

The Asterisk Nation: The Importance of Data Collection

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Why is Data Collection Important?

- ▶ Data-based decision making
- ▶ Benchmarking against past performance and competitors
- ▶ Leveraging data for advocacy purposes
- ▶ Targeted marketing
- ▶ Qualitative and quantitative data are both important



Hotel Market Data

- ▶ Most common data source is STR
- ▶ Participating hotels have supply, demand, and revenue aggregated and translated to three KPIs:
 - ▶ Occupancy, average daily rate, and revenue per available room

Hotel Market Data, cont'd.

- ▶ Accommodation Reports used by hotels
 - ▶ Allows hotels to benchmark performance against competitive set of hotels
- ▶ Destination Reports typically used by DMOs or CVBs
 - ▶ Allows destinations to benchmark against other cities or hotel markets
- ▶ Casino STAR has additional KPIs

CVB Data

- ▶ Room nights secured through CVB
- ▶ RFPs sourced for major venues and convention hotels
- ▶ Number of attendees - in-state and out-of-state
- ▶ Estimated economic impacts - requires attendance data from event organizers
- ▶ Feedback from meeting planner surveys
- ▶ Media impressions and advertising value equivalency

Key Takeaways

- ▶ Data is great!
- ▶ Only possible when data is being collected and shared
- ▶ Primary goal is to collect data that will translate to actionable information

Thank You!

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