Air Traveler Response to COVID-19

An 11-Country Survey: Wave III

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Methodology

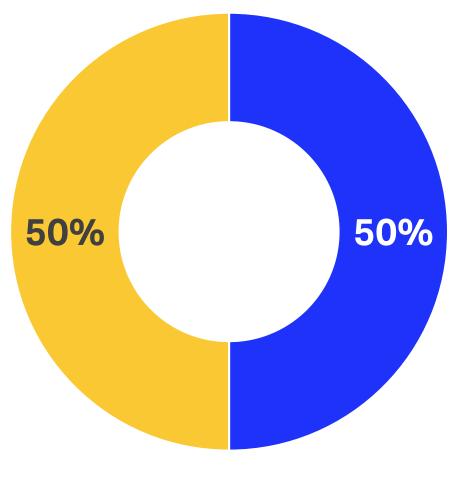
Wave 1 - February 2020

Wave 2 – April 2020

Wave 3 – June 2020

4,700 recent air travelers

(traveled since July 2019)



An invitation to participate in an on-line survey was sent to the panel members in the following countries:

> Australia Canada Chile* France Germany India **Japan Singapore United Arab Emirates United Kingdom United States**



Leisure Traveler

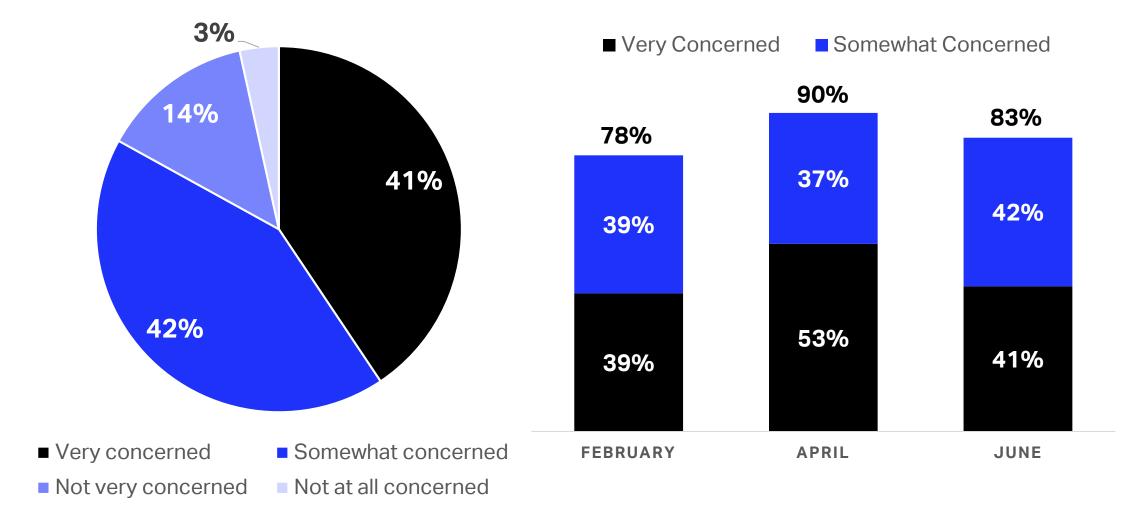
IATA COVID-19 Passenger Insights – Issue 2 N=4,700







Concern about contracting the virus



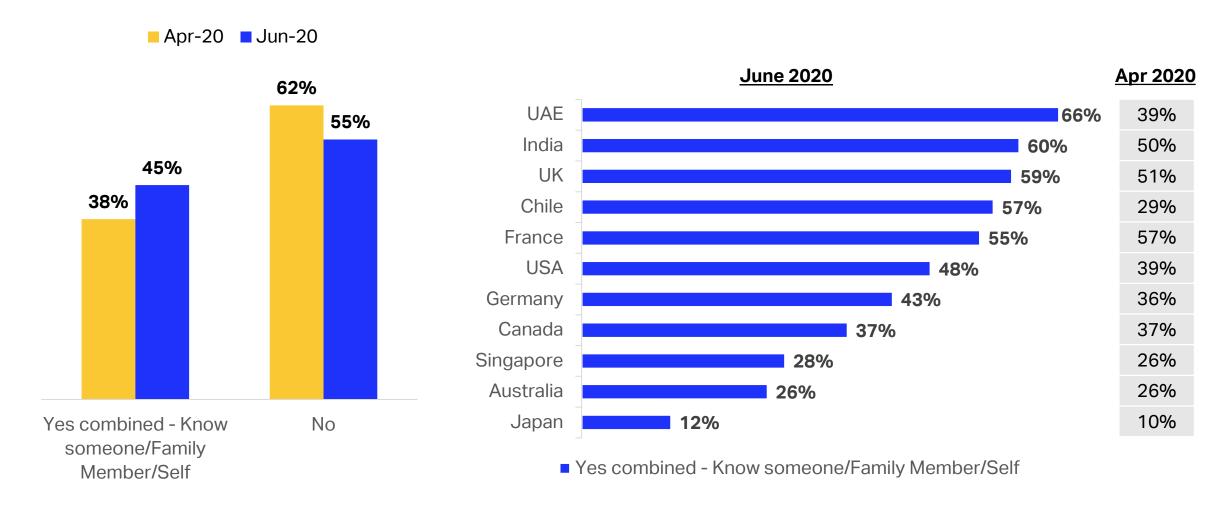
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Q: How concerned are you personally about contracting the coronavirus/COVID-19 – very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned or not at all concerned?





Knowing someone who might be infected









Steps to avoid contracting COVID-19

Have Taken Steps to Avoid Contracting COVID-19

Expect to Continue Taking Steps to Avoid Contracting COVID-19



N=4,700

Q: What steps, if any, have you taken specifically to avoid contracting the coronavirus/COVID-19?; Once the pandemic has subsided, what steps, if any, do you expect to continue to take specifically to avoid contracting coronavirus/COVID-19?





Top concerns around contracting COVID-19

(% of people who included these concerns in their top three choices)

At the	On board the
AIRPORT	AIRCRAFT
Top 3	Top 3

59%	Being in a crowded bus/train on way to the aircraft	65%	Sitting next to someone who might be infected
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42%	Queueing at check-in /security	42%	Using restroom /toilet facilities
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38%	Using airport restrooms /toilet facilities	37%	Breathing the air in the plane
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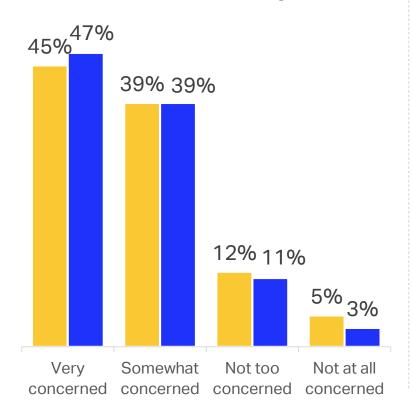
Q: Once the pandemic has subsided, how concerned would you be about each of the following at the airport / on board the aircraft – extremely concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned or not at all concerned?



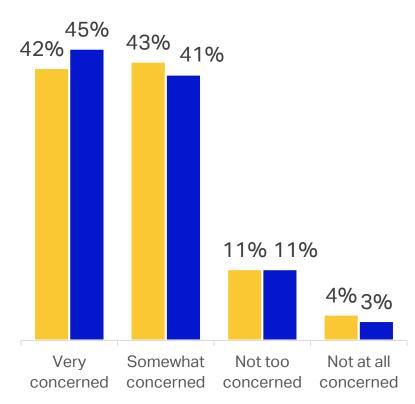


Quarantine/infection concern stable since April

Concern about catching virus while traveling (%)

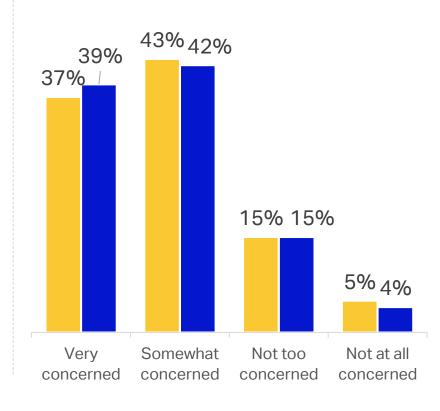






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Concern about being quarantined upon return from travel (%)



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Q: Once the pandemic has subsided, how concerned would you be about each of the following at the airport / on board the aircraft – extremely concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned or not at all concerned?

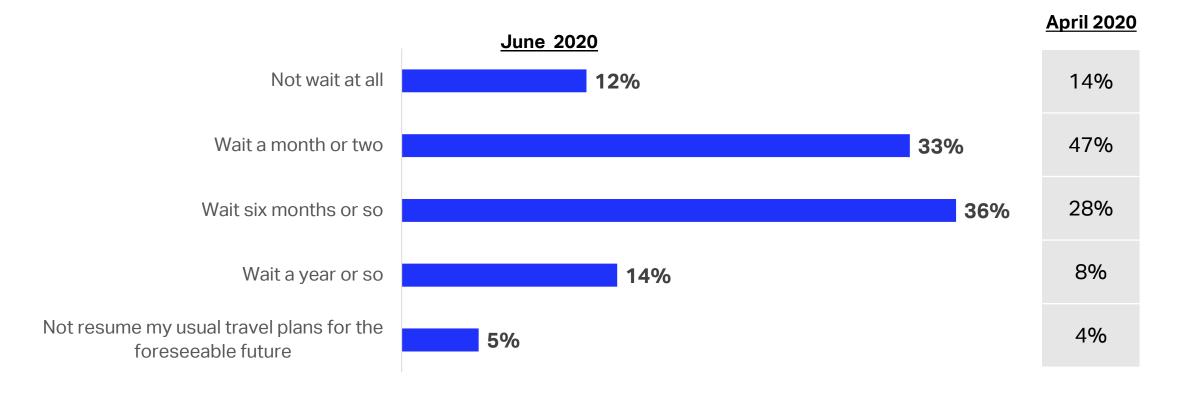
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Return to travel: when?

When Will Passengers Return to Travel After Pandemic Subsided



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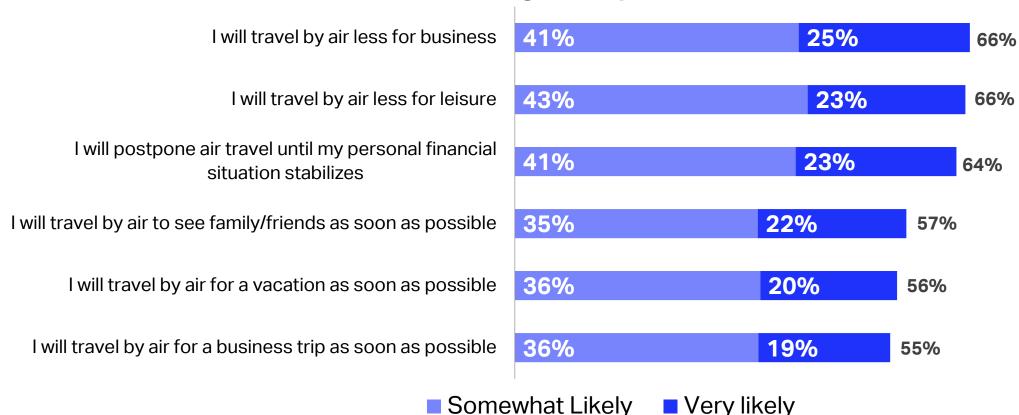
Q: Once the pandemic has subsided, how long would you wait, if at all, to return to your usual travel plans?





Expectations are to travel less once pandemic subsides **But half will travel as soon as possible for specific purposes**

Likelihood of doing once pandemic has subsided



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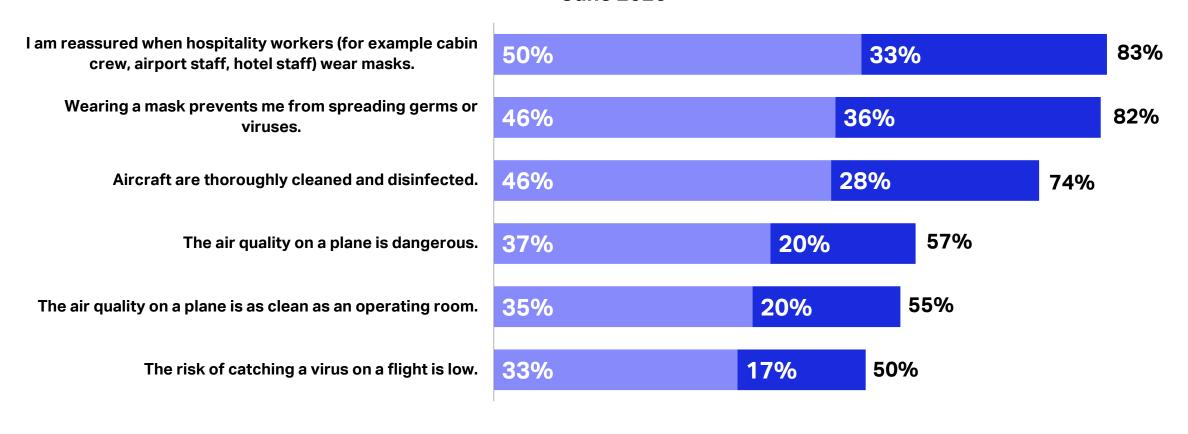
Q: Once the pandemic has subsided, how likely are you to do each of the following – very likely, somewhat likely, not too likely or not at all likely?



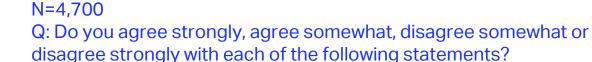


Travelers think masks help but uncertain over cabin air

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■ Somewhat Agree
■ Strongly Agree

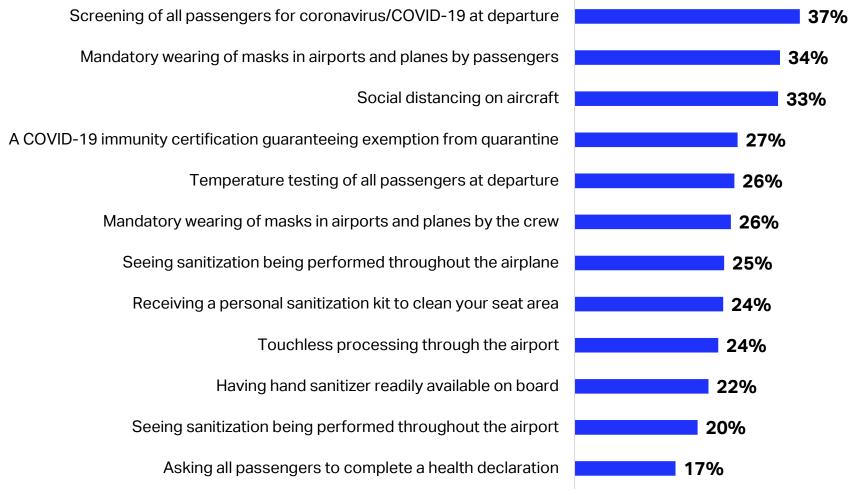






Top three measures that create a feeling of safety

(% of people who included these measures in their top three choices)

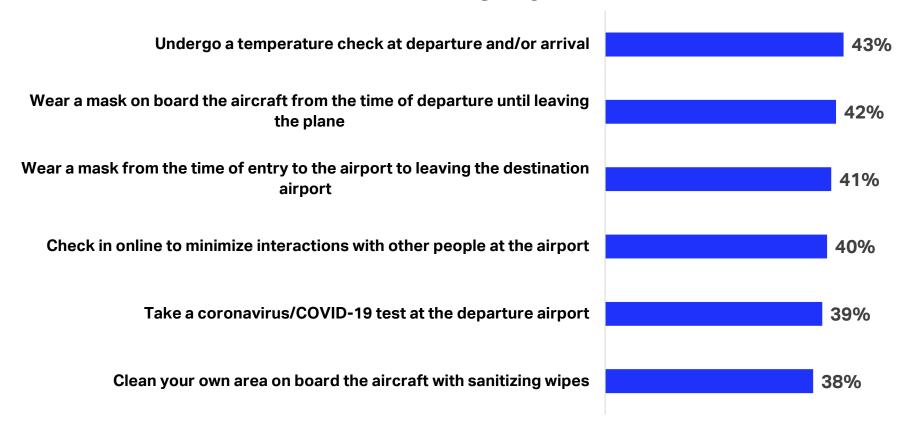






Return to travel: willingness to adopt new measures

TOP 6



The least preferred option:

17% are willing to undergo a 14-day selfisolation

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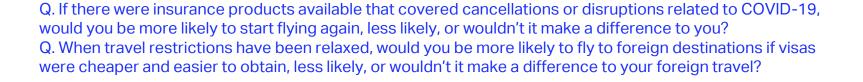




COVID-19 insurance, and easier/cheaper visas appeal to two in five travelers

said that availability of insurance for COVID-19 disruptions would increase their likelihood to start flying again

said that 42% cheaper/easier to obtain visas would make them more likely to start traveling again







What's the profile of the first to return to the skies?

Who and where

- 12% of total
- Among not very or not at all concerned about COVID-19: 30%
- Among Leisure Travelers: 10%
- Among Business Travelers: 13%
- Most Prevalent Countries: France (19%), Germany (16%)
- Least Prevalent Countries: Singapore (5%), Japan (6%)

What would make feel safer (top five items)

- Mandatory masks for passengers (34%)
- Passenger screening at departure (32%)
- Social distancing onboard (31%)
- Temperature testing at departure (28%)
- Seeing airplane sanitization (28%)

Availability of visas and covid-19 insurance products affect on greater likelihood to start flying again

- Insurance products: 49% vs. 44% avg.
- Easier Visas for Foreign Travel: 51% vs. 42% avg.

Concerns at the airport and on the airplane

At the airport (top three concerns)

- Crowded bus/train (63%)
- Touching bins (41%)
- Queuing (40%)

On the airplane (top three concerns)

- Sit next to someone (67%)
- Air on plane (45%)
- Toilets (40%)

What want to know (top three items to feel a lot/some safer)

- Airport/airplane cleaning (85%)
- Airport/airplane staff tested /safe (79%)
- Destination COVID-19 free (78%)





Thank you

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