### 2013 AAA CONSUMER PULSE™ SURVEY

SUMMER TRAVEL BY STATE

### **BACKGROUND & METHODOLOGY**

- Conducted 1,212 surveys among Florida, Georgia, and Tennessee residents
  - o Fielding took place April 4, 2013 April 8, 2013
  - Utilized proprietary online research panel
  - o Total is weighted by age and gender within state
- Key Measures
  - Summer Travel Plans
  - Opinion on the Importance of Travel

#### • Key Findings:

- Almost three in four (72%) residents plan to take a summer vacation this year.
  - Additionally, almost all residents (96%) feel travel is important to a person's well-being.
- o City Destinations (48%) and Beach Getaways (44%) are the most frequently planned types of summer vacations, with the majority of residents (57%) seeking a relaxing vacation.

### **DETAILED FINDINGS:**

Do you personally plan to take at least one leisure trip of 50 miles or more away from home requiring overnight
accommodations in the next 3 months?

accommodations in the next 3 months?		Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
	Base (n=)	407	400	405	1,212
Yes		77%	79%	76%	77%
No		10%	11%	12%	11%
Not sure		13%	10%	11%	12%

2. Do you plan to travel domestically within the United States, or do you plan to travel internationally?

do you plan to travel internationally?		Fiorida	Georgia	rennessee	rotai
	Base (n=)	306	316	312	934
Domestic		72%	79%	83%	76%
International		8%	8%	5%	7%
Both domestic and international		20%	13%	12%	17%

 Approximately how much do you expect to spend on leisure travel in the next 3 months? Please include all transportation, food, accommodations, entertainment / attractions, souvenirs,

etc.	Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
Base (n=)	306	313	309	928
\$500 or less	18%	25%	24%	21%
\$501 - \$1,000	31%	27%	28%	29%
\$1,001 - \$1,500	15%	12%	17%	14%
\$1,501 - \$2,000	10%	12%	11%	11%
\$2,001 - \$3,000	9%	10%	9%	9%
\$3,001 - \$4,000	5%	5%	6%	5%
\$4,001 - \$5,000	5%	3%	3%	4%
\$5,001 - \$7,000	3%	2%	1%	3%
\$7,001 - \$10,000	2%	2%	3%	2%
More than \$10,000	3%	2%	<1%	2%

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4. For what reasons, if any, d	do you think travel is important?
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(Select all that apply)	Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
Base (n=	407	399	405	1,211
Creates experiences	69%	70%	74%	70%
Lets you recharge	65%	64%	74%	66%
Allows for family time	62%	60%	61%	61%
To become more culturally aware	43%	41%	40%	42%
To grow as a person	35%	38%	42%	37%
Stimulates the economy	18%	15%	19%	18%
Other	4%	5%	5%	4%
None of the above	3%	4%	2%	3%

5. How important do you think travel is to your well-being?		Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
Bas	se (n=)	405	400	404	1,209
Very important		62%	67%	64%	64%
Somewhat important		33%	28%	33%	32%
Not at all important		5%	4%	3%	4%

# 6. Do you plan to take a summer vacation this year of 4 days or

more between May - September?		Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
	Base (n=)	407	400	405	1,212
Yes		70%	75%	73%	72%
No		12%	8%	12%	11%
Don't know		18%	18%	15%	17%

# 7. Which of the following types of vacations do you plan to take for your summer vacation(s)? (Select all that apply)

for your summer vacation(s)? (Select all that apply)		Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
	Base (n=)	285	299	297	881
City Destination		47%	50%	48%	48%
Beach Getaway		36%	55%	49%	44%
Theme Park / Attractions		27%	25%	20%	25%
Cruise		19%	19%	13%	18%
Luxury		12%	9%	8%	10%
Other		20%	16%	20%	19%
None of the above		2%	1%	2%	2%

## 8. What type of experience are you most interested in for your $\,$

next vacation?		Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
	Base (n=)	285	299	297	881
Relaxing		54%	58%	62%	57%
Adventure		17%	16%	14%	16%
Cultural experience		15%	15%	14%	15%
Luxury		6%	6%	2%	5%
Culinary		2%	1%	2%	2%
Other		6%	4%	6%	6%

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### **Respondent Profile:**

Gender	Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
Base (n=)	407	400	405	1,212
Male	48%	48%	48%	48%
Female	52%	52%	52%	52%

Age	Florida	Georgia	Tennessee	Total
Base (n=)	407	400	405	1,212
18-34	27%	32%	30%	29%
35-44	16%	19%	17%	17%
45-54	18%	19%	19%	19%
55-64	16%	15%	17%	16%
65 or older	22%	15%	18%	20%

#### **Statistical Statement:**

The AAA Consumer Pulse™ Survey was conducted online among residents living in the Southern Region of The Auto Club Group (Florida, Georgia, and Tennessee) from April 4 - 8, 2013. A total of 1,212 residents completed the survey. Overall survey responses are weighted by gender and age within state to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the adult population (18+) in Florida, Georgia, and Tennessee.

	Base (N=)	Maximum Margin of Error
Florida	407	+/- 4.9 percentage points
Georgia	400	+/- 4.9 percentage points
Tennessee	405	+/- 4.9 percentage points
TOTAL	1,212	+/- 2.8 percentage points