

# September 2022 Monthly traffic update

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of pre-COVID  
equivalent

In September 2022, total passenger volumes at Auckland Airport were 71% of the pre-COVID equivalent<sup>1</sup> in the financial year to 30 June 2019, the last full year not impacted by the COVID pandemic. International passengers (excl. transits) were 58% of the pre-COVID equivalent in September 2018 with transit passengers and domestic passengers at 53% and 87% respectively.

## Key Points:

- The international passenger recovery continued in September with international passenger movements for the month recovering to 58% of the pre-COVID equivalent, an increase from the 54% recovery in August 2022;
- Short-haul international passenger movements were 70% of the pre-COVID equivalent, with Australia 68% and Pacific Islands 76%. Long-haul international passenger movements were 41% of pre-COVID equivalent and up from 36% recovery in the prior month;
- Domestic passenger movements in September 2022 were 87% of the pre-COVID equivalent, an increase from the 84% recovery in August 2022; and
- Queenstown airport passenger numbers have recovered to exceed pre-COVID equivalent levels with international passengers 112% of pre-COVID and domestic passengers 109%.

## AUCKLAND AIRPORT

### Passenger Movements

	Current month	Pre-COVID equivalent	% of pre-COVID equivalent	Financial YTD	Pre-COVID financial YTD	% of pre-COVID equivalent	Rolling 12 month total	Pre-COVID 12 month total	% of pre-COVID equivalent
Total international (excl. Transits)	462,687	798,476	58%	1,337,181	2,483,348	54%	2,421,375	10,327,297	23%
Transit movements	47,034	88,758	53%	129,562	266,328	49%	215,464	1,050,032	21%
<b>Total international passengers</b>	<b>509,721</b>	<b>887,234</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>1,466,743</b>	<b>2,749,676</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>2,636,839</b>	<b>11,377,329</b>	<b>23%</b>
Total domestic passengers	666,209	762,679	87%	1,994,417	2,320,873	86%	5,156,207	9,376,727	55%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>1,175,930</b>	<b>1,649,913</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>3,461,160</b>	<b>5,070,549</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>7,793,046</b>	<b>20,754,056</b>	<b>38%</b>

### Top 10 arrivals by country of last residence

New Zealand	136,733	221,121	62%	405,761	717,708	57%	680,355	2,372,079	29%
Australia	54,414	68,324	80%	144,695	189,887	76%	278,552	860,541	32%
United States of America	6,643	12,273	54%	18,850	37,922	50%	32,337	274,850	12%
United Kingdom	5,392	7,691	70%	13,446	22,732	59%	29,406	188,921	16%
China, People's Republic of	3,122	28,728	11%	7,837	85,191	9%	12,707	398,360	3%
India	2,062	4,096	50%	4,635	12,002	39%	9,950	63,088	16%
Fiji	1,833	1,919	96%	4,716	5,644	84%	7,276	28,639	25%
Germany	1,699	4,556	37%	3,377	10,702	32%	5,229	75,809	7%
Canada	1,589	2,478	64%	3,954	7,165	55%	7,982	59,006	14%
Malaysia	1,585	4,919	32%	3,628	12,652	29%	5,428	47,867	11%

### Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	2,818	4,493	63%	8,478	14,097	60%	22,619	56,209	40%
Domestic aircraft movements	8,115	9,642	84%	24,078	29,588	81%	76,831	119,229	64%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>10,933</b>	<b>14,135</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>32,556</b>	<b>43,685</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>99,450</b>	<b>175,438</b>	<b>57%</b>

### MCTOW (tonnes) 2

International MCTOW	270,285	459,118	59%	805,637	1,425,369	57%	2,428,838	5,831,766	42%
Domestic MCTOW	159,915	189,596	84%	486,654	587,020	83%	1,512,171	2,349,498	64%
<b>Total MCTOW</b>	<b>430,199</b>	<b>648,714</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>1,292,291</b>	<b>2,012,389</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>3,941,009</b>	<b>8,181,264</b>	<b>48%</b>

### Cargo (tonnes)

International Export	6,525	7,079	92%	19,204	20,055	96%	84,086	83,422	101%
International Import	7,813	8,780	89%	23,131	27,252	85%	95,246	90,724	105%
<b>Total Cargo</b>	<b>14,338</b>	<b>15,859</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>42,335</b>	<b>47,307</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>179,332</b>	<b>174,146</b>	<b>103%</b>

## QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT

### Passenger Movements

	Current month	Pre-COVID equivalent	% of pre-COVID equivalent	Financial YTD	Pre-COVID financial YTD	% of pre-COVID equivalent	Rolling 12 month total	Pre-COVID 12 month total	% of pre-COVID equivalent
Total international passengers	61,819	55,227	112%	195,335	200,727	97%	220,264	594,219	37%
Total domestic passengers	133,963	122,599	109%	427,712	395,349	108%	1,232,170	1,568,989	79%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>195,782</b>	<b>177,826</b>	<b>110%</b>	<b>623,047</b>	<b>596,076</b>	<b>105%</b>	<b>1,452,434</b>	<b>2,163,208</b>	<b>67%</b>
International aircraft movements	447	416	107%	1,403	1,490	94%	1,596	4,446	36%
Domestic aircraft movements	951	948	100%	2,958	3,036	97%	10,138	11,764	86%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>1,398</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>102%</b>	<b>4,361</b>	<b>4,526</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>11,734</b>	<b>16,210</b>	<b>72%</b>

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### Key Points:

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- October saw American Airlines and United Airlines return to Auckland and Air New Zealand restart its Chicago services, lifting performance on the North American market with passenger demand at 74% of October 2018. Air Canada and Air Asia X return to Auckland during November;
- Domestic passenger movements in October 2022 were 86% of the pre-COVID equivalent, a higher rate of recovery than seat capacity of 82% resulting in load factors hitting 7 year highs of 90% across the domestic network; and
- Queenstown airport passenger numbers have recovered to exceed pre-COVID equivalent levels with international passenger 110% of pre-COVID and domestic passengers 103%.

### AUCKLAND AIRPORT

#### Passenger Movements

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Total international (excl. Transits)	534,815	877,035	61%	1,871,996	3,360,383	56%	2,938,085	10,353,814	28%
Transit movements	46,300	86,884	53%	175,862	353,212	50%	261,008	1,042,842	25%
<b>Total international passengers</b>	<b>581,115</b>	<b>963,919</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>2,047,858</b>	<b>3,713,595</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>3,199,093</b>	<b>11,396,656</b>	<b>28%</b>
Total domestic passengers	707,388	819,440	86%	2,701,805	3,140,313	86%	5,840,774	9,400,296	62%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>1,288,503</b>	<b>1,783,359</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>4,749,663</b>	<b>6,853,908</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>9,039,867</b>	<b>20,796,952</b>	<b>43%</b>

#### Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	3,091	4,796	64%	11,569	18,893	61%	24,408	56,319	43%
Domestic aircraft movements	8,738	10,585	83%	32,816	40,173	82%	84,263	119,577	70%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>11,829</b>	<b>15,381</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>44,385</b>	<b>59,066</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>108,671</b>	<b>175,896</b>	<b>62%</b>

#### MCTOW (tonnes)<sup>2</sup>

International MCTOW	295,952	491,319	60%	1,101,590	1,916,689	57%	2,575,827	5,846,099	44%
Domestic MCTOW	167,984	200,877	84%	654,638	787,896	83%	1,656,204	2,350,653	70%
<b>Total MCTOW</b>	<b>463,936</b>	<b>692,196</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>1,756,227</b>	<b>2,704,585</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>4,232,031</b>	<b>8,196,752</b>	<b>52%</b>

### QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT

#### Passenger Movements

	Current month	Pre-COVID equivalent	% of pre-COVID equivalent	Financial YTD	Pre-COVID financial YTD	% of pre-COVID equivalent	Rolling 12 month total	Pre-COVID 12 month total	% of pre-COVID equivalent
Total international passengers	50,884	46,321	110%	246,219	247,048	100%	271,148	599,900	45%
Total domestic passengers	135,519	131,387	103%	563,231	526,736	107%	1,313,109	1,581,338	83%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>186,403</b>	<b>177,708</b>	<b>105%</b>	<b>809,450</b>	<b>773,784</b>	<b>105%</b>	<b>1,584,257</b>	<b>2,181,238</b>	<b>73%</b>

International aircraft movements	389	348	112%	1,792	1,838	97%	1,985	4,474	44%
Domestic aircraft movements	960	1,018	94%	3,918	4,054	97%	10,634	11,864	90%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>1,349</b>	<b>1,366</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>5,710</b>	<b>5,892</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>12,619</b>	<b>16,338</b>	<b>77%</b>

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