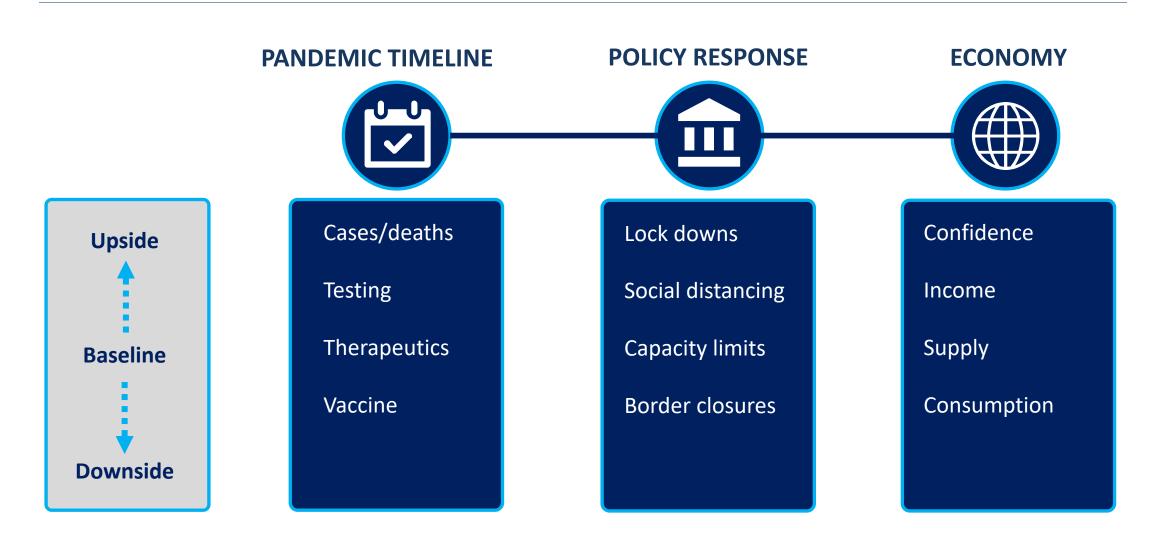


## **ECONOMIC AND TRAVEL OUTLOOK IN THE SHADOW OF COVID-19**

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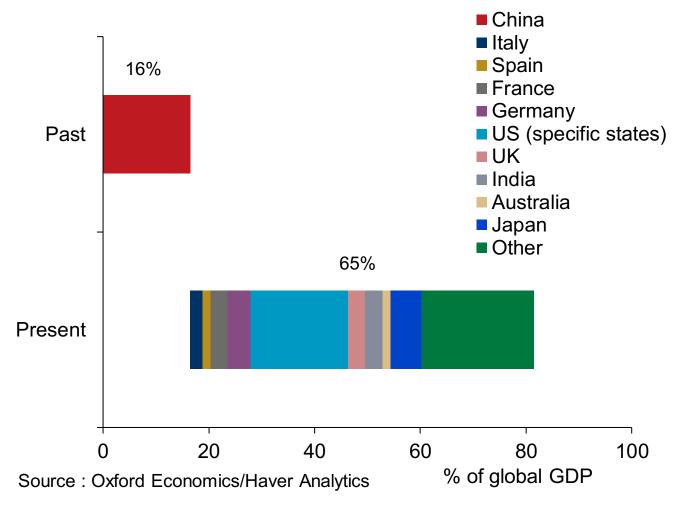
#### **Drivers of the outlook**





## Most of the world has been in lockdown in early Q2

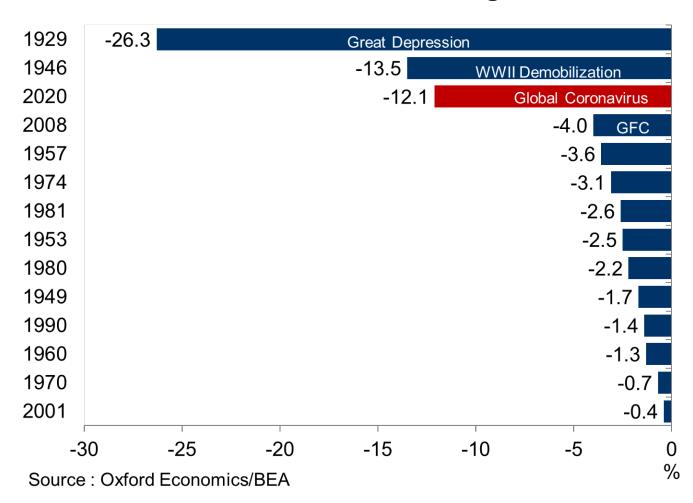
#### Global lockdowns





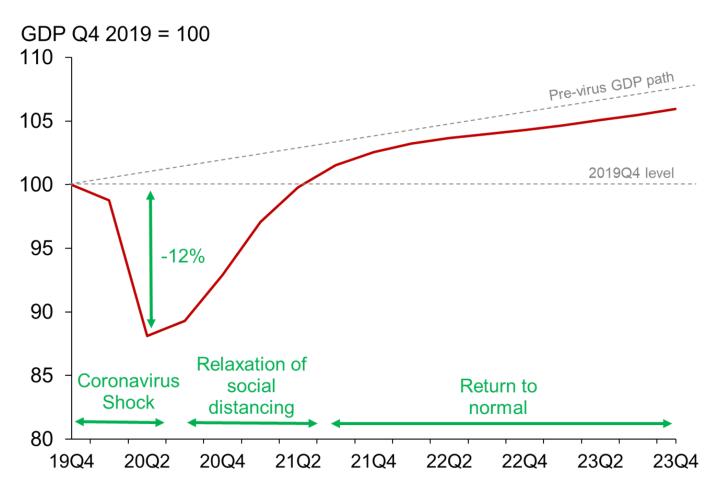
#### **Sharpest fall in GDP since WWII**

#### **US: Cumulative GDP decline during recessions**





## US recovery should accelerate into 2021 but will remain below par

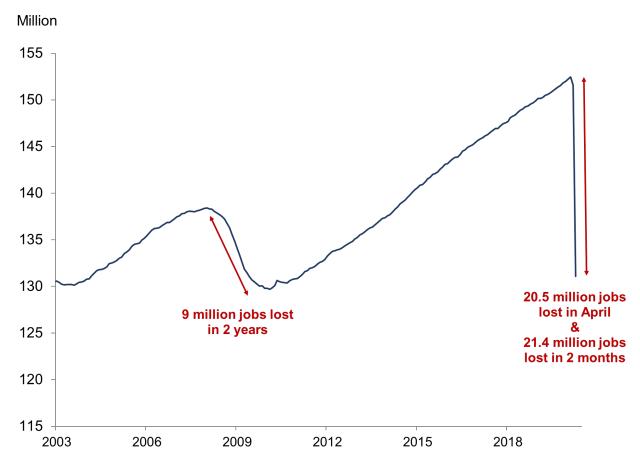


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## Massive job loss

#### **US: Nonfarm payroll employment**

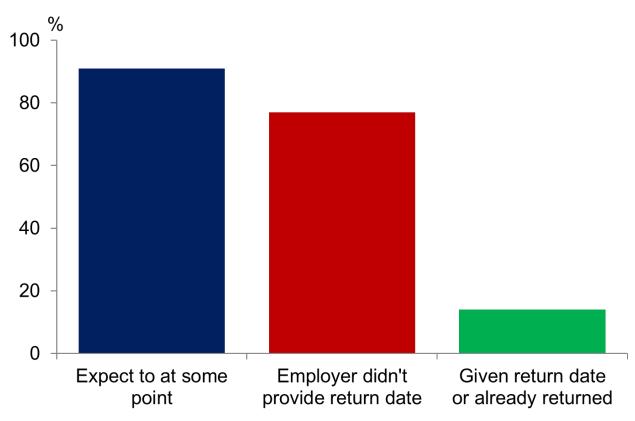


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#### 90% of unemployed expect to return to their jobs

#### **US:** Asked about an expected return to work



Source: Oxford Economics/Federal Reserve Well Being Survey



## Travel in the US is beginning the long climb back

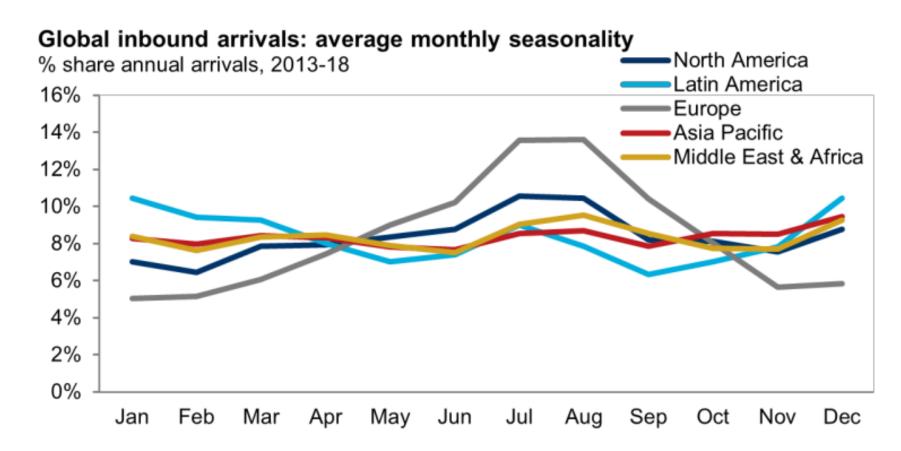
#### National weekly travel spending



Source: Tourism Economics



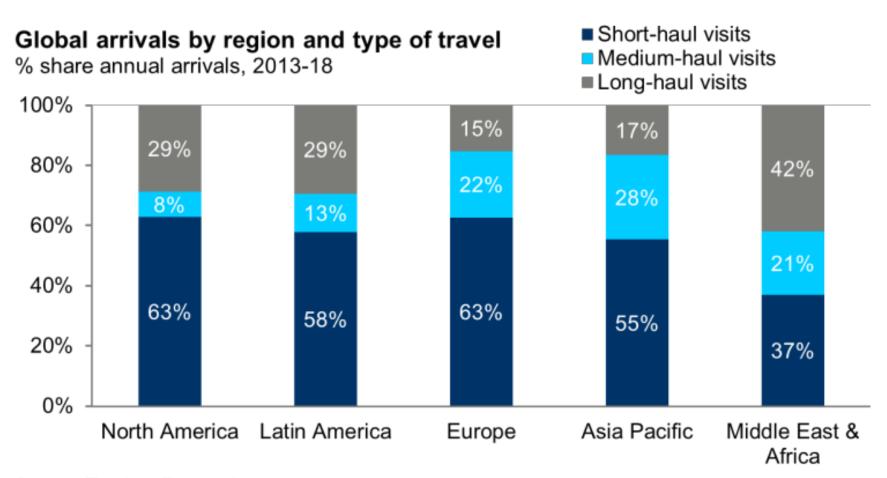
## **Europe is most exposed to seasonal peak impact**



Source: UNWTO, Tourism Economics



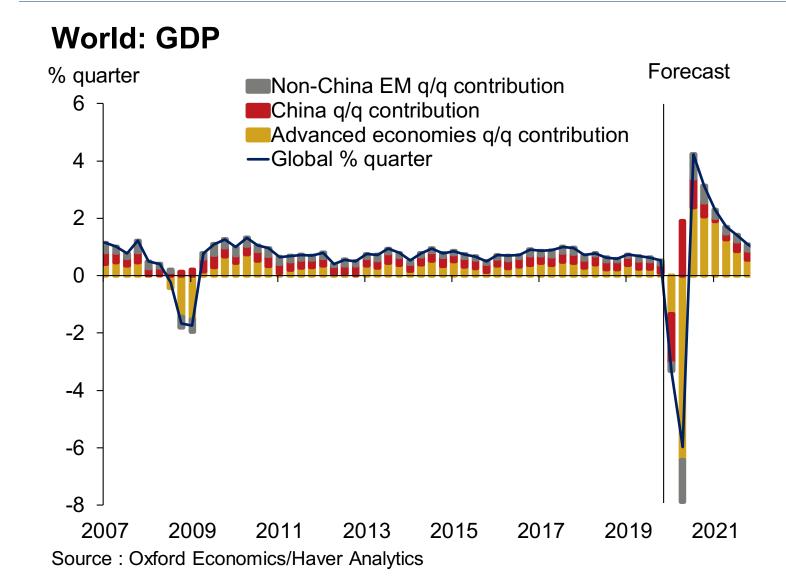
## But Europe has little long-haul exposure



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## **Expect a big initial bounce in GDP**

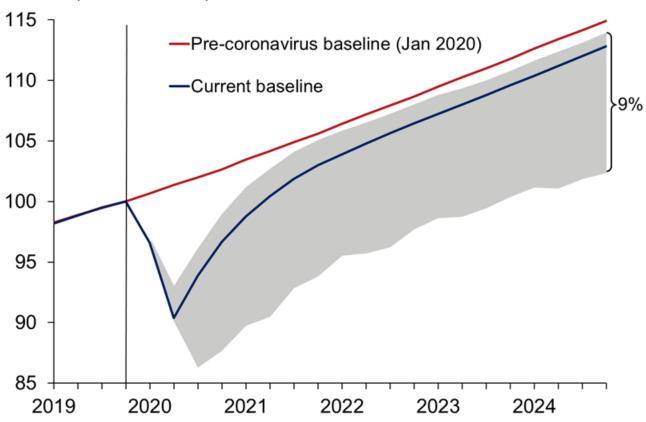




## But the risks are heavily skewed to the downside

#### Global GDP: distribution of plausible scenarios

Index (2019Q4 = 100)

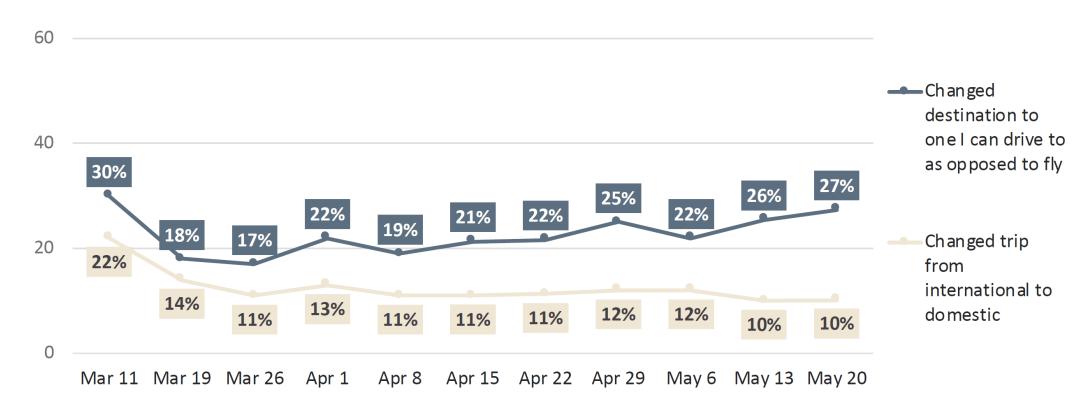


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## Pent-up demand is real, but trips will adapt

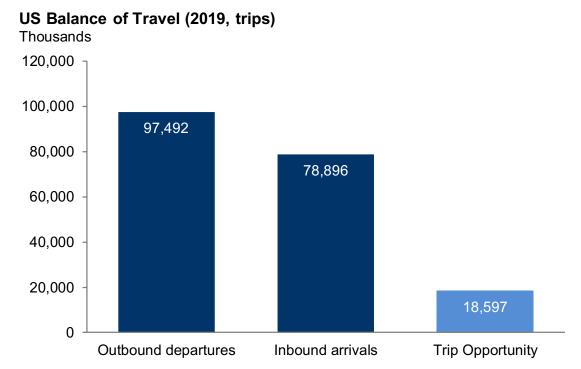
#### Impact of COVID-19 on Upcoming Travel Plans Comparison



Base: Coronavirus Changed Travel Plans

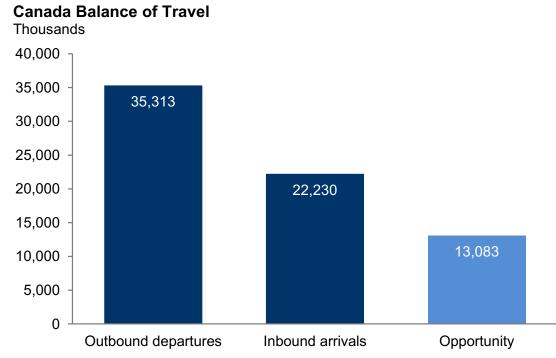


## Domestic opportunity is massive if international travel halts



Source: Tourism Economics

# 19 million more US outbound trips than inbound



Source: Tourism Economics

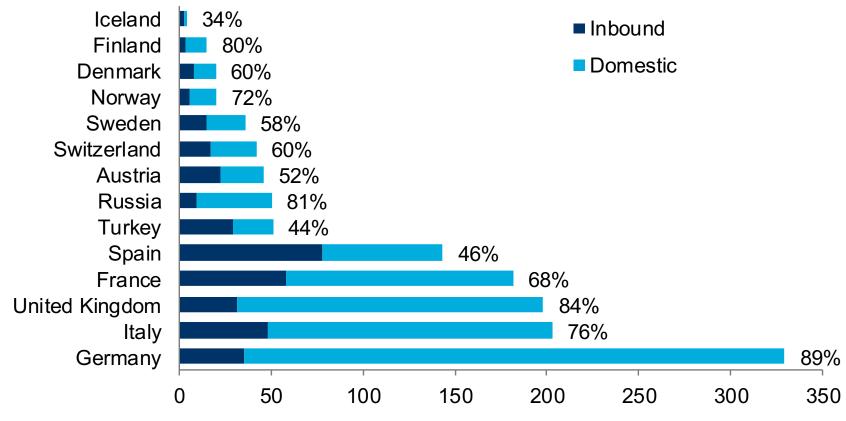
# 13 million more Canadian outbound trips than inbound



## This opportunity (and risk) varies significantly across Europe

#### **Domestic & International Travel Spend by Destination**

US\$ bn, 2019, domestic % share as label

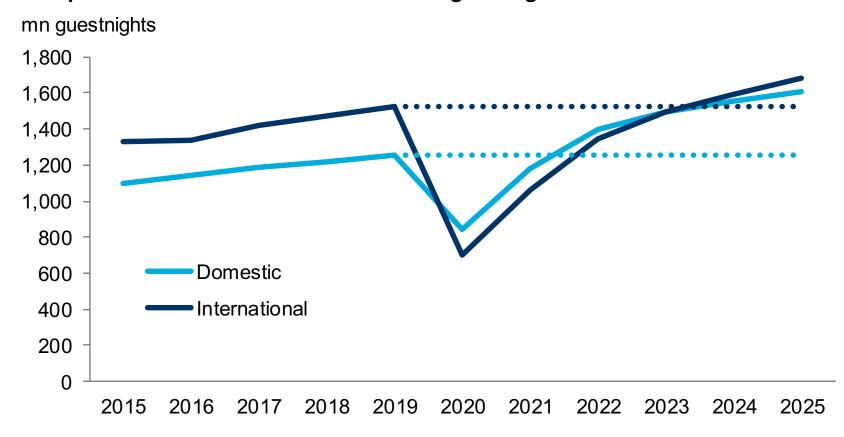


Source: Oxford Economics, WTTC



## Domestic to become a larger source of demand in Europe

#### **Europe: International and domestic hotel guestnights**

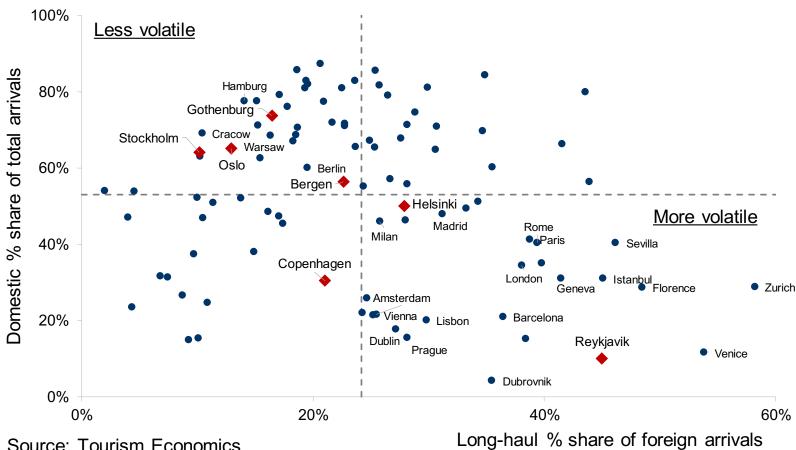


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## Destination performance will partly rely on source market mix

#### European city reliance on domestic and long-haul arrivals, 2019



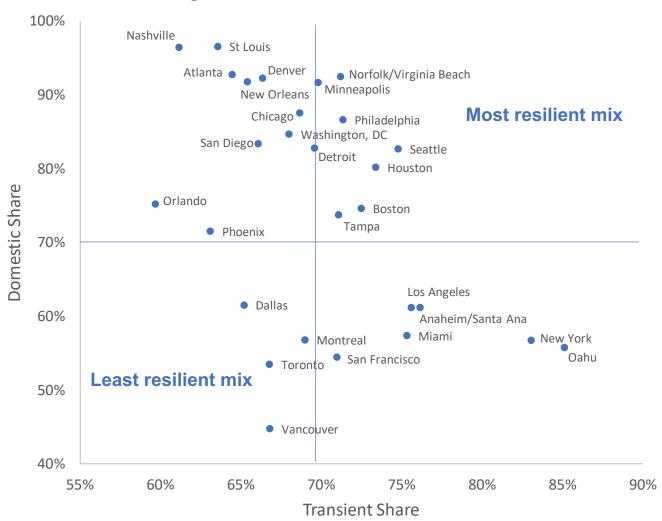
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#### Hotel room demand by customer type

Share of 2019 room nights sold

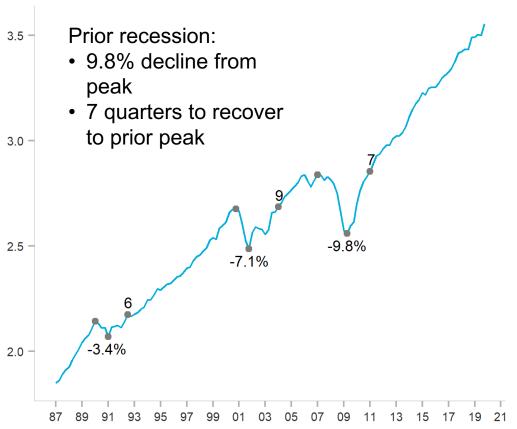




# After previous recession, it took 7 quarters for demand to recover its prior peak, and 12 quarters for ADR in the US

#### **Demand during recessions**

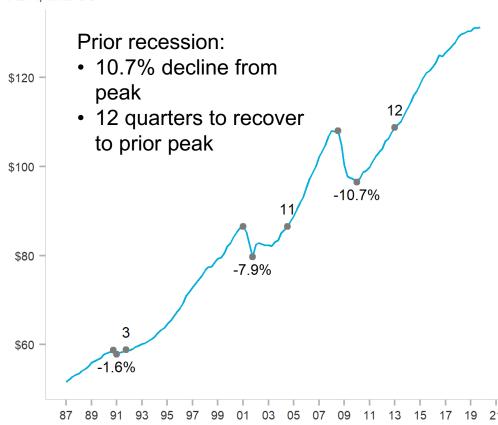
Daily room nights in millions, total US



Note: Data at quarterly frequency, seasonally adjusted. Grey markers indicate quarter of prior peak, trough (with percent decline relative to prior peak), Source: STR. Tourism Economics

#### **ADR** during recessions

ADR, total US

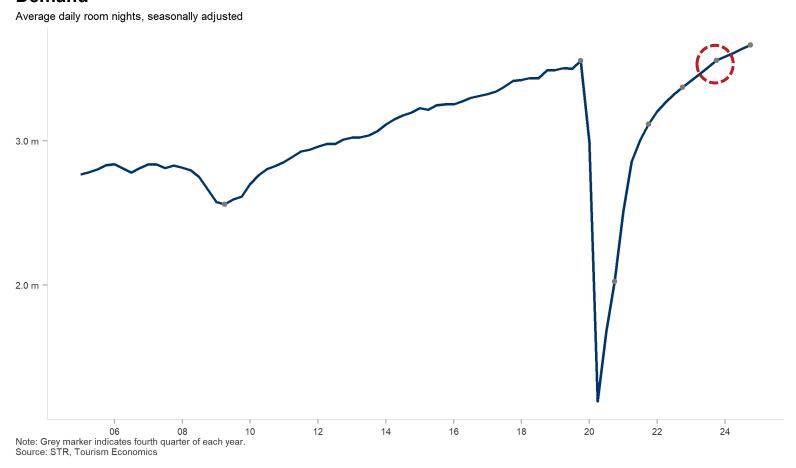


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## Full recovery in hotel demand may take twice as long as prior recession

#### **Demand**



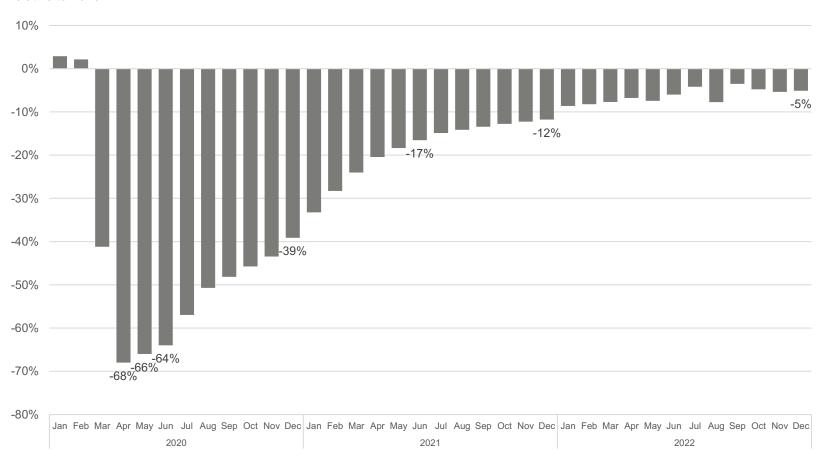
Demand recovers its prior peak by the end of 2023, approximately 14 quarters after trough.



## Recovery is tempered...but inevitable

#### **Demand**

Relative to 2019





## **Anatomy of a recovery**



#### Initial recovery

- Leisure
- Especially drive



#### Secondary recovery

- Essential business
- Small- and medium-size groups
- Regional international (intra-Americas, intra-Europe)



#### Final recovery

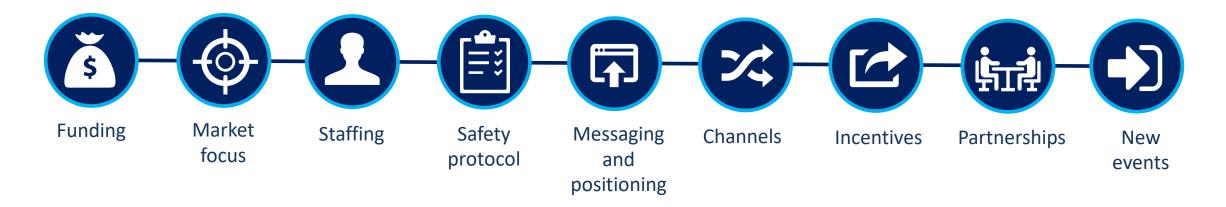
- Long-haul international
- Large events

Return to "normal" levels of travel will be a multi-year effort (likely 2023)



## **Determine strategies to accelerate recovery**

## Decisions must be informed by a recovery timeline and profile





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