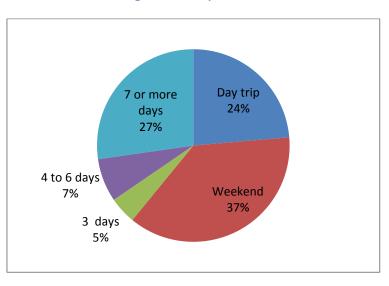


### 2011 Visitor Survey Report

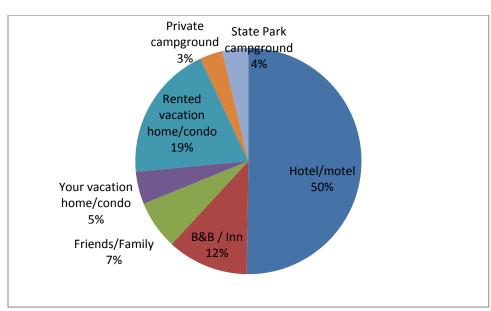
### Length of Stay



#### **Top Ten Visitor Activities**

- 1. Dining & Food
- 2. Going to the Beach
- 3. Tax-Free Shopping
- 4. Visiting Museums & Historic Sites
- 5. Festivals & Special Events
- 6. Cultural Arts
- 7. Fishing & Crabbing
- 8. Camping
- 9. Biking / Cycling
- 10. Boating & Paddling

# Accommodation Type



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#### What Visitors Enjoy Most About Southern Delaware

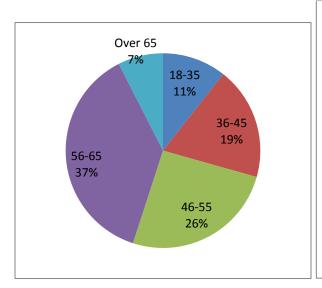
- 1. Clean Beaches & Ocean
- 2. Friendly Atmosphere & People
- 3. Scenery / Wildlife / Open Space
- 4. Small towns & Slower Pace
- 5. Restaurants & Dining

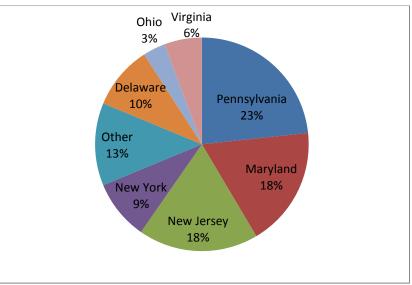
### What Could Be Done Better?

- 1. More parking at lesser rates
- 2. More hotel & dining coupons
- 3. More public transportation options
- 4. Handicapped Accessibility
- 5. Keep state park fees down

## Age Range

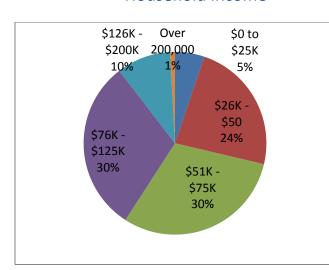
# Where Traveling From

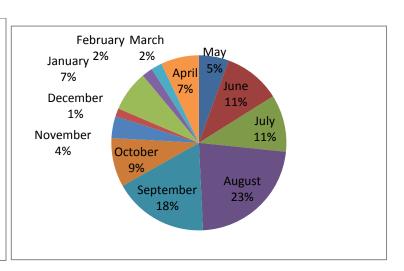




#### Household Income

Month of Visit





# **Economic Impact of Tourism in Sussex County**

- \$750 million generated by tourism sales annually\*
- Tourism employs 14,000 jobs in the county
- Brings new money into the community
- Tourism sales have a multiplier effect of 2.2 (for every \$1 spent directly by a visitor, another \$2.20 is generated in indirect sales to the local economy
- Helps diversify and stabilize the local economy
- Attracts additional businesses to our area ("It Starts With a Visit")
- Contributes to the state and local tax base and saves each Delaware resident approximately \$600 in taxes annually

\*Source: Global Insight