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AACO updates on Public Health Measures

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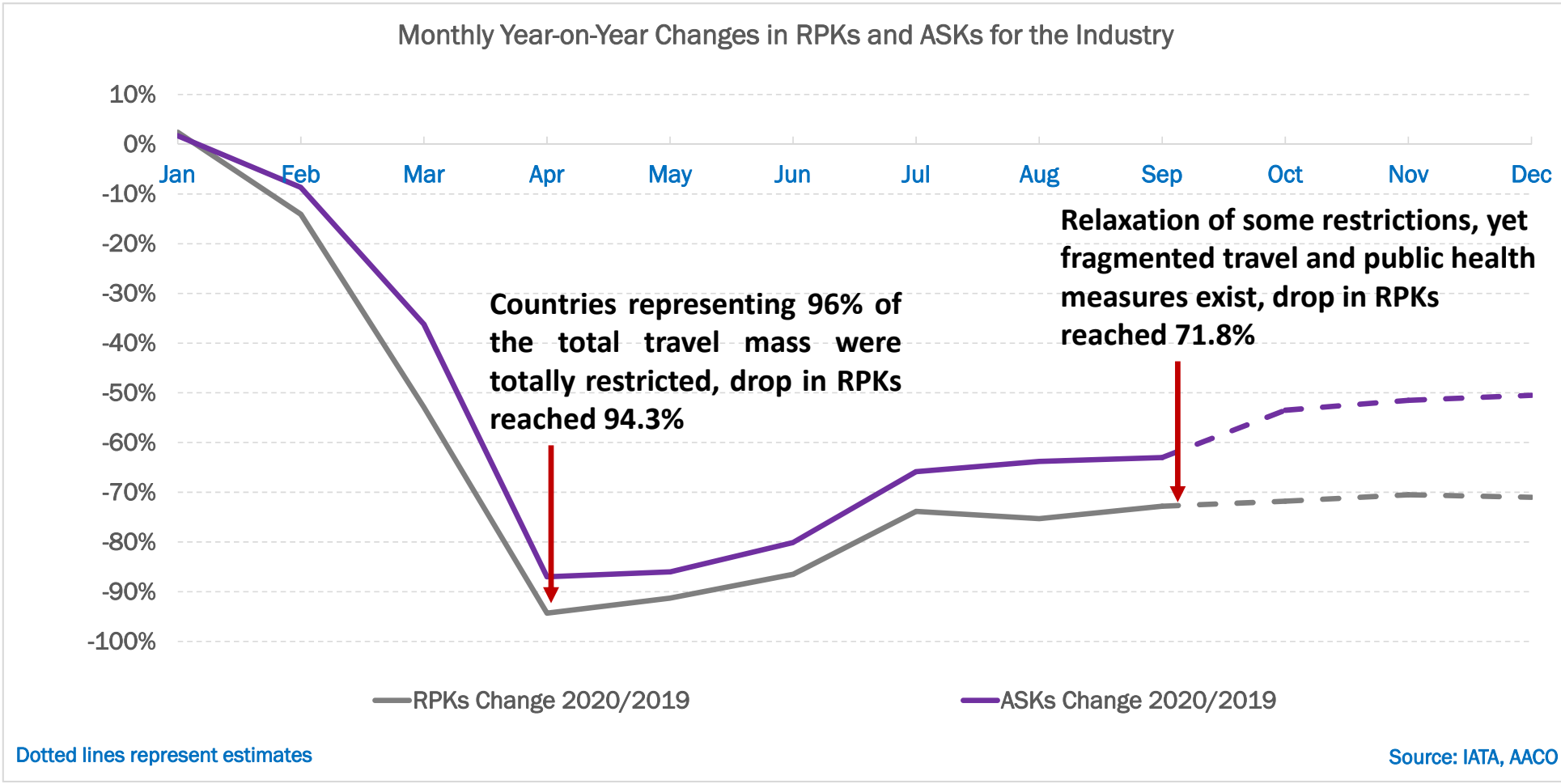
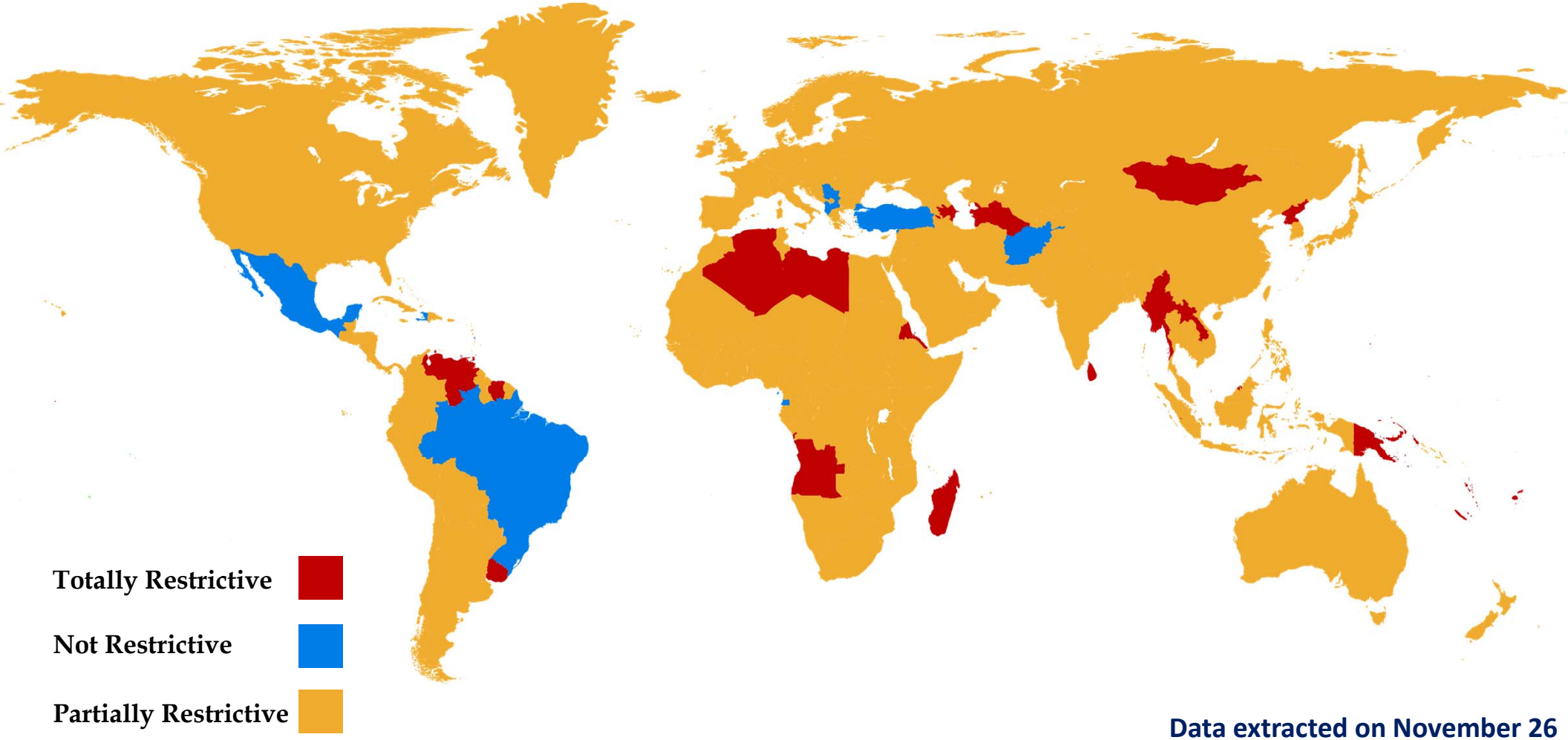
Monthly Year-on-Year Change in Passenger Traffic (measured in Revenue Passenger Kilometers – RPKs) and Capacity (measured in Available Seat Kilometers – ASKs)



Travel Restrictions and Fragmented Public Health Measures Continue to Impact Travel Activity

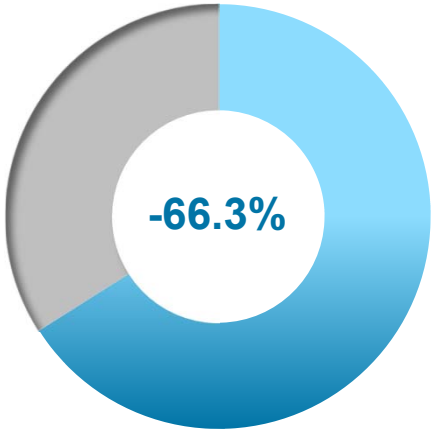


Data extracted on November 26

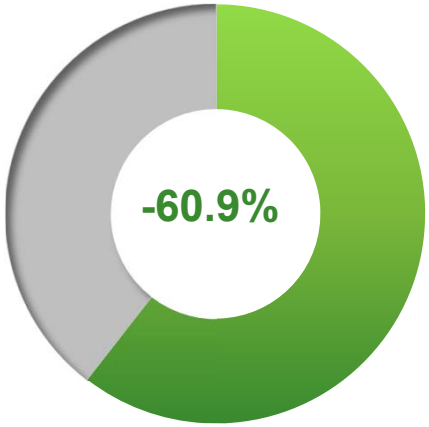
Source: IATA Travel Centre

Impact on Global Travel and Tourism

Drop in Passenger Traffic



Airlines' Revenue Losses (510 B)



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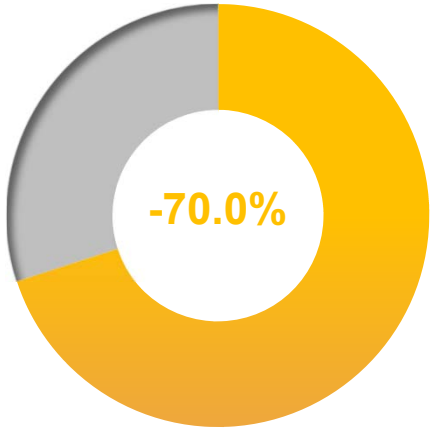
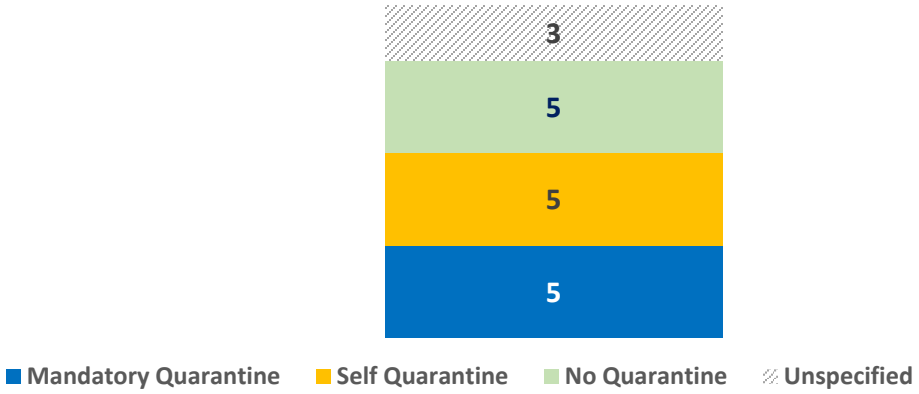


Joblessness in Travel & Tourism — 174 M or 53.9% of Total Job Losses Estimated in 2020 (322.5 M)

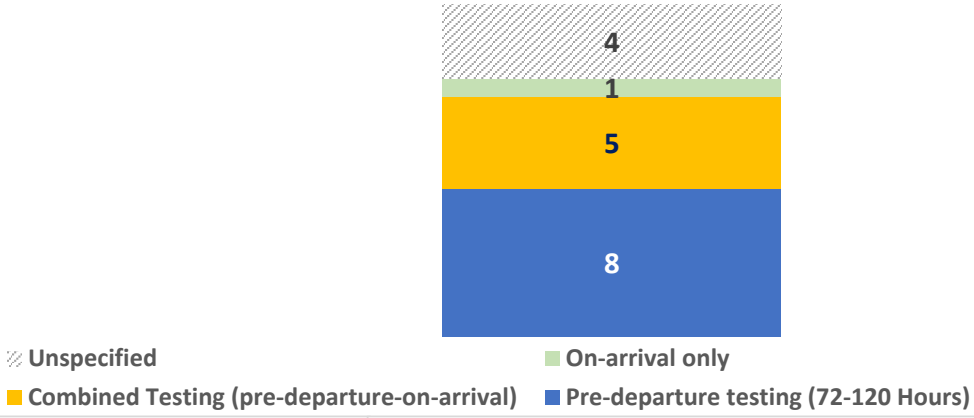
88% of people traveling for tourism purposes are not willing to travel if quarantine is applied

Public Health Measures that are being Implemented Across Arab Countries[1]

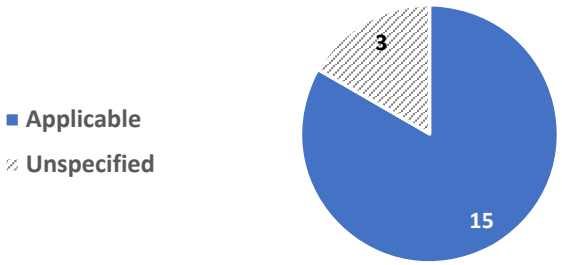
Quarantine Measures



Testing Requirements

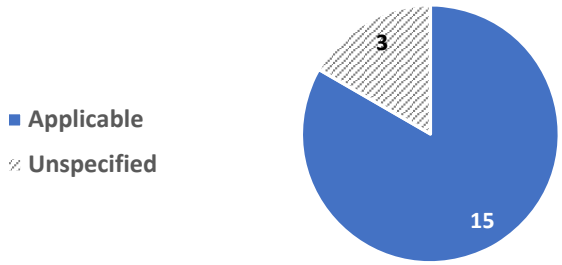


Other Public Health Measures*

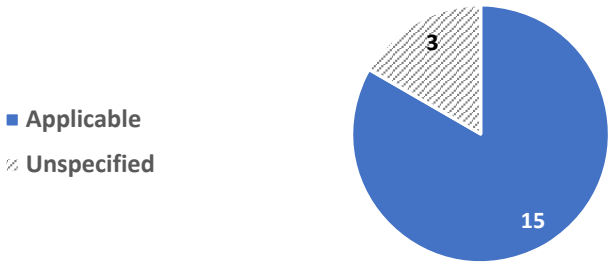


*measures include social distancing at airports, mandatory face covering, and temperature checks at arrival & departure

Contact Tracing Mechanism (electronic/paper-based)



Required Health Declaration Form (electronic/paper-based)



[1]Data represents 18 Arab countries namely: Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, UAE, and Yemen

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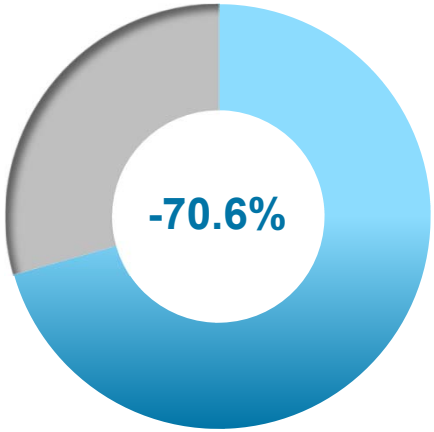
Impact on Travel and Tourism in the Arab World

Drop in Passenger Traffic



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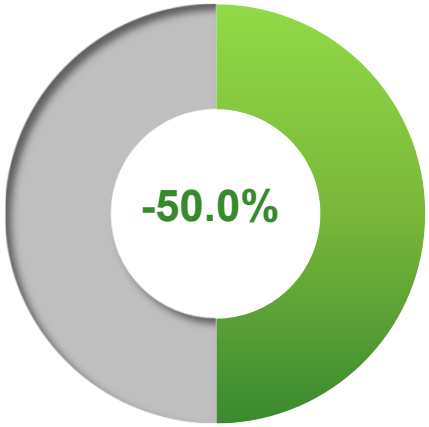

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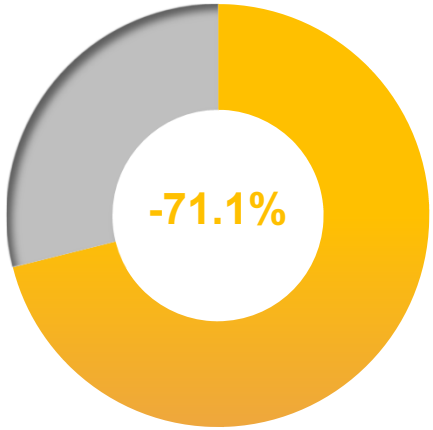

Joblessness in Travel & Tourism — **6.6 M or 44.8% of Total Job Losses Estimated in 2020 (14.7 M)**

In Order to Ensure a Safe Restart and Expansion of Air Transport we Recommend the Following:

- Encourage States to follow CART and CAPSCA recommendations on Public Health Measures, Testing, and Cross-border risk management
- Follow the criteria proposed by the Testing and cross-border risk management manual to determine the relative risks (disease prevalence, test positivity rate, and testing rate), and use color coding based on the cut-off criteria specified in the manual.
- Encourage the use of Rapid Tests in the aviation context (many tests with high specificity and sensitivity are being developed now or under development)
- Remove quarantine measures with the existence of pre-departure and on Arrival COVID-19 testing
- With the availability of Vaccines, stakeholders need to start working on developing a health certificate that is accepted by all parties

Thank you
Questions ?

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