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Transport Fare Watch

(MARCH 2023)



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Transport Fare Watch for March 2023 covers the following categories: bus journey within the city per drop constant route; bus journey intercity (state route) charge per person; air fare charge for specified routes single journey; journey by motorcycle (Okada) per drop; and water way passenger transport.

The average fare paid by commuters for bus journeys within the city per drop increased by 0.08% in March 2023 to N648.16 from N647.66 in February 2023, on a year-on-year basis, the average fare paid rose by 20.85% from N536.35 in March 2022.

In another category, the average fare paid by commuters for bus journey intercity per drop increased to N3,992.36 in March 2023, indicating an increase rate of 0.04% on a month-on-month basis compared to the N3,990.70 in February 2023. On a year-on-year basis, this rose by 22.06% from N3,270.94 in March 2022.

In air travel, the average fare paid by air passengers for specified routes single journey, increased by 0.28% on a month-on-month basis from N74,571.62 in February 2023 to N74,755.41 in March 2023. On a year-on-year basis, the fare rose by 59.70% from N46,810.62 in March 2022.

The average fare paid on Okada transportation was N462.21 in March 2023, which was 0.20% higher than the rate recorded in February 2023 (N461.28). On a year-on-year basis, the fare rose by 16.98% when compared with March 2022 (N395.12).

In addition, the average fare paid for water transport (waterway passenger transportation) in March 2023 stood at N1,031.12, showing an increase of 14.46% on a year-on-year basis from N900.84 in March 2022. On a month-on-month basis, it rose by 0.16% from N1,029.47 in February 2023.

On state profile analysis, Taraba state recorded the highest bus journey fare within the city (per drop constant route) with N870.00, followed by Bauchi/Jigawa with N800.00. On the other hand, Borno recorded the least average fare with N500.00, followed by Anambra with N515.00. For intercity bus travel (state route charged per person fare) in March 2023, the highest fare was recorded in Abuja with N6,200.00, followed by Adamawa with N5,725.10.

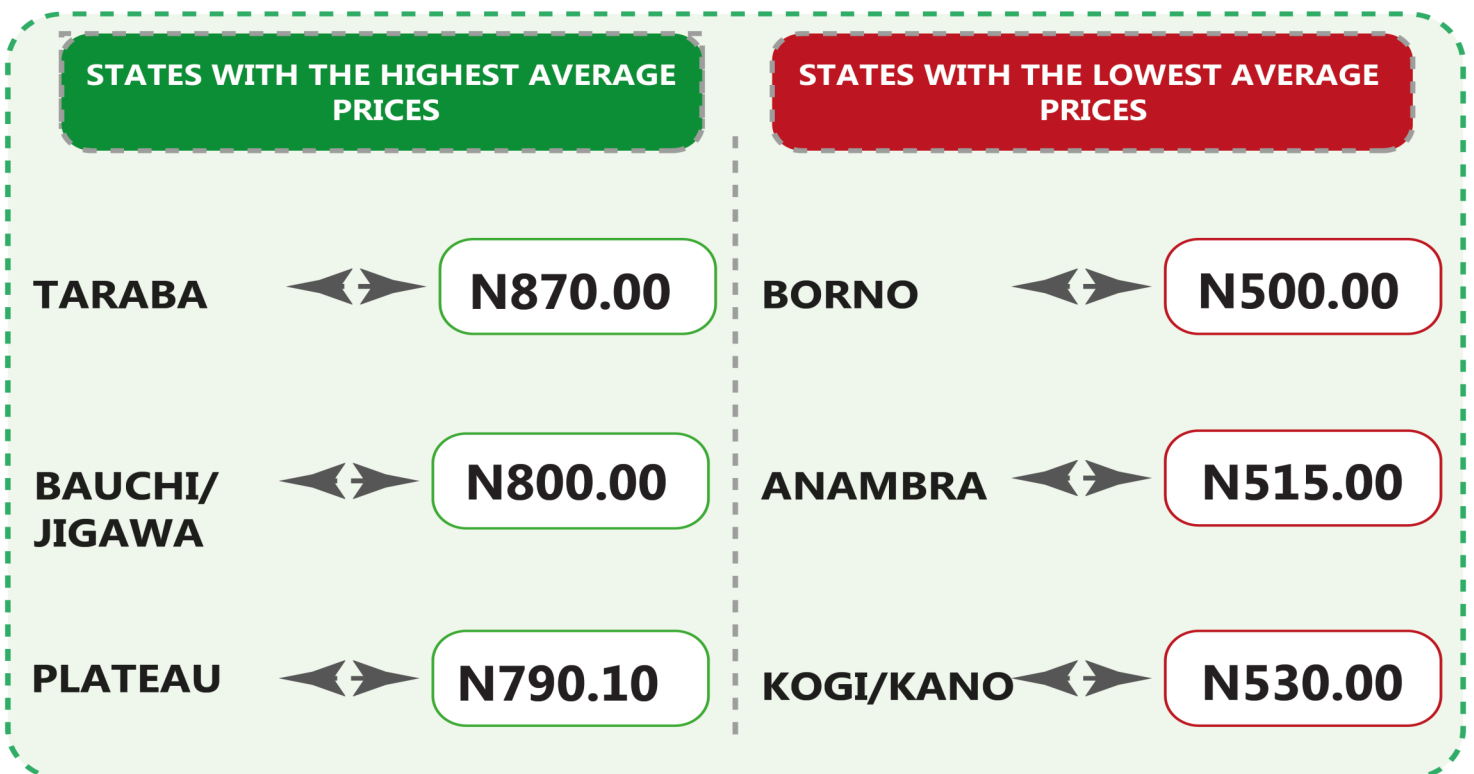
The least fares were recorded in Kwara with N2,000.00, followed by Zamfara with N2,570.10. Kebbi recorded the highest air transport fare (for specified routes single journeys) in March 2023 with N80,100.00, followed by Bayelsa with N79,100.00. On the other hand, Abia recorded the least with N69,850.00, followed by Niger, Lagos, Kano, Benue and Jigawa with N70,000.00. In March 2023, Kwara state had the highest motorcycle transport fare with N760.10, followed by Lagos with N750.10. The least fare was recorded in Edo with N158.00, followed by Bayelsa with N192.50. Similarly, water transport fare in Delta was highest with N3,500.10, followed by Rivers with N3,200.00, while the least was recorded in Borno with N360.00, followed by Kebbi with N425.15.

Analysis of Transport fare categories by zone showed that in March 2023, transport fares of bus journeys within the city recorded the highest in the North-East with N699.18, followed by the South-South with N661.44, while the South-East recorded the least with N617.06. In terms of bus journey intercity, the South-West had the highest fare with N4,256.77, followed by the North-East with N4,135.93, while the North-West recorded the least with N3,825.19. The North-East recorded the highest air transport fare in March 2023 with N76,983.33, followed by the South-East with N75,150.00, while the North-Central had the least with N72,942.86. Also, commuters on a motorcycle (Okada) paid the highest fare in the North Central with N528.95, followed by the South-West with N518.58, while the North-West recorded the least with N335.81. For water transport, the South-South had the highest fare paid with N2,435.92, followed by the South-West with N950.02, while the North-East had the least fare with N656.67.

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Average Transport Fare Across States

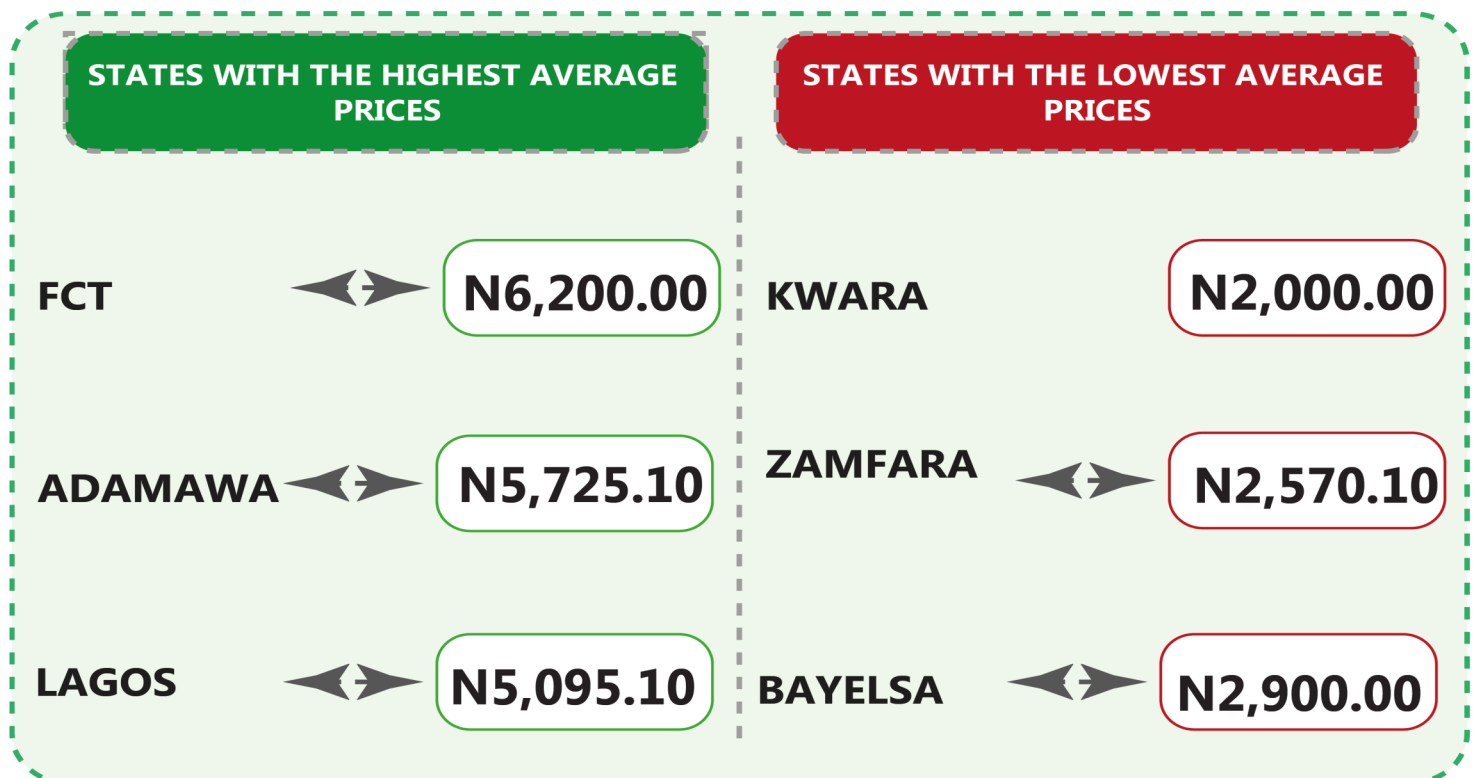
-Bus Journey Within City , Per Drop Constant Route



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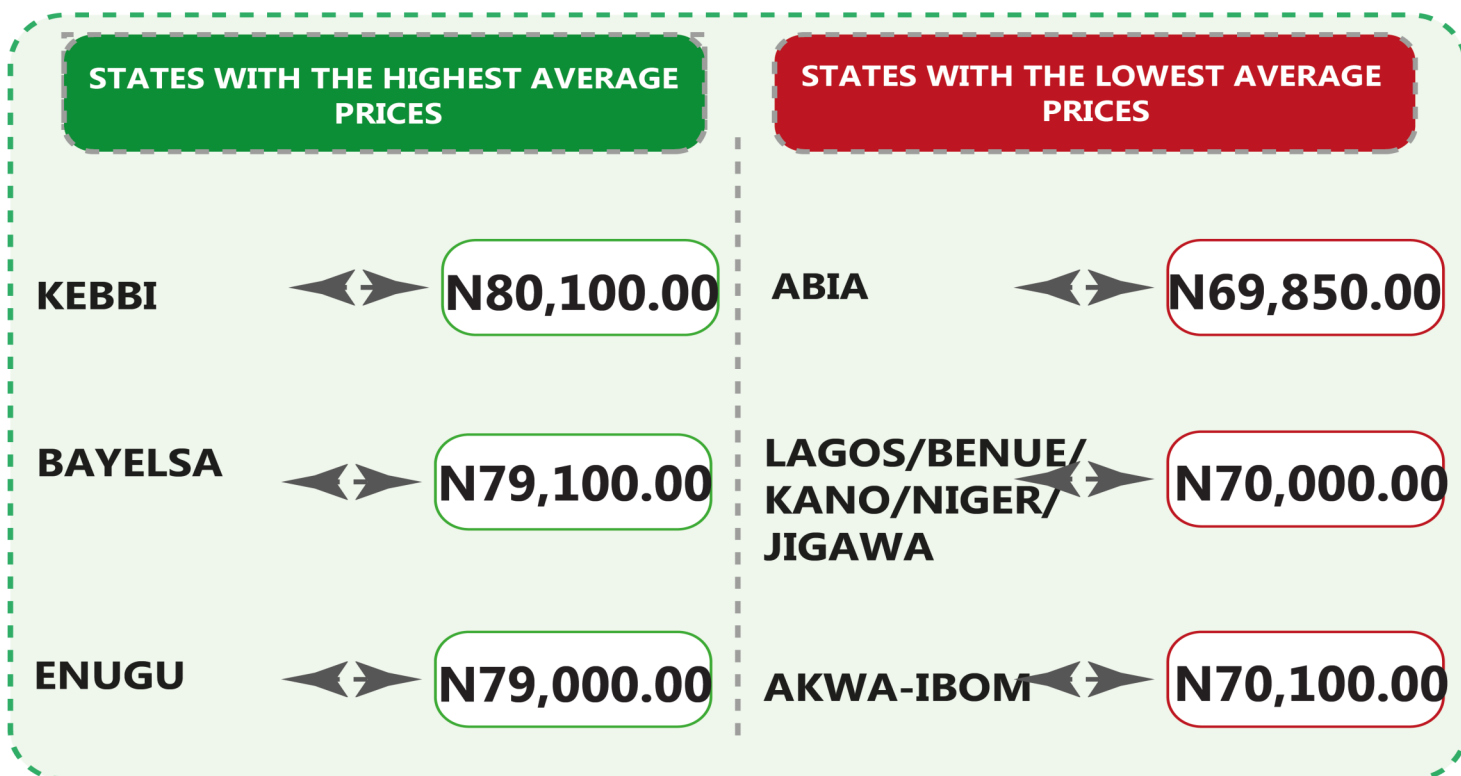
-Bus Journey Intercity, State Route, Charge Per Person



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Average Transport Fare Across States

-Air Fare Charge For Specified Routes Single Journey



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Average Transport Fare Across States
-Journey by Motorcycle (Okada) Per Drop



YoY = **16.98%**

N395.12

MARCH 2022



MoM = **0.20%**

N461.28

FEBRUARY 2023

N462.21

MARCH 2023

STATES WITH THE HIGHEST AVERAGE PRICES

KWARA



N760.10

LAGOS



N750.10

TARABA



N700.00

STATES WITH THE LOWEST AVERAGE PRICES

EDO



N158.00

BAYELSA



N192.50

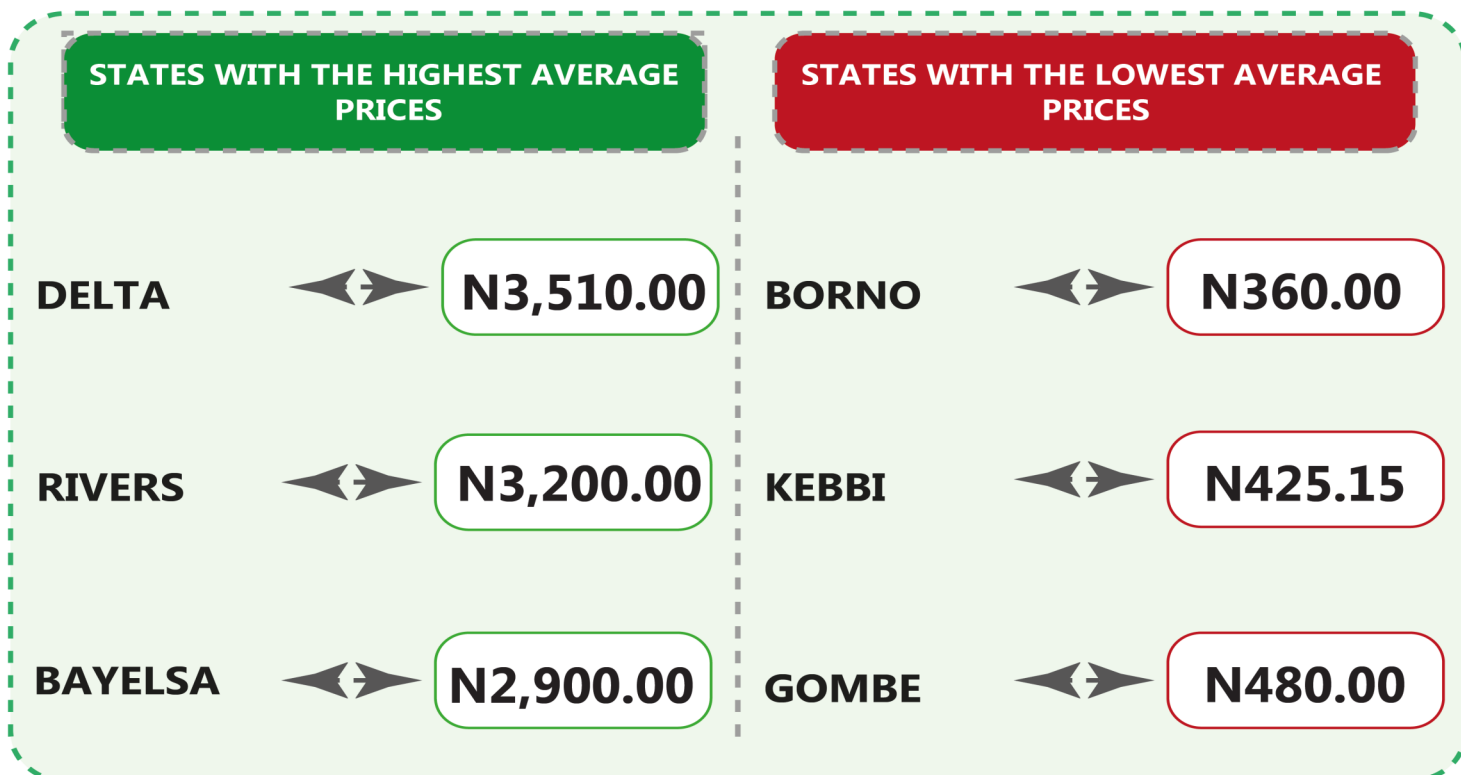
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N270.10

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Average Transport Fare Across States
-Waterway Passenger Transport



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Average Transport Fare by Categories
NORTH CENTRAL



BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



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Average Transport Fare by Categories
NORTH EAST



BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



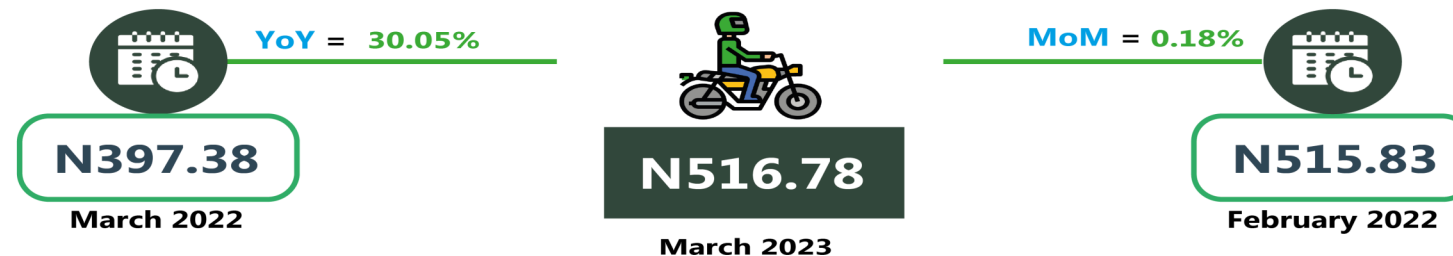
BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



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Average Transport Fare by Categories
NORTH WEST



BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - MARCH 2023

Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH EAST



BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - MARCH 2023

Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH WEST



BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - MARCH 2023

Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH SOUTH



BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



METHODOLOGY

Fieldwork is done solely by over 700 NBS Staff in all States of the federation supported by supervisors who are monitored by internal and external observers.

Prices are collected across all the 774 local governments across all States and the FCT from over 10,000 respondents and locations and reflect actual fare households state they actually paid for those services.

The average of all these fares is then reported for each state and the average for the country is the average for the state.

NBS audit team subsequently conducts randomly selected verification of fares recorded.

APPENDIX

NATIONAL AVERAGE	Average of Mar-22	Average of Feb-23	Average of Mar-23	Average of MoM	Average of YoY
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	46,810.62	74,571.62	74,755.41	0.25	59.70
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	3,270.94	3,990.70	3,992.36	0.04	22.06
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	536.35	647.66	648.16	0.08	20.85
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	395.12	461.28	462.21	0.20	16.98
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	900.84	1,029.47	1,031.12	0.16	14.46

ZONAL AVERAGE	Average of Mar-22	Average of Feb-23	Average of Mar-23	MoM	YoY
NORTH CENTRAL					
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	45,335.41	72,357.14	72,942.86	0.81	60.90
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	3,532.89	3,900.71	3,901.64	0.02	10.44
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	526.26	639.35	639.56	0.03	21.53
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	437.85	528.17	528.95	0.15	20.81
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	699.32	768.57	768.60	0.00	9.91
NORTH EAST					
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	52,166.67	76,350.00	76,983.33	0.83	47.57
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	3,236.94	4,130.83	4,135.93	0.12	27.77
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	587.92	698.33	699.18	0.12	18.93
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	397.38	515.83	516.78	0.18	30.05
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	551.31	656.67	656.67	0.00	19.11
NORTH WEST					
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	47,589.42	74,857.14	74,785.71	-0.10	57.15
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	3,395.80	3,816.71	3,825.19	0.22	12.64
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	580.08	648.57	649.33	0.12	11.94
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	268.06	332.86	335.81	0.89	25.28
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	684.12	716.43	716.46	0.00	4.73
SOUTH EAST					
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	42,948.98	75,270.00	75,150.00	-0.16	74.98
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	3,122.18	3,959.80	3,962.03	0.06	26.90
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	495.54	616.88	617.06	0.03	24.52
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	381.30	481.42	480.10	-0.27	25.91
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	661.41	700.10	700.10	0.00	5.85
SOUTH SOUTH					
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	46,581.66	75,016.67	75,033.33	0.02	61.08
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	2,603.41	3,919.17	3,910.53	-0.22	50.21
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	509.96	660.58	661.44	0.13	29.70
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	455.59	404.67	405.95	0.32	-10.90
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	2,059.03	2,425.83	2,435.92	0.42	18.30
SOUTH WEST					
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	45,714.02	74,016.67	74,000.00	-0.02	61.88
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	3,645.14	4,255.83	4,256.77	0.02	16.78
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	505.93	618.33	618.42	0.01	22.23
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	442.31	518.35	518.58	0.05	17.24
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	779.67	950.00	950.02	0.00	21.85

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