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2021 MARKET UPDATE

HTA BOARD MEETING 5.27.2021

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MARKET CONDITIONS

HAWAI'I TOURISM.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

Australia & New Zealand Economies



Comparably strong domestic economies Unite against COVID-19

Covid-19 Eliminated from the Community



Strong exchange rate:

- \$1 AUD = \$0.77 USD
- \$1 NZD = \$0.72USD

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INSIGHTS

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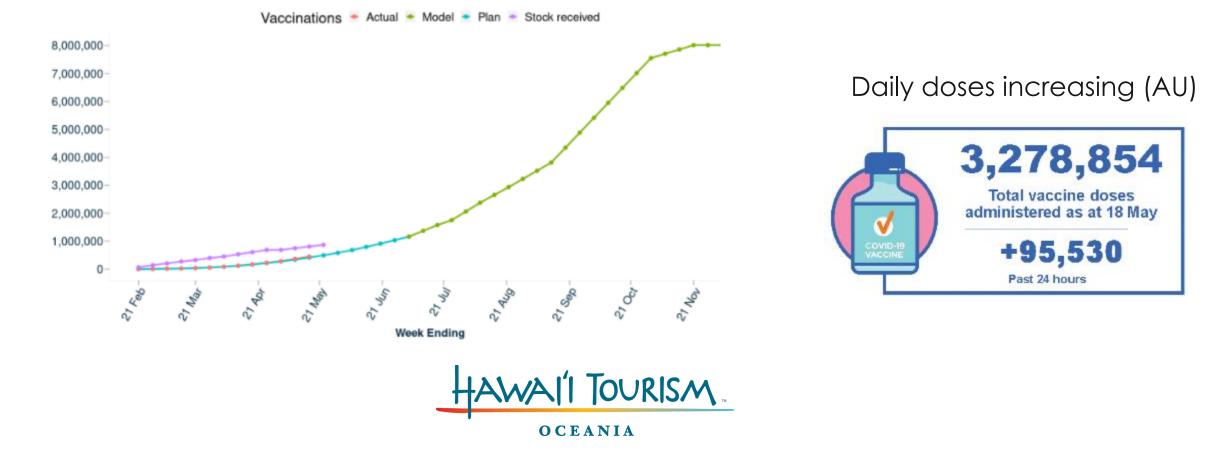
- ANZ-Roy Morgan Research reveals that Consumer Confidence is up. In fact, a huge 20.2pts higher than the same time a year ago,
- 28% of Australians say their families are 'better off' financially than this time last year. In addition, 37% of Australians expect their family to be 'better off' financially this time next year
- Over 6.69 million Australians (52.2% of paid workers) have at least 2 weeks of annual leave due, up from 6.14 million prior to the pandemic
- New Zealand's economic outlook much better than expected, with a jump in GDP growth (to +4.4%) and lower unemployment. (to under 5%)

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VACCINE ROLLOUT IS KEY

Cumulative doses to end of year

NZ Roadmap to Q4



BORDERS & BUBBLES

Recent Trend towards Under-Promising in order to Over-Deliver

- Australian Prime Minister Morrison says border changes to occur on 'sliding scale' amid pressure from Liberal MPs to reopen before mid-2022
- "The government is currently considering how to implement the "next steps" towards the reopening of Australia's borders, including the easing of travel and quarantine restrictions for vaccinated Australians"
- NZ Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern speaks about the possibility of having vaccinated people arriving from overseas before the (vaccination) rollout in NZ is finished (Q4).
- "The reality is we're already open to New Zealand. (Trans-Tasman Bubble). We'll almost certainly be open to other places. We think the UK and US [with vaccines] will become effectively a safe low-risk destination." *Flight Centre head, Graham Turner*

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BORDERS & BUBBLES

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- The successful Trans-Tasman bubble saw over 100,000 quarantine free travellers in the first 3 weeks
- Demand for the NZ Cook Islands Bubble has seen Air NZ put on extra flights
- Hawai'i must remain top of mind and in the key conversations
- We remain hopeful that Hawai'i will see visitors from Oceania returning in Quarter Four of this year



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TARGET AUDIENCE

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CARE, AWARE, SHARE

A blueprint based around three elements of the consumer travel journey.

- 1. Targeting potential travellers who CARE
- 2. Focussing on brand and product-aligned messaging that ensures we have a visitor who is **AWARE**
- 3. Provide the platforms for this visitor to influence friends, family and followers i.e to **SHARE**

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VISITORS WHO CARE



CULTURAL EXPLORERS*

- Learning and discovery
- Local immersion
- Families and couples
- Planning: destination website, Airline/hotel sites
- 35-54 years of age



AUTHENTIC EXPERIENCERS*

- Tangible engagement
- History and culture
- Voluntourism
- Planning: OTAs, Airline/hotel sites
- Mature traveller 55+ year of age

CONSUMER STRATEGY

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Consumer Activity – Awareness

- Digital Marketing
- Advertising
- PR stories
- Direct Communication
- Partnerships aligned to community, culture and malama
- Pre & post arrival messaging
- Smart Social

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Consumer Activity – Sharing of experiences

- Media & Influencers with the right audience
- Promotions which encourage sharing of personal experiences
- Strong social network presence
- Partnerships with social media special interest groups
- Trade and Industry partnerships which encourage sharing
- Pre & post arrival messaging
- Hashtag focus

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THE RIGHT MESSAGE

OCEANIA TRAVELLER

Connect with Nature Escape the crowds Relaxation Rejuvenation EXPERIENCERS Authenticity Enrichment Health & wellbeing Safety Spiritual Eco-conscious Respectful Genuine exchanges

THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS BRAND

Landscape **Natural Beauty** Culture **Responsible Tourism** Aloha Spirit

MĀLAMA HAWAI'I

AUTHENTIC

CULTURAL **EXPLORERS**

CONSUMER STRATEGY

3 Stage Recovery Plan





Stage 3: CONVERSION conversion and booking

CONSUMER STRATEGY – STAGE 1

Stage 1: Inspiration

- The dreaming phase
- Reinforcing brand perceptions of Hawai'i –aligning with HTA's brand pillar and emphasising the message of mālama
- Inspirational imagery natural beauty, wide open spaces and culture
- Utilising owned channels organic social media and blog
- #DreamingOfHawaii introduced to share a message of welcome to visitors from Australia and New Zealand



Hawaii – gohawaii.com (AU) February 12 at 7:00pm

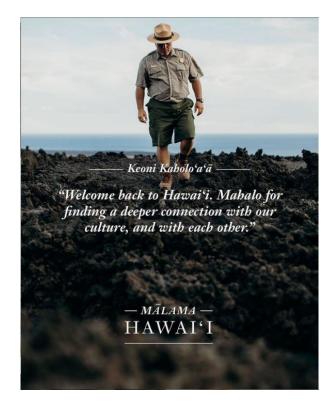


CONSUMER STRATEGY – STAGE 2

Stage 2: Brand Depth

- Active Planning stage
- Timing around planned re-opening of air access and growing consumer confidence to travel
- Setting the foundation for inspiring and motivating the desired future visitor to choose Hawai'i
- Activity aligned to brand pillars and creating travel intention through rich content and imagery with a focus on digital marketing and PR activity
- Social media unique partnership with @hawaiiadmirer
- Amplify Kuleana and Mālama Hawai'i videos

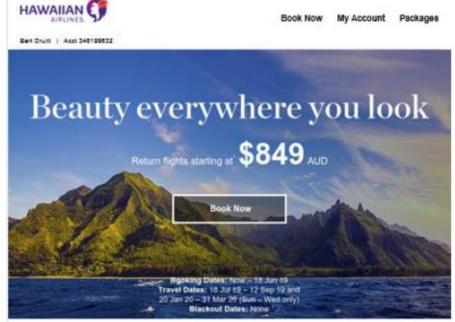




CONSUMER STRATEGY – STAGE 3

Stage 3: Conversion

- Conversion booking and travel
- Air access resumes HTO will work with airline partners to support this transition.
- Call to action sensitive to the environment aligned with trade integration.
- Restart paid media
- #LetHawaiiHappen is introduced in social media
- Launch of signature campaigns



RESPONSIBLE TOURISM – MĀLAMA

- Promoting the Mālama Hawai'i initiative:
 - Work with trade to partners on opportunities to promote this and include in Hawai'i packages.
 - Journalist press trips which showcase the voluntourism experience and hotels in the Mālama initiative
 - Promote across digital channels organic and paid



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INFINITE EXPERIENCES CAMPAIGN

Influencer famil



Audience polls



Live streaming



CULTURAL TOURISM INITIATIVE

- Broadcast partnership
- Tap into themes of culture, sustainability and nature experiences
- Resonate with the Oceania market
- Q1 initiative in 2022







TRADE STRATEGY

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REGENERATIVE TOURISM FOCUS



Trade Activity – Awareness & Product Alignment

- Travel trade education
- Partnering with the right segments
- Ensure product is aligned
- Connecting local trade with the industry
- Reaching their engaged clients



TRADE STRATEGY – KEY INITIATIVES

Trade initiatives:

- Implementation of Mālama program
- Leverage our Tradewinds platform
- Virtual destination showcase
- Month of Lei
- Product managers famil
- Aloha Fridays content second half of the year

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MCI & EVENTS – SOME GOOD NEWS

Golden Oldies Rugby – May 2021:

- 1,000 visitors
- Minimum stay 7 days, with many opting for pre or post add-ons (including NI)
- Mix of teams from AU, NZ, USA & local
- More events in the pipeline including Netball at the HCC
- A result of a strong partnership and aloha

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REGENERATIVE TOURISM / DMAP INITIATIVES

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Giving Back on Vacation



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WHERE HTO CAN PLAY A PART

- Promoting the Mālama Hawai'i programme and message
- Understanding the details and principles around the DMAP initiative
- Matching our visitor with the right experience and location
- Clear and respectful messaging around kuleana
- A targeted approach on visitors who Care, are Aware and who will Share

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HAWAI'I MADE

- Working with US Embassy & Trade in local markets
- Partnering Hawai'i Made partners for all in-market events
- Featuring Hawai'i Made in PR initiatives and press trips
- Creating stories and consumer messaging around Hawai'i Made





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MAHALO NUI LOA



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