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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 August 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 1.68% from ₦1,028.44 in July 2025 to ₦1,045.68 in August 2025. On a year-on-year basis, it increased by 20.28% from ₦869.35 in August 2024.

In another category, the average fare paid by commuters for bus journey intercity per drop was ₦8,038.30 in August 2025, indicating an increase of 0.41% on a month-on-month basis compared to ₦8,005.12 in July 2025. On a year-on-year basis, the fare increased by 12.28% from ₦7,159.00 in August 2024.

In air travel, the average fare paid by air passengers for specified routes single journey was ₦129,907.14 in August 2025, showing a decrease of 0.51% while compared to previous month (July 2025). On a year-on-year basis, the fare rose by 5.02% from ₦123,700.14 in August 2024.

The average transport fare paid on Okada transportation was ₦734.11 in August 2025 which shows an increase of 2.87% when compared with the value recorded in July 2025 (₦713.63). On a year-on-year basis, the fare increased by 40.04% when compared with August 2024 (₦524.22).

For water transport (waterway passenger transportation), the average fare paid in August 2025 was ₦1,784.89 which indicates an increase of 1.53% on monthly basis. On a year-on-year basis, it increased by 23.15% from ₦1,449.34 in August 2024.

On state profile analysis, for intercity bus travel (state route charged per person fare), the highest fare was recorded in Oyo with ₦9,913.91, followed by Imo with ₦9,720.60. The least fare was recorded in Kwara with ₦5,993.23, followed by Rivers with ₦6,282.06. Lagos state recorded the highest bus journey within the city (per drop constant route) in August 2025 with ₦1,398.05 followed by Nasarawa with ₦1,316.65. On the other hand, Abia recorded the least with ₦512.96 followed by Adamawa with ₦607.35. Similarly, Rivers recorded the highest air transport charges (for specified routes single journeys) with ₦155,017.09, followed by Oyo with ₦140,447.16. Conversely, Ebonyi recorded the least fare with ₦124,620.06, followed by Nasarawa with ₦125,100.04. Also, Ogun State had the highest motorcycle transport fare in August 2025 with ₦1,180.06, followed by Lagos with ₦1,099.09. Ekiti recorded the least fare with ₦499.86, followed by Anambra with ₦541.18. Similarly, water transport fare was highest in Rivers with ₦5,877.76, followed by Bayelsa with ₦4,951.62, while the least fare was recorded in Borno with ₦681.74, followed by Gombe with ₦858.81.

For Analysis by zone in August 2025, transport fares of bus journeys within the city recorded the highest in the South-West with ₦1,137.13, followed by North-Central with ₦1,080.58, while the South-South recorded the least with ₦995.16.

In terms of bus journey intercity, the South-West had the highest fare with ₦8,630.03 followed by the South-East with ₦8,532.55 while [North-West](#) recorded the least with ₦7,758.31.

Air transportation in August 2025, the South-West recorded the highest fare with ₦131,989.84 followed by the North-East with ₦130,621.99 while the South-East had the least with ₦126,761.51.

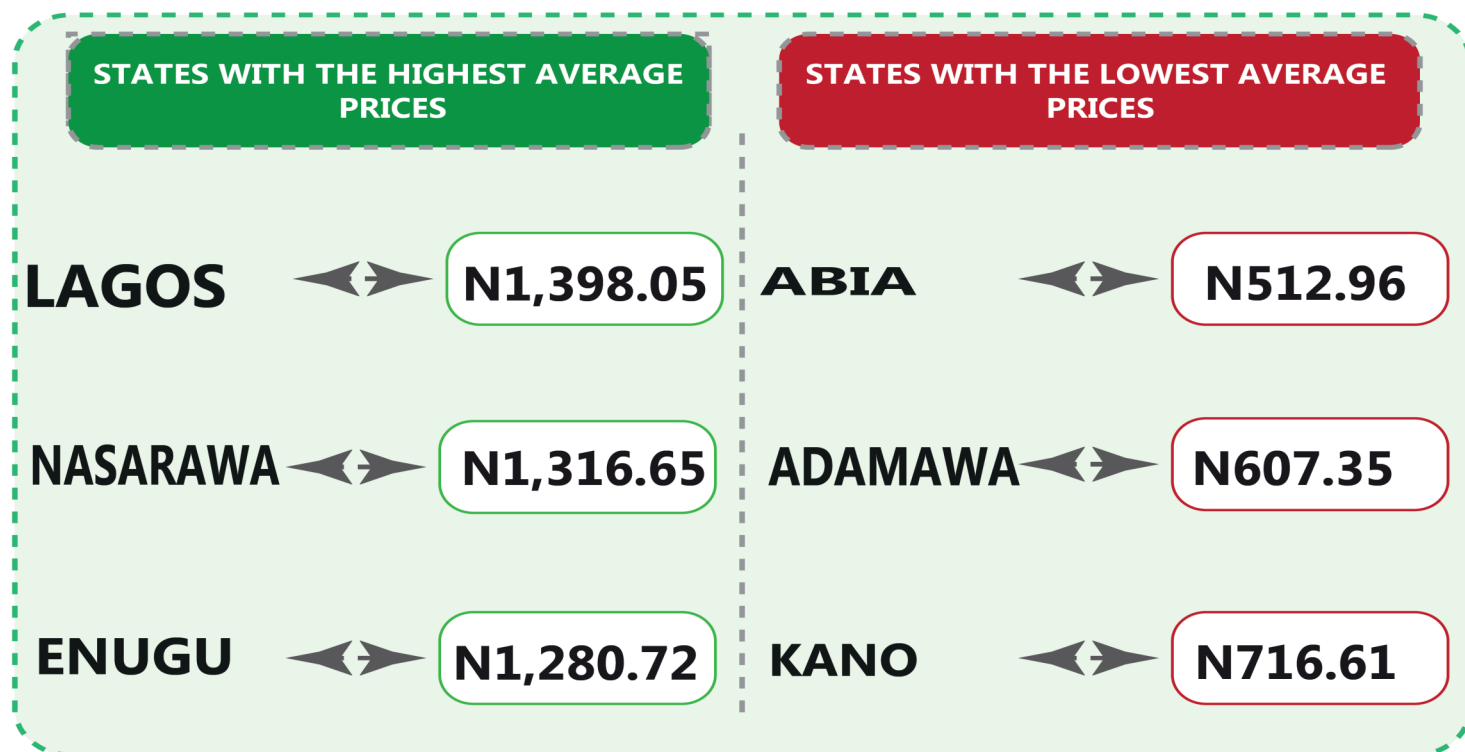
Also, commuters on a motorcycle (Okada) paid the highest fare in the South-West with ₦851.60 followed by North-Central with ₦740.14, while the North-West recorded the least with ₦682.69.

The South -South zone had the highest fare on water transport with ₦4,317.31, followed by the South-West with ₦1,765.31, while the North-East had the least with ₦1,021.81.

TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare Across States

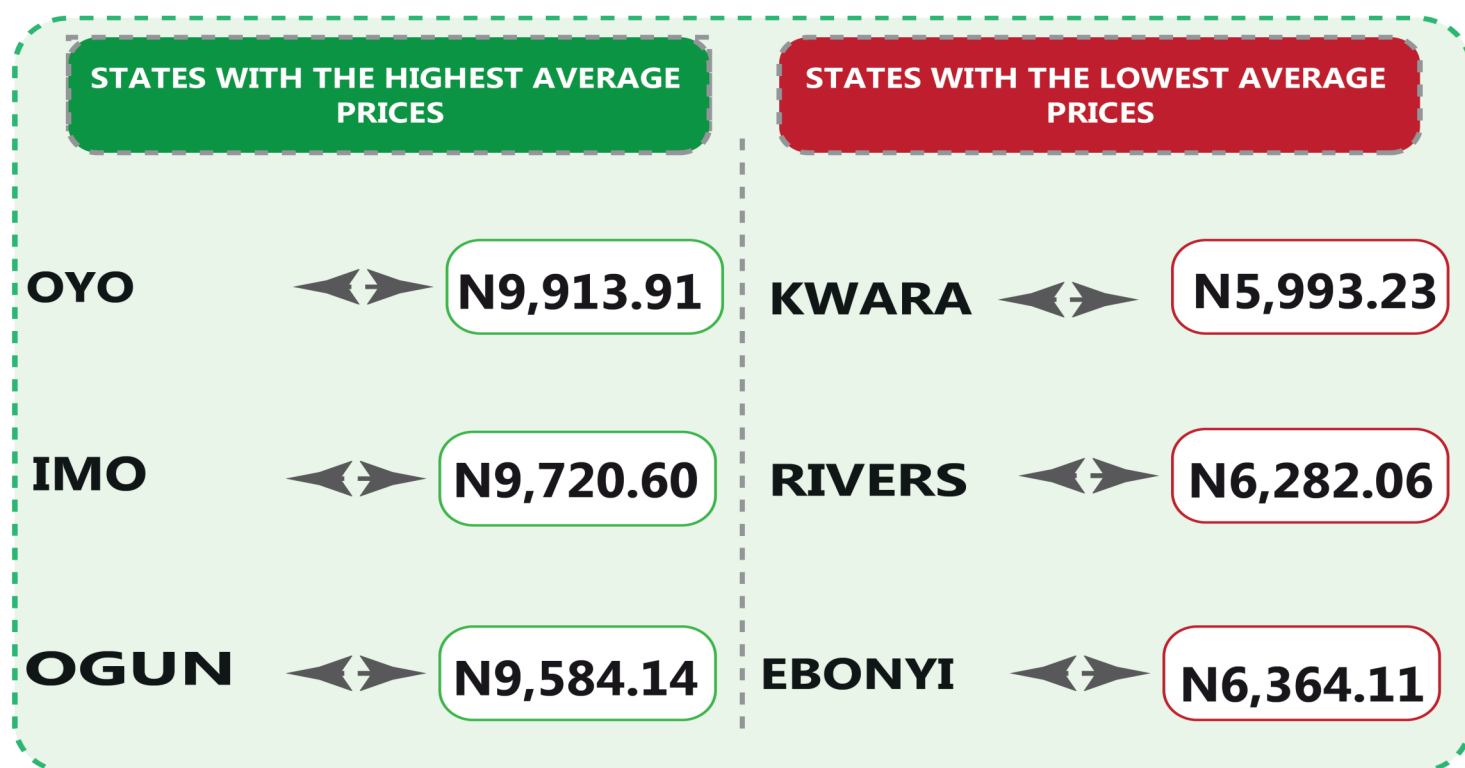
-Bus Journey Within City , Per Drop Constant Route



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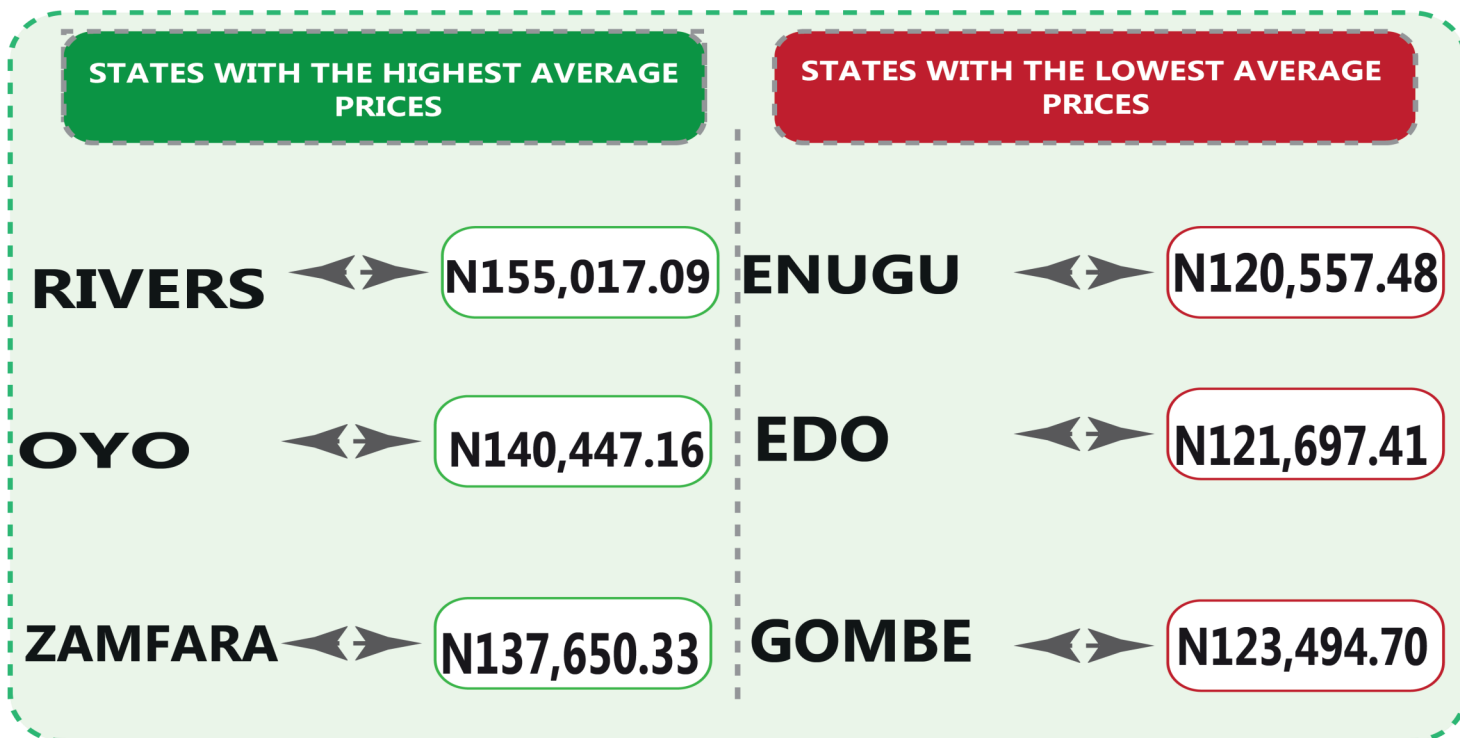
-Bus Journey Intercity, State Route, Charge Per Person



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare Across States

-Air Fare Charge For Specified Routes Single Journey



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

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



YoY = 40.04%

N524.22

AUGUST 2024



MoM = 2.87%

N713.63

JULY 2025

N734.11

AUGUST 2025

STATES WITH THE HIGHEST AVERAGE PRICES

OGUN

N1,180.06

LAGOS

N1,099.09

IMO

N948.14

STATES WITH THE LOWEST AVERAGE PRICES

EKITI

N499.86

ANAMBRA

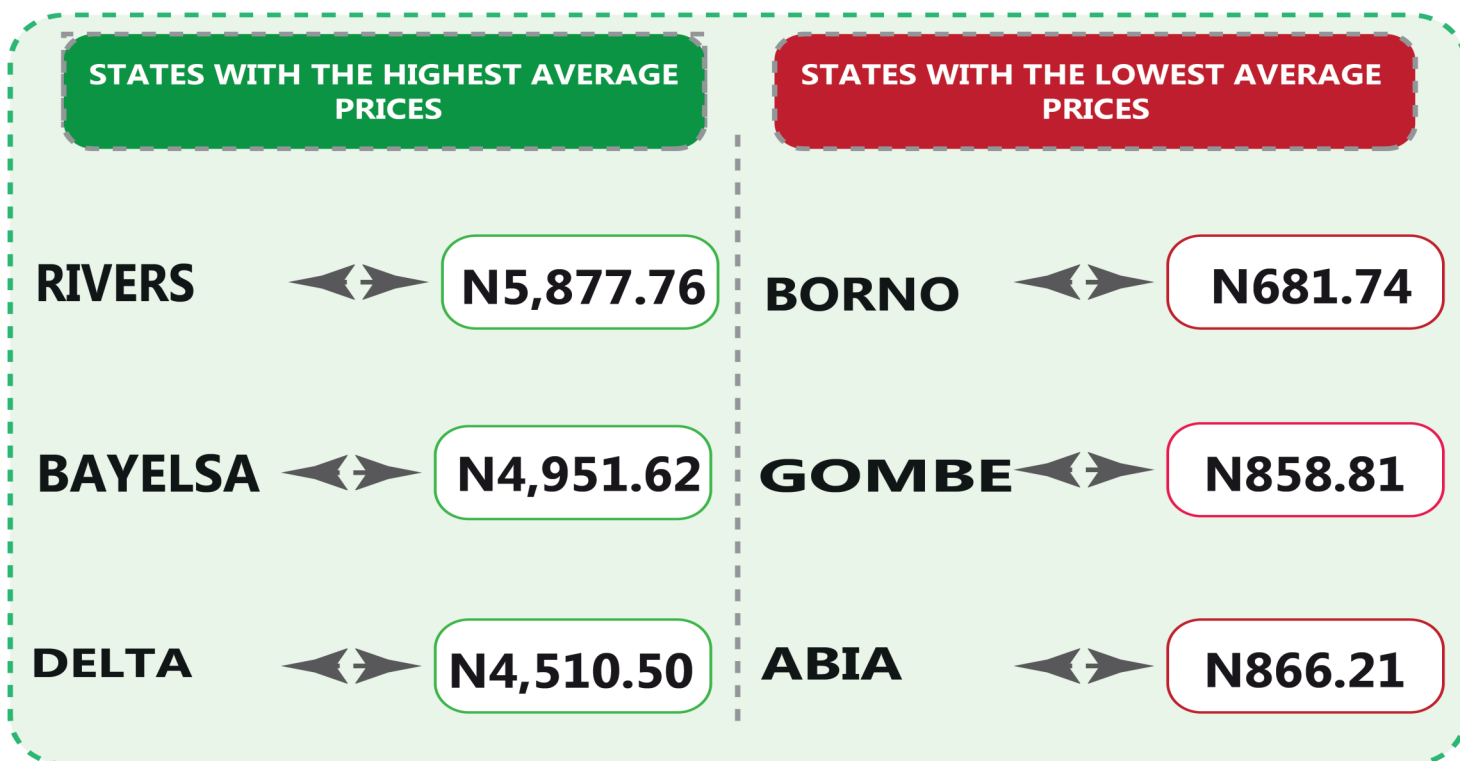
N541.18

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N580.15

TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare Across States
-Waterway Passenger Transport



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

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



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

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



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WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



TRANSPORT FARE WATCH - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories NORTH WEST

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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 - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH 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 - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories
SOUTH WEST

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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 - AUGUST 2025

Average Transport Fare by Categories SOUTH SOUTH

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BUS JOURNEY WITHIN CITY, PER DROP CONSTANT ROUTE



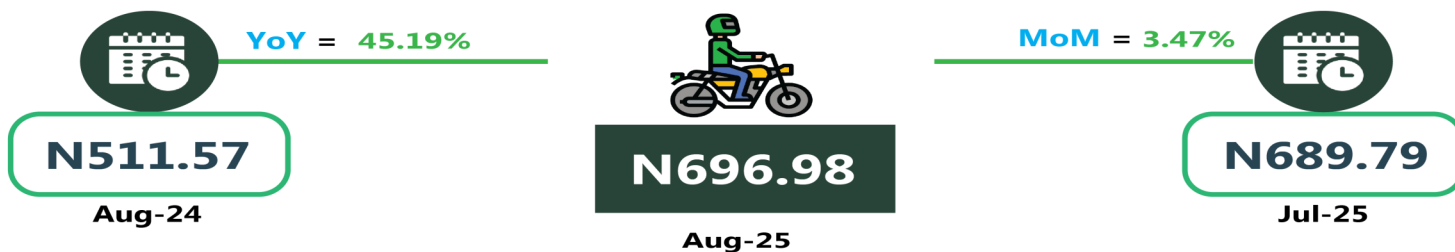
BUS JOURNEY INTERCITY, STATE ROUTE, CHARGE PER PERSON



AIR FARE CHARGE FOR SPECIFIED ROUTES SINGLE JOURNEY



JOURNEY BY MOTORCYCLE (OKADA) PER DROP



WATER TRANSPORT: WATER WAY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION



APPENDIX

Zone	Average of Aug-24	Average of Jul-25	Average of Aug-25	MoM	YoY
Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	123700.14	130572.55	129907.14	- 0.51	5.02
NORTH CENTRAL	125420.29	130203.39	130199.74	- 0.00	3.81
NORTH EAST	123644.41	131447.81	130621.99	- 0.63	5.64
NORTH WEST	121957.18	129444.06	129191.10	- 0.20	5.93
SOUTH EAST	125640.19	127873.70	126761.51	- 0.87	0.89
SOUTH SOUTH	122097.95	131895.56	130224.94	- 1.27	6.66
SOUTH WEST	123767.97	132370.60	131989.84	- 0.29	6.64
Bus journey intercity, state route, charg. per per	7159.00	8005.12	8038.30	0.41	12.28
NORTH CENTRAL	6856.65	7775.80	7822.90	0.61	14.09
NORTH EAST	7093.96	7780.05	7801.12	0.27	9.97
NORTH WEST	7053.65	7711.28	7758.31	0.61	9.99
SOUTH EAST	7338.13	8546.99	8532.55	- 0.17	16.28
SOUTH SOUTH	7671.01	7824.50	7849.87	0.32	2.33
SOUTH WEST	7038.38	8569.61	8630.03	0.71	22.61
Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	869.35	1028.44	1045.68	1.68	20.28
NORTH CENTRAL	833.39	1060.30	1080.58	1.91	29.66
NORTH EAST	832.34	1013.57	1037.01	2.31	24.59
NORTH WEST	891.01	994.79	1015.35	2.07	13.96
SOUTH EAST	834.26	996.41	1000.60	0.42	19.94
SOUTH SOUTH	916.32	984.88	995.16	1.04	8.60
SOUTH WEST	905.33	1115.66	1137.13	1.92	25.60
Journey by motorcycle (okada) per drop	524.22	713.63	734.11	2.87	40.04
NORTH CENTRAL	511.51	717.66	740.14	3.13	44.70
NORTH EAST	556.37	698.81	729.09	4.33	31.04
NORTH WEST	487.12	660.48	682.69	3.36	40.15
SOUTH EAST	487.08	683.51	707.21	3.47	45.19
SOUTH SOUTH	511.57	689.79	696.98	1.04	36.24
SOUTH WEST	593.76	834.73	851.60	2.02	43.42
Water transport : water way passenger transportat	1449.34	1757.91	1784.89	1.53	23.15
NORTH CENTRAL	1050.21	1268.38	1297.93	2.33	23.59
NORTH EAST	825.03	1006.25	1021.81	1.55	23.85
NORTH WEST	904.32	1158.76	1169.90	0.96	29.37
SOUTH EAST	977.31	1222.66	1227.88	0.43	25.64
SOUTH SOUTH	3602.92	4243.64	4317.31	1.74	19.83
SOUTH WEST	1414.91	1740.02	1765.31	1.45	24.77

State	Air fare charg.for specified routes single journey	Bus journey inter-city, state route, charg. per per	Bus journey within city , per drop constant rou	Journey by mo-torcycle (okada) per drop	Water transport : water way pas-senger transpor-tat
ABIA	127681.66	9064.70	512.96	681.61	866.21
ABUJA	134886.84	9144.79	965.01	773.08	905.68
ADAMAWA	136653.55	7829.30	607.35	636.25	1469.16
AKWA IBOM	126426.21	8550.73	1043.52	653.12	2812.35
ANAMBRA	128058.65	9550.79	1080.05	541.18	991.81
BAUCHI	127204.10	6884.53	1237.08	754.72	1187.09
BAYELSA	124768.69	8586.86	991.40	620.51	4951.62
BENUE	126404.67	7077.84	1022.70	800.43	1489.93
BORNO	134344.37	8201.31	961.86	651.18	681.74
CROSS RIVER	127550.29	8630.30	955.91	763.96	4060.76
DELTA	125889.95	8462.29	1068.62	759.49	4510.50
EBONYI	124727.52	6364.11	965.15	686.80	1488.79
EDO	121697.41	6586.96	1101.16	580.98	3690.86
EKITI	125601.21	8793.45	1090.54	499.86	1194.42
ENUGU	120557.48	7962.54	1280.72	678.33	1387.99
GOMBE	123494.70	8919.32	1193.96	700.13	858.81
IMO	132782.23	9720.60	1164.12	948.14	1404.62
JIGAWA	130261.99	7712.30	1145.99	655.56	1307.32
KADUNA	128599.96	7855.00	1211.62	825.98	1081.92
KANO	125896.75	8007.22	716.61	771.25	1078.68
KATSINA	126462.01	7671.47	990.69	655.50	1207.19
KEBBI	126941.14	7746.99	900.32	656.45	996.88
KOGI	128690.66	9262.09	971.36	802.07	1600.32
KWARA	134000.62	5993.23	1271.88	719.75	1589.75
LAGOS	127402.68	7990.27	1398.05	1099.09	1990.04
NASARAWA	125299.26	7026.21	1316.65	728.60	1249.92
NIGER	130841.22	7571.00	1065.79	660.96	1148.89
OGUN	128000.23	9584.14	1166.09	1180.06	2560.57
ONDO	136482.71	7810.08	1280.26	910.15	2045.41
OSUN	134005.06	7688.33	892.51	720.93	1567.01
OYO	140447.16	9913.91	995.31	699.50	1234.42
PLATEAU	131274.91	8685.13	950.69	696.11	1100.99
RIVERS	155017.09	6282.06	810.32	803.83	5877.76
SOKOTO	128525.51	7214.82	888.29	580.15	1586.77
TARABA	128647.85	7082.66	1270.93	796.07	908.53
YOBE	133387.33	7889.59	950.88	836.22	1025.53
ZAMFARA	137650.33	8100.37	1253.94	633.94	930.53
Grand Total	129907.14	8038.30	1045.68	734.11	1784.89

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