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Airline Boardings for April up 14%

(Bismarck, ND) The North Dakota Aeronautics Commission (NDAC) has released the monthly report that provides information relating to the airline passenger traffic at the eight commercial service airports within the state.

Commercial airline boarding numbers for April 2023 reached 87,223 passengers, representing a 14% increase from the same period last year. Seven of the commercial service airports also had higher passenger numbers than during April of 2022.

The passenger demand throughout the state remains healthy and the average statewide aircraft load factor is currently estimated at 76%. Limited weather impacts and an overall low level of flight departure cancellations for the month also helped ensure that a high-level of reliability has been available for residents and visitors.



April Boardings Comparison of Commercial Service Airports

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	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	Difference 2023/2022	% Change	Difference 2023/2019	% Change
Bismarck	18,688	18,200	15,509	1,213	24,690	22,368	21,183	19,901	18,985	16,784	488	2.68%	-6002	-32.12%
Devils Lake	554	538	499	14	504	419	552	397	278	0	16	2.97%	50	9.03%
Dickinson	2,014	1,492	1,282	153	1,808	1,594	1,492	1,187	3,849	4,201	522	34.99%	206	10.23%
Fargo	39,680	33,736	27,119	1,555	35,402	31,867	28,902	28,529	34,453	34,690	5,944	17.62%	4278	10.78%
Grand Forks	7,720	7,640	5,244	379	9,346	8,138	8,507	10,764	11,623	11,973	80	1.05%	-1626	-21.06%
Jamestown	701	953	767	41	694	877	869	652	456	0	(252)	-26.44%	7	1.00%
Minot	12,058	10,149	9,115	801	12,743	12,306	11,037	11,601	15,024	17,875	1,909	18.81%	-685	-5.68%
Williston	5,808	3,845	2,633	808	6,876	5,810	5,527	5,286	10,150	9,658	1,963	51.05%	-1068	-18.39%
TOTALS	87,223	76,553	62,168	4,964	92,063	83,379	78,069	78,317	94,818	95,181	10,670	13.94%	-4840	-5.55%



YTD Boardings Comparison of Commercial Service Airports

Through April

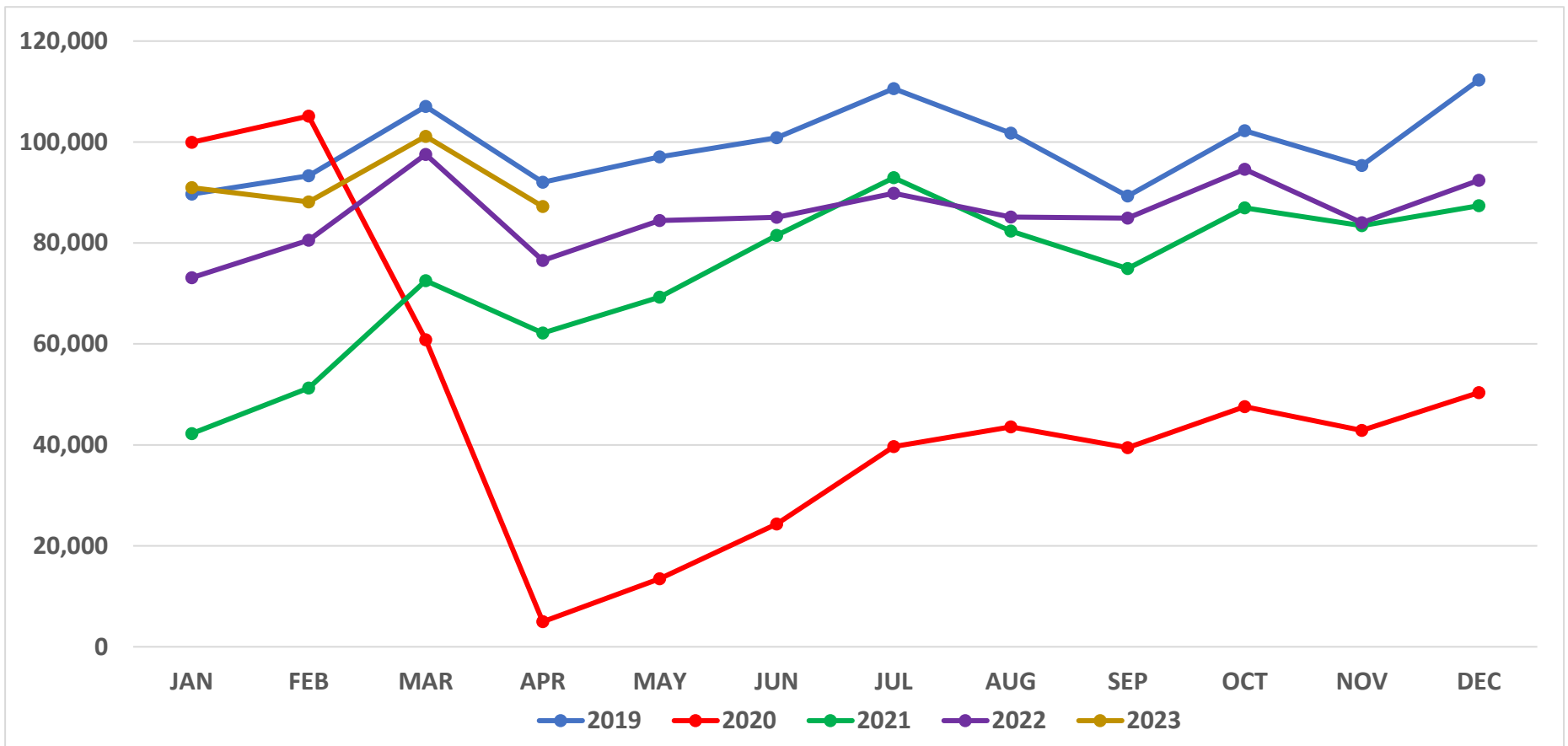
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	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	Difference	% Change
Bismarck	79,806	76,021	57,564	67,487	98,495	86,155	85,447	84,927	81,713	75,722	3,785	4.98%
Devils Lake	2,099	2,143	1,580	1,541	1,899	1,948	2,329	1,965	1,263	177	(44)	-2.05%
Dickinson	7,502	6,258	3,154	5,370	6,790	6,470	5,457	5,274	14,855	15,589	1,244	19.88%
Fargo	173,445	148,521	102,639	115,675	153,067	142,713	136,551	133,807	150,894	154,679	24,924	16.78%
Grand Forks	33,898	32,356	20,038	25,098	40,039	37,237	40,503	48,136	51,188	52,270	1,542	4.77%
Jamestown	3,012	3,967	2,531	2,455	3,338	3,861	4,196	3,378	2,426	135	(955)	-24.07%
Minot	46,506	43,180	31,457	34,858	52,367	48,675	45,276	51,329	65,664	72,527	3,326	7.70%
Williston	21,232	15,337	9,187	18,370	26,141	22,231	21,324	21,784	39,692	37,000	5,895	38.44%
TOTALS	367,500	327,783	228,150	270,854	382,136	349,290	341,083	350,600	407,695	408,099	39,717	12.12%
Commercial (BIS-FAR-GFK-MOT-WIL)	354,887	315,415	220,885	261,488	370,109	337,011	329,101	339,983	389,151	392,198	39,472	12.51%
Regional (DVL-DIK-JMS)	12,613	12,368	7,265	9,366	12,027	12,279	11,982	10,617	18,544	15,901	245	1.98%



North Dakota Airline Passenger Boarding Trends (2019 - 2023)

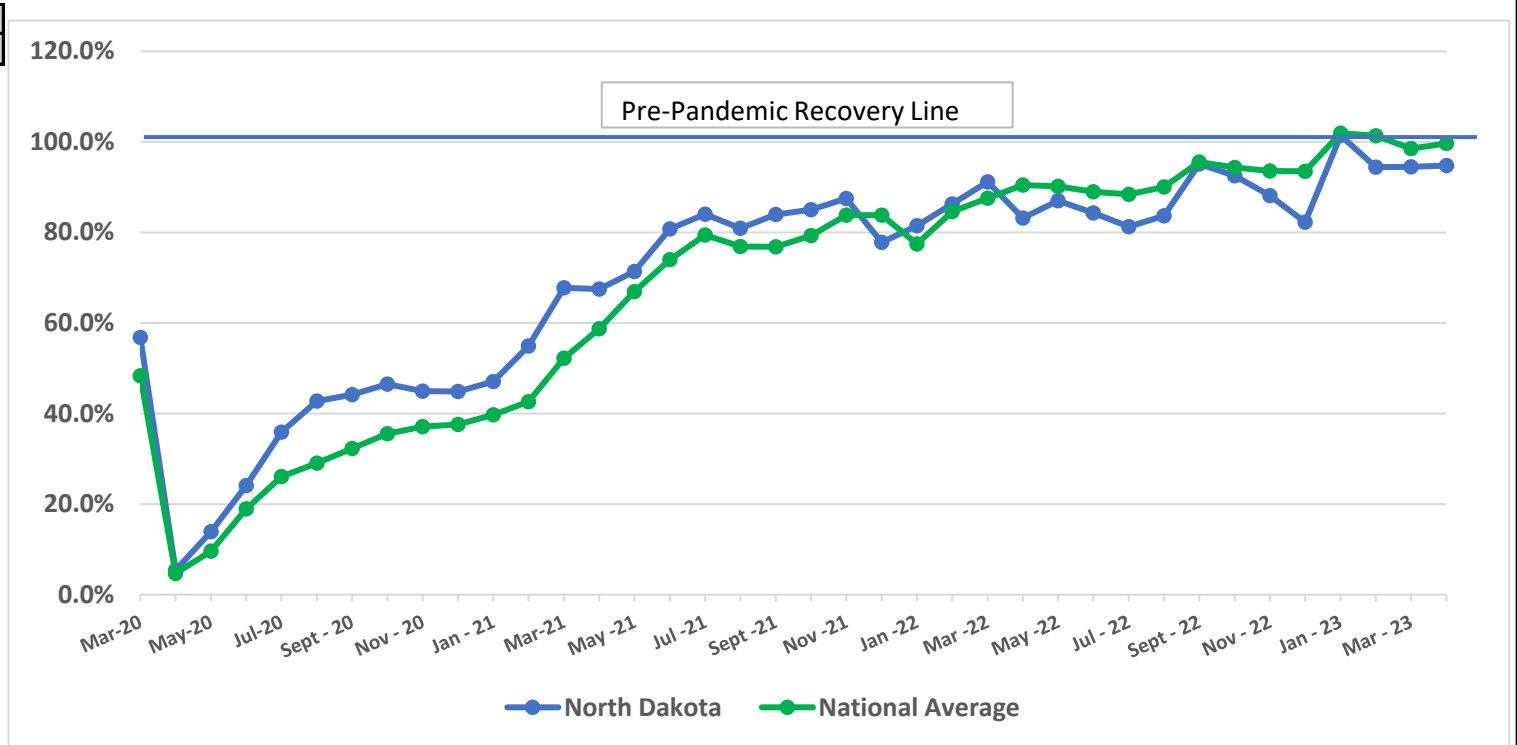




Airline Enplanement Monthly Retention Rates North Dakota versus National Average *(Comparing each month to the same month in 2019)*

ND vs. TSA Enplanement Retention

Month	ND	TSA
Mar-20	56.8%	48.3%
Apr-20	5.4%	4.7%
May-20	13.9%	9.6%
Jun-20	24.1%	18.9%
Jul-20	35.9%	26.1%
Aug-20	42.8%	29.0%
Sept -20	44.2%	32.3%
Oct -20	46.5%	35.6%
Nov -20	45.0%	37.1%
Dec -20	44.8%	37.6%
Jan -21	47.1%	39.7%
Feb -21	54.9%	42.6%
Mar-21	67.7%	52.2%
Apr-21	67.5%	58.7%
May-21	71.4%	67.0%
Jun-21	80.8%	74.0%
Jul-21	84.0%	79.5%
Aug-21	80.9%	76.9%
Sept-21	83.9%	76.8%
Oct-21	85.0%	79.3%
Nov-21	87.5%	83.8%
Dec-21	77.8%	83.8%
Jan-22	81.5%	77.4%
Feb-22	86.3%	84.6%
Mar-22	91.2%	87.6%
Apr-22	83.2%	90.5%
May-22	87.0%	90.2%
Jun-22	84.3%	89.0%
Jul-22	81.3%	88.4%
Aug-22	83.7%	90.1%
Sept-22	95.1%	95.6%
Oct-22	92.5%	94.4%
Nov-22	88.1%	93.6%
Dec-22	82.3%	93.5%
Jan-23	101.4%	101.9%
Feb-23	94.4%	101.4%
Mar-23	94.5%	98.5%
Apr-23	94.7%	99.7%



National statistics were retrieved from TSA website: <https://www.tsa.gov/coronavirus/passenger-throughput>