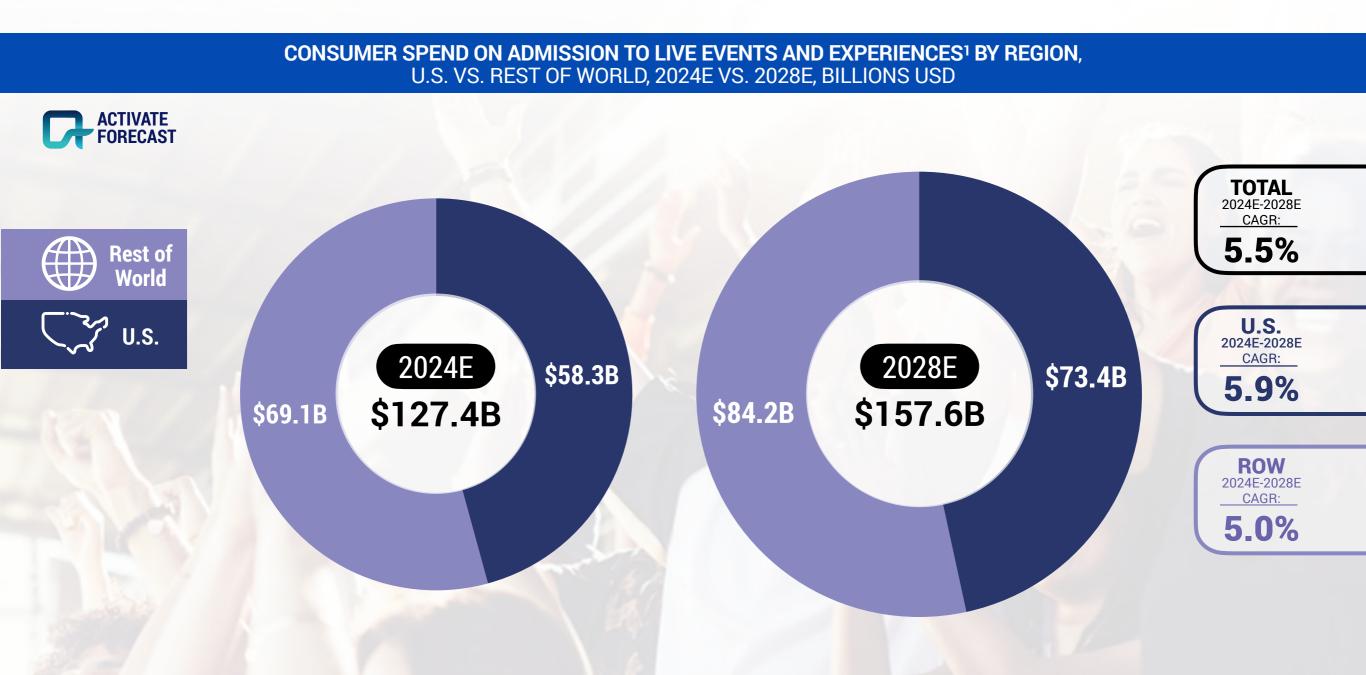
### ACTIVATE CONSULTING TECHNOLOGY & MEDIA OUTLOOK 2025 LIVE EVENTS, EXPERIENCES, & EXHIBITIONS





## We forecast that global visitor/audience spend on live events and experiences will grow to \$158B by 2028



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### Sports and music will drive U.S. spend on live events and experiences

#### CONSUMER SPEND ON ADMISSION TO LIVE EVENTS AND EXPERIENCES<sup>1</sup> BY CATEGORY, U.S., 2019 VS. 2024E VS. 2028E, BILLIONS USD



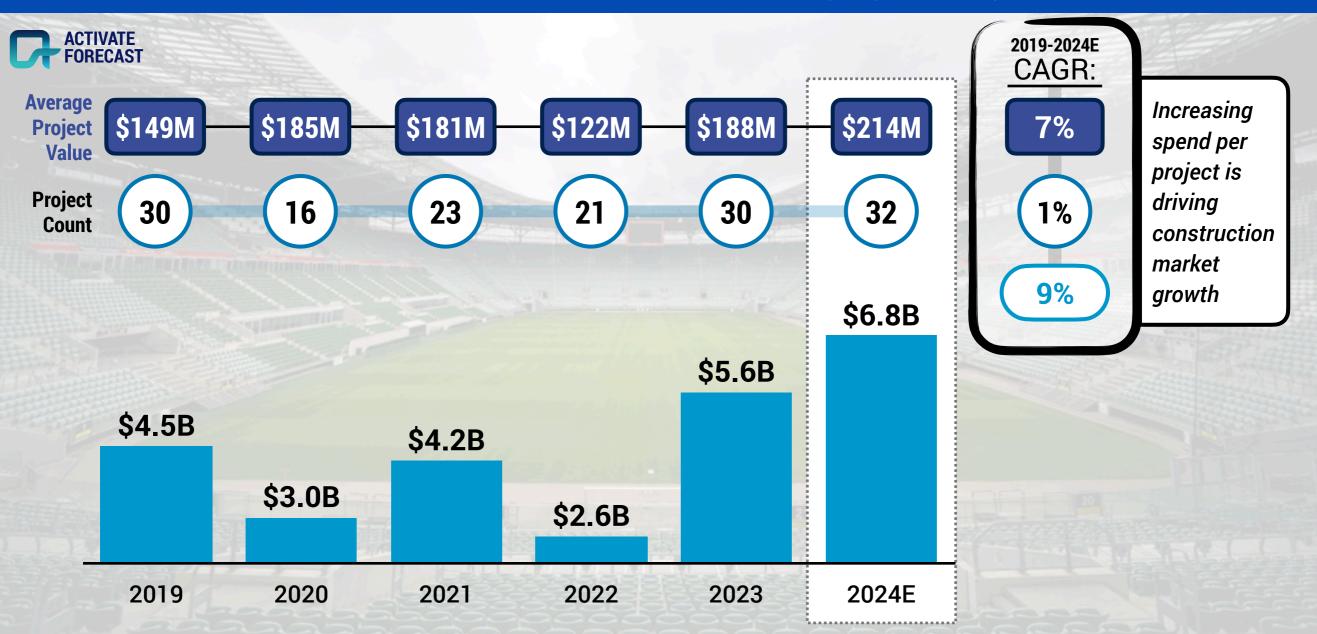
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## Stadium and arena investment is booming to meet the demand from sports and large-scale artist concerts

TOTAL STADIUM AND ARENA INVESTMENT<sup>1</sup> BY PROJECT START DATE<sup>2</sup>, U.S., 2019-2024E, BILLIONS USD





1. Includes the total cost of stadium and arena construction projects, including all expenses associated with planning, designing, and construction. 2. Total stadium and arena investment associated with a project in the U.S. (including school and college projects) exceeding \$25M in value allocated to the year that construction began. Sources: Activate analysis, GlobalData, Team sites, University sites

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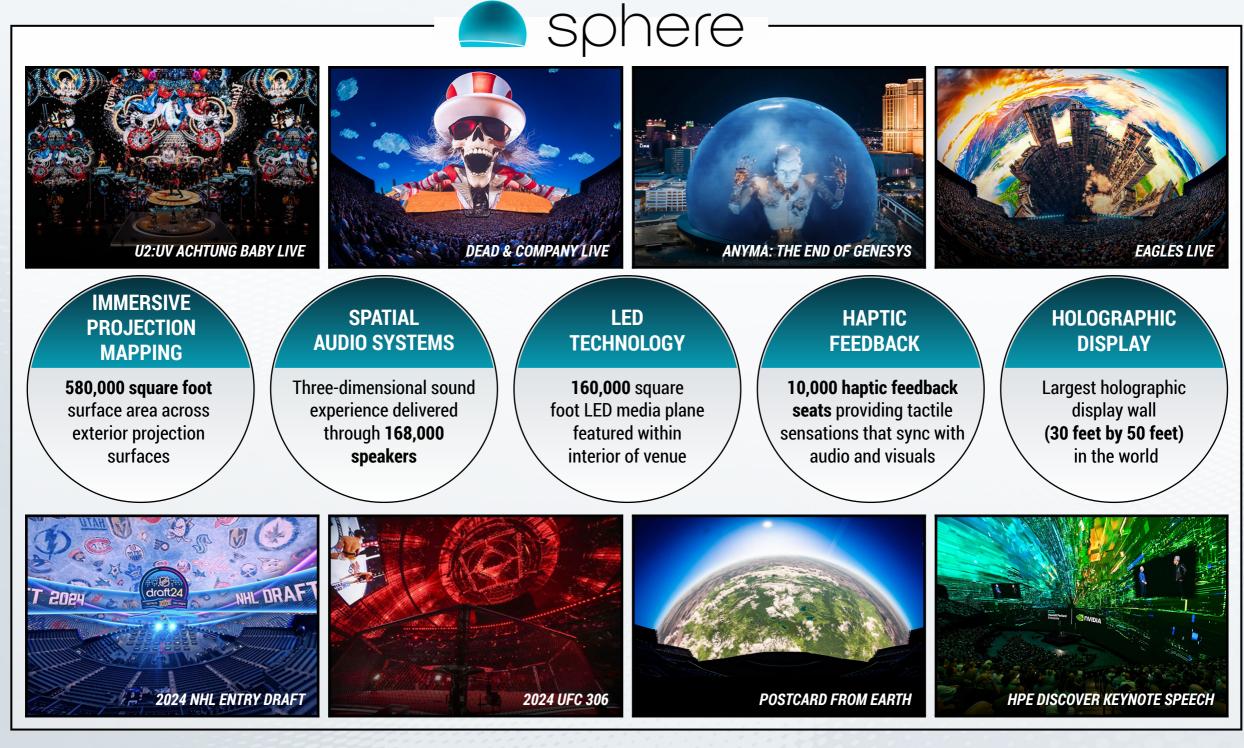
## New stadium and arena technology will raise the bar for fan experience, requiring increased investment and design innovation

EXAMPLES OF TECHNOLOGY FEATURED AT NEW STADIUMS AND ARENAS<sup>1</sup>

#### SMART SEATING LARGE-SCALE DISPLAYS \$1.5B \$2.0B overall project overall project planned spend planned spend Los Angeles, CA 📲 Las Vegas, NV INTUIT DOME **A'S BALLPARK** 18,000 square foot dynamic video wall within shaded enclosure LED lights and controllers at every seat to allow fans to interact with halo display **CLIMATE CONTROL & COMFORT** AI-ASSISTED CONCESSIONS **KITCHEN & MARKET** \$1.4B \$0.6B overall project overall project planned spend planned spend Jacksonville, FL New Orleans, LA CAESARS SUPERDOME EVERBANK STADIUM Glass roof and shaded canopy to reduce outside temperatures by 15 degrees Al-assisted self-checkout and grab-and-go markets activate

1. Includes planned, announced, and completed projects. Sources: Activate analysis, Associated Press, Axios, Company sites, Construction Dive, Fast Company, MLB, Washington Post

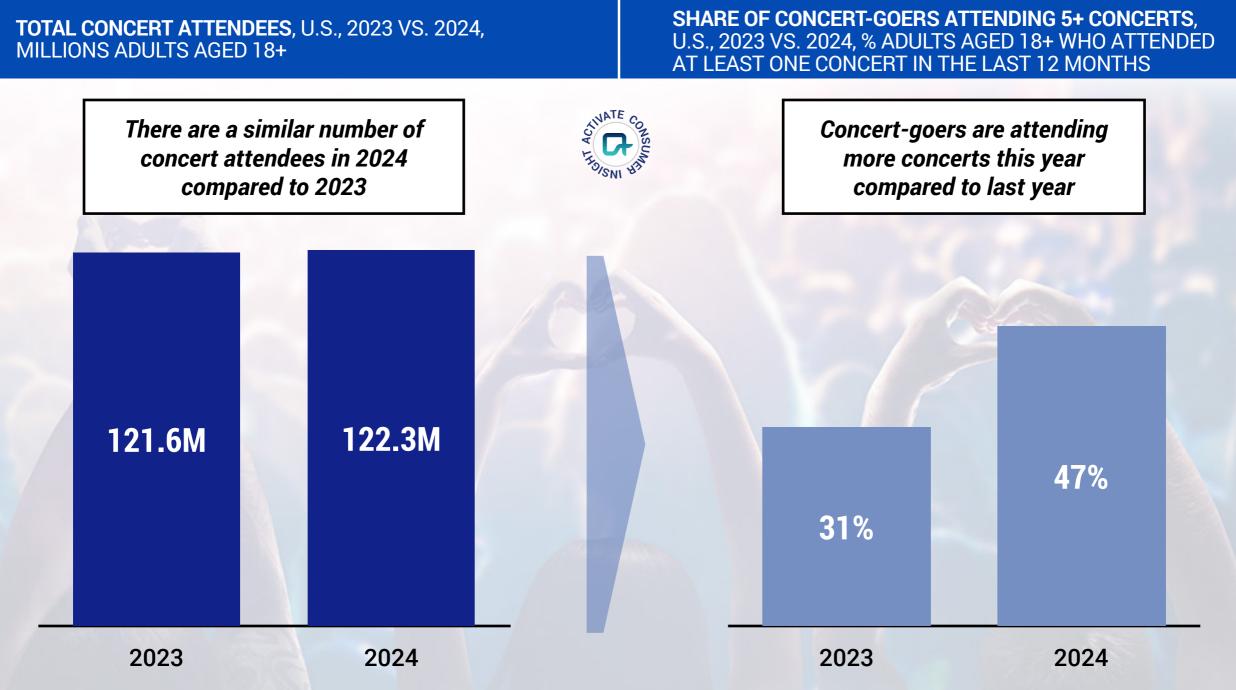
### The Sphere's investment in technology and innovation has showcased the realm of possibility within live experiences





Sources: Activate analysis, Company sites, Sports Video Group

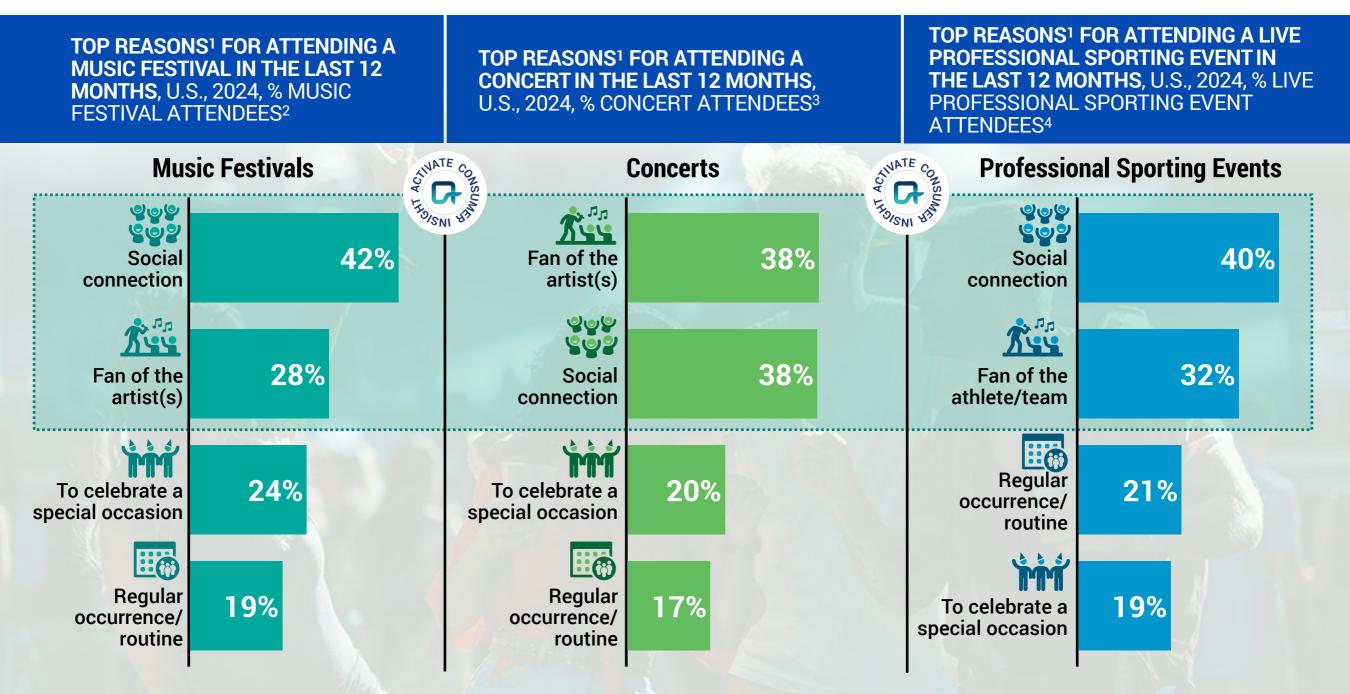
## Attendance at concerts is growing as fans increase the number of concerts they attend





Sources: Activate analysis, Activate 2023 Consumer Technology & Media Research Study (n = 4,023), Activate 2024 Consumer Technology & Media Research Study (n = 4,004), U.S. Census Bureau

### People are attending live events mainly for social connection and team/artist fandom

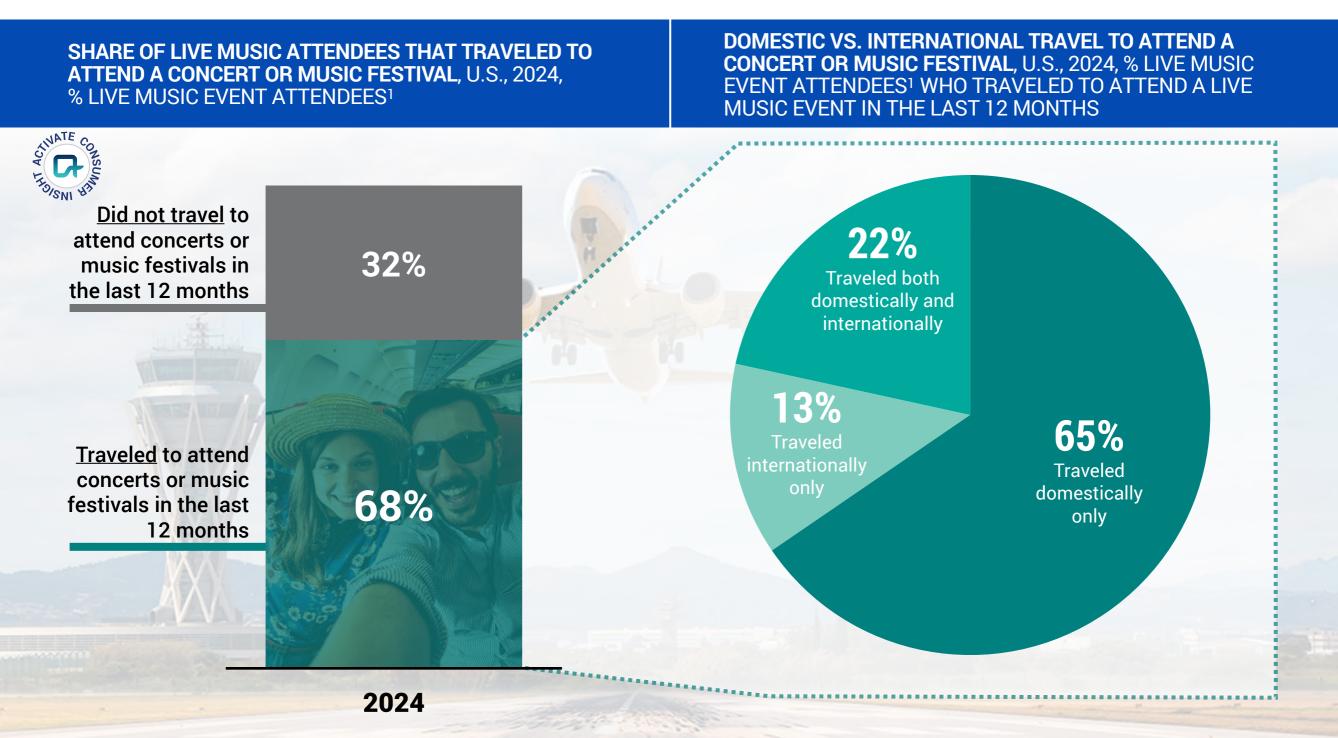


1. Consumers were asked to select up to three top reasons. 2. "Music festival attendees" are defined as adults aged 18+ who attended at least one music festival in the last 12 months. 3. "Concert attendees" are defined as adults aged 18+ who attended at least one concert in the last 12 months. 4. "Live professional sporting event attendees" are defined as adults aged 18+ who attended at least one live professional sporting event in the last 12 months.



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## Most live music fans have traveled outside their city to attend concerts or music festivals



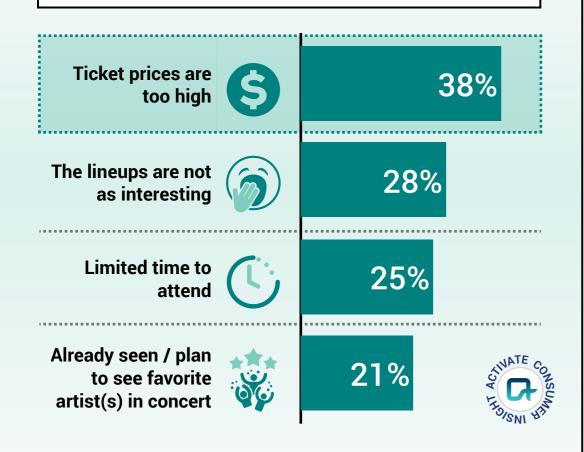


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# Music festival attendance is softening as fans are turned off by high prices and less exciting lineups

**TOP REASONS<sup>1</sup> FOR ATTENDING FEWER MUSIC FESTIVALS**, U.S., 2024, % MUSIC FESTIVAL ATTENDEES<sup>2</sup> WHO PLAN TO ATTEND FEWER MUSIC FESTIVALS IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS

High ticket prices are driven by the need for music festival organizers to compensate for increasing production costs amidst supply chain challenges



#### SELECT MAJOR U.S. MUSIC FESTIVALS WITH CANCELLATIONS OR REDUCED DEMAND

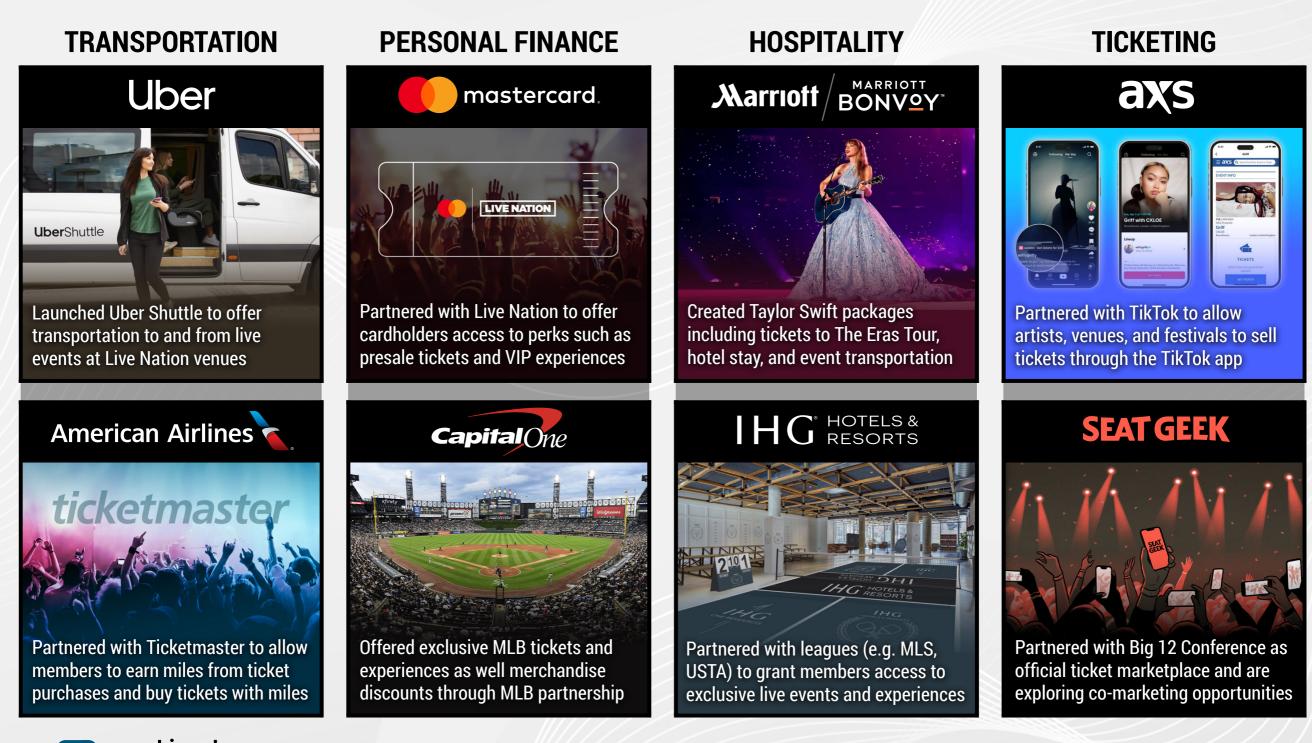
MUSIC FESTIVAL	STATE	ESTIMATED Attendance	INAUGURAL Year	LAST ACTIVE Year	NOTE
COACHELLA	CA	200K (2024)	1999	-	Slow to sell out
đ	NY	90K (2023)	2009	2023	Canceled
MADE in AM≅RICA	PA	80K (2022)	2012	2022	Canceled
bonnar& muric & artr fertival	TN	70K (2024)	2002	-	Did not sell out
burning man (project	CA	70K (2024)	1986	-	Did not sell out
FIREFLY THE WOODLANDS + 2022 + DOVER, DE	DE	50K (2021)	2012	2022	Canceled
RIVERBEND	TN	50K (2023)	1982	2023	Canceled
Beale Street Music Festival	TN	40K (2023)	1977	2023	Canceled
	FL	30K (2023)	2016	2023	Canceled
DESERT DAZE	CA	10K (2022)	2012	2022	Canceled

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Sources: Activate analysis, Activate 2024 Consumer Technology & Media Research Study (n = 4,004), Axios, Billboard, Business Insider, Delaware Online, Desert Sun, Festival Insider, Fortune, Grammy's, LA Times, Memphis in May Annual Report, Palm Beach Post, Rolling Stone, The Tennessean, Vice, Yahoo News

### Partnerships are bolstering fan experiences



## There are considerable revenue upside opportunities for teams, venues, and promoters

#### COMPREHENSIVE REVENUE PROGRAM TO DRIVE TEAM AND VENUE GROWTH



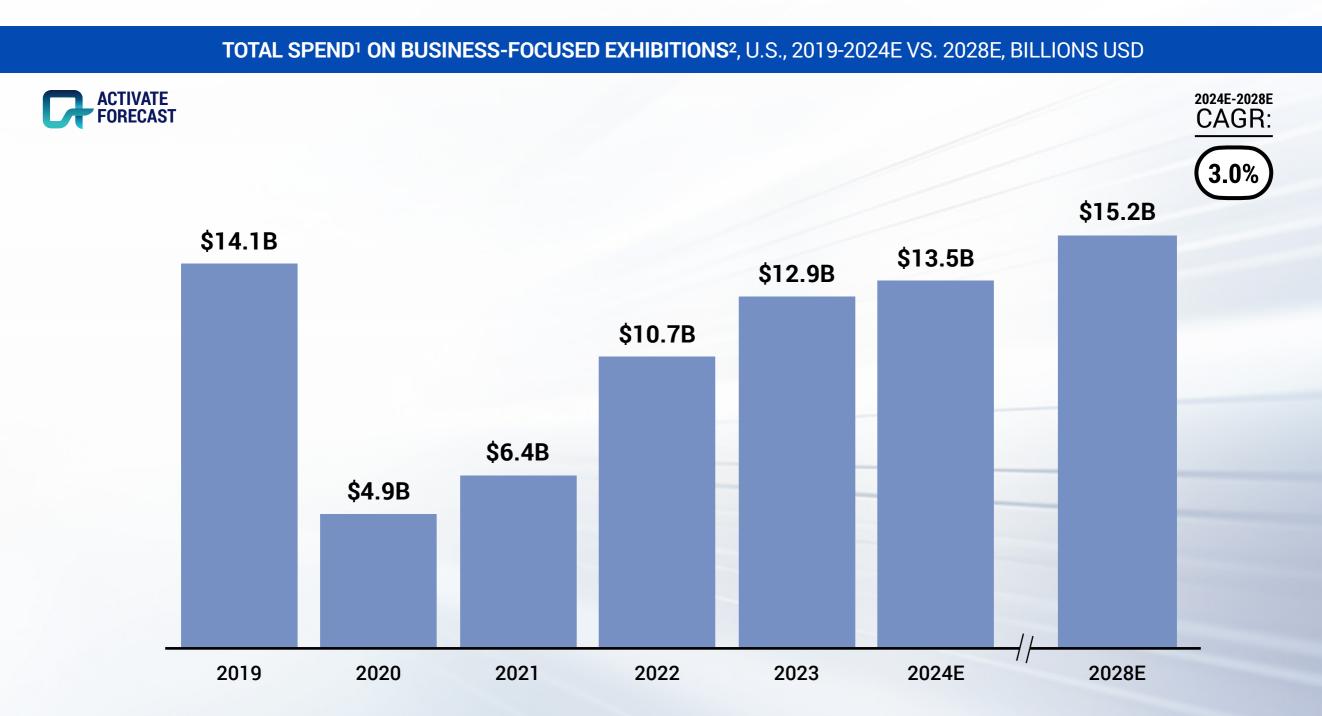
Sports, concerts, festivals, exhibitions,

location-based entertainment

Inventory segmentation, activation capabilities and data, yield management, prospecting and sales process, salesforce effectiveness, partnerships

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## The business-focused exhibitions market will reach over \$15B by 2028, surpassing pre-COVID levels



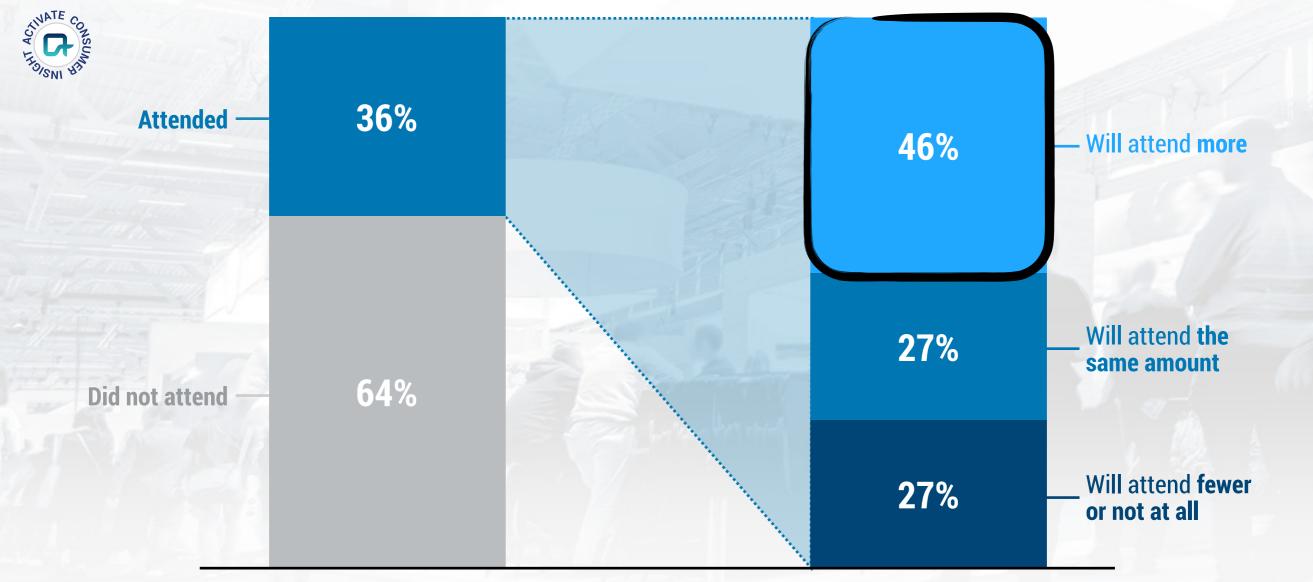


1. "Total spend" includes business spend on exhibit space, conference fees, advertising, and sponsorships. 2. "Business focused exhibitions" include exhibitions focused on connecting businesses; they are not targeted at the general public. Sources: Activate analysis, Center for Exhibition Industry Research, Company filings, IBISWorld, Omdia, PricewaterhouseCoopers

# Nearly half of those who have attended exhibitions in the last 12 months expect to increase attendance going forward

EXHIBITIONS<sup>1</sup> ATTENDANCE IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS, U.S., 2024, % ADULTS AGED 18+

INTENT TO ATTEND EXHIBITIONS<sup>1</sup> IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS, U.S., 2024, % ADULTS AGED 18+ WHO ATTENDED AN EXHIBITION<sup>1</sup> IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS



#### Last 12 months

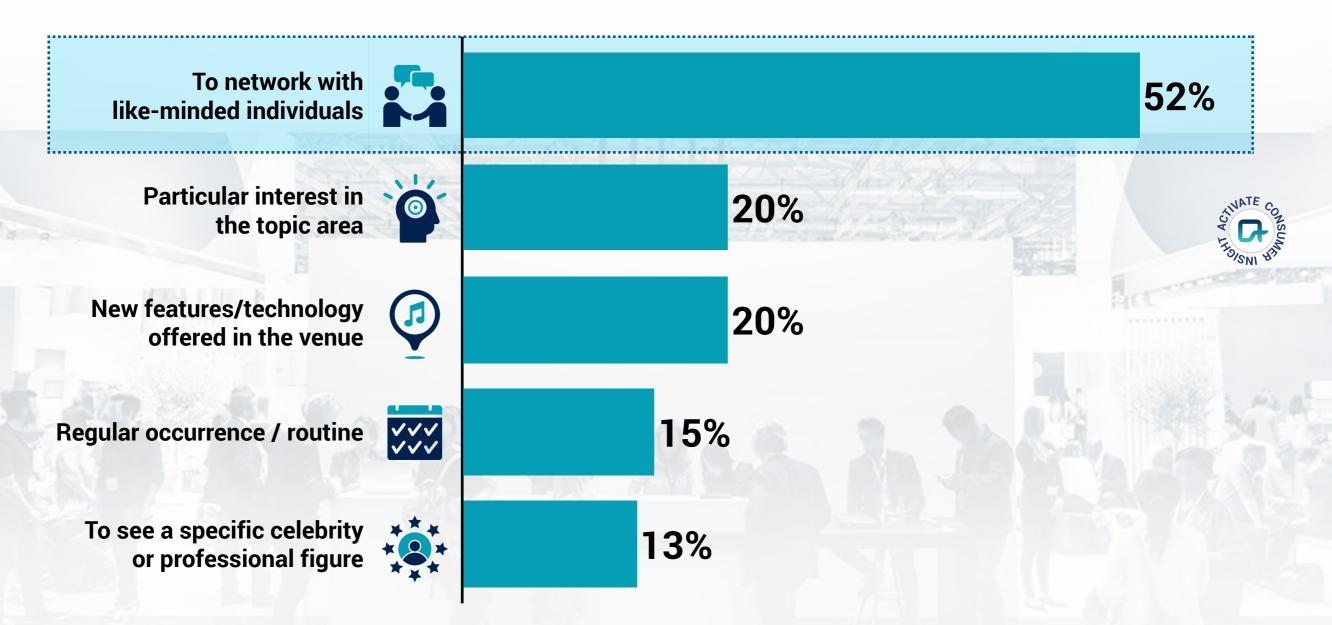
Next 12 months



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### Networking is by far the top reason for attending exhibitions

#### TOP REASONS<sup>1</sup> FOR ATTENDING EXHIBITIONS<sup>2</sup> IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS, U.S., 2024, % ADULTS AGED 18+ THAT ATTENDED AT LEAST ONE EXHIBITION<sup>2</sup> IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS





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### Alongside market growth, acquisition and investment activity in the exhibitions space will increase

ACOLIICITIONS AND INVESTMENTS IN EVUIDITIONS SPACE

DEAL DATE	INVESTOR	TARGET	SIZE
June 2023	Blackstone	cvent	\$4.6B
Oct. 2024	informa	Ascential 📈	\$1.6B
Mar. 2023	informa	TARSUS	\$940M
June 2023	PROVIDENCE SEARCHLIGHT	Hyve	\$579M
May 2023	informa	winsight。	\$380M
May 2024	RX	Sustainable Energy Council	Undisclosed
June 2024	MARKETPLACE EVENTS	31 events from Master Promotions Ltd.	Undisclosed
July 2024	Maritz <sup>®</sup>	<b>Convention Data Services</b>	Undisclosed
Sept. 2024	SHAMROCK 🖡	nth degree	Undisclosed



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