

COVID-19 Marketing Response Planning





# Media Consumption Shifts During COVID-19

Digital and TV are receiving more attention while audio formats are being negatively impacted.

57% of Americans are more likely to stream TV or movies as a new consumption behavior, and 30% believe they will continue to do it more often, indicating a long-term behavior change.

**42%**Are paying
MORE attention to
Traditional TV

**53%**Are paying
MORE attention
to the Web

45%
Are paying
MORE attention to
Streaming TV

20%
Are paying
LESS attention
to Radio

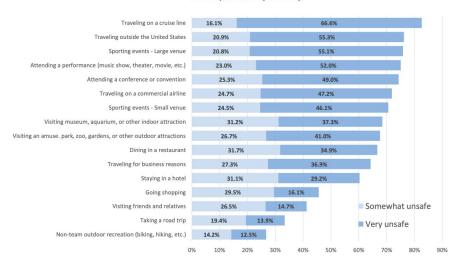
27%
Are paying
LESS attention
to Podcasts

### **Traveler Perceptions of Safety**

#### Wave 7 (Collected April 24-26)

Question: At this moment, how safe would you feel doing each type of travel activity?

(Base: Wave 7 data. All respondents, 1,208 completed surveys. Data collected April 24-26, 2020)



#### **Key Takeaways**

#### Perceived Safe:

- Outdoors
- Drive Markets

#### **Areas of Concern:**

- Cruises
- Crowded Events
- Areas Slow to Contain COVID19 Outbreak
- Air Travel

# **Traveler Business Expectations**

	Millennials/GenZ	Baby Boomers
Certified cleaning/disinfecting protocols	60.7%	66.7%
Health screenings for employees dealing with the public	52.1%	68.6%
Passenger health screenings (at airports)	47.1%	69.3%
Published cleaning/disinfecting protocols	47.7%	65.5%
Passenger health screenings (on cruises)	41.8%	70.2%
Limitations to crowd sizes/visitor capacity	44.5%	65.4%
Rules for customer physical interactions	36.8%	52.9%
Customer-facing staff required to wear PPE (masks, gloves etc.)	37.3%	51.4%
Customers encouraged to wear PPE (masks, gloves etc.)	30.4%	49.7%

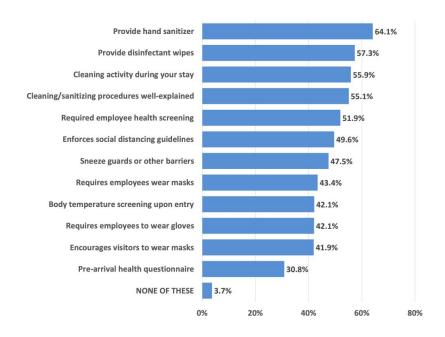
- Generations have different expectations for businesses
- COVID19 outcomes driving risk management

### **Traveler Business Expectations**

Question: When thinking about visiting COMMERCIAL PUBLIC LOCATIONS (theme parks, concert or sports venues, shopping malls, etc.), what operational practices will you want to see used? (Select all that apply)

(Base: All respondents, 1,208 completed surveys. Data collected April 24-26, 2020)

**Question Added in Wave 7** 



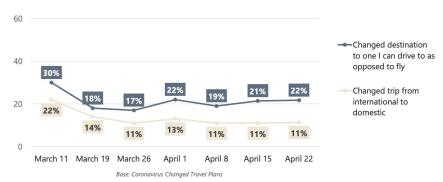
- Consumers will have new expectations during their visit
- Similar responses for Restaurants as well

### **Traveler Sentiment**

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



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



**Key Takeaways** 

- Trip cancellations plateau; trips being changed
- Increased Drive Market
   Intent and Airport
   Aversion
- Consumers less willing to travel internationally

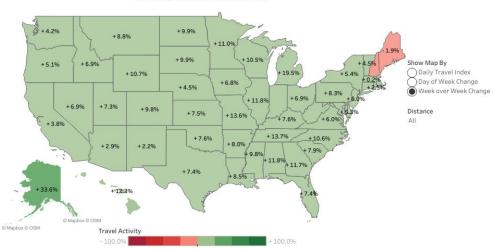
Source: Travel Sentiment Study Wave 7, Longwoods International

## **Current Travel Activity**

#### Arrivalist US Daily Travel Index



Hover over any state or index for additional details



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Daily drive market index of US travelers who moved at least 50 miles from their home and spent a minimum of 2 hours on their journey. The index is the relative daily volume of travelers compared to the average number of daily travelers in February 2020. Last updated: 65/02/2020

Source: Daily Travel Index, Arrivalist, Feb 2

### **Key Takeaways**

 250+ Mile travel showing week-over-week gains nearly nationwide

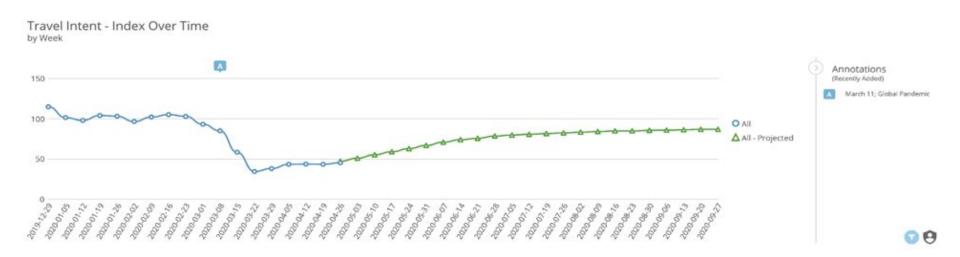
### **Expected Short Term Consumer Travel Trends**

As consumers start traveling, we expect patterns to shift significantly.

- Overall shift from densely populated areas / attractions to find <u>experiences in areas with space</u>
- Seeing mixed data on older demographics being slower to return to travel
- Cruise passengers will be <u>looking for new opportunities with similar planning simplicity</u>, but without the crowds
- Uncertain shift from densely populated accommodations (hotels) to <u>vacation rentals, boutiques</u> and similar accommodations, brand equity will be connected to cleanliness
- Parents may assert safety considerations over Gen Z+ desires for theme parks
- Small group travel returns sooner (weddings, reunions) with desired location and accommodation shifts



### **Travel Intent Tracking**



Source: Madden Travel Index

- Goal: Know when consumers return to the inspiration and planning phases
- Forecast looks at expected trend data
- Index composed of organic traffic, marketing engagement, and consumer search trends

### **Travel Search Trends**

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- APR-JUL are traditional peak search periods
- Leading indicator of consumers regaining active interest in travel
- Based on terms using Google search trends

# **Organic Performance**



### **Key Takeaways**

- Consumer engagement with panel of DMO websites from organic users
- Weighted heavily in our overall consumer travel intent

Source: Madden Travel Index

# **Marketing Engagement**





- Charts consumer interaction with paid/non-organic traffic
- Compared to historical trends ('18 & '19)

# **Marketing Engagement**



of people surveyed keep visiting travelrelated sites after booking.



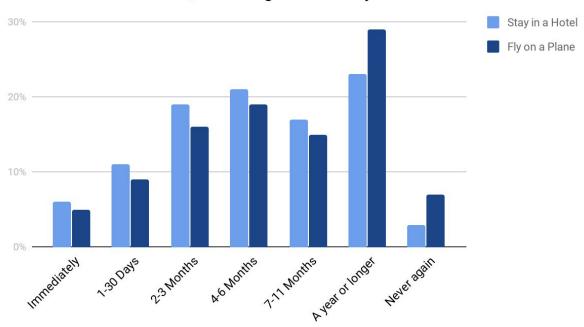
of people surveyed re-research a trip after completing a booking.

### **Key Takeaways**

Those travelers
 committed to booking or
 booked, continue to
 engage in advance of
 their trip

### **Traveler Intent**

#### Once the virus flattens, how long will it take you to:



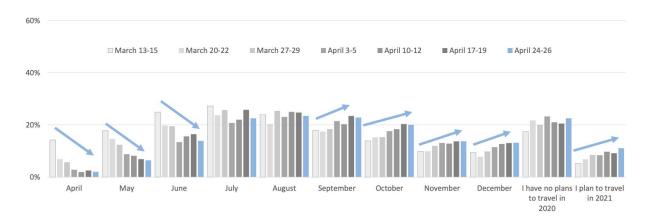
### **Key Takeaways**

- 57% expect to stay in hotel within 6 months
- 49% expect to fly in a plane within 6 months

Source: Harris Poll, Wave 9

# **Traveler Rescheduling Intent**

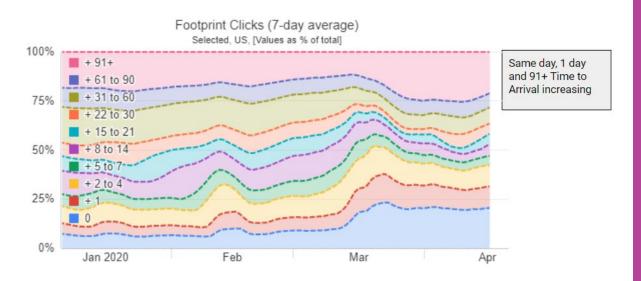
Question: Even if only tentatively scheduled, in which months of this year do you currently plan to take any leisure trips?



- Length of Containment accelerating travel planning
- Fall still being seen as "safe", July and August holding steady
- >60% of trips
   rescheduled are leisure

### **Traveler Booking Activity**

Time to Arrival (1/6-4/19)



Google Confidential + Proprietary

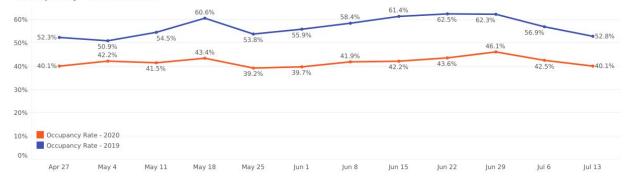
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- Longer length of stay searches

# **Short-Term Rental Activity**





#### Occupancy - United States



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General Framework

# Long-Term Strategy Post-COVID19

Capture pent-up Travel Demand, then Differentiate to Increased Yield

#### PHASE 1: RESEARCH AND RECOVERY

Step 1:

Research and Adjustments to Messaging & Audiences

Step 2:

Campaign Creative & Media Planning

Step 3:

Campaign Optimization and Reporting

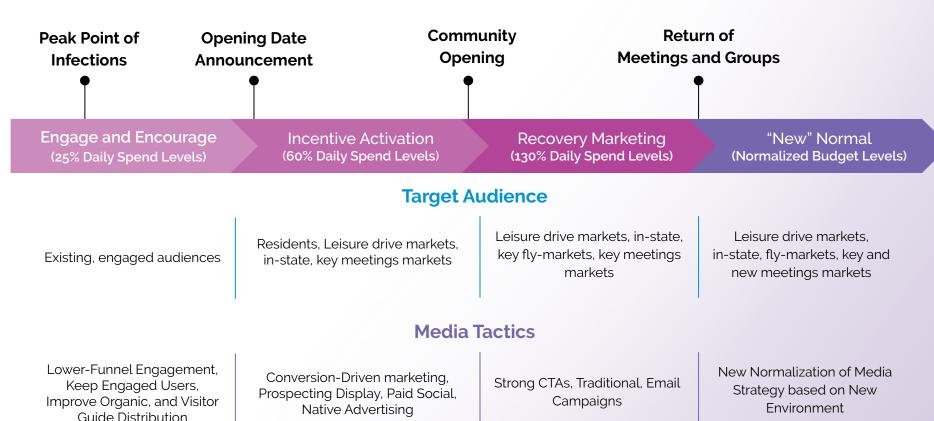
#### PHASE 2: OCCUPANCY IMPROVEMENT (Increase Occupancy Rate)

Audience expansion based on visitor profiles post-COVID, goal to improve overall occupancy and length of stay

#### PHASE 3: YIELD EXPANSION (Improve ADR + Sales Tax Revenues)

Refine audience buying behaviors based on visitor yield across both occupancy revenue sources and sales tax behavior

## Phase 1: Research and Recovery



### Importance of Collaboration





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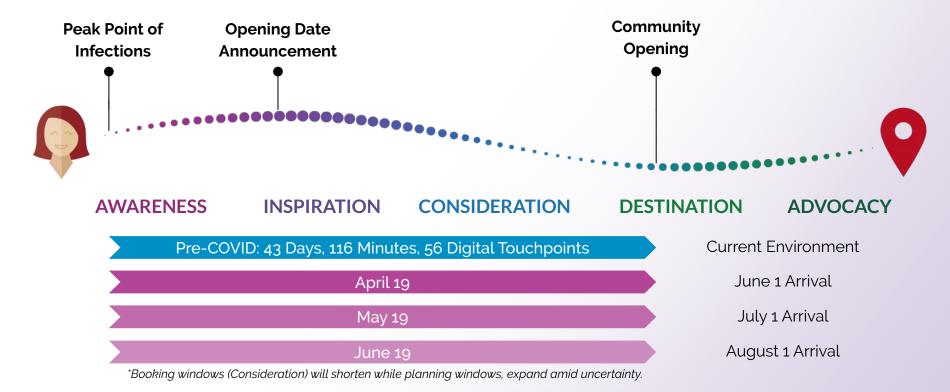
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Get to Know Tampa Bay Breweries at These This Quenching Locations



- Content to DrivePlanning and IncreasedSpend In-Destinations
- Packages, especially for multi-day stays
- Current collaboration efforts with local businesses beyond hotels are going to be differentiators

### **Consumer Journey**



# Winning Road Trips + Length of Stay



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**AWARENESS** 

**INSPIRATION** 

**CONSIDERATION** 

**DESTINATION** 

**ADVOCACY** 

Imagery: Parks, Outdoors, Family

Pre-COVID:

**85**% of Leisure Travelers decided on activities in destination (Google)

#### Post-COVID:

**57%** say they will do more research when planning (TripAdvisor)

**Content:** 

Multi-Day Itineraries, Stories

**Collaboration:**Bundling, Packages

**Emotion:** 

Return Visitors, Known Environment, Reduced Uncertainty

**Democratize Influencers:** Engage Visitors/Residents



Travelers who book their activities ahead of their trip spend 47% more on lodging and 81% more on transportation than those who wait to book in destination.

Think with Google

Google/Greenberg, Global, Travel Tours and Activities Survey and Behavioral Study, Dec. 2018.

## **Recovery Creative**

In recovery, you must create campaign-based creative that speaks to the intents of niches

Create Emotional Connections to **Brands and the Destination** 

**Recreate Emotions of Past Visitors** 



**Experiences** 



**Outdoors** 



**Dining** 



**Family Friendly** 



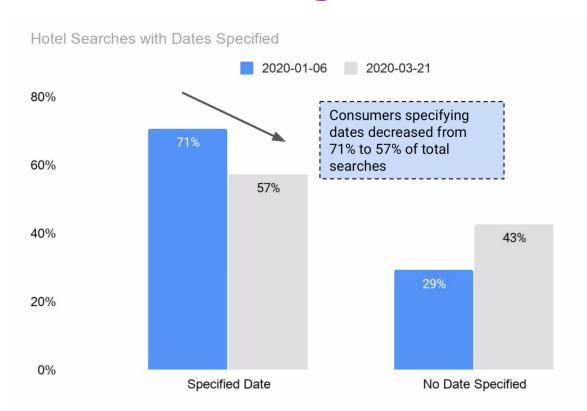
**Craft Beer/Spirits** 



**Cancellations** 



### **Traveler Booking Intent**

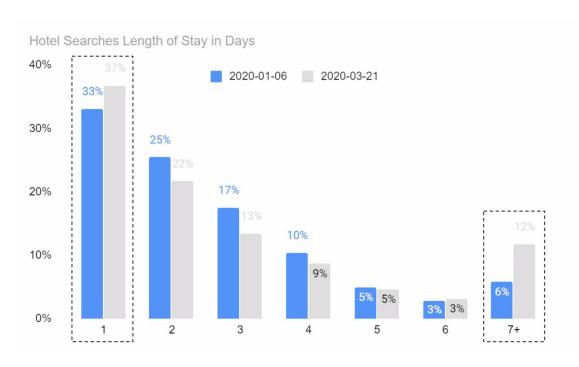


### **Key Takeaways**

- Uncertain Environment
   Preventing Decisions
   and Final Booking
   Behavior / Conversions
- Community open dates will drive inclusion of dates DA Research shows 22.5% of all surveyed will Go On a Trip after restrictions listed

Source: Google Internal Data, Google Hotel Ads Footprint Clicks, US USer Country, 7-Day average

# **Traveler Booking Intent**



- Event and Data-Driven
   Intent Remains
- Consumers Seeking Longer and Deeper Experiences

# What Are Consumers Saying About Travel?

In a recent survey by Google and aligns with research from Destinations Analysts, travelers are more willing to consider domestic destinations and locations close to their homes in the next 3 months (from end of March):

**77%**Said they are interested in traveling in the U.S. (46% - Anywhere in the United States)

13%
Anywhere in the world

10% Only in North America

Travelers are also more willing to consider more spacious outdoor destinations and less crowded small towns. Destination Interest among those who would book travel in the next 3 months:

**31%**Somewhere in nature

27%

Beach
destination

**17%**Small
Towns

15% Major City 6% Theme Parks

3% Skiing



## **Traveler Booking Intent**



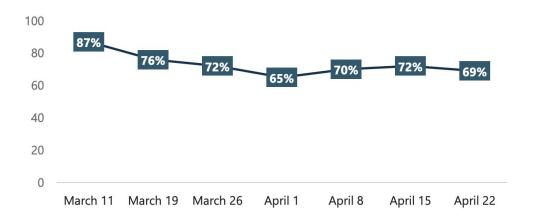
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- Q2 Concerns are shifting into Q3
   Demand
- Unwillingness to Travel
   Stable to Declining
- Google Hotel Searches showing lack of specification on dates and 7+ day booking periods

### **Traveler Sentiment**

#### **Travelers with Travel Plans in the Next Six Months Comparison**

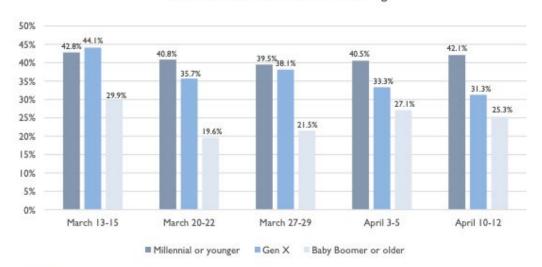


#### **Key Takeaways**

 Plans to travel over next six months stabilizing

### Importance of Collaboration

#### Americans Who Agree That Discounts and Price Cuts Make Them More Interested in Traveling



Question: How much do you agree with the following statement?

Statement: The coronavirus has led many travel providers to cut their prices. These discounts and price cuts (airline, hotel, etc.) make me more interested in traveling in the NEXT THREE (3) MONTHS.

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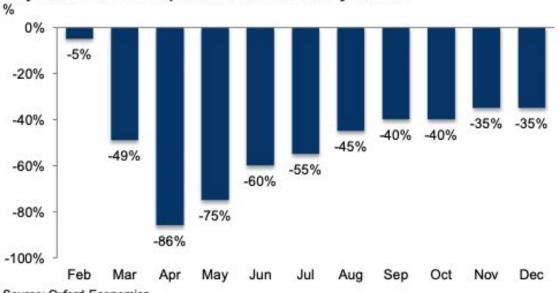
#### **Key Takeaways**

- Willingness to hear about offers in this environment (37%)
- Packages, especially for multi-day stays looks to be welcome
- Current collaboration efforts with local businesses beyond hotels are going to be differentiators

Source: Destinations Analysts, Study Fielded April 10-12, 2020

# **Budget Planning**

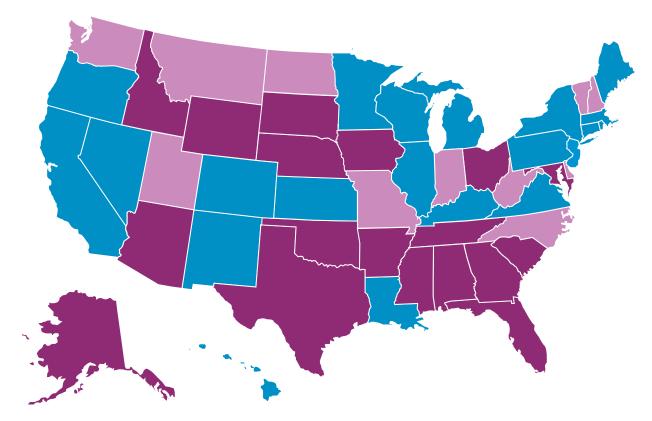
#### Projected COVID-19 impact on tourism industry revenue



Source: Oxford Economics

- Model future cash flow for recovery planning
- Opportunities to use debt to invest in recovery
- Use expected
   occupancy levels from
   group/meetings to
   manage media plans

### **Political Considerations**



### **Key Takeaways**

- US Federalist
   Response to Crisis,
   Governor-Led
- Will Partisanship Lead Recovery Decision Timelines? States and Metros?
- Overall infection rate
   <0.2%, but states with</li>
   high rates may lag

2020 Gubernatorial Elections

Republican Governor

**Democrat Governor** 

# **Travel Activity by Device**



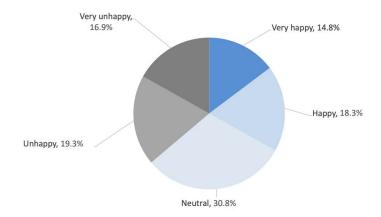
- Dual-PurposeManagement andMarketing Tool
- Capture visitor profile data daily with lookback
- Understand visitor activity by category

### **Resident Sentiment**

Question: How would you feel if you saw an advertisement today promoting your community as a place for tourists to come visit when it is safe?

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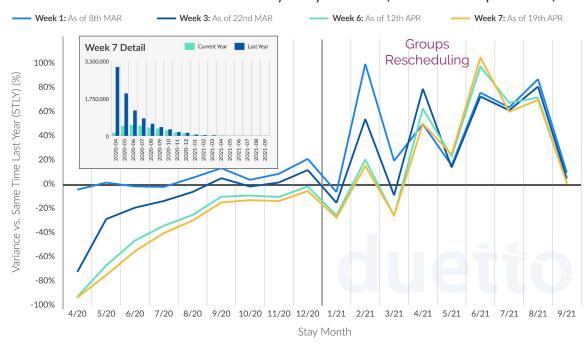
**Question Added in Wave 7** 



- While >60% of people do not want to see visitors, 36% would be happy to see advertising for their community
- Loud minority

### **Traveler Booking Activity**

NA: On The Books vs. STLY by Stay Month (Pace as of April 19th)



### **Key Takeaways**

 4Q20 and 1Q21 are stabilizing vs Same
 Time Last Year



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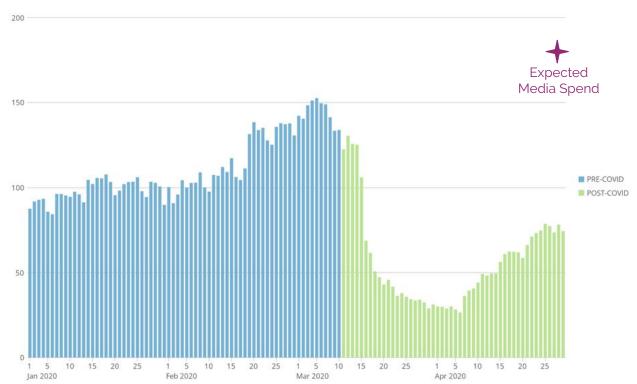
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Director of Business
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# Today's Presenters

# **DMO Media Spend Index**



Source: Madden DMO Spend Index

- Focus on Lower-Funnel Engagement,
   ConnectedTV
- About 35% YoY STLY, peak media buying is MAR-JUN