

# Passenger Activity Outlook

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# Activity recovery status

Passenger volume at about 55% of 2019 level, aircraft operations at almost 80%.

SEA activity measures: Week 17 (beg. April 18, 2021)

		% difference		
Measure	Avg. daily	vs. 2019	MTD	YTD Last 52 weeks
TSA screened volume	29,000	-46%	-38%	-55%
Aircraft operations	970	-19%	-19%	-24%
Roadway traffic Inbound to airport	21,200	-35%	-33%	-45%
Ground transportation (GT) operations	2,720	-55%	-56%	-65%

Available online at: https://public.tableau.com/profile/portofseattlebi#!/vizhome/SEAactivitymeasures/SEAactivitymeasures



# Financial planning activity scenarios approach

## Inputs (data)

- Published advance airline flight schedules (seats)
- Travel restrictions limiting domestic and international activity
- Airline service announcements (additions, reductions, aircraft mix)
- Consultations with airline and travel industry representatives
- Post-recovery annual growth trends (master plan)

#### Assumptions

- Time to return to 2019 (pre-COVID-19) levels
- Shape, length, and extent of a recovery
- Passenger load factors (percent of occupied seats) trends
- Average aircraft size (average seats per operation)

## Activity scenarios

- Multiple scenarios ("high, baseline, low")
- Passengers (domestic/int'l)
- Aircraft operations
- Benchmark to industry recovery scenarios



# Improving traffic demand in Q1 2021 expected to accelerate in Q2.

		Diff. vs. Jan
		baseline
Month	Passengers	scenario
January (actual)	1.3M	+130K
February (actual)	1.4M	+275K
March (actual)	2.1M	+700K
subtotal	4.8M	+1,105K
Forecast based on T	SA data:	
April	2.5M	+900K
May	2.7M	+500K

Year-to-date passenger traffic exceeding baseline activity scenario prepared in January.

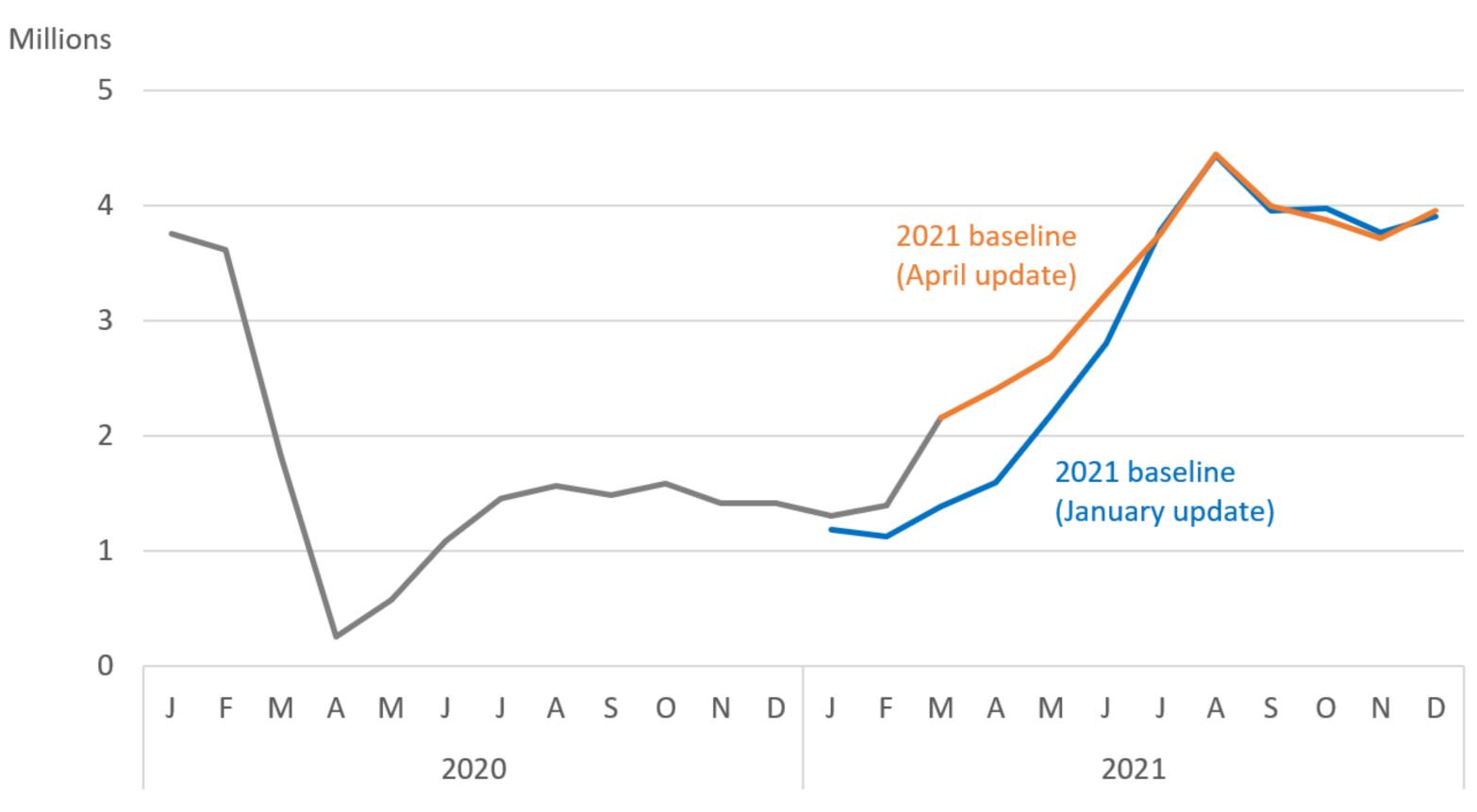
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# Activity upgrade

Rising travel demand reflected in latest 2021 activity scenario update

#### Forecast monthly total passengers



Year-end 2021

Passengers: 37 M

% chg. vs. 2019: -29%

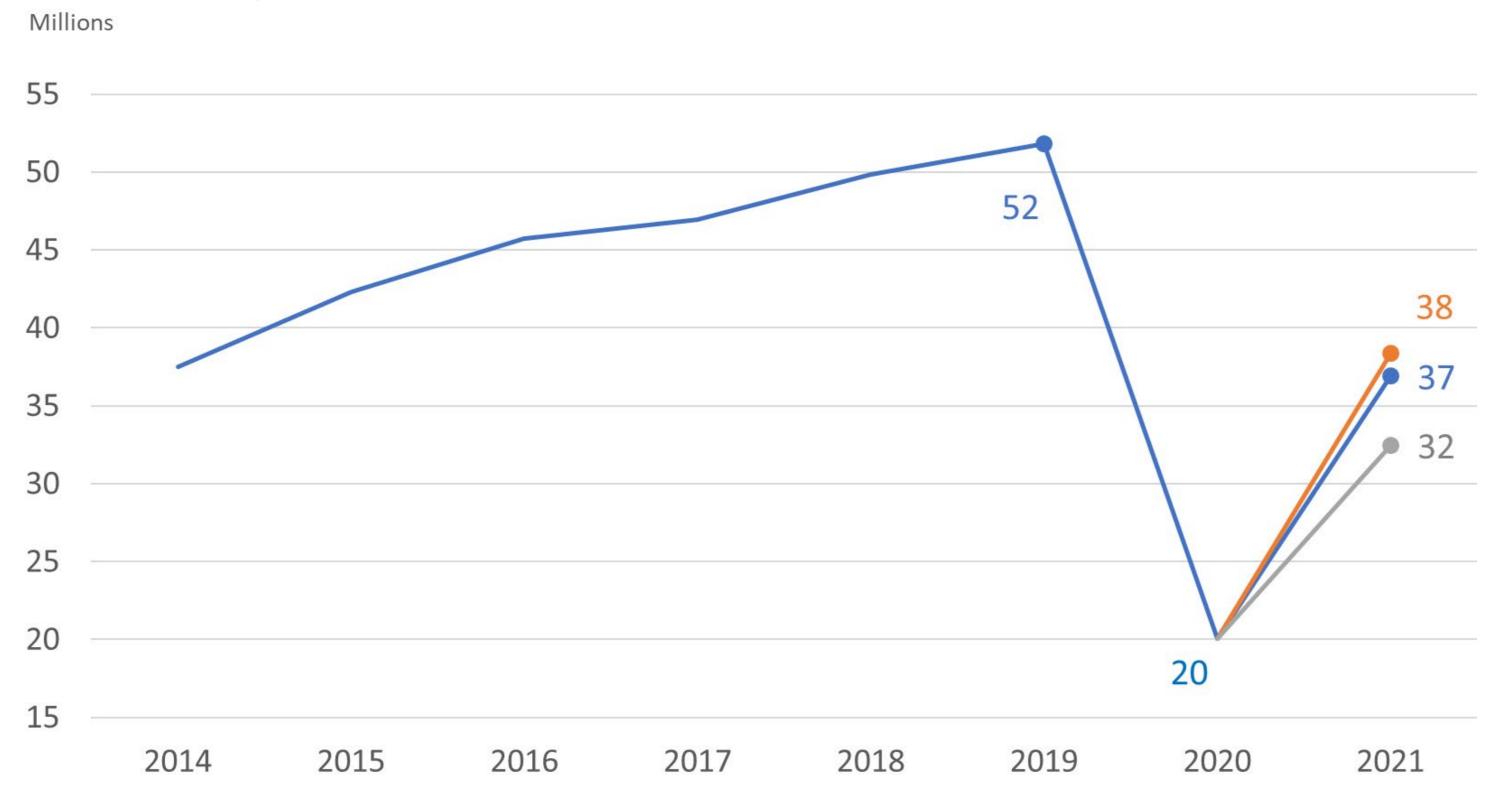
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# Uncertainty remains

Headwinds and tailwinds affecting passengers demand producing significant range in 2021 outcomes

#### SEA passenger traffic



#### 2021 Scenarios (4/21 update):

	Passengers	%diff. vs.
	(millions)	2019
High	38	-26%
Baseline	37	-29%
Low	32	-37%

Recovery to 2019 passenger volume expected in 3-5 years.

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# Thank You!



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