

Travel will power our economic recovery. Why travel matters to

PUERTO RICO

STATE	SPENDING	PAYROLL	JOBS	TRAVEL INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT RANKING	TAX RECEIPTS
2019	\$6.1 Billion	\$1.8 Billion	66,365	5	\$968.6 Million
2020	▼ -48%				▼ -34%

In **Puerto Rico**, as our attractions, hotels, restaurants and more were unable to welcome visitors, our once thriving travel and tourism industry was no longer the significant economic driver it had been.

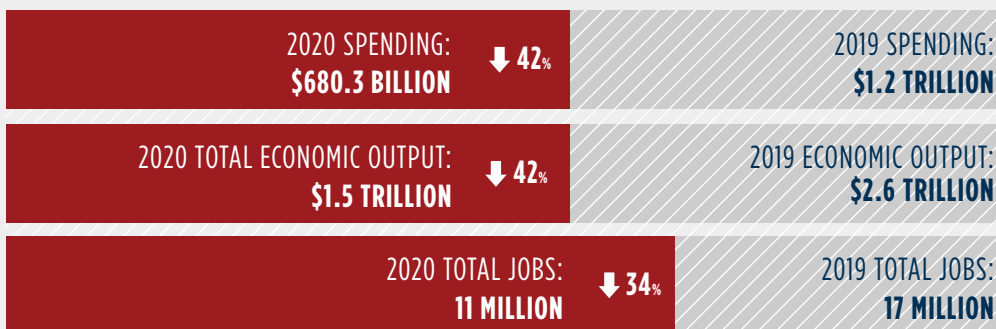
In 2019:

- Domestic and international travelers spent **\$6.1 billion** exploring our destination
- For every **\$1 million** spent in Puerto Rico by domestic and international travelers, **10.9 jobs are created**
- The **66,365 travel-supported jobs** represented **9.8% of Puerto Rico's total private industry employment**, without which our **unemployment rate of 8.3%** would have been **17.3% of the labor force**
- Travel spending generated **\$968.6 million to federal, state and local governments**, which help fund jobs and public programs such as police, firefighters, teachers, road projects and convention centers

Puerto Rico experienced severe losses in 2020.

- Spending by domestic and international travelers **declined by 48%**, shuttering many local businesses and putting our residents out of work
- Due to the decline in spending, **federal, state and local tax receipts declined by 34%**, jeopardizing jobs and public programs—which we need more than ever as we work toward recovery

FROM COAST-TO-COAST, THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS DECIMATED THE NATIONAL TRAVEL INDUSTRY.



Travel will refuel our economy, rebuild our workforce, and reconnect Americans.

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