Highlights



Economic growth to stabilize	Globally, most airfares to rise by 1%	Regional business fares to increase by 2%	Hotel rates to be 1% to 3% higher	Oil prices to average US\$67 per barrel

North America Europe Asia Expect fares to rise 1% in all travel While most fares will increase, regional Intercontinental fares will rise 1%; economy fares will be flat. strong demand in major markets will drive regional fares up 2% to 3%. 0% 1% 1% Middle East Intercontinental economy fares 3% 1% won't increase. All other fares will Latin America rise by 1% or 2%. Recovering demand will push up **Africa** regional fares 3%, but intercontinental fares will be unchanged. Most fares will increase by 1% or 2%, Southwest Pacific except for intercontinental economy travel, which will remain flat. While regional fares will rise 1%, increased competition will push

Growth in global air travel continues to slow. Traffic increased by 4.6% year over year during the first five months of 2019, down from 6.8% a year ago.1 Demand is still growing, and together with higher fuel and labor costs, this will ensure that fares rise in most markets in 2020. However, as airlines continue to add capacity, this will limit fare increases in most markets—but not where demand is particularly strong, such as China and India.

Airfare forecasts

Average ticket prices % year over year

Africa	
Asia	
Europe	
Latin America	
Middle East	
North America	
Southwest Pacific	
Global	

Intercontinental)	Regional		
Business	Economy		Business	Economy	
1%	0%		2%	1%	
1%	1%		3%	2%	
1%	1%		2%	0%	
0%	0%		3%	3%	
1%	0%		1%	2%	
1%	1%		1%	1%	
-1%	-1%		1%	1%	
1%	1%		2%	1%	

intercontinental fares down 1%.

¹IATA, Air Passenger Market Analysis, May 2019

Hotel



increase by 1% to 3% in 2020. Most regions will see average daily rates (ADRs) rise in this higher in Asia, averaging 2% to 4%, as hotel openings fail to keep up with the pace of demand. Latin American hotels will see the smallest rise in ADR, averaging 0% to 2%, due to more modest growth in demand.

Global hotel rates will

Hotel forecasts

Average daily rates % year over year

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Africa
Asia
Europe
Latin America
Middle East
North America
Southwest Pacific
Global

1% – 3%	
2%	5 – 4%
1% – 3%	
0% – 2%	
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Economics



After slowing in 2019, global economic growth will stabilize at 2.8% in 2020. But the prospects for advanced economies and emerging markets are quite different. The performance of the North American economy will continue to weaken, but emerging regions, including Africa, Latin America and the Middle East, can expect growth to strengthen.

World GDP growth

2018	2019

3.2% 2.7% 2.8%

Economic outlook

Regional economic				
growth forecast	2018	2019	2020	
Africa	3.9%	4.1%	4.3%	
Asia	5.1%	4.7%	4.5%	
Europe	2.0%	1.4%	1.7%	
Latin America	1.1%	1.5%	2.6%	
Middle East	1.6%	0.6%	2.1%	
North America	2.7%	2.4%	1.6%	
Southwest Pacific	2.8%	2.3%	2.6%	
Global	3.2%	2.7%	2.8%	
Source: Oxford Economics, June 2010				

Source: Oxford Economics, June 2019

Oil price



Experts believe global oil spot prices will stay in a US\$60-\$75 per barrel range.² Supply stability seems assured, as OPEC continues to show restraint and rising U.S. output helps to offset Iranian losses. Global oil demand will increase by just 1.4% in 2020, but growth could be weaker if international trade relations deteriorate further. Policymakers may try to stimulate demand but also will be keen to ensure producers commit to pricing stability. Oil prices in 2020 should be in line with the level currently expected for 2019.

Oil price **US\$67** per barrel assumption

Oil prices in 2019



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Brent spot per barrel, monthly average