

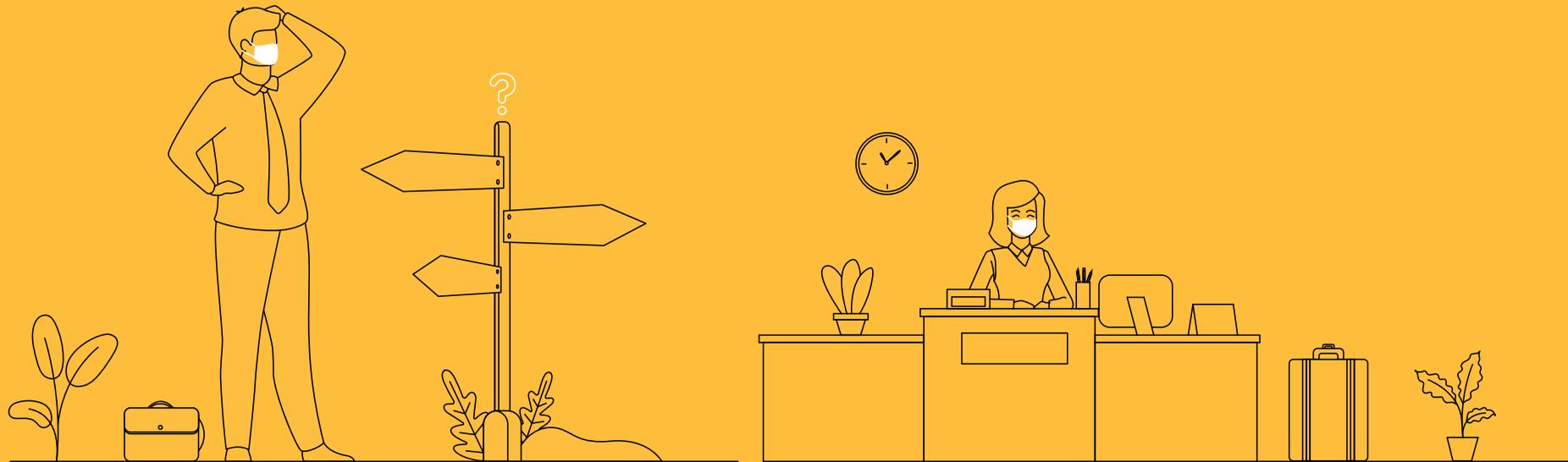
COVID AND THE CONSUMER

# HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

## INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT

COVID-19 has changed the way consumers think about travel. And, for the foreseeable future, they are thinking about doing it less. Much less.

To keep a pulse on just what that looks like, our Market Intelligence team pulled together a snapshot of the most credible research available — from October and November (2020) — on COVID-19's effect on the hospitality and travel industry.



## A CHANGE IN PLANS



of U.S. travelers indicate they will change their travel plans in the next six months due to COVID-19.

48% reduced travel plans

36% canceled a trip completely

29% changed to a driveable destination vs. flying

19% changed a trip from international to domestic<sup>1</sup>

60%

say that the recent increases in COVID-19 cases around the country have made them less likely to travel in the next three months.<sup>2</sup>

78%

have avoided staying in a hotel, casino, or resort specifically due to COVID-19.<sup>3</sup>

## HEIGHTENED EXPECTATIONS FOR HOTELIERS

- 46% are willing to pay more at a hotel that implements increased safety precautions.<sup>4</sup>

- Nearly 90% prefer that the hotel they visit has a mobile app offering the ability to completely manage their stay without having to interact with a person.<sup>5</sup>
- 90% say it is very or extremely important that the facility they stay at enforces COVID-19 safety policies.<sup>6</sup>
- 82% feel the COVID-19 pandemic will bring about changes to the onsite lodging experience that will last well into the future.<sup>7</sup>

## GIVING THANKS FROM HOME

4%

were planning to travel to another state to see friends and family at Thanksgiving.

52%

were planning to celebrate with just immediate family.

12%

report they were requiring mask usage except during the meal.<sup>8</sup>

## SUMMER VACATION PLANS HEAT UP

How soon from now would you be comfortable going on vacation/traveling?

- Now/under a month: 28%
- In 2-5 months: 19%
- In 6+ months: 53%<sup>9</sup>

## STAY IN THE KNOW

As consumer behavior continues to change amid the pandemic, so will our monthly updates.  
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