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# INTRIGUING INCIDENTALS

In-depth analysis reveals some interesting – and shocking - truths about business travellers' behaviour when it comes to payments and expenses

the decrease in average room rates seen after virtual payments

Source: HRS

the potential cost of expense fraud in America

Source: Chrome River

## **DRIVEN BY PROCESS**

**Employees who submit** expenses manually in hard copy are more than twice as likely to commit fraud than those using automated solutions

Source: Chrome River



# SLAP ON THE WRIST

More than 75% of those caught committing expense fraud said a warning was the most severe consequence

are allowed to use rewards points accrued on company cards

Source: Carlson Wagonlit Travel Business Travellers Study

### 82.9%

OF FRAUD IS COMMITTED BY THOSE UNDER THE AGE OF 44

### FREQUENT FAKERS

A study by Chrome River of  $\emph{1,200}$  business travellers in the US, UK and Australia, revealed the most likely culprits of expense fraud

COMMITTED BY MID-LEVEL **EMPLOYEES** 

> **COMMITTED BY** VICE-PRESIDENTS AND SENIOR VPs

# RESISTING CHANGE

Despite 32% being aware of new forms of payment, many business travellers don't utilise them



**NEVER USE VIRTUAL PAYMENTS** 

67%



# ON THE COMPANY DIME

Nearly half of travellers have knowingly used their business credit card for personal purchases, with those in the UK the most likely to do so

UK	58%
SWEDEN	<b>57</b> %
GERMANY	<b>42</b> %
SPAIN	40%
FRANCE	39%
ITALY	35%

# LIKELY EXPENSES

European business travellers are more likely to use their personal credit card at certain locations:

ON AIRCRAFT

AT FILLING STATIONS 42%

AT AIRPORTS 44%

ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT 41%

AT GROCERY STORES 60%

ON ONLINE PURCHASES



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more than women

# POPULAR PAYMENTS

Of those employees who do utilise virtual payments, the most used providers are:

PAYPAL	53%
APPLE WALLET	13%
GOOGLE WALLET	11%
UBER	10%
SAMSUNG WALLET	8%

Source: Carlson Wagonlit Travel Business Travellers Study

WOMEN ARE 30.8% MORE LIKELY TO PAD AN EXPENSE REPORT BY US\$1,000

MEN ARE TWICE AS LIKELY TO COMMIT EXPENSE FRAUD THAN WOMEN

BATTLE OF THE SEXES

Men tend to cheat on their expenses

Carrier Observe Disc



### TURNING UP

Hotel no-show rates drop dramatically when virtual payments are introduced

BEFORE IMPLEMENTING VIRTUAL PAYMENTS:

4.1%

AFTER

**3.5**%

DIFFERENCE:

15% drop

Source: HRS



### STUCK IN THEIR WAYS

Many of the 2,000 business travellers surveyed by CWT continue to use their personal credit cards to make purchases on business trips

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A SOURCE: Carlson Wagon/lit Travel Business

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### MOST EXPENSED

Of the more than *IO million* receipts processed by Certify, certain providers stood out as the most popular

HOTEL CHAINS		
Hampton Inn		9.33%
Marriott	A	8.46%
Courtyard by Marriott		7.43%

AIRLINES	
Delta	19.92%
American Airlines	19.59%
United Airlines	14.26%

Source: Certify Spendsmart Report, January-March 2018

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