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BACKGROUND: The European Travel Health Advisory Board conducted a cross-sectional pilot survey to evaluate current travel health knowledge, attitudes and practices (KAP) and to determine where travelers going to developing countries obtain travel health information, what information they receive, and what preventive travel health measures they employ. Subsequently, the questionnaire used was improved and a cross-sectional, multicenter study was undertaken in airports in Europe, Asia, South Africa and the United States. This paper describes the methods used everywhere, and results from the Euro... 

To gain more insight in the travel health preparation and awareness of these travellers, the knowledge, attitudes and practices (KAP) of this travel group was studied by analysing the data of the Continuous Dutch Schiphol Airport Survey. Methods. Van Herck K, Van Damme P, Castelli F, Zuckerman J, Nothdurft H, Dahlgren AL, Gisler S, Steffen R, Gargalianos P, Lopéz-Vélez R, Overbosch D, Caumes E, Walker E: Knowledge, attitudes and practices in travel-related infectious diseases: the European airport survey. J Travel Med. 2004, 11: 3-8. Unlike most European travelers where travelers to tropical countries are usually above 40 years old and the purpose of travel is mostly for leisure [11] travelers from less developed countries [12]. Including Egypt are young (mean age was 33 in this study) and their main purpose of travel is to work. This reflects how important it is for this productive energetic group to keep them healthy.  11. Van Herck K, Castelli F, Zuckerman J (2004) Knowledge, attitudes, and practices in travel-related infectious diseases: the European airport survey. J Travel Med 11: 3-7. 12. Cabada MM, Maldonado F, Quispe W, Edson Serrano Karen Mozo et al.