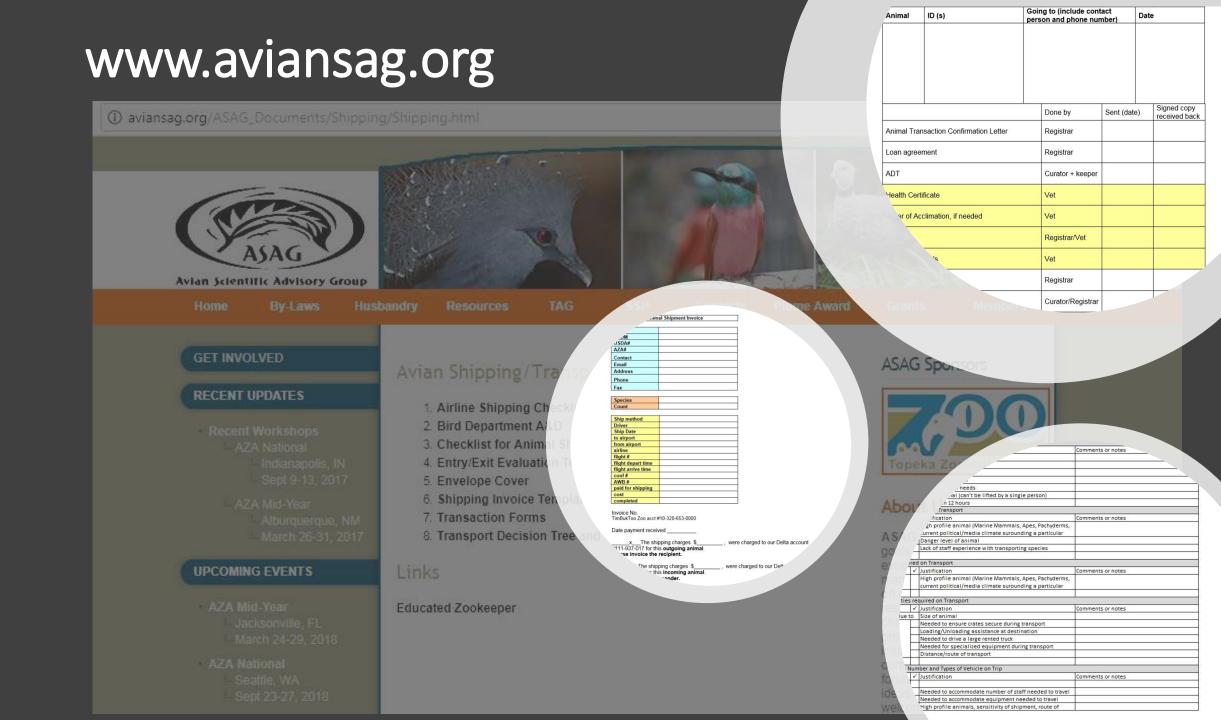
Resources and Transport Survey AZA Mid-year 2018

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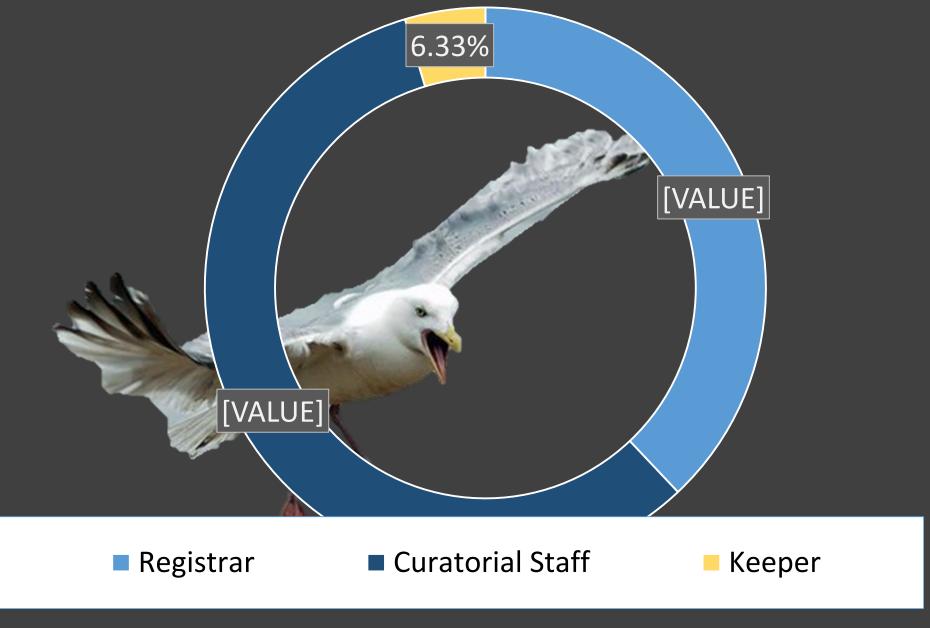


Avian Transport Survey Survey Stats

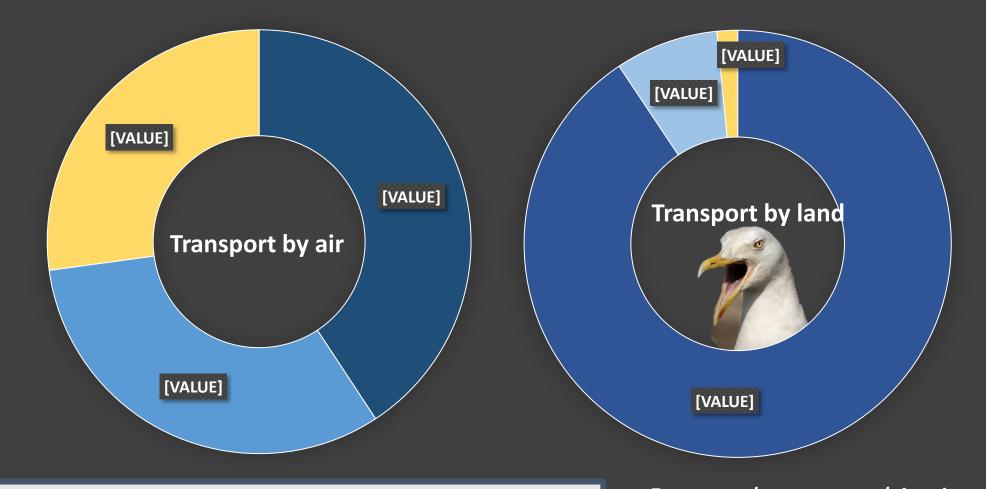
- Survey was sent out from AIG listserv
- Number of respondents: 81
- Number of respondents who provided institutional information: 75
- Number of institutions represented: 64 unique institutions
- Average time spent: 4 minutes 52 seconds



Whose responsibility is it to arrange avian transportation?



On average, how often does your organization transport birds in a 12 month period?

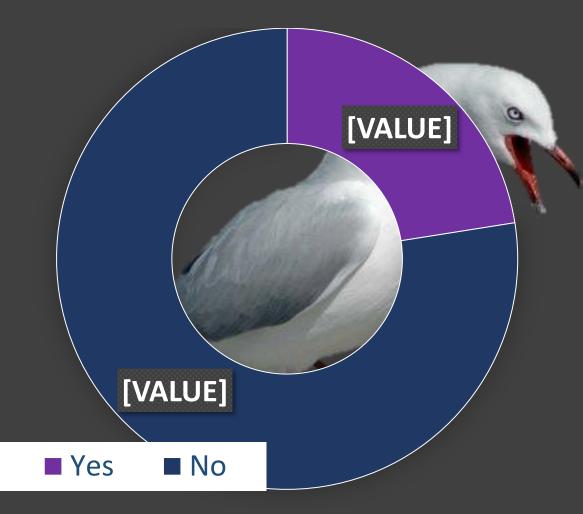


21 times +

■ 0-10 times ■ 11- 20 times

Respondents are shipping more frequently by air. Less often by land.

For bird transport by air, does your organization have a minimum layover time for flights with connections different from the airline minimum?



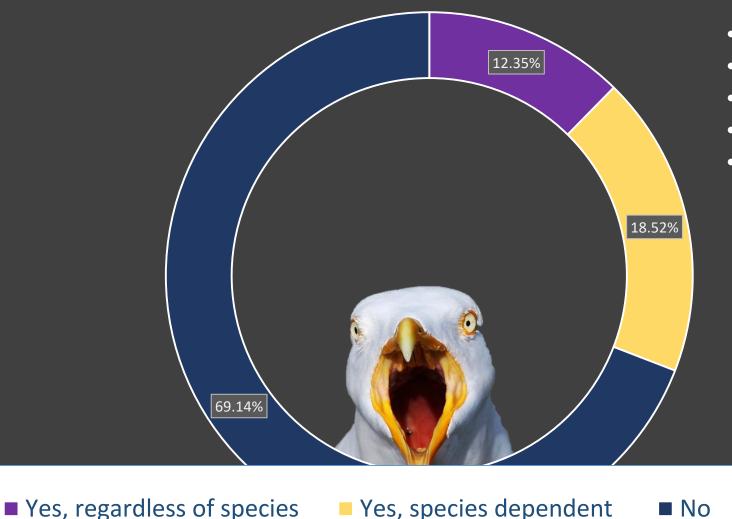
Top Comments (27 comments)

- Species, weather, season dependent
- Most efficient, shortest, commonsense
- Airline requirements

Times

- 1 hour (3)
- 1.5 hour (4)
- 2 hours (4)

For bird transport by land, does your organization have a maximum amount of time allowed for travel?



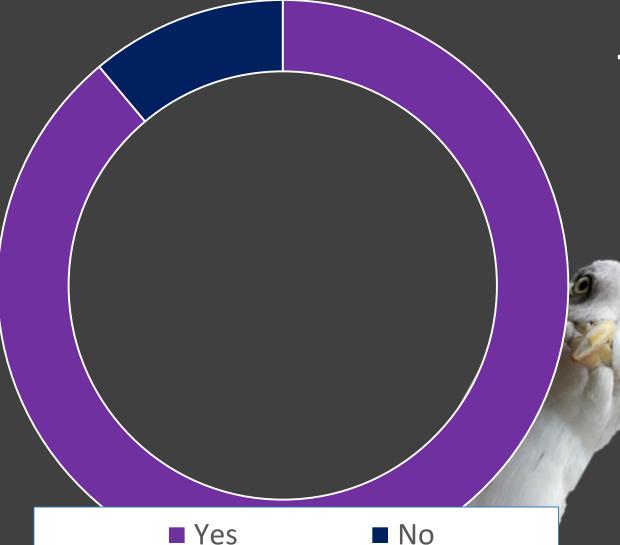
Top Comments (38 comments)

- Species dependent
- No limit
- No overnight
- No land travel
- Max times included everything but the kitchen sink.....

4 hours (2)

- 5 hours (1)
- 6 hours (3)
- 8 hours (2)
- 12 hours (4)
- 14 hours (1)
- 24 hours (3)
- 48 hours (2)

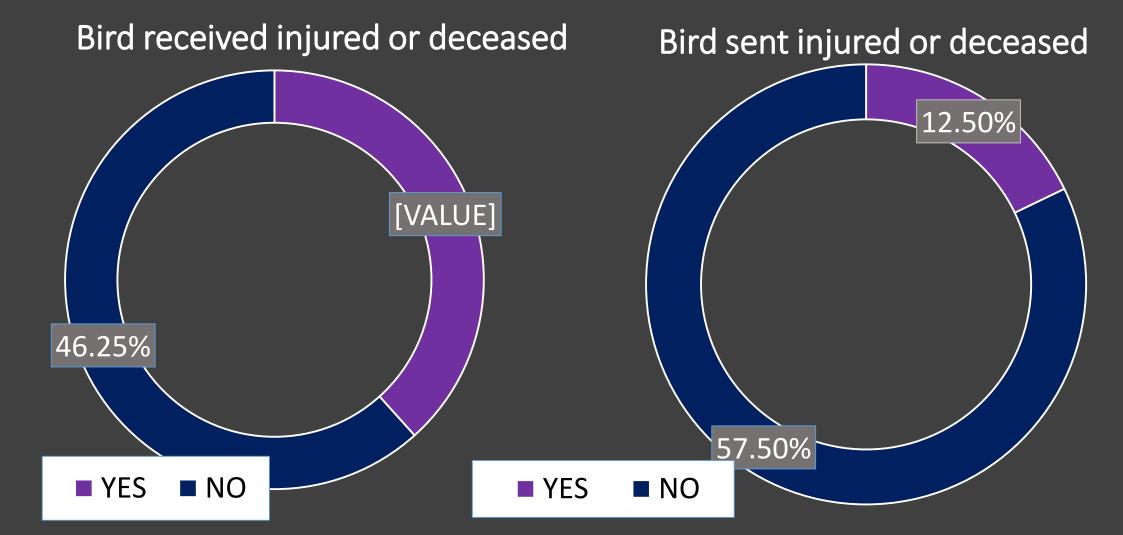
Does your organization have species specific temperature ranges for air travel?



Top Comments (55 regarding temperature)

- Higher than 40°F (15)
- Lower than 85°F (11)
- Species dependent (13)
- Season dependent (11)
- Airline minimum (8)

In the last 10 years has your organization received or sent a bird by air or land injured or deceased on arrival?



Majority of the respondents have not received injured or deceased bird by land or air. Majority of the respondents have not <u>sent a bird that has arrived injured</u> or deceased by land or air. The unknowns are not included.

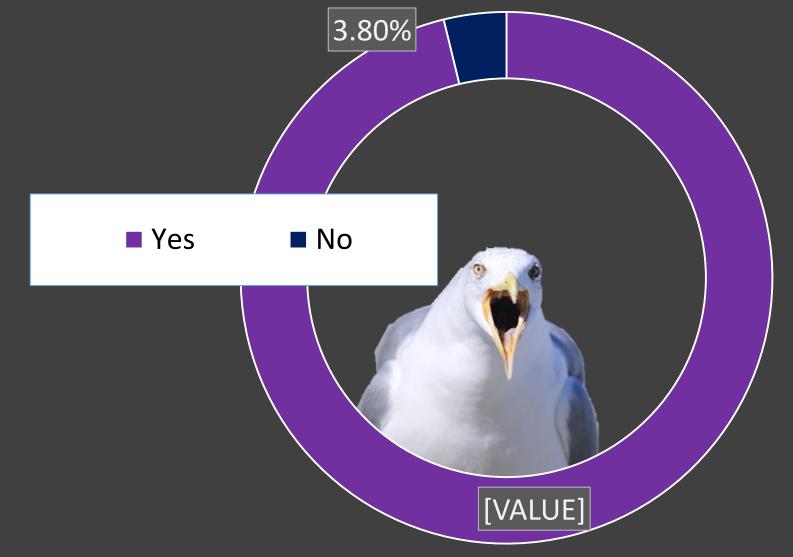
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Top Comments (20 comments mentioned injury/death)

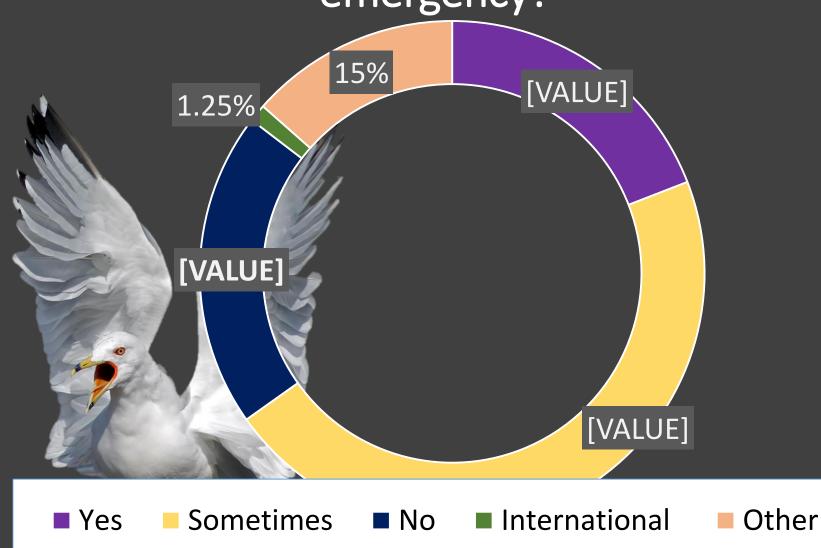
- Air travel missed connection/plane exhaust fumes etc (6)
- General injury during travel (6)
- Unknown cause of injury or death (4)
- Presumed improper crate (3)
- Suspected disease process(1)

How many of these 20 incidents representing an unknown number of animals are preventable?

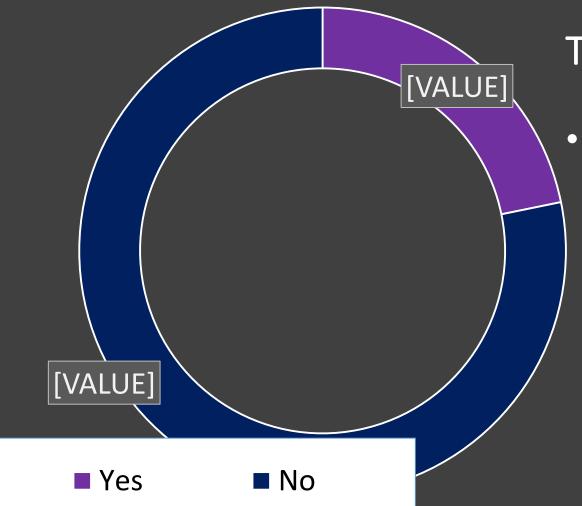
When receiving transported birds, does your organization provide feedback to the shipper if problems arise during transport?



Does your organization contact and/or identify nearby institutions when shipping involves layovers/flight connections in the event of emergency?



Does your organization allow staff to temporarily hold animals in their homes because of pre/post shipment scenarios such as distance to airport, time of arrival/departure etc?



Top Comments (15 comments total)

 Allowed (including exceptions may be made, occasionally happens, rarely happens) (13)



Conclusions

- Birds shipped more often by air
- Higher than 40°F
- Lower than 85°F
- Majority of birds being shipped are not arriving injured or deceased
- Reduce injuries/deceased?
- Species dependent
- Transaction specific

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