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5 Travel Insights: Unwinders vs. Adventurers

Most travelers (60%) want to spend their vacation relaxing and unwinding, while the remaining 40% prefer to seek adventure and excitement. We look at the similarities and differences between these Unwinders and Adventurers and the implications for the travel industry.

Median Annual Household Income

Adventurers

\$82.6k

(among age 18+)

Unwinders

\$67.6k

Unwinders and Adventurers: size vs. power

Adventurers are more likely to be younger with higher incomes, but, at 60% of the population, Unwinders represent the majority of Americans' attitudes about travel.

Both groups use travel to escape the everyday.

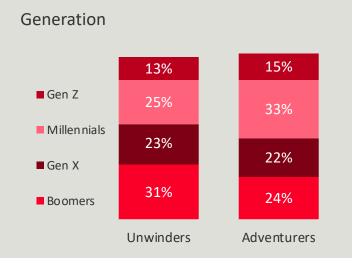
Unwinders and Adventurers alike savor travel as a chance to break out of their normal routines. Marketing that reflects this sentiment can create a universal appeal for both segments.

Most travelers prefer 3 hotels to other lodging.

While their itineraries may differ, the majority of Adventurers and Unwinders prefer to stay in a name-brand hotel or motel rather than with their friends or in an Airbnb.

Relaxation is core to 4 Unwinders' wellbeing.

Unwinders don't plan their trips entirely from a treatyourself mentality. Rather, relaxation is a core pillar of health for this segment—a connection marketers should leverage in their communications.



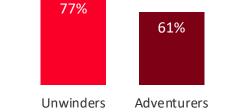
Favorite things about travel (among those who travel)

	Unwinders	Adventurers
#1	Rest and relaxation (74%)	Adventure and exploration (65%)
#2	Escaping everyday life/getting out of my routine (63%)	Escaping everyday life/getting out of my routine (62%)
#3	Adventure and exploration (45%)	Rest and relaxation (60%)

Where prefer to stay when traveling for pleasure (among those who travel)







Adventurers influence others' travel decisions.

Always on the hunt for new things, Adventurers are more likely to be early adopters and guide other consumers' travel decisions, making them an influential cohort for marketers to engage.

I am usually one of the first people in my group of friends to accept new ideas or try new things

vs. 50% of Unwinders of Adventurers

Areas friends and family ask you for advice about: Travel (among those whose family and friends ask for advice about new brands or products)



Sources:

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Vacations are all about relaxing and unwinding (Unwinders) vs. Traveling is all about adventure and doing things I've never done before (Adventurers)