



Destination Marketing and Economic Development: Creating a Singular Place Brand



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### **Today's Presentation**

#### 1/ Case Study

Developing a singular brand for tourism and economic development.



Your trip begins at michigan.org

### 2/ Halo Magic

Research demonstrates strong lift from destination promotion on both tourism *AND* economic development image.





### Pure Michigan Case Study



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- Not here to tell you what may or may not work for you.
- ✓ Here to share how Pure Michigan happened and its results.
- ✓ Was not a straight line.

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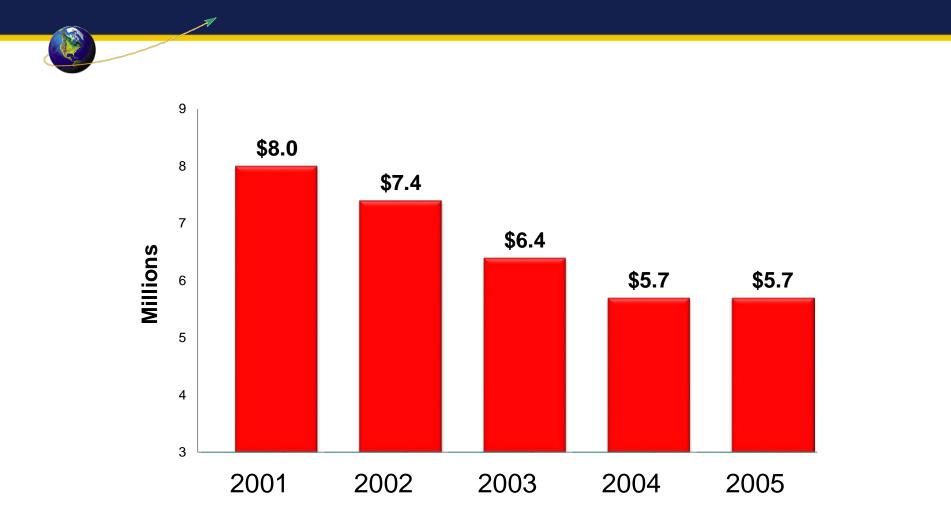
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### Four Keys to Pure Michigan

- ✓ A powerful brand that inspires confidence and produces results.
- $\checkmark$  ROI data that proves effectiveness.
- Industry leadership and unity behind the data and the brand.
- ✓ Sufficient budget to promote the brand.

ICHIGAN<sup>™</sup> PURE Your trip begins at michigan.org

#### Pre-Pure Michigan Budget Declines



### 2005: Rock Bottom



- ✓ Doing less every year, due to budget cuts.
- Demoralized, fragmented private sector.
- ✓ Business declines in middle of decade-long Michigan recession.
- Ranked 50<sup>th</sup> in hotel occupancy rate.
- ✓ One bright spot: got first advertising return on investment results for 2004 (Longwoods).

### First ROI Data (2004)



- MI spent \$3.5 million on advertising.
- ✓ Generated 990,000 trips to state.
- $\checkmark$  Those visitors spent \$164 million.
- And paid \$11.5 million in state taxes.
- ✓ MI got \$3.27 in taxes for each ad dollar spent.

Source: Longwoods International

2006: Budget Increased to \$13.2 Million

# We created a new brand for the state:



### "Sunrise"

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### **Consistent Award-Winning Campaign**





U.S. TRAVEL

### Ten Best Tourism Campaigns Ever

- 1. Las Vegas ("what happens here, stays here")
- 2. Incredible India
- 3. New Zealand
- 4. Australia (Paul Hogan, 1980s)
- 5. Jamaica

#### 6. Pure Michigan

- 7. Alaska (B4UDIE billboards, 2005)
- 8. Canada
- 9. Oregon
- 10. Virginia (is for Lovers)



### Industry Rallies for Pure Michigan

Dear George,

#### We are pleased to announce that the **Senate Appropriations**

**Committee will hold hearings** on establishing permanent funding for the award-winning "Pure Michigan" campaign. Those hearings have been set to take place during the **Michigan Tourism Industry Legislative Conference set for Tuesday, September 23rd at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Lansing**. The cost of registration is just \$60 per person.

The commitment to hold hearings came as a result of an in-district lunch with Appropriations Committee

Chairman Ron Jelinek yesterday in St Joseph. Carrying our industry's

**message** during that luncheon were MACVB President, Millicent Huminsky, MRA Board member Larry Schuler, MRA staff person Andy Deloney, MHSA lobbyist Bret Marr and myself. The Legislative Conference program will be necessarily revamped. However, George Zimmermann will

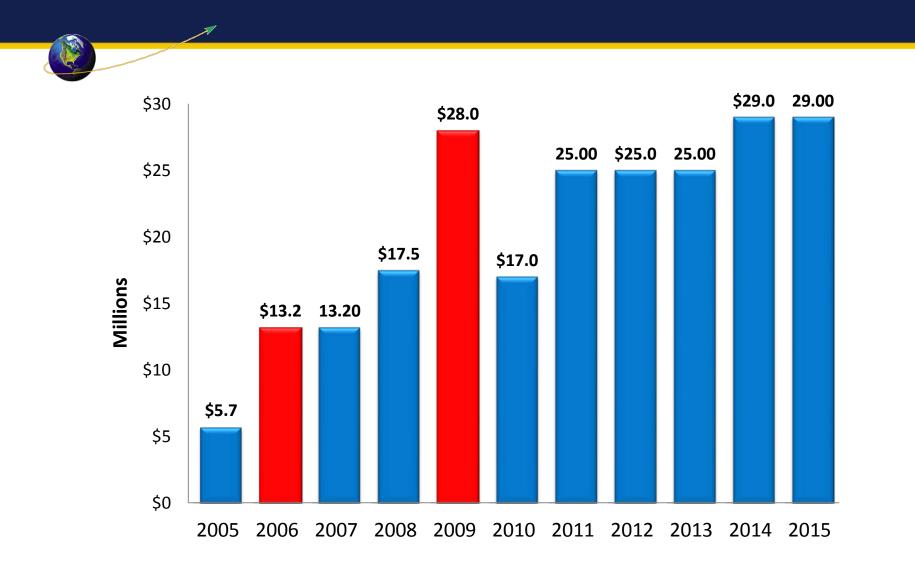
still present the latest results of the ROI analysis of the "Pure Michigan"

**campaign by Longwoods** International. Legislative Conference attendees will be fully briefed on the issues at hand, how to respond to legislator questions and how to best position SB 690 for passage.

Establishing a **permanent funding mechanism to take the "Pure Michigan" campaign nationwide** is by far, the most important initiative our industry has ever undertaken. As such it's **critically important that we respond with our biggest crowd**, **and best effort ever**. As was the case

this past spring, the bigger the crowd, the better our chances will be. See you at the **Radisson on the 23rd**! Click on the link below to register your support!

### Pure Michigan Budgets



### Impact of Pure Michigan Campaign on Tourism Image

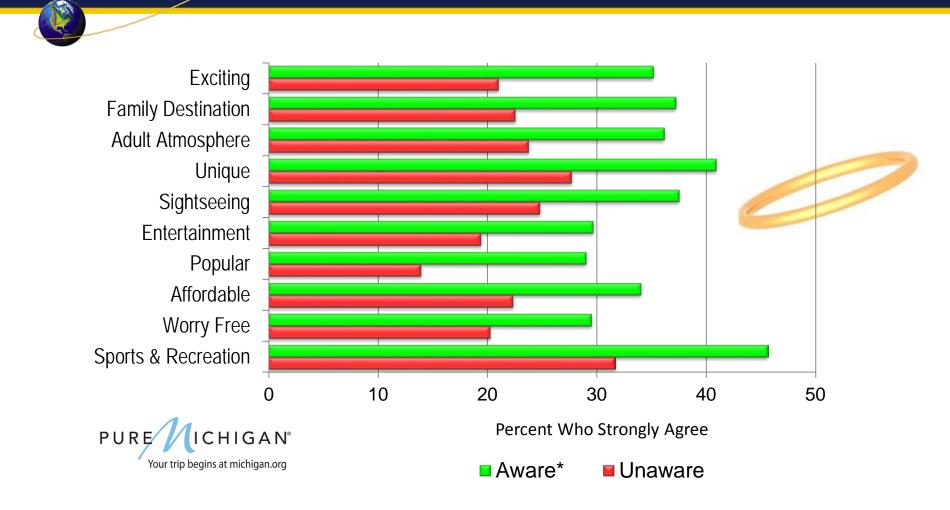


Image lift goes well beyond messages communicated by creative

Positive impact across many brand attributes



#### The Halo Effect: 2014 Tourism Campaign Impact on Michigan's National Tourism Image



### Pure Michigan Results 2006 – 2014



- ✓ Generated 22.4 million out-of-state trips to Michigan.
- ✓ Those visitors spent \$6.6 billion at Michigan businesses.
- They paid \$459 million in state taxes on those trips, primarily sales tax.

Cumulative Pure Michigan ROI is \$4.81.

### 2010 Michigan Governor's Race

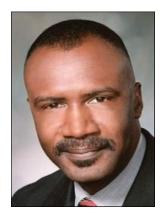


Republican Rick Snyder makes Pure Michigan a campaign issue.

He calls for consistent funding at \$25 million per year.

For a campaign created during the previous **DEMOCRAT** administration!

### Snyder Team Cancels "Upper Hand" Campaign



**Michael Finney** 

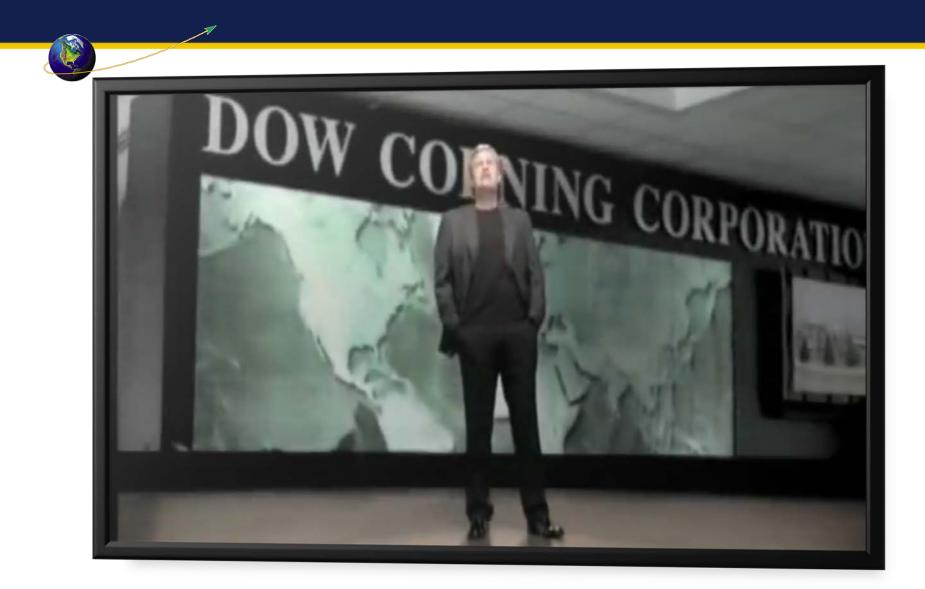
### Snyder pick to use 'Pure Michigan' to attract business to state

BY TOM WALSH FREE PRESS BUSINESS COLUMNIST

🗭 Comments (64) 🛷 Recommend (2) 📠 Print 📷 E-mail 📷 Letter to the editor 💽 Share 🎅

LANSING — Gov. Rick Snyder's choice of Michael Finney was approved Tuesday as president and CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, the public-private agency that works to attract and expand business and jobs in the state.

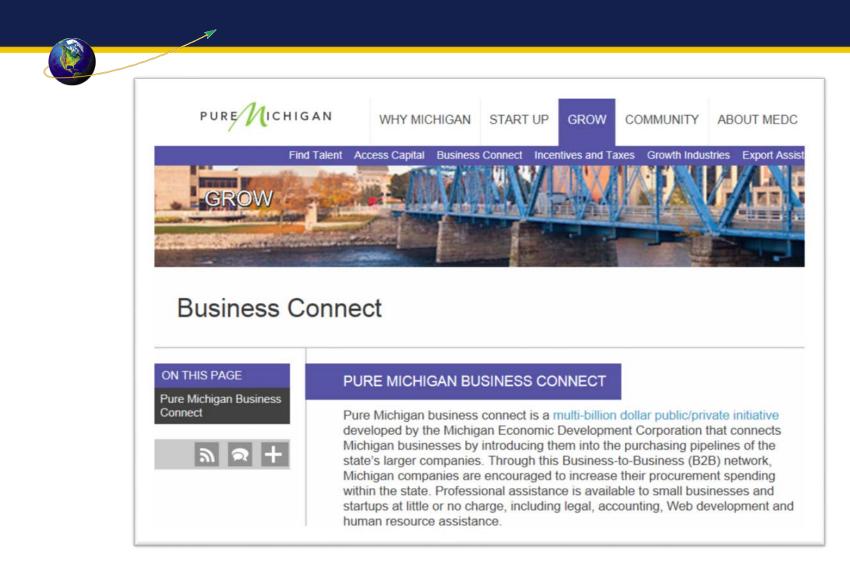
### Michigan 2010 Upper Hand Commercial



#### Michigan's Marketing Brand



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### Pure Michigan: Off to the Races





### Water











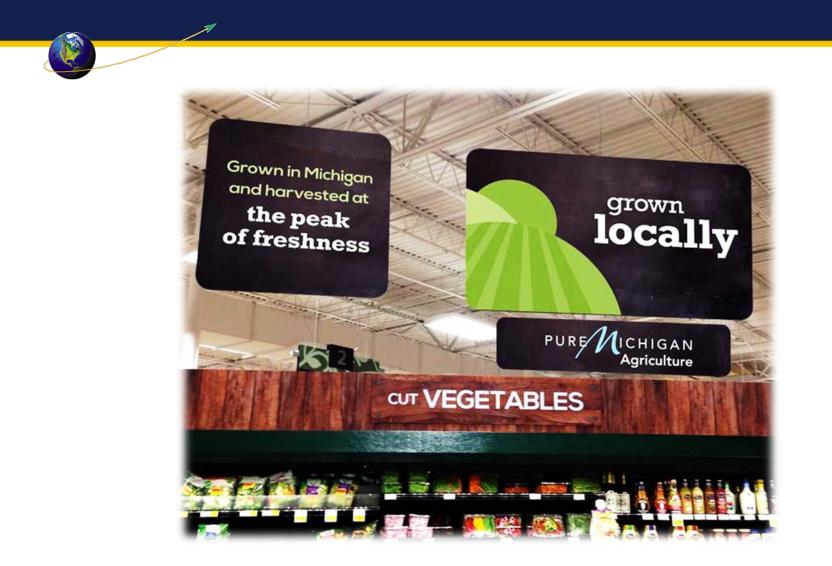
### **Detroit Tigers**



### Agriculture



### Kroger



### **Non-Profits**





### **New Standard License Plate**



### Michigan = *Pure Michigan*

# Welcome to

### **Tourism Partners Join the Parade**



### 2014 Pure Michigan Advertising Partners

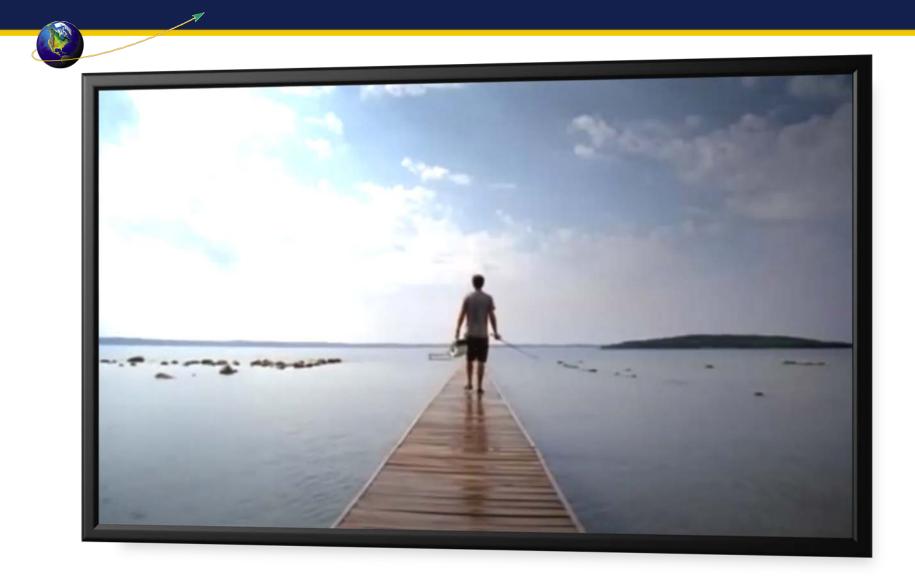


## 44 advertising partners in 2014.

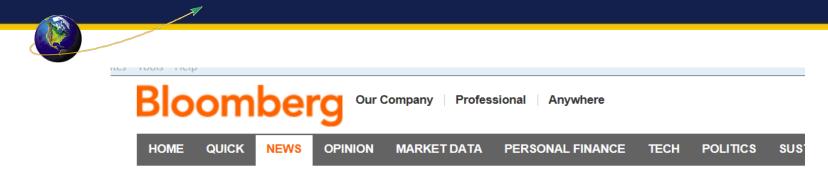
- Invested \$5.7 million in Pure Michigan ads.
- \$20,000 to \$500,000 per partner.

Started with 2 partners @ \$230k in 2002.

### Traverse City Partner TV Ad



### It's About More Than Tourism



#### Hamptons of Michigan Draws New Yorkers With Bargain Homes

"A surge in tourism from visitors outside of Michigan is helping increase demand for vacation houses in the region, where the median home price is about a quarter of that in the Hamptons." Bloomberg, Sept. 14, 2012

## The Bottom Line



- Brings in many visitors regionally and nationally.
- Creates jobs in a difficult economy.
- Generates incremental dollars to a state treasury struggling with solvency.



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Now the SINGULAR
BRAND for MICHIGAN:

• Tourism

 Economic Development.

• Many marketing partners.





Impact of Destination Campaigns on Economic Development

### Now a Topical Issue

## OXFORD ECONOMICS

Destination Promotion: An Engine of Economic Development

How investments in the visitor economy drive broader economic growth

Demonstrates a strong relationship between destination marketing and economic development through econometric modeling.

## Strong Support from DMAI

#### DESTINATION PROMOTIC DEVELOPMENT

#### DATE: NOVEMBER 6, 2014, 2:00PM GOTOWEBINAR



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MEMBERSHIP

EDUCATION & EVENTS

#### FIVE PRACTICAL WAYS DMOS AND EDOS CAN WORK TOGETHER

Destinger Author: Guest Andy Levine, President/Chief Creative Officer of Development Counsellors International

Posted: November 13, 2014

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## The Next Step: Direct Measurement



- Measurement of economic development impact of tourism campaigns for multiple DMO's through large-scale advertising effectiveness studies.
- Paint a picture of HOW and WHY destination marketing creates synergy with economic development.
  - Awareness and image enhancement.
  - Positive impact of visiting the destination.

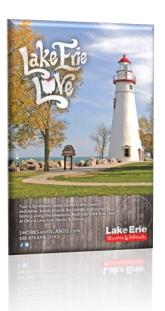
## Method

- Recent large-scale online surveys of a representative sample of adults 18+ in advertising markets for seven U.S. states and two CVBs.
- Non-residents only included for analysis.
- Focus on image lift created by:
  - A. Tourism ad awareness.
  - B. Visiting the destination.

	Sample
North Dakota	893
Wisconsin	1,336
Ohio	1,006
North Carolina	1,601
New Mexico	6,032
Minnesota	1,698
Michigan	4,022
Portland OR	997
Lake Erie Shores & Islands OH	1,053
TOTAL	18,638

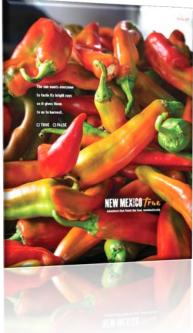
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## Respondents shown client ads across media channels to measure awareness.

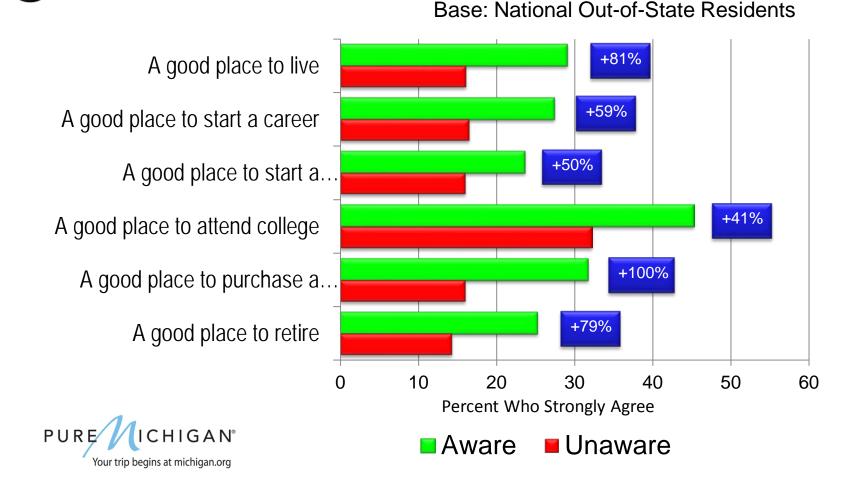




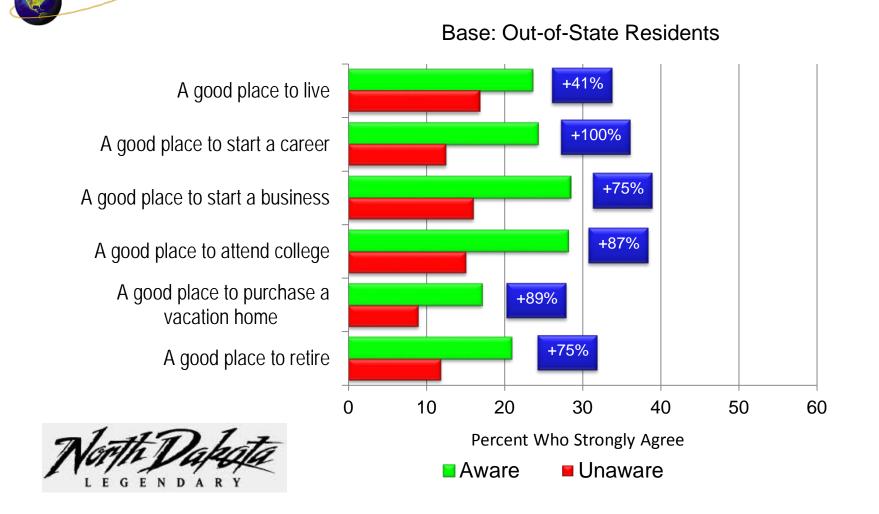




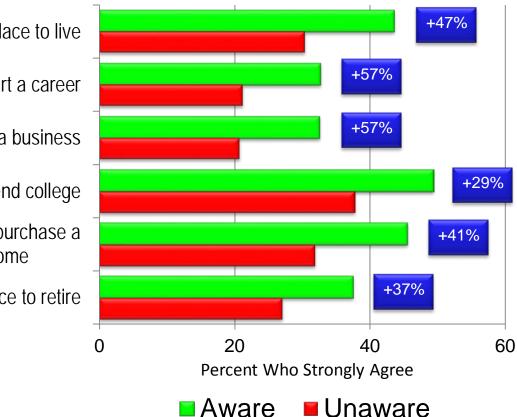
## Impact of Michigan's 2014 *Tourism* Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



#### Impact of North Dakota 2014 Tourism Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



#### Impact of Wisconsin 2014 Tourism Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



Base: Out-of-State Residents

A good place to live

A good place to start a career

A good place to start a business

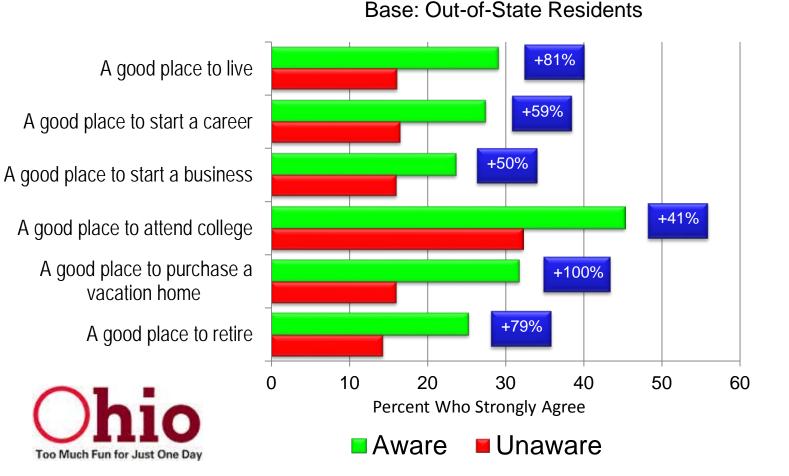
A good place to attend college

A good place to purchase a vacation home

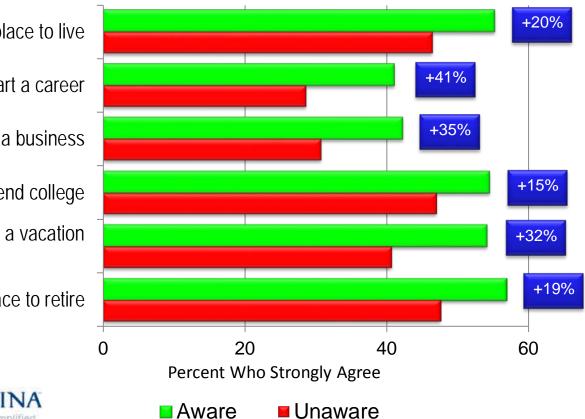
A good place to retire



#### Impact of Ohio 2014 Tourism Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



#### Impact of North Carolina 2014 Tourism Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



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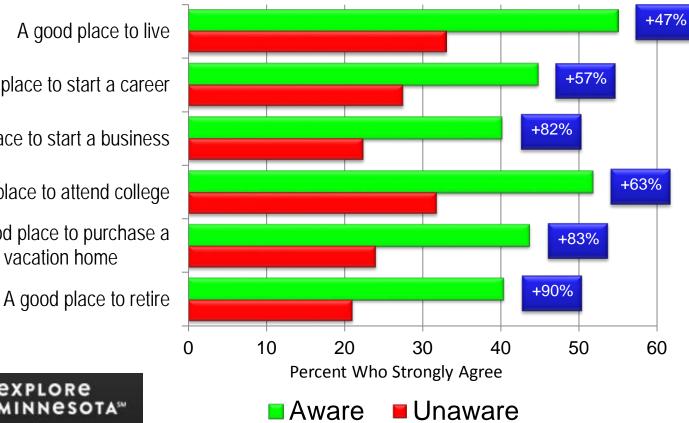
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#### Impact of Minnesota's 2014 Tourism Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



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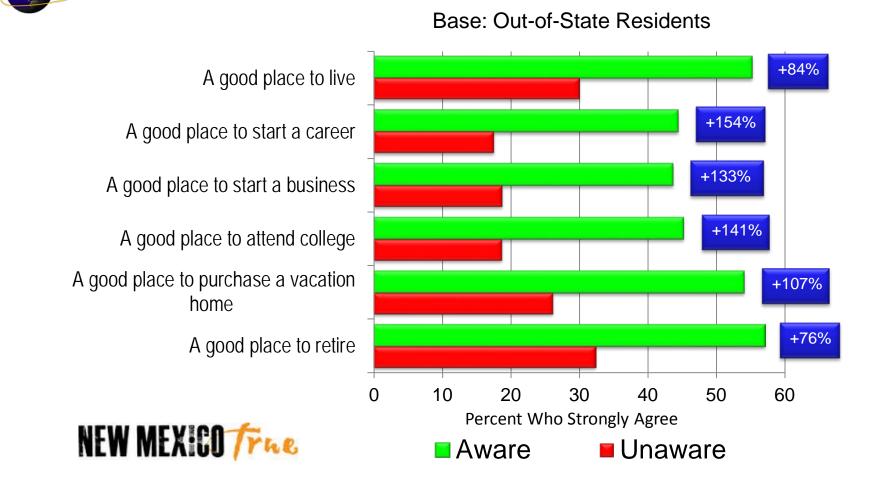
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A good place to purchase a vacation home



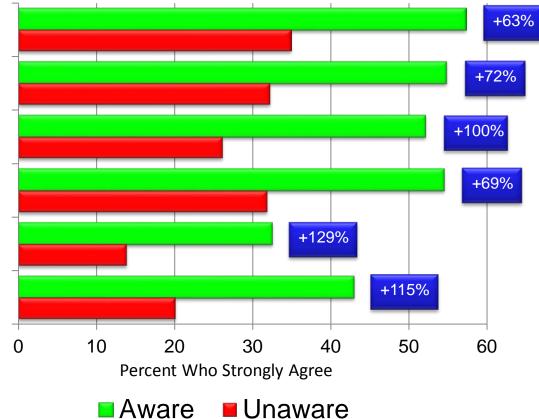
#### Impact of New Mexico 2014 Tourism Campaign on State's Economic Development Image



### Impact of Portland 2014/2015 Tourism Campaign on City's Economic Development Image

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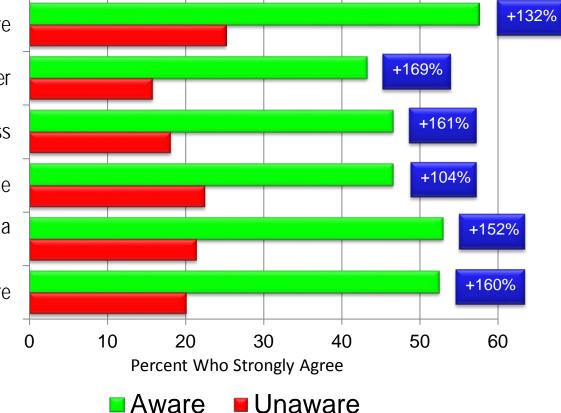
#### **Base: Advertising Markets**



#### Impact of Lake Erie Shores & Islands 2014 Tourism Campaign on Region's Economic Development Image

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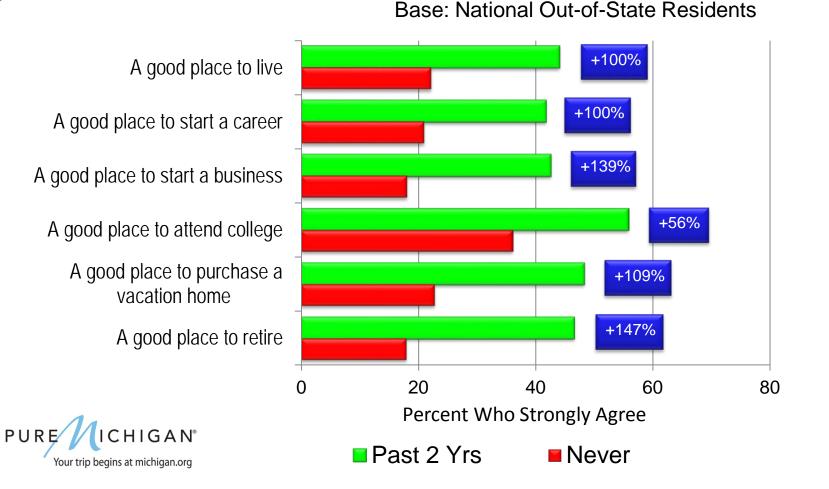




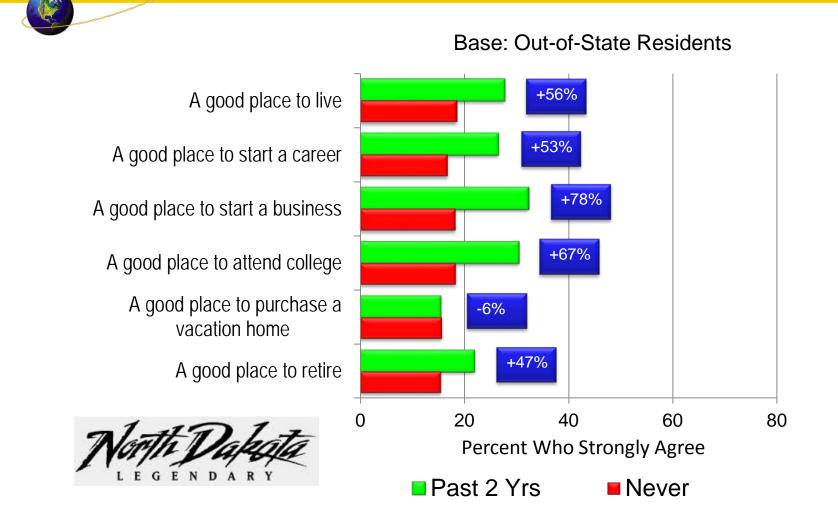
# Impact of *Visitation* on Economic Development Image



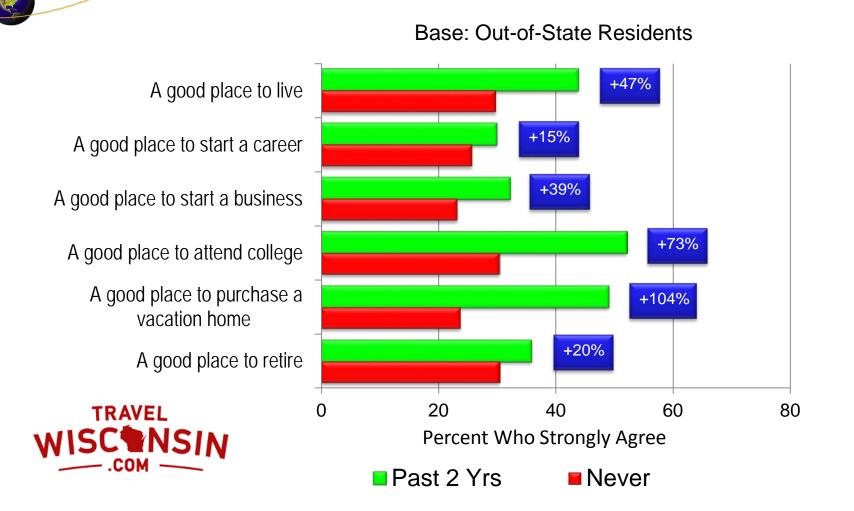
## Impact of *Visitation* on Michigan Economic Development Image



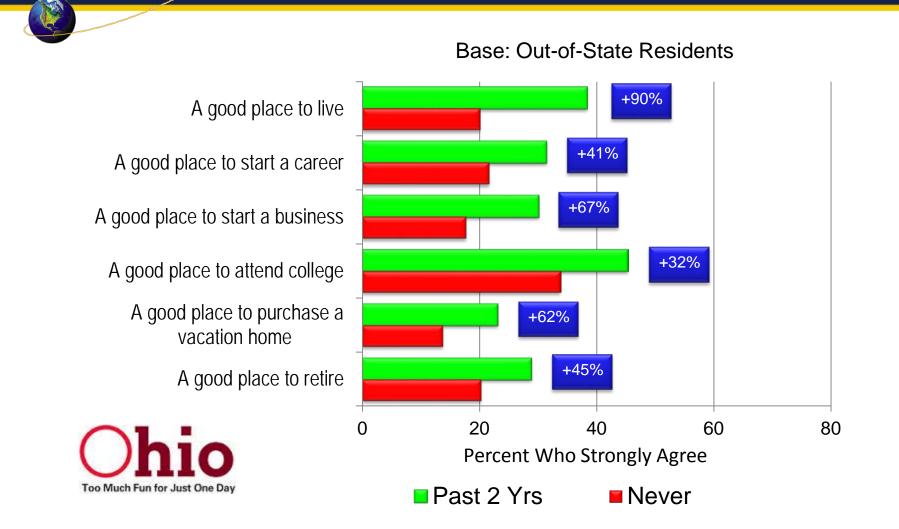
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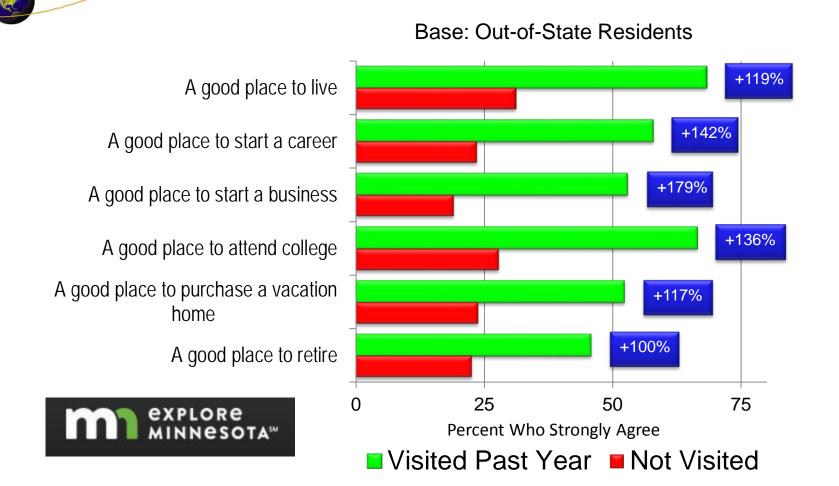
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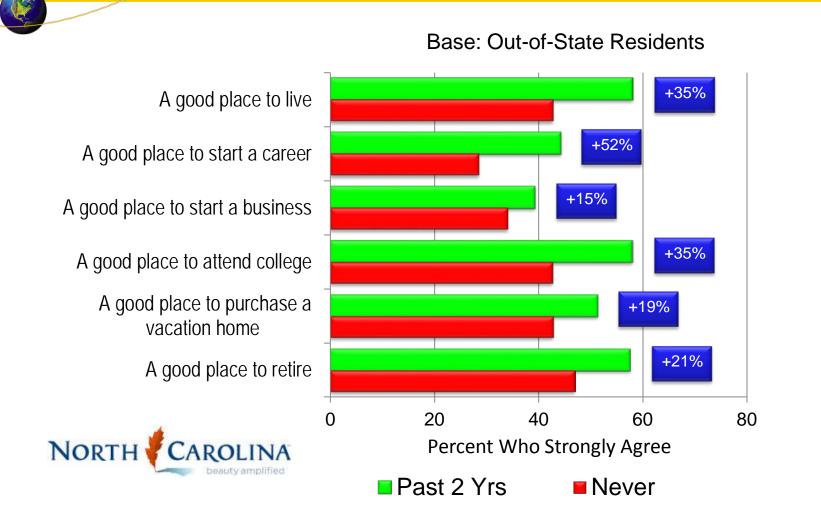
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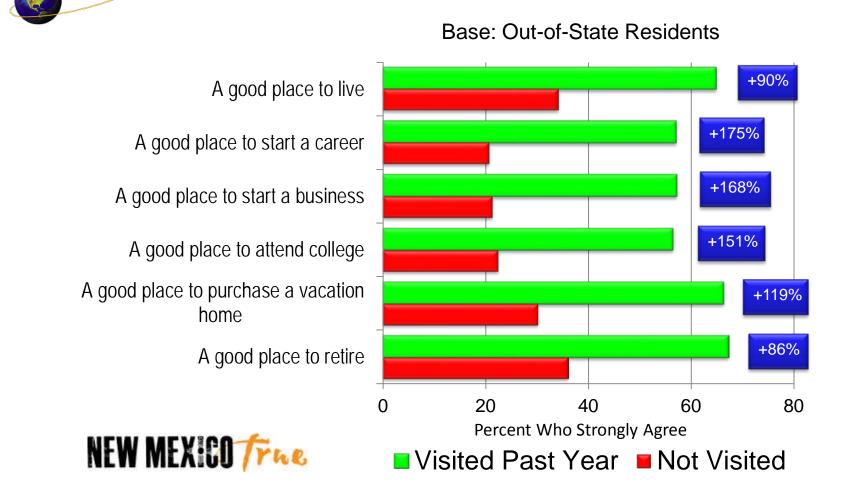
#### Impact of *Visitation* on Minnesota Economic Development Image



## Impact of *Visitation* on North Carolina Economic Development Image



#### Impact of *Visitation* on New Mexico Economic Development Image



#### Impact of Visitation on Portland **Economic Development Image**

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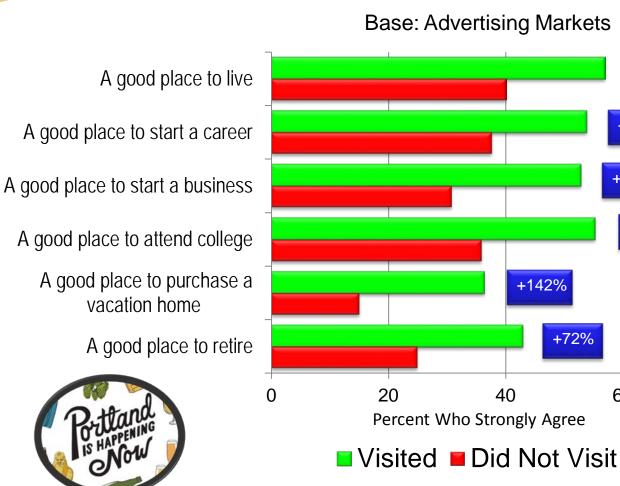
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#### Impact of *Visitation* on Lake Erie Shores & Islands Economic Development Image

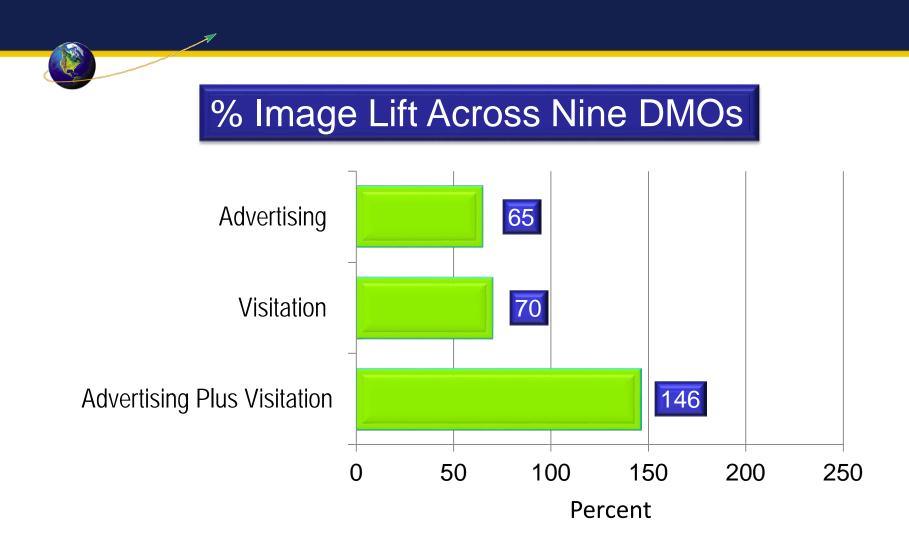




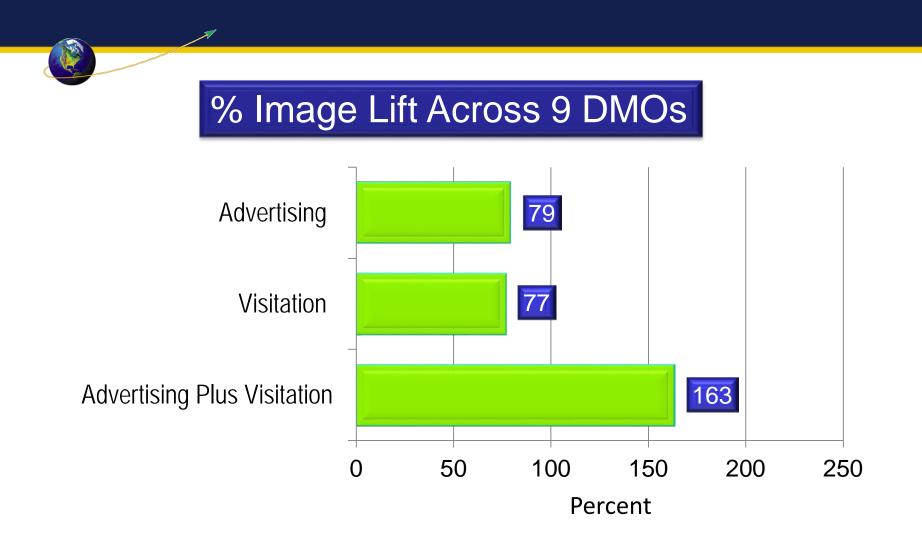


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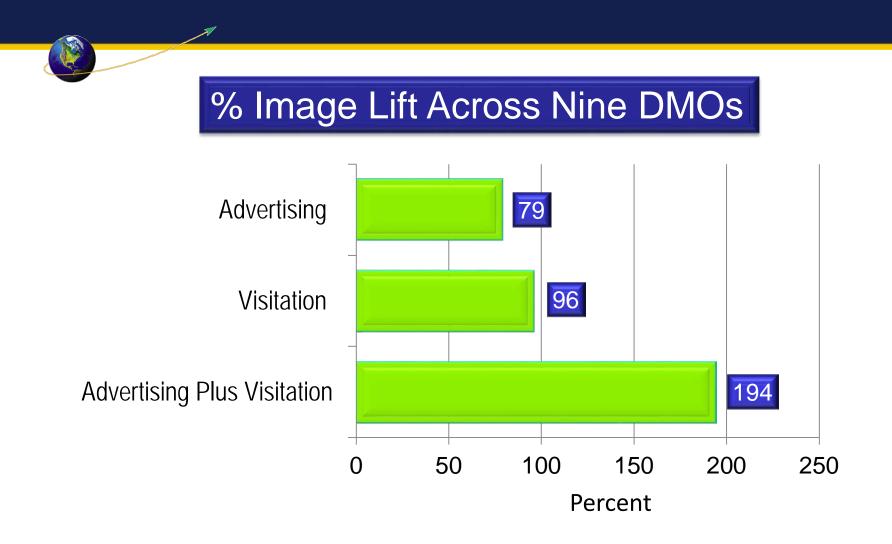
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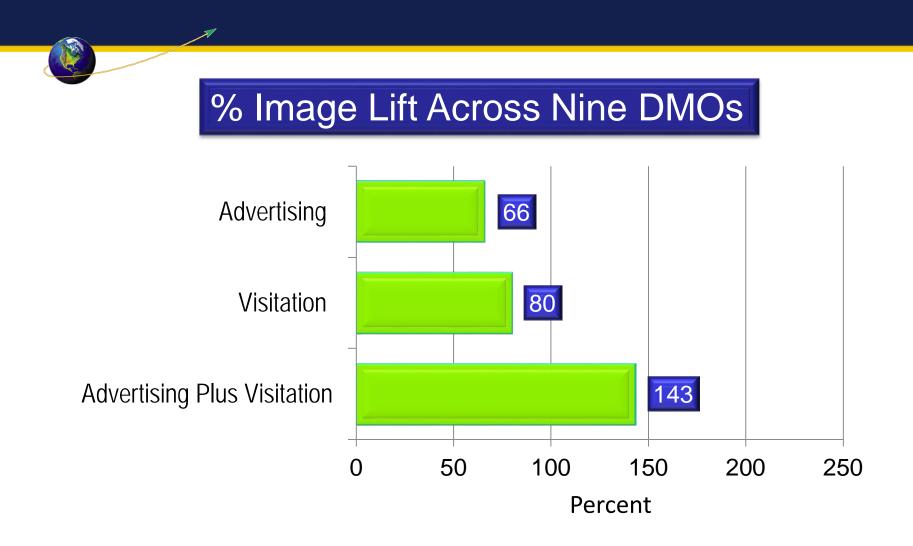
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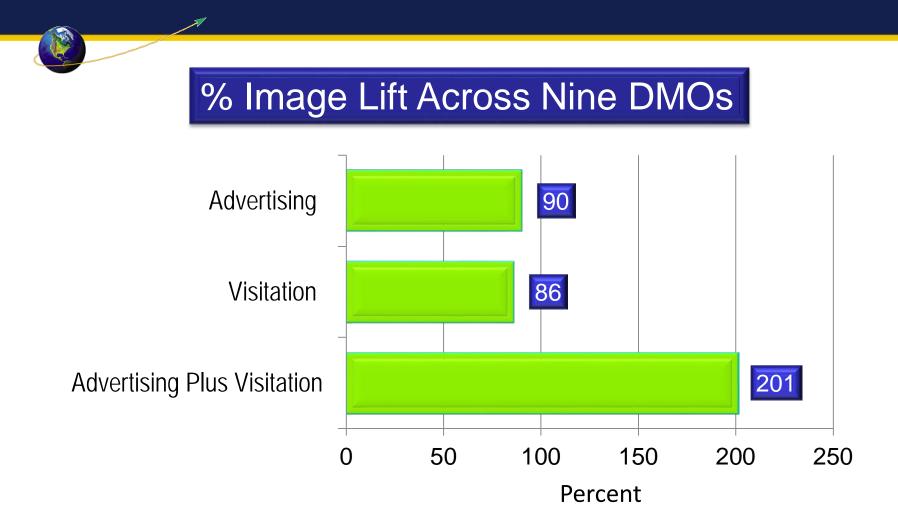
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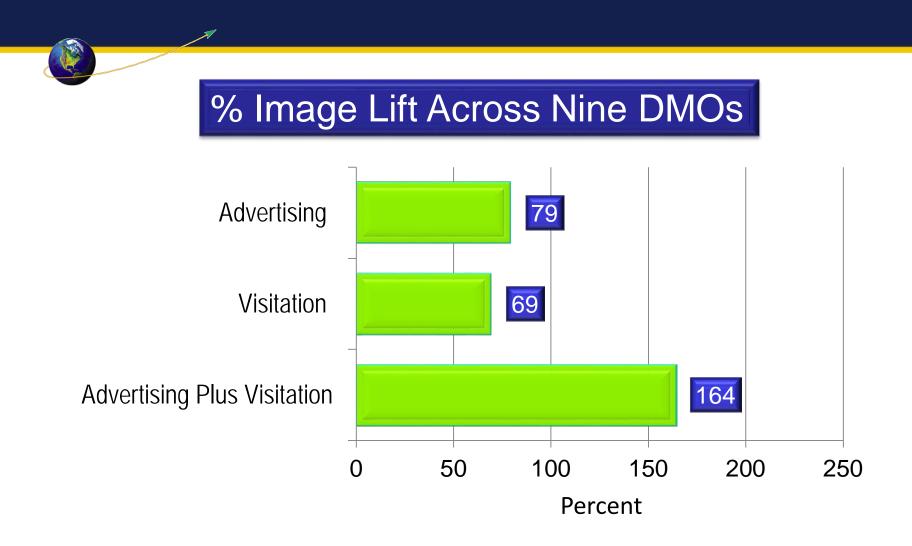
## "A Good Place to Attend College"



## "A Good Place to Purchase a Vacation Home"



## "A Good Place to Retire"



## Andy Levine







"... while tourism marketing has been shown to generate significant economic impact by driving visitation, these results demonstrate the potential long-term benefits for broader economic development."

## Bill Geist, Zeitgeist Consulting



DMO PROZ "The jury is in. The verdict is crystal.

The visitor-focused advertising of DMOs has a pronounced impact on measures that many community leaders have long said are more important than "tourism."

## Bill Geist, Zeitgeist Consulting



DMO PROZ "Destination Marketing is crucial to showcasing our communities to far more than visitors but, indeed, to future residents and investors.

And, now, no community leader can honestly argue with that."

## Scott Walker, Wisconsin Governor



"Investing in tourism promotion and marketing at the national, state, and local level is not only an effective way to attract visitors and grow the economy, it also enhances the image of the state as a place to live and do business."

## The Halo Effect in Psychology



Edward L. Thorndike 1874 - 1949

#### THE HALO EFFECT:

It is a cognitive bias in which our judgments of a person's character can be influenced by our overall impression of them.



## The Halo Effect in Marketing



## The Halo Effect in **Destination Marketing**











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