



# Asian stopovers in Nordic countries Optimistic perspectives

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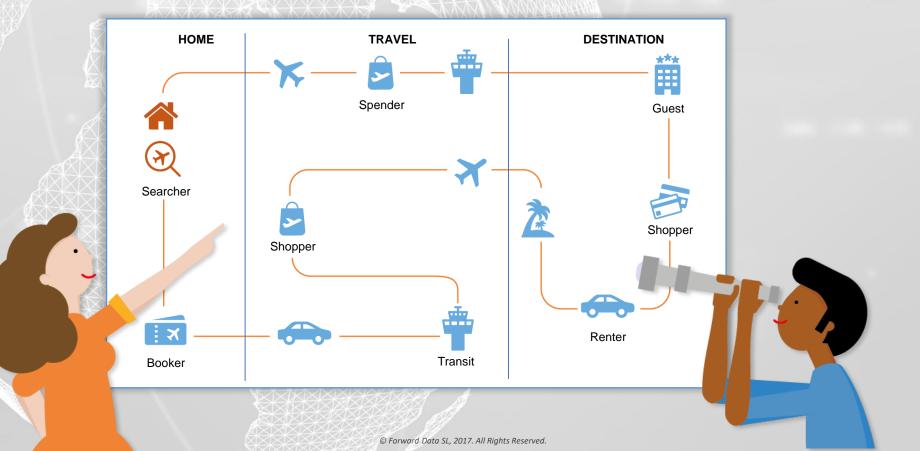
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**17.234.787** Booking transactions a day

# THE TRAVELLER IS A DIFFERENT ECONOMICAL AGENT AT STAGES OF HIS JOURNEY





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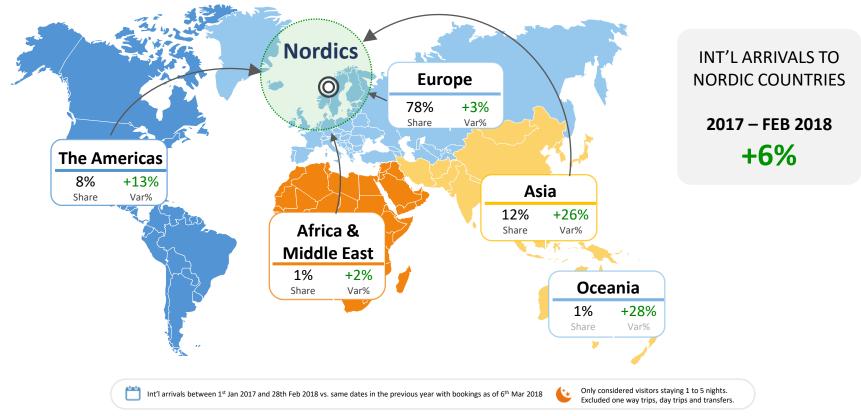
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#### Asia drove the growth of international stayovers to Nordic countries

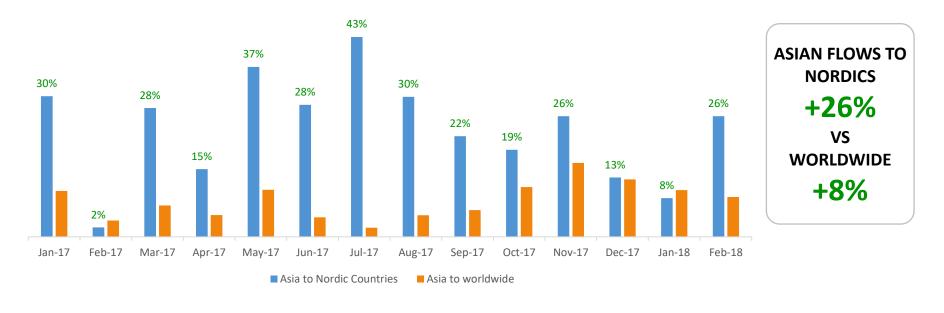




#### Nordic countries outperformed in attracting Asian stayovers



## Asia - Nordic Countries vs worldwide YoY Var%, 2017- FEB 2018 travel history



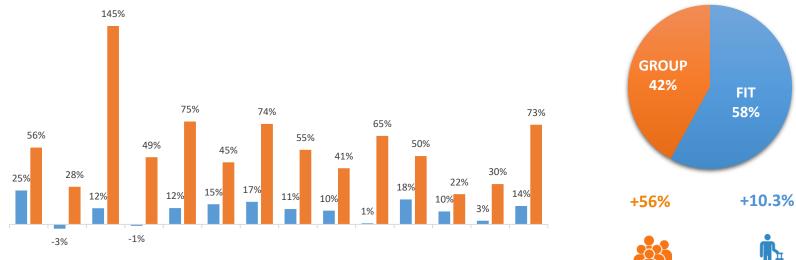
Int'l arrivals between 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2017 and 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018 vs. same dates in the previous year with bookings as of 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Only considered visitors staying 1 to 5 nights. excluded one way trips, day trips and transfers.



#### **Groups grew faster than FIT**

# Asia - Nordic Countries, FIT vs Group Travellers YoY Var%, 2017- FEB 2018 travel history



Jan-17 Feb-17 Mar-17 Apr-17 May-17 Jun-17 Jul-17 Aug-17 Sep-17 Oct-17 Nov-17 Dec-17 Jan-18 Feb-18

Group: >5 pax per booking; FIT: 1 to 5 pax per booking

Int'l arrivals between 1st Jan 2017 and 30th Jun 2018 vs. same dates in the previous year with bookings as of 6th Mar 2018

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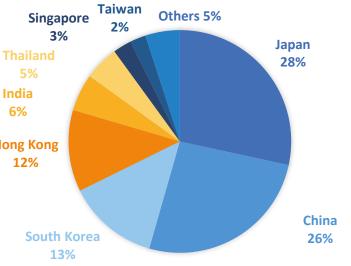
#### Japanese and Chinese remain main drivers to the growth

Var%

#### **Top Origin Countries for stayovers in Nordic countries**

Japan	2017-FEB2018 +29%	MAR-JUN2018 +12%	Singapor
China	+21%	+7%	3% Thailand 5%
South Korea	+24%	-6%	India 6%
Hongkong	+61%	+17%	Hong Kong
India	+11%	+45%	12%
Thailand	+23%	+22%	
Singapore	+8%	+21%	South Kor
Taiwan	+14%	+22%	13%





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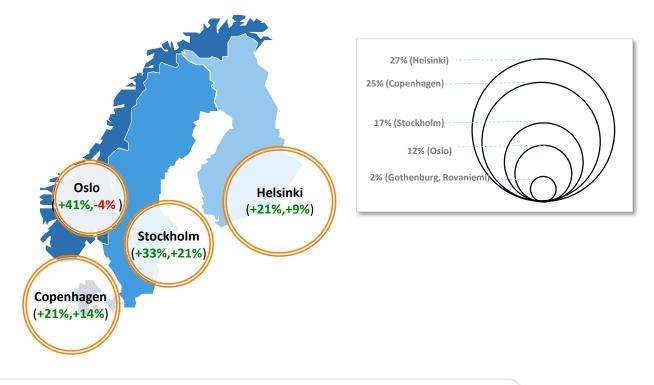
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#### **Traffic concentrates on Top 4 Nordic destinations**

%YoY Var. of Visitors from Asia to Top Nordic Cities (2017-Feb2018, Mar-Jun2018OTB)

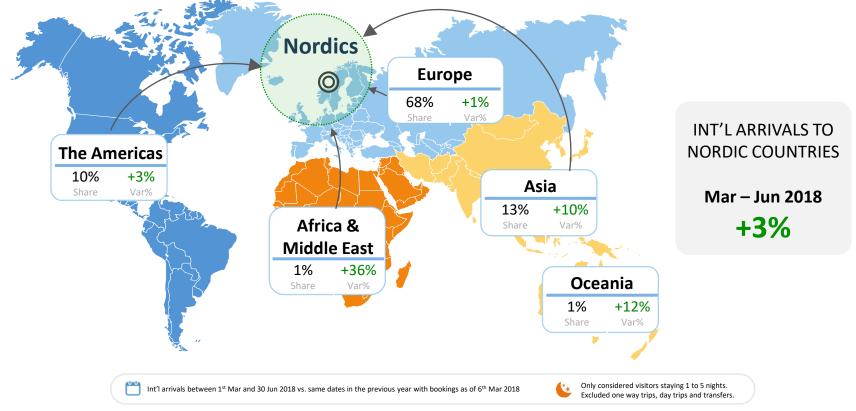




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#### Forward looking for March to June arrivals: very positive prospect









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12%	Helsinki (HEL)		8	31%			11%	8%
7%	Copenhagen (CPH)		30%			42%		28
13%	Stockholm (STO)		29%		37%	33%		
3%	Oslo (OSL)	22%	45%	33%				
			Asia	The A	mericas	Other Long-	haul	

### Largest capacity expansion from HEL to main source markets, led by Finnair



#### **Top Origin Points in 2017**

Var%



#### **Top 10 increasing routes in 2017**

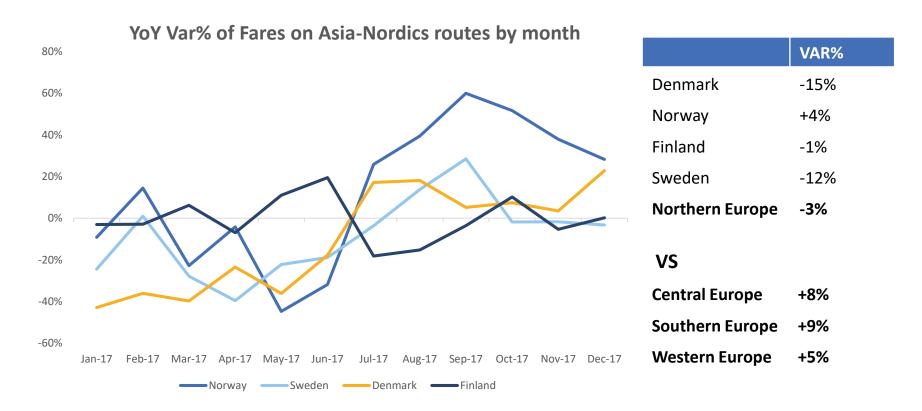
Route	Capacity Var%	AIRLINES (M/S)
HKG-HEL	+29%	AY (100%)
NRT-HEL	+18%	AY (65%) ,JL (35%)
SIN-HEL	+16%	AY (100%)
BKK-HEL	+8%	AY (100%)
ICN-HEL	+6%	AY (100%)
KIX-HEL	+5%	AY (100%)
PEK-HEL	+4%	AY (100%)
PVG-HEL	+3%	AY (100%)
PEK-ARN	+3%	CA (100%)
<b>BKK-ARN</b>	+2%	DY (20%),TG (80%)



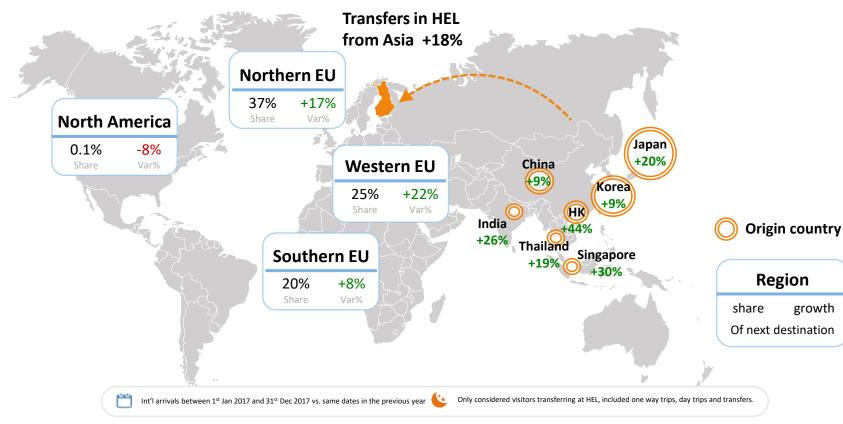
Geography as per UNWTO definition January 1st to December 31st 2017 vs. same period previous year

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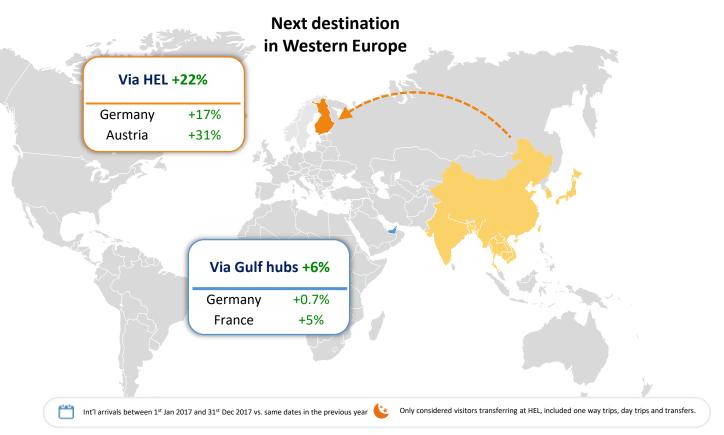
#### Air fare to Sweden is cheapest, Norway was the only one up the fare level



# Helsinki's geographic advantage over Gulf hubs to connect Asia and Europe

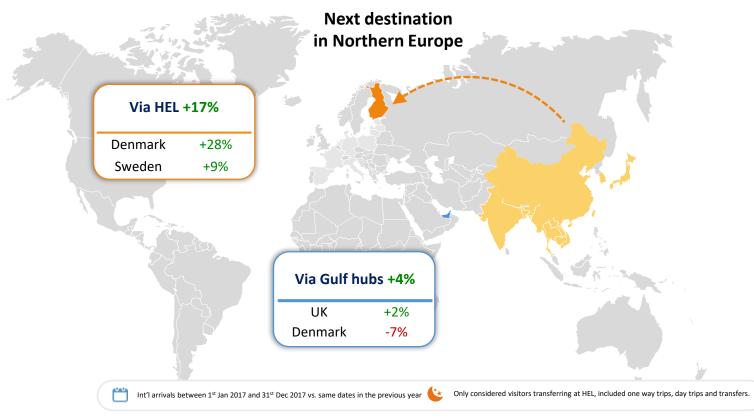


#### HEL is increasingly popular hub for Asians to transit to Germany



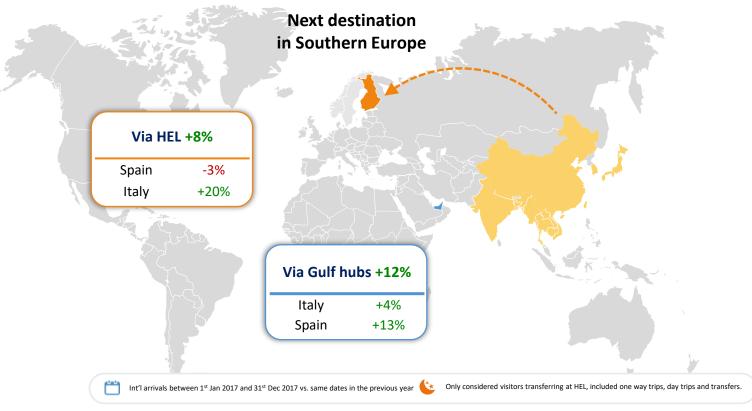
# More Asian travellers transit at HEL rather than Gulf hubs to Northern Europe





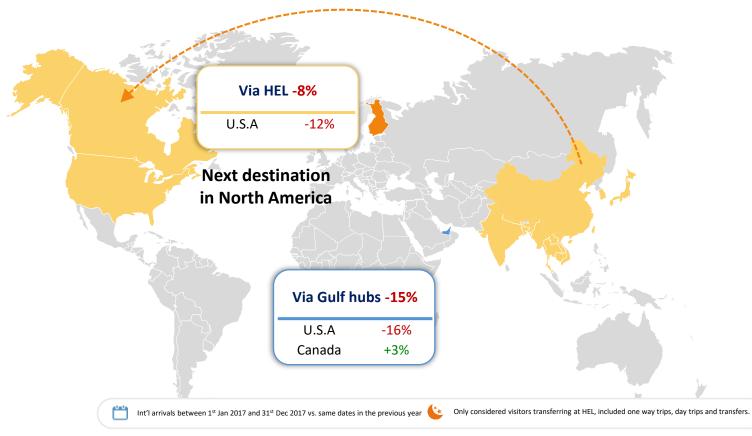
#### Gulf hubs still more attractive for Asians to arrive Spain







## **Opportunity to connect North America through Joint Venture**



### China is the capacity booster, driven by Chinese carriers





#### **From China**

<b>Nordic Cities</b>	%Share	%Var
Helsinki	53%	+23%
Copenhagen	22%	+10%
Stockholm	17%	+19%

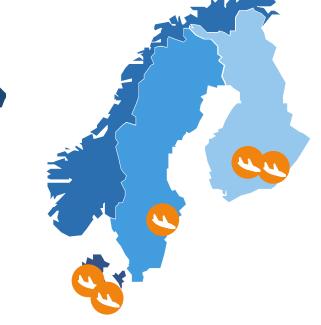




#### 2018 New routes between Asia and Nordic Countries

Nanjing, China
Beijing, China
Kunming, China
Beijing, China
Hong Kong
Shanghai, China

- Helsinki (Finnair)
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  - Helsinki (HNA)
  - Copenhagen (Air China)
  - Copenhagen (Cathay Pacific)
  - Stockholm (China Eastern)



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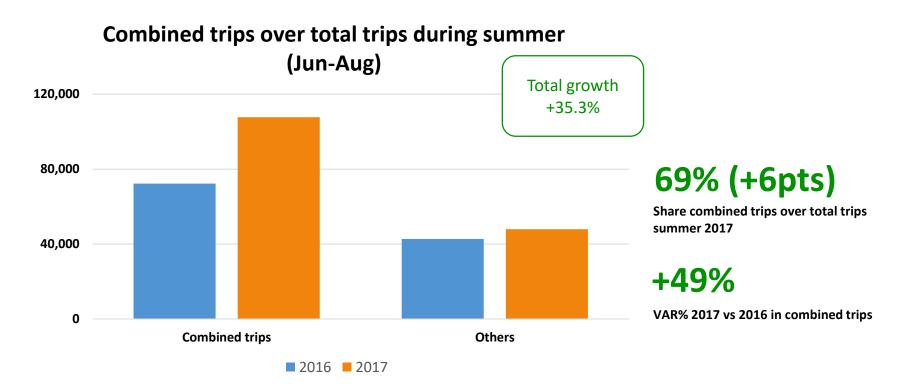
# NORDIC COUNTRIES

Norway • Sweden • Denmark • Finland • Iceland

**Co-operation between Nordics** 

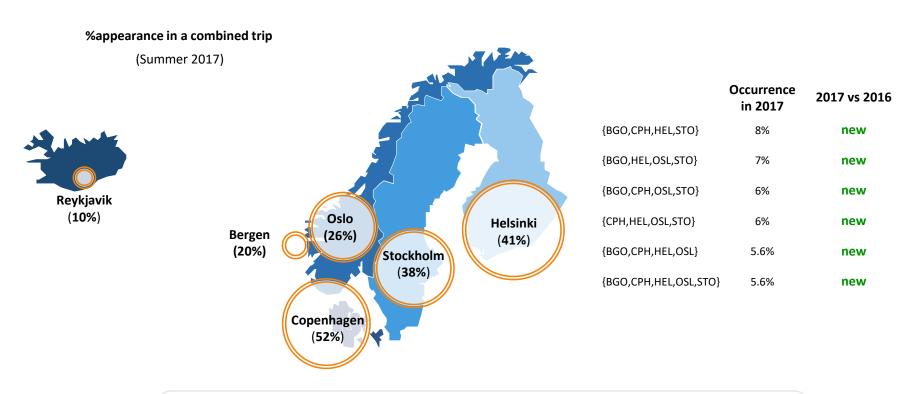


### Combined trips became much more popular





#### New longer combined trips are visible



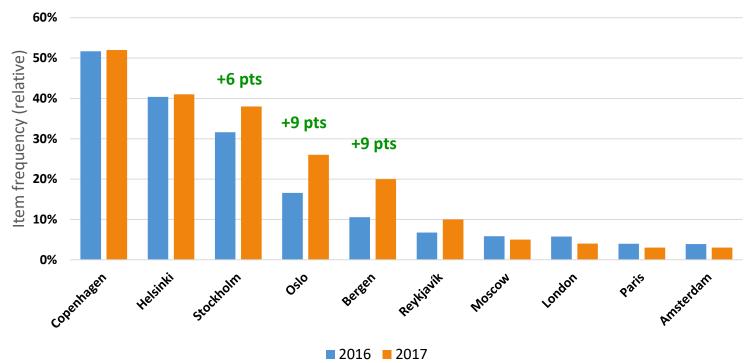
Int'I departures between 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2017 and 30th Jun 2018 vs. same dates in the previous year with bookings as of 6<sup>th</sup> Mar 2018



Only considered visitors staying 1 to 5 nights and staying in other destination as part of their trip.

#### Stockholm, Oslo, Bergen experimented serious growth





#### Most frequent destinations among combined trips

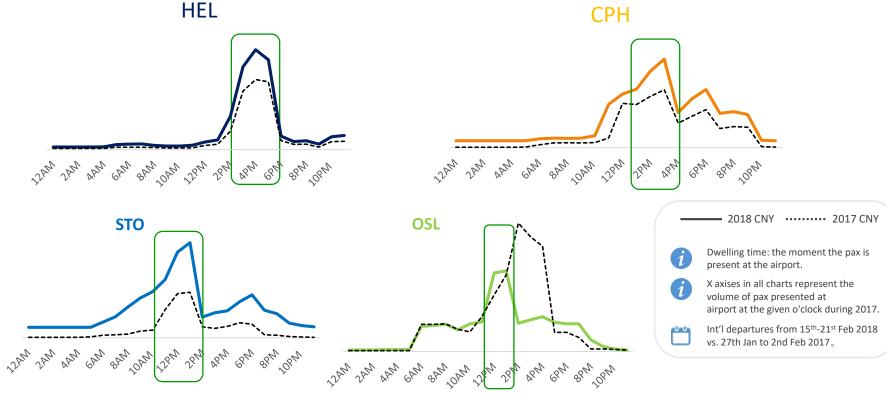
# **Special: Target Asian Consumers**

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#### High presence : 2pm-8pm, perfect time for shopping

Nordic airports dwelling time for Asian visitors travelling back home during Chinese New Year 2018







# Thank you!



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### **METHODOLOGY & GLOSSARY**

This analysis is based on Air Reservation Data property of ForwardKeys<sup>®</sup> as of 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Database contains reservations handled by more than 200 000 online and offline travel agencies worldwide.



#### DESTINATION

Nordic countries (Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden)



#### MARKET

North Asia, South Asia, South East Asia as per UNWTO geography

#### **PERIOD & PERIMETERS**

Arrivals history: from January 1st 2017 to December 31st 2017 vs. January 1st 2016 to August 31st 2016. Jan – Feb 2018 vs Jan – Feb 2017.

Arrivals outlook: from Mar 1<sup>st</sup> to Jun 30<sup>th</sup> 2018 vs. Apr 1<sup>st</sup> to Apr 18<sup>th</sup> with issued bookings as of Mar 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 vs. same period prev. year.

Arrivals outlook: Jan – 1<sup>st</sup> to Aug 31<sup>st</sup> vs same period prev. year.

**Stayovers in Nordic countries**: those visiting any location within Nordic countries between 1 and 5 nights.



**ARRIVALS:** refers to the number of airline passengers arriving at the destination within a specific period.

**ARRIVALS OUTLOOK:** refers to the number of airline passengers arriving at the destination within a specific future period according to the bookings that have been issued as noted.

**BOOKINGS:** refers to the air reservations made for travel to the specific destination for any date of travel.

**BUSINESS TRAVELLERS:** are defined as 1) travellers whose air reservations are made via corporate travel agencies, 2) travellers stay only during working week and up to 2 nights, and 3) solo travellers stay during working week for short-haul trips or stay up to 12 nights for long-haul trips.

VFR+EXPATS: are defined as travellers stay 22 or more nights at the destination.

LEISURE TRAVELLERS: travellers who do not qualify as Business or VFR+expats.

VISITORS: pax staying at the destination.

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