# **Business Travel Insights and the Growth of "Bleisure" Travel**

Facebook Audience Travel Survey Results

#### ALONG FOR THE RIDE PLUS ONE Travel with a Companion



When traveling for both business and leisure,
47% take their spouse/partner.
1% take their pet (what does Fluffy do while you're in a meeting?).

**67%** tell their employer if they will be taking a companion on their business trip.

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

While on business travel Canadians top five extracurricular activities included



- 71% Exploring new locations
- 68% Visiting local attractions



58% Shopping

44% Nightlife/local bars

43% Adventure sports

A SUPER-SPEED COMMODITY Paying for Additional Bandwidth



50% of business travelers will absolutely NOT pay extra for a super-fast internet connection.
30% are "not likely" to pay for fast wi-fi.
7% are "very likely" to pay for fast wi-fi.

#### COMBINING BUSINESS WITH LEISURE TRAVEL Also known as "Bleisure"



**58% of business travelers extend their trips** for up to 3 days for leisure activities.

## GAS PRICES EFFECT ON TRAVEL SPENDING



Overall, **business and leisure travelers** were "not likely" to change their spending habits as a result of reduced gas prices.

ONLINE PREFERRED IN RESERVATIONS Booking Room Reservations



**80% of business travelers** book their hotel reservation online.



WISH LIST FOR HOTEL PROPERTIES Based on individual lifestyles, travelers had a number of amenities on their wish lists for hotel properties



Top two amenities on travelers wish list are:

82% Free in-room wi-fi 77% Breakfast Rounding out the wish list are:

39% Fitness centers 33% Lobby bars

#### MORE DEVICES, MORE OUTLETS, MORE BANDWIDTH PLEASE





85% of business travelers carry 2 or more electronic devices.

CUT THE CORD Hotel Room Phone Usage



**35%** of respondents reported never using their in-room phone.

**59%** reported not using it very often.

About 5% use it regularly.

# Those that do use the phone ranked the following:

- #1 Front Desk
- #2 Room Service
- #3 Other Guest Rooms
- #4 Making Long Distance Calls

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