

20 November 2015

Sydney Airport Traffic Performance October 2015

Pax (‘000s) ¹	Monthly performance			Year to date performance		
	Oct-15	Oct-14	Growth (%)	YTD-15	YTD-14	Growth (%)
Domestic	2,347	2,350	-0.1%	21,369	20,992	+1.8%
International ²	1,176	1,119	+5.1%	11,207	10,809	+3.7%
Total	3,524	3,469	+1.6%	32,576	31,801	+2.4%

¹ Contains estimates with any adjustments to preliminary statistics to be included in the year to date results in future months.

² International includes Domestic-On-Carriage due to immateriality.

Sydney Airport Managing Director and CEO Kerrie Mather said, “Sydney Airport international passenger traffic continued to perform strongly during October growing 5.1% compared to the prior corresponding period (pcp). This result was driven by a 2.6 percentage point improvement in load factors and a 1.5% growth in seat capacity.

“Foreign nationality demand (+6.8%) contributed to the international passenger growth, with Chinese (+23.6%), Hong Kong (+32.4%), Philippine (+43.6%), Indian (+11.9%) and Korean (+9.5%) nationalities performing well. Chinese growth was significantly higher than our four year average growth rate of 16.4% due to strong Golden Week demand which runs annually in the first week in October.

Australian outbound also grew strongly (+3.7%), as a result of increased demand over the school holiday period. The Philippines (+26.7%), Singapore (+16.5%), UAE (+12.1%) and Hong Kong (+9.2%) were amongst the fastest growing destinations for Australian visitors, due to significant seat capacity increases. Thailand (+8.2%), Chile (+19.2%) and UK (+7.9%) were also popular holiday destinations compared to the pcp.

“Domestic passengers declined marginally by 0.1% compared to the pcp as a result of a 0.4% increase in seat capacity and 0.5 percentage point reduction in load factors.

“This month Sydney Airport was pleased to announce our sixth new international airline commencing services in 2015. Hainan Airlines will serve Xi’an-Sydney twice weekly commencing 24 December until late March, subject to government approval. The route will be operated by an A330-200 aircraft with 222 seats and contribute approximately 11,500 seats. Hainan Airlines will be Sydney Airport’s sixth

Chinese mainland airline serving eight destinations across mainland China, making Sydney Airport the world's leading airport for long haul Chinese airlines.”

Key Points

- Commencing 30 November, Vietnam Airlines will upgauge its A330-200 from Ho Chi Minh, to a B777-200ER, adding approximately 15% more capacity on this daily service.
- On 26 October, Qantas commenced four additional frequencies to Hong Kong, increasing from seven to 11 weekly on its A330. This service will add over 110,000 seats per annum.
- On 1 October, Cathay Pacific upgauged its second daily service from Hong Kong from an A330-300 to a B777-300ER. This upgauge will add an incremental 90 seats per movement or an additional 8% capacity on the route annually.

Top 10 Nationalities Travelling Through Sydney Airport

Rank	Nationality	Oct-15	YTD-15	Rank	Nationality	Oct-15	YTD-15
1	Australia	+3.7%	+2.8%	6	Korea	+9.5%	+3.3%
2	New Zealand	-2.1%	+0.9%	7	India	+11.9%	+15.7%
3	China	+23.6%	+16.5%	8	Japan	-4.2%	-4.5%
4	UK	+5.0%	-0.2%	9	Malaysia	-7.1%	+1.3%
5	USA	+4.3%	+5.3%	10	Germany	+3.2%	-2.8%

Last 12 Months Traffic Data

('000s)													Total	Total	Growth
	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-14-Oct-15	Nov-13-Oct-14	%
Dom	2,174	2,185	2,090	1,948	2,204	2,119	2,049	1,983	2,279	2,150	2,201	2,347	25,728	25,322	+1.6%
Int	1,073	1,264	1,308	1,046	1,123	1,086	995	1,047	1,185	1,106	1,135	1,176	13,544	13,101	+3.4%
Total	3,247	3,449	3,399	2,994	3,327	3,205	3,044	3,030	3,464	3,256	3,335	3,524	39,273	38,423	+2.2%

All data is for arriving and departing passengers. All data is taken from management accounts, is provisional and subject to revision. All data has been rounded to the nearest thousand and in some instances the total may not be equal to the sum of the parts. Percentage changes have been calculated based on actual figure.

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