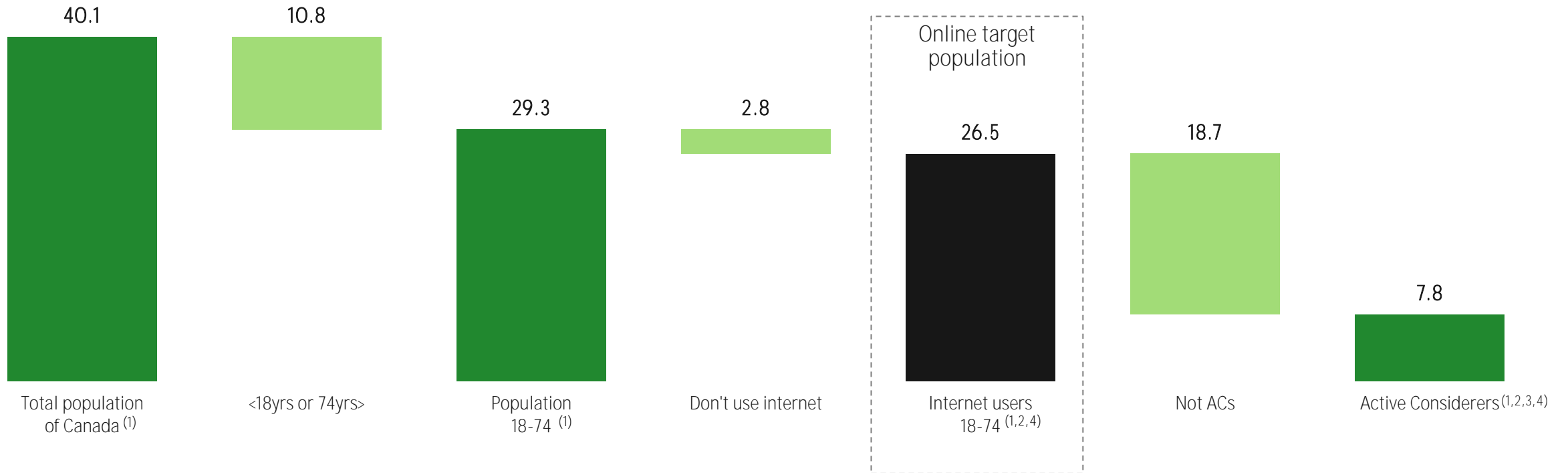
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Canada Market Sizing



Market size, based on the AC incidence rate for Oct 24

Oct24 | Million people



Appendix: Brand positioning ‘how to’

ACs are biased by their predisposition to New Zealand by design. Because we’re already talking to people that really like the idea of visiting New Zealand, New Zealand tends to get rated much more favourably on the brand attributes than competitors do. To better understand relative performance, we need to adjust for this bias and provide an indexed view of performance:

- A score of 100 means performance is in line with expectations after adjusting for bias
- Above 100 indicates a relative strength
- Below 100 indicates a relative weakness

Scores are **relative**, i.e. removing / adding attributes and / or destinations from the analysis would give different scores

Brand associations	New Zealand	Japan	Australia	Taiwan	South Korea	Thailand
Spectacular natural landscapes and scenery	Green	Light Green	White	Light Red	Light Red	Red
The locals are friendly and welcoming	Red	Light Red	Light Green	Light Red	Light Red	Green
Ideal to relax and refresh	Green	Light Green	Light Green	Light Red	Light Red	Light Red
I would feel safe travelling around this destination	White	Light Green	Light Green	Light Red	Light Red	Red
Things to see and do are affordable	Red	Light Red	Light Green	Light Red	Light Red	Green
Affordable to fly to this destination	Red	Light Red	Light Red	Light Green	Light Green	Green

Annotations in the table:

- A horizontal arrow points from the New Zealand cell in the 'Spectacular natural landscapes and scenery' row to the Thailand cell.
- A vertical arrow points from the New Zealand cell in the 'Spectacular natural landscapes and scenery' row to the New Zealand cell in the 'Affordable to fly to this destination' row.
- Text boxes with arrows pointing to the Japan and Australia cells:
 - We look at how a given number of competitors perform on a given number of attributes to derive an index that measures expected performance
 - It’s key to note that the score is relative – any change to the competitor and / or attribute sets will result in a change in the indices
 - For example, when we look at the top 10 versus when we look at the 12 monitor attributes, the scores reported for those same attributes will be different in each attribute set



Appendix: Visitor consideration funnel

We ask two questions to determine where someone is in the visitor consideration funnel ...

