

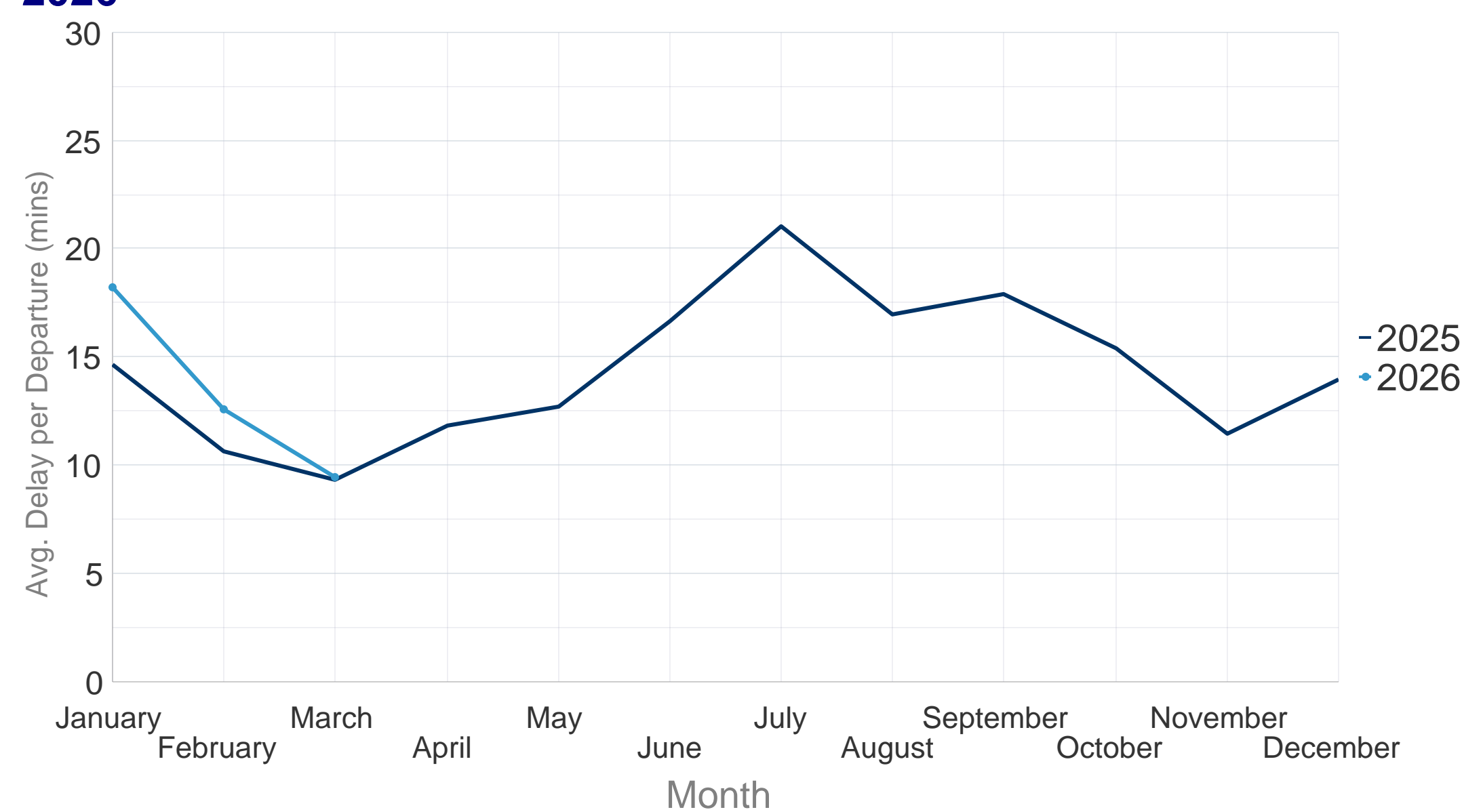
# All-Causes Delays for Air Transport in Europe



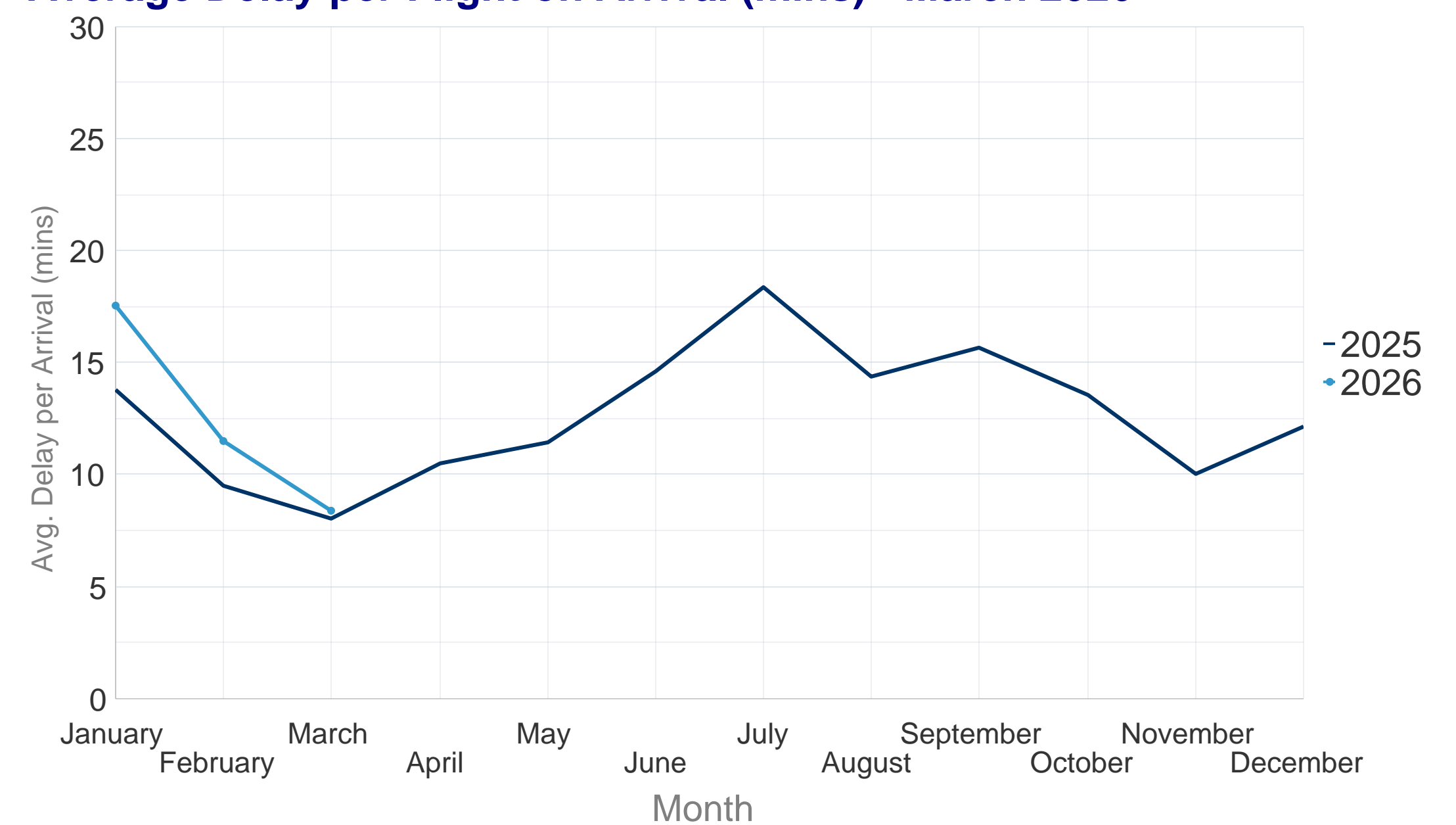
## March 2026

In March 2026, flights across the ECAC area grew by 1.8 % compared to the same month last year. Ryanair maintained its position as the leading carrier in terms of flights, while easyJet and Turkish Airlines ranked second and third respectively. Istanbul remained the busiest airport in the network, with Amsterdam Schiphol and London Heathrow following behind. Overall, punctuality levels at most of the top busiest airports showed little variation compared to March 2025, although weather conditions did affect airports. Amsterdam Schiphol experienced significant delays on 9 March due to Low Visibility Procedures (LVP), and later in the month was affected by strong winds and rainfall. Barcelona was affected by convective weather on 6th of March which led to increased delays. In contrast, Lisbon recorded better arrival punctuality, benefiting from fewer weather-related disruptions. Departure punctuality at busiest airports remained consistent with the previous year. Madrid Barajas improved its performance following a reduction in weather-related delays. Lisbon departure punctuality remained comparatively lower, mainly due to en-route ATFM regulations affecting outbound flights.

### Average Delay per Flight on Departure (mins) - March 2026



### Average Delay per Flight on Arrival (mins) - March 2026

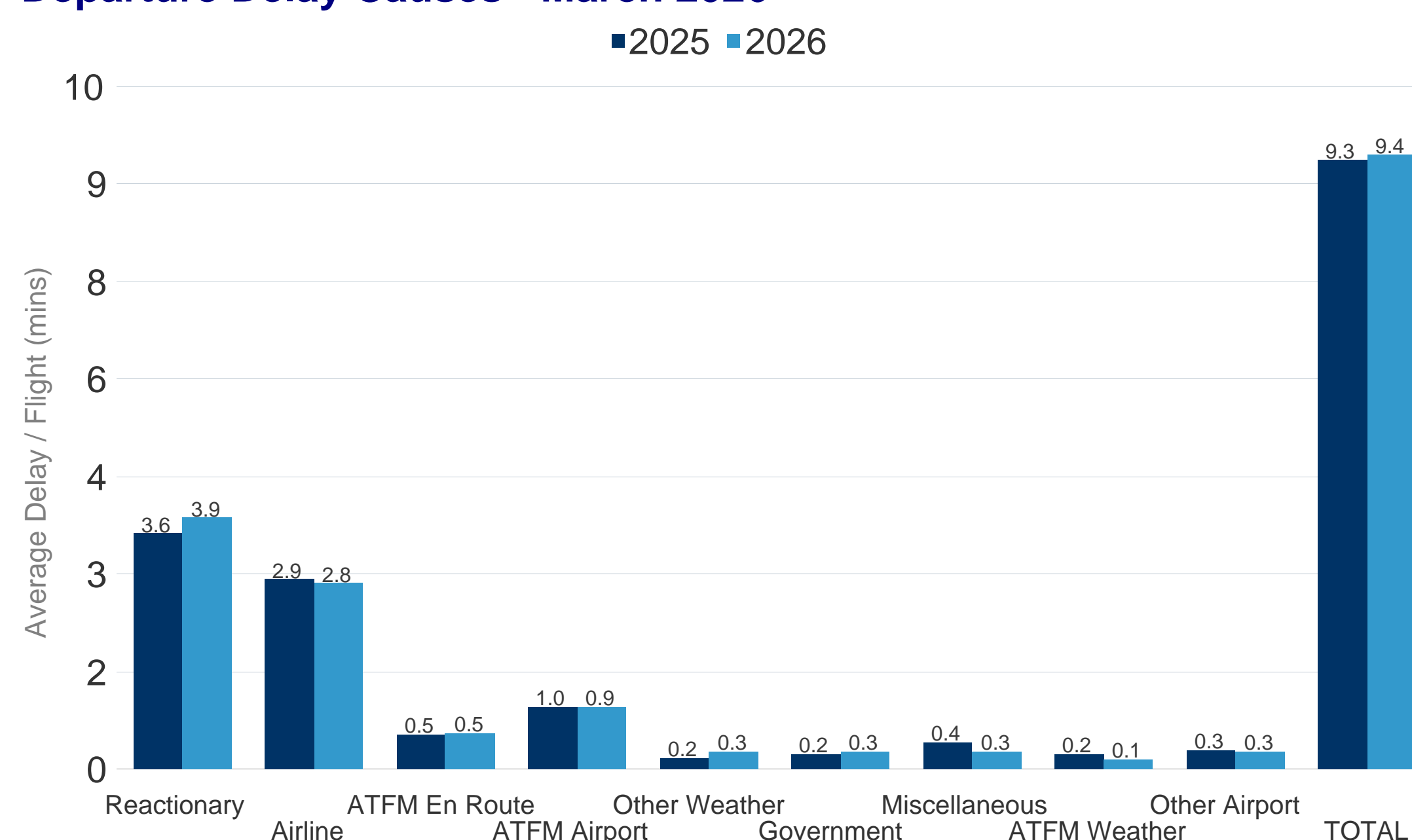


In March 2026 the average delay per flight on departure was 9.4 minutes per flight. This was **an increase** of 0.0 minutes per flight when compared to March 2025 where the average delay per flight was 9.3 minutes.

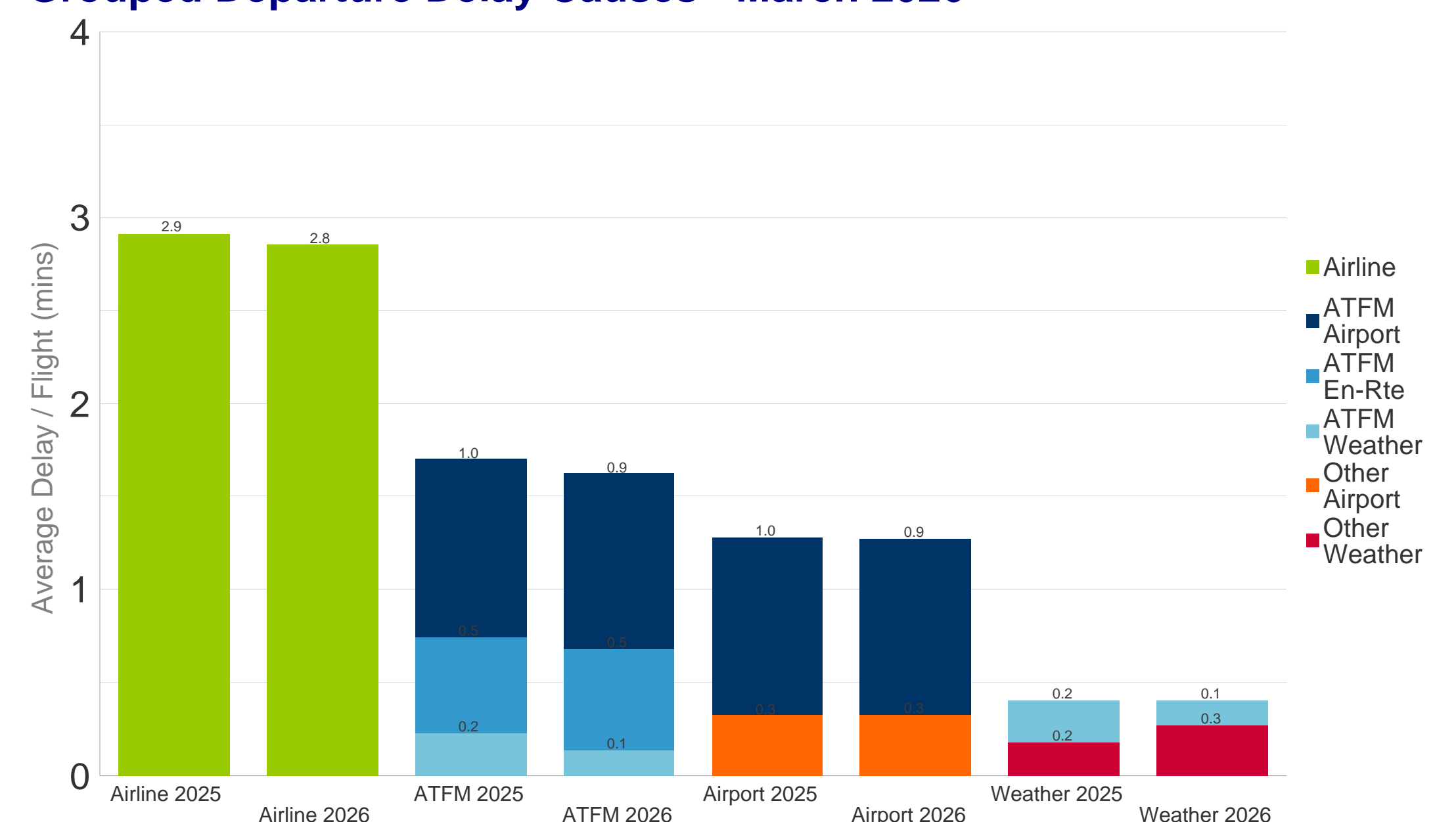
In March 2026 the average delay per flight on arrival was 8.4 minutes per flight. This was **an increase** of 0.4 minutes per flight when compared to March 2025 where the average delay per flight was 8.0 minutes.

Further analysis of the delay causes shows that reactionary delay contributed 3.9 minutes to the average delay per flight in March 2026.

### Departure Delay Causes - March 2026



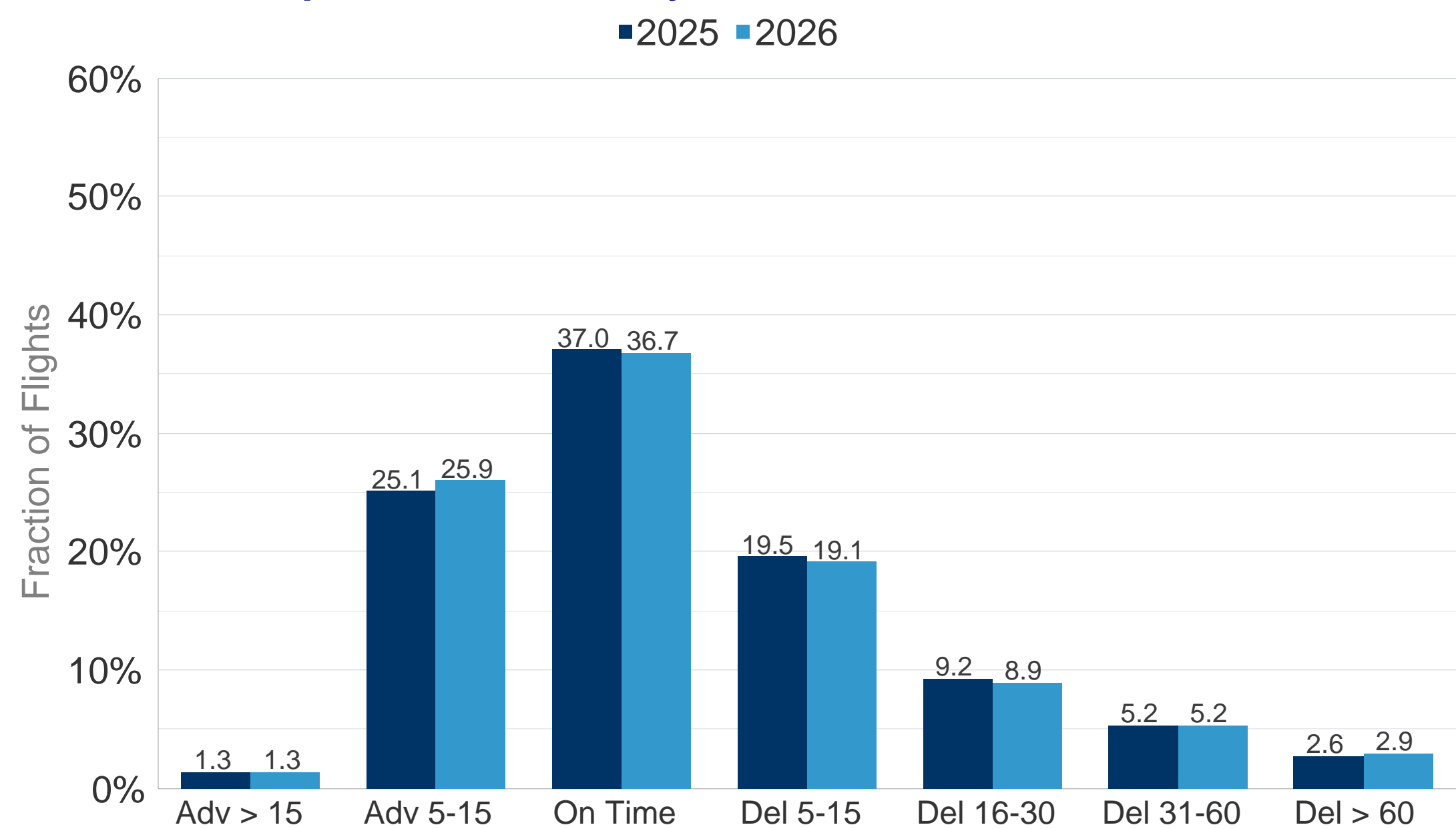
### Grouped Departure Delay Causes - March 2026



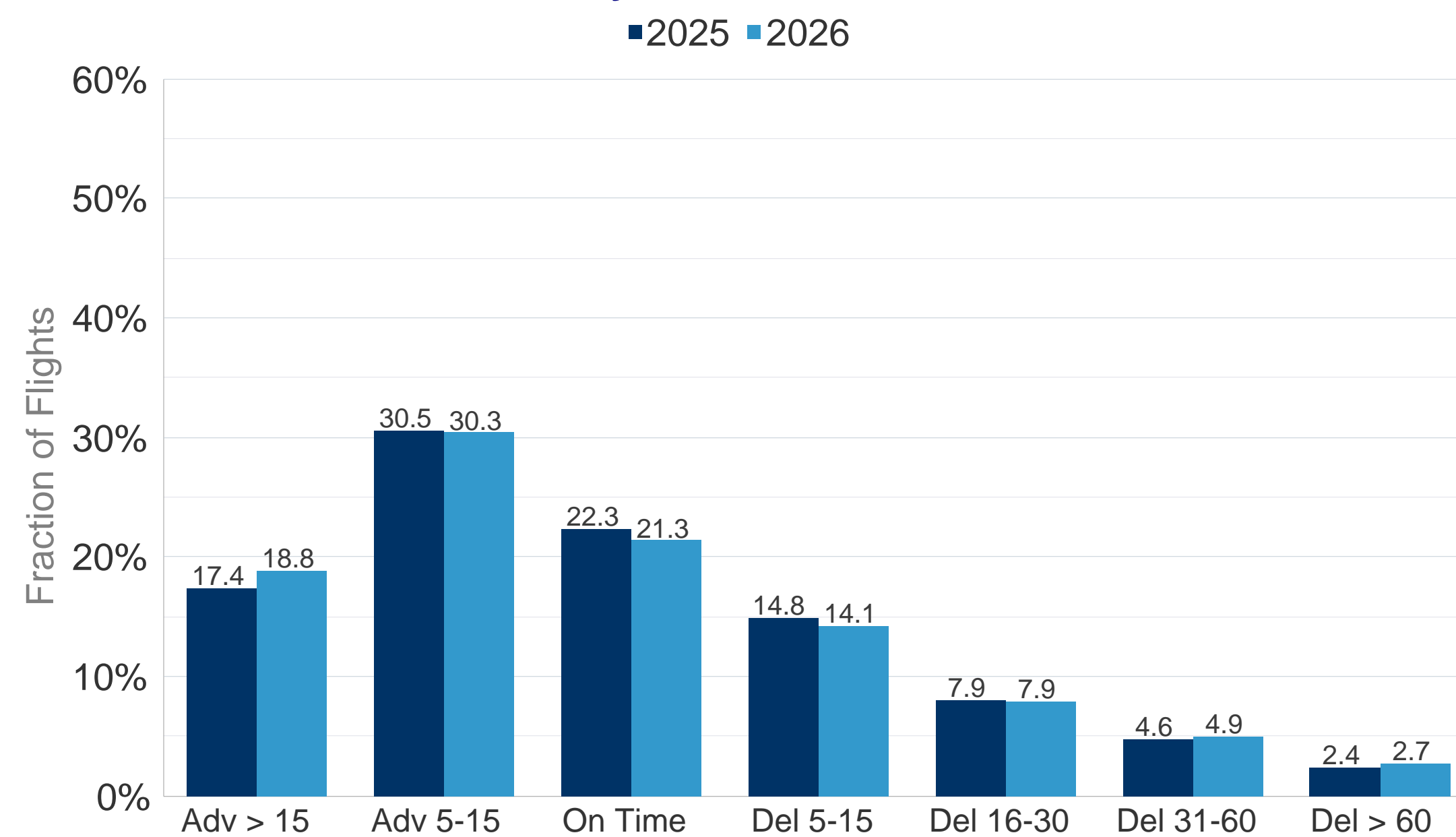
### Delay from 1 minute onwards categorized by IATA-DelayCodes as :

- Reactionary : Codes 90-96
- Airline : Codes 0 to 69, 97
- ATFM Airport : Codes 83, 89
- ATFM En-Route : Codes 81 (incl. ATFM Weather) , 82
- Government : Codes 85, 86
- ATFM Weather : Codes 84
- Other Weather : Codes 71 to 79
- Other Airport : Codes 87,88
- Misc : Codes 98, 99

### All Causes Departure Punctuality - March 2026



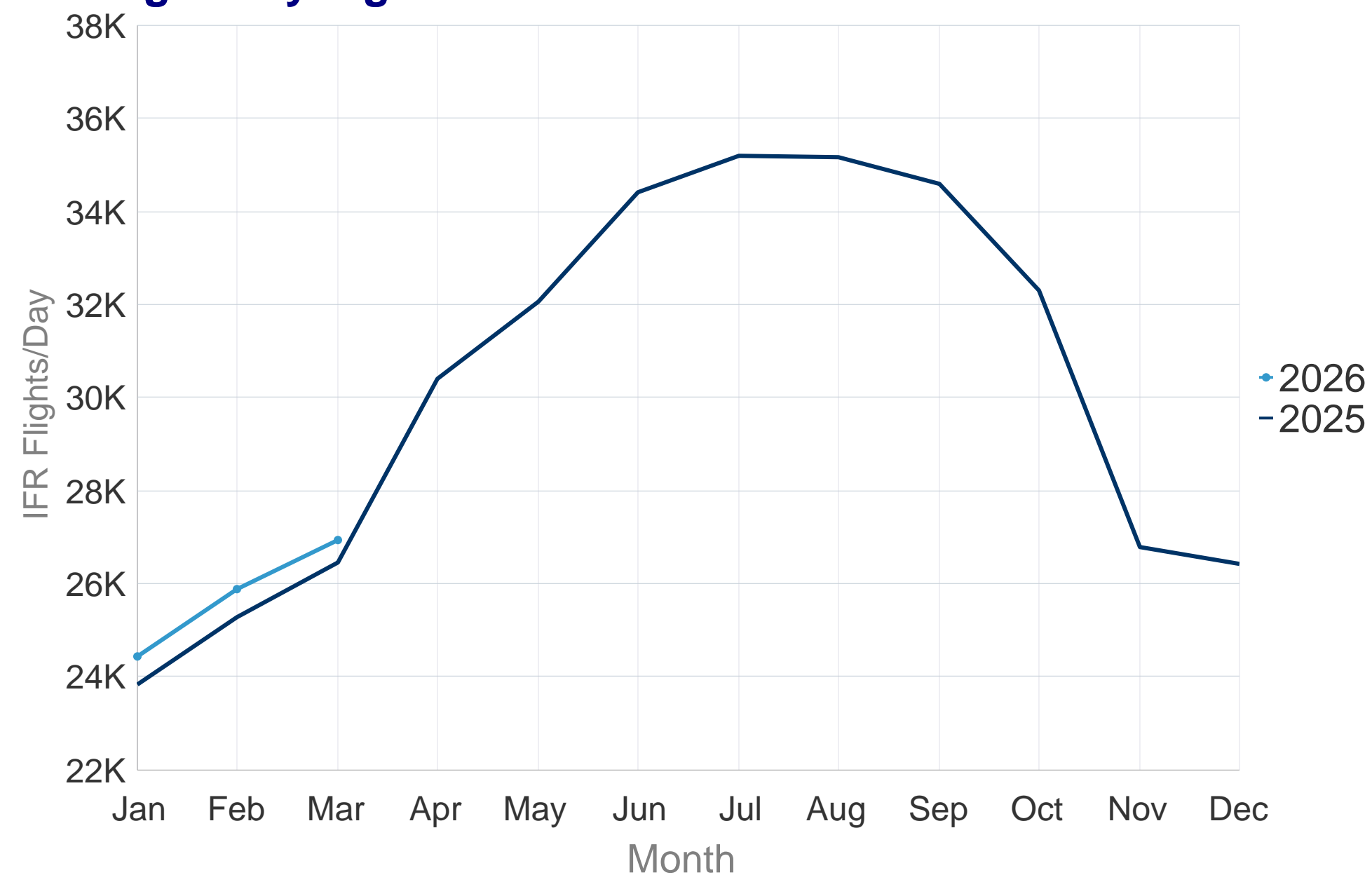
### All Causes Arrival Punctuality - March 2026



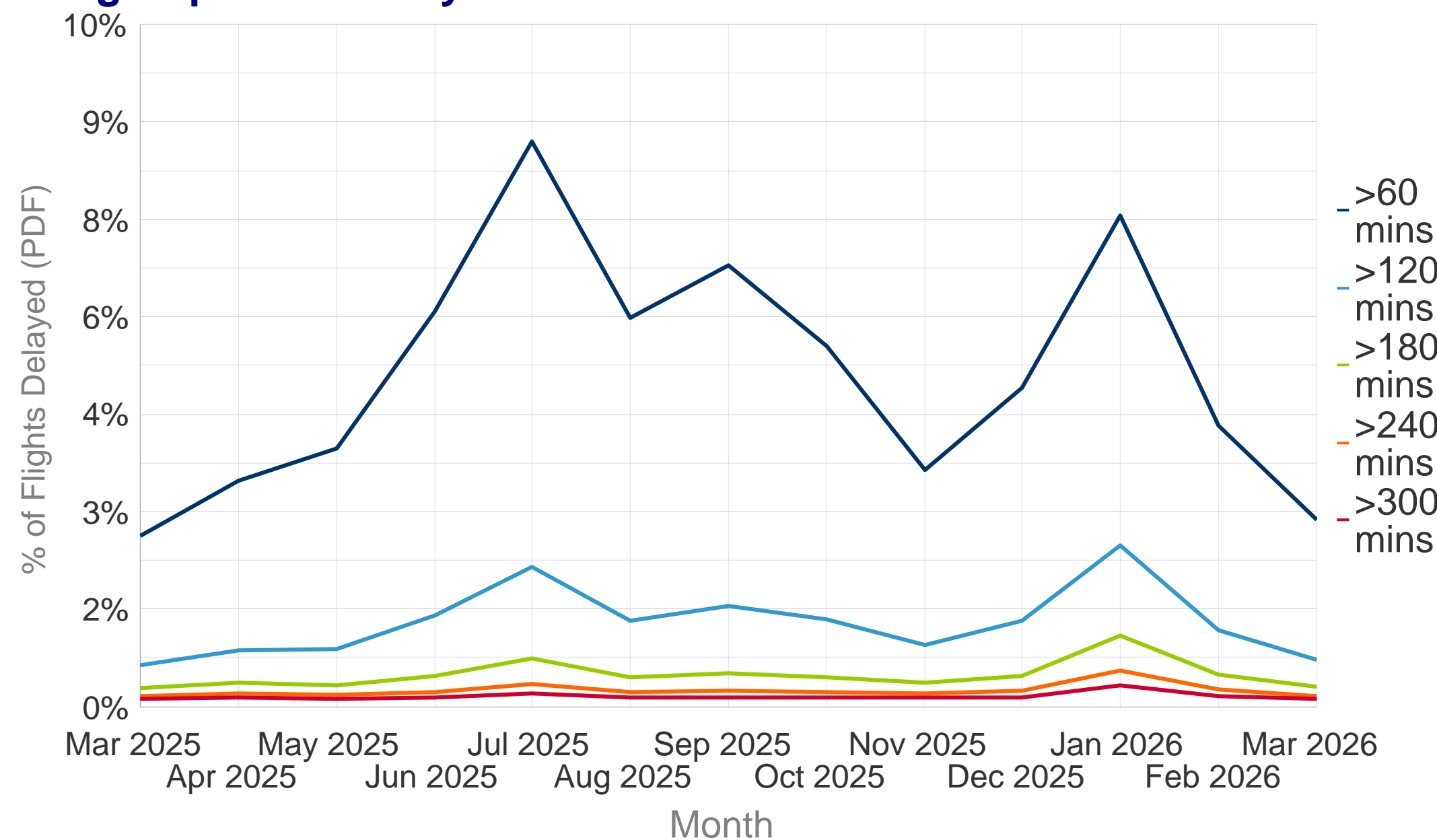
In March 2026, 36.7% of the flights departed within the 5 minutes threshold before or after the scheduled departure time (STD); a decrease of 0.3 points from 37.0% compared to previous year. Flights delayed >30 minutes from all-causes increased from 7.9% to 8.1%.

In March 2026, 21.3% of the flights arrived within the 5 minutes threshold before or after the scheduled arrival time (STA); a decrease of 1.0 points from 22.3% compared to previous year. Flights delayed >30 minutes from all-causes increased from 7.0% to 7.6%.

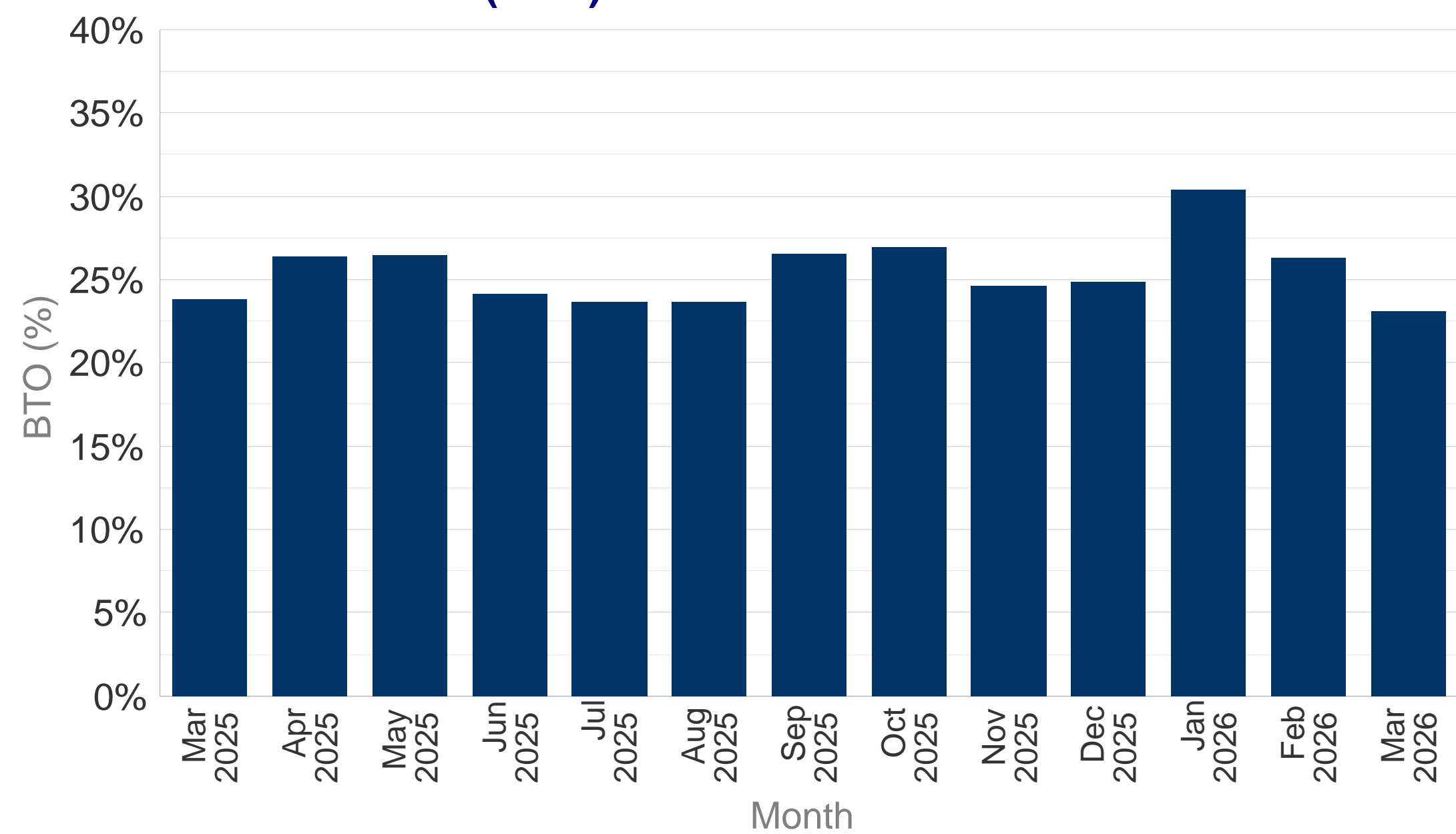
### Average daily flights for ECAC. All flows



### Long Departure Delays All-Causes



### Block Time Overshoot (BTO)



### Delay Difference Indicator - Flight (DDI-F)

