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Summer Travel Provides Boost to Airline Passenger Recovery

North Dakota's eight commercial service airports posted a total of 81,499 airline passenger boardings during the month of June. This month experienced the highest level of passenger traffic that the state has seen since the Covid-19 pandemic began and continues the monthly positive trend of growing airline passenger demand. The June numbers show that the state is continuing its strong recovery as it is now only 19% below the pre-pandemic passenger levels by comparison to June of 2019.

"The continual growth in demand for air travel is great news and helps to fuel optimism for the airline industry that is operating within our state." stated Kyle Wanner, Executive Director of the North Dakota Aeronautics Commission. "I encourage all of our residents and visitors to consider utilizing our North Dakota airports within any travel plans as any additional demand will help to leverage and expedite the return of more flight and destination options for our communities."



June Boardings Comparison of Commercial Service Airports

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	June 2021	June 2020	June 2019	June 2018	June 2017	June 2016	June 2015	June 2014	June 2013	June 2012	Difference 2021/2020	% Change 2020 to 2021	Difference 2021/2019	% Change 2019 to 2021
Bismarck	20,244	7,833	26,531	24,570	24,607	22,354	21,478	19,962	19,991	21,140	12,411	158.45%	(6,287)	-23.70%
Devils Lake	697	181	564	551	652	605	408	261	231	220	516	285.08%	133	23.58%
Dickinson	1,735	579	2,057	1,920	1,671	1,334	3,742	5,116	3,103	2,054	1,156	199.65%	(322)	-15.65%
Fargo	36,715	9,005	40,003	34,897	32,670	32,987	36,359	37,019	33,891	30,452	27,710	307.72%	(3,288)	-8.22%
Grand Forks	5,576	1,232	9,123	8,648	9,036	10,255	11,381	10,026	11,082	9,536	4,344	352.60%	(3,547)	-38.88%
Jamestown	1,088	251	957	1,073	1,220	999	671	306	218	175	837	333.47%	131	13.69%
Minot	12,033	3,912	13,632	12,796	12,469	12,063	14,186	17,735	17,567	18,544	8,121	207.59%	(1,599)	-11.73%
Williston	3,411	1,320	8,009	6,273	5,865	5,826	8,942	9,642	7,581	2,483	2,091	158.41%	(4,598)	-57.41%
TOTALS	81,499	24,313	100,876	90,728	88,190	86,423	97,167	100,067	93,664	84,604	57,186	235.21%	(19,377)	-19.21%



YTD Boardings Comparison of Commercial Service Airports

Through June

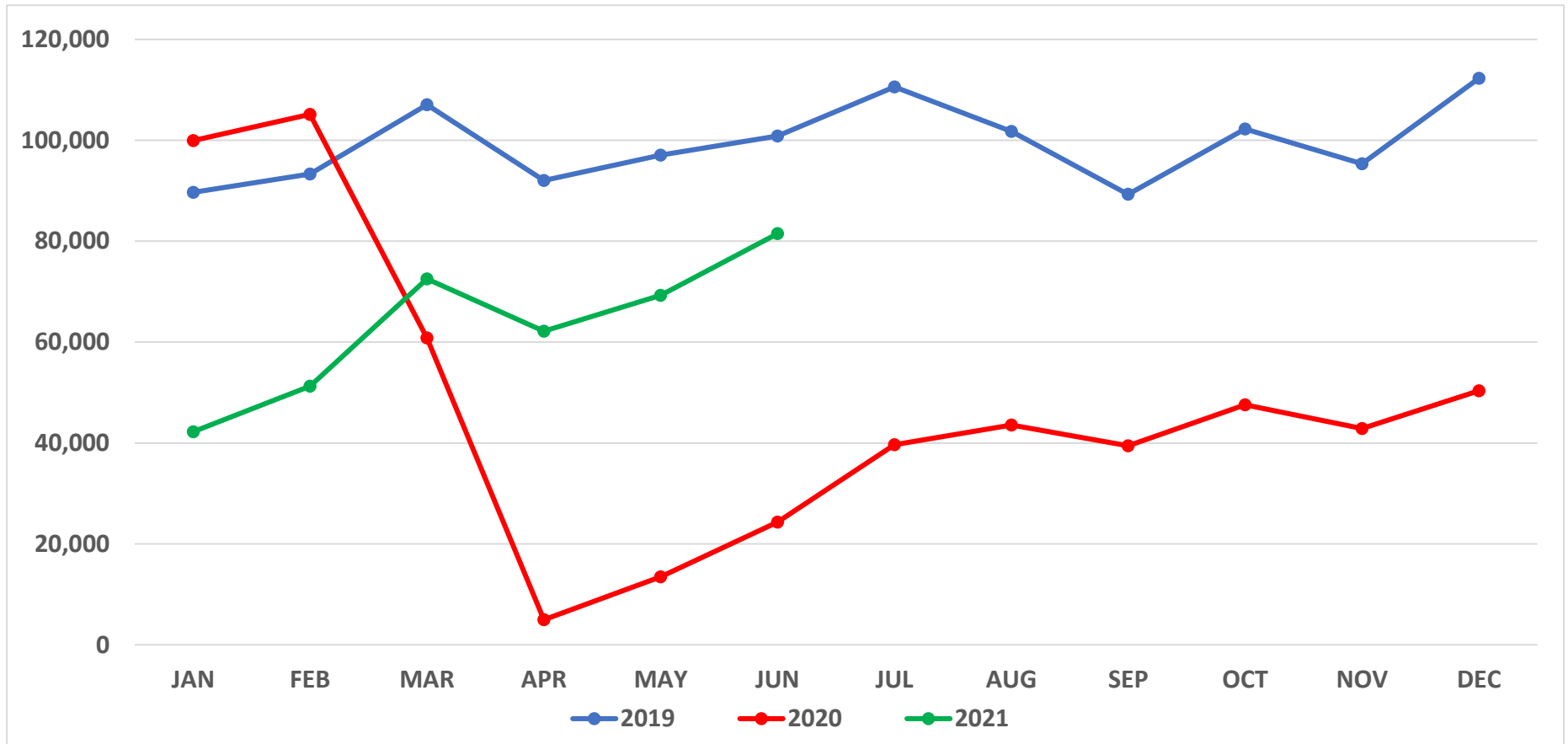
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	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	YTD 2017	YTD 2016	YTD 2015	YTD 2014	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	Difference	% Change
Bismarck	95,464	79,542	151,092	133,998	132,082	128,546	123,651	115,564	120,566	109,857	15,922	20.02%
Devils Lake	2,773	1,786	3,011	3,019	3,447	3,036	2,094	438	1,204	1,324	987	55.26%
Dickinson	6,391	6,217	10,935	10,302	8,840	7,935	22,425	25,797	10,198	12,645	174	2.80%
Fargo	168,857	129,870	230,866	209,698	199,633	196,770	221,814	226,775	200,528	187,457	38,987	30.02%
Grand Forks	31,003	26,664	57,904	54,661	58,261	68,172	73,821	74,724	74,873	69,436	4,339	16.27%
Jamestown	4,543	2,885	5,134	6,056	6,592	5,322	3,599	441	1,221	2,397	1,658	57.47%
Minot	54,536	40,736	79,121	74,356	69,760	75,615	93,464	109,075	106,853	106,863	13,800	33.88%
Williston	15,367	20,941	42,018	35,013	33,022	33,238	58,272	55,741	42,729	16,488	(5,574)	-26.62%
TOTALS	378,934	308,641	580,081	527,103	511,637	518,634	599,140	608,555	558,172	506,467	70,293	22.78%
Commercial (BIS-FAR-GFK-MOT-WIL)	365,227	297,753	561,001	507,726	492,758	502,341	571,022	581,879	545,549	490,101	67,474	22.66%
Regional (DVL-DIK-JMS)	13,707	10,888	19,080	19,377	18,879	16,293	28,118	26,676	12,623	16,366	2,819	25.89%



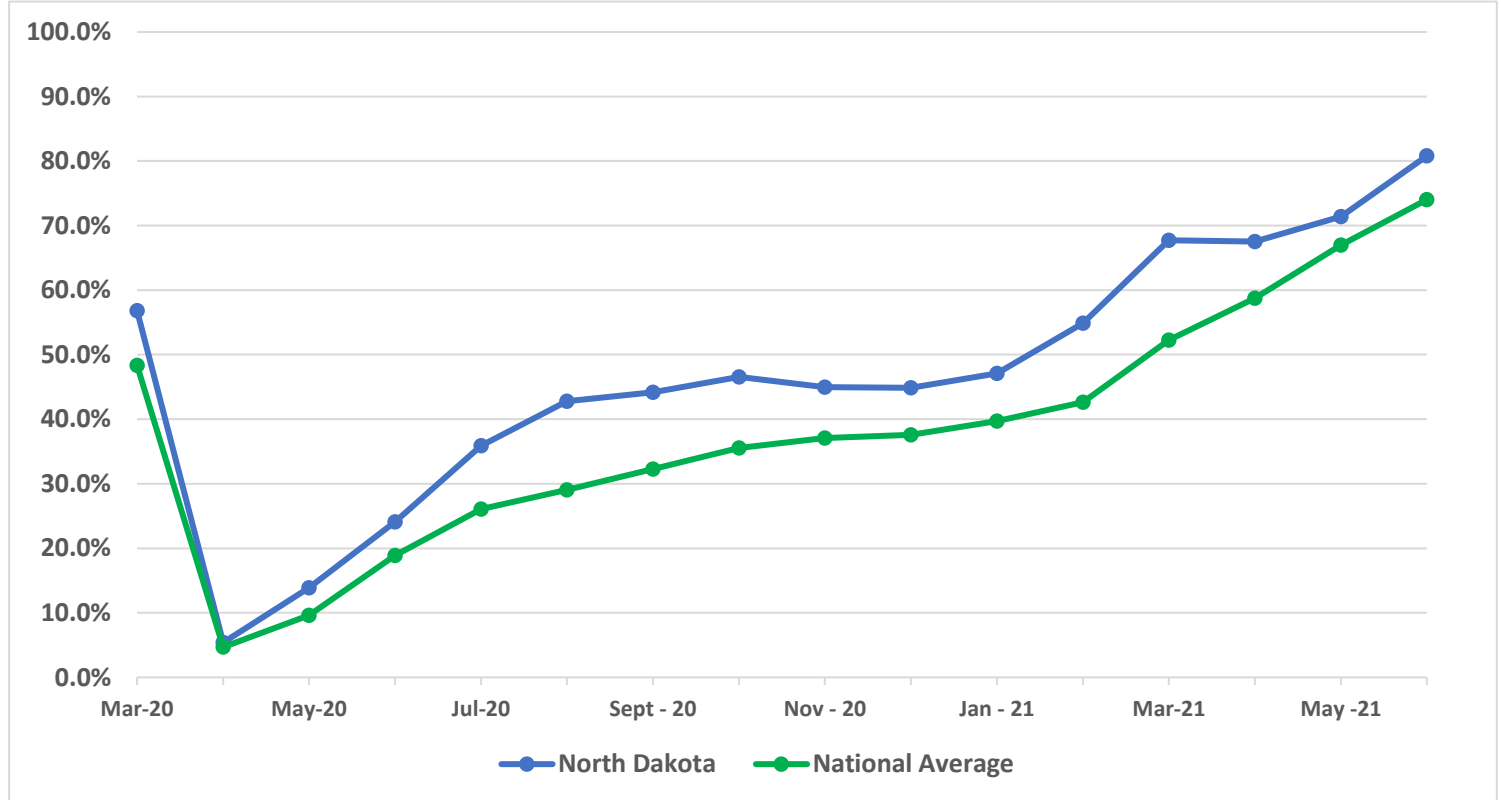
North Dakota Airline Passenger Boarding Trends (2019 - 2021)





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%



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