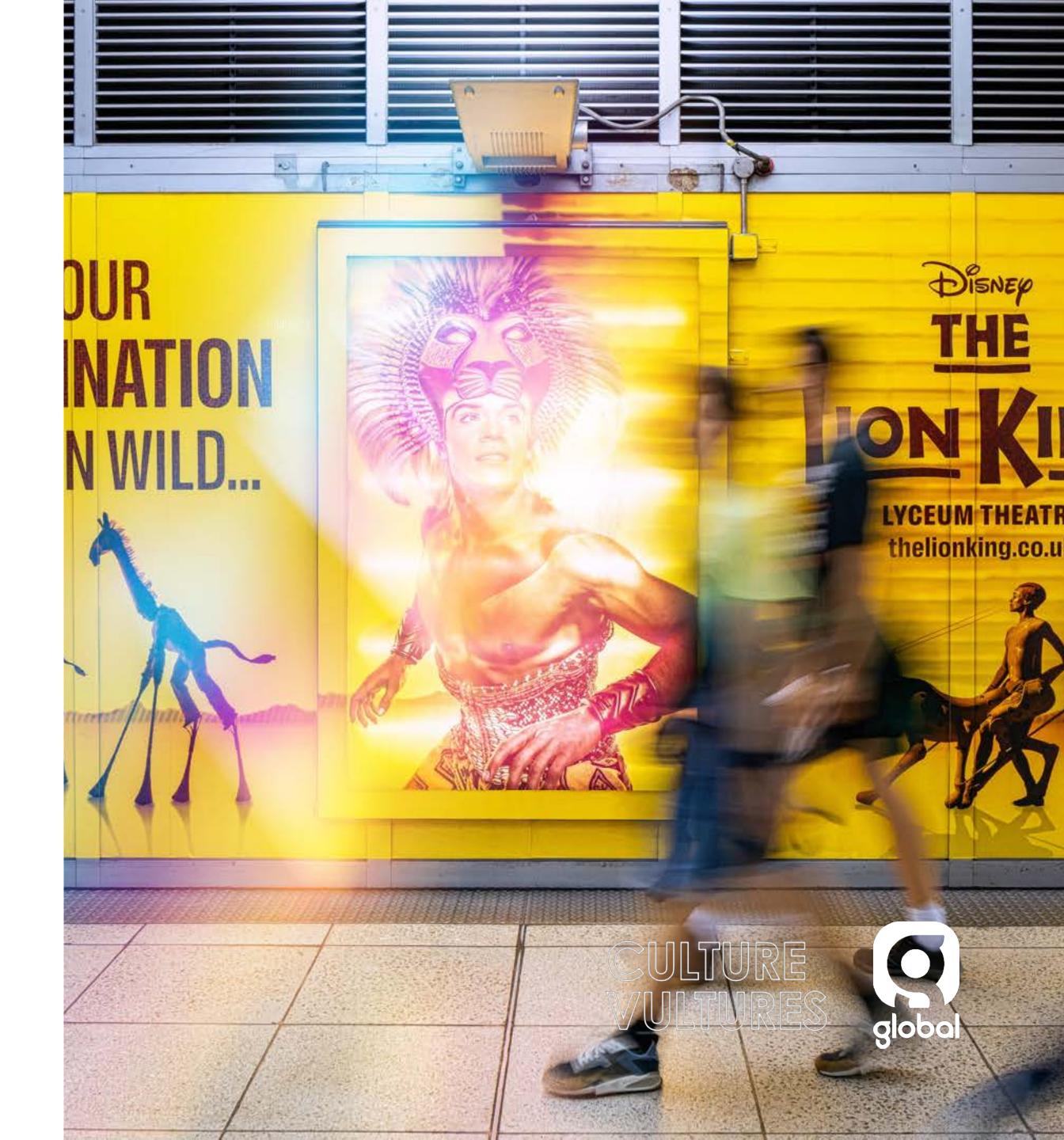


## CULTURE VULTURES

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## 1. INTRODUCTION



#### INTRODUCTION

### Putting industry insights centre stage with brand new outdoor and audio research on the arts sector.

This year's study delves into the intricate dynamics of the market, scrutinising its stability in the wake of escalating living costs.

This report offers a comprehensive overview of consumer behaviour within the arts sphere, shedding light on key considerations for brands and advertisers engaging with these audiences.

Discover what nuances matter and explore how Global can play a pivotal role in connecting with and captivating these discerning audiences.



## 2. METHODOLOGY



#### METHODOLOGY

#### APPROACH 1

#### **Desk Research**

Mintel reports utilised for market research

Global's Audience Insider dashboard tool to gauge consumer behaviour trends

#### APPROACH 2

#### **Quantitative Research**

Global's Culture Vulture 2024 Survey in mid-December 2023

Nationally representative sample of 1200 respondents

Consistent with the previous Culture Vultures 2023 survey (sample and questionnaire)



## 3. INDUSTRY OVERVIEW



# WHAT DID WE LEARN FROM PREVIOUS RESEARCH?



The previous Culture Vultures' research highlighted the anticipated return of the arts and explored the extent to which the arts sector had recovered from the pandemic, considering the impact of the rising cost of living.



## WHAT DID WE LEARN FROM LAST YEAR'S RESEARCH?

ARTS & ATTRACTIONS
ARE A PRIORITY FOR
CONSUMERS

Despite economic challenges, 41% of visitors still prioritised arts and attractions, with 24% visiting more frequently than before the pandemic.

#### **SEIZE THE DAY**

The data also emphasised that, post-pandemic, the arts were not only for enjoyment but were a fundamental part of our way of life. 71% of respondents in the UK considered doing what made them happy more important than ever, indicating a focus on prioritising joy and making up for lost time in their cultural experiences.

ACTING SMARTER
AND RESEARCHING
FOR LONGER

Visitors were then planning and saving more, with only 5% opting for spontaneous trips, reflecting a 68% decrease year-over-year.

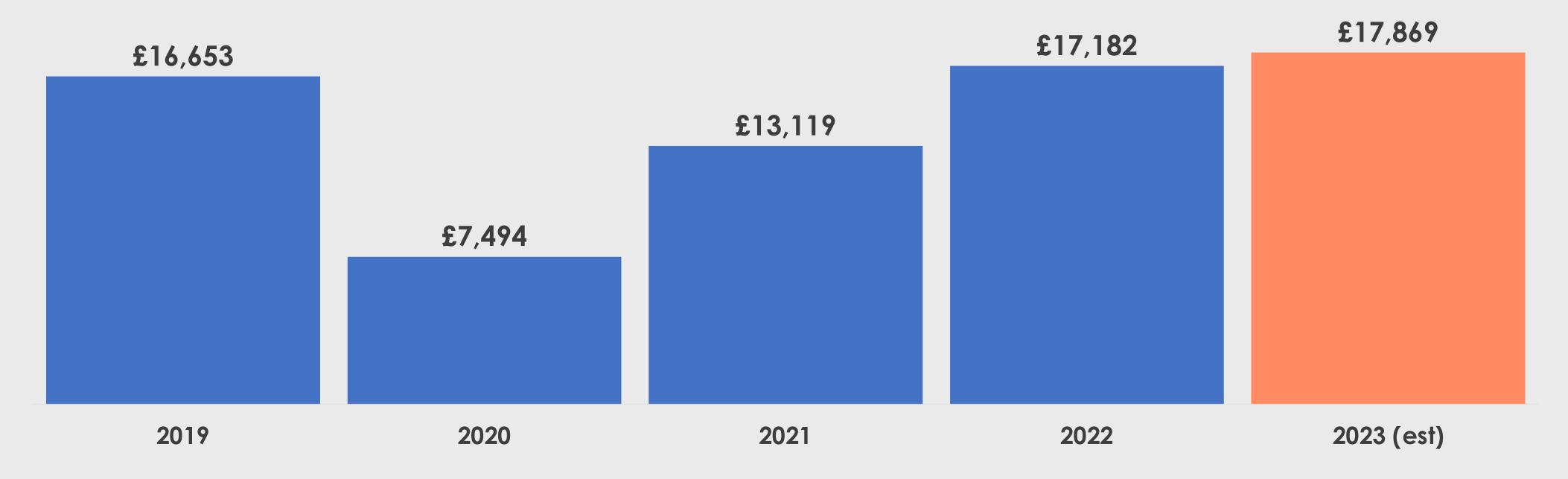
## WHAT'S CHANGED IN 2024?



## CONSUMER SPENDING IS EXPECTED TO HAVE RISEN BY 4%













of the UK visited at least one venue in the last 12 months



0% vs 2023

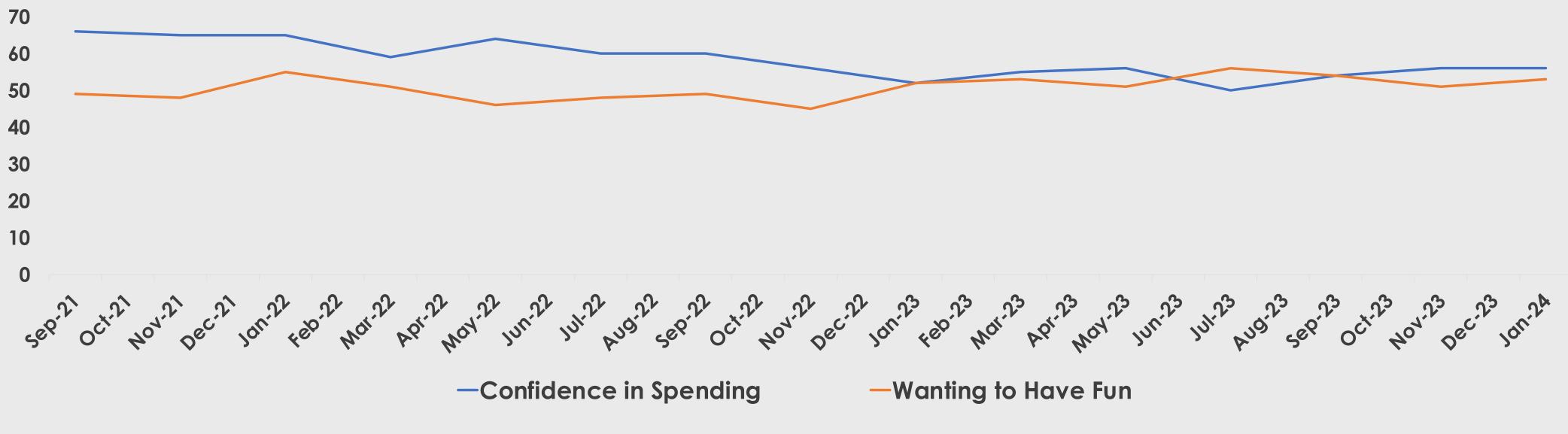
consider arts & attractions to be a priority this year



Source: Culture Vultures 2024

#### THERE IS STABILITY IN POSITIVITY & SPENDING...

Confidence in spending has seen very little fluctuation, moving from 52% in January 2023 to 56% in 2024. The desire for fun has also remained stable, ranging from 51% to 56% over the same period.









of people booked a visit less than a week before their visit took place



#### ..BUT CONSUMERS ARE STILL TREADING CAREFULLY

People are still focused on finding cheaper prices, attending free events (29%), and comparing costs (40%), with 33% opting to stay local or travel less.

-1% vs 2023

37%

spend more time looking at cheaper prices

-5% vs 2023

29%

attending more free events

+1% vs 2023

40%

comparing prices

+4% vs 2023

33%

staying local or travelling less



#### HOW HAVE THINGS CHANGED vs LAST YEAR?

### ARTS & ATTRACTIONS ARE A PRIORITY FOR CONSUMERS

Art and attraction continue to play a pivotal role in the lives of individuals, as evidenced by a staggering 90% of UK residents having visited at least once in the past year. Impressively, 41% of people consider arts and attractions a top priority. These statistics hold steady when compared to the previous year, indicating a consistent trend in attitudes and behaviours based on the findings from the preceding years.

#### **SEIZE THE DAY**

The enduring prioritisation of arts and attractions, coupled with a sustained and pervasive trend of individuals across the UK actively seeking enjoyment, signifies that the 'seize the day' mentality observed in last year's research remains steadfast.

### ACTING SMARTER AND RESEARCHING FOR LONGER

A noteworthy 7% of individuals scheduled their visits within a week of the actual event, revealing a consistent pattern of decreased spontaneity in booking. This trend underscores a preference for planning experiences well in advance, allowing individuals to save time and optimize their schedules more effectively. In-depth research also indicates that consumers continue to prioritise budget considerations, with a substantial 29% seeking free events and 40% actively comparing costs.

## 4. VENUES & ATTRACTIONS



## THEATRE VENUES

Understanding audiences who visited theatre venues in the UK last year.



#### **OVERVIEW**

63%

Visit theatres each year

same % as previous 2023 survey

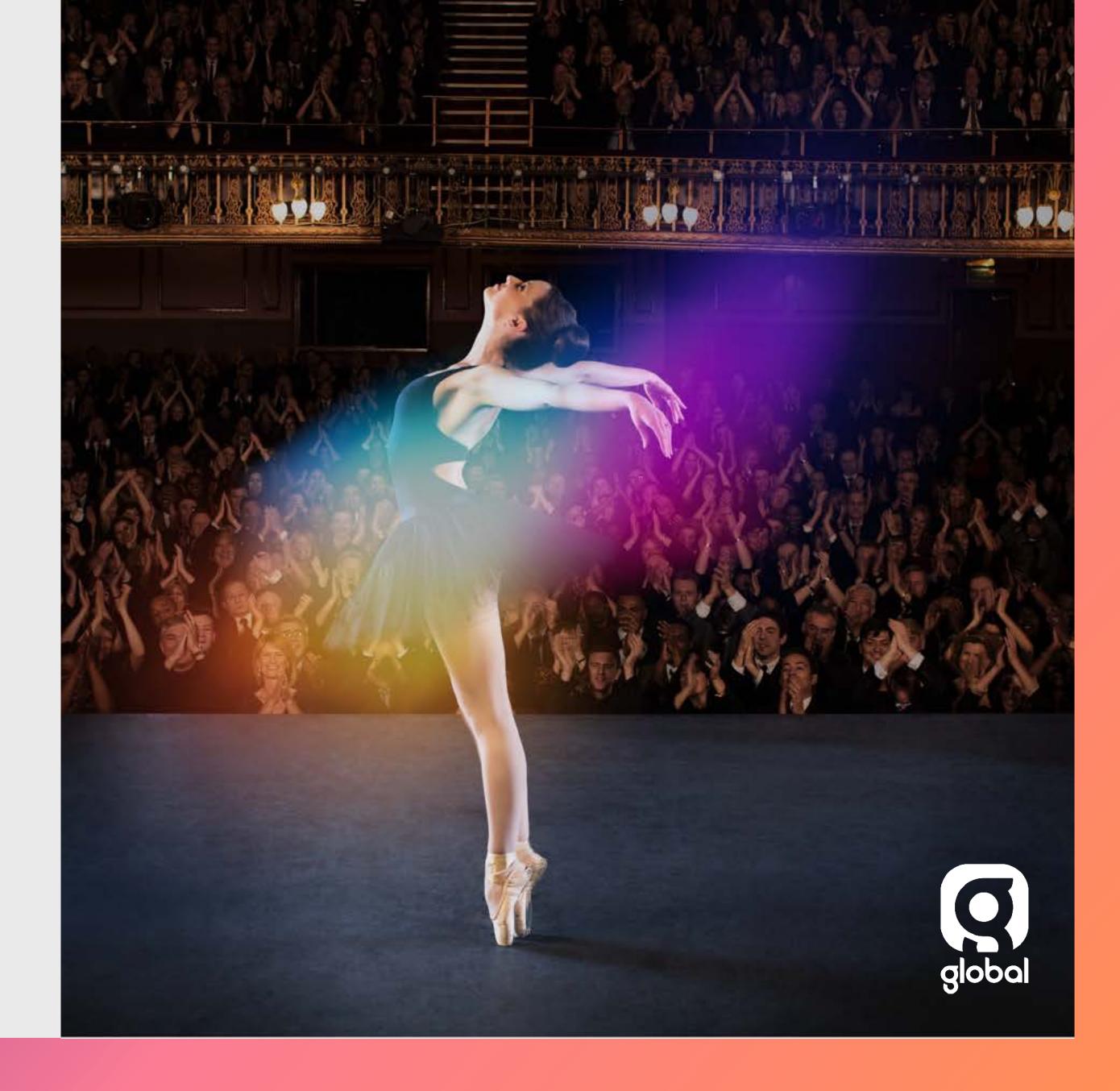
62%

Visit theatres to attend a musical

35%

Attend at least once every 2 months

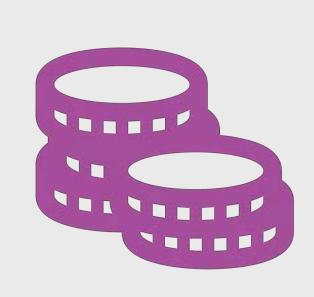
2% decrease from previous 2023 survey



Source: Culture Vultures 2024

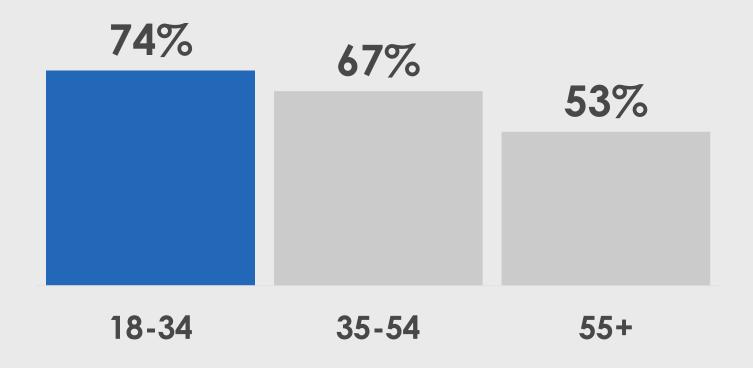
#### KEY DEMOGRAPHICS





69%

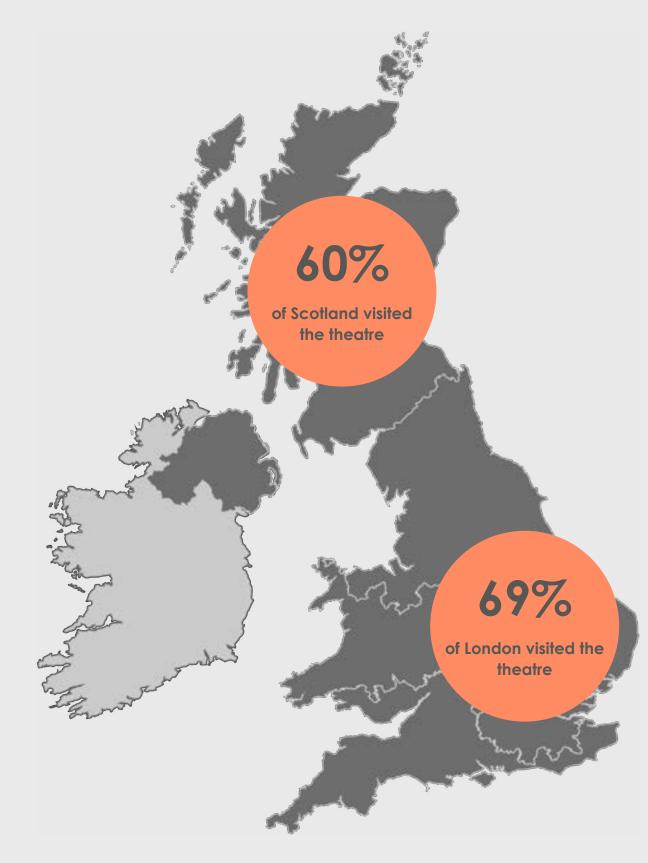
of ABC1s visited a theatre venue





49%

visited a theatre venue with their partner

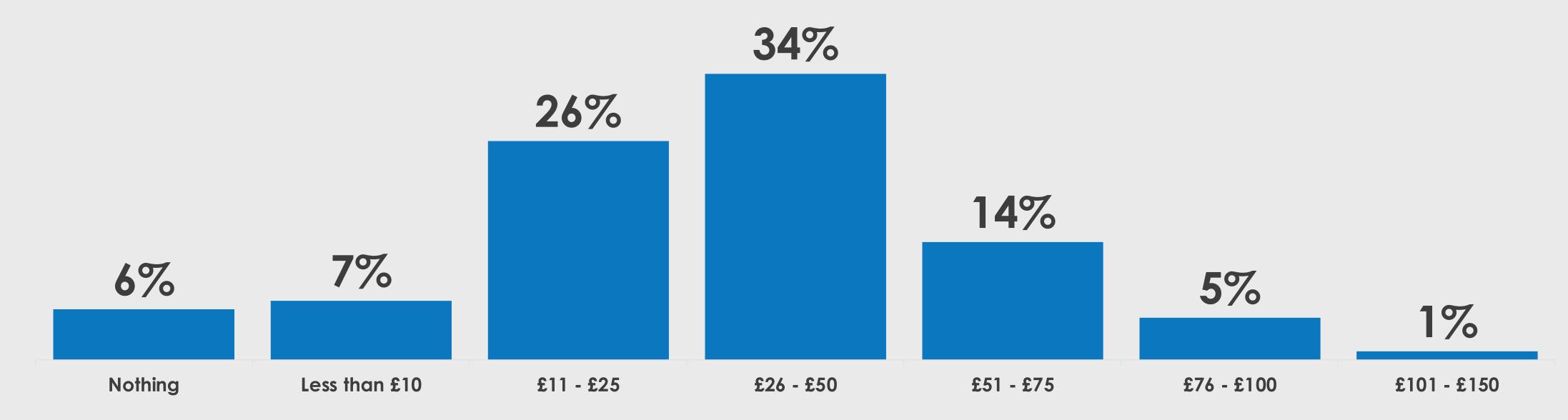




Source: Culture Vultures 2024

#### COST EXPECTATIONS

There is a range of price expectations range when attending theatre venues from 6% of theatre goers expecting to pay nothing, to majority expecting mid-range prices







#### THEATRE TOKENS

24%

of people are familiar with theatre token

710

of people who know about theatre tokens, have used them to purchase tickets

45%

of people who know about theatre tokens, having purchased them as a gift for someone else



#### WHY GLOBAL?

#### Audio



78%

of Capital XTRA
listeners attended a
theatre last year



87%

of Radio X listeners attended a theatre last year

#### Outdoor



90%

of LU users attended a theatre last year



67%

of road users attended a theatre last year



## MUSEUM VENUES

Understanding audiences who visited museum venues in the UK last year.



#### **OVERVIEW**

70%

Visit museums each year

1% increase vs. 2023 survey

81%

of people with kids visit museums a least once a year

37%

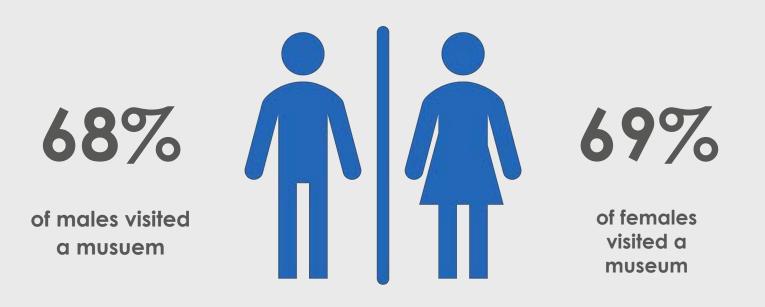
Attend at least once every 2 months

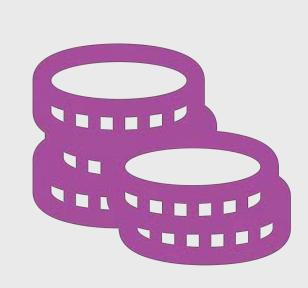
4% increase vs. 2023 survey



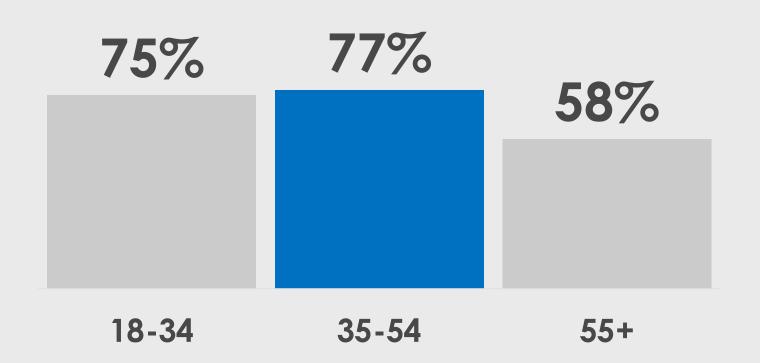
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#### KEY DEMOGRAPHICS



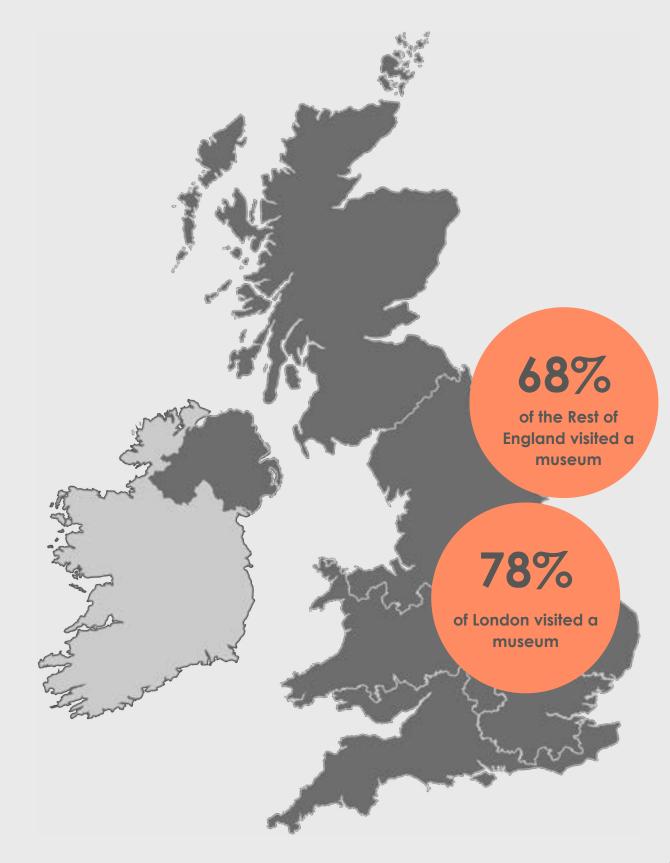


79%
of ABC1s visited a museum





44%
visited a museum with their partner

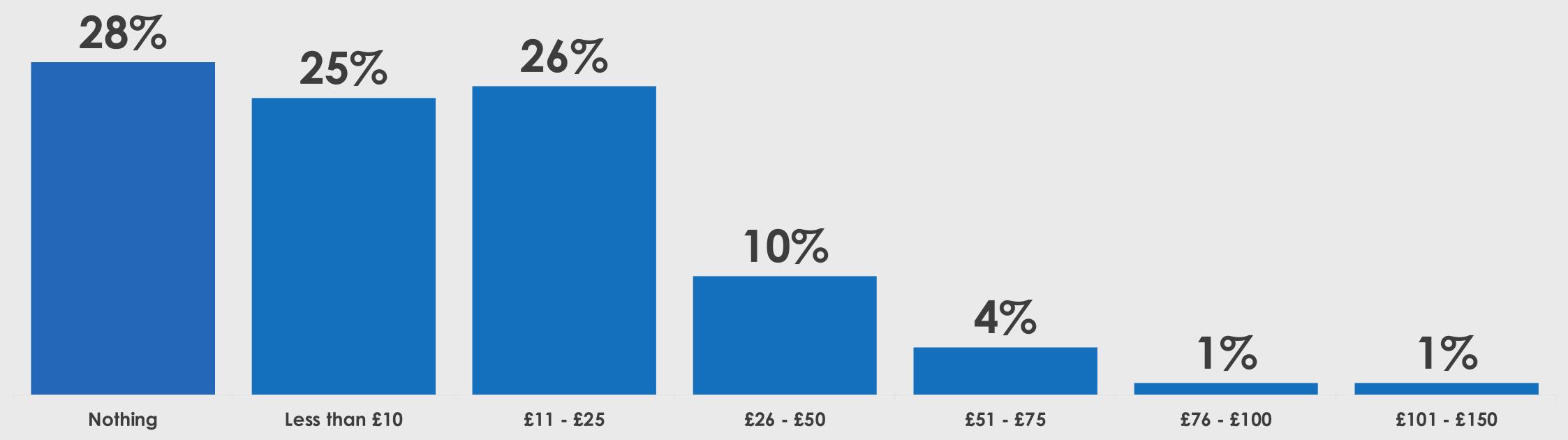




Source: Culture Vultures 2024

#### COST EXPECTATIONS

75% of museum visitors expect to spend less than £25, with a notable 28% expecting free entry.





#### KEY STATEMENTS

"A museum's connection to social or political causes influences my decision to visit"



"A museum collaborating with artists, performers, and other cultural partners makes me more likely to go"



"The way a museum uses social media and engages online affects my choice to attend"



"A museum actively discussing cultural topics or issues is something I think about when deciding to visit"



"The appearance of a museum is a consideration for me when deciding to visit (e.g the decor)"



"A loyalty programme, offering rewards for frequent visits, would influence my choice to visit"





#### WHY GLOBAL?

#### Audio



85%

of LBC listeners attended a museum last year



93%

of Radio X listeners attended a museum last year

#### Outdoor



92%

of LU users attended a museum last year



72%

of road users attended a museum last year



## ART GALLERIES

Understanding audiences who visited art galleries in the UK last year.



#### **OVERVIEW**

56%

Visit art galleries each year

5% increase vs. 2023 survey

41%

Visited The National Art Gallery

37%

Attend at least once every 2 months

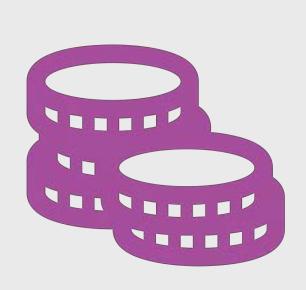
6% increase vs. 2023 survey



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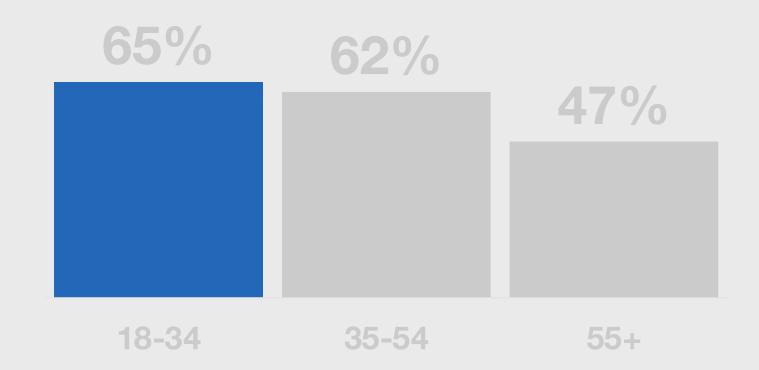
#### KEY DEMOGRAPHICS





65% of ABC1s visited

an art gallery





40%
visited an art gallery with their

partner





Source: Culture Vultures 2024

#### COST EXPECTATIONS

A significant number of visitors don't expect to for gallery trips, and only 36% expect to pay more than £10.





#### WHY GLOBAL?

#### Audio



79%

of Capital XTRA listeners attended an art gallery last year



82%

of Radio X listeners attended an art gallery last year

#### Outdoor



87%

of LU users attended an art gallery last year



58%

of road users attended an art gallery last year



# ATTRACTIONS

Understanding audiences who visited attractions in the UK last year.



# **OVERVIEW**

63%

Visit attractions each year

3% increase vs. 2023 survey

7700

of people with kids visit an attraction each year

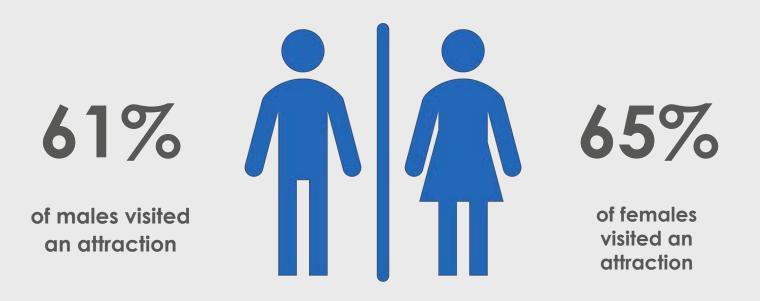
35%

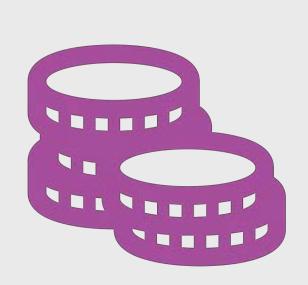
Attend at least once every 2 months

4% increase vs. 2023 survey

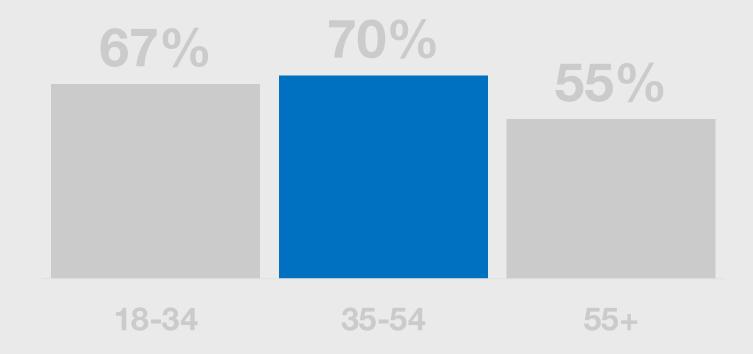


# KEY DEMOGRAPHICS





74%
of ABC1s visited an attraction





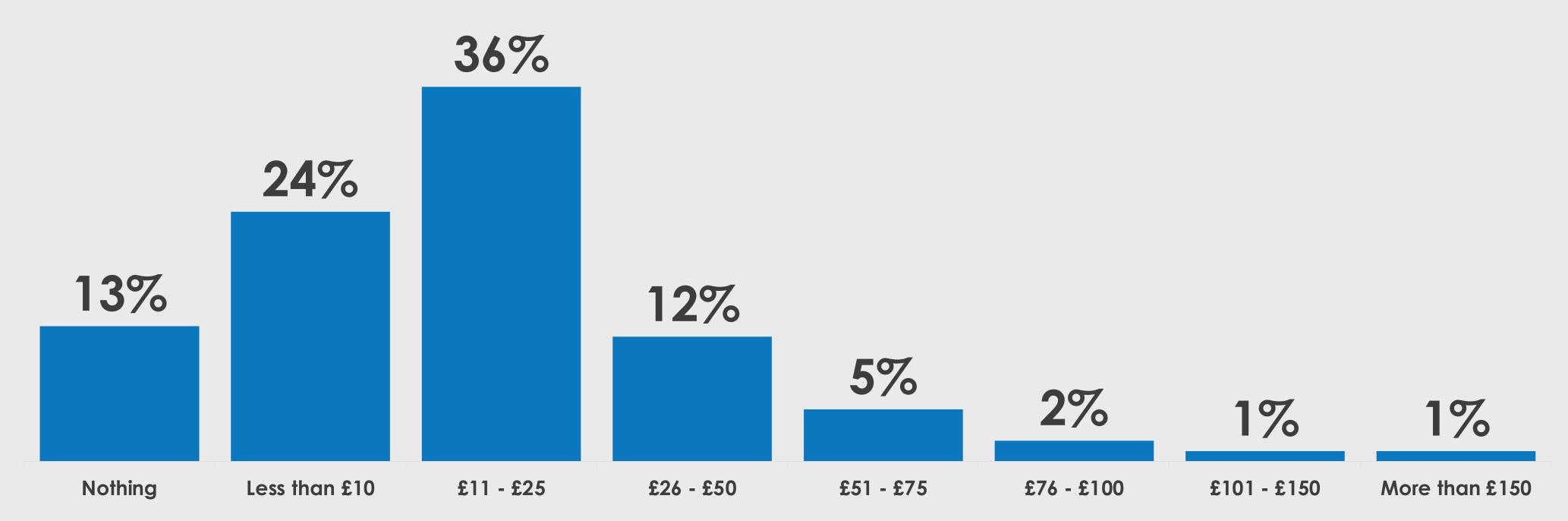
43%
visited an attraction with

their partner





Most attraction visitors expect mid-range prices, but 13% expect free entry.





# WHY GLOBAL?

#### Audio



82%

of LBC listeners attended an attraction last year



88%

of Radio X listeners attended an attraction last year

#### Outdoor



86%

of LU users attended an attraction last year



67%

of road users attended an attraction last year



# IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

Understanding audiences who visited an immersive experience in the UK last year.



# **OVERVIEW**

37%

Visit an immersive experience each year

4% increase vs. 2023 survey

of people with kids visit an or people with kids visit immersive experience each year

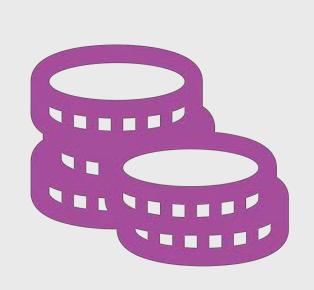
Attend at least once every 2 months

6% increase vs. 2023 survey



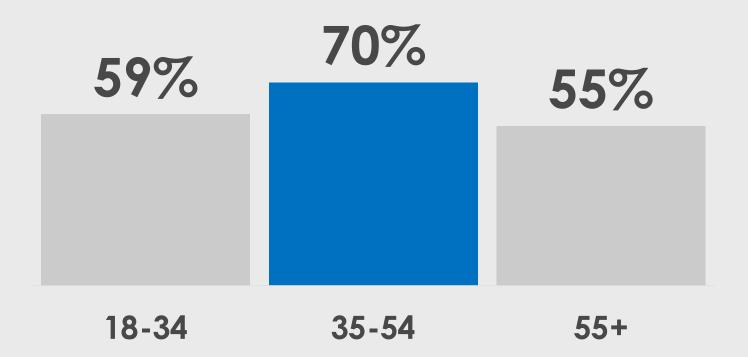
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47%

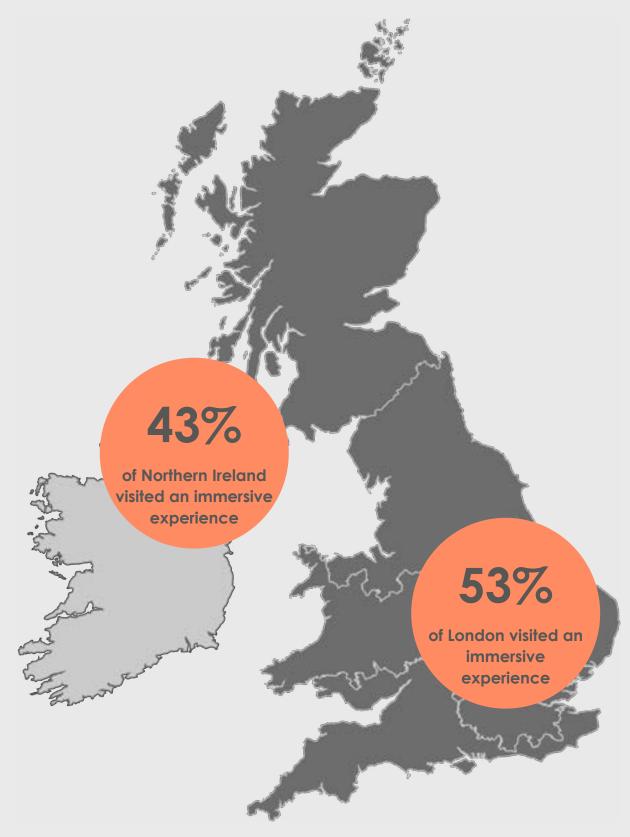
of ABC1s visited an immersive experience





25%

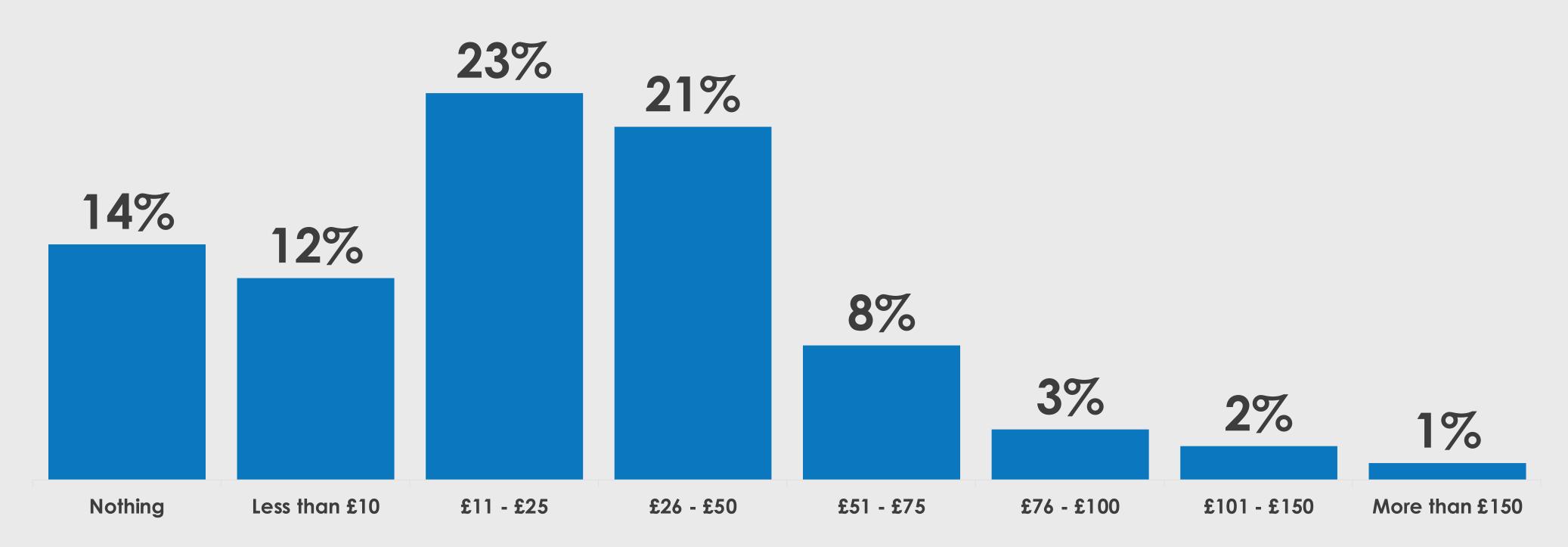
visited an immersive experience with their partner







14% of immersive experience visitors expect to pay more than £50.





# WHY GLOBAL?

#### Audio



74%

of Capital XTRA listeners attended an immersive experience last year



77%

of Radio X listeners attended an immersive experience last year

#### Outdoor



77%

of LU users attended an immersive experience last year



41%

of road users attended an immersive experience last year



# MUSIC FESTIVAL AND CONCERTS

Understanding audiences who visited a music festivals and/or concerts in the UK last year.



## **OVERVIEW**

Visit Music Festivals a
Concerts each year
1% increase vs. 2023 survey

Visit Music Festivals and/or

1% increase vs. 2023 survey

of ABC1s attend music festivals and/or concerts each year

Aftend at 2 months
2 months
2% increase vs. 2%

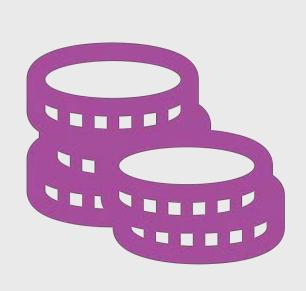
Attend at least once every

2% increase vs. 2023 survey



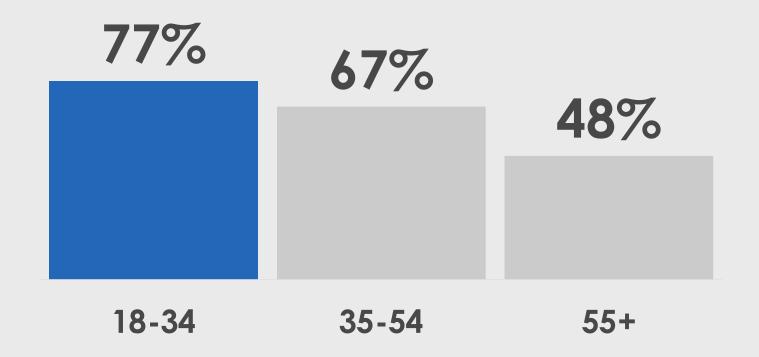
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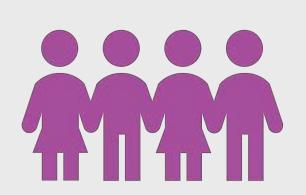




71%
of ABC1s visited a music festival

and/or concert





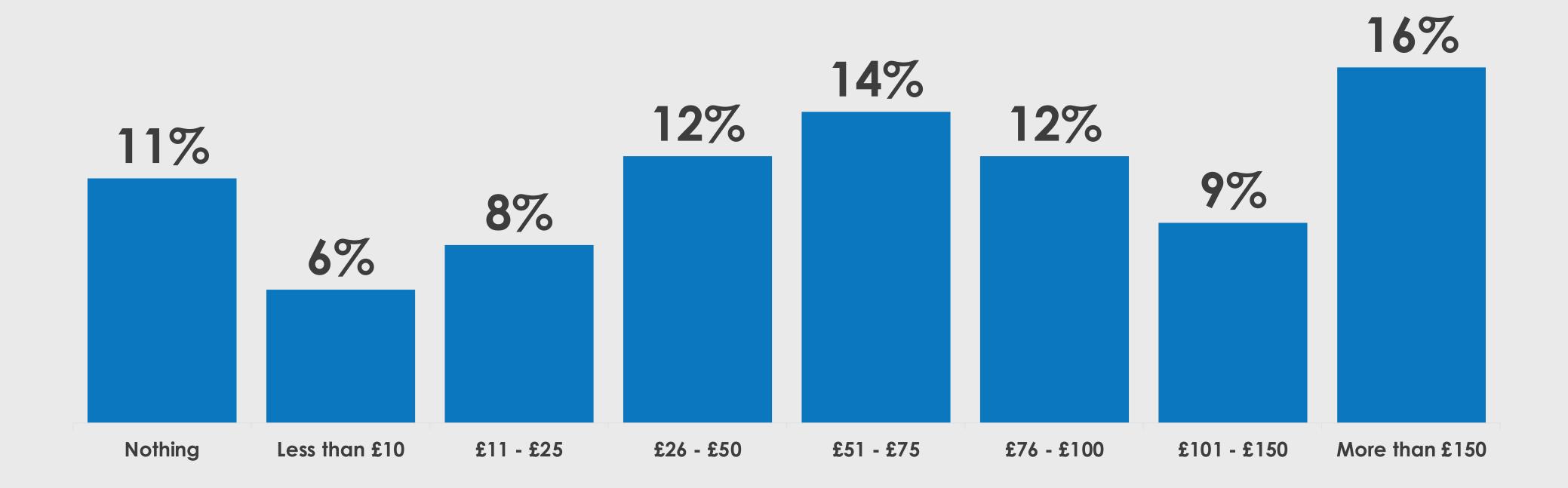
39%
visited a music festival and/or concert with

their friends



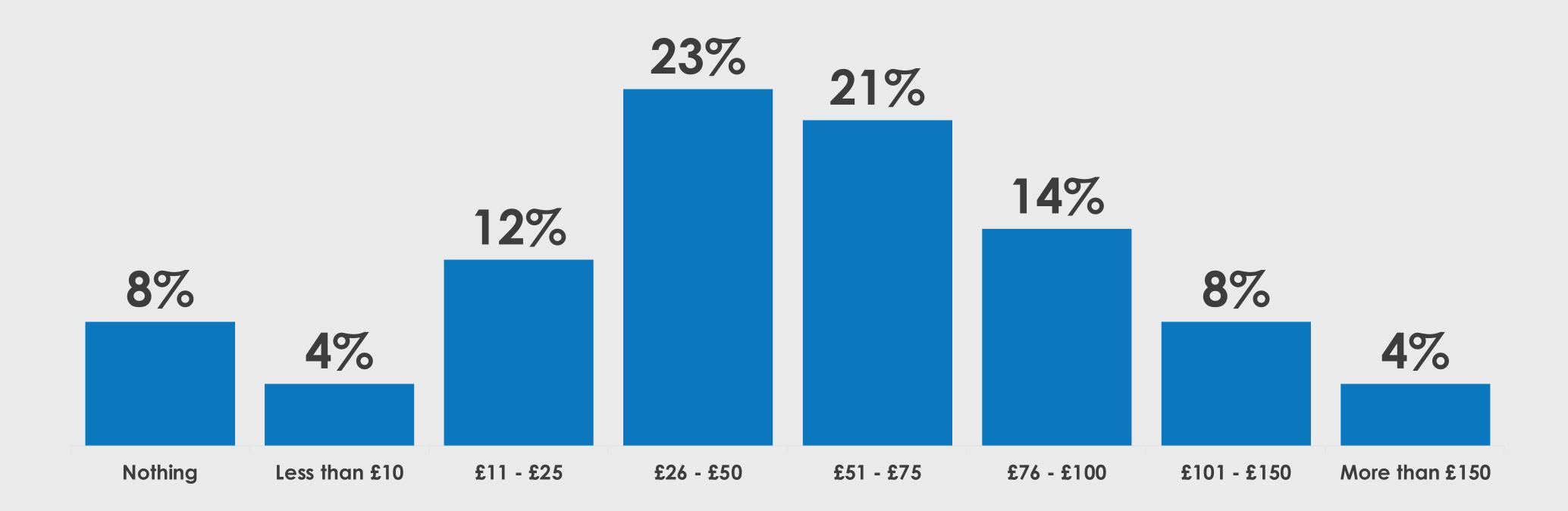


Music festival attenders have a more balanced price range expectation, with the highest figure across all attractions for £100+ at 25%





Music concert attenders have a balanced price range expectation, although they're more likely to expect mid-range pricing.





# WHY GLOBAL?

#### Audio



85%

of LBC listeners attended visited a music festival and/or concert last year



90%

of Radio X listeners attended a music festival and/or concert last year

#### Outdoor



87%

of LU users attended a music festival and/or concert last year



65%

of road users attended a music festival and/or concert last year





# ANY QUESTIONS?

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