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Transport Fare Watch

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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.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Transport Fare Watch for December 2025 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 to 12.30% from ₦1,095.06 in November 2025 to ₦1,229.78 in December 2025. On a year-on year basis, it increased by 33.12% from ₦923.84 in December 2024.

In another category, the average fare paid by commuters for bus journey intercity per drop was ₦8,676.06 in December 2025, indicating an increase of 4.84% on a month-on-month basis compared to ₦8,275.26 in November 2025. On a year-on-year basis, the fare increased by 14.58% from ₦7,571.96 in December 2024.

In air travel, the average fare paid by air passengers for specified routes single journey was ₦243,744.59 in December 2025, showing an increase of 82.70% while compared to previous month (November 2025). On a year-on -year basis, the fare rose by 92.66% from ₦126,514.82 in December 2024.

The average transport fare paid on Okada transportation was ₦895.98 in December 2025 which shows an increase of 10.55% when compared with the value recorded in November 2025 (₦810.44). On a year-on-year basis, the fare increased by 59.16% when compared with December 2024 (₦562.95).

For water transport (waterway passenger transportation), the average fare paid in December 2025 was 2,063.48 which indicates an increase of 7.60% on monthly basis. On a year-on-year basis, it increased by 36.93% from ₦1,506.98 in December 2024.

On state profile analysis, for intercity bus travel (state route charged per person fare), the highest fare was recorded in Oyo with ₦10,486.44, followed by Anambra with ₦10,154.52. The least fare was recorded in Kwara with ₦6,295.67, followed by Edo with ₦7,082.53. Nasarawa state recorded the highest bus journey within the city (per drop constant route) in December 2025 with ₦1,737.41 followed by Lagos with ₦1,529.91. On the other hand, Abia recorded the least with ₦640.09 followed by Adamawa with ₦714.11. Similarly, Rivers recorded the highest air transport charges (for specified routes single journeys) with ₦356,992.11, followed by Lagos with ₦323,850.46. Conversely, Nasarawa recorded the least fare with ₦133,300.55, followed by Niger with ₦158,432.41. Also, Ogun State had the highest motorcycle transport fare in December 2025 with ₦1,288.11, followed by Lagos with ₦1,209.78. Sokoto recorded the least fare with ₦670.76, followed by Adamawa with ₦707.53.

Similarly, water transport fare was highest in Rivers with ₦6,830.41, followed by Bayelsa with ₦5,147.09, while the least fare was recorded in Borno with ₦874.55, followed by FCT with ₦1,028.35. For Analysis by zone in December 2025, transport fares of bus journeys within the city recorded the highest in the South- West with ₦1,305.75, followed by North-Central with ₦1,291.79, while the North-West recorded the least with ₦1,141.53

In terms of bus journey intercity, the South-East had the highest fare with ₦9,138.13 followed by the South-West with ₦9,080.95 while North-Central recorded the least with ₦8,373.73.

Air transportation in December 2025, the South-South recorded the highest fare with ₦282,793.24 followed by the South-East with ₦275,536.57 while the North-Central had the least with ₦207,658.58.

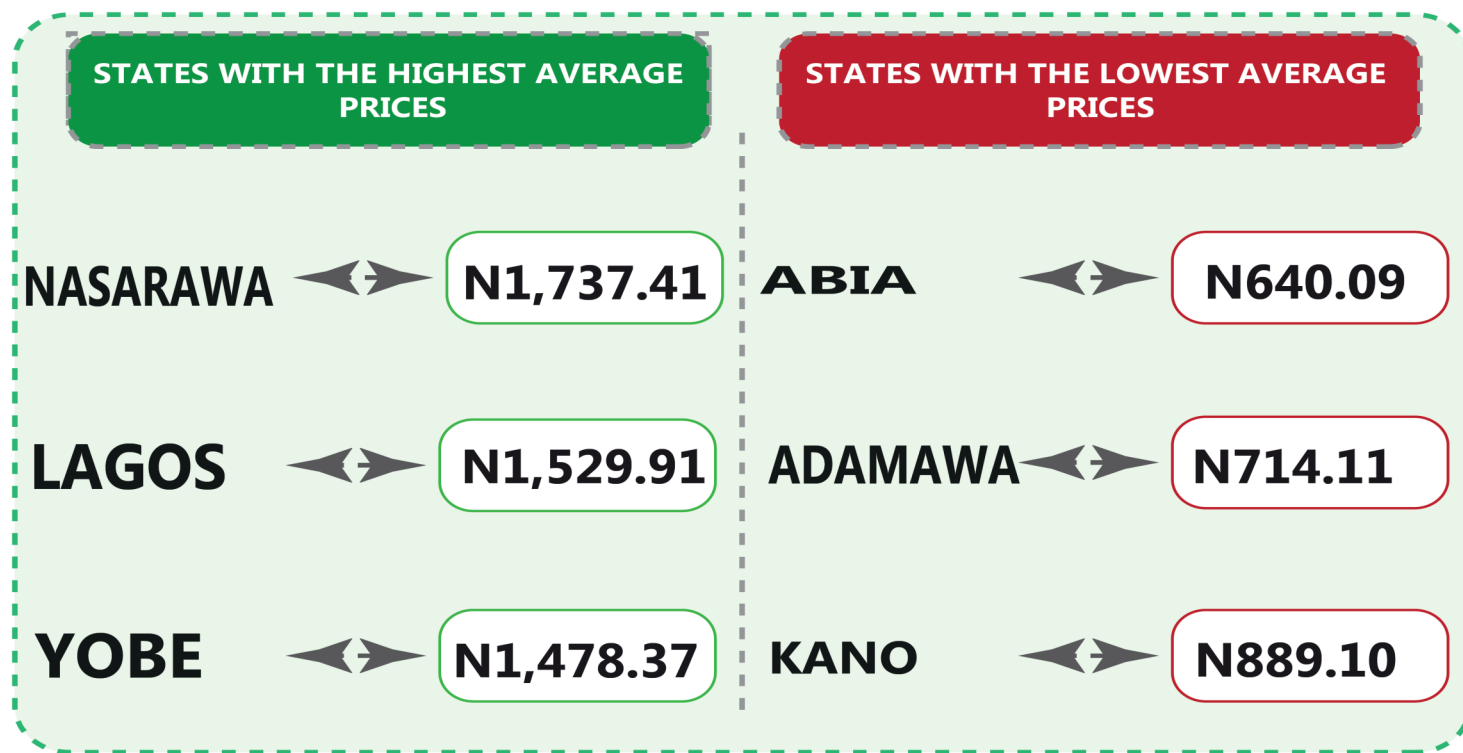
Also, commuters on a motorcycle (Okada) paid the highest fare in the South-West with ₦1,017.28 followed by South-East with ₦895.69, while the North-Central recorded the least with ₦851.68.

The South- South zone had the highest fare on water transport with ₦4,780.45, followed by the South-West with ₦2,024.50, while the North-East had the least with ₦1,248.05.

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Average Transport Fare Across States

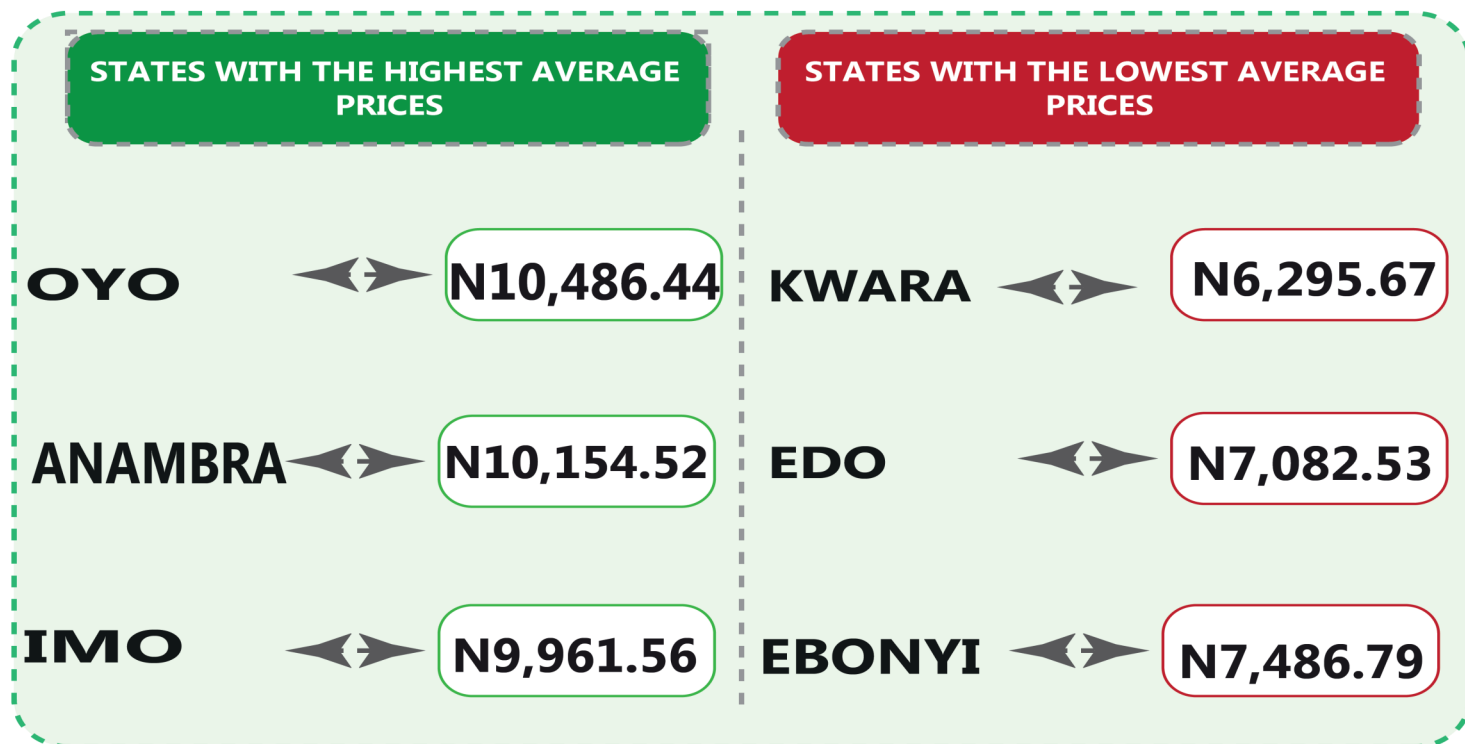
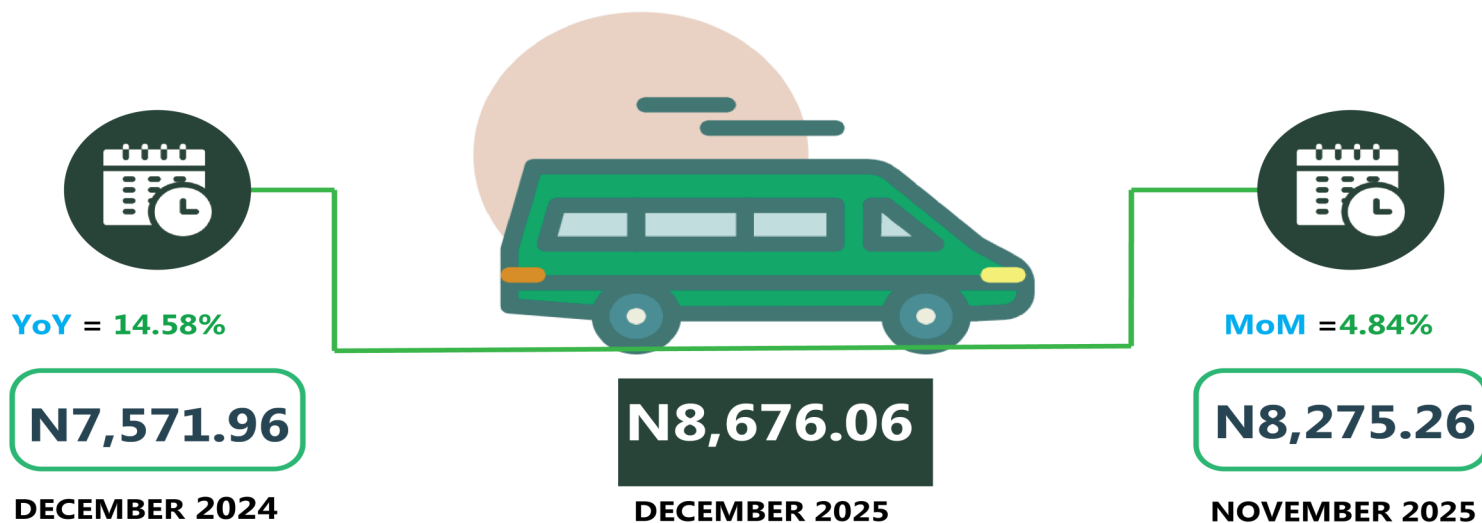
-Bus Journey Within City , Per Drop Constant Route



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Average Transport Fare Across States

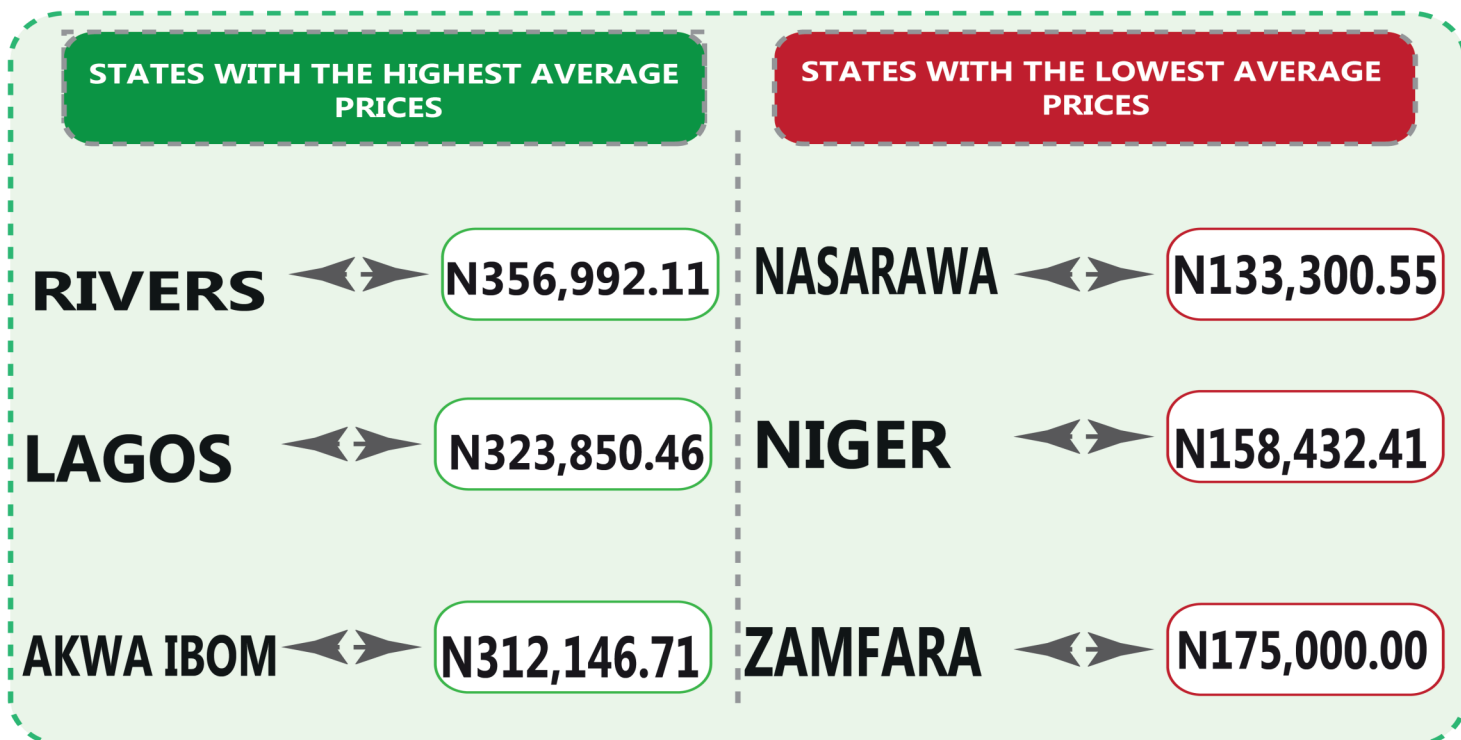
-Bus Journey Intercity, State Route, Charge Per Person



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Average Transport Fare Across States

-Air Fare Charge For Specified Routes Single Journey



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TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - DECEMBER 2025

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



YoY = 59.16%

N562.95

DECEMBER 2024



MoM = 10.55%

N810.44

NOVEMBER 2025

N895.98

DECEMBER 2025

STATES WITH THE HIGHEST AVERAGE PRICES

OGUN ↔ **N1,288.11**

LAGOS ↔ **N1,209.78**

IMO ↔ **N1,156.80**

STATES WITH THE LOWEST AVERAGE PRICES

SOKOTO ↔ **N670.76**

ADAMAWA ↔ **N707.53**

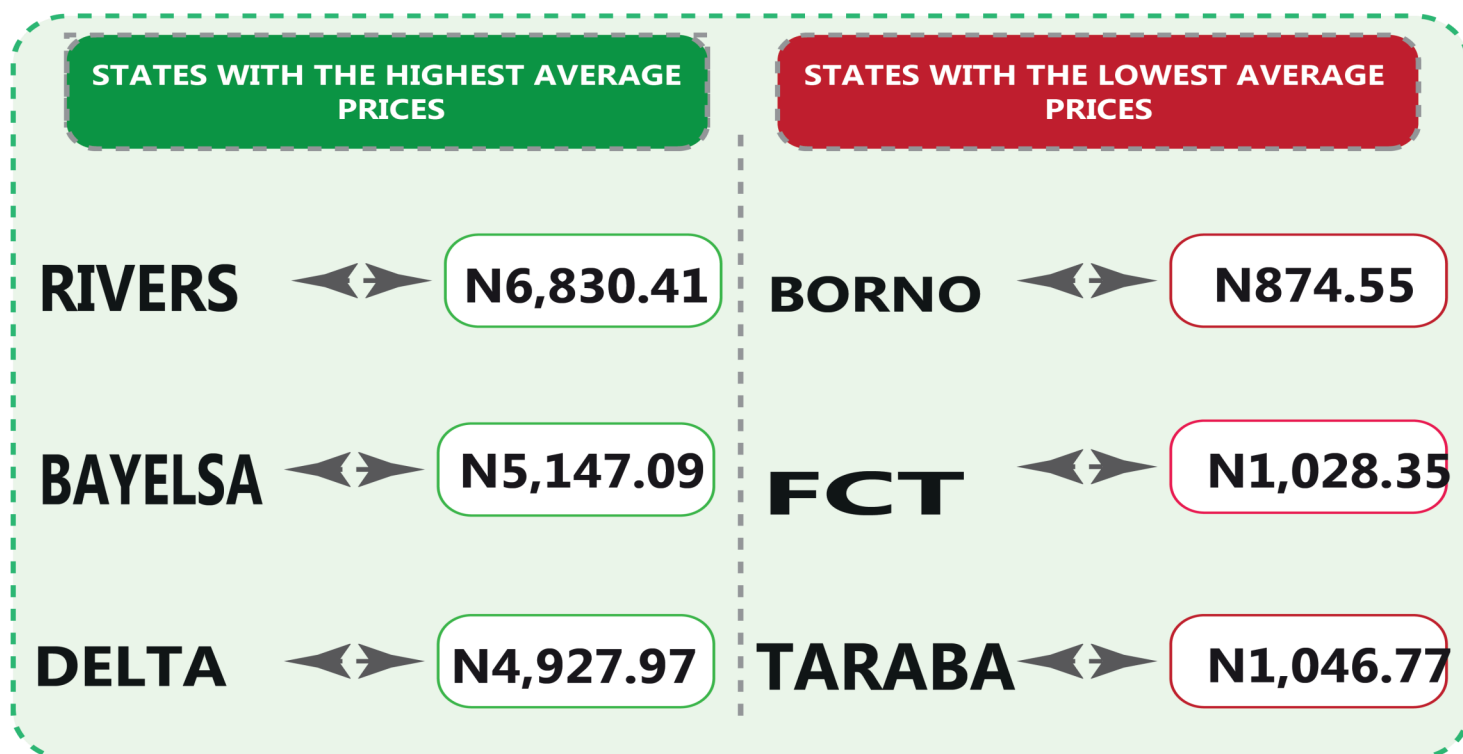
KEBBI ↔ **N718.65**



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Average Transport Fare Across States
-Waterway Passenger Transport



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Average Transport Fare by Categories NORTH CENTRAL

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BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



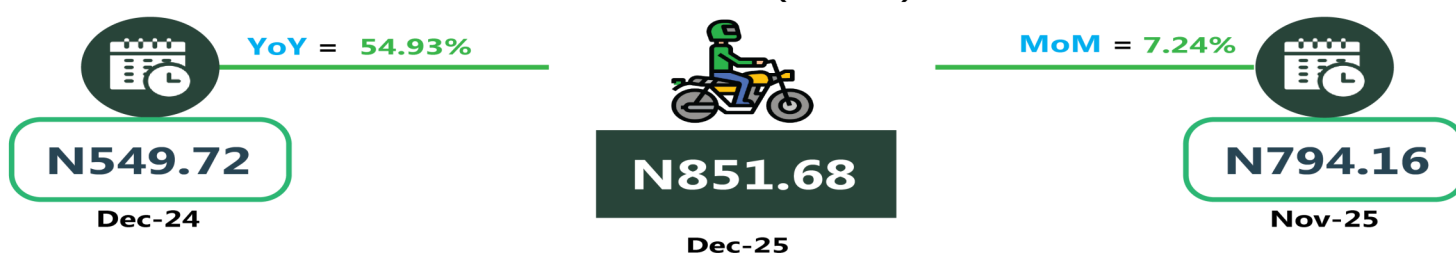
BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



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

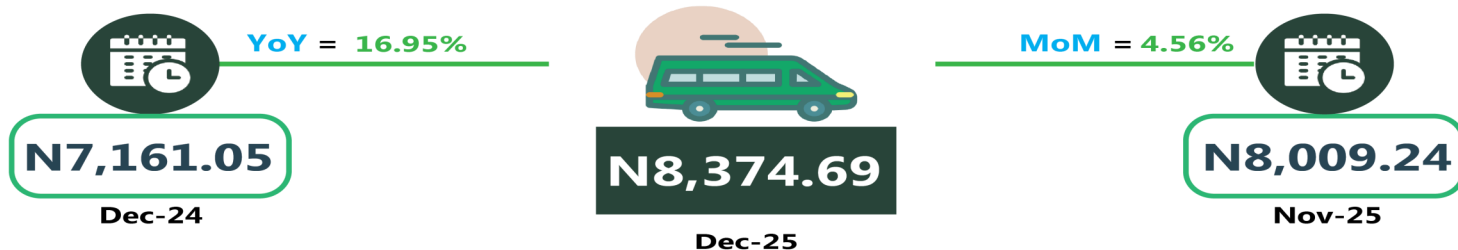
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BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



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 - DECEMBER 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories NORTH WEST

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BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



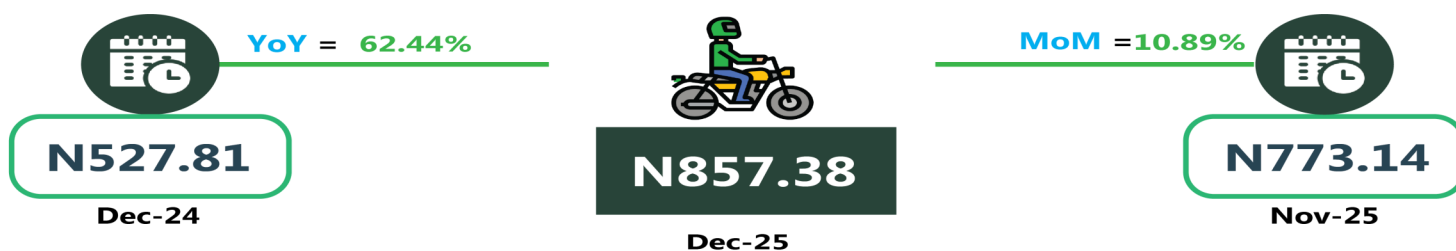
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AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



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Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH EAST

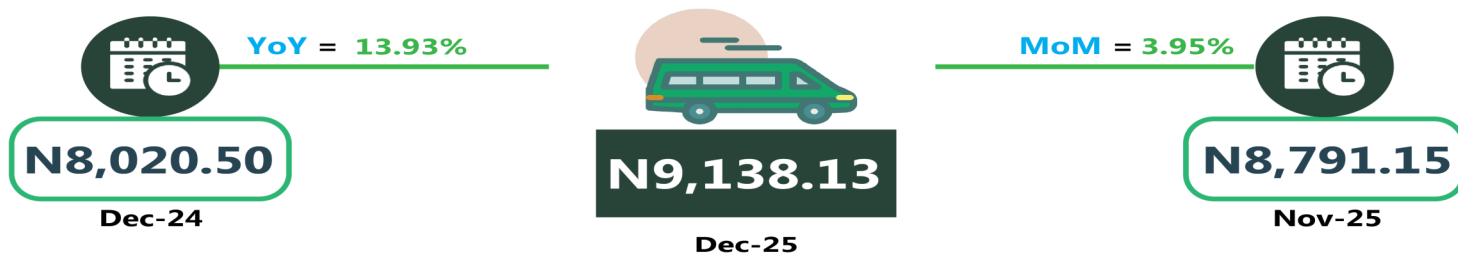
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BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



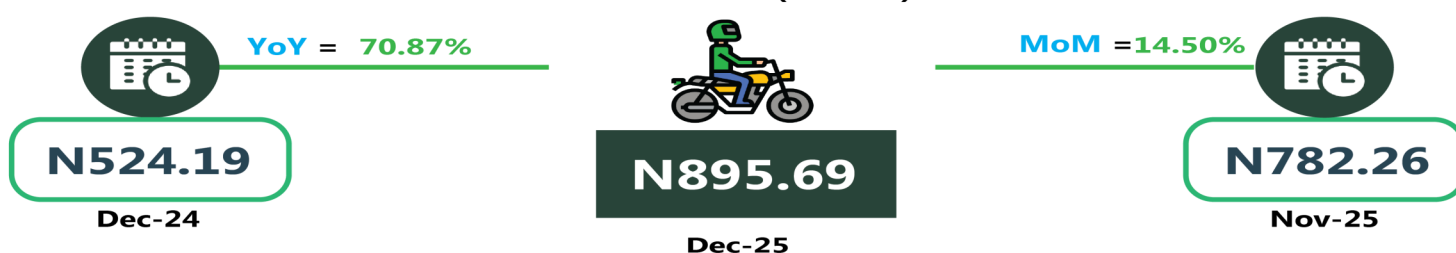
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AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH -DECEMBER 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH WEST

Continuum



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 - DECEMBER 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories SOUTH SOUTH

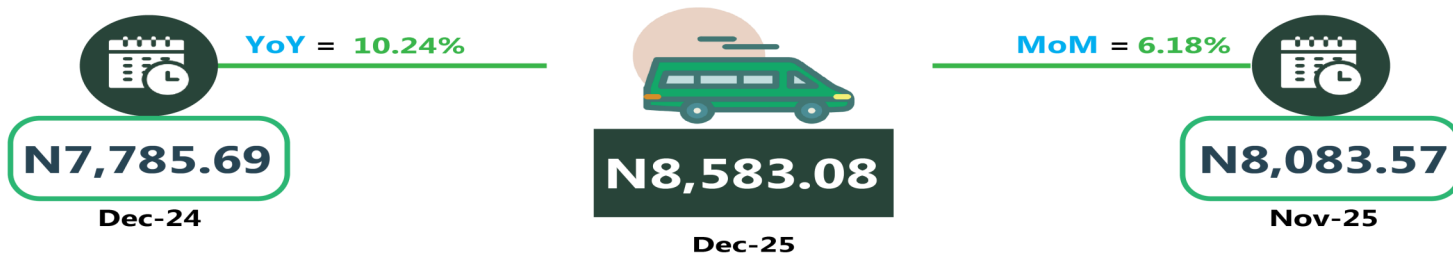
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BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



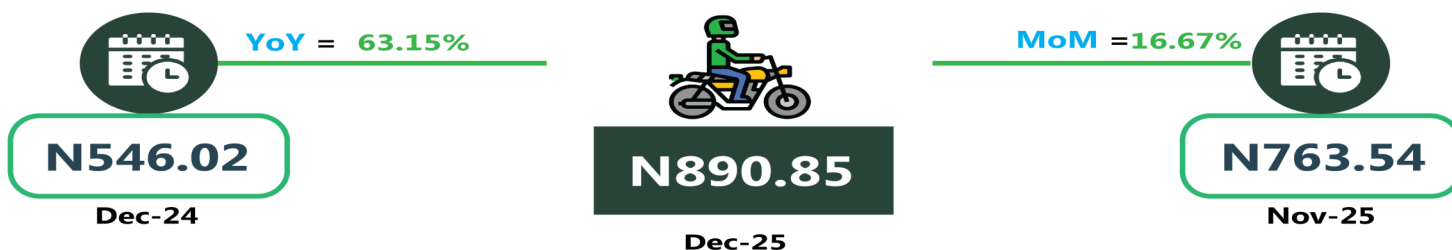
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AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



APPENDIX

Zone	Average of Dec-24	Average of Nov-25	Average of Dec-25	MoM	YoY
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	126514.82	133415.03	243744.59	82.70	92.66
NORTH CENTRAL	126811.31	131954.77	207658.58	57.37	63.75
NORTH EAST	126754.47	135789.81	226682.88	66.94	78.84
NORTH WEST	126209.59	131023.19	230426.61	75.87	82.57
SOUTH EAST	126358.52	130421.92	275536.57	111.27	118.06
SOUTH SOUTH	125892.83	137547.82	282793.24	105.60	124.63
SOUTH WEST	127037.63	133895.85	252902.35	88.88	99.08
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	7571.96	8275.26	8676.06	4.84	14.58
NORTH CENTRAL	7391.28	8028.53	8373.73	4.30	13.29
NORTH EAST	7161.05	8009.24	8374.69	4.56	16.95
NORTH WEST	7154.63	7995.15	8639.28	8.06	20.75
SOUTH EAST	8020.50	8791.15	9138.13	3.95	13.93
SOUTH SOUTH	7785.69	8083.57	8583.08	6.18	10.24
SOUTH WEST	8093.04	8917.70	9080.95	1.83	12.21
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	923.84	1095.06	1229.78	12.30	33.12
NORTH CENTRAL	897.83	1115.83	1291.79	15.77	43.88
NORTH EAST	889.10	1097.98	1269.90	15.66	42.83
NORTH WEST	936.48	1049.02	1141.53	8.82	21.90
SOUTH EAST	907.65	1029.51	1142.78	11.00	25.91
SOUTH SOUTH	939.11	1066.38	1216.77	14.10	29.57
SOUTH WEST	972.38	1204.89	1305.75	8.37	34.28
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	562.95	810.44	895.98	10.55	59.16
NORTH CENTRAL	549.72	794.16	851.68	7.24	54.93
NORTH EAST	586.81	817.67	876.77	7.23	49.41
NORTH WEST	527.81	773.14	857.38	10.89	62.44
SOUTH EAST	524.19	782.26	895.69	14.50	70.87
SOUTH SOUTH	546.02	763.54	890.85	16.67	63.15
SOUTH WEST	644.72	936.13	1017.28	8.67	57.79
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	1506.98	1917.67	2063.48	7.60	36.93
NORTH CENTRAL	1086.29	1396.10	1539.70	10.29	41.74
NORTH EAST	866.06	1130.36	1248.05	10.41	44.11
NORTH WEST	955.09	1272.07	1434.68	12.78	50.21
SOUTH EAST	1077.22	1359.49	1442.05	6.07	33.87
SOUTH SOUTH	3655.49	4578.51	4780.45	4.41	30.77
SOUTH WEST	1492.21	1871.01	2024.50	8.20	35.67

State	Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	Bus journey inter- city, state route, charg. per per	Bus journey with- in city , per drop constant rou	Journey by mo- torcycle (okada) per drop	Water transport : water way passenger transportat
ABIA	310072.65	9524.49	640.09	780.96	1100.00
ABUJA	297427.59	9562.56	1016.25	850.28	1028.35
ADAMAWA	213677.15	8095.77	714.11	707.53	1644.28
AKWA IBOM	312146.71	8833.94	1132.31	776.08	3091.91
ANAMBRA	302451.71	10154.52	1389.24	738.71	1052.24
BAUCHI	252403.48	7889.48	1423.54	889.83	1390.96
BAYELSA	210972.24	8827.09	1210.11	850.21	5147.09
BENUE	216979.24	8224.19	1462.41	876.55	1804.52
BORNO	203525.64	9109.78	1355.11	905.71	874.55
CROSS RIVER	304236.43	9003.77	1389.85	936.89	4378.67
DELTA	300321.28	9091.28	1236.53	907.84	4927.97
EBONYI	202451.71	7486.79	1160.37	1044.78	1860.63
EDO	212090.65	7082.53	1359.47	783.54	4306.63
EKITI	206190.65	9219.42	1183.56	796.07	1396.16
ENUGU	305126.69	8563.29	1307.90	757.17	1546.97
GOMBE	252491.94	9459.37	1261.36	937.61	1160.94
IMO	257580.11	9961.56	1216.28	1156.80	1650.38
JIGAWA	191277.47	8407.75	1321.12	873.21	1500.38
KADUNA	258613.47	8766.58	1368.42	1011.29	1240.00
KANO	290393.83	8629.55	889.10	947.66	1393.04
KATSINA	224500.77	8055.13	1146.56	857.07	1540.00
KEBBI	228200.71	8406.02	945.05	718.65	1144.28
KOGI	181884.88	9480.18	1123.79	913.63	1800.31
KWARA	235143.32	6295.67	1390.09	852.37	1800.00
LAGOS	323850.46	8534.52	1529.91	1209.78	2540.02
NASARAWA	133300.55	7510.46	1737.41	836.42	1355.83
NIGER	158432.41	8048.70	1168.36	756.12	1288.86
OGUN	189800.43	9848.20	1359.84	1288.11	2745.23
ONDO	258432.41	8246.95	1378.58	984.43	2263.87
OSUN	236688.45	8150.15	1123.45	970.65	1851.72
OYO	302451.71	10486.44	1259.18	854.64	1350.00
PLATEAU	230442.06	9494.36	1144.26	876.40	1700.00
RIVERS	356992.11	8659.85	972.35	1090.54	6830.41
SOKOTO	245000.00	8730.60	935.16	670.76	1764.09
TARABA	230000.46	7660.61	1386.93	866.23	1046.77
YOBE	207998.59	8033.15	1478.37	953.70	1370.83
ZAMFARA	175000.00	9479.37	1385.27	923.03	1460.94
Grand Total	243744.59	8676.06	1229.78	895.98	2063.48

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