

## Soaking Up History Steaming into the Hot Springs (R)Evolution



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**Historical Perspective** 





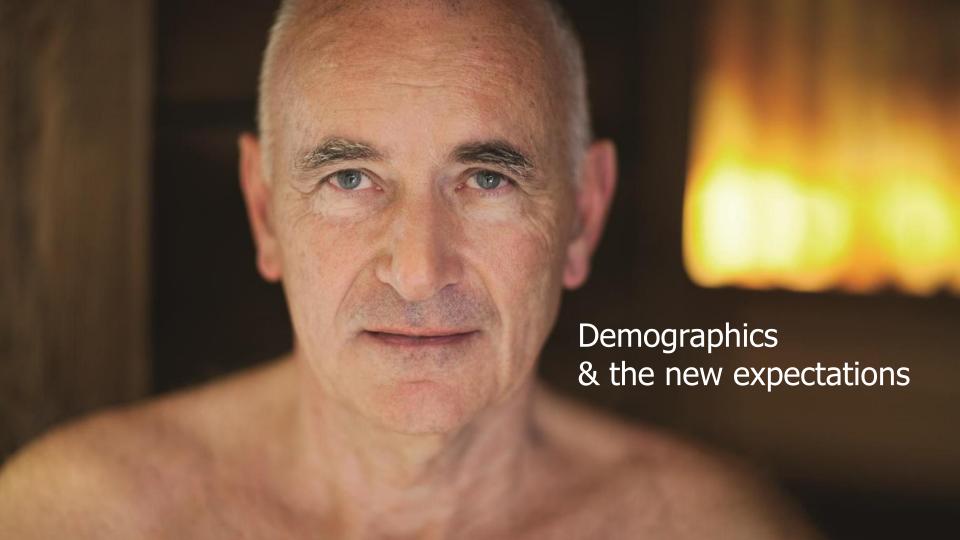
Getting Naked at the Friedrichsbad





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## European Perspective













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Australian Perspective



#### Victorian Hot Springs Development Potential

Three styles of hot springs under development or planned development:

- (1) Hot Springs Relaxation and Wellbeing Industry: Tourism
- (2) Thermal Rehabilitation Health Centers Industry: Health / Medical
- (3) Thermal Water Parks
  Industry: Entertainment / Tourism

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Thermal Water Park



Thermal Rehabilitation



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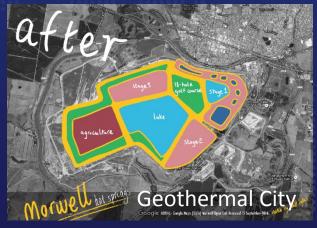
### Australian Planned Hot Spring Developments















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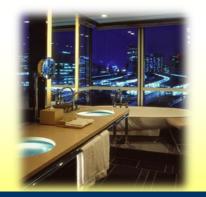
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Japanese Perspective

### **Variety of Onsen Facility**

#### Ryokan





Hotel

#### **Club Resort**





#### **Pension / Inn**





**Day-Visit Onsen** 

#### Market Size of Onsen Related Industry (Japan)

Annual Turnover (billion yen)		
2011	2014	Growth Rate
1,425	1,420	-0.4%
949	1,201	26.6%
264	314	18.9%
73	75	2.7%
<b>2,711</b> (\$ 27 billion)	3,010 (\$ 30 billion)	11.0%
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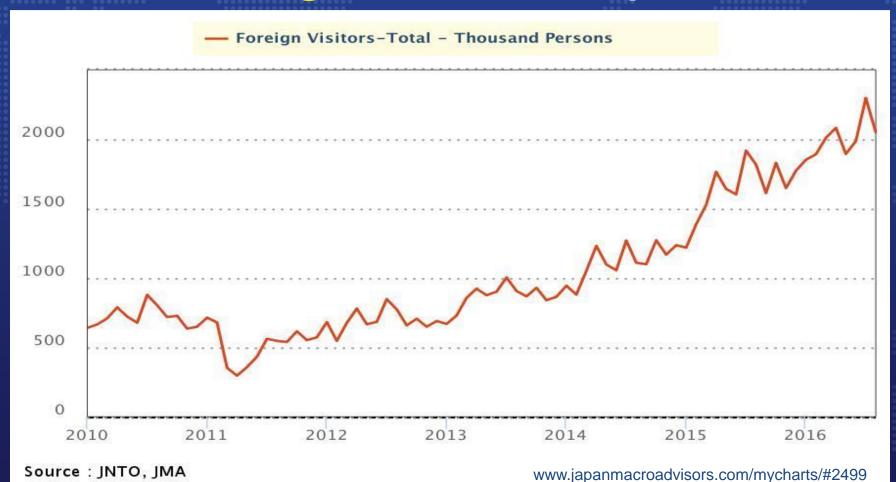
Source: White Paper of Leisure 2015, Japan Productivity Center

Types of Business	Annual Turnover (2011)
Day-visit Onsen (Public bath without accommodation)	400 billion yen (\$ 4 billion)

Source: http://careerconnection.jp/biz/studycom/content\_714.html

About 36% of them uses Onsen

### Foreign Visitors to Japan



## Challenges and Efforts by the Japanese Government

- Ministry of Environment (MOE) to promote wellness tourism with new brand values for national parks
- Expect 2 or 3-fold increase in tourism by the Tokyo Olympics in 2020

#### **Examples of Therapeutic Onsens**

Source: http://www.yadyad.com/en/onsen/effect

Source: http://www.jph-ri.or.jp/

#### Simple Spring: Minakami Onsen

#### Effects:

General ailments such as

- neuralgia,
- muscle/joint pain,
- bruises, sprains,
- sensitivity to cold,
- relief from fatigue,
- overall health promotion, etc.



Temperature:40-45°C

Temperature:50-96°C

#### **Elements:**

Elements differ from onsen to onsen. Low mineral and gas content.

#### Sulphur Spring: Kusatsu Onsen

#### **Effects:**

- acne, oily skin,
- dermatitis, rheumatism,
- asthma,
- gynaecological disorders, etc.

#### **Elements:**

Contains high levels of sulphur or hydrogen sulphide.

#### Chloride Spring: Arima Onsen

#### Effects:

- External wounds,
- chronic dermatitis,
- bruises, sprains,
- chronic rheumatism,
- infertility, gout,
- vascular sclerosis, etc.



Temperature:90°C

#### **Elements:**

Contains salts, in particular high levels of common salt. Over 1,000mg of dissolved element per 1kg of onsen of which the main element of anions is chloride ions.

#### Radioactive Spring: Murasugi Onsen

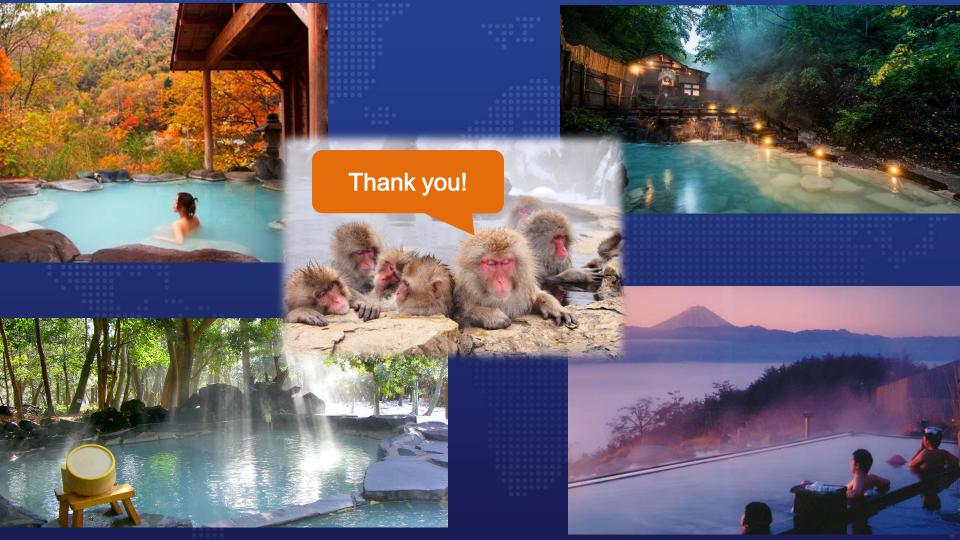
#### Effects:

- dermatosis,
- gynaecological disorders,
- external wounds, etc.
- Believed to be particularly effective on gout, lowering blood pressure and circulatory disorders.



Temperature:26°C

Contains radioisotopes created by nuclear decay of tiny amounts of substances ranging from radium, radon and astatine to mercury.



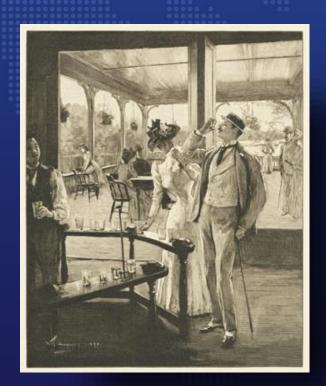


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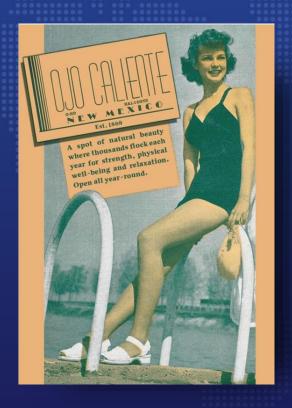
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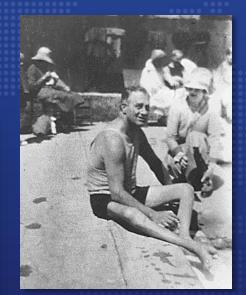
American Perspective

## Historical Perspective of U.S. Hot Springs & Water Cure Towns

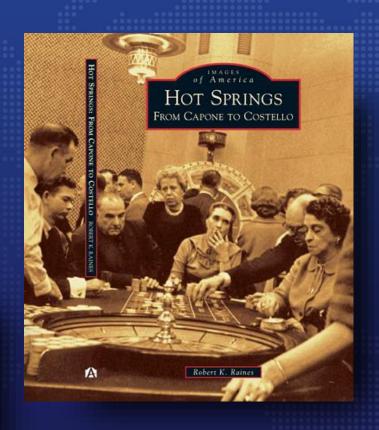












## What's Old is New Again



### 2015 By The Numbers

U.S. Thermal/Mineral Springs

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U.S.
Thermal/Mineral
SPRINGS REVENUE
\$488 million

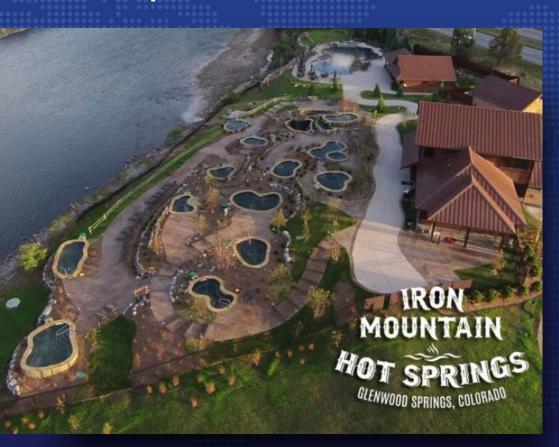
U.S. Thermal/Mineral Springs with SPA

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U.S.
Thermal/Mineral
SPRINGS SPA
REVENUE
\$327 million



## Expansion is HOT































How many people visit Austrian thermal spas annually?

(a) 3.1M

(b) 5.6M

(c) 9.4M

Answer: (c) 9.4M

What Central European spa is associated with Ludwig van Beethoven?

Answer:

Baden-Bei-Wien

What German spa pioneered the development of casino gambling?

Answer:

Baden-Baden

Which country is famous for its Blue Lagoon Geothermal Spa?

Answer: Iceland

What is the name of the famous geyser in Yellowstone National Park in the U.S.?

# Answer: Old Faithful

How many hot springs are in the U.S.?

(a) 500 (b) 217 (c) 1100

Answer: (b) 217

Koshu Nishiyama Hot Spring in Japan holds the world record for what?

#### Answer:

Oldest Hot Spring Hotel (1,300 years old)

Where is the largest thermal lake in Europe?

Answer:

Heviz, Hungary

What is the German word for Spa?

Answer: Bad

What are the health benefits of soaking in Lithia mineral water?

(a) improve arthritis(b) detoxifying(c) supports nervous system, mood and sleep

#### Answer:

(c) supports nervous system, mood and sleep

# How many thermal/mineral springs exist on our planet?

#### Answer:

There are nearly 27,000 thermal/mineral springs in more than 103 countries ... generating more than 45 Billion Euro annually.

More than 20,000 do not offer spa-related treatments.

Which European city is known as the City of Spas for its plentiful hot springs?

Answer: Budapest

Which U.S. hot springs spa will be 150 years old in 2018?

#### Answer:

Ojo Caliente Mineral Springs

Which hot springs won the World Luxury Spa Award in 2016?

#### Answer:

Peninsula Hot Springs

Where is the largest thermal lake in the world?

#### Answer:

Waimungu Thermal Valley, New Zealand

Where is the southernmost hot springs located in the world?

Answer:

Antarctica

Which Onsen has been awarded "3-Stars" by Michelin?

#### Answer:

Hyotan Onsen at Beppu in Japan

What kind of hot spring gas is lighter than air?

Answer: Hydrogen Gas

How many degrees are required for a fountainhead to be registered as an Onsen in Japan?

Answer:

25 Celsius (77 Fahrenheit)

#### Why Do Some Hot Springs Smell?

#### Answer:

Some geothermal mineral waters contain ingredients with strong odors such as hydrogen sulfide gas which smells similar to rotten eggs.

