

Improving Hotel Programs





Travel Buyers' Top Goals for 2019



1. Reduce Program Cost



2. Policy Compliance

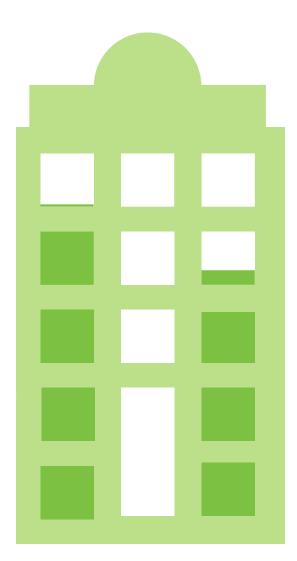


3. Increase Traveler Satisfaction

Goal 1: Reduce Program Costs

Travelers are willing to spend more if their rate allowance doesn't cover their business travel needs

While 82% of business travelers say they "often" or "always" stay within their rate allowance

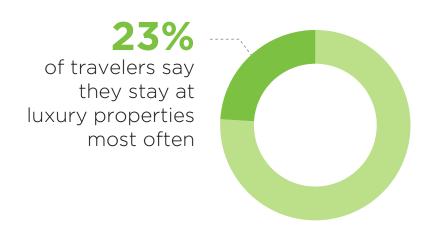


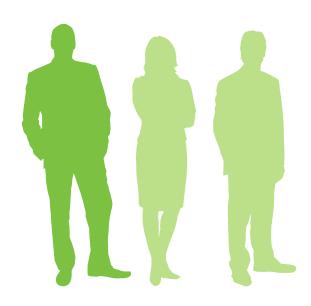
66% say they would like their rate allowance to be higher so they can stay at preferred properties

Goal 1: Reduce Program Costs

Gaps exist between where travelers usually stay and where they are allowed to book



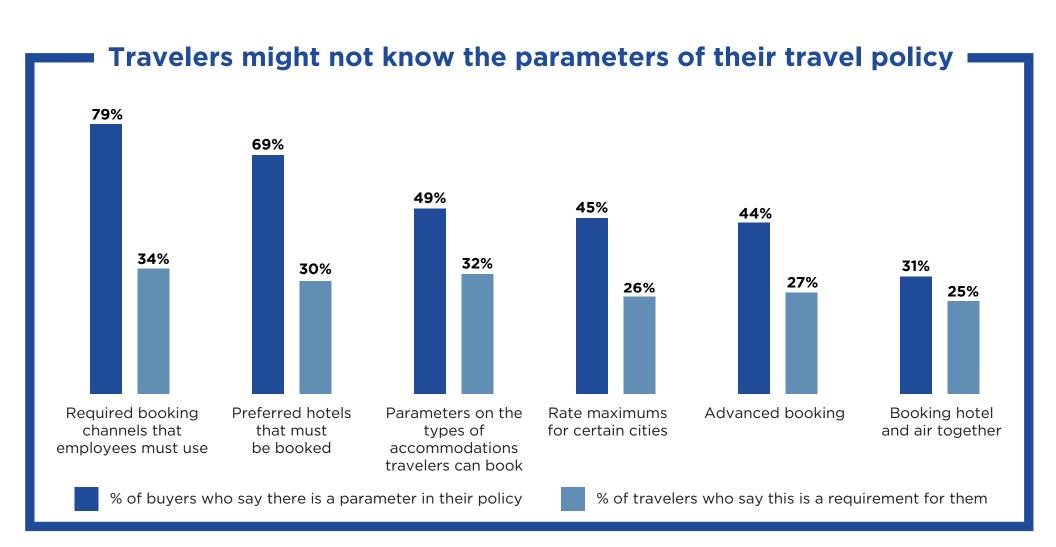




One-third of business travelers say they are willing to go over their rate allowance by \$31 or more so they can better meet their business travel needs

Goal 2: Increase Policy Compliance

On average, travel buyers say one-third (32%) of their bookings, are non-compliant



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And there's a disconnect between travelers and buyers on what is available



26%

of travel buyers say difficulty in finding a property near the travel destination is a challenge for compliance



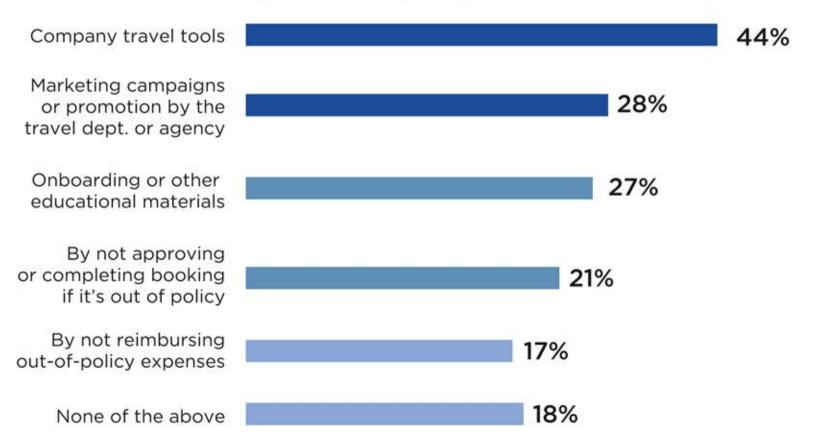
73%

of business
travelers say
finding a hotel
near their
destination is a
challenging
aspect in booking
through their
travel program

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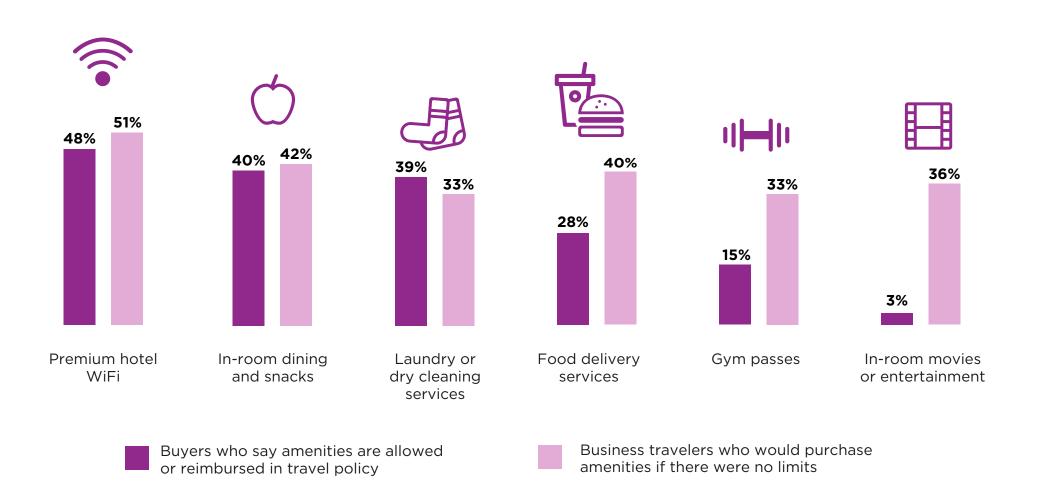
Travelers report low communication on travel policy, even though 62% of travel buyers report providing education on travel policy to travelers





Goal 3: Improve Traveler Satisfaction

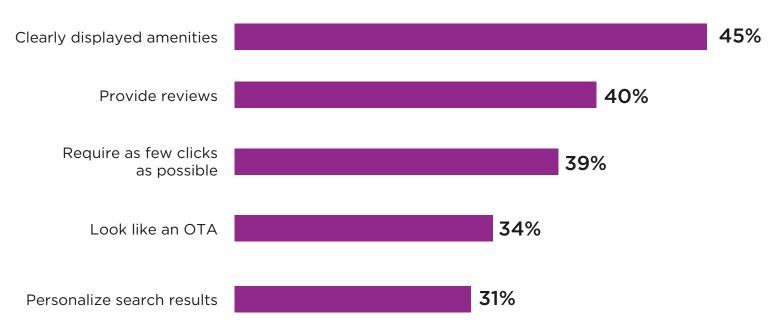
Travelers want to use amenities that aren't always included in their travel policy



Goal 3: Improve Traveler Satisfaction

52% of business travelers say using their online booking tool is a main challenge in booking with their travel program





Methodology

Two-pronged approach

- Online survey of 265 travel buyers in the United States (131) and Europe (134)
 - Survey fielded between September 19, 2018 and October 12, 2018
- Online survey of 750 business travelers in the United States (247), United Kingdom (254), and France (249)
 - Respondents qualified if they:
 - Were employed full-time or part-time
 - Traveled for business more than once in the past year
 - Survey fielded between October 5, 2018 and October 15, 2018

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