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Dear Members of the Committee:

Deloitte & Touche LLP (Deloitte & Touche) is pleased to submit the results of the *2017 Third Quarter Pulse Survey: A Survey of Timeshare & Vacation Ownership Resort Companies*. Our services were performed and this report was developed in accordance with our engagement letter dated April 11, 2017, and are subject to the terms and conditions included therein.

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All opinions and estimates included in this report constitute our judgment as of October 27, 2017 and are subject to revision.

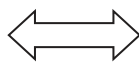
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2017 Third Quarter Pulse Survey Overview and Key Findings

This survey is a summary of selected key metrics that provide an overview of the vacation timeshare industry in the United States. It is not a comment on any individual company, whose performance may vary from the information included in this study. To provide current information on the financial performance of the vacation timeshare industry, ARDA International Foundation engaged Deloitte & Touche LLP (Deloitte & Touche) to conduct the third quarter 2017 survey of U.S. timeshare companies that were in active sales during the quarter. The results cover a total of 18 responding companies with aggregate net originated sales of approximately \$1,729.9 million in the third quarter of 2017 for the 17 respondents that provided sales information. The financial information contained in this survey includes the third quarter of 2017 (Q3 2017) compared to the third quarter of 2016 (Q3 2016), except for section 2(B) which compares Q3 2017 to the second quarter of 2017 (Q2 2017). The trends associated with the performance indicators were developed based on quantitative factors. For example, each indicator that had a change of 10 percent or greater was denoted with a double green arrow or double red arrow. Indicators for which the change was less than 10 percent were denoted with a single green arrow or single red arrow.

Key Performance Indicators	Trend
Sales Performance	
Net Originated Timeshare Sales (including Telesales) increased 5.3 percent from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017, increasing from \$1,642.5 million to \$1,729.9 million.	 Increase
Net Originated Timeshare Sales (including Telesales and Fee-for-service) increased 4.4 percent from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017, increasing from \$1,887.4 million to \$1,970.0 million.	 Increase
Sales Metrics	
Weighted Average Transaction Value increased 8.5 percent from \$19,012 in Q3 2016 to \$20,620 in Q3 2017. (The simple average transaction value increased 10.4% from \$17,430 in Q3 2016 to \$19,237 in Q3 2017.)	 Increase
Weighted Average Volume Per Guest (VPG) increased from \$2,701 to \$2,776 from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017, an increase of 2.8 percent. (The simple average VPG increased 3.6 percent from \$2,554 in Q3 2016 to \$2,646 in Q3 2017.)	 Increase
Tours increased 0.2 percent from 715,339 to 716,691 tours from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017.	 Increase
Portfolio Performance	
Currency decreased by 0.8 percentage points (or 0.9 percent), decreasing from 91.6 percent in Q3 2016 to 90.8 percent in Q3 2017.	 Decrease
Delinquencies increased by 0.8 percentage points (or 9.5 percent), increasing from 8.4 percent in Q3 2016 to 9.2 percent in Q3 2017.	 Increase

Charge-Offs increased by 0.5 percentage point (or 11.6 percent), increasing from 4.3 percent in Q3 2016 to 4.8 percent in Q3 2017.	 Increase
Consumer Finance Experience	
Interest Rates decreased 0.2 percentage points (or 1.4 percent), decreasing from 14.0 percent in Q3 2016 to 13.8 percent in Q3 2017.	 Decrease
Weighted Average Term stayed consistent at 119.5 months from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017.	 No Change
Down Payments on non-upgrade sales decreased 0.5 percentage points (or 2.7 percent), from 18.5 percent in Q3 2016 to 18.0 percent in Q3 2017.	 Decrease
Down Payments on upgrade sales increased 0.1 percentage points (or 0.3 percent), increasing from 39.5 percent in Q3 2016 to 39.6 percent in Q3 2017.	 Increase
Other Metrics	
Weighted Average Occupancy decreased 2.4 percentage points (or 2.9 percent), decreasing from 83.7 percent in Q3 2016 to 81.3 percent in Q3 2017.	 Decrease
Capital Expenditures decreased 14.8 percent from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017, decreasing from \$278.9 million to \$237.6 million.	 Decrease

Survey Results

The following summarizes the survey results.

1. Timeshare sales volume increased in Q3 2017.

Companies provided data on a set of key sales indicators. In total, the 17 respondents that provided sales information reported approximately \$1,729.9 million in net originated timeshare sales¹ (including telesales) in Q3 2017. This was a 5.3 percent increase in Q3 2017 when compared to Q3 2016, as reported by the same respondents.

Figure 1. Net originated sales including telesales (Millions)



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 17 company survey responses.

Fee-for-service arrangements have become an established feature within the industry over the last several years. Respondents were asked a question related to sales for non-owned timeshare inventory sold under fee-for-service agreements as well as sales for owned timeshare inventory sold by others under fee-for-service agreements. Of the 18 respondents, four companies are selling and marketing timeshare on behalf of other developers while one company is engaging others to sell and market timeshare on their behalf. Two of the four respondents providing fee-for-service increased fee-for-service operations in Q3 2017 compared to Q3 2016, and the respondent being provided fee-for-service also increased fee-for-service operations in Q3 2017 compared to Q3 2016. The net overall timeshare sales under these arrangements decreased from \$247.5 million in Q3 2016 to \$244.3 million in Q3 2017, or a decrease of 1.3 percent. When sales of timeshare under fee-for-service arrangements are combined with respondents' sales of their own timeshare inventory, there was an increase of 4.4 percent in total net originated timeshare sales when compared to Q3 2016.

¹ Net originated sales refers to gross sales revenues net of rescissions, but before reduction of revenue for uncollectible accounts.

Figure 2. Net originated sales (including sales under fee-for-service arrangements) (Millions)



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 17 company survey responses for net originated sales, 4 respondents reported providing fee-for-service arrangements, and 1 respondent reported being provided fee-for-service arrangements.

Respondents were asked to report the amount of net originated sales (including telesales) that were non existing owner and existing owner sales. The 16 respondent companies that provided non existing owner sales information reported approximately \$727.7 million in non existing owner net originated timeshare sales (including telesales) in Q3 2017, which is a 4.1 percent increase from Q3 2016, see *Figure 3* below. The 16 respondent companies that provided existing owner sales information reported approximately \$866.1 million in existing owner net originated timeshare sales (including telesales) in Q3 2017, which is a 4.6 percent increase from Q3 2016, see *Figure 4* below. Note that the sum of the total non existing owner sales and existing owner sales differs from the total net originated sales due to the fact that one of the 17 respondents that provided net originated sales did not provide information related to non existing and existing owner sales.

Figure 3. Net originated sales (including telesales) – Non Existing Owner (Millions)



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 16 company survey responses.

Figure 4. Net originated sales (including telesales) – Existing Owner (Millions)



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 16 company survey responses.

Seventeen companies reported net originated sales excluding telesales, detailed information on the number of tours and the number of sales transactions. The companies reported that the aggregate number of tours² increased 0.2 percent, the aggregate number of sales transactions decreased 5.9

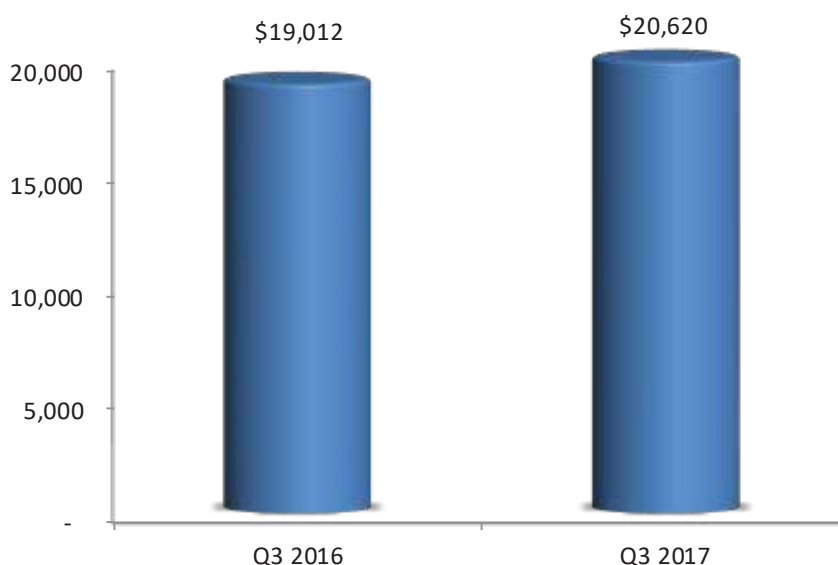
² This represents the number of tours taken by guests in the company's efforts to sell timeshares, including all tours of sales prospects, whether they occur on-site or at an off-site sales center.

percent, and the weighted average transaction value increased 8.5 percent. The respondents reported a decrease in net inventory sold under fee-for-service arrangements of 1.3 percent.

Average transaction value is calculated as the dollar value of net originated sales divided by the number of sales transactions and excludes amounts such as closing costs that are not included in net originated sales. Responses are weighted by the dollar value of net originated sales (excluding telesales). It is a measure of the average purchase amount per buyer during a given period and is potentially influenced by numerous factors, including the mix of timeshare products sold. For example, in a given period, buyers may purchase a greater mix of one-bedroom units or biennials³, resorts may have fewer high season intervals available or new resorts may open for sales. As a result, the average transaction value may change even though there were no changes to existing pricing.

As a further reflection of the multiple factors that can impact this measure, the responses differed by company. Thirteen respondents reported average transaction value had increased from Q3 2016 and three respondents reported the value had decreased. *Figure 5* below illustrates the average transaction value calculated using a weighted average.

Figure 5. Weighted average transaction value

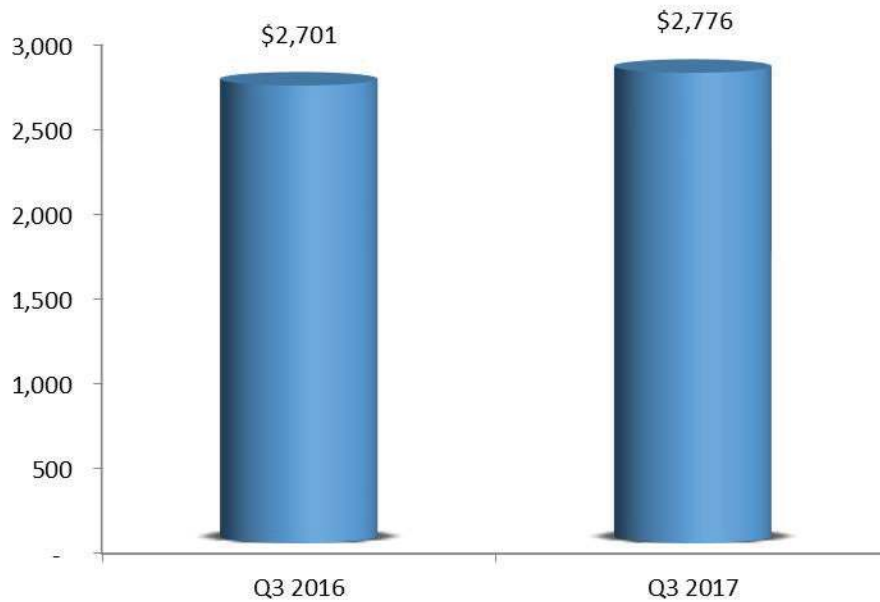


Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 16 company survey responses.

³ Biennial products allow owners to use intervals every other year, instead of each year.

Volume per guest (VPG)⁴, a measure of sales efficiency, is calculated as net originated sales per tour, increased by 2.8 percent from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017.

Figure 6. Weighted average volume per guest

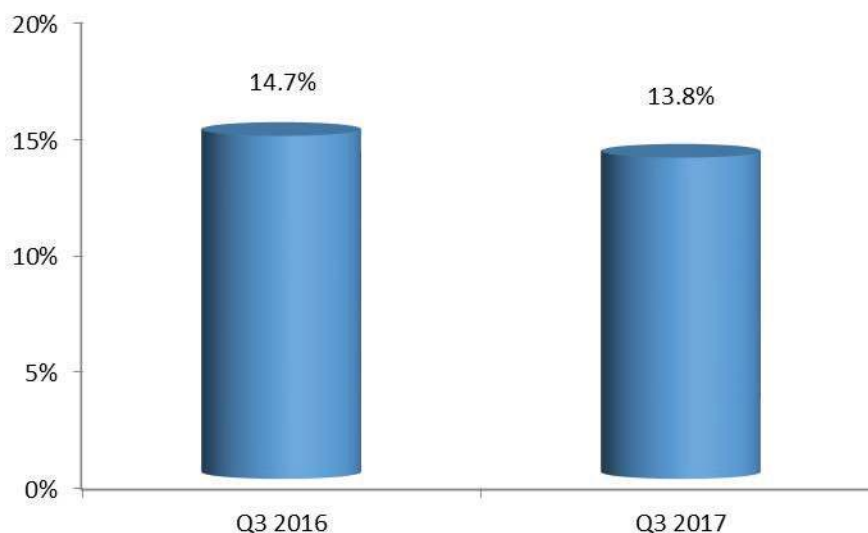


Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 17 company survey responses.

The close rate, another measure of sales efficiency, is the number of sales transactions generated from tour flow, decreased by 5.9 percent (0.9 percentage points) from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017.

⁴ VPG is calculated as net originated sales excluding telesales, divided by the number of tours, responses are weighted by the dollar value of net originated sales (excluding telesales).

Figure 7. Weighted average close rate



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 17 company survey responses.

The averages reported above are weighted averages; however, we also disclose the simple averages for the close rate, volume per guest, and average transaction value herein, see *Figure 8* below. Note that metrics below were directionally the same under both the weighted and simple average calculations.

Figure 8. Weighted and simple averages for selected sales metrics

	Weighted Average Q3 2016	Weighted Average Q3 2017	Simple Average Q3 2016	Simple Average Q3 2017
Volume per guest	\$2,701	\$2,776	\$2,554	\$2,646
Average transaction value	\$19,012	\$20,620	\$17,430	\$19,237
Close rate	14.7%	13.8%	14.7%	13.8%

Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 17 company survey responses

Among the companies that provided key sales indicators, 16 provided rescission information. The weighted average rescission rate⁵ among those companies was 14.3 percent in Q3 2017, which was an increase of 0.2 percentage points from 14.1 percent for Q3 2016. Seven companies reported a decrease in rescissions between Q3 2016 and Q3 2017, five companies reported an increase in rescissions, four companies reported no change, and two companies did not provide rescission information. The simple average rescission rate decreased 0.2 percentage points from 14.3 percent to 14.1 percent from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017. Further, respondents were asked to provide the rescission volume in dollars. For the 15 companies that provided this information for Q3 2016 and Q3 2017, the total aggregate rescissions increased by 9.0 percent from \$295.1 million to \$321.8 million in Q3 2017.

⁵ Measured as the dollar amount of rescissions as a portion of gross sales weighted by the dollar value of net originated sales.

Respondents were asked a question related to rescission information on existing and non existing owner sales. For the 15 respondent companies that provided rescission information on non existing owner sales, the weighted average rescission rate increased from 22.7 percent in Q3 2016 to 23.9 percent in Q3 2017. Further, 13 respondents provided rescission information on non existing owner sales in dollars resulting in an increase of 10.7 percent in the total aggregate rescission volume from approximately \$130.1 million to approximately \$144.0 million from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017. For the 14 respondent companies that provided rescission information on existing owner sales, the weighted average rescission rate increased from 11.6 percent in Q3 2016 to 12.2 percent in Q3 2017. Further, 13 respondents provided rescission information on existing owner sales in dollars resulting in an increase of 9.9 percent in the total aggregate rescission volume from \$93.8 million to \$103.1 million from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017.

2(A). Consumer timeshare loan portfolio delinquencies and charge-offs increased when comparing Q3 2016 and Q3 2017.

The composition of receivables portfolios⁶ was evaluated as of September 30, 2017, and compared to the composition as of September 30, 2016. The total aggregate receivables for the 18 companies that provided receivables data was \$12.9 billion as of September 30, 2017, and \$12.2 billion as of September 30, 2016.

Respondents reported that payments for 90.8 percent of the value of their loan portfolios were current (measured as fewer than 31 days past due) as of September 30 2017, a decrease of 0.8 percentage points from one year earlier. Also, as of September 30, 2017, 5.1 percent of consumer timeshare loan portfolios by dollar value were more than 120 days delinquent, an increase of 0.9 percentage points compared to one year earlier.

Figure 9. Aging of consumer timeshare loan portfolios by survey respondents

	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2017	Difference
Current	91.6%	90.8%	(0.8%)
31 to 60 days	2.0%	1.9%	(0.1%)
61 to 90 days	1.2%	1.2%	0.0%
91 to 120 days	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%
More than 120 days	4.2%	5.1%	0.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	

Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 18 company survey responses.

Respondents were asked to report a default rate measured as gross defaults charged against the allowance for uncollectible accounts during the third quarter, as a percentage of the gross outstanding portfolio balance at period-end. The weighted average default rate in Q3 2017 was 4.8 percent, which was an increase of 0.5 percentage points compared to one year earlier. Six respondents reported a decrease in the default rate when comparing Q3 2017 to Q3 2016, ten respondents reported an increase in the default rate, and two respondents reported no change in the default rate.

Another question was asked this quarter requesting respondents to provide the weighted average FICO score (weighted by the outstanding principal balance of the receivables) for loans within the portfolio at the end of Q3 2016 and Q3 2017. Of the sixteen respondents, five respondents reported

⁶ Receivables portfolio is defined as the total portfolio of consumer timeshare loan receivables held and/or serviced by the company, including securitized and hypothecated receivables, and receivables for sales made in earlier years.

an increase in the weighted average FICO score and six respondents reported a decrease the remaining respondents did not report a change. The result was an increase in the weighted average FICO score from 706 at Q3 2016 to 708 at Q3 2017.

2(B). Consumer timeshare loan portfolios experienced a decrease in currency when comparing Q2 2017 and Q3 2017.

The composition of receivables portfolios was evaluated as of September 30, 2017, and compared to the composition as of June 30, 2017. The total aggregate receivables for the companies that provided receivables data was \$12.9 billion as of September 30, 2017 and \$12.6 billion as of June 30, 2017.

Receivables portfolios showed an increase in delinquencies (greater than 31 days past due) as of September 30, 2017, compared to one quarter earlier. Respondents reported that payments for 90.8 percent of the value of their loan portfolios were current (measured as fewer than 31 days past due) as of September 30, 2017, which was 0.2 percentage points lower than one quarter earlier. Further, for the quarter ending September 30, 2017, 4.8 percent of consumer timeshare loan portfolios by dollar value were charged against the allowance for the period, which was 0.1 percentage point lower compared to June 30, 2017.

Figure 10. Aging of consumer timeshare loan portfolios by survey respondents

	June 30, 2017	September 30, 2017	Increase/(Decrease)
Current	91.0%	90.8%	(0.2%)
31 to 60 days	1.7%	1.9%	0.2%
61 to 90 days	1.2%	1.2%	0.0%
91 to 120 days	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%
More than 120 days	5.1%	5.1%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	

Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 18 company survey responses. The Second Quarter 2017 data herein was based upon the 18 responses obtained from the 2017 Second Quarter Pulse Survey.

3. Resort occupancy decreased 2.4 percentage points (or 2.9 percent) as compared to Q3 2016.

Survey respondents were asked to provide information on timeshare unit occupancy. For the 17 companies that provided quarterly occupancy data, representing approximately 9.3 million available room nights in Q3 2017, the average occupancy rate decreased 2.4 percentage points to 81.3 percent in Q3 2017, compared to 83.7 percent in Q3 2016. Available room nights increased 3.5 percent from Q3 2016 to Q3 2017; increasing from approximately 9.0 million room nights to approximately 9.3 million room nights.

4. Average down payment on upgrade sales increased in Q3 2017, while average down payment on non-upgrade sales, average FICO score at origination on new loans, and average interest rate all decreased in Q3 2017, while average term on all loans stayed consistent with Q3 2016.

Information on the characteristics of new financing provided to consumers at the point of sale was collected and aggregated.⁷ The average interest rate on new consumer loans in Q3 2017 was 13.8 percent, which was a decrease from the 14.0 percent in Q3 2016. The Q3 2017 average loan terms

⁷ To calculate the average interest rate, down payment, and term, responses were weighted by the dollar value of net originated sales (including telesales).

stayed consistent with Q3 2016 at approximately 119.5 months. The average FICO score for financed sales during Q3 2016 decreased from 716 in Q3 2016 to 713 in Q3 2017.

Respondents were asked to provide the average down payment on upgrade sales separate from non-upgrade sales. As a result, down payments on upgrade sales are typically higher than on non-upgrade sales, and a change in the mix of upgrade and non-upgrade sales could impact the overall average down payment. For the 15 respondents that provided non-upgrade down payment data, the average down payment on non-upgrade sales decreased 0.5 percentage points to 18.0 percent of the stated sales price on financed sales in Q3 2017 compared to 18.5 in Q3 2016. For the 14 respondents that provided upgrade down payment data, the average down payment on upgrade sales, which includes the value of equity in the owners' existing vacation ownership interests, was 39.6 percent in Q3 2017, an increase of 0.1 percentage point from Q3 2016.

Figure 11. Characteristics of consumer timeshare loan financing

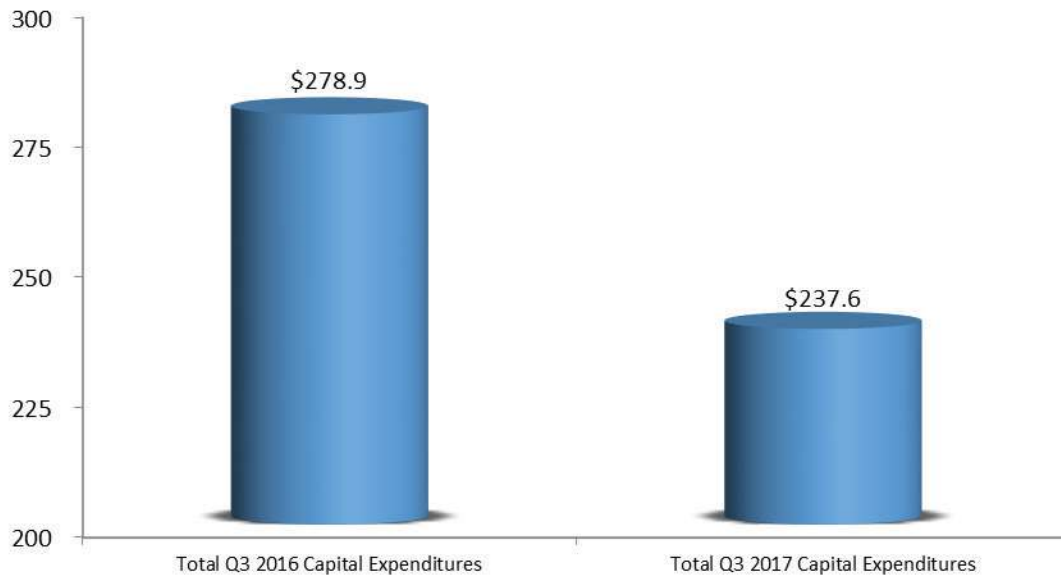
	2016	2017	Difference
Third Quarter			
Average:			
Interest rate (annual)	14.0%	13.8	(0.2%)
Term (months)	119.5	119.5	0.0 months
Down payment on non-upgrade sales (% of price)	18.5%	18.0%	(0.5%)
Down payment on upgrade sales (% of price)	39.5%	39.6%	0.1%
FICO Score at origination	716	713	(3)

Source: Deloitte & Touche based on a minimum of 14 company survey responses.

5. Capital expenditures related to timeshare inventory decreased overall in Q3 2017 when compared to Q3 2016.

Survey respondents were asked to provide total capital expenditures related to timeshare inventory projects (including turn-key, just-in-time inventory purchases, and buy-backs from property owner associations). Overall, capital expenditures decreased by 14.8 percent in Q3 2017 compared to Q3 2016. Of the thirteen respondents, five respondents increased capital expenditures related to timeshare inventory, five respondents decreased capital expenditures related to timeshare inventory, and three respondents had no change in capital expenditures related to timeshare inventory.

Figure 12. Capital Expenditures (Millions)



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on a minimum of 13 company survey responses.

The following table shows the quarterly survey results in aggregate.

ARDA International Foundation – 2017 Third Quarter Pulse Survey					
2017 Third Quarter End Results	Quarter Ending 30-Sept-16	Quarter Ending 30-Sept-17	Increase/ (Decrease)	Increase/ (Decrease) Percent	Survey Responses
General Characteristics					
1. Ownership status (public or private)	Public: 33% Private: 67%	Public: 33% Private: 67%			18
2. Are fee-for-service activities being provided by another developer on your behalf?	Yes: 6% No: 94%	Yes: 0% No: 100%			18
3. Did you complete any acquisitions? (Business Combinations)	Yes: 6% No: 94%	Yes: 0% No: 100%			18
Receivables Portfolio					
The following questions refer to the portfolio of receivables (total held and/or serviced receivables, including securitized and/or hypothecated receivables), including receivables for sales made in earlier years.					
4. Gross outstanding portfolio balance, at period end (in dollars)	\$12,158,668,488	\$12,895,425,751	\$736,757,263	6.1%	18
5. At period end, on a contractual basis what percentage of the dollar amount of this portfolio was:					
Current (current or fewer than 31 days delinquent)	91.6%	90.8%	(0.8%)	(0.9%)	18
Between 31 to 60 days delinquent	2.0%	1.9%	(0.1%)	(5.0%)	18
Between 61 to 90 days delinquent	1.2%	1.2%	0.0%	0.0%	18
Between 91 to 120 days delinquent	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	18
More than 120 days delinquent	4.2%	5.1%	0.9%	21.4%	18
Total should equal 100%	100.0%	100.0%			
6. Gross defaults (total amount charged against the allowance for uncollectible accounts during period as a percentage of gross outstanding portfolio balance at period end)	4.3%	4.8%	0.5%	11.6%	18
7. Average FICO score (on loans in the portfolio at quarter-end, weighted by outstanding principal balance)	706	708	2	0.3%	16
Inventory					
8. Capital expenditures related to timeshare inventory (current year)	\$278,882,109	\$237,623,739	(\$41,258,370)	(14.8%)	13
Resort Occupancy					
9. Timeshare occupancy mix by type. Report based on physical occupancy, meaning actual guest check-in occurred.					
a. Occupied (owner or owners' guest, exchange guest, renter, and marketing guest)	83.7%	81.3%	(2.4%)	(2.9%)	17
b. Vacant	16.3%	18.7%	2.4%	14.7%	17
Total should equal 100%					
10. Total available room nights during period (This will be used to calculate the weighted average occupancy rate for the response set.)	9,034,571	9,347,073	312,502	3.5%	17
Selected Sales Metrics (Including telesales and home sits)					
Sales metrics. Include telesales in the following responses.					
11. Net originated sales (in dollars)	\$1,642,478,169	\$1,729,938,994	\$87,460,825	5.3%	17

12. Net originated sales that were not existing owner sales (in dollars):	\$699,309,870	\$727,709,493	\$28,399,623	4.1%	16
13. Net originated sales that were existing owner sales (in dollars):	\$827,907,436	\$866,117,157	\$38,209,721	4.6%	16
14. Rescissions (%)	14.1%	14.3%	0.2%	1.4%	16
Rescissions (\$)	\$295,144,582	\$321,778,569	\$26,633,987	9.0%	15
15. Rescissions that were not existing owners (%)	22.7%	23.9%	1.2%	5.3%	15
Rescissions that were not existing owners (\$)	\$130,071,574	\$143,975,785	\$13,904,211	10.7%	13
16. Rescissions that were existing owners (%)	11.6%	12.2%	0.6%	5.2%	14
Rescissions that were existing owners (\$)	\$93,805,406	\$103,067,374	\$9,261,968	9.9%	13

Selected Sales Metrics (Excluding telesales)

Sales metrics. Exclude telesales from the following responses. Include sales to existing owners and other in-house guests.

17. Number of tours. Represents the number of tours taken by guests in the company's efforts to sell timeshares. Include all tours of sales prospects, whether they occur on-site or at an off-site sales center.	715,339	716,691	1,352	0.2%	17
18. Number of sales transactions (exclude rescissions) (Transactions should include: week sales, EOY sales, multiple-week sales, upgrades (that count as zero weeks), points sales, and reloads (which should be part of all categories above, except upgrades). Transactions should not include sales of Sampler programs.)	104,803	98,594	(6,209)	(5.9%)	17
Close rate (excludes sales that are canceled through rescission, calculated based on formula)	14.7%	13.8%	(0.9%)	(5.9%)	17
19. Net originated sales excluding telesales	\$1,826,763,439	\$1,896,700,709	\$69,937,270	3.8%	17
Volume per guest ("VPG"). Represents timeshare sales revenue per guest and is calculated by dividing net originated sales, excluding telesales and home sits, by the number of tours. (calculated based on formula)	\$2,701	\$2,776	\$75	2.8%	17
Average transaction value (this is calculated based on net originated sales and excludes any charges not reflected in net originated sales, such as closing costs)	\$19,012	\$20,620	\$1,608	8.5%	17
20. Total net originated sales for non-owned timeshare inventory sold under fee-for-service agreements	\$247,496,261	\$244,255,873	(\$3,240,388)	(1.3%)	4
21. Total net originated sales for owned timeshare inventory sold by others under fee-for-service agreements	\$2,563,317	\$4,179,310	\$1,615,993	63.0%	1
Total net originated sales (excluding rescissions, including fee-for-service, excluding fee-for-service sold by others)	\$1,887,411,113	\$1,970,015,557	\$82,604,444	4.4%	17

Consumer Financing

The following items refer to new financing provided to consumers during the period. For upgrade sales, use the characteristics of the new loan. For example, if an owner with \$4,000 of equity and \$6,000 principal balance outstanding on an existing loan purchases an upgrade vacation ownership interest with a stated sales price of \$20,000, and uses the equity in their existing interval as the down payment, resulting in a new loan with a principal balance of \$16,000, use the interest rate and term of that \$16,000 loan.

22. Average interest rate.	14.0%	13.8%	(0.2%)	(1.4%)	17
23. Average term (in months).	119.5	119.5	0.0	0.0%	17
Average down payment.					
24. Average down payment on non-upgrade sales	18.5%	18.0%	(0.5%)	(2.7%)	15
25. Average down payment on upgrade sales	39.5%	39.6%	0.1%	0.3%	14
26. Weighted Average FICO Score at origination (in points)	716	713	(3)	(0.4%)	15

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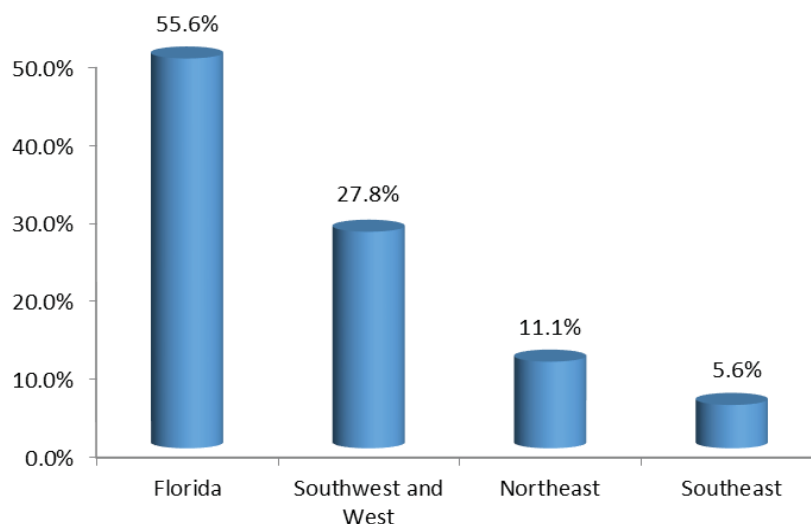
The 2017 Third Quarter Pulse Survey was conducted by Deloitte & Touche on the behalf of ARDA International Foundation. The purpose of the research was to compile current data and to provide a current perspective on the timeshare industry's financial performance.

Deloitte & Touche developed the survey instrument in connection with input from ARDA International Foundation and industry participants. Deloitte & Touche distributed the survey directly to 269 timeshare and vacation ownership companies on October 10, 2017. The survey collection efforts focused on companies generating the largest volume of timeshare sales and companies that participate as board members of the American Resort Development Association (ARDA). Deloitte & Touche followed up with the companies by telephone and e-mail to encourage responses. Deloitte & Touche ended the survey collection effort on October 27, 2017. By October 27, 2017, 18 companies, or 6.7 percent of those surveyed, responded.

During the data analysis phase, Deloitte & Touche contacted several of the respondents with follow-up questions about specific answers they provided. Responses to some questions that were left blank or were unusual were ultimately excluded from the analysis. Though a total of 18 responses were collected, most questions were not answered by all 18 respondent companies as indicated in the "survey responses" column on the "Aggregate Results" tables.

The response base includes major companies in the U.S. timeshare sector. The 18 respondents that provided sales information reported aggregate Q3 2017 net originated sales, including telesales and excluding fee-for-service arrangements, of \$1,729.9 million. Six of the 18 companies are publicly traded companies, and five of the 18 are affiliated with major hotel brands. The survey is focused on the U.S.; considering the location of companies' headquarters provides an indication of the geographic regions represented by the response base. Many of the U.S. respondents are based in the Southeast, including ten in Florida and one in another Southeastern U.S. location, though companies in the Northeast region, and Southwest and West region also responded.⁸ No respondents were based in the Midwest or Canada.

Figure 14. Distribution of companies by headquarters location, 2017



Source: Deloitte & Touche based on 18 company survey responses.

⁸ Regional definitions: Florida (FL); Northeast (CT, DC, DE, KY, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VA, VT, WV); Midwest (IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, WI); Southeast (AL, AR, GA, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN); and Southwest and West (AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NM, NV, OK, OR, TX, UT, WA, WY).

To effectively interpret the survey results it is important to understand that the survey is not a projection as it is not based on a random sample of companies, nor is it a census of all companies. The survey is based on responses from participating companies that account for a predominance of industry sales, and this is one of the reasons it is seen as a valuable resource.

The companies that participated in this survey are not identical to those that participated in prior editions of the Pulse Survey or of the Financial Performance Survey, which is an annual survey conducted on behalf of the ARDA International Foundation. The most recent previous Pulse Survey reported on activity through the second quarter of 2017. The current Pulse Survey functions similarly as a timely source of information on several key statistics, with a focus on the third quarter of 2017. Due to the relatively large size of some of the companies participating, the changing composition of the response base can materially impact the results reported in this version compared to previous editions. Also, the timeshare industry experiences changes in activity levels during different seasons of the year. It is not accurate to compare the Q3 2016 and Q3 2017 results presented in this edition with results shown in reports of earlier periods without understanding that the response base and reporting period have changed.

Unless otherwise noted specifically as simple averages, all averages in this report are weighted averages. For example, responses to questions related to sales topics, such as volume per guest, are weighted by net originated sales volume.

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