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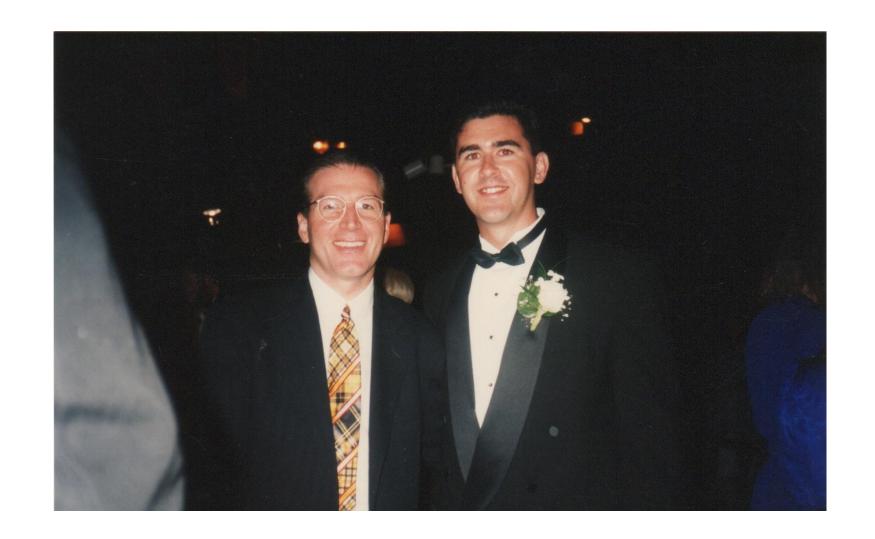








## HILTON WORLDWIDE



## Conference Direct®

In 2016:

350 Associates

11,000 bookings

3.8 million room nights

\$785 million



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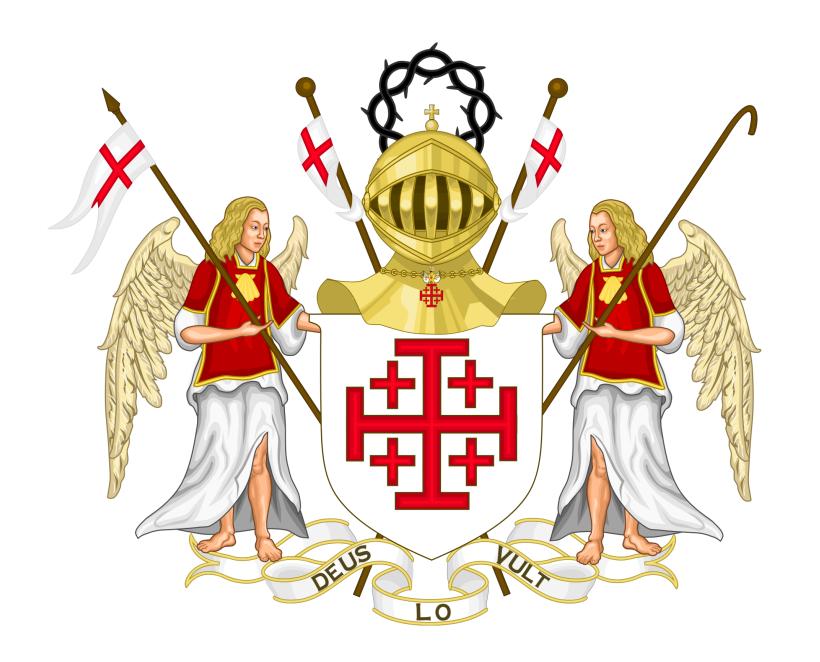








# COLLEGE LIFORNIA









**NEW AND UPCOMING** @ MPI

OPEN **DISCUSSION** 

## Why are we here?

- My prediction: an overdue economic decline in the next 18 months.
- Why this matters: History can help you anticipate the future and plan accordingly.

#### Research Sources

1) Smith Travel Research

2) ConferenceDirect Data

3) Meetings Mean Business

4) MPI Meetings Outlook



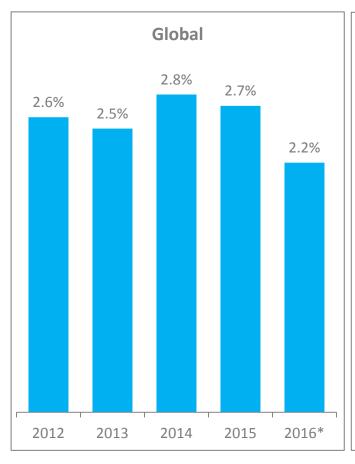


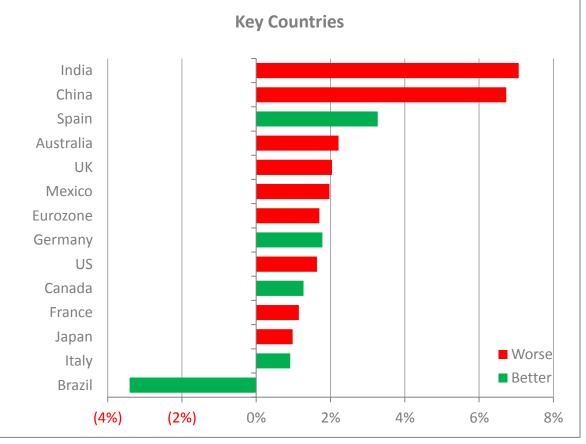


## The global economy had a weak 2016.

Year-Over-Year Change

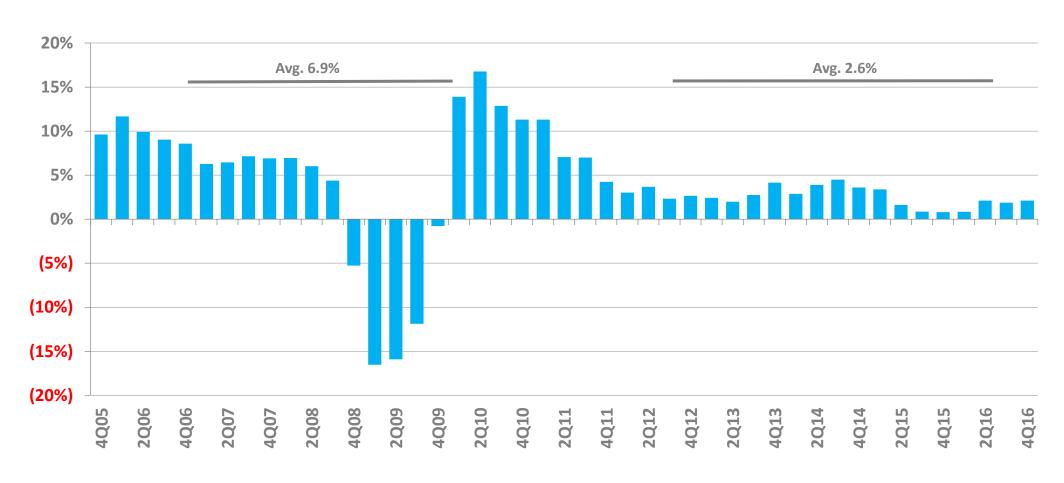
Real GDP Change





#### World trade remains weak.

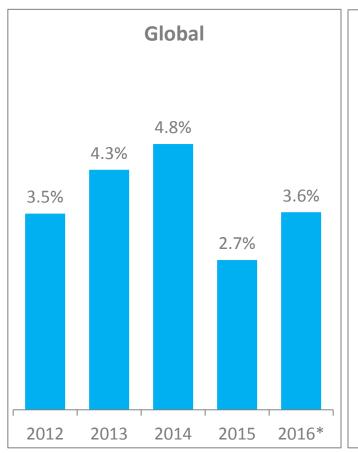
**Exports**Constant Prices and Exchange Rate—USD—Year-Over-Year Change

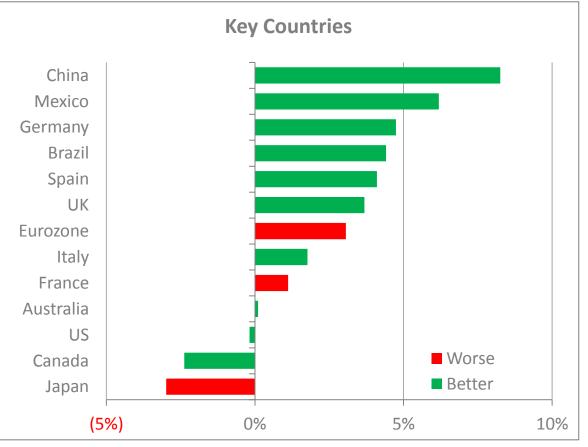


#### Corporate profits remained positive.

Corporate Profits

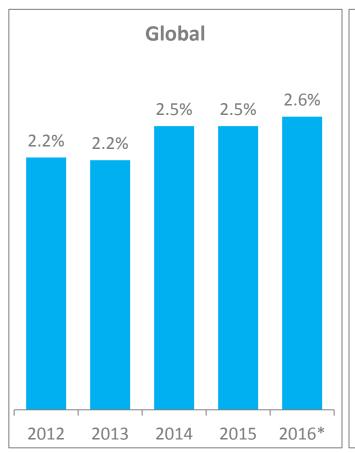
Year-Over-Year Change—Global Based on 43 Country Aggregate—Constant USD

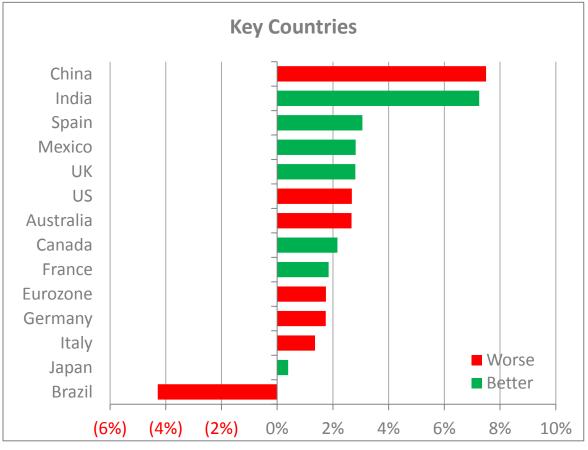




#### Consumers are also spending more.

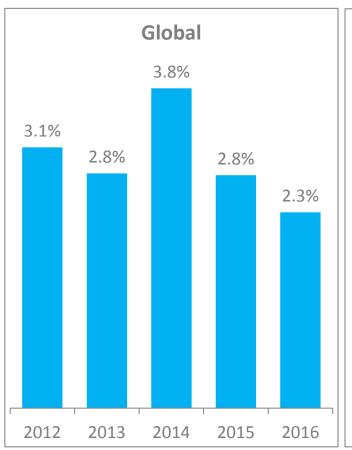
Consumer Spending
Year-Over-Year Change—Constant Prices & Exchange Rate

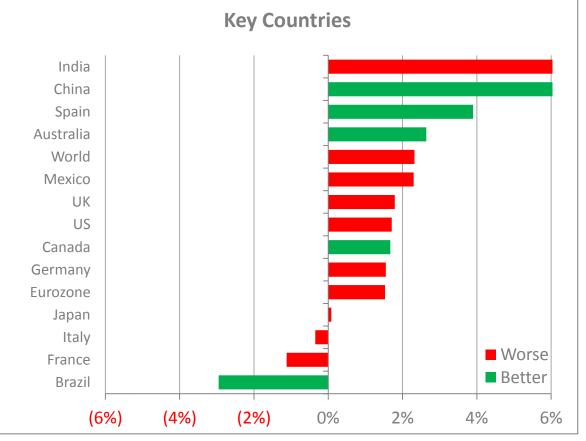




#### Lodging demand grew, but at the slowest pace in 7 years.

**Industry Demand** 

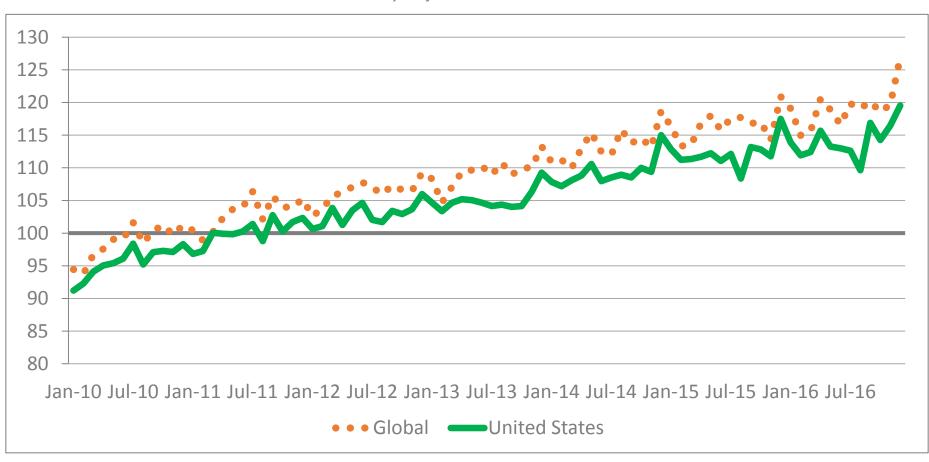




# Even with the slower growth, lodging demand remained at record highs.

#### **Industry Demand Index**

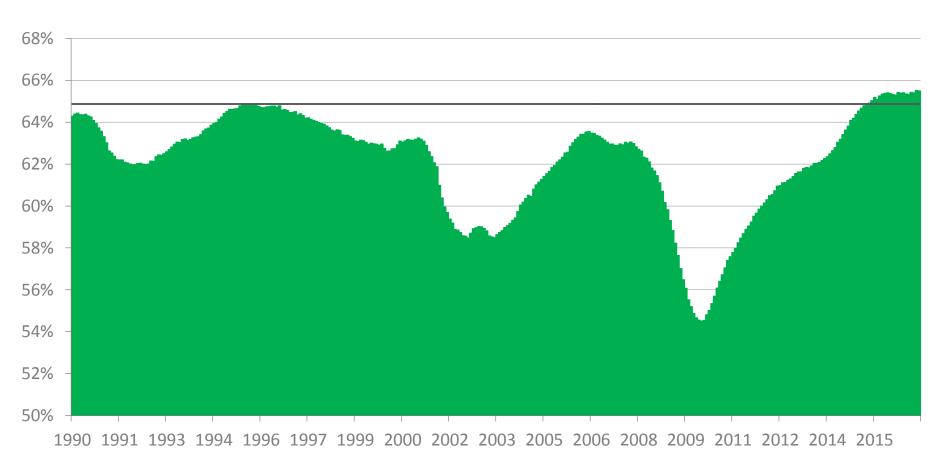
Seasonally-Adjusted—Prior Peak Index



## US occupancy remained at an all-time high.

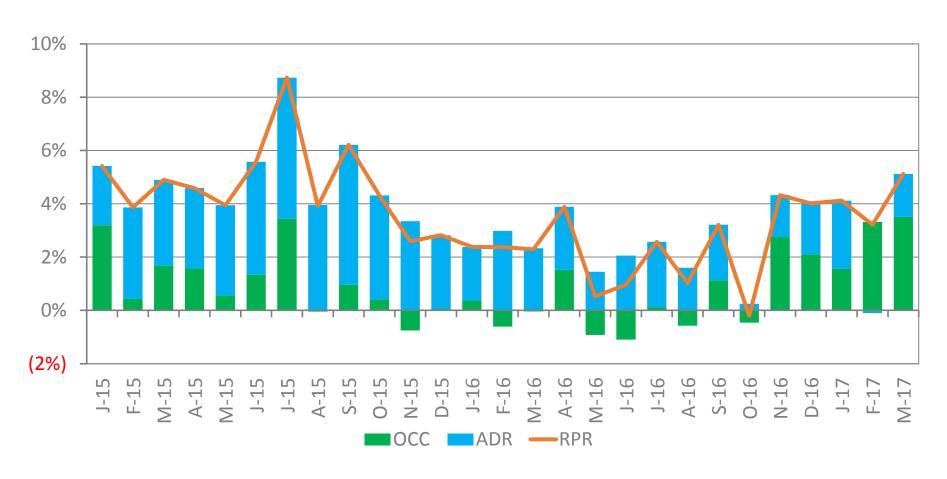
**US Industry Occupancy** 

12-Month Moving Average—Absolute Level



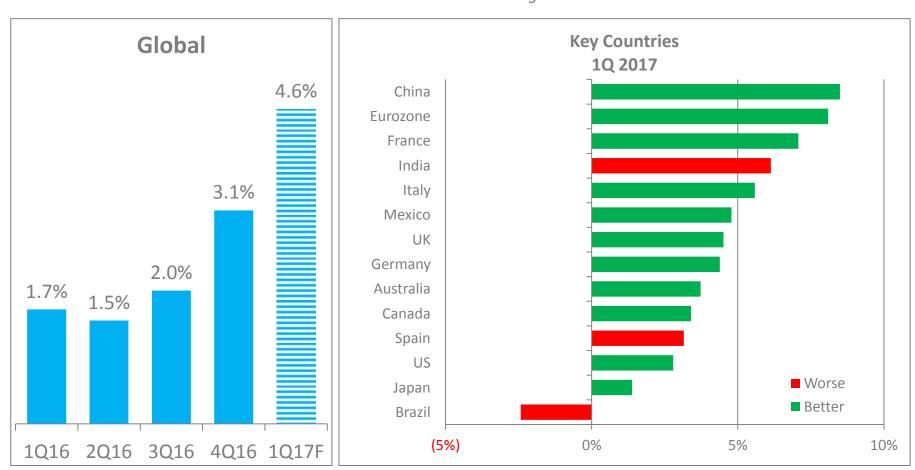
# Despite a downward trend, RevPAR has seen a resurgence over the past five months.

#### **Industry RevPAR Trend**



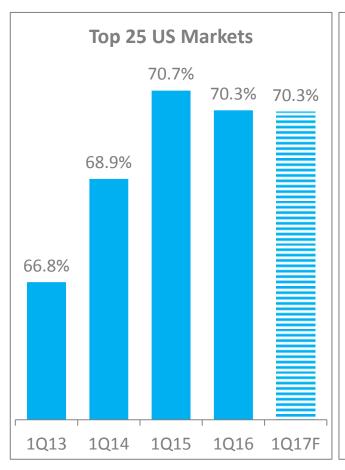
## Lodging demand improved significantly in Q1 2017.

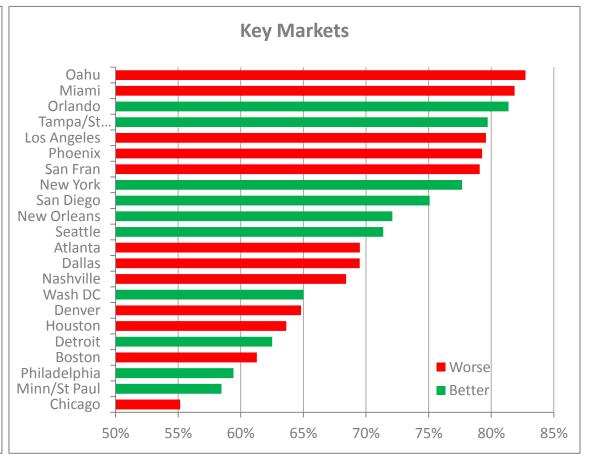
#### **Lodging Demand Change**



# Q1 occupancy in the top 25 US markets remained below its 2015 all-time high.

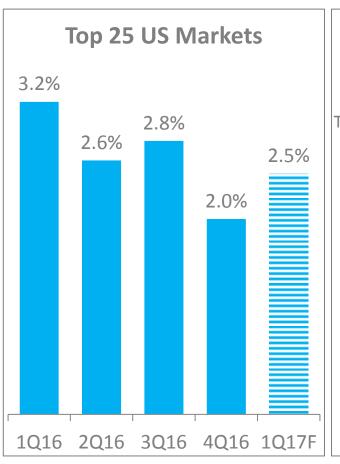
#### **Industry Occupancy—Top 25 Markets**

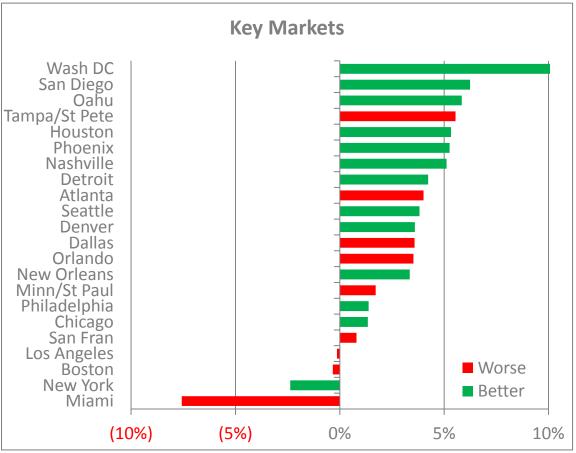




# Rates are increasing in most of the top US markets, but the overall growth rate remained below Q1 2016.

#### Industry ADR Change—Top 25 Markets

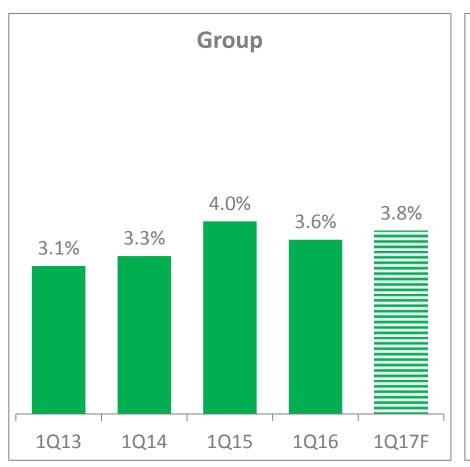


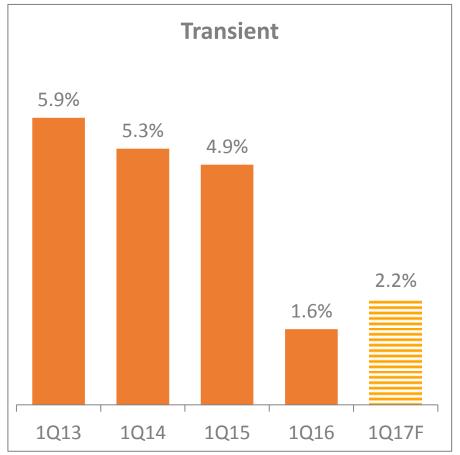


# ADR growth slowed in Transient with Group ADR gains similar to prior years.

**Industry ADR Change** 

Luxury & Upper Upscale Only—Year-Over-Year Change





## ConferenceDirect YE 2016

	2015	2016	'16 vs '15
Bookings	10,684	11,073	3.6%
Room Nights	3,871,365	3,831,712	-1.0%
ADR	\$202.43	\$204.96	1.2%

## ConferenceDirect Q1 2017

	Q1 2016	Q1 2017	'16 vs '17
Bookings	2,307	2,473	7.2%
Room Nights	598,959	571,755	4.5%
ADR	\$202.17	\$199.93	1.1%

The



Question

#### 13 Airbnb Markets

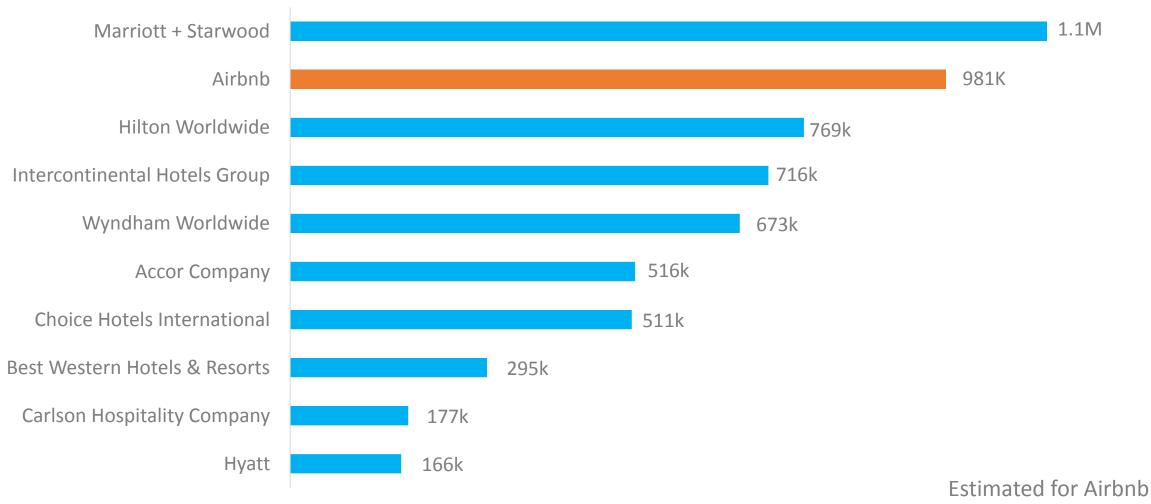
#### **United States**

- Boston
- Los Angeles
- Miami
- New Orleans
- San Francisco
- Seattle
- Washington, D.C.

#### **International**

- Barcelona
- London
- Mexico City
- Paris
- Sydney
- Tokyo

#### Largest Lodging Companies by Rooms – Less Private Rooms



7 US markets used as proxy



## Why MMB?

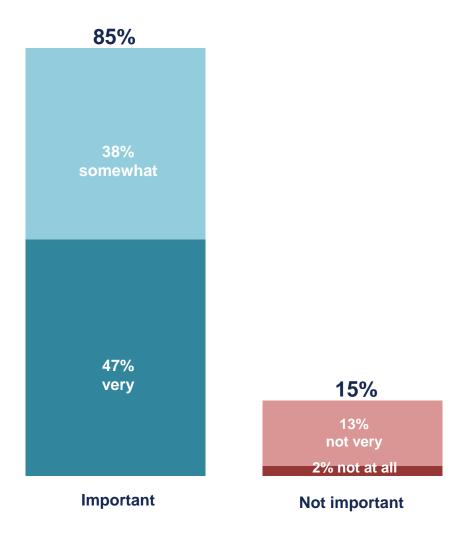
- We need to be prepared for another recession.
- With a single comment, President Obama created a slight recession in our industry.
- We must constantly collect and present data to quantitatively advocate the value of our industry to the U.S. economy
- We need to push against increased taxation on meetings and travel – we lost the battle of the lunch deduction.



## Small Business Survey

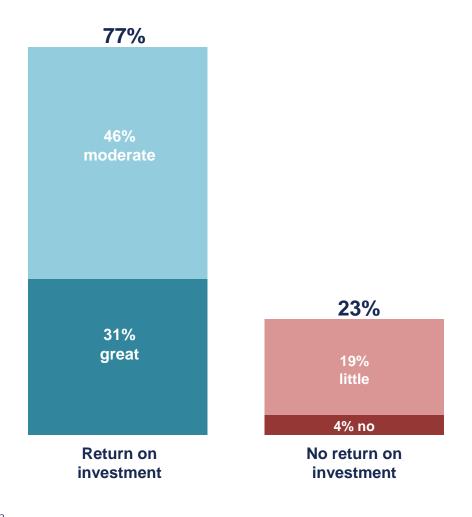


# Overwhelmingly believe in-person meetings are important to their business



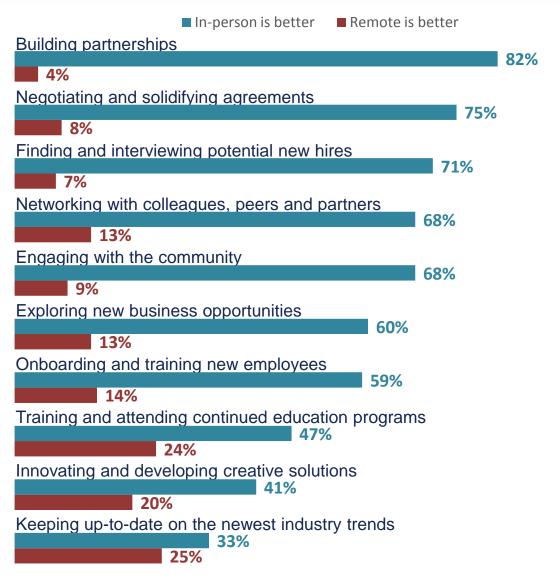


## Consider in-person meetings a worthwhile expense





## That add value remote meetings cannot





#### The tech sector embraces face-to-face too!

98%	In-person	meetings	are	important

- 55% Plan to increase spending next year
- 95% In-person meetings yield a return on investment
- 55% Prioritize in-person meetings during budget cuts



## A note on

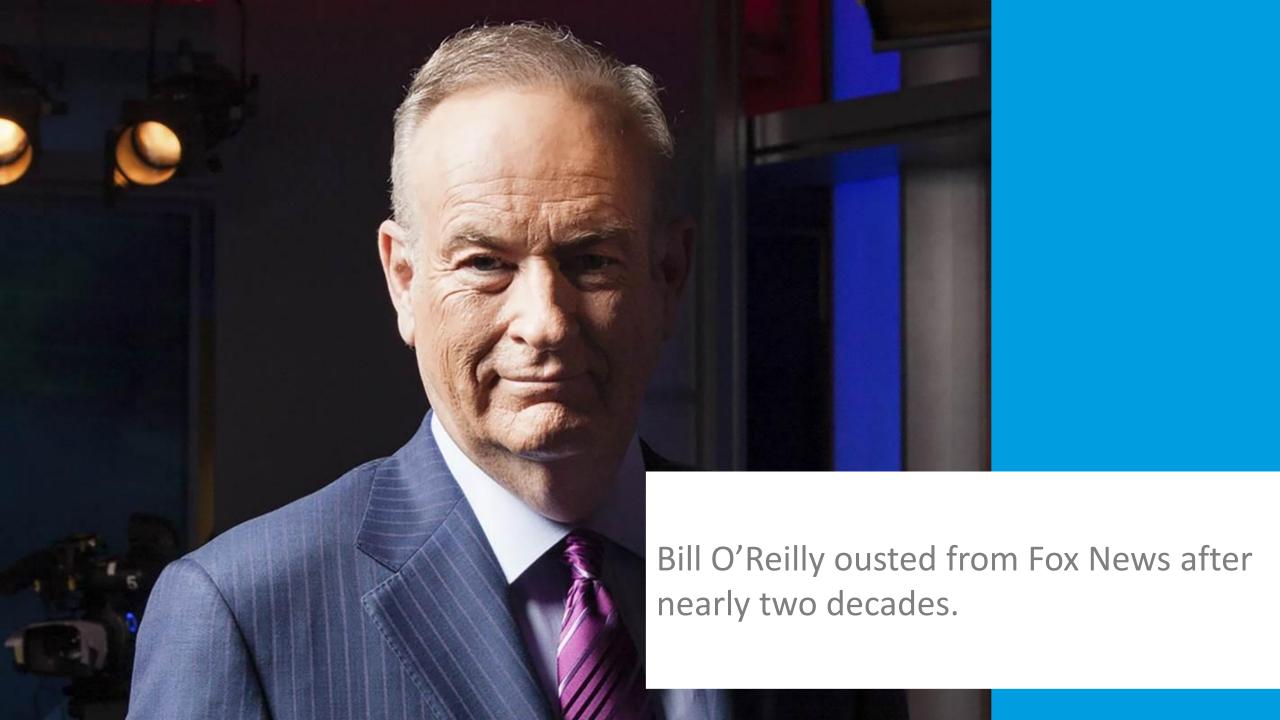
# UNITED





The United scandal raises some important concerns for meeting planners.

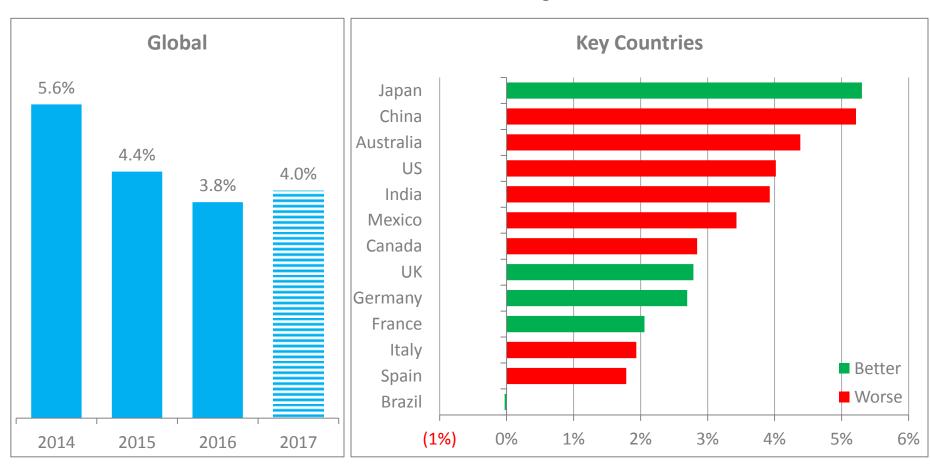
- Today is different than ever before with smart phones and the ease of virality.
- Consider Delta's reaction.
- What would you do if you had to forcibly remove someone from a meeting?



## The **OUTLOOK**

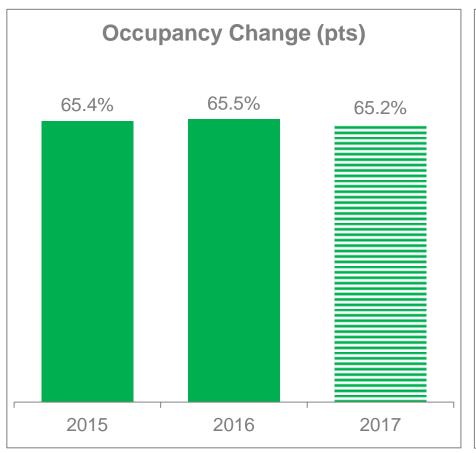
## Industry demand is also anticipated to rise in 2017.

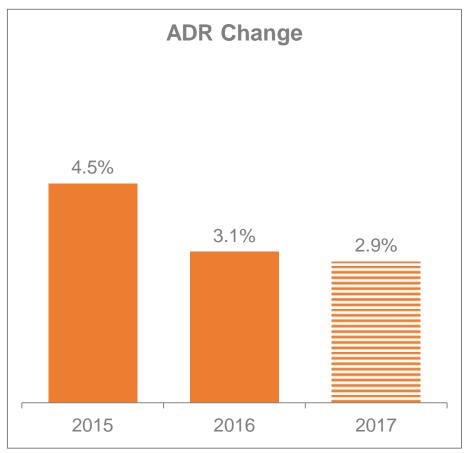
#### **Room Nights in Hotels**



# US industry forecasters are predicting slightly lower rate gains in 2017 with occupancy near record highs.

#### **US Industry Occupancy and ADR Forecast**







# INSIGHTS FROM MPI MEMBERS



Fall 2016 Edition

### **Business Conditions** throughout 2016

OVERALL FIGURES INDICATE STABLE
BUSINESS CONDITIONS—OF NOTE:
4% MORE RESPONDENTS INDICATED "FAVORABLE" BUSINESS CONDITIONS OVER THE PREVIOUS QUARTER.

67%
of respondents predict
FAVORABLE
business conditions

20%
of respondents predict
NEUTRAL
business conditions

13%
of respondents predict
NEGATIVE
business conditions

### Projected Budget/ Spend Over the Next Year

57%
of respondents predict
FAVORABLE
budget/spend

25% of respondents predict FLAT budget/spend

18% of respondents predict NEGATIVE budget/spend

### Projected Price Change Over the Next Year



F&B/Catering

4.6%



Audiovisual

3.6%



Air Travel

4.2%



**Room Rates** 

4.5%



**Meeting Space** 

3.3%



SAFE

Terrorism, Zika and guns
are just a few of the security
threats that modern-day meeting
professionals need to take
into account.

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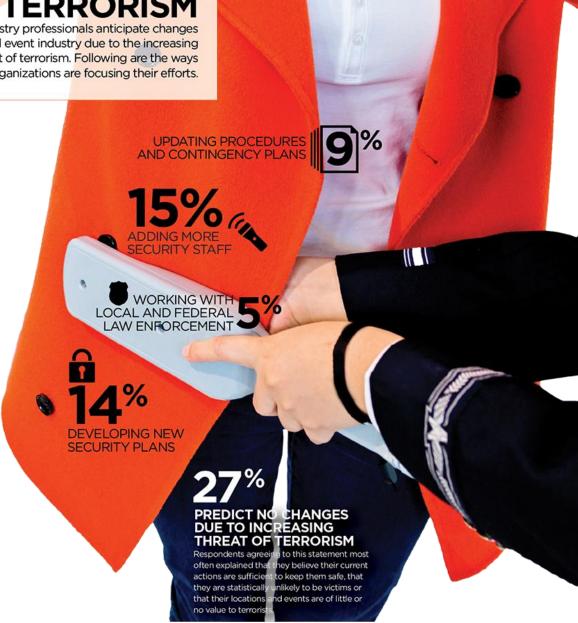
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COMBATING
TERRORISM
of industry professionals anticipate changes
to the meeting and event industry due to the increasing
prevalence and threat of terrorism. Following are the ways
in which these organizations are focusing their efforts.

MORE DESTINATION RESEARCH AND COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING RISK

> 5% SM MORE ATTENDEE SCREENING

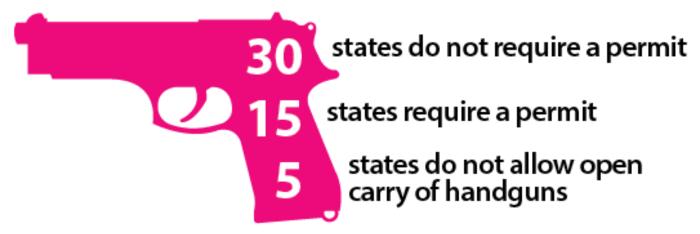
PROVIDING MORE AND EMPLOYEE TRAINING





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#### WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO OPEN CARRY IN THE U.S.A.?





Among U.S. states and territories, Puerto Rico has the most reported cases of Zika.

### How Do Liberal Gun Laws Affect Destination Selection?



43%

say there has been **no change** in the selection of destinations with more liberal handgun or weapons laws.

**19**%

avoid destinations with more liberal handgun or weapons laws. 2% prefer these destinations 37% don't know/deciding

### How Do Restroom Laws Affect Destination Selection?



31%

say there has been **no change** in the selection of destinations that prohibit universal restroom usage (U.S.)

30%

avoid destinations that prohibit universal restroom usage (U.S.). 2% prefer these destinations 38% don't know/deciding

### Do You Use Social Media for Your Meetings?

Always 19%

Mostly 20%

Case-by-case 40%

Seldom 11%

Never 6%

What's that? 3%

### **Most Important Medium**



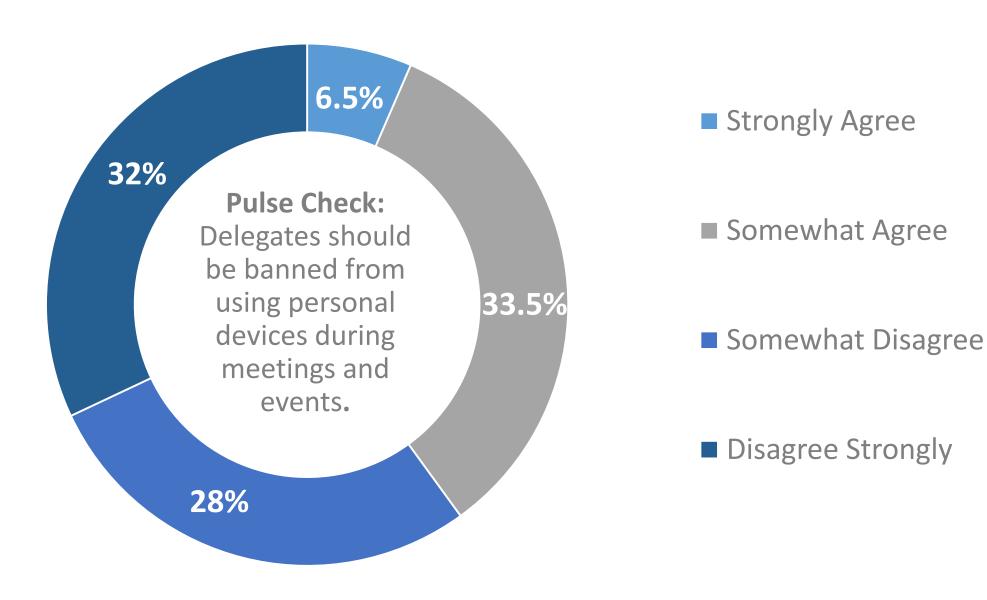
39.4%



38.8%



12.5%



## NEXT AT MPI















## The importance of MENTORSHIP

# Your future GOALS for MPI and MENTORSHIP

What are your goals for your involvement with MPI in the next six months?

Who is a mentor to you, inside or outside of MPI? (note: not an employer)

Who are you mentoring inside or outside of MPI (note: not an employee)?





