

#### Maine Office of Tourism Stakeholder's Meeting June 27, 2023

# Taxable Sales – Lodging Maine (Jan - Apr)

 Year
 Sales
 % Change

 2022
 \$278 Million

 2023
 \$288 Million
 +3.7%

Source: Maine Revenue Service



# Taxable Sales – Restaurant Maine (Jan - Apr)

Year	Sales	% Change
2022	\$841 Million	
2023	\$928 Million	+10.3%

Source: Maine Revenue Service



### Canadian Passenger Vehicles Crossing Maine Border (Jan - May)

#### 2022 203,948 2023 466,629 +129%

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation – Department of Transportation Statistics



#### **Stewardship Principles**



Empowering the industry through collaboration and education



Cultivating a unified brand and elevated visitor experience



Educating through impactful storytelling that captures the multi-faceted historical and cultural identity of Maine's communities



Preserving and celebrating the authentic character of Maine



Encouraging responsible practices and behaviors that protect the flora, fauna, and aquatic environments that are central to Maine's vitality



Balancing the promotion of Maine's iconic popular destinations with Maine's lesserknown hidden gems



Safeguarding Maine's natural assets, resources, and off-the-beaten-path locations



Upholding Maine's authenticity by showcasing Maine's local makers, artists, farmers, fishermen, and other independentlyowned businesses



Empowering Maine's tourism workforce to reinforce their confidence in career choice and livelihood

# Thank You!