



## ASX Release

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### MAp TRAFFIC PERFORMANCE SEPTEMBER 2010

MAp today released its monthly report on traffic performance at its airports for September 2010.

Key Traffic Results	
Airport	Traffic Performance
Sydney	7.8% increase on pcp
- Domestic/Regional	7.2% increase on pcp
- International	8.9% increase on pcp
Copenhagen	12.3% increase on pcp
- Domestic	17.4% increase on pcp
- International	9.7% increase on pcp
- Transfer	17.9% increase on pcp
Brussels	4.1% increase on pcp
- Intra-EU	0.5% increase on pcp
- Extra-EU	10.8% increase on pcp

*All data is taken from management accounts, is provisional and subject to revision*

MAp Chief Executive Officer, Ms Kerrie Mather, said, "September was another strong month for traffic across MAp's airports. Sydney and Copenhagen continue to deliver record-breaking performances whilst Brussels Airport traffic experienced its strongest growth rate since February this year despite the impact of an air traffic controllers' strike.

"Sydney Airport continues to break records, with its strongest ever September for international, domestic and total traffic. Average daily passengers exceeded 100,000 for the first time. All domestic carriers continued to enjoy strong passenger growth whilst international traffic continued to benefit from high levels of Australian outbound travel, along with strong inbound growth from Korea, China and New Zealand.

"Copenhagen Airport continued to benefit from strong traffic growth. Over two million passengers passed through the airport, a September record. International growth continues to be driven by strong intercontinental performance from the new routes to North America, the Middle East and Africa. Domestic growth also continues to be very strong. There were a number of new capacity announcements during the month from the likes of Norwegian, Ukrainian-based AeroSvit and German-based Ostfriesische Lufttransport. easyJet also announced that it would be the first airline to officially operate from CPH GO, the new low cost facility, when it opens at the end of October.

"Brussels Airport's underlying traffic growth, excluding Belgocontrol's strike effect, would have been approximately 6.4% versus the previous corresponding period. The airport continues to benefit from strong long haul traffic growth reflecting high load factors and the introduction of new services. Moreover, the continuing recovery by a number of short-haul full service carriers and growth in the low cost segment is reflected in the underlying intra-EU traffic performance," Ms Mather added.

## Sydney Airport

### Key Points:

- Total passenger traffic for September is estimated to have increased 7.8% on the pcp, with domestic traffic estimated to be up 7.2% on the pcp and international traffic (excluding domestic on-carriage) up 8.9% on the pcp.
- Australia was the major market which grew (+13%) together with traveller growth from Korea (+41%), China (+20%), New Zealand (+9%), India (+5%) and Canada (+2%). Germany (-5%), the UK (-5%), France (-3%), the USA (-3%) and Japan (-2%) were the major markets that declined.
- Jetstar announced a range of capacity increases including an intention to add 45 weekly services to capital city and holiday destinations; adding an additional daily service to both Hobart and Cairns, flying three times daily to each destination from December 2010 and April 2011 respectively; adding an additional four weekly services to Perth, flying eleven times weekly by early 2011; and increasing capacity from major Australian hubs to Darwin in order to support its intended weekly Darwin-Manila service by early 2011.
- LAN will introduce an additional weekly service to Santiago, flying daily from November 2010.
- AirAsiaX continues to lobby the Malaysian government to approve the airline commencing services to Sydney. The airline's new A330 aircraft, named 'Southern Xross' and will feature an image of the Sydney Opera House.

	Month			Year to Date			Moving Annual Total		
			Growth	Jan-10	Jan-09	Growth	Oct-09	Oct-08	Growth
('000)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)
Domestic	2,051	1,913	+7.2%	17,761	16,273	+9.1%	23,841	22,010	+8.3%
International <sup>1</sup>	945	868	+8.9%	8,275	7,629	+8.5%	11,205	10,273	+9.1%
Domestic-On-Carriage	7	6	+24.3%	82	59	+38.7%	108	101	+7.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,003</b>	<b>2,787</b>	<b>+7.8%</b>	<b>26,118</b>	<b>23,962</b>	<b>+9.0%</b>	<b>35,154</b>	<b>32,384</b>	<b>+8.6%</b>

<sup>1</sup> International excludes Domestic-On-Carriage.

Any adjustments to preliminary statistics will be included in the year to date results in future months.

## Copenhagen Airport

### Key Points:

- September traffic was 12.3% higher than the pcp with just over two million passengers passing through the airport, the first time that benchmark has been exceeded in September.
- International O&D traffic was 9.7% up on the pcp, whilst domestic O&D traffic was 17.4% up on the pcp. International, performance continues to be driven by growth across all sectors, but especially by the ongoing impact of new North American, Middle Eastern and African routes. Domestic traffic continues to perform very well with strong growth on the routes to Karup (+80% on the pcp), Billund (+30%), Arhus (+21%) and Rønne (+18%).
- Transfer traffic, 17.9% above the pcp, continues to benefit from the strategic partnership with SAS which involves a reduction in minimum connection time from 40 to 30 minutes. Supporting Copenhagen's position as a key northern European hub, transfer traffic increased on many Scandinavian feeder routes.
- easyJet has announced that it will commence operations from CPH GO, Copenhagen Airport's new low cost facility which is due to open on 31 October 2010. easyJet will be the first airline to officially operate from the facility.
- Norwegian will commence a new service to Helsinki in May 2011, with 11 weekly frequencies.
- Ukrainian-based airline AeroSvit has announced that it will commence a new service between Copenhagen and Kiev at the end of October 2010.
- Ostfriesische Lufttransport (OLT), a German regional airline, will launch a new service between Copenhagen and Nuremberg in November 2010, with six weekly frequencies, rising to 13 in summer 2011.

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('000)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)
Domestic <sup>2</sup>	164	140	+17.4%	1,332	1,057	+26.1%	1,726	1,384	+24.7%
International <sup>2</sup>	1,330	1,213	+9.7%	10,869	10,205	+6.5%	14,007	13,291	+5.4%
Transfer <sup>2</sup>	524	444	+17.9%	4,044	3,759	+7.6%	5,207	5,024	+3.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,018</b>	<b>1,797</b>	<b>+12.3%</b>	<b>16,246</b>	<b>15,020</b>	<b>+8.2%</b>	<b>20,941</b>	<b>19,699</b>	<b>+6.3%</b>

<sup>2</sup> Note that domestic and international traffic is point to point only. Transfer traffic is shown separately. The figures exclude other traffic (Military, VIP etc)

## Brussels Airport

### Key Points:

- Total traffic for September was 4.1% higher than the pcp, primarily as a result of good performance by long haul carriers, as well as a strong growth on a number of short haul routes operated by both full service and low cost carriers. The strong growth has been partially offset by flight cancellations due to a non-union supported strike by Belgocontrol (the Belgian airspace control agency) which caused the closure of Belgian airspace for several hours on 28 September 2010. Underlying traffic growth, excluding the effect of the strike, is estimated at 6.4%.
- Extra-EU traffic was 10.8% above the pcp. The strong performance in the segment was driven predominantly by the continuing effect of the launch of new long haul services by Brussels Airlines facilitated by introduction of their fifth Airbus A330, as well as new routes to Chicago (United Airlines), Montreal (Air Canada) and Shanghai (Hainan Airlines). In addition, most carriers continued to experience higher load factors.
- Intra-EU traffic was 0.5% above the pcp. This growth reflects continuing traffic recovery from a number of full service carriers operating on short haul routes and ongoing growth in the low cost segment. In both cases, growth has been driven by strong load factors and the introduction of additional services. Traffic growth in this segment was most affected by the Belgocontrol strike which coincided with a period in the daily schedule with a high proportion of intra-EU services.
- In September Ukraine International Airlines has resumed its five weekly service to Kiev and Middle East Airlines have decided to continue operating their three weekly service to Beirut through the winter season. Recently Brussels Airport welcomed further new route announcements to Liverpool by easyJet (six weekly from February 2011), as well as Bern and Angers by Skyworks Airlines (four weekly from February 2011).

	Month			Year to Date			Moving Annual Total		
	Jan-10	Jan-09	Growth (%)	Oct-09	Oct-08	Growth (%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	Growth (%)
	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)	Sep-10	Sep-09	(%)
Intra-EU	1,064	1,059	+0.5%	8,022	8,319	-3.6%	10,445	10,896	-4.1%
Extra-EU	625	564	+10.8%	5,038	4,804	+4.9%	6,491	6,227	+4.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,690</b>	<b>1,623</b>	<b>+4.1%</b>	<b>13,060</b>	<b>13,123</b>	<b>-0.5%</b>	<b>16,936</b>	<b>17,123</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>

## Traffic Data

	2009	2009	2009	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	2010	MAT <sup>1</sup>
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct 09 – Sep 10
<b>Sydney</b>													
Domestic/ regional <sup>2</sup>	2,098	2,002	1,980	1,896	1,875	2,049	1,999	1,903	1,870	2,085	2,033	2,051	23,841
International	973	892	1,066	1,097	880	916	879	791	853	1,003	912	945	11,205
Domestic-On- Carriage	8	8	12	13	10	8	10	9	8	9	7	7	108
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,078</b>	<b>2,901</b>	<b>3,057</b>	<b>3,006</b>	<b>2,764</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>2,887</b>	<b>2,703</b>	<b>2,731</b>	<b>3,098</b>	<b>2,952</b>	<b>3,003</b>	<b>35,154</b>
<b>Copenhagen<sup>3</sup></b>													
Domestic	137	137	119	125	132	168	107	159	168	145	164	164	1,726
International	1,227	972	939	892	937	1,135	871	1,264	1,379	1,599	1,462	1,330	14,007
Transfer/Transit	445	396	322	367	375	474	337	474	544	473	476	524	5,207
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,810</b>	<b>1,505</b>	<b>1,381</b>	<b>1,384</b>	<b>1,443</b>	<b>1,776</b>	<b>1,316</b>	<b>1,897</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>2,217</b>	<b>2,101</b>	<b>2,018</b>	<b>20,941</b>
<b>Brussels</b>													
Intra-EU	947	779	697	621	680	808	700	994	1,002	1,111	1,042	1,064	10,445
Extra-EU	552	462	439	414	398	471	471	580	587	749	741	625	6,491
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>1,035</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>1,171</b>	<b>1,573</b>	<b>1,590</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>1,690</b>	<b>16,936</b>
CDP <sup>4</sup>	653	529	502	414	470	553	531	698	708	873	675	706	7,311

Note: All data unless noted is for arriving and departing passengers (000s).

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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 figures and not based on rounded balances.

<sup>1</sup>MAT refers to Moving Annual Total

<sup>2</sup>Sydney data contains estimates with adjustments made to preliminary data in later months.

<sup>3</sup>Note that domestic and international traffic is origin and destination only. Transfer traffic is shown separately. The figures exclude other traffic (Military, VIP etc) and have been adjusted to conform with current year presentation.

<sup>4</sup>Chargeable Departing Passengers

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**Attachment 1 – Copenhagen Airports Traffic Release – September 2010 – Newcastle**

Passenger traffic decreased by 2.7% on the pcp



PASSENGERS	Traffic Distribution - Month			Traffic distribution - Year to date		
	SEP 2010	SEP 2009	Change (%)	Year to date 2010	Year to date 2009	Change (%)
<b>Scheduled</b>						
International	59,400	50,698	17.2%	471,284	432,441	9.0%
Domestic	82,272	84,091	-2.2%	600,758	675,324	-11.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>141,672</b>	<b>134,789</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>1,072,042</b>	<b>1,107,765</b>	<b>-3.2%</b>
<b>Charter</b>						
International	172,273	189,189	-8.9%	1,026,797	1,101,303	-6.8%
Domestic	0	0		0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>172,273</b>	<b>189,189</b>	<b>-8.9%</b>	<b>1,026,797</b>	<b>1,101,303</b>	<b>-6.8%</b>
<b>Low Cost</b>						
International	143,981	143,603	0.3%	1,004,349	1,050,229	-4.4%
Domestic	37,656	41,290	-8.8%	343,829	389,206	-11.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>181,637</b>	<b>184,893</b>	<b>-1.8%</b>	<b>1,348,178</b>	<b>1,439,435</b>	<b>-6.3%</b>
<b>Other</b>						
Total Other	970	1,639	-40.8%	26,119	16,382	59.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>1,639</b>	<b>-40.8%</b>	<b>26,119</b>	<b>16,382</b>	<b>59.4%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>						
International	376,624	385,129	-2.2%	2,528,549	2,600,355	-2.8%
Domestic	119,928	125,381	-4.3%	944,587	1,064,530	-11.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>496,552</b>	<b>510,510</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>	<b>3,473,136</b>	<b>3,664,885</b>	<b>-5.2%</b>