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# Visualizing Effects of COVID-19 on Transportation: A One-Year Retrospective

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## **Learning Objectives**

- 1. Identify COVID-19's impacts on urban and state-level mobility
- 2. Identify COVID-19's impacts on air travel

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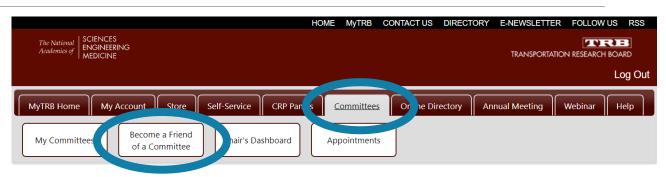
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- Subcommittee on Performance Visualization
- Subcommittee Interactive Simulation

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- · Peer review papers for the Transportation Research Record.
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### Today's Webinar

#### **Visualizing COVID-19 Impacts on Urban Mobility**

Dr. Kaan Ozbay, New York University

#### **Visualizing COVID-19 Impacts on State-Level Mobility**

Michael L. Pack, University of Maryland

#### **Visualizing COVID-19 Impacts on Air Travel**

Mark Duell, FlightAware

#### **Questions & Answers**

Moderated by Charles Lattimer, University of Maryland



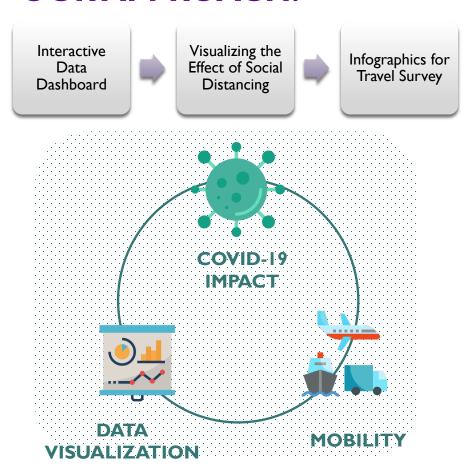
#### DATA VISUALIZATION vs COVID vs MOBILITY

**DATA** is critical to understanding the impacts and needs in times of crisis. However, simply collecting data is not enough.

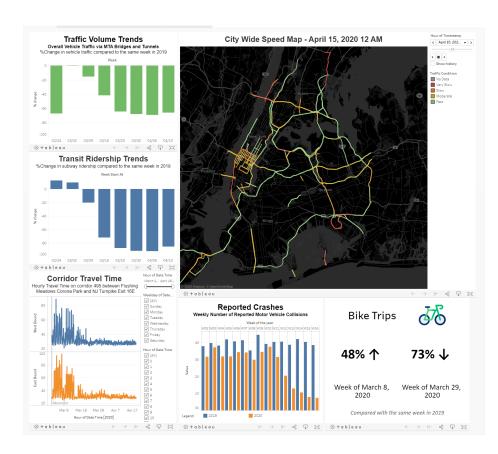
**DATA VISUALIZATION** is one of the best tools to understand the data and communicate findings in constructive ways. Data visualization during the COVID-19 pandemic helps us to fast track the changes and develop effective strategies immediately actionable in the current environment.

**MOBILITY** is one good indicator of the effectiveness of Nonpharmaceutical interventions (NPIs) such as social distancing policies during the outbreak and reveals the recovery of the cities.

#### **OUR APPROACH:**



#### C2SMART COVID-19 INTERACTIVE DASHBOARD



Fan Zuo, Jingxing Wang, Jingqin Gao, Kaan Ozbay, Xuegang Jeff Ban, Yubin Shen, Hong Yang and Shri Iyer (2020), An Interactive Data Visualization and Analytics Tool to Evaluate Mobility and Sociability Trends During COVID-19, <a href="https://urbComp.2020"><u>UrbComp.2020</u></a>: The 9th SIGKDD International Workshop on Urban Computing.

We developed a comprehensive and publicly accessible data dashboard that integrates numerous sources of data to monitor transportation trends in the wake of COVID-19.

http://c2smart.engineering.nyu.edu/covid-19-dashboard/

Online dashboard pooling open data sources to observe trends

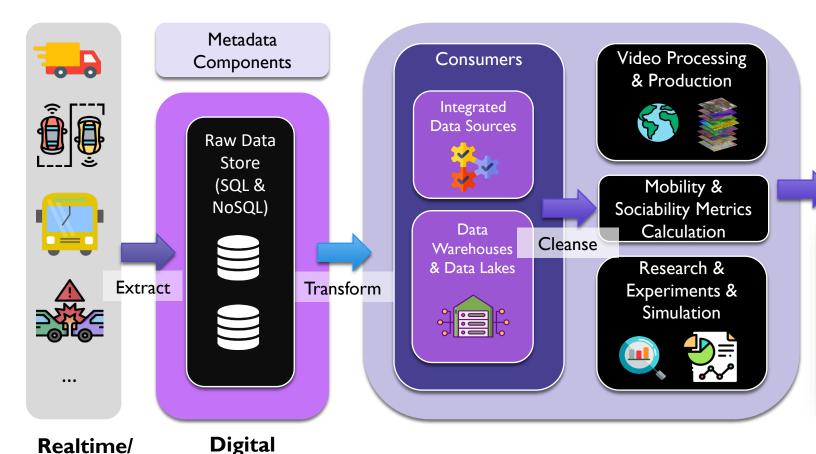
Travel trends and mode choice

The effect of social distancing

Multi-city: New York City, Chicago, Seattle, 6 cities in China

As far as we know it is the only deployed and open site that integrates all of these datasets in one place.

#### C2SMART COVID-19 DATA DASHBOARD ARCHITECTURE



Integration &

**Access Layer** 

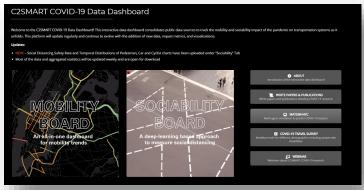
**Offline Data** 

Acquisition

**Data Mining & Could Computing** 



#### C2SMART COVID-19 DATA DASHBOARD & ANALYTICS



- Cross domain multi-data view
- Perform scenario analysis

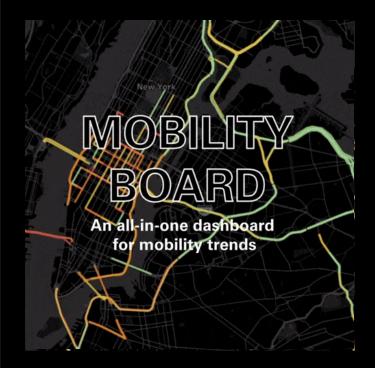
#### Newly Released Version of the Public Data Dashboard

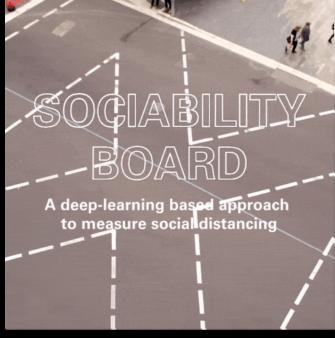
#### C2SMART COVID-19 Data Dashboard

Welcome to the C2SMART COVID-19 Data Dashboard! This interactive data dashboard consolidates public data sources to track the mobility and sociability impact of the pandemic on transportation systems as it unfolds. This platform will update regularly and continue to evolve with the addition of new data, impact metrics, and visualizations.

#### **Updates:**

- . NEW! Social Distancing Safety Rate and Temporal Distributions of Pedestrian, Car and Cyclist charts have been uploaded under "Sociability" Tab
- Most of the data and aggregated statistics will be updated weekly and are open for download

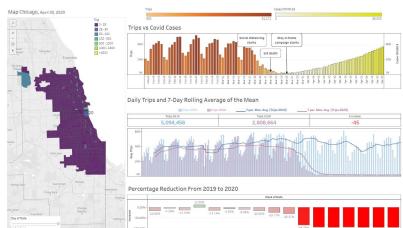






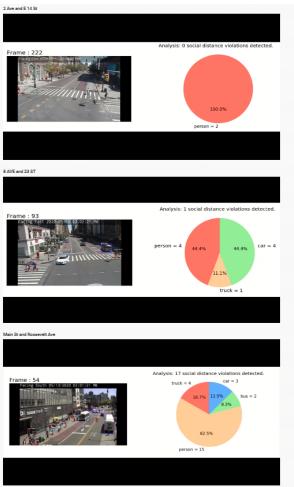
#### **MOBILITY BOARD**

# Vehicular Traffic Subway Bus Bike Collisions Speed Map Collisions Speeding Tickets Weigh-in-Moiton FAST Commuter Rail Access A Ride Access A Ride Access A Ride

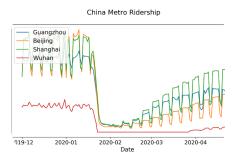


#### **SOCIABILITY BOARD**

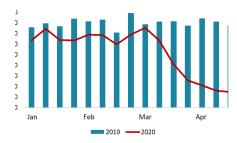




#### C2SMART COVID-19 Interactive Dashboard Data Collection



Transit Ridership
NYC/Seattle/Multiple
cities in China



NYPD reported crashes: peds/cyclist fatality rate

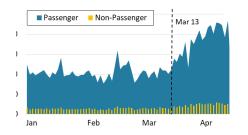
<u>Crashes</u>



Speed & Travel Time
Traffic Speed Map
Corridor Travel Time



NYC <u>CitiBike trips</u>
Seattle Bike counts,
Fremont Bridge



Camera Violations
Speeding /parking tickets



Social Distancing
Pedestrian density
Social distance safety
rate

	03/01/20	03/08/20	03/15/20	03/22/20	03/29/20	04/05/20	-
nitestone Bridge (BWB)	10.95	4.00	-12.59	-36.77			
y Veterans Memorial Dridge	4.74	421	-6.86	-29.55			
dian Bridge (HHB)	1.85	0.28	-24.89				
arey Tunnel (HCT)	0.80	0.83	-16.71				
arlouay-Gil Hodges Memorial MPD)	2.61	8.13	8.98	-33.86			
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Kennedy Bridge Manhattan M)	-1.06	-2.66	-17.89				
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Vehicular Volume

NYC inter-city traffic volume



Weigh-in-Motion
Traffic Volume/speed
by gross vehicle
weight classes

#### A Glance Back to April (April 2020 vs. 2019)

#### **New York City**



**↓92**% Subway



↓68% Vehicular Traffic via MTA bridges and



tunnels ↑108% Avenue Speeds Midtown 8AM-6PM Apr vs. **F44%** Average Bus Speeds



↑ 73% School Zone Speeding Tickets



↓30-44% Trucks with GVW > 100kips at BQE WIM Stations

Changes in Freight Traffic



Yellow Taxi: -96%

Green Taxi: -92%



For-hire Vehicle: -79%

High volume for-hire services (Uber, Lyft,

Via etc.): -76%



↓15% Friday & Saturday trips ↑20% Trip duration



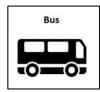
Social Distancing Complaints

2nd most frequent of all 311 complaint types

#### WHERE WE ARE NOW











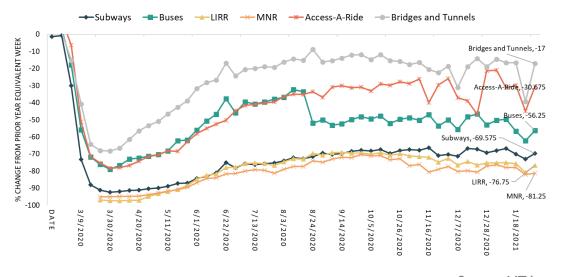
 Uneven recovery speeds - with a faster rebound of truck volume, and slower rebound of transit ridership

Higher recovery demand for Access-a-ride

	Subway	Bus		Commuter Rail (MNR)	Access-a- ride
Worst week in 2020	-92%	-79%	-97%	-95%	-78%
Week of Jan 25, 2021	-70%	-56%	-76%	-78%	-30%

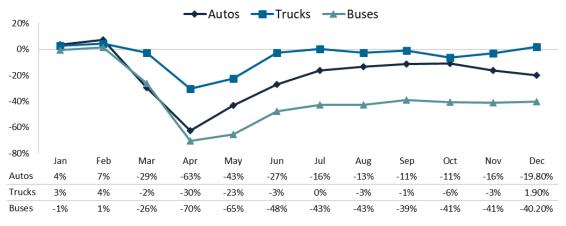
	•	Vehicular (PANYNJ crossing - Monthly)	Vehicular (BQEWIM, Queensbound)
Worst week in 2020	-68%	-61% (-30% Truck)	-37% (-28% Truck)
Week of Jan 25, 2021	-17%	-19% (+2% Truck), Dec 2020	-4% (+1% Truck), Nov 2020

Source: MTA, PANYNJ, NYCDOT/C2SMART



Source: MTA

#### PANYNJ MONTHLY EASTBOUND VOLUMES

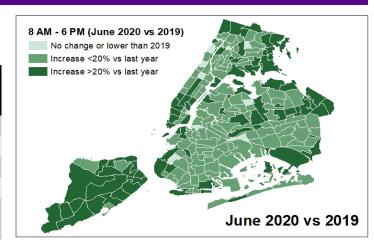


Source: PANYNJ

#### WHERE WE ARE NOW (Cont'd)

#### **Bus Speed**

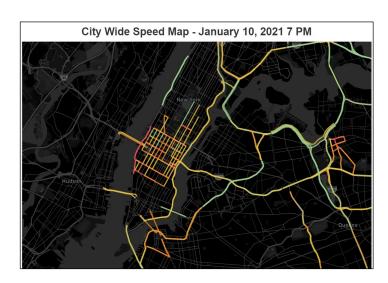
Borough	Monthly Bus Speed, mph (Feb 2020)	Monthly Bus Speed, mph (Dec 2020)	%change (Dec 2020 vs Feb 2020 )	Highest %change in 2020 (Highest month vs Feb 2020)
Bronx	7.46	7.74	+4%	+10%
Brooklyn	7.17	7.55	+5%	+21%
Manhattan	5.97	6.44	+8%	+29%
Queens	8.94	9.42	+5%	+21%
Staten Island	14	14.25	+2%	+4%

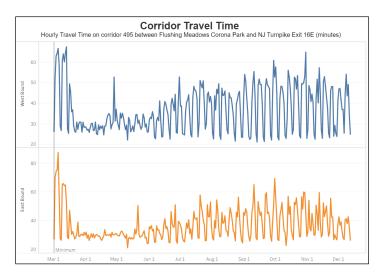


Source: MTA

#### **Vehicular Travel Time**

- Travel times on the 495 Corridor in the first week of December 2020 are still about 17% lower (EB) and 24% lower (WB) compared to prepandemic levels (Feb 2020).
- Still see 30% more school zone speeding tickets in Jan 2021, compared to Mar 2020.





#### **Micromobility**

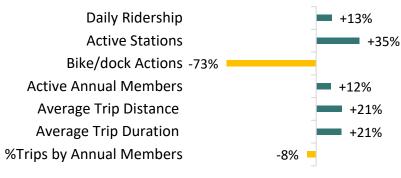
Micromobility is on the rise and have even surpasses pre-pandemic volumes in some cases. These modes are being increasingly counted on as an alternative to the subway, as economical, safer and less-crowded travel options.

#### **Bike Share - Citi Bike**

Source: Citi Bike

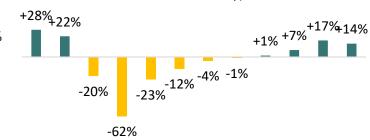
#### **Overall Statistics**

% Change (Citi Bike Dec 2020 vs Dec 2019)



#### **Ridership Trend**

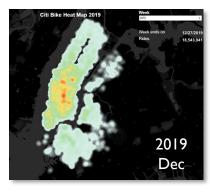
Citi Bike Monthly Ridership Change (2020 vs 2019, NYC only)

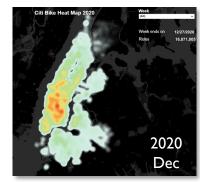


Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

#### **Spatial Distributions**

Identify hotspots & new clusters

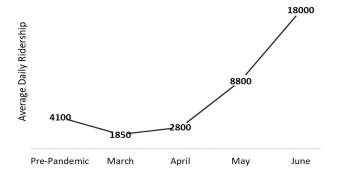




#### **Ride-Sharing Moped - Revel**

Source: Revel

Average daily ridership is 3 times higher in June 2020, compared with pre-pandemic data in 2020.



# Sociability Indicators from Real-time Traffic Cameras



Understanding the actual reduction in social contact and is important to measuring the effectiveness of the policy. Identifying the density of the crowd on the street can help provide informative insights.

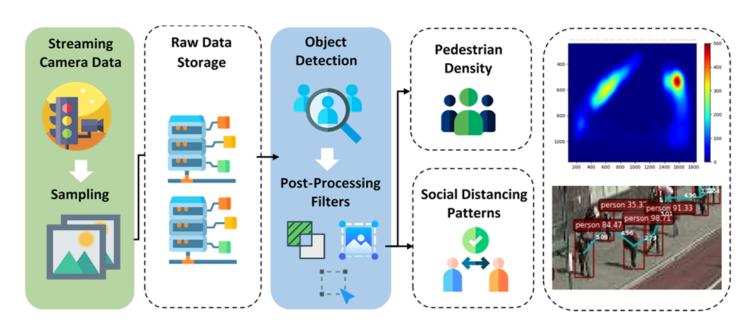
A deep-learning based video-processing algorithm was developed to monitor the evolution of social distancing patterns in urban areas.

- ✓ Leverages existing public video data sources
- ✓ Real-time object detection for different classes (Pedestrians, Cars, Trucks and Cyclists)
- ✓ Distance projection and approximation
- ✓ Temporal and spatial density distribution

#### DATA-DRIVEN ANALYTICAL FRAMEWORK

**Perishable data** was collected for 105 locations in NYC + I location in Seattle, including locations near hospitals, subway stations, and meal distribution centers.

- Reporting average and maximum pedestrian density from selected locations in NYC
- Computing social distancing safety sate (the ratio of people following social distancing guidelines)
- Currently applied in off-line mode, feasible for real-time application



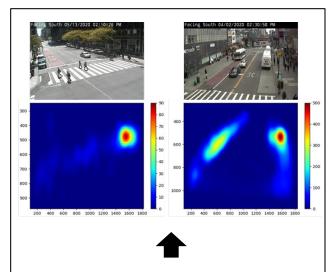


Public Traffic Cameras: https://nyctmc.org/

#### **DETECTION OUTPUT**

Blue lines between pedestrian pairs indicating a social distance less than 6 feet.





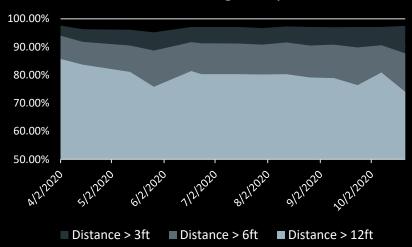
Heatmap example of clustered pedestrians who are not following social distancing guidelines during April 2020.



#### **SOCIABILITY TRENDS**

Social distancing safety rate (the ratio of people following social distancing guidelines) and average pedestrian density (#peds/frame) are calculated from representative weekdays based on 60+ selected locations in NYC. The results are constantly updated with more locations.

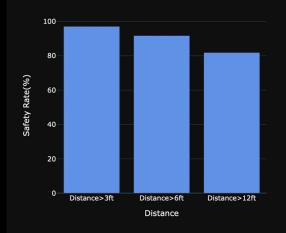
#### Social Distancing Safety Rate



#### C2SMART COVID-19 Data Dashboard - Sociability

#### Average Pedestrian Density





The social distancing adherence rate shows the percentage of paired pedestrians who keep a greater distance than the specific threshold. Three different thresholds (3ft., 6ft., 12ft.) are applied according to different sources.

#### Camera Locations



The closed-circuit television (CCTV) system is a valuable source of traffic condition information formany transportation systems. This work collected traffic video data from NYC Department of Transportation (NYCDOT) traffic cameras.



#### **C2SMART COVID-19 TRAVEL SURVEY**





- Understand how people are adjusting their travel and essential needs as COVID19 presents new challenges and constraints
- □ Focus on NYC specific trends, looking at how different demographics of people were affected by the effect of COVID19
- Analyze how travel trends have changed for people with disabilities, women, older people, low-income households



What are the main concerns before and after the pandemic?

How the pandemic has changed travel trends?

Did people shift to other travel modes?

What is the impact on disadvantaged group's travel?

#### **SURVEY STATISTICS**

- Data collection time-frame: July to October 2020
- Total responses (partial and completed): 2022
- Total completed responses: 1382

July to September 2020

Phase I

Distributed nation-wide via organic reach

892

(partial and completed responses)
58% respondents for NYC (all five boroughs)

September to October 2020

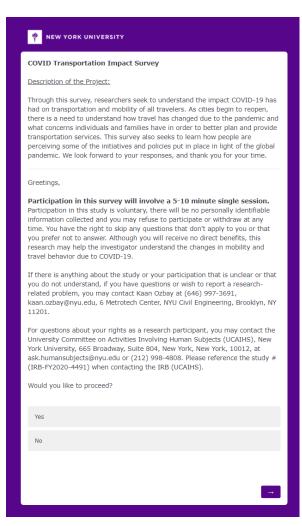
#### Phase II

Targeted at NYC residents who are **over 60 years old**, or identify as **having a disability** 

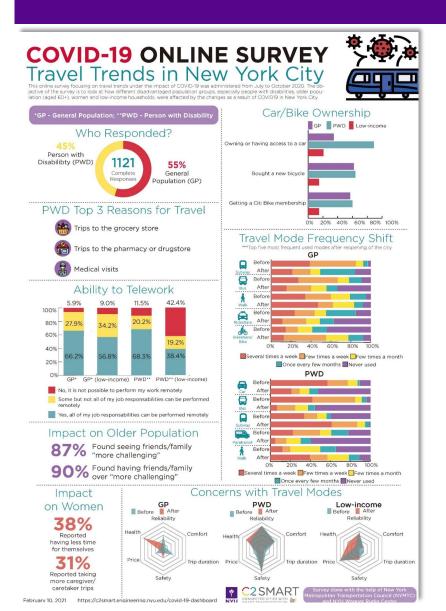
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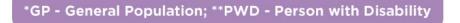
(partial and completed responses)

**532** respondents identified as living with a disability



#### **SURVEY RESULTS AT A GALANCE**



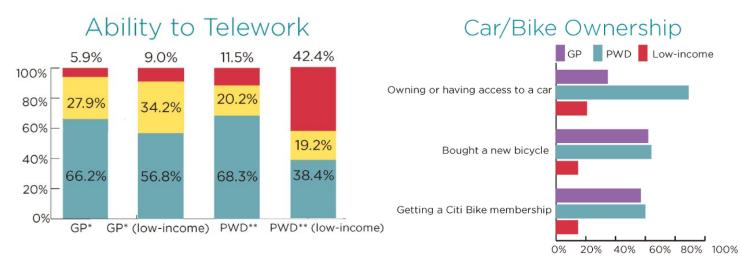




## Impact on Women

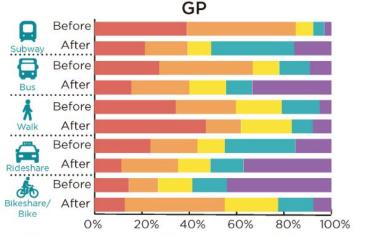
38%
Reported
having less time
for themselves

31%
Reported taking more caregiver/caretaker trips

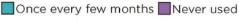


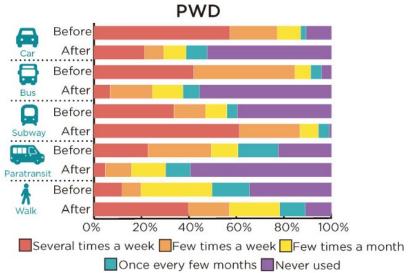
#### Travel Mode Frequency Shift

\*\*\*Top five most frequent used modes after reopening of the city



Several times a week Few times a week Few times a month





#### Impact on Older Population

**87%** Found seeing friends/family "more challenging"

90% Found having friends/family over "more challenging"

#### PWD Top 3 Reasons for Travel







#### Concerns with Travel Modes

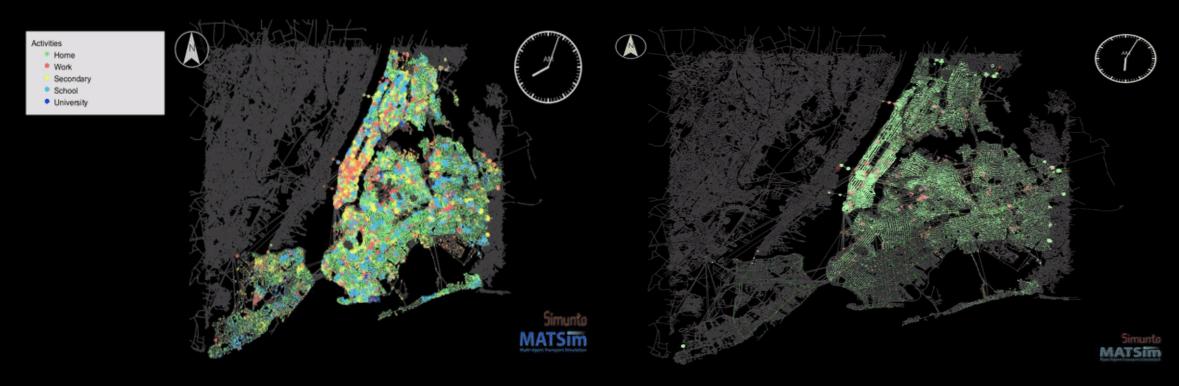


# MATSim-nyc - A Multi-agent Simulation to Evaluate the Impact of COVID-19 on Mass Transit Ridership

The findings imply that a transit capacity restriction policy during reopening needs to be accompanied by (1) support for micromobility modes, particularly in non-Manhattan boroughs, and (2) congestion alleviation policies that focus on reducing traffic in Manhattan, such as cordon-based pricing.

#### Pre-COVID-19

#### Post-COVID-19





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# Visualizing the COVID-19 Impacts Platform

Michael Pack, Director of CATT Laboratory





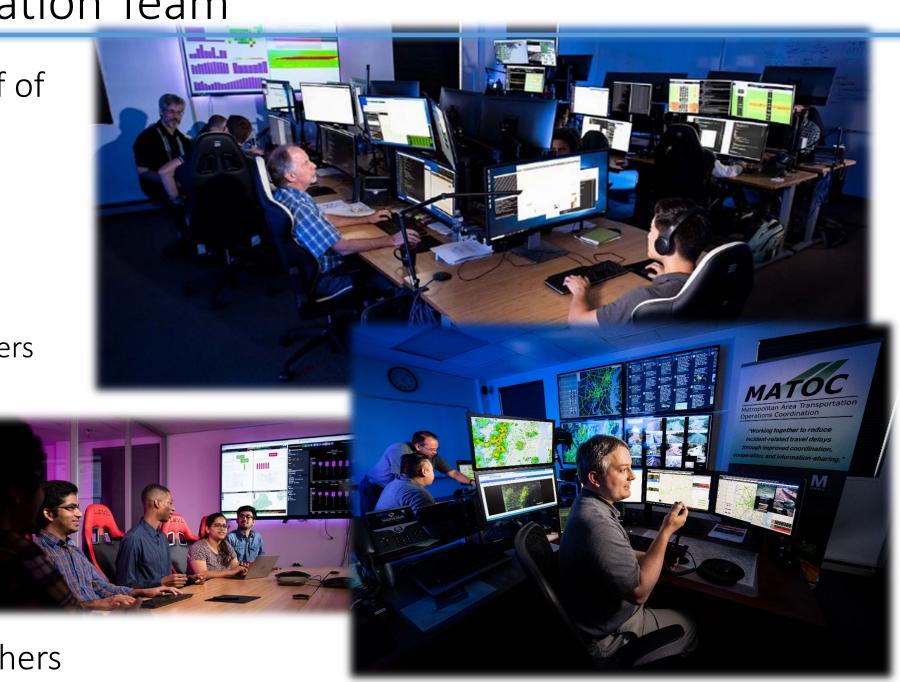




Enabling agencies through better communication, data-based decision making, advanced insights discovery, and enhanced operations and planning capabilities.

#### CATT Lab Visualization Team

- > 75+ Professional Staff of
  - > Software Developers
  - > Data Scientists
  - > UI/UX Designers
  - > Program Managers
  - > IT & Network Engineers
- > 30-60 Students
  - > Computer Science
  - > Human Computer Interaction
  - > Engineering
- > 50+ affiliated researchers

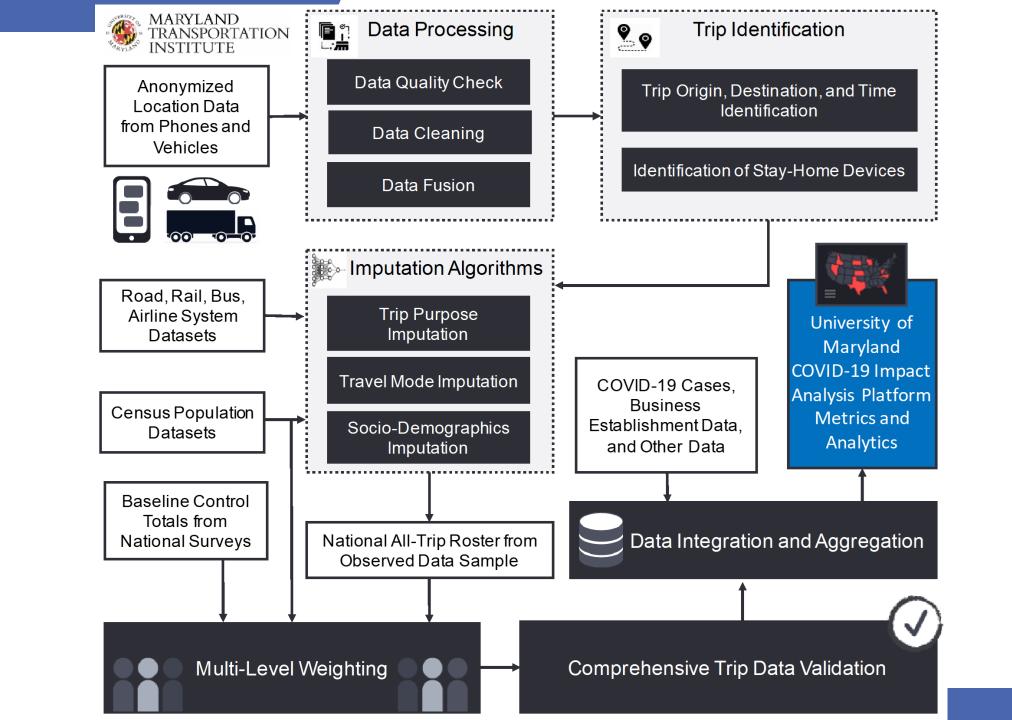


# Analytics of All Flavors

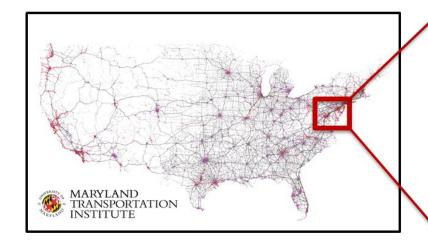


**Speed & Congestion** 

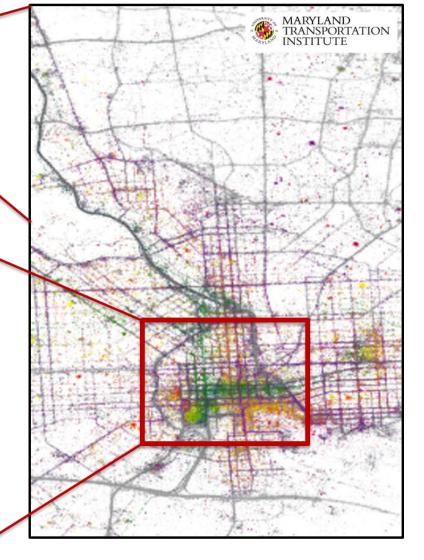
## COVID-19 Travel Impacts Analysis







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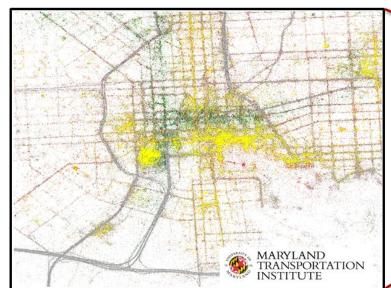
**Gray: Driving** 

**Purple: Air** 

**Green: Rail** 

**Red:** Bus

Yellow: Bike/Walk



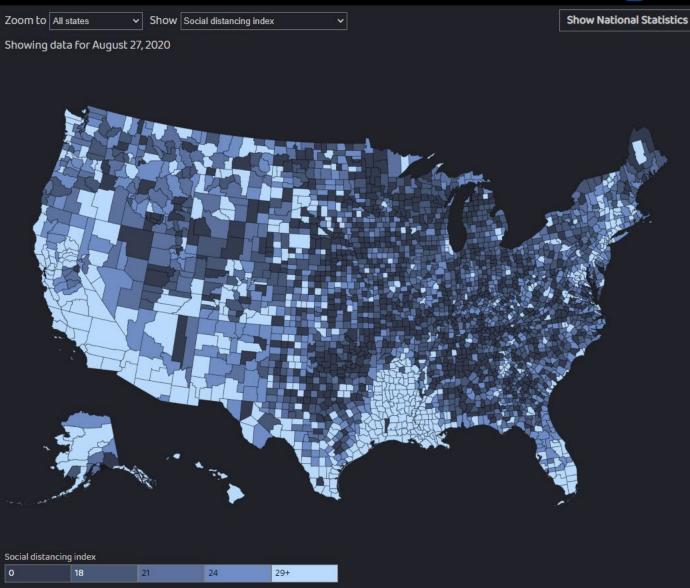
#### > 39 Metrics are Computed and Aggregated

- > Mobility & Social Distancing (9 metrics)
  - > Social distancing index
  - > % Staying at hoe
  - > Trips/Person
  - > % out-of-county trips
  - > % out-of-state trips
  - > Miles/person
  - > Work trips/ person
  - > Non-work trips / person
  - > Transit mode share

- > COVID & Health (15 metrics)
- > Economic Impact (5 metrics)
- > Vulnerable Populations (10 metrics)







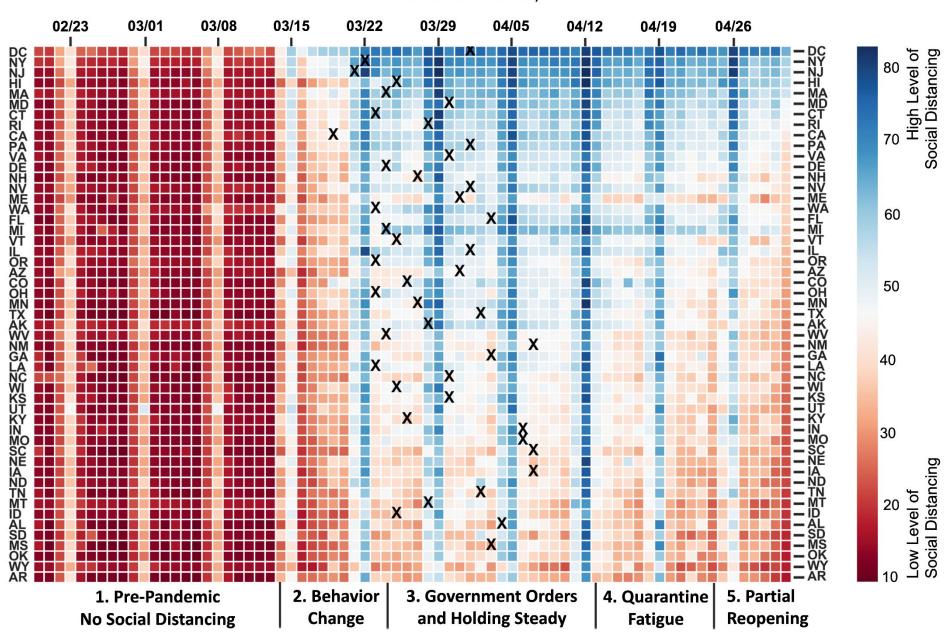


https://data.covid.umd.edu/

# Live Demo data.covid.umd.edu

### **Social Distancing Index by State**

February 20~May 1 data from: data.covid.umd.edu "X" indicates statewide stay-at-home order date.

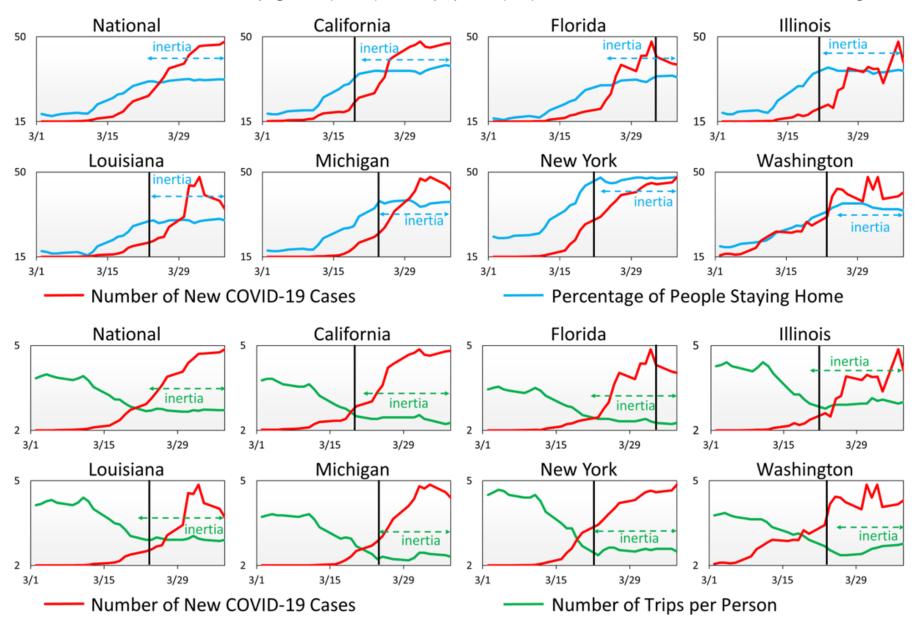




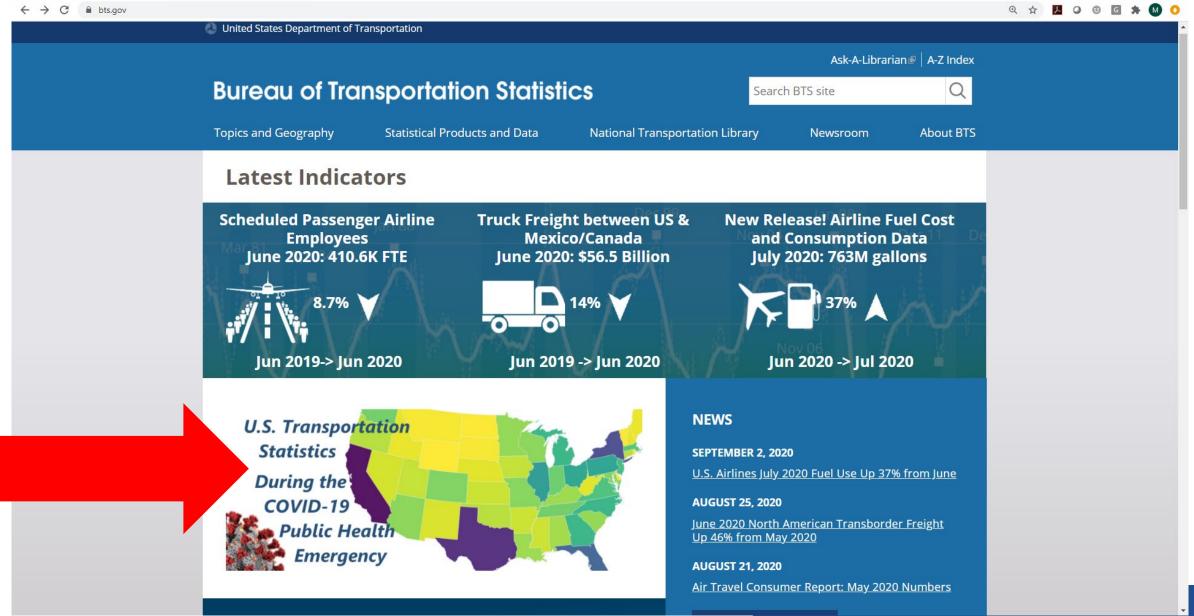
### **Impact of Stay-at-Home Orders on Mobility Behavior**

March 1~April 9 data from: data.covid.umd.edu

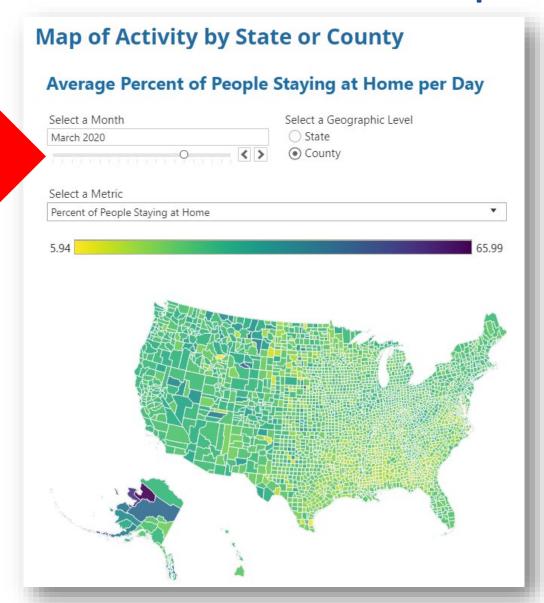
Black lines indicate dates of statewide stay-at-home orders. Vertical axes on the left show ranges of %staying home (15~50) and #trips/person (2~5). #COVID-19 cases across states have different ranges.

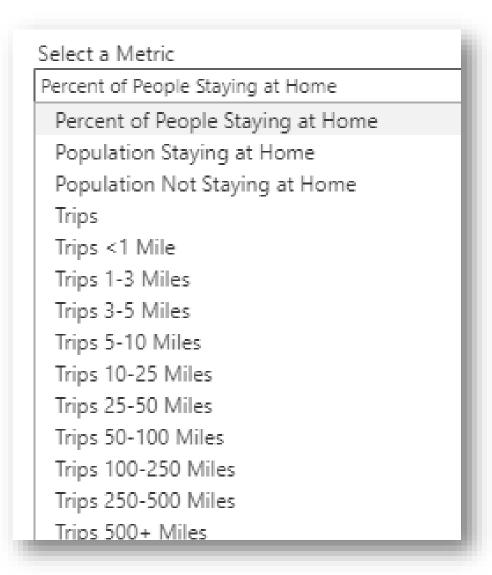


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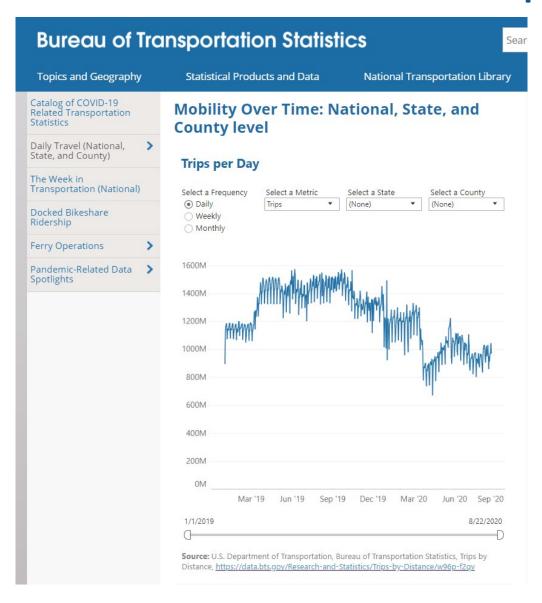


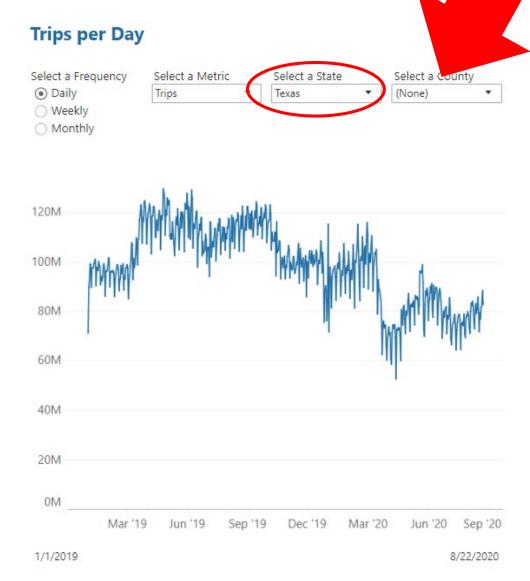
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# When they leave the home, how far are people traveling?

Are people going farther on each trip, or are they sticking close to home? Use the date selector to learn how patterns have changed.

## Distribution of Trips by Distance: National, State, and County level

### Average Trips per Day by Distance Band





**Topics and Geography** 

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Daily Travel (National, State, and County)

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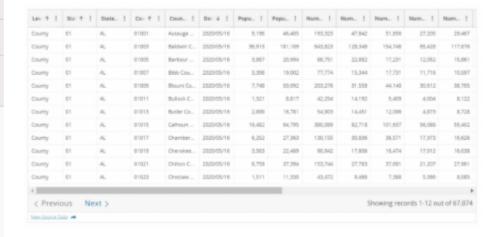
Docked Bikeshare Ridership

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Pandemic-Related Data Spotlights

### Explore the Trips By Distance Data on Your Own

Click on the image below to see the metadata for the Daily Travel data in our Data Inventory. There, you can download the data or use the inventory platform to create your own visualizations and share them with others.



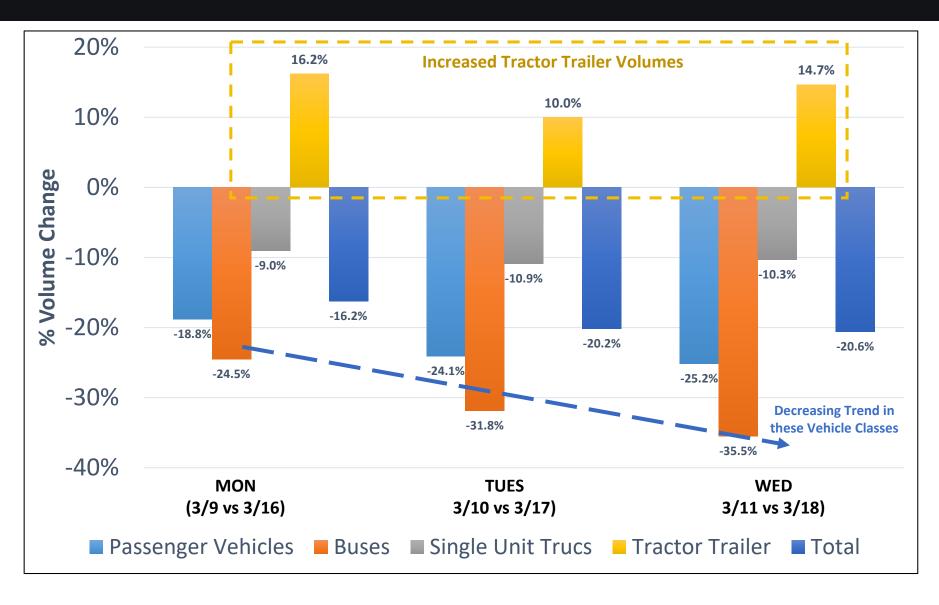
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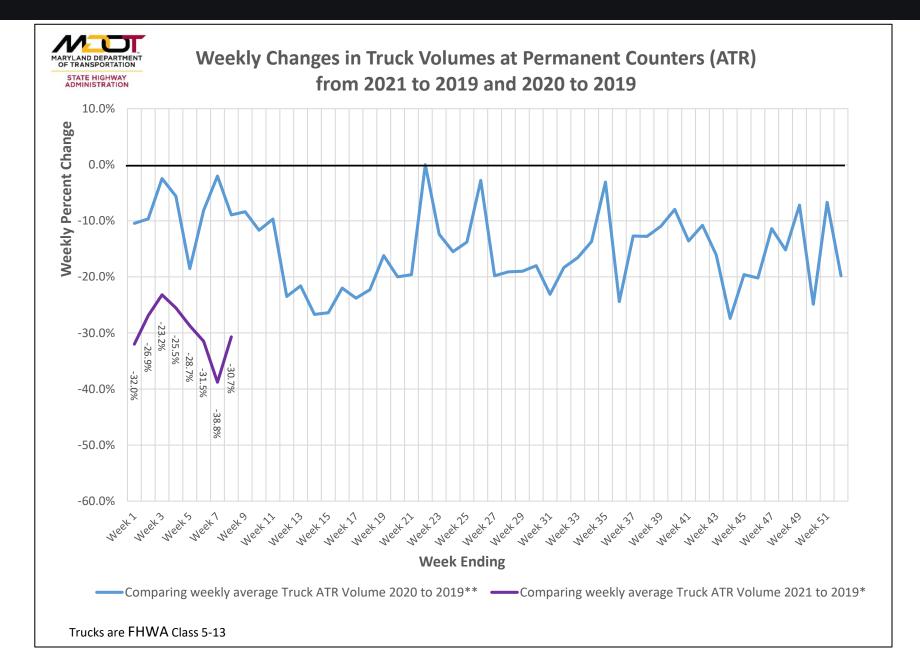
The Daily Travel data and number of people staying home and not staying home are estimated for the Bureau of Transportation Statistics by the Maryland Transportation Institute and Center for Advanced Transportation Technology Laboratory at the University of Maryland.

# Additional Analysis & Tools from the RITIS Platform

 Passenger vehicles, buses, and single unit trucks decreased by 9-35%

Tractor trailer
 volumes increased
 by 10-16% in select
 freight corridors

























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What's New 07/17/20



#### **REGION EXPLORER**

Explore the relationships between bottlenecks and traffic events in real-time and in the past.



#### **MASSIVE DATA DOWNLOADER**

Download raw probe data from our archive for offline



#### CONGESTION SCAN

Analyze the rise and fall of congested conditions on a stretch of road.



#### TREND MAP

Create animated maps of roadway conditions.



#### PERFORMANCE CHARTS

Chart performance metrics over time.



#### **PERFORMANCE SUMMARIES**

Report on Buffer Time Index, Planning Time Index, and other performance metrics.



#### BOTTLENECK RANKING

Rank bottlenecks and discover which ones have the greatest impact.



#### SPEED THRESHOLD BREAKDOWN

Determine how well or how poorly a road performed between two dates.



#### **USER DELAY COST ANALYSIS**

Put a dollar amount on how much a road's performance impacts its users.



#### DASHBOARD

Create your own personal dashboards to monitor corridor performance in regions of interest.



#### NPMRDS COVERAGE MAP

Explore the coverage completeness of the NPMRDS on a month-by-month basis.



#### TRAVEL TIME DELTA RANKING

Rank roads based on their change in travel time performance between two time periods.



#### TRAVEL TIME COMPARISON

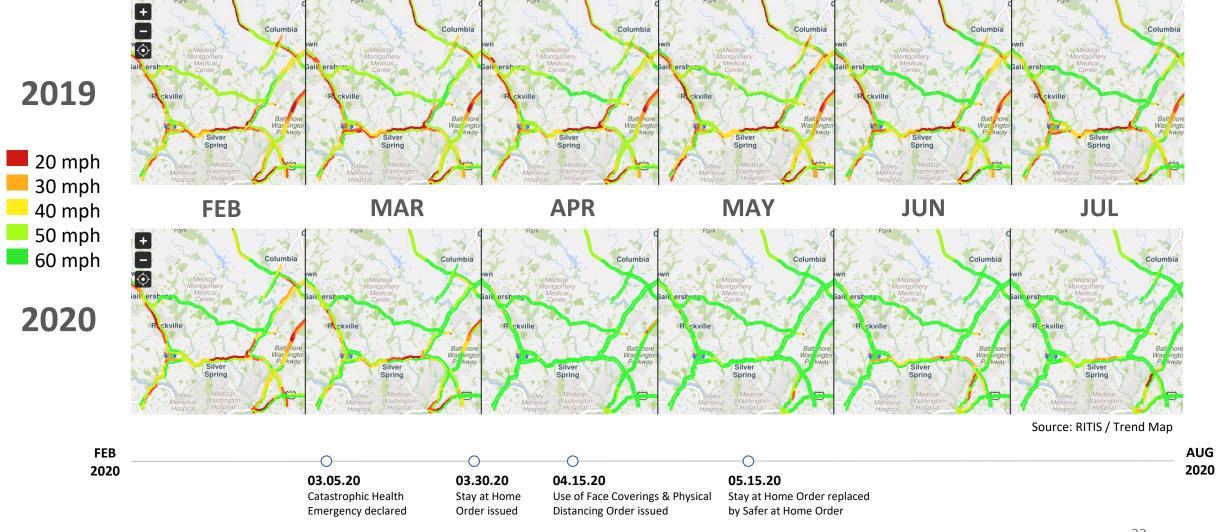
Chart travel times to compare performance for different time periods.



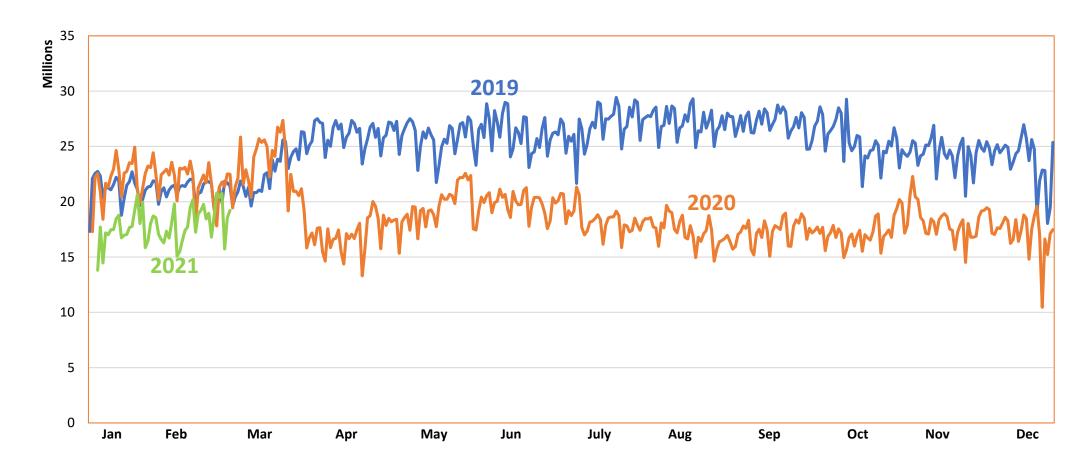
#### TUTORIALS

Learn how to use each of the tools in the suite.

### Average travel speeds by month at 8:00 a.m.



### Maryland Daily Trips (Jan 1, 2019 - Feb 20, 2021)

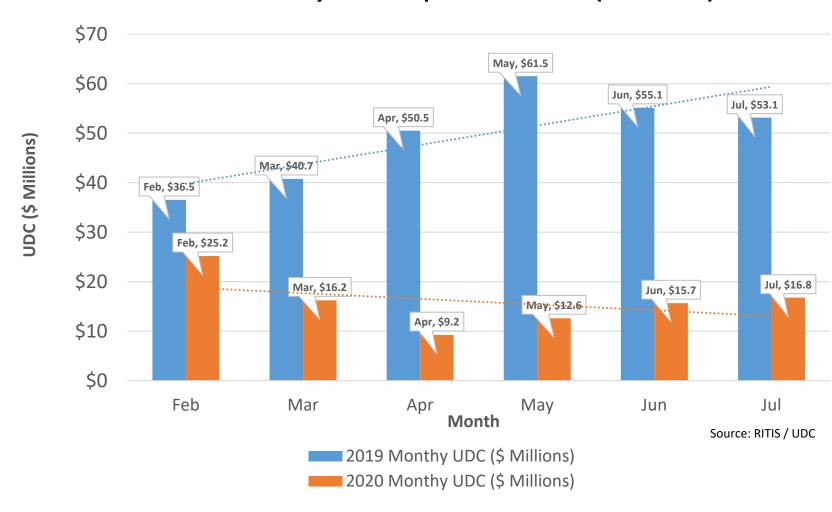




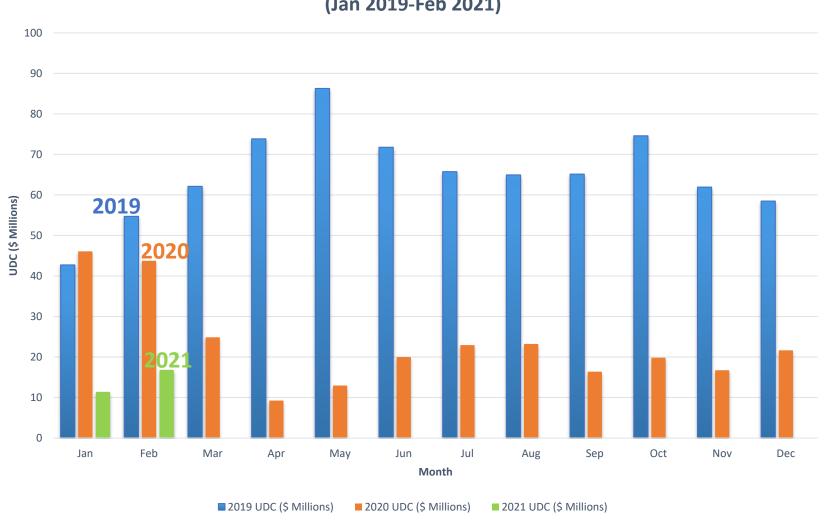
Cost (UDC) tool, comparisons were made for a six-month period between 2019 (pre-pandemic) and 2020.

Comparing month-by-month UDC results for the entire state of Maryland shows *dramatic drops* in user delay cost – between 31% and 82% – with an overall decrease in delay cost of \$202M for the six-month period.

### Statewide UDC by Month | 2019 vs 2020 (Feb to Jul)







### Thanks! Comments and Feedback are Welcome.

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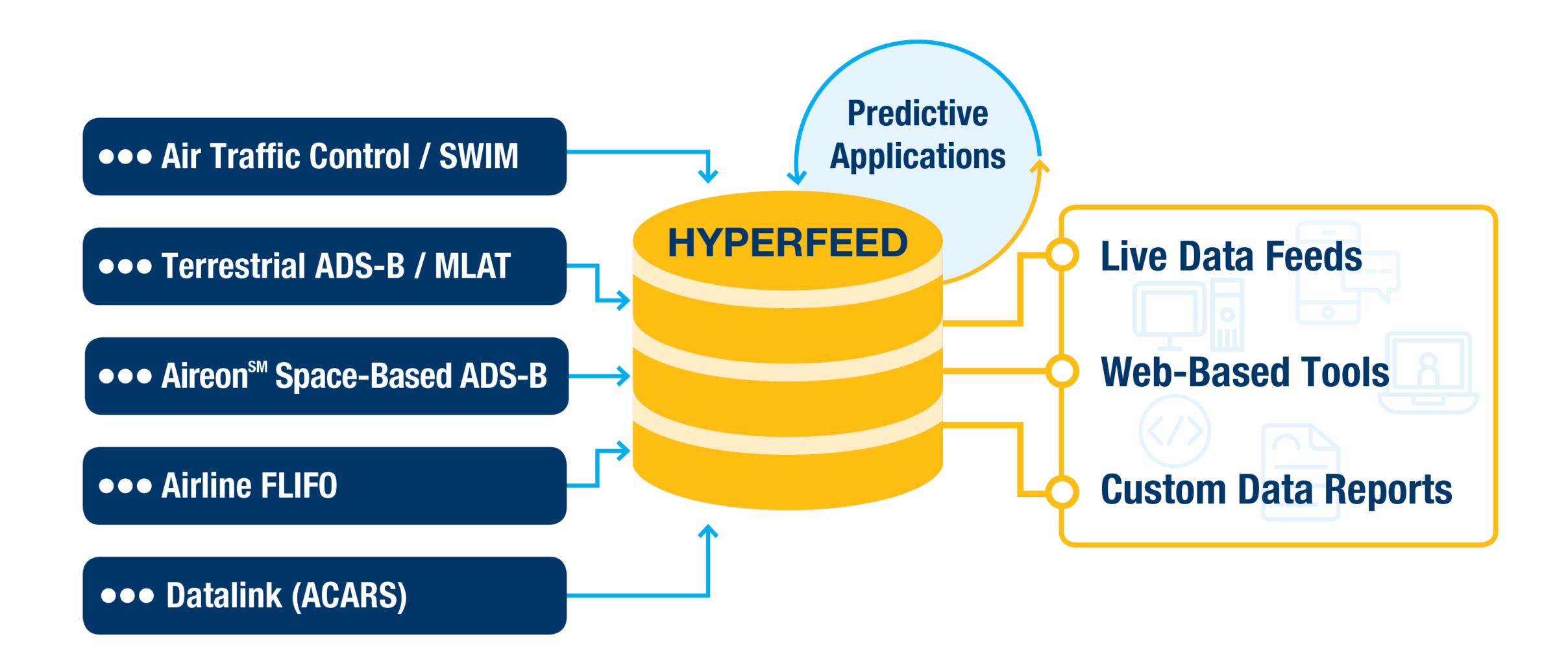
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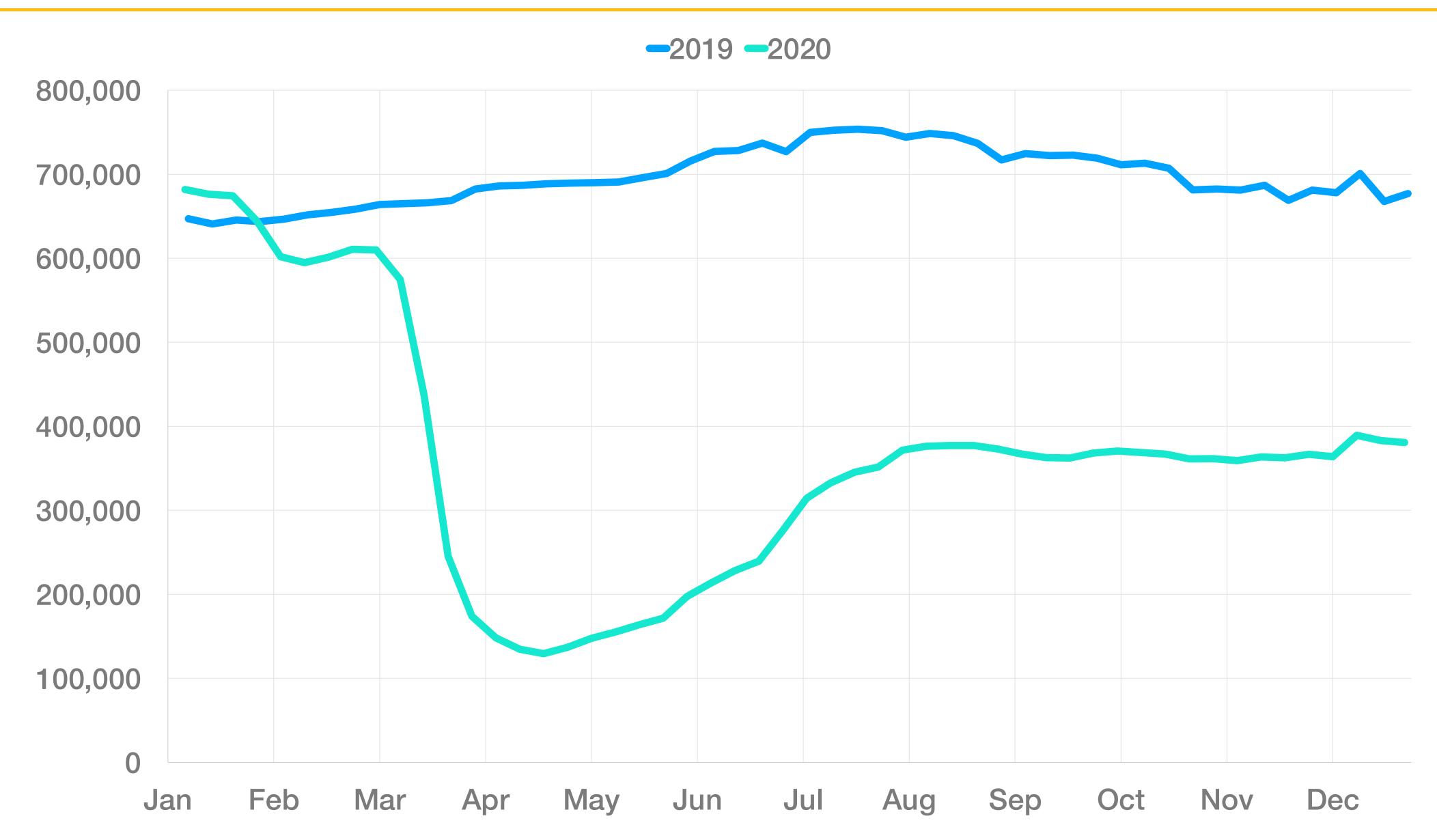




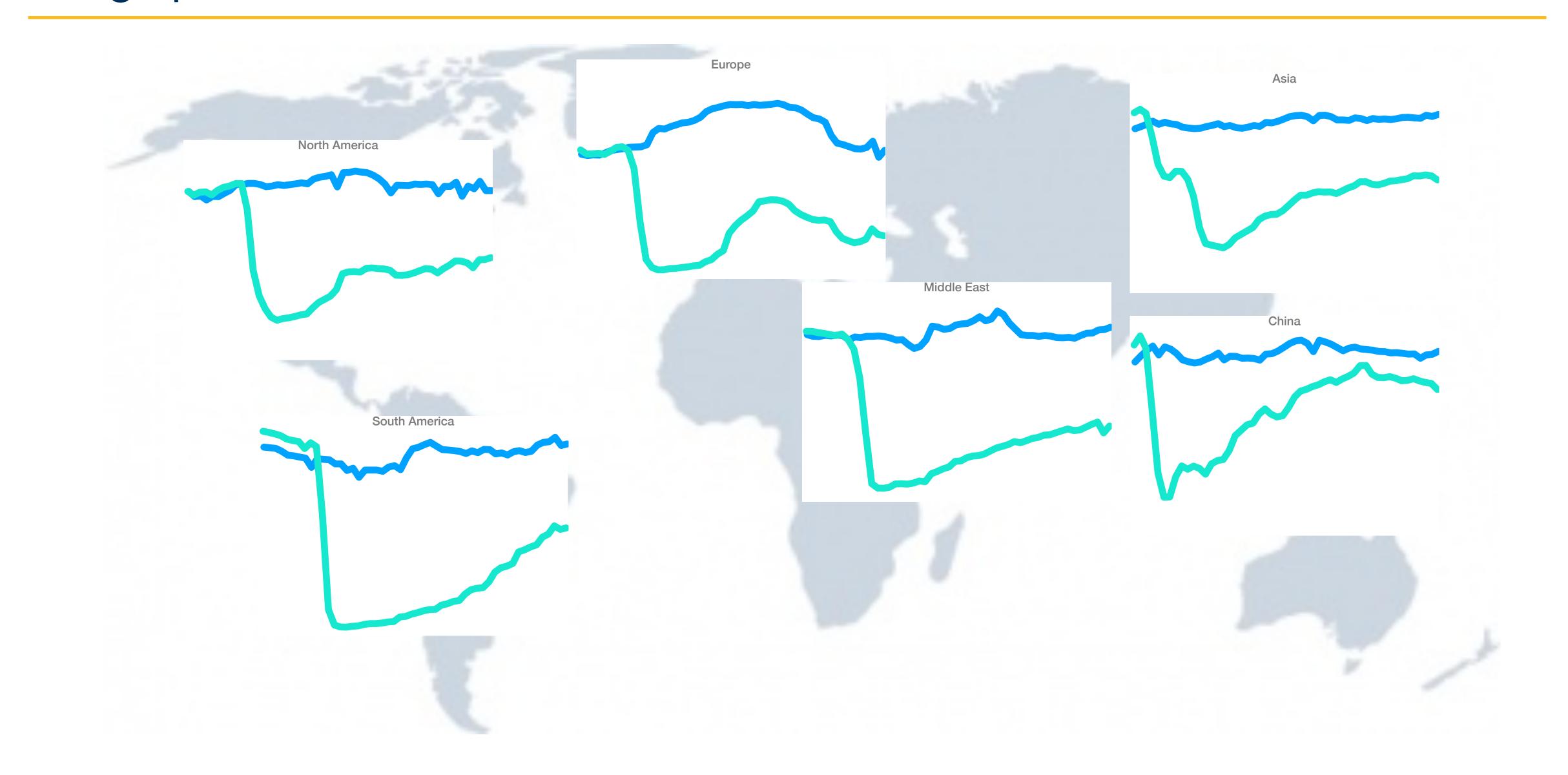
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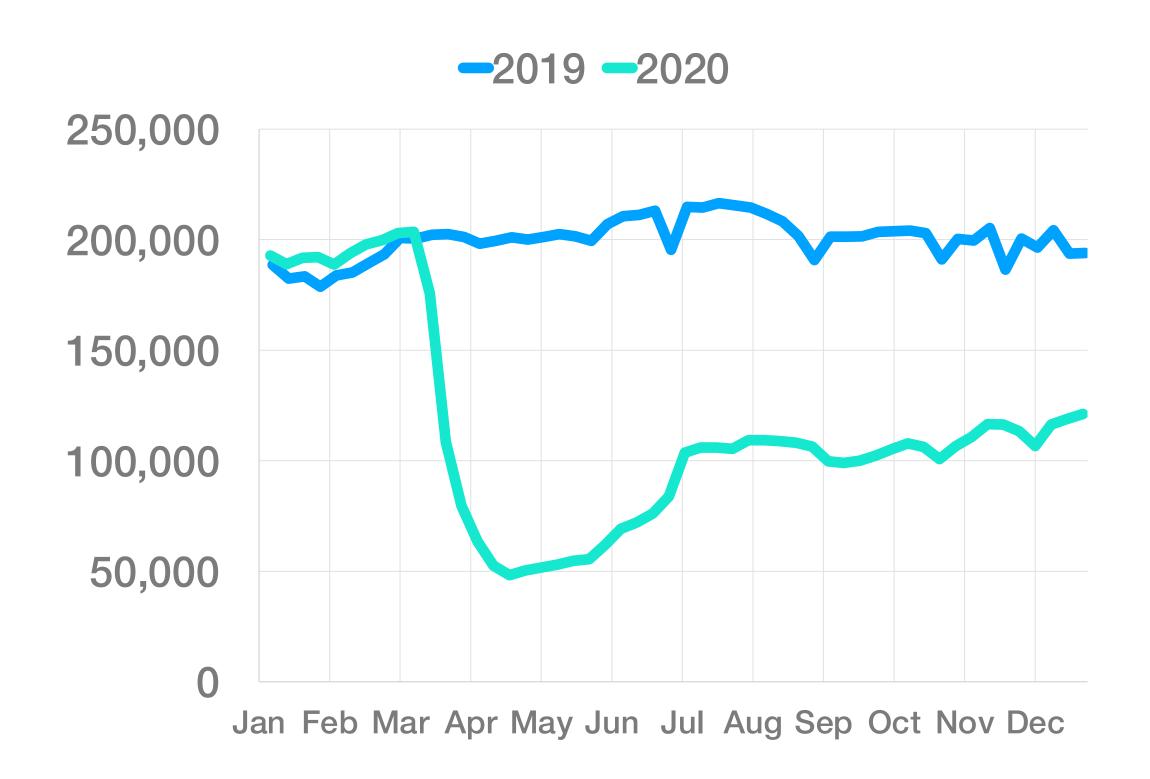
# Commercial Passenger Airlines Overall



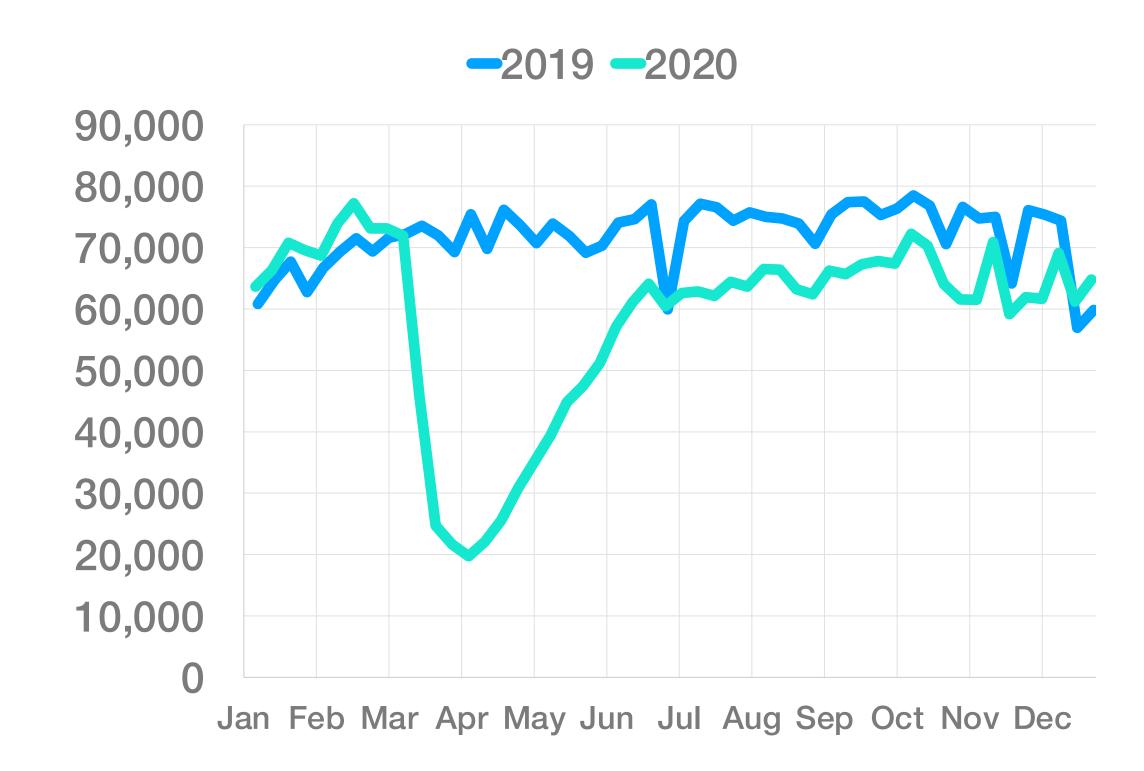
# Geographic Variation



# Operation Type Impact

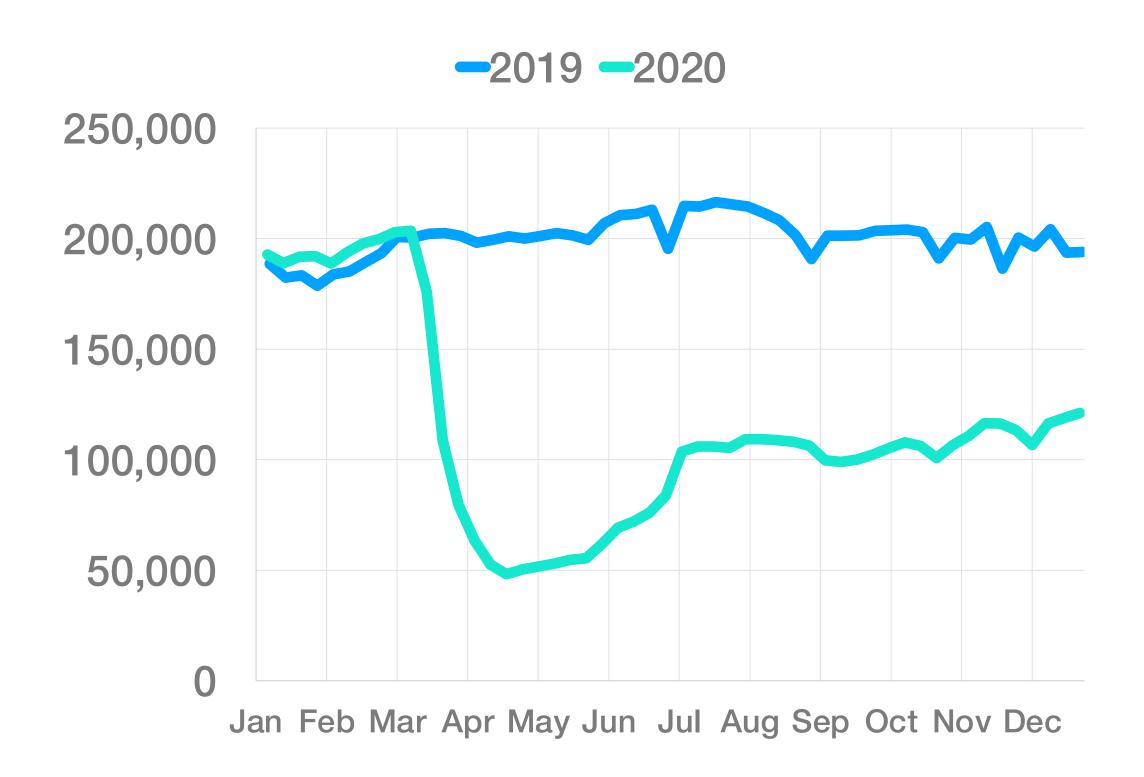


Passenger Airlines
(to/from/within United States)

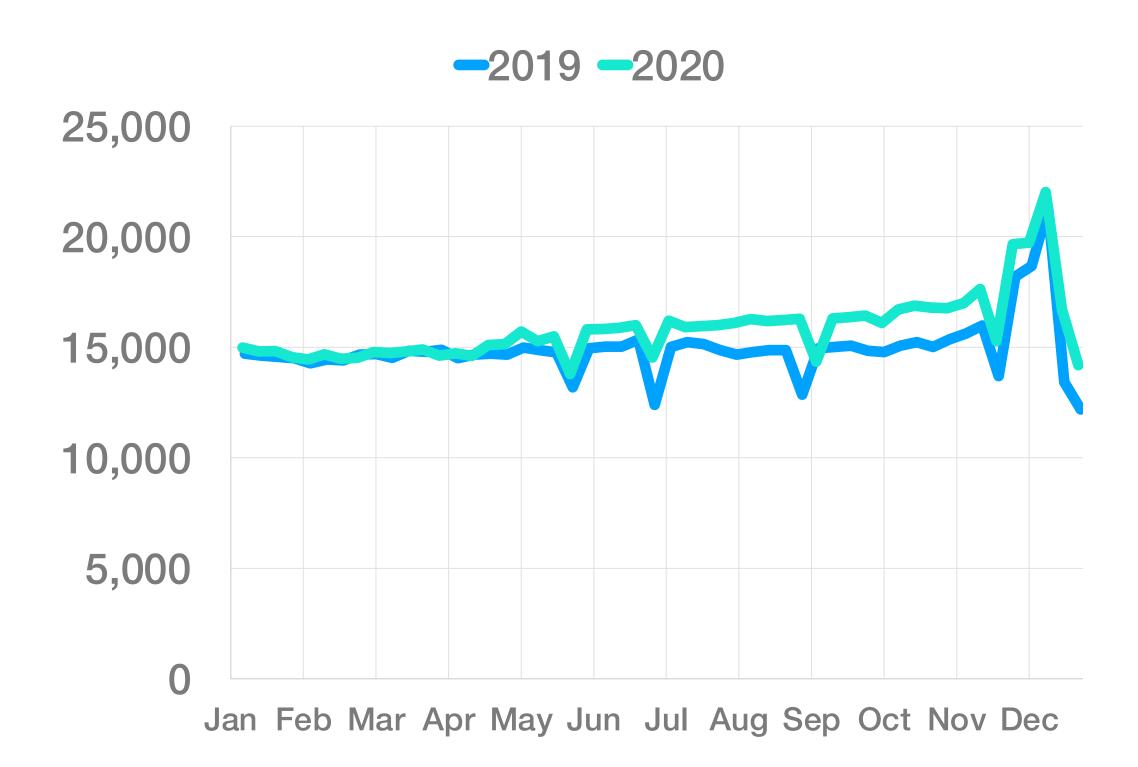


Business Aviation
(to/from/within United States)

# Operation Type Impact

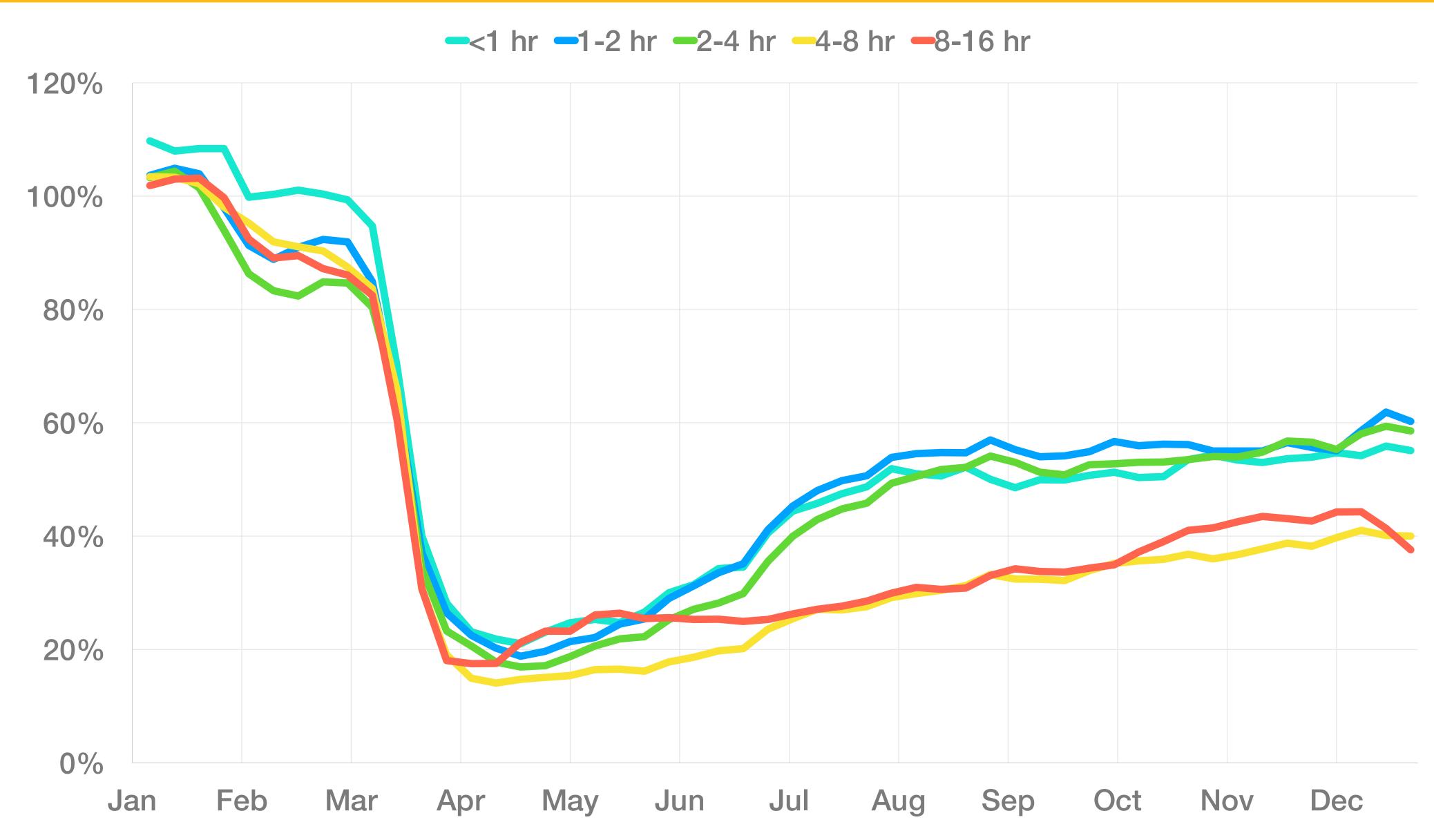


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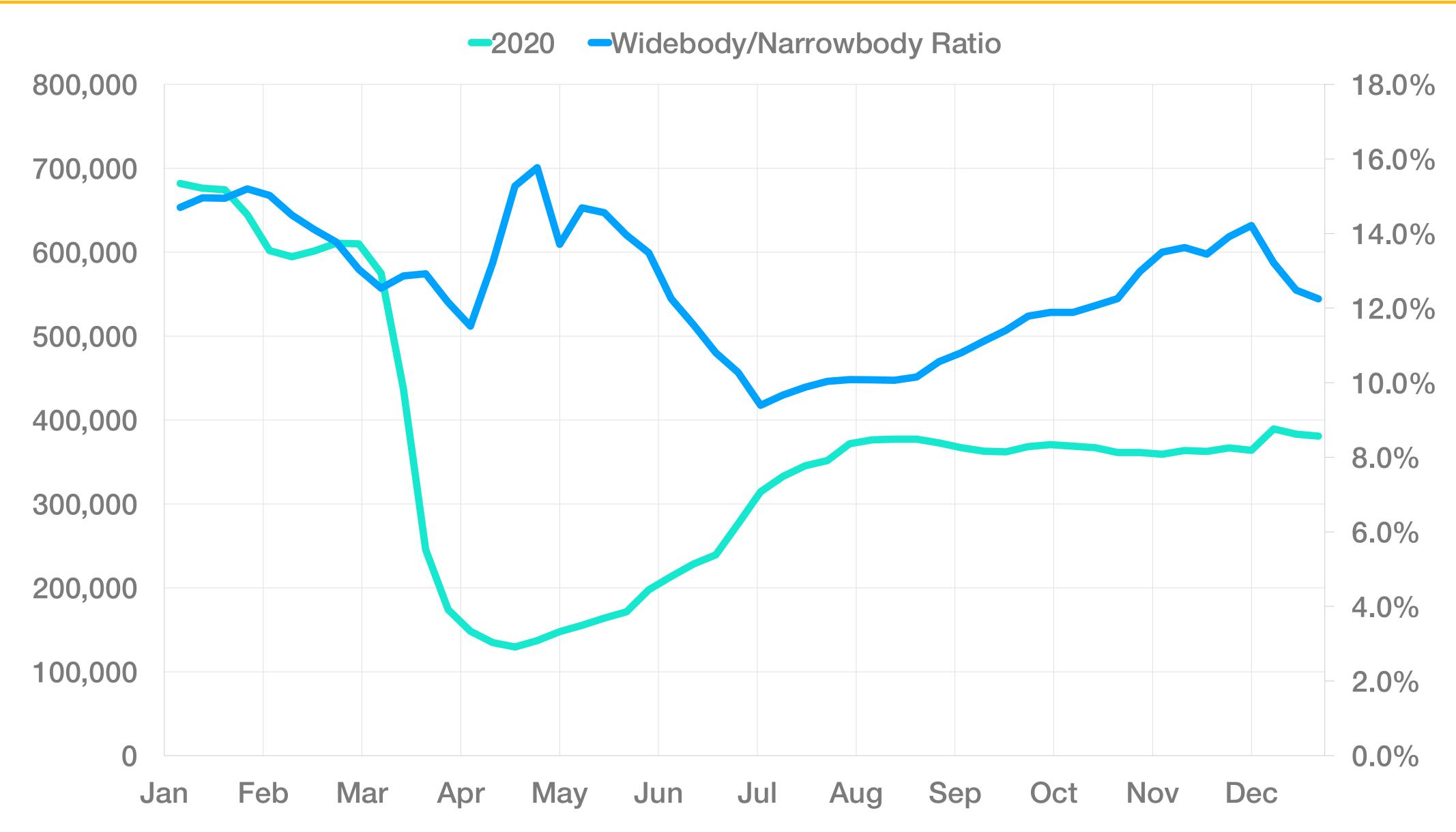


Cargo Airlines
(to/from/within United States)

# Stage length impact



# Airliner Size Mix



# Summary

- Commercial passenger airlines have levelled off at a modest recovery of traffic levels during COVID19
  - Geographically diverse recovery profile
- Other operation types have seen more substantial recovery and even growth through COVID19
- Different recovery profiles for flights above and below 4 hours
- Multiple changes in mix of aircraft size

## Today's Panelists

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