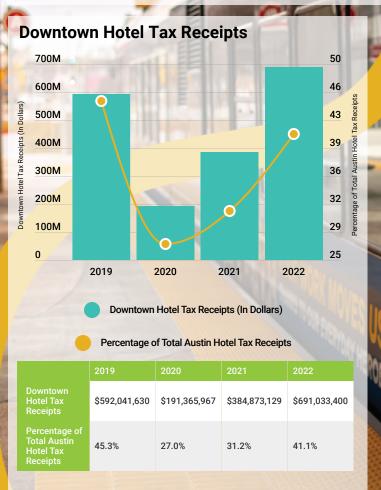
## **Downtown Hotel Revenue Has Surpassed 2019 Levels**

After bottoming out in 2020, hotel tax revenue in downtown Austin has surpassed 2019 levels, reaching \$691 million in 2022. This correlates directly with the return of major festivals, like South by Southwest and Austin City Limits Music Festival, which help drive robust demand for hotel space in downtown. Further evidence of the appeal of Austin for travelers lies in the monthly passenger counts at the Austin Bergstrom International Airport (AUS), which have consistently surpassed pre-pandemic levels since 2022. As tourism and business travel rebound, downtown hotels will continue to benefit from the influx of travelers to the region. While 2022 was a stellar year for downtown hotels per actual tax receipts, the overall percentage compared to the Austin region has not yet recovered to 2019 levels.



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