

18.7%

February 2023



Insights

February 2023 Key takeaways

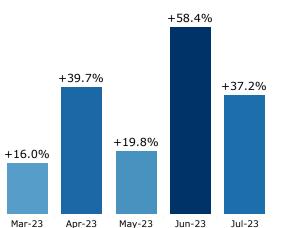
- While Oxford Economics does not associate the recent bank failures with a systemic risk to the broader economy, a mild recession is still predicted to occur in the second half of 2023 representing a 1% loss in GDP.
- Food services and drinking places accounted for 22.5% of total job growth in the United States during the month of February. Despite these gains, leisure and hospitality as a whole remained below its pre-pandemic level (February 2020) by 2.4%.
- Milwaukee County hotel occupancy for February was 49.6%, up 4.5% from last year, given greater growth in demand (190.1K, +5.7%) than in supply (382.9K, +1.1%). Year-to-date occupancy of 46.5% was additionally 8.3% ahead of last year.
- The top origin MSA to Milwaukee for the month was Chicago, IL with an 18.7% share. This was greater than both its share in 2021 at 15% and that of 2022 at 17.7%. Of the visitors for the current month from Chicago, 22.1% were repeat visitors, with the top POI "Menomonee Valley" (9.5%).
- Organic web sessions grew 7.5% MOM to reach 310.7K sessions, up 18% from session levels one year ago. Of those sessions, 30.1% landed on sections for "event"/"events", followed by 18.8% at "plan a visit".

Key Metrics 2022 2023 February 2023 Employment trends and leading indicators for travel MOM Organic Facebook 310.7K **▲** 7.5% ▲ 18.0% **Impressions** Organic Web 73.6K **▼** -15.3% **4.7%** Sessions Leisure & 70.5K **▲** 0.6% **▲** 0.3% **Hospitality Jobs**

Source: STR, Facebook Business, Google Analytics, Near, TravelClick and BLS * BLS job numbers for Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI

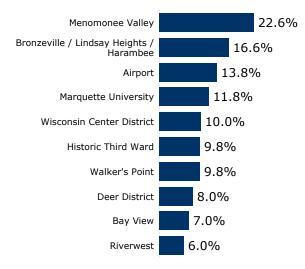
Future Bookings Variance

Total hotel room nights booked vs. STLY As of March 12, 2023



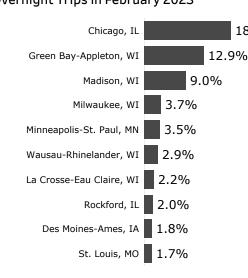
Top 10 POIs Visited

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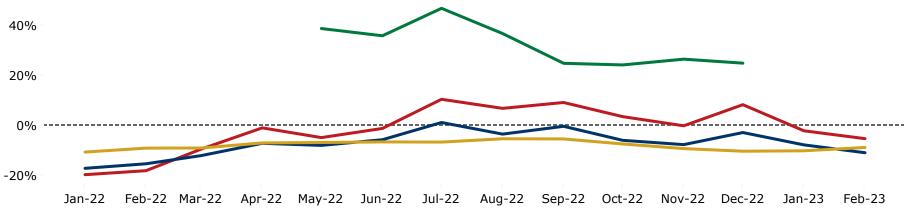
Top 10 Origin MSA

Overnight Trips in February 2023



Recovery Indicators

% change relative to same month in 2019





Events Turned Definite February 2023

 Events
 Requested Rooms
 Show & Room Attendees

 23
 4,554
 13,500

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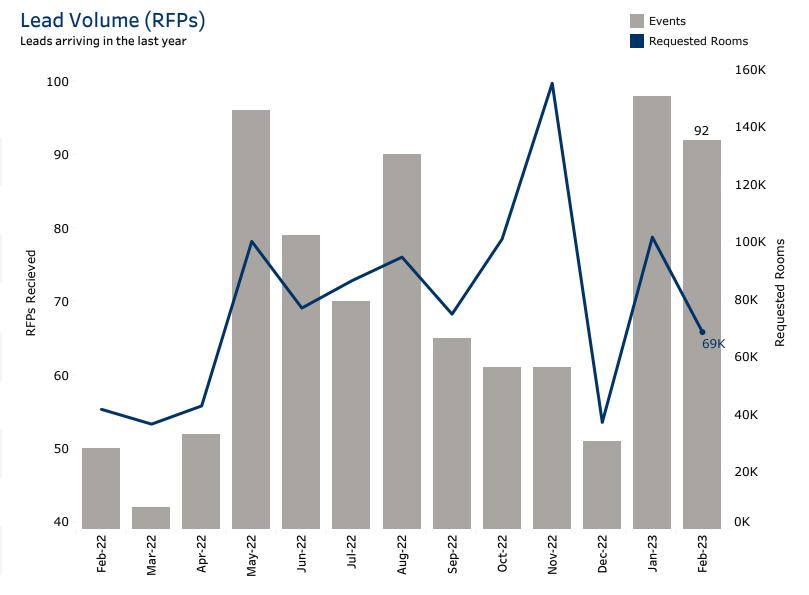
 ▲ 64.3%
 ▲ 9.3%
 ▼ -11.8%



Top Events Turned Definite February 2023

By Requested Rooms

| | | Requested Rooms | Requested Peak Room | Show & Room Attendees |
|---|----------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Catholic Financial Life | Sep 2024 | 882.0 | 404.0 | 700.0 |
| Order of the Eastern Star | Mar 2023 | 868.0 | 271.0 | 600.0 |
| International Door Association | Oct 2023 | 311.0 | 89.0 | 200.0 |
| Manitou Americas, Inc | Jun 2023 | 300.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. | Mar 2023 | 255.0 | 75.0 | 125.0 |
| American Federation of Government Employees, AFL-CIO | May 2023 | 230.0 | 51.0 | 100.0 |
| National District Attorneys Association | Sep 2023 | 222.0 | 74.0 | 75.0 |
| Wisconsin Chapter of National Association of Social Workers | Oct 2023 | 200.0 | 50.0 | 300.0 |
| International Sign Association | Jun 2023 | 185.0 | 75.0 | 75.0 |
| Wisconsin Chapter of National Association of Social Workers | Sep 2024 | 180.0 | 75.0 | 375.0 |





Sessions



148,210

MOM

YOY

▼ -14.6% ▲ 27.4%

Pages per Session



1.95 pages

MOM YOY

▲ 8.7% ▼ -24.0%

Avg. Session Duration



106.8 sec

MOM YOY

▼ -5.6% ▼ -13.1%

Bounce Rate



21.6%

MOM

YOY

▲ 5.5% ▼ -8.2%

Source: Google Analytics

Social Media Summary

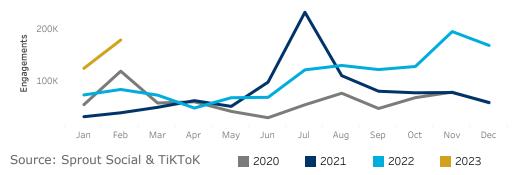
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| | Total Audience | Impressions | Engagements | Rate |
|-----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|------|
| Total | 274,367 | 3,867,231 | 179,967 | 4.7% |
| Instagram | 117,276 | 1,942,370 | 106,358 | 5.5% |
| Facebook | 88,150 | 1,585,400 | 60,405 | 3.8% |
| Twitter | 49,098 | 208,171 | 3,420 | 1.6% |
| LinkedIn | 10,825 | 69,639 | 6,063 | 8.7% |
| TiKToK | 9,018 | 61,651 | 3,721 | 6.0% |

Engagement

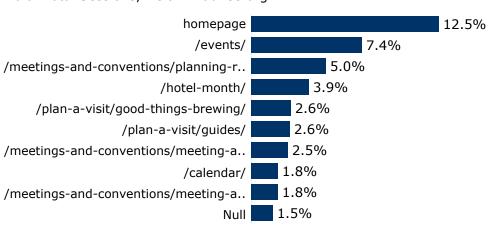
Social Media Engagements Trend

July 2019 - February 2023; Network: All

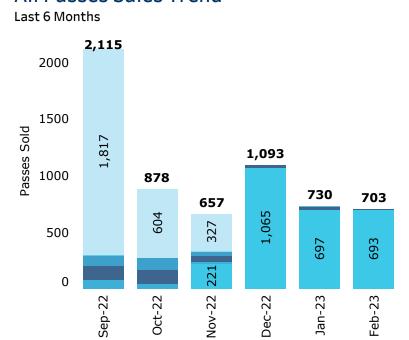


Top Website Landing Pages

% of Total Sessions, visitmilwaukee.org



All Passes Sales Trend



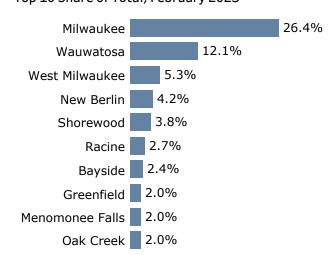
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Brew City Beer Pass | Koozie Prize

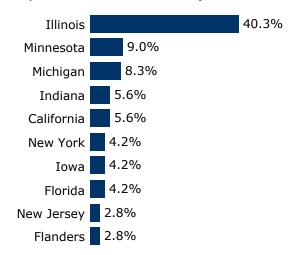


Top 10 Share of Total, February 2023



Out-of-State Pass Sales

Top 10 Share of Total, February 2023



Source: Bandwango

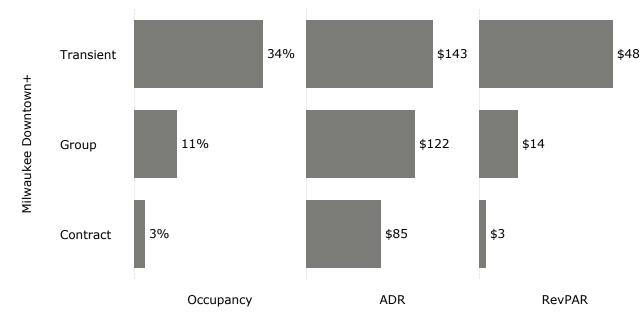
Benchmarking

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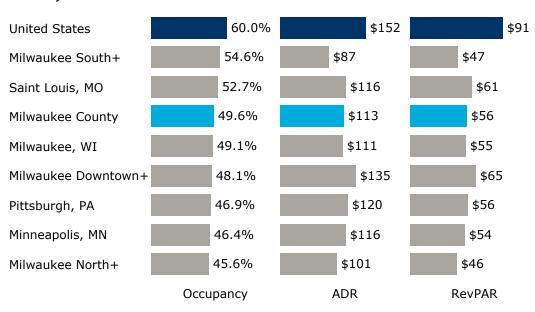


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Submarket Hotel KPIs

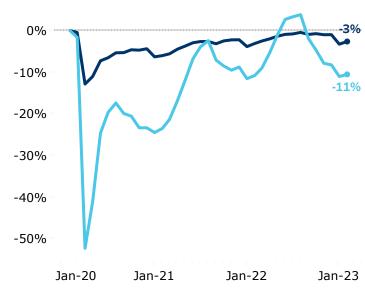
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Source: STR

Job Losses Since Feb-20

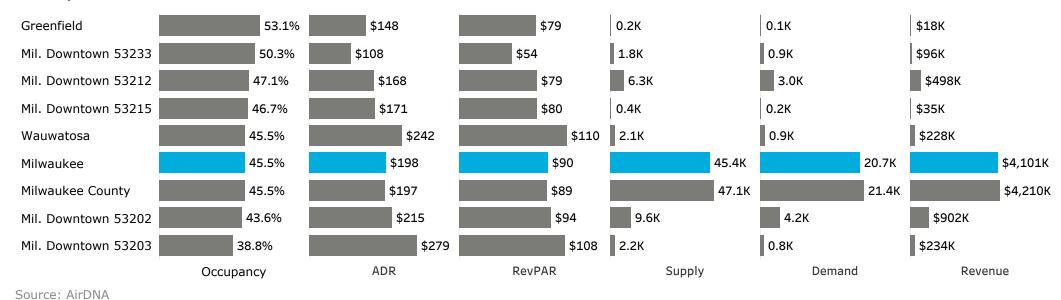
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI, % difference compared to Feb-20



Source: BLS

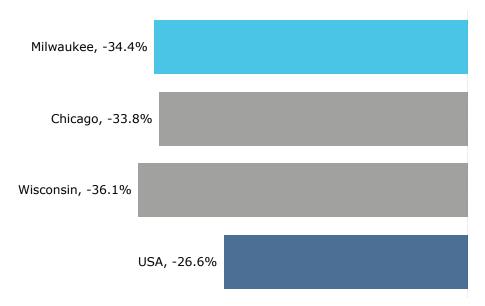
Short Term Rental KPIs

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Air Travel Bookings

% change in bookings made for February 2023, relative to 2019



Source: OAG