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## GLOBAL

## PERSPECTIVE

## The pandemic year directed a tidal wave of first-time boaters to the water in 2020 <br> - flooding the brokerage market with historic demand - and positioned the marine industry for exponential growth for years to come

Around the world, increased online boat shopping hit all major vessel categories and resulted in a significant lift in sales volume for the year. Expanded boat sales were driven by experienced boaters trading up and new enthusiasts entering the market.

However, as demand for boats continued to soar in the second half of the year, well past the expected seasonal peak, squeezed inventory had buyers and brokers alike on high alert for available listings. At the same time, dealers remained on standby as manufacturers worked tirelessly to increase


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The YachtWorld 2020 Market Index data is derived from Boats Group's soldboats.com and YachtCloser data sources.

| $G \cap B$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD (USD) | \$10.04 B | \$11.1 B | 11\% |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 59,428 | 66,212 | 11\% |
| $U S T \bigcirc$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$6.02 B | \$7.26 B | 21\% |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 44,602 | 50,367 | 13\% |
| NTLT | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD ${ }^{(\text {USD) }}$ | \$2.94 B | \$2.79 B | -5\% |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 10,693 | 11,469 | 7\% |


| $T \cap T$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 44,602 | 50,367 | 13\% |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$6.02 B | \$7.26 B | 21\% |
| AVERAGE BOAT VALUE | \$135,097 | \$144,273 | 7\% |
| $P O W / 2$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 37,924 | 42,841 | 13\% |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$5.2 B | \$6.32 B | 22\% |
| AVERAGE BOAT VALUE | \$137,188 | \$147,700 | 8\% |
| SAll | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 5,540 | 6,194 | 12\% |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$547 M | \$633 M | 16\% |
| AVERAGE BOAT VALUE | \$98,892 | \$102,224 | 3\% |



| LENGTH |  | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of Boats Sold | 19,676 | 22,575 | 15\% |
| $<26^{\prime}$ | Value of Boats Sold | \$746 M | \$1.1 B | 48\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$37,941 | \$48,867 | 29\% |
| $26^{\prime}-35^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 13,217 | 14,350 | 9\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$1.12 B | \$1.32 B | 18\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$84,839 | \$92,039 | 8\% |
| $36^{\prime}-45^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 7,961 | 9,191 | 15\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$1.42 B | \$1.74 B | 23\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$178,601 | \$189,902 | 6\% |
| $46^{\prime}-55^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 2,425 | 2,635 | 9\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$900 M | \$1.03 B | 14\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$371,431 | \$391,043 | 5\% |
| $56^{\prime}-79^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 1,086 | 1,307 | 20\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$915 M | \$1.14 B | 25\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$843,134 | \$875,368 | 4\% |
| $80^{\prime}+$ | Number of Boats Sold | 237 | 309 | 30\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$920 M | \$923 M | 0.4\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$3.88 M | \$2.98 M | -23\% |


| $T \cap T$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 10,693 | 11,469 | 7\% |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$2.94 B | \$2.79 B | -5\% |
| AVERAGE BOAT VALUE | \$275,295 | \$243,910 | -11\% |
| $P O W / E R$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 5,883 | 6,731 | 14\% |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$2.27 B | \$2.12 B | -6\% |
| AVERAGE BOAT VALUE | \$386,098 | \$316,310 | -18\% |
| $S A \\|$ | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| NUMBER OF BOATS SOLD | 4,803 | 4,726 | -2\% |
| VALUE OF BOATS SOLD | \$664 M | \$659 M | -0.7\% |
| AVERAGE BOAT VALUE | \$138,314 | \$139,518 | 0.9\% |

## BY LENGTH GROUP

| LENGTH |  | 2019 | 2020 | \% CHANGE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of Boats Sold | 6,412 | 7,627 | 19\% |
| $<26^{\prime}$ | Value of Boats Sold | \$947 M | \$1.58 B | 68\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$147,724 | \$208,377 | 41\% |
| $26^{\prime}-35^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 1,978 | 1,923 | -3\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$281 M | \$227 M | -19\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$142,199 | \$118,199 | -17\% |
| $36^{\prime}-45^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 1,511 | 1,297 | -14\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$337 M | \$280 M | -17\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$223,410 | \$216,389 | -3\% |
| $46^{\prime}-55^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 493 | 398 | -19\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$252 M | \$146 M | -42\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$512,012 | \$367,328 | -28\% |
| $56^{\prime}-79^{\prime}$ | Number of Boats Sold | 241 | 173 | -28\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$490 M | \$327 M | -33\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$2.03 M | \$1.89 M | -7\% |
| $80^{\prime}+$ | Number of Boats Sold | 58 | 51 | -12\% |
|  | Value of Boats Sold | \$634 M | \$226 M | -64\% |
|  | Average Boat Value | \$10.9 M | \$4.4 M | -59\% |

## GLOBAL TREND ANALYSIS

YACHTWORLDVISITS YoYINCREASE (2019-2020)

| JANUARY | FEBRUARY | MARCH | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| +7\% | +11\% | +3\% | +8\% | +21\% | +25\% |
| JULY | AUGUST | SEPTEMBER | OCTOBER | NOVEMBER | DECEMBER |
| +23\% | +28\% | +27\% | +34\% | +42\% | +39\% |





## UNITED STATES

TOP CLASSES BY QUARTER
2020 Q1 $\quad 2020$ Q2 $\quad 2020$ Q3 $\quad 2020$ Q4

As historic numbers of people around the world browsed for boats in 2020, boat sales in the under 26-foot segment soared in the U.S. (+15\% YoY) and internationally (+19\% YoY). This length group also had the largest uptick in the total value of boats sold (+48\% YoY in the U.S./+68\% YoY internationally) and the highest increase in terms of average boat value.

Considering the length group sales data, alongside further analysis of the top boat classes sold per quarter, the recorded demand reflects first-time buyers seeking budget-friendly, multi-functional, family-friendly boats. In the U.S., center consoles and cruisers reigned as the top-selling classes, followed by pontoons, bowriders, express cruisers and motor yachts. In markets outside the U.S., consumers were consistently drawn to cruisers, motor yachts and racer/cruisers, followed by sports cruisers and flybridge models.

At the close of the year, despite election drama, boat show uncertainty, and rising numbers of COVID-19 cases, YachtWorld's soldboats.com and YachtCloser data from Q4 showed brokerage transactions in the U.S. rose $+19 \%$ YoY for the period. With strong
sales increases spanning all length groups, the total value of boats sold increased by $+49 \%$ YoY and the average price per boat sold jumped $+25 \%$ YoY.

In contrast, while unit sales in the final quarter of 2020 were up year-over-year internationally $(+17 \%$ YoY), the value of boats sold ( $-1.4 \%$ YoY) and the average price per boat sold ( $-16 \%$ YoY) fell. Compared to 2019, markets outside the U.S. saw greater sustained demand for smaller vessels (sales of boats under 26 feet jumped $+33 \%$ YoY in Q4), impacting the sales of larger, higher priced segments and allowing the slide in value sold and average price.

After such a strong year, the challenge for all of us in the marine industry is to successfully nurture and engage new enthusiasts. As brokers and marine retailers were forced to shift from their familiar methods of doing business - literally overnight - to "touchless" virtual solutions, it was digital marketing that stood up to the challenges of the pandemic and is now more than ever the proven strategy for selling more boats faster and connecting with future customers.

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