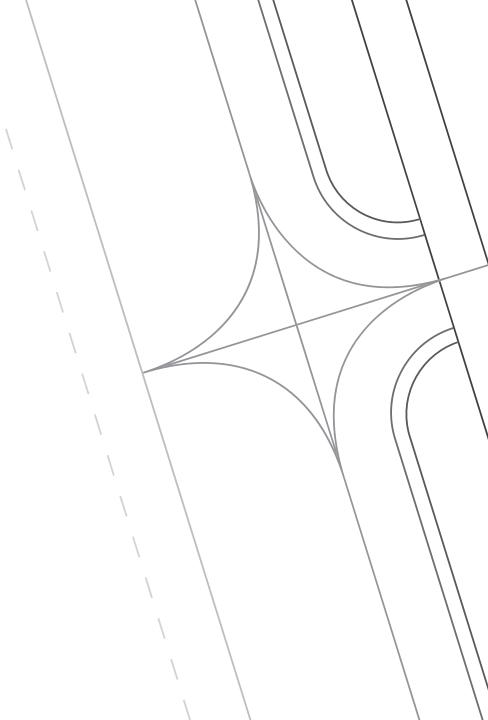


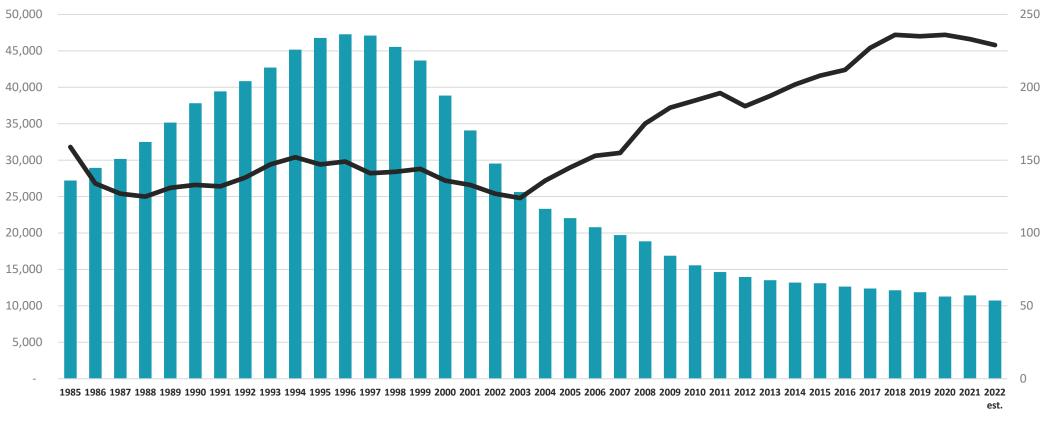
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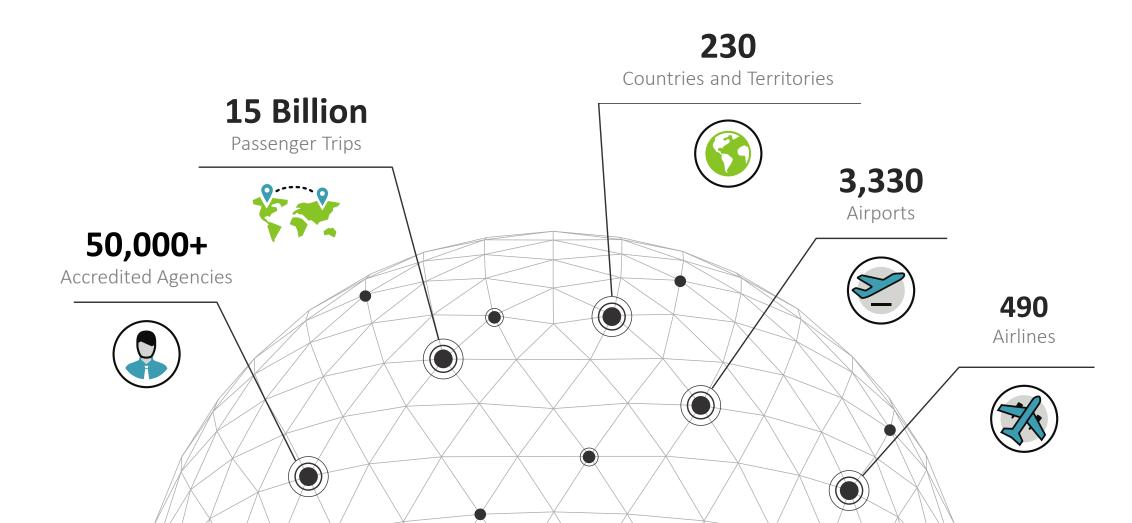
#### **ARC Airline and Agency Participation**



Agencies Airlines

## **ARC's Global Dataset**

The world's largest repository of global air ticketing data



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## **ARC's Vision**

Enable the growth of global air travel to strengthen economies and enrich lives.

## **ARC's Mission**

Accelerate the growth of global air travel.

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## **Our Core Business (2019)**









**200 Million** 

Transactions settled by ARC

#### \$97 Billion

Dollars settled by ARC

#### 234 Airlines

Participate with ARC

#### **11,000+ Agencies**

Accredited with ARC

## **ARC Core Business (2022)**





**169M** 2022 Tickets Processed

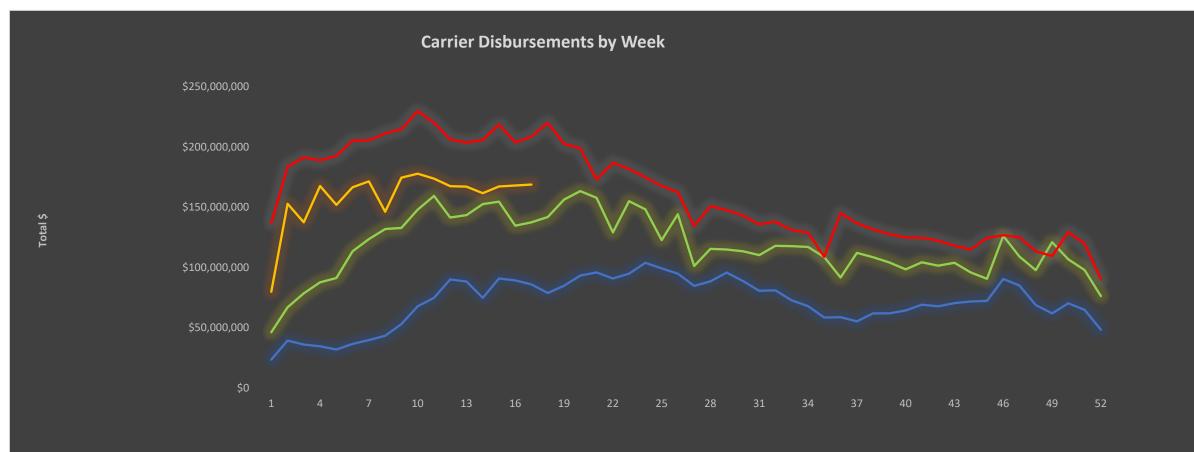
**\$82B** 2022 Air Sales

241 Participating Carriers



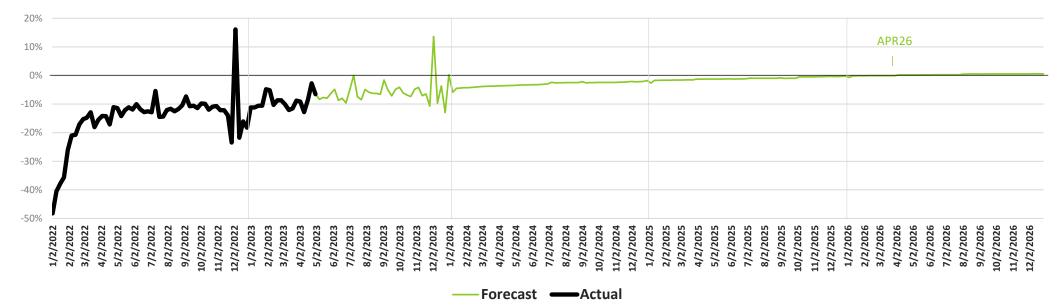
**10,485** Accredited Agency Locations

#### Carrier Cash Settlements



#### **Current Transaction Forecast 2023 and Beyond – Core ASP**

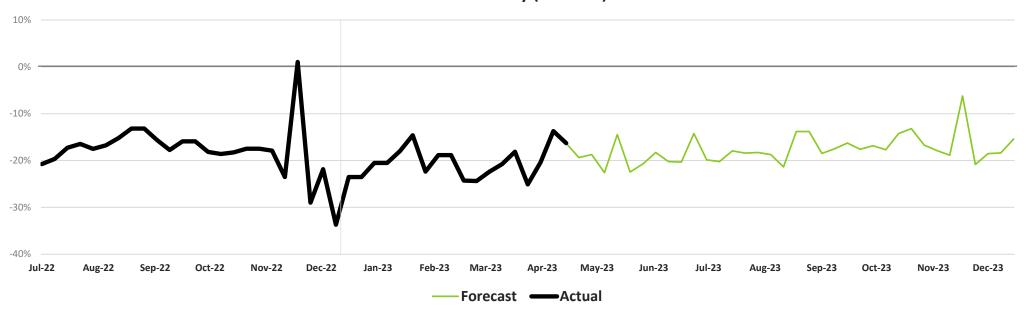
- After recovering from the last Covid variant (Omicron) in early 2022, we've seen a fairly flat recovery trend.
- We're currently seeing results fluctuate around the -10% YOY mark (vs. 2019), with expectations that this will slowly improve for the rest of the year.
- The forecast for the rest of 2023 is to see a modest recovery, finishing the year close to -6% YOY before the year-end holidays.
- Current expectations are for Core ASP volumes to slowly return to 2019 levels by April 2026.
  - The slow recovery expectation is based on the post-financial crisis recovery trend from 2009 to 2015, where we saw stagnant growth for five years.
  - Current inflation concerns also support the conservative outlook.



#### Core ASP Recovery (vs. 2019)

#### **Current Transaction Forecast 2023 – OTA**

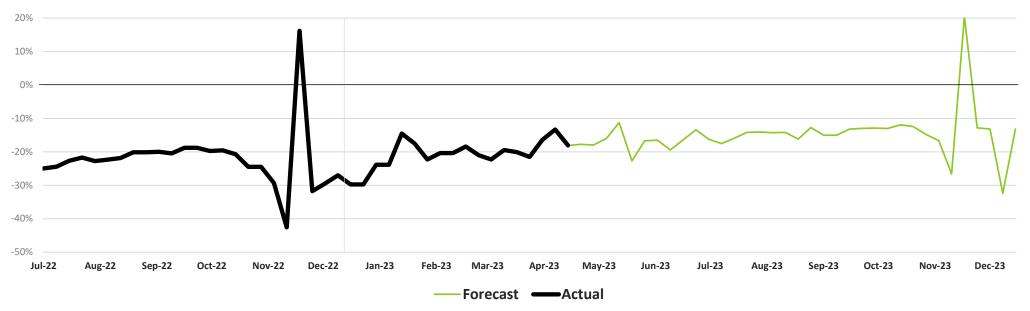
- OTA's were originally the one agency category that recovered the quickest, reaching comparable pre-pandemic volumes by mid-2021. However, since then we've seen the recovery decline.
- The recovery trend dropped down to approx. -20% YOY (vs. 2019) by the Spring of 2022, which is where we continue to see them trend.
- The current forecast is to see this agency category only improve to approx. -17% YOY by the end of 2023.



#### OTA Recovery (vs. 2019)

#### **Current Transaction Forecast 2023 – Corporate**

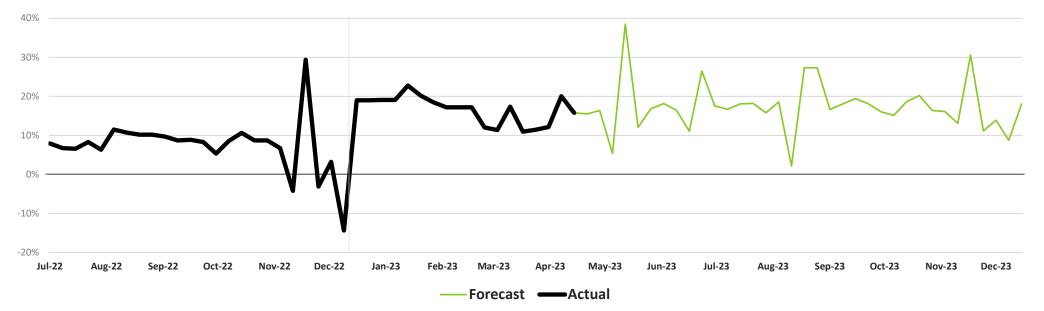
- Corporate agency recoveries have lagged behind the other agency categories and continue to only be approx. 80% recovered.
  - The 1Q23 recovery trend of -20% YOY (vs. 2019) was no better than the 2022 pre-holiday trend of SEP-OCT, although there are signs of some recent improvement.
- Forecast expectations are to continue to see a slow/steady corporate recovery, finishing closer to -12% YOY before the year end holidays.



#### **Corporate Recovery (vs. 2019)**

#### **Current Transaction Forecast 2023 – Leisure/Other (Consolidators/Cruise/Tour/Leisure)**

- The Leisure/Other agencies began to see transaction volumes exceed pre-pandemic levels mid-year 2022.
- The recovery trend stayed above pre-pandemic levels in 2022 before seeing some year-end decline.
- 2023 saw this agency category bump up to approx. +20% YOY (vs. 2019) to start the year, only to see this trend sag a bit through the Spring months.
  - The Cruise and Leisure agencies are the main drivers behind this 2023 improvement, although the Leisure agencies are showing signs of softening a bit as we progress through the year.
- The current forecast expectation is to see this trend stabilize at its current level through the rest of the year.



#### Leisure/Other Recovery (vs. 2019)

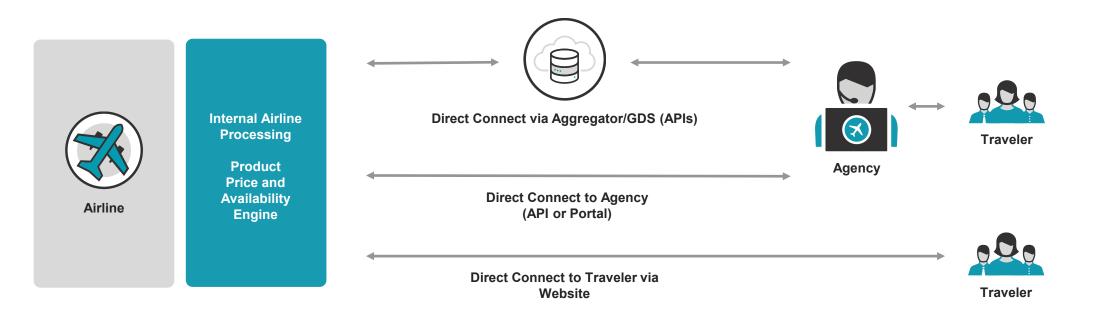
# Direct Connect & NDC



#### **Direct Connect**

#### What is Direct Connect?

• Travel supplier provides access to their systems, enabling third parties to search, book, pay, and manage reservations



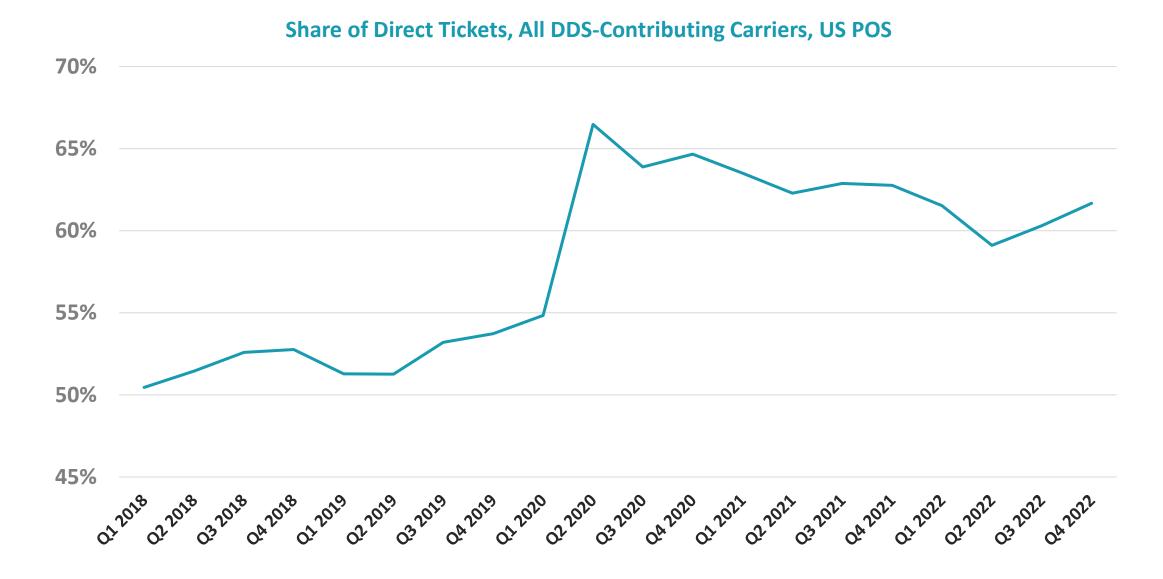
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## **New Distribution Capability (NDC)**

#### What is NDC?

- An XML standard introduced in 2015 to offer the following:
  - $\checkmark$  Allows the airline to differentiate their products
  - $\checkmark$  Airlines know who is shopping and can provide personalized offers
  - ✓ Allows enhanced merchandising through rich content
  - $\checkmark$  Offers a more modern approach to airline retailing

## **The Direct Channel is Growing**



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## **ARC Direct Connect**

How ARC supports direct connections

#### **Airlines**

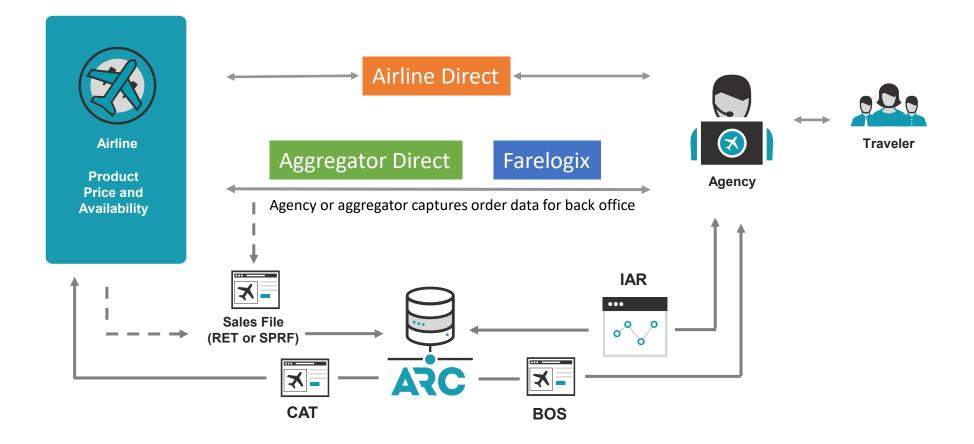
- ARC's direct connect solution **provides a flexible, secure product to report and/or settle transactions** with sellers
- Airlines can distribute their content with sellers **using any aggregator or a direct API** and transmit data to ARC for reporting and settlement
- Airlines can choose **how** they want to transmit direct connect transactions to ARC and **unique transaction business rules**

#### Agencies

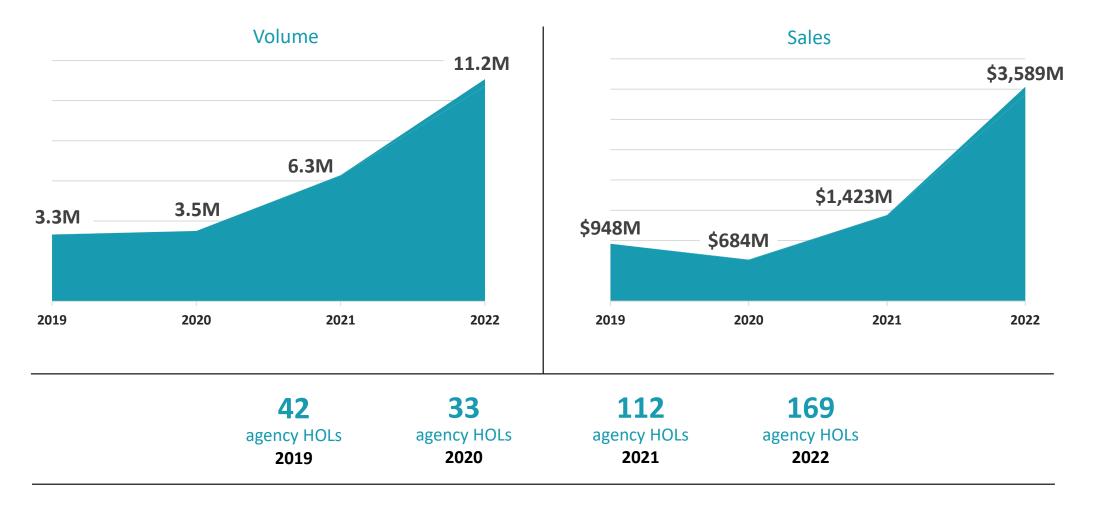
- Consistent experience with IAR and BOS for all transactions (GDS and DC)
- Ability to differentiate DC from GDS transactions in IAR
- Agency can receive **up-front commissions** due for direct connect transactions



## **Direct Connect with ARC Settlement**



## **ARC Direct Connect is Growing**



## What's Next for Air Travel and ARC?

#### **Airlines**

- Business and int'l recovery
- Shop-offer-order-pay
- Product differentiation
- Customer experience
- Lifetime value and loyalty

- Expand and enhance data, distribution and financial services.
  - Get more data to enrich products.
  - Enable "buy anywhere, get service anyhow" capabilities.
  - Future-proof settlement and ARC Pay.
- "I love my job!" supporting teamwork, professional development and innovation

# Thank you

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