Insights on Arrival

An Intercept Survey for the Digital Age



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Introduction to Tourism New Brunswick

- Government-run organization
- Operates the province's official travel portal
- Partners with cities and attractions to reach target audiences
- Has been using PRIZM5 aligned to national EQ segments to plan marketing campaigns for 5+ years

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The Journey: Major Milestones

2008

Relationship started

2015

Transitioned custom segments to PRIZM5

2017-2018

Mobility Analytics







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Mobility Analytics



2010-2014

Custom PRIZM EQ segments based on tourism pillars and propensity to inquire and travel (updated quarterly)



2015-2016

Personification of custom segments





Postal Code Data Can Be Limited in the Tourism Sector

Website Surveys









Attractions/Accommodation/Parks
Attendance (where available)











Challenges

- Data Availability
 - Visitor data only collected in select areas
 - There is no single point of entry to monitor
 - Exit surveys across such a vast area would be too time consuming and expensive
- Is New Brunswick a "drive-through" province?





How Can We Fill in the Data Gaps to Get a Full Picture of Who is Visiting?







The Move to Mobility Analytics



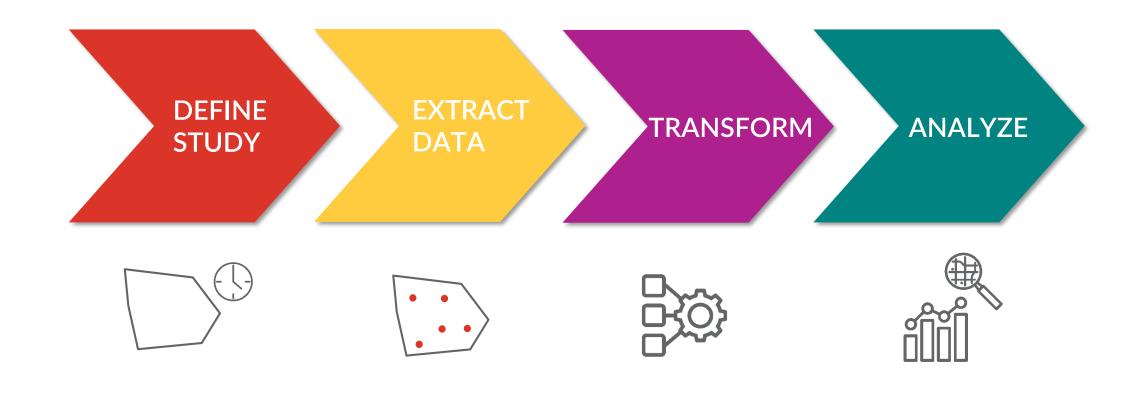
- Anonymized, permission-based data collected from location-enabled mobile devices
- Can identify devices observed within a defined area
- Evolving sources and best practices
 - Billions of data points are generated daily

Can mobility analytics be successfully scaled-up to a project of this size?





The Mobility Analytics Process







The Art of Drawing Geofences

5 Tourism Regions

14 Scenic Drive Segments

16 Entry/Exit Points (by road, water, air)

2 National and 8 Provincial Parks

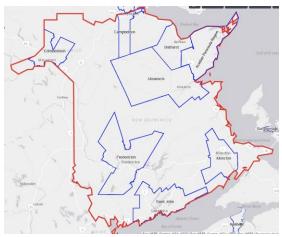
7 Census Metropolitan Areas

25 Town Centres

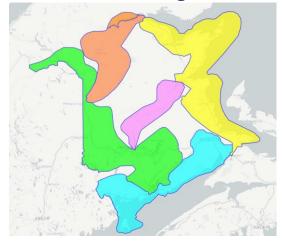
8 Major Highway Segments

6 Other Points of Interest (e.g. Hopewell Rocks)

Census Metropolitan Areas



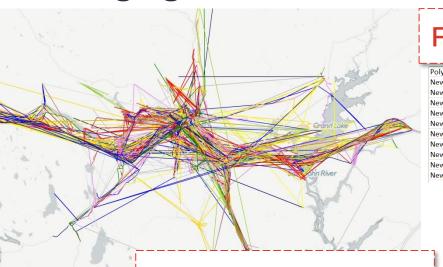
Tourism Regions





Extraction, Transformation & Enhancement

Bringing order to the chaos to drive real insights...



From Raw Data

Unstructured: ~185 million Records with 10 fields

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New Brunswick I	b4cb99ea5d695742	46.43174	-63.31839	677017	
New Brunswick	02e1bdf39590d5be	30.203222	-81.750458	1165236	
New Brunswick	1eb735f09434da616	43.60555	-79.73148	672694	
New Brunswick	31874b9df31d7f083	45.408735	-75.732859	699012	
New Brunswick !	58f2fc83edf7ddcda6	46.405879	-66.254768	0	
New Brunswick	dfd5f6dd53aea3362	42.960338	-79.028928	1118431	
New Brunswick	fb132395b45a46baa	45.421178	-73.608132	-772445	
New Brunswick	d3f464519fb360296	43.781391	-79.233124	1063039	
New Brunswick	7fc5c5d7ab13babb2	32.951294	-96.715401	-956940	

Each row represents a **device observation**; a device will likely be seen more than once.

1473117150 2016-09-05

1486697342 2017-02-09

1495682991 2017-05-24

1500515866 2017-07-19

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23:29:51 Wed

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America/Halifax

America/New York

America/Toronto

America/Toronto



To Value-Added Data

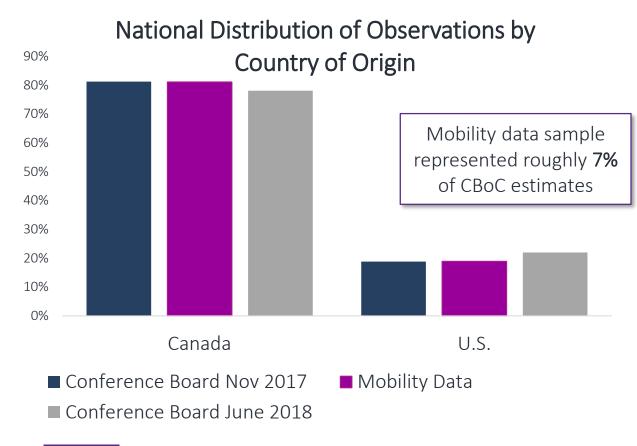
Structured Trip-Level: 241,466 Records with ~250 fields

Device ID	Trip ID	Likely Home Country	Likely Home Postal Code	Attraction Count	Visited CMA: Frederiction	Visited POI: Hopewell Rocks		POI: Fundy onal Park	Visited Scenic Drive: Fundy Coastal	
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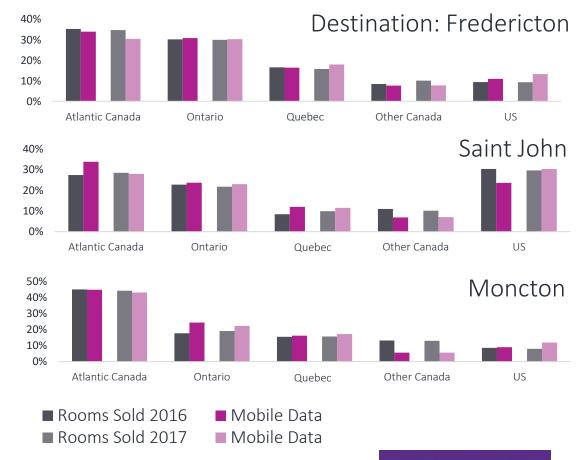
Mobility Data Have Good Representation







Provincial Distribution of Observations by Destination and Province of Origin







We Can Analyze Visitor Types







Through the Lens of Custom Segments



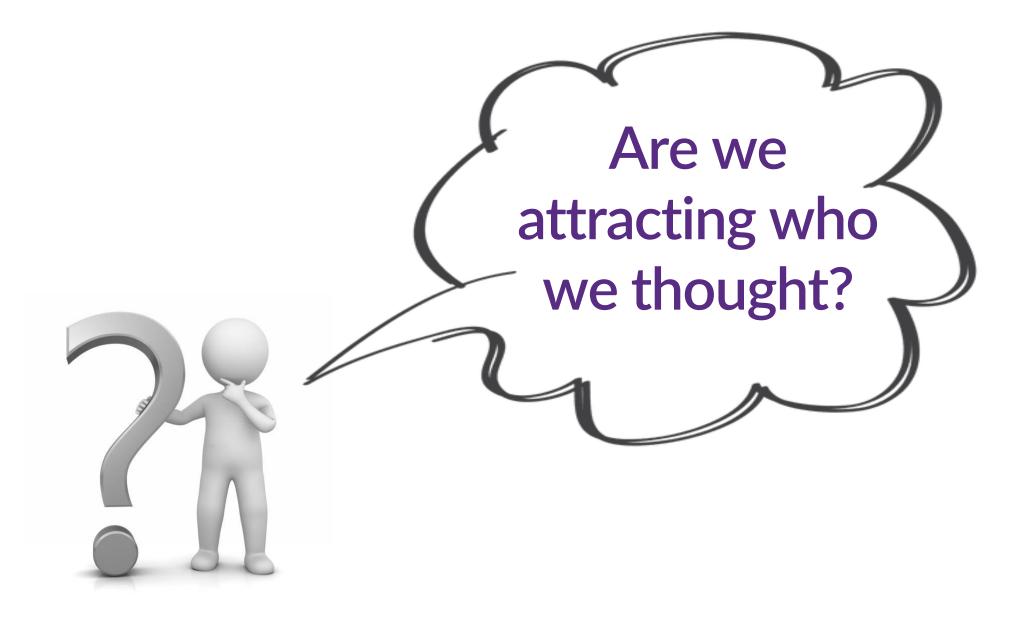
We can identify variations of visitors for each geofence

Profile	Total Households	All Mobility Visitors		Visitors on Scenic Drives		Visitors on Highways		Visitors to River Valley Scenic Drive		Visitors to Fundy Coastal Drive	
		Penetration		Penetration		Penetration		Penetration		Penetration	
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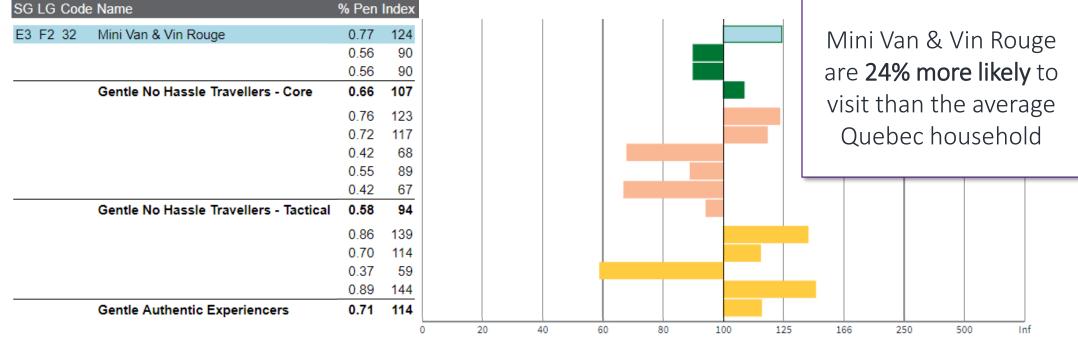




Are We Attracting Who We Thought?



Mini Van & Vin Rouge: previous marketing campaigns have focused on this PRIZM5 segment in Quebec

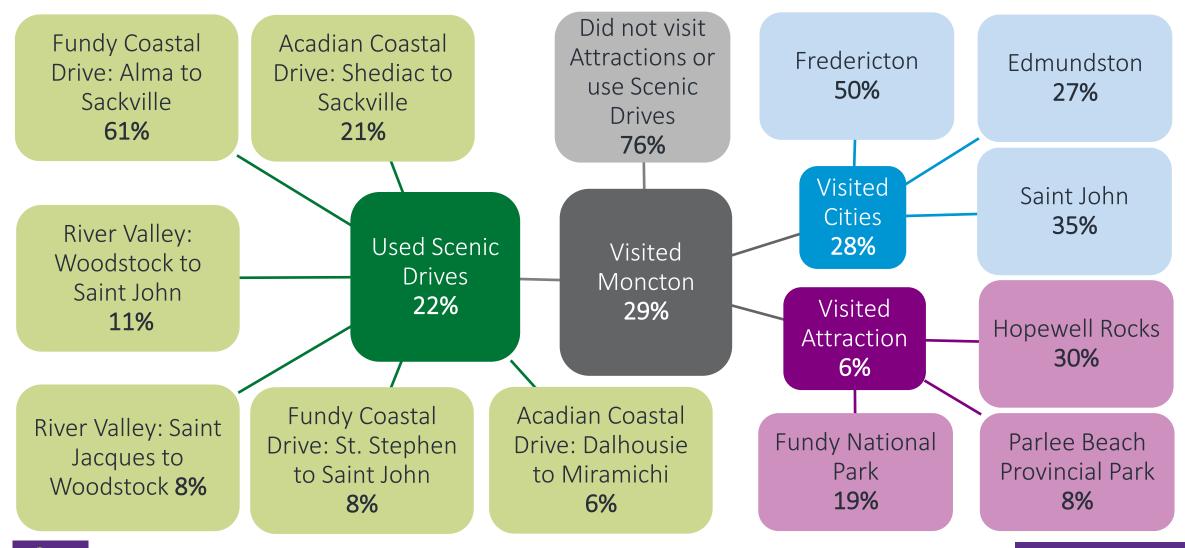








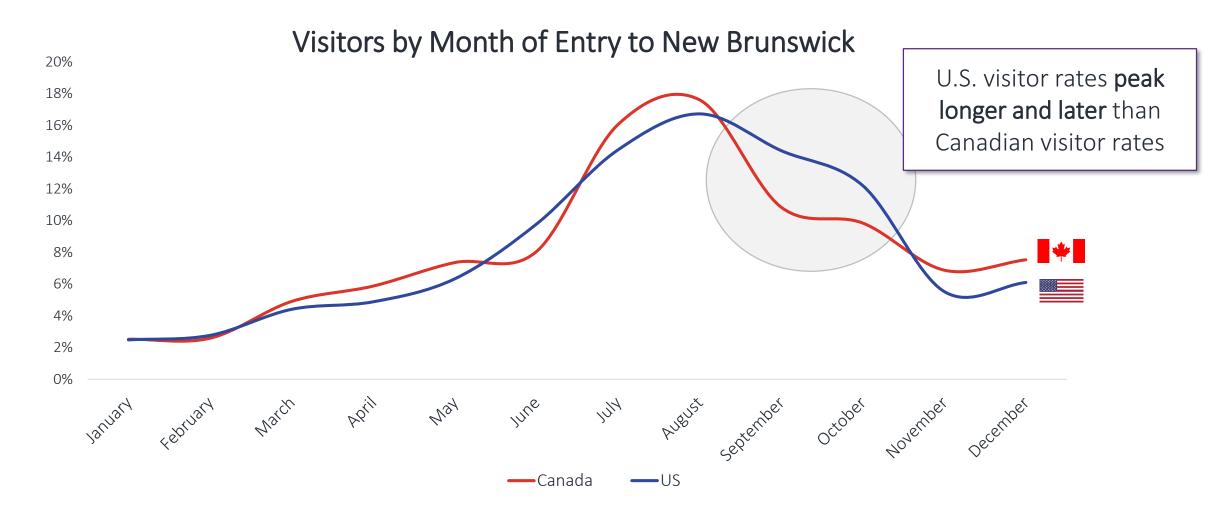
Spotting Visitor Travel Patterns





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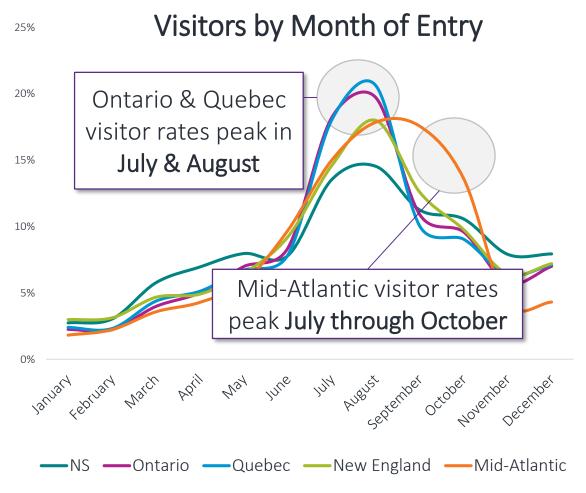
Capturing Seasonality of Visitors

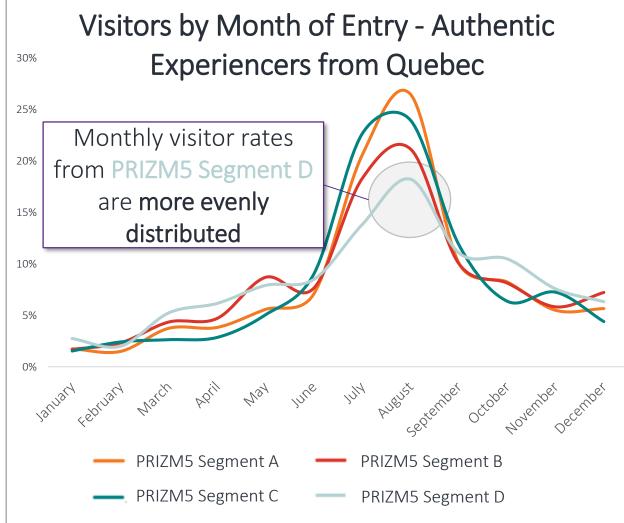




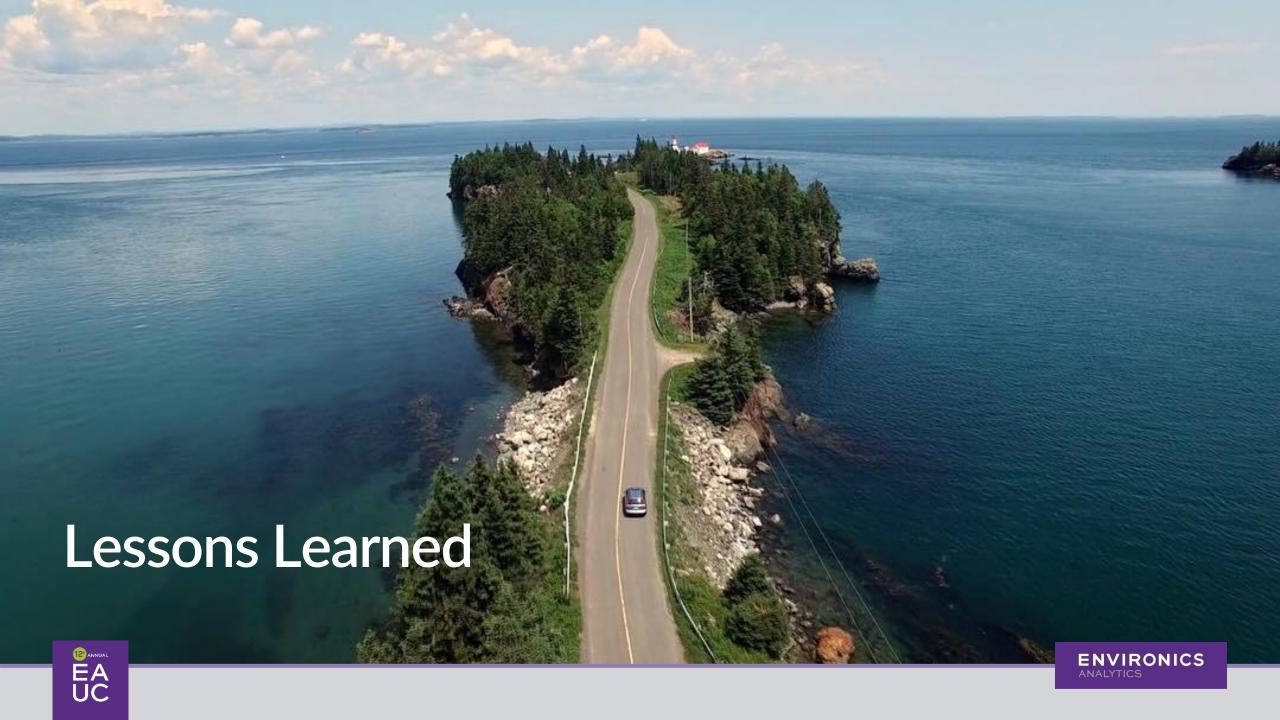


Capturing Seasonality of Visitors









- 1 Consider developing geofences beyond your own region to further understand travel behaviours
- 2 Make geofences large enough, particularly around road entries and exits
- 3 Mobility data gaps exist serves as a large-scale intercept survey
- 4 Not to be used to estimate percentage change in visits year over year

Lessons Learned







Looking Ahead...

- Planning stages for 2019
- The goal: use these data within Tourism New Brunswick marketing efforts to be responsive to the needs of our cities and partners
 - Build partnerships
 - Digital ad campaigns









Mobility Analytics can provide insights for areas where there is limited or no transactional data

2 Mobility data can be linked to segmentation systems

The organization is able to see visitor travel

patterns and measure the effects of seasonality
of tourism in the province

Questions?



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