# Survey Summary Findings COVID-19 Impact

# Destination Marketing Organizations Sport Events Rights Holders

Canadian Sport Tourism Alliance May 2020

## **THE SURVEY:**

- Two separate surveys
  - Destination Marketing Organizations (DMO)
  - Sport Event Rights Holders (SRH)
- Nearly 100 responses
- Data collection dates
  - DMO Late March 2020
  - SRH Mid-April 2020

## **THE FINDINGS**

### **TOURISM:**

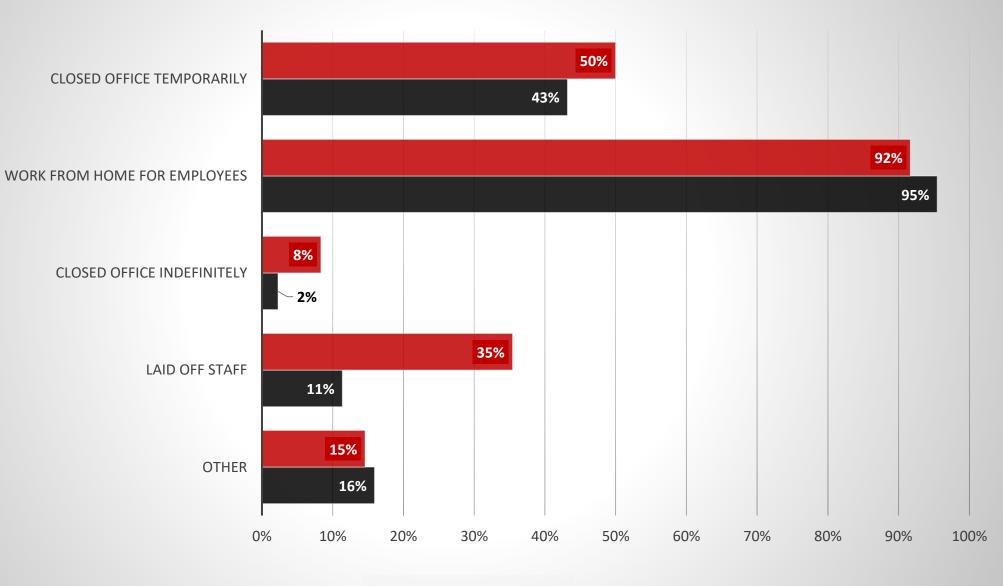
- Hundreds of thousands of room nights lost in Canada
- Equal split among provincial, national and international events

## **SPORT TOURISM LEADERSHIP**

- Workforce adjustments ranging from work from home (90%) to closed office permanently (~10%)
- Approximately 1/3 of sport tourism professionals laid off in Canada



#### Workforce adjustments



■ DMOs ■ SRHs

# **RETURN TIMELINE TO BE EVENT-READY:**

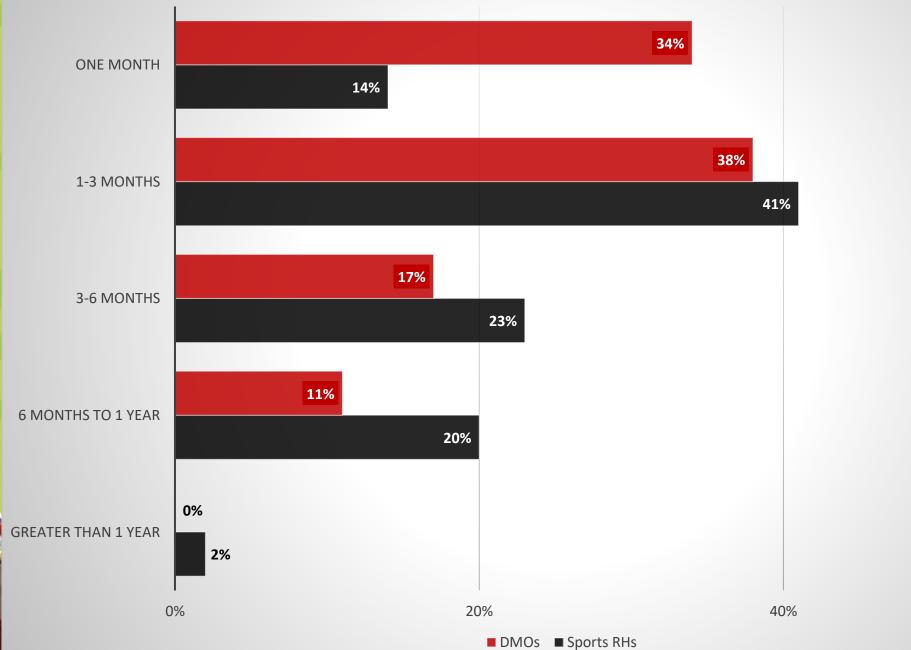
- 2/3 of sport tourism can be event-ready in three months
- 1/3 will take longer than three months

### **HOSTING CAPACITY**

- 6% of host cities have ceased operations
- 2% of sport organizations have ceased operations

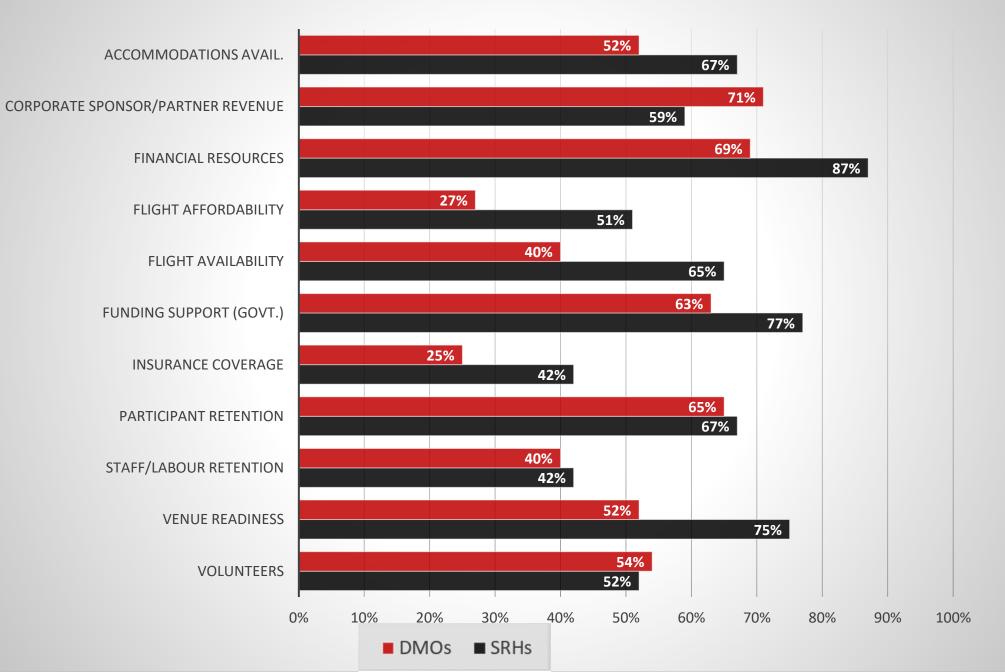


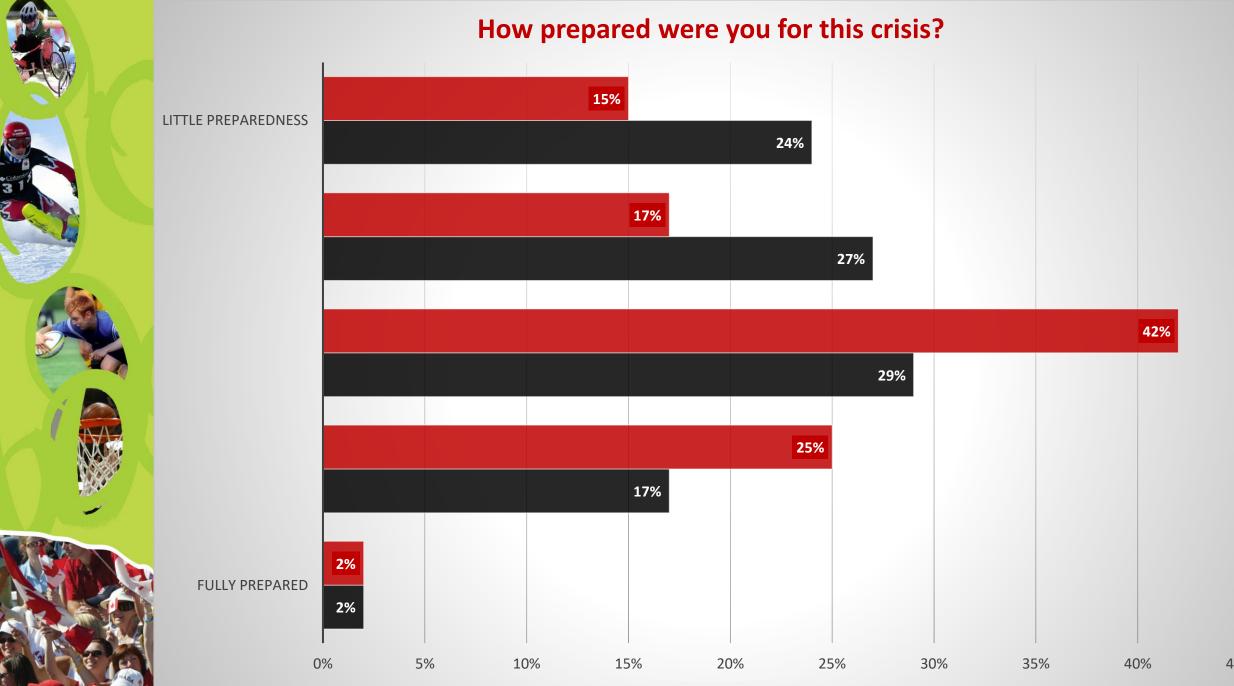
#### Length of time needed to be event-ready





#### **Barriers to getting back to event-ready**





DMOs Sports RHs

45%



### **PARTNERSHIP:**

• Sport and tourism will need to work together to ensure the recovery of the industry

## **TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE**

- Economic
  - +500 Provincial, National, International Events cancelled (as of May 2020)
  - +/-140,000 hotel rooms cancelled (as of May 2020)
- Social/Cultural
- Sustainability