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#### SUMMARY OF PASSENGER AND FREIGHT TRAFFIC

Passenger and freight traffic

LOAD FACTOR

81.9%

Revenue Passenger-Kilometers (millions): **8,329,776** 

Available Seat-Kilometers (millions): **10,174,828** 



LOAD FACTOR

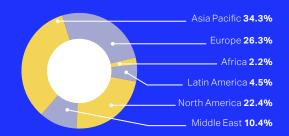
49.3%

Freight and Mail Tonne-Kilometers (millions): **262,333** 

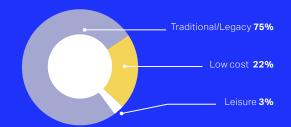
Available Freight Tonne Kilometers (millions): **532,000** 



World scheduled passenger and freight traffic by region of airline domicile – Revenue Tonne-Kilometres (millions)

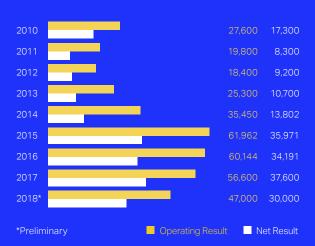


#### Share of Revenue Passenger- Kilometres by Airline Type



### **OPERATING AND NET RESULTS**

(US\$ millions)



#### **TOP AIRLINES BY RPK AND FTK**

#### Top 10 Passenger (RPK)

| American Airlines           | 330,577 |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Delta Air Lines             | 330,034 |
| United Airlines             | 329,562 |
| Emirates                    | 302,298 |
| Southwest Airlines (2)      | 214,561 |
| China Southern Airlines (3) | 200,239 |
| Ryanair (4)                 | 170,900 |
| China Eastern Airlines      | 166,282 |
| Air China                   | 161,199 |
| Lufthansa (3)               | 158,986 |

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  Airline has additional notes, please refer to Ranking Table 4.1

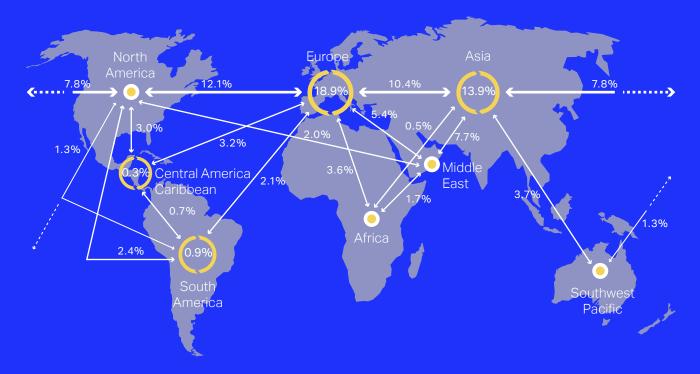
#### Top 10 Cargo (FTK)

| Federal Express             |   | 17,499 |
|-----------------------------|---|--------|
| Emirates                    |   | 12,713 |
| Qatar Airways               |   | 12,695 |
| United Parcel Service       |   | 12,459 |
| Cathay Pacific Airways      |   | 11,284 |
| Korean Air                  |   | 7,839  |
| Lufthansa (3)               |   | 7,394  |
| Cargolux                    |   | 7,322  |
| Air China                   |   | 7,051  |
| China Southern Airlines (3) | 1 | 6,597  |
|                             |   |        |

<sup>\*</sup> Airline has additional notes, please refer to Ranking Table 4.2

#### TRAFFIC BY ROUTE AREA

Percentage of international scheduled Revenue Passenger-Kilometers



# TRAFFIC BY ROUTE AREA

Percentage of international scheduled Freight Tonnes-Kilometers



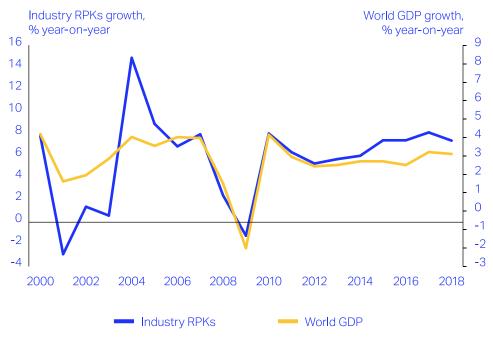


# **Industry Economic Analysis**

# Another solid year for air transport in 2018, despite a more challenging business environment

### Passenger demand showed robust growth again in 2018

In 2018, the demand for air passenger services remained solid, with industry-wide revenue passenger kilometers (RPKs) increasing by 7.4% over the year as a whole. Although this represents a slowdown from the decade-high pace recorded in 2017 (around 8%) it still exceeded the long-run industry average growth rate by around 2 percentage points. Air passenger demand was supported by a generally solid global economic backdrop, especially earlier in the year, which in turn supports jobs, incomes and business activity, as well as the strong competition in the industry which helps to ensure airfares remain affordable to travelers.



**Chart 1: RPK Versus World GDP Growth** 

Source: IATA, IMF

# China adds the most number of passenger journeys in 2018

With close to 4 billion origin-destination (O-D) passenger journeys worldwide in 2018, domestic routes within China again provided the largest incremental increase globally in the number of passenger trips, adding just under 50 million journeys. The domestic markets of the United States and India once more ranked second and third, with around 30 million and 18 million more passenger journeys, respectively. Of the main domestic markets that we regularly track, Domestic India showed the fastest growth, with the number of passengers increasing by 18.5% in 2018. Highlighting the consistently strong performance in this market, in October, India recorded its 50th consecutive month of double-digit year-on-year growth in RPKs.

Number of additional passengers (million) in 2018\_ 48.8 China domestic 31.4 **US** domestic 18.1 India domestic Indonesia domestic 8.8 5.9 Russia domestic Mexico domestic 4.6 4.0 Spain domestic 3.3 Japan domestic 3.1 Brazil domestic 2.7 Iran domestic 10 20 30 40 50 Absolute increase in O-D journeys (2018, million, year-on-year)

Chart 2: Top 10 Increasing O-D Markets in 2018

Source: IATA DDS



# Domestic US remains the world's largest single O-D passenger market in 2018

Although the domestic China market added more passenger journeys in 2018, the domestic US market continues to be the world's largest single market, with almost 590 million passenger journeys undertaken in 2018. Domestic China comes a close second, with 515 million, followed by domestic India some distance back, at 116 million. Unsurprisingly, the domestic markets dominate the ranking, with UK-Spain the first international country pairing at #10. The top 12 markets shown account for almost half of the total number of O-D passenger journeys in 2018.

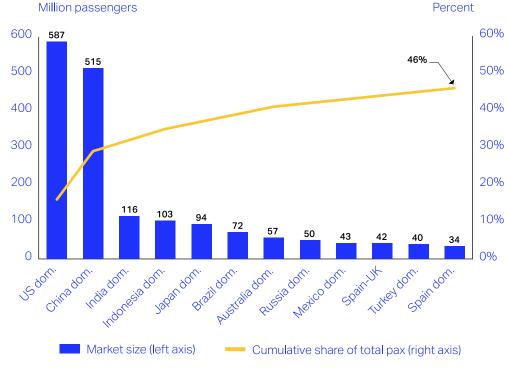


Chart 3: Largest O-D air passenger markets, 2018

Source: IATA DDS



### Air freight demand growth eases in 2018

Following a year of very strong growth in 2017, where industry-wide freight tonne kilometers (FTKs) increased by 9.7% buoyed by the global inventory restocking cycle, 2018 delivered a considerably weaker performance for air freight. FTKs increased by 3.4% last year overall, growing in line with global trade volumes despite trending broadly sideways in the first part of the year and actually contracting in Q4. This partly reflected the typical slowdown which follows an inventory rebuild, however, the second half of the year also saw the industry facing a number of headwinds including a moderation in world trade - in part a result of the heightened trade tensions between the US and China - and deterioration in some of the key leading indicators, such as the new export orders component of the global Purchasing Managers Index. Having said that, not all air freight sectors were equally affected with e-commerce and pharmaceuticals continuing to perform very strongly.

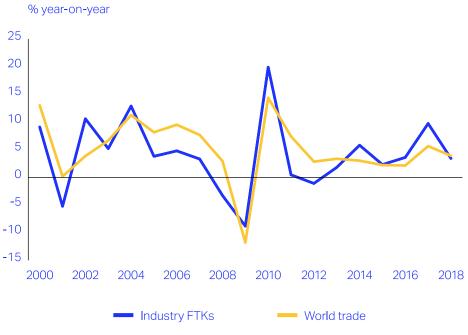


Chart 4: Air freight versus global goods trade growth

Source: IATA, Netherlands CPB



# Regional outcomes for passenger and freight demand were mixed

At a regional level, 2018 saw a varied performance in passenger and freight demand. On the passenger side, airlines from the Asia-Pacific led the way, with growth over the year of 9.5%, followed by Europe and Latin America. For freight, Latin American carriers were the outperformer, followed by the North American carriers. Freight volumes carried by the African airlines were stable in 2018, but this should be viewed in the context of the very strong 24% growth in 2017.

Growth Rate (%) 10 9 8 6 5 4 3 2 0 Africa Asia Latin Middle North Industry Europe East **Pacific** America America **RPKs FTKs** 

Chart 5: Regional passenger and freight demand outcomes

Source: IATA



# A new record high passenger load factor as demand growth exceeds capacity

On the passenger side, global available seat kilometers (ASKs) increased by 6.9% in 2018 compared with 2017, slightly slower than the increase observed in passenger demand (RPKs increased by 7.4% in the year). For freight, available freight tonne kilometers (AFTKs) grew by 4.5% year on year in 2018, easily outpacing the 3.4% growth in FTKs. As a result, the passenger load factor (PLF) ticked up slightly to a new record high level of 81.9% for the year. Putting this into context, the PLF has risen by more than 10 percentage points over the past 15 years. This increase has been an important structural change which has supported the improved industry financial performance of recent years (see also Chart 9). The freight load factor, however, fell by around one percentage point in 2018, partly unwinding the gain observed in 2017.

Passenger load factor (%) Freight load factor (%) Passenger load factor Freight load factor

Chart 6: Industry-wide passenger and freight load factors

Source: IATA



## A bumpy ride for oil prices in 2018

The jet fuel price opened the year around \$80/bbl and was relatively stable initially. From the end of Q1, fuel prices began to track upwards, increasing by more than 20%, to peak at \$96/bbl in October. In November and December however, market sentiment turned sharply on signs of a deteriorating global economic backdrop and strong supply from the US tight oil producers. Prices quickly tumbled, falling by 25% to end the year averaging around \$72 for the month of December. Prices have subsequently begun to recover in the early months of 2019. The sharp and unanticipated nature of the decline means that many airlines who hedge their fuel exposure are unlikely to have seen much benefit from the price adjustment so far.

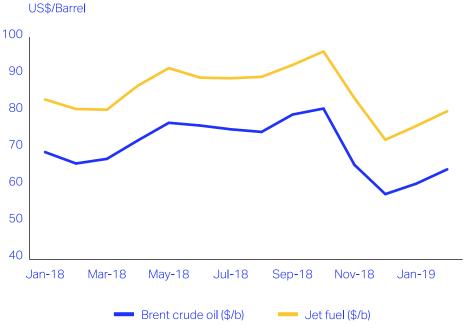


Chart 7: World oil and jet fuel prices, 2018

Source: Platts, EIA



# Airlines raised their achieved load factor, maintaining a gap above the breakeven level

With oil prices, interest rates, and such other key costs as labor rising further in 2018, the estimate for the industry-wide breakeven load factor increased to 65.9%. However, aided by the record high passenger load factor noted previously, the combined achieved load factor also rose, enabling airlines to maintain a solid gap above the level required for financial breakeven. The gap between the breakeven and achieved load factors is driving profitability and returns and was again a critical contribution to the industry's financial performance in 2018.

Chart 8: Breakeven and achieved load factors



Source: IATA, The Airline Analyst

Break-even load factor

Achieved load factor



# Another solid financial performance generates an above-cost-ofcapital return for the fourth consecutive year

2018 was another year of robust financial outcomes for the global airline industry. We estimate that airlines generated a net post-tax profit of \$30 billion in 2018, with an operating (EBIT) margin of 5.8%. Both are modestly lower than the outcomes for 2017, reflecting the more challenging business environment, particularly reflected in rising cost pressures.

Despite a moderation in industry-wide returns, to 8.0%, the industry's return on capital that exceeded its average costs of capital (which increased to 7.3%) for the fourth consecutive year. Creating value for investors on a more sustainable basis than the industry has managed to do historically will be an increasingly crucial element in attracting the capital necessary to fund fleet renewal and replacement in the years ahead.

% of invested capital 12 10 8 6 4 2 2008 2018 2000 2002 2004 2006 2010 2012 2014 2016 Return on capital (ROIC) Cost of capital (WACC)

Chart 9: Industry return on investment and the cost of capital

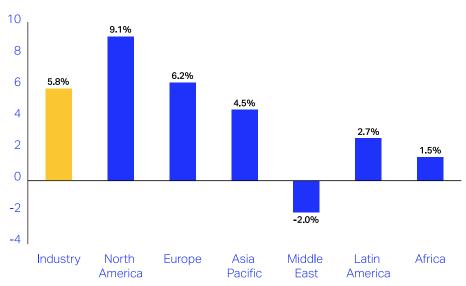
Source: IATA, Datastream, The Airline Analyst

# Regional financial performance remains mixed

Regionally, the industry's financial performance continues to vary considerably. The financial performance of the North American airlines continues to lead the way, delivering an operating (EBIT) margin of 9.1% in 2018. Europe, Asia-Pacific and Latin America are also showing a solid profit performance, while carriers in both the Middle East and Africa are facing a particularly challenging operating environment.

Chart 10: Regional profit performance





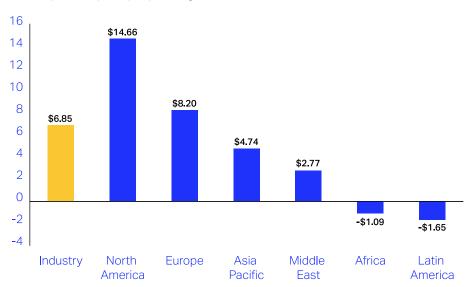
Source: IATA, The Airline Analyst



On a per passenger basis, the airline industry is a high volume, but low margin industry. Highlighting this, and presenting an alternative perspective on regional airline profitability is to consider net profits on a per passenger basis. On this measure, the industry generates a modest \$6.85 per passenger. Regionally, the North American carriers are also the best performers on this measure, earning around \$14.66 per passenger. At the other end of the spectrum are airlines in Africa and Latin America who, are losing \$1.09 and \$1.65, respectively on average for every passenger they carry.

Chart 11: Airline profitability per passenger, 2018

Net post-tax profit per passenger (\$US)



Source: IATA, The Airline Analyst

### Air transport connects more cities at a lower cost

In 2018, airlines continued to increase their number of city-pair routes served globally. Almost 22,000 city pairs are now connected by airlines through regular services. This is an increase of 1,300 over the number of city-pair connections in 2017. The strong improvement in connectivity over the past two decades combined with lower costs – the real (that is, inflation-adjusted) cost of air transport declined further in 2018 – help to ensure that the 'business of freedom' benefits aviation can bring to consumers, suppliers, and the broader economy are widely distributed globally. The real cost of air transport has halved over the past twenty years.

Number of unique city pairs US\$/RTK (2014 prices) 22,000 1.6 1.5 20,000 1.4 18,000 1.3 1.2 16,000 1,1 14,000 1.0 0.9 12,000 8.0 10,000 0.7 8,000 0.6 2006 2000 2002 2004 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 Unique city pairs Real transport cost

Chart 12: Unique city pairs and the real cost of air transport

Source: IATA, ICAO, Boeing, SRS Analyser



# Air transport supports economic growth and prosperity through tourism and trade

Air transport plays an important part in supporting developments in world tourism and trade. International tourists traveling by air are estimated to have spent around \$850 billion in 2018, an increase of more than 10% over 2017. The additional number of city pair connections and cheaper cost of air transport also boosts trade in goods and services and heightens foreign direct investment and other important economic flows. Air transport accounts for only a very small proportion of world trade by volume (<1%) but a much larger share by value (~33%); in 2018 the value of goods carried by air is estimated at around \$6.7 trillion.

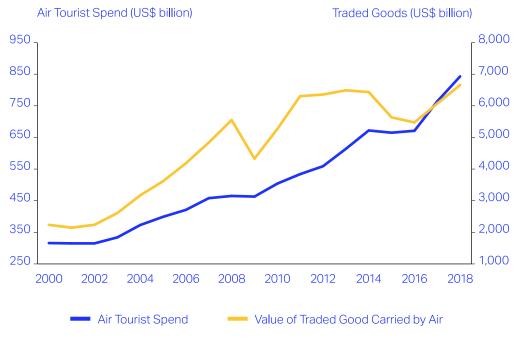


Chart 13: Air tourist spending and the value of trade by air

Source: IATA, WTTC, IHS

# Air travel is more accessible for more people

Worldwide air passenger numbers continued to rise, reaching 4.4 billion journeys in 2018. Connecting cities directly cuts the cost of air transport by saving time for both shippers and travelers. Combined with cheaper fares this enables more people to fly more often. In 2000, the average citizen flew just once every 44 months. By 2018, however, the time between trips had halved to just 21 months.

Billion air passengers per year Months between flights 50 5.0 4.5 45 40 4.0 35 3.5 30 3.0 2.5 25 20 2.0 15 1.5 10 1.0 2000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 Scheduled air passengers (billion) Number of months before next trip

Chart 14: Accessibility of air travel

Source: IATA, ICAO, IMF



# Demand for Air Transport 2018

This section outlines, in summary, traffic and capacity trends of the global air transport industry. The operational statistics are presented for international, domestic, and scheduled operations, worldwide and by region. Traffic flow data by route area is provided in this section, along with passenger traffic by cabin class. IATA's latest forecasts for the industry are presented last.

The data presented in the subsections 1.1 to 1.5 are sourced directly from airlines through direct data submission, and extrapolated in order to reflect the entire industry. The data refer to total scheduled traffic, including low–costs, non–IATA member airlines, dedicated cargo carriers, regional carriers, etc. Only non–scheduled (or "charter") traffic that does not have pre–published schedules is not covered.

Airline traffic data are compiled based on on-flight origin-destination counting, which-in the case of passenger traffic-roughly compares to the amount of boarding passes issued. This means that passengers making intermediate connections will be at least counted twice. The equivalent applies to freight and mail data.

Passengers, freight and mail are counted by the airline that operates the flight, which operation is identified by a unique call–sign that is used for air traffic control purposes, even though another airline might have sold the ticket or airway bill (for example in the case of code–shared operations).

### World Air Transport Traffic

#### World Scheduled Passenger and Cargo Traffic 2018

| Scheduled Services                            |           |          |           |          |            |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| World   | Internat  | ional    | Dome      | stic     | Systemwide |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 2018      | % Change | 2018      | % Change | 2018       | % Change |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passengers Carried (thousands)                | 1,811,324 | 7.0      | 2,566,346 | 6.8      | 4,377,670  | 6.9      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight Tonnes Carried (thousands)            | 42,450    | 2.9      | 20,037    | 2.9      | 62,487     | 2.9      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passenger-Kilometres Flown (millions)         | 5,332,852 | 7.2      | 2,996,924 | 7.6      | 8,329,776  | 7.4      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Available Seat-Kilometres (millions)          | 6,569,395 | 6.7      | 3,605,433 | 7.2      | 10,174,828 | 6.9      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Passenger Load Factor                         | 81.2%     | 0.4      | 83.1%     | 0.3      | 81.9%      | 0.4      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight and Mail Tonne-Kilometres (millions)  | 229,328   | 3.4      | 33,005    | 3.8      | 262,333    | 3.4      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Available Freight Tonne Kilometres (millions) | 416,834   | 4.8      | 115,166   | 6.7      | 532,000    | 5.2      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Freight Load Factor                           | 55.0%     | -0.8     | 28.7%     | -0.8     | 49.3%      | -0.8     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Revenue Tonne-Kilometres (millions)           | 738,132   | 5.9      | 305,970   | 7.0      | 1,044,103  | 6.2      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Available Tonne-Kilometres (millions)         | 1,046,283 | 5.8      | 447,262   | 6.8      | 1,493,545  | 6.1      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weight Load Factor                            | 70.5%     | 0.1      | 68.4%     | 0.1      | 69.9%      | 0.1      |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: Estimates produced by IATA Statistics. For more information, please visit www.iata.org/statistics

#### World Scheduled Cargo Traffic 2018

| Cargo Traffic                                 | All Cargo O | perations | Mixed Op | erations | Total   |          |  |
|---|-------------|-----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|--|
|   | 2018        | % Change  | 2018     | % Change | 2018    | % Change |  |
| Freight Tonnes Carried (thousands)            | 34,425      | 2.8       | 28,063   | 3.0      | 62,487  | 2.9      |  |
| Freight and Mail Tonne-Kilometres (millions)  | 136,583     | 3.6       | 125,750  | 3.2      | 262,333 | 3.4      |  |
| Available Freight Tonne Kilometres (millions) | 204,645     | 5.4       | 327,356  | 5.1      | 532,000 | 5.2      |  |
| Freight Load Factor                           | 66.7%       | -1.1      | 38.4%    | -0.7     | 49.3%   | -0.8     |  |

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All—cargo operations refer to traffic carried out by dedicated cargo aircraft, which by design or configuration, are operating exclusively for the transportation of cargo. Mixed operations refer to traffic operated by aircraft that transport both passengers and cargo.



## **World Air Transport Statistics**

#### World Scheduled Passenger Traffic by Airline Type 2018

| Passenger Traffic                     | Traditional/Leg | Traditional/Legacy Carriers |           | Low Costs Carriers |         | Carriers | Total      |          |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------------|---------|----------|------------|----------|
|                                       | 2018            | % Change                    | 2018      | % Change           | 2018    | % Change | 2018       | % Change |
| Passengers Carried (thousands)        | 2,911,299       | 5.0                         | 1,374,994 | 11.4               | 91,378  | 4.0      | 4,377,670  | 6.9      |
| Passenger-Kilometres Flown (millions) | 6,206,807       | 5.7                         | 1,848,635 | 13.4               | 274,334 | 7.1      | 8,329,776  | 7.4      |
| Available Seat-Kilometres (millions)  | 7,686,479       | 5.2                         | 2,168,999 | 13.4               | 319,350 | 6.7      | 10,174,828 | 6.9      |
| Passenger Load Factor                 | 80.7%           | 0.4                         | 85.2%     | 0.1                | 85.9%   | 0.3      | 81.9%      | 0.4      |
| Revenue Tonne-Kilometres (millions)   | 842,154         | 4.8                         | 175,028   | 13.4               | 26,920  | 7.9      | 1,044,103  | 6.2      |
| Available Tonne-Kilometres (millions) | 1,224,608       | 4.8                         | 232,475   | 13.5               | 36,463  | 7.4      | 1,493,545  | 6.1      |
| Weight Load Factor                    | 68.8%           | 0.0                         | 75.3%     | 0.0                | 73.8%   | 0.3      | 69.9%      | 0.1      |

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The distinction between traditional/legacy, low-costs, and leisure carriers is compiled by IATA following an auto-classification of the airline as based on its marketing strategy.

#### Domestic World Scheduled Passenger and Cargo Traffic, Selected Countries, 2018

| Scheduled Domestic Services                      | Austra   | alia        | Braz     | zil         | China, Po<br>Repub |             | Ind      | ia          | Indon    | esia        | Japa     | ın          | Russ<br>Federa |             | USA       | ١           |
|--|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Scheduled Domestic Services                      | Number 0 | %<br>Change | Number 0 | %<br>Change | Number (           | %<br>Change | Number ( | %<br>Change | Number ( | %<br>Change | Number 0 | %<br>Change | Number (       | %<br>Change | Number    | %<br>Change |
| Passengers Carried (thousands)                   | 62,247   | 1.6         | 95,404   | 3.8         | 547,506            | 10.5        | 138,024  | 18.4        | 101,370  | 4.8         | 100,728  | 1.5         | 64,565         | 9.8         | 787,923   | 4.9         |
| Freight Tonnes Carried (thousands)               | 94       | 3.6         | 469      | 8.0         | 4,671              | 2.5         | 715      | 5.6         | 632      | 9.4         | 845      | -7.8        | 215            | -2.7        | 10,619    | 3.0         |
| Passenger-Kilometres Flown (millions)            | 71,618   | 1.7         | 94,285   | 4.8         | 788,988            | 12.1        | 131,924  | 18.9        | 83,383   | 4.5         | 85,089   | 1.5         | 116,234        | 9.2         | 1,166,868 | 5.4         |
| Available Seat-Kilometres (millions)             | 89,442   | 0.3         | 115,945  | 5.1         | 936,059            | 12.1        | 152,412  | 18.1        | 106,020  | 3.1         | 118,468  | 0.5         | 139,720        | 7.1         | 1,378,185 | 5.6         |
| Passenger Load Factor                            | 80.1%    | 1.1         | 81.3%    | -0.2        | 84.3%              | 0.0         | 86.6%    | 0.5         | 78.6%    | 1.0         | 71.8%    | 0.8         | 83.2%          | 1.6         | 84.7%     | -0.1        |
| Freight and Mail Tonne-<br>Kilometres (millions) | 194      | 4.2         | 662      | 5.9         | 7,559              | 3.4         | 843      | 6.2         | 558      | 11.5        | 916      | -8.3        | 707            | -4.6        | 19,904    | 4.2         |
| Available Freight Tonne<br>Kilometres (millions) | 1,426    | -2.4        | 2,456    | 3.8         | 22,960             | 10.8        | 3,257    | 25.1        | 1,914    | 1.3         | 4,619    | -1.4        | 2,954          | 5.3         | 64,433    | 7.2         |
| Freight Load Factor                              | 13.6%    | 0.9         | 27.0%    | 0.5         | 32.9%              | -2.3        | 25.9%    | -4.6        | 29.2%    | 2.7         | 19.8%    | -1.5        | 23.9%          | -2.5        | 30.9%     | -0.9        |
| Revenue Tonne-Kilometres (millions)              | 6,906    | 1.6         | 9,124    | 3.6         | 77,945             | 10.9        | 12,711   | 18.0        | 8,265    | 4.9         | 7,695    | 0.4         | 11,538         | 8.3         | 127,040   | 5.1         |
| Available Tonne-Kilometres (millions)            | 9,802    | -0.2        | 12,863   | 3.7         | 106,780            | 11.6        | 16,974   | 19.4        | 11,715   | 2.8         | 14,036   | 0.0         | 15,990         | 6.9         | 193,882   | 5.7         |
| Weight Load Factor                               | 70.5%    | 1.3         | 70.9%    | -0.1        | 73.0%              | -0.4        | 74.9%    | -0.9        | 70.5%    | 1.4         | 54.8%    | 0.2         | 72.2%          | 0.9         | 65.5%     | -0.4        |

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# Rankings 2018

The rankings section contains a list of the top 200 airlines (passenger traffic) and 100 airlines (freight traffic), together with statistics for major airline alliances. Airlines are ranked in terms of international, domestic and total scheduled passenger numbers, freight tonnes, passenger–kilometres, and freight tonne–kilometres. Top countries, airport–pairs, and airport rankings are also displayed in terms of their passenger or freight traffic. Also included are top 50 airlines ranked by financial results, operating revenue and operating profit. Another ranking included is top 50 airlines ranked by number of employees. In addition, a set of rankings of the top 25 airlines by fleet size is presented.

### Top 25 Airlines: Ranked by Passenger Traffic

The data presented in the Passenger Traffic Ranking are sourced directly from airlines, the US Department of Transportation, or estimated by IATA. The data refer to total scheduled traffic, excluding non-scheduled (or "charter") traffic that does not have pre-established schedules.

Airline traffic data are compiled based on on-flight origin-destination counting, which-in the case of passenger traffic-roughly compares to the amount of boarding passes issued. This means that passengers making connections will be at least counted twice. The equivalent applies to freight data.

The distinction between domestic and international traffic is determined by the flight stage (a flight from take–off to landing). Passengers or freight on a flight with both an international and a domestic flight stage are included under both domestic and international traffic. Cabotage traffic, i.e. flight stages within a single state flown by a carrier that is not resident of that state, is counted as international traffic.

Passenger data refer to the revenue passenger concept. Non-revenue passengers such as airline staff flying on preferential fares are excluded. Infants not occupying a seat are also excluded. Airlines may include "no-shows", provided that the tickets were non-refundable and non-changeable.

Airline data are presented according to the operating carrier, which means that passengers flying on tickets issued by other airlines on code—shared operations are included under the airline that operated the flight. In the event that airline data include traffic of other operators, this occasionally occurs for certain airline groups and/or airlines having subsidiaries, notes will be made.

|      |                                      |           |      | Scheduled Passengers Ca                | arried    |      |  |           |
|------|--------------------------------------|-----------|------|--|-----------|------|--|-----------|
|      | International                        |           |      | Domestic                               |           |      | Total                                  |           |
| Rank | Airline                              | Thousands | Rank | Airline                                | Thousands | Rank | Airline                                | Thousands |
| 1    | Ryanair <sup>(4)</sup>               | 136,719   | 1    | Southwest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>      | 159,045   | 1    | Southwest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>      | 163,606   |
| 2    | easyJet <sup>(3)</sup>               | 80,154    | 2    | Delta Air Lines                        | 125,725   | 2    | Delta Air Lines                        | 152,217   |
| 3    | Emirates                             | 59,177    | 3    | American Airlines                      | 120,518   | 3    | American Airlines                      | 148,181   |
| 4    | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>             | 51,453    | 4    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 89,514    | 4    | Ryanair <sup>(4)</sup>                 | 136,719   |
| 5    | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>       | 40,806    | 5    | United Airlines                        | 85,911    | 5    | United Airlines                        | 113,215   |
| 6    | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>      | 40,554    | 6    | China Eastern Airlines                 | 81,311    | 6    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 103,975   |
| 7    | KLM <sup>(3)</sup>                   | 34,170    | 7    | Air China                              | 58,299    | 7    | China Eastern Airlines                 | 95,618    |
| 8    | Air France <sup>(3)</sup>            | 33,992    | 8    | IndiGo <sup>(1)</sup>                  | 56,635    | 8    | easyJet <sup>(3)</sup>                 | 88,089    |
| 9    | Wizz Air <sup>(3)(4)</sup>           | 30,507    | 9    | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 52,958    | 9    | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 73,201    |
| 10   | Norwegian <sup>(3)(4)</sup>          | 30,214    | 10   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 39,679    | 10   | Air China                              | 71,001    |
| 11   | Qatar Airways                        | 29,173    | 11   | Hainan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>         | 38,833    | 11   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 69,658    |
| 12   | American Airlines                    | 27,663    | 12   | Skywest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>        | 38,743    | 12   | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 64,391    |
| 13   | United Airlines                      | 27,304    | 13   | Alaska Airlines                        | 35,178    | 13   | IndiGo <sup>(1)</sup>                  | 60,855    |
| 14   | Delta Air Lines                      | 26,492    | 14   | JetBlue                                | 33,950    | 14   | Emirates                               | 59,177    |
| 15   | Cathay Pacific Airways               | 24,271    | 15   | Lion Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>           | 33,612    | 15   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 49,824    |
| 16   | Eurowings <sup>(3)</sup>             | 21,130    | 16   | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 32,647    | 16   | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>         | 46,620    |
| 17   | Singapore Airlines                   | 20,365    | 17   | GOL                                    | 31,295    | 17   | Air France <sup>(3)</sup>              | 46,541    |
| 18   | Korean Air                           | 19,834    | 18   | Shenzhen Airlines                      | 29,169    | 18   | Hainan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>         | 42,261    |
| 19   | Vueling                              | 19,785    | 19   | Xiamen Airlines                        | 28,770    | 19   | JetBlue                                | 42,232    |
| 20   | Aeroflot Russian Airlines            | 18,206    | 20   | Spirit Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>         | 26,415    | 20   | Skywest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>        | 38,956    |
| 21   | Scandinavian Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 17,707    | 21   | Japan Airlines                         | 25,765    | 21   | Norwegian <sup>(3)(4)</sup>            | 37,344    |
| 22   | SWISS <sup>(3)</sup>                 | 17,297    | 22   | Sichuan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>        | 24,657    | 22   | Alaska Airlines                        | 37,284    |
| 23   | Etihad Airways                       | 17,180    | 23   | Shandong Airlines                      | 23,669    | 23   | Lion Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>           | 36,067    |
| 24   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>           | 16,701    | 24   | Azul Brazilian Airlines                | 22,725    | 24   | Aeroflot Russian Airlines              | 35,739    |
| 25   | Thai Airways International           | 16,503    | 25   | Qantas Airways <sup>(3)</sup>          | 22,093    | 25   | Japan Airlines                         | 34,824    |

<sup>(1)</sup> IATA Estimate

<sup>(2)</sup> US DOT

<sup>(3)</sup> Airline has additional notes regarding coverage; please see the Notes section at the end of the Rankings for further information.

<sup>(4)</sup> Passenger data include 'no-shows' on non-refundable and non-changeable tickets



|      |  |          |      | Scheduled Passengers-Kilomet           | ers Flown |      |  |          |
|------|--|----------|------|--|-----------|------|--|----------|
|      | International                          |          |      | Domestic                               |           |      | Total                                  |          |
| Rank | Airline                                | Millions | Rank | Airline                                | Millions  | Rank | Airline                                | Millions |
| 1    | Emirates                               | 302,298  | 1    | American Airlines                      | 209,161   | 1    | American Airlines                      | 330,577  |
| 2    | Ryanair <sup>(4)</sup>                 | 170,900  | 2    | Southwest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>      | 206,878   | 2    | Delta Air Lines                        | 330,034  |
| 3    | United Airlines                        | 155,178  | 3    | Delta Air Lines                        | 193,387   | 3    | United Airlines                        | 329,562  |
| 4    | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 153,639  | 4    | United Airlines                        | 174,384   | 4    | Emirates                               | 302,298  |
| 5    | Qatar Airways                          | 152,210  | 5    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 137,223   | 5    | Southwest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>      | 214,561  |
| 6    | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>         | 148,477  | 6    | China Eastern Airlines                 | 103,819   | 6    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 200,239  |
| 7    | Delta Air Lines                        | 136,647  | 7    | Air China                              | 86,588    | 7    | Ryanair <sup>(4)</sup>                 | 170,900  |
| 8    | Air France <sup>(3)</sup>              | 136,476  | 8    | Alaska Airlines                        | 77,796    | 8    | China Eastern Airlines                 | 166,282  |
| 9    | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 125,229  | 9    | JetBlue                                | 64,599    | 9    | Air China                              | 161,199  |
| 10   | American Airlines                      | 121,416  | 10   | Hainan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>         | 59,911    | 10   | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 158,986  |
| 11   | Cathay Pacific Airways                 | 114,699  | 11   | IndiGo <sup>(1)</sup>                  | 55,675    | 11   | Qatar Airways                          | 152,210  |
| 12   | KLM <sup>(3)</sup>                     | 107,676  | 12   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 51,650    | 12   | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>         | 151,784  |
| 13   | Singapore Airlines                     | 100,492  | 13   | Spirit Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>         | 44,987    | 13   | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 145,521  |
| 14   | easyJet <sup>(3)</sup>                 | 93,609   | 14   | Shenzhen Airlines                      | 44,210    | 14   | Air France <sup>(3)</sup>              | 143,904  |
| 15   | Air Canada                             | 86,069   | 15   | Xiamen Airlines                        | 39,902    | 15   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 118,986  |
| 16   | Etihad Airways                         | 84,252   | 16   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 36,542    | 16   | Cathay Pacific Airways                 | 114,699  |
| 17   | Norwegian <sup>(3)(4)</sup>            | 79,825   | 17   | Aeroflot Russian Airlines              | 33,892    | 17   | Air Canada                             | 111,354  |
| 18   | Korean Air                             | 77,327   | 18   | Shandong Airlines                      | 33,746    | 18   | KLM <sup>(3)</sup>                     | 107,676  |
| 19   | Air China                              | 74,611   | 19   | Skywest Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>        | 33,009    | 19   | Singapore Airlines                     | 100,492  |
| 20   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 67,335   | 20   | GOL                                    | 32,689    | 20   | Aeroflot Russian Airlines              | 97,911   |
| 21   | Thai Airways International             | 66,263   | 21   | Sichuan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>        | 31,012    | 21   | easyJet <sup>(3)</sup>                 | 97,285   |
| 22   | Aeroflot Russian Airlines              | 64,019   | 22   | Frontier Airlines <sup>(2)</sup>       | 30,752    | 22   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 87,289   |
| 23   | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 63,016   | 23   | Lion Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>           | 29,690    | 23   | Qantas Airways <sup>(3)</sup>          | 85,663   |
| 24   | China Eastern Airlines                 | 62,463   | 24   | Qantas Airways <sup>(3)</sup>          | 26,607    | 24   | Hainan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>         | 85,474   |
| 25   | Qantas Airways <sup>(3)</sup>          | 59 056   | 25   | Air Canada                             | 25 286    | 25   | Etihad Airways                         | 84 252   |

<sup>(1)</sup> IATA Estimate
(2) US DOT
(3) Airline has additional notes regarding coverage; please see the Notes section at the end of the Rankings for further information.
(4) Passenger data include 'no-shows' on non-refundable and non-changeable tickets



## Top 25 Airlines: Ranked by Freight Traffic

The data presented in the Freight Traffic Ranking are sourced directly from airlines, the US Department of Transportation, or estimated by IATA. The data refer to total scheduled traffic, excluding non–scheduled (or "charter") traffic that did not have pre–established schedules.

Airline traffic data are compiled based on on-flight origin-destination counting. This means that any freight (in tonnage terms) that makes an intermediate connection will be at least counted twice. Surface transportation (for example trucking) is not included.

The distinction between domestic and international traffic is determined by the flight stage (a flight from take–off to landing). Freight on a flight with both an international and a domestic flight stage are included under both domestic and international traffic. Cabotage traffic, i.e. flight stages within a single state flown by a carrier that is not resident of that state, is counted as international traffic.

Freight data refer to freight that is accompanied by an airway bill as well as express mail. Traditional mail is excluded as well as passenger (excess) luggage. Freight is reported in actual tonnage terms, as opposed to chargeable weight.

Airline data are presented according to the operating carrier. In the event that airline data include traffic of other operators, this occasionally occurs for certain airline groups and/or airlines having subsidiaries, notes will be made.

|      |  |           |      | Scheduled Freight Tonnes Ca                   | rried     |      |  |           |
|------|--|-----------|------|---|-----------|------|--|-----------|
|      | International                          |           |      | Domestic                                      |           |      | Total                                  |           |
| Rank | Airline                                | Thousands | Rank | Airline                                       | Thousands | Rank | Airline                                | Thousands |
| 1    | Emirates                               | 2,609     | 1    | Federal Express                               | 5,406     | 1    | Federal Express                        | 7,565     |
| 2    | Qatar Airways                          | 2,262     | 2    | United Parcel Service                         | 3,207     | 2    | United Parcel Service                  | 4,755     |
| 3    | Federal Express                        | 2,159     | 3    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 787       | 3    | Emirates                               | 2,609     |
| 4    | Cathay Pacific Airways                 | 1,828     | 4    | Air China                                     | 731       | 4    | Qatar Airways                          | 2,262     |
| 5    | United Parcel Service                  | 1,548     | 5    | China Eastern Airlines                        | 508       | 5    | Cathay Pacific Airways                 | 1,828     |
| 6    | China Airlines                         | 1,512     | 6    | SF Airlines                                   | 466       | 6    | Korean Air                             | 1,574     |
| 7    | Korean Air                             | 1,510     | 7    | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>             | 429       | 7    | China Airlines                         | 1,512     |
| 8    | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 1,302     | 8    | Atlas Air                                     | 390       | 8    | Air China                              | 1,448     |
| 9    | Singapore Airlines                     | 1,167     | 9    | Air Transport International <sup>(2)(3)</sup> | 383       | 9    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 1,383     |
| 10   | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 969       | 10   | Japan Airlines                                | 343       | 10   | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 1,369     |
| 11   | Asiana Airlines                        | 933       | 11   | Shenzhen Airlines                             | 325       | 11   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 1,258     |
| 12   | Cargolux                               | 850       | 12   | Hainan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>                | 314       | 12   | Singapore Airlines                     | 1,167     |
| 13   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 829       | 13   | ABX Air <sup>(2)</sup>                        | 301       | 13   | Atlas Air                              | 1,115     |
| 14   | Polar Air Cargo                        | 788       | 14   | Garuda Indonesia                              | 248       | 14   | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 977       |
| 15   | Atlas Air                              | 726       | 15   | Xiamen Airlines                               | 226       | 15   | Asiana Airlines                        | 969       |
| 16   | AirBridgeCargo Airlines                | 724       | 16   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>                    | 225       | 16   | Cargolux                               | 850       |
| 17   | Etihad Airways                         | 719       | 17   | CargoJet <sup>(1)</sup>                       | 222       | 17   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 83        |
| 18   | Air China                              | 717       | 18   | Kalitta Air <sup>(2)(3)</sup>                 | 196       | 18   | Kalitta Air <sup>(2)(3)</sup>          | 828       |
| 19   | EVA Air                                | 648       | 19   | IndiGo <sup>(1)</sup>                         | 180       | 19   | Polar Air Cargo                        | 826       |
| 20   | Thai Airways International             | 644       | 20   | China Postal Airlines                         | 175       | 20   | Japan Airlines                         | 754       |
| 21   | Kalitta Air <sup>(2)(3)</sup>          | 632       | 21   | Shandong Airlines                             | 164       | 21   | China Eastern Airlines                 | 730       |
| 22   | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>         | 623       | 22   | Blue Dart Aviation <sup>(1)</sup>             | 134       | 22   | AirBridgeCargo Airlines                | 724       |
| 23   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 606       | 23   | Vietnam Airlines                              | 127       | 23   | Etihad Airways                         | 719       |
| 24   | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 596       | 24   | Jet Airways                                   | 123       | 24   | Thai Airways International             | 669       |
| 25   | Saudi Arabian Airlines                 | 569       | 25   | Delta Air Lines                               | 119       | 25   | EVA Air                                | 648       |

<sup>(1)</sup> IATA Estimate

<sup>(2)</sup> US DOT

<sup>(3)</sup> Airline has additional notes regarding coverage; please see the Notes section at the end of the Rankings for further information.



|      |  |          | S    | cheduled Freight Tonne–Kilometers      | Flown    |      |  |          |
|------|--|----------|------|--|----------|------|--|----------|
|      | International                          |          |      | Domestic                               |          |      | Total                                  |          |
| Rank | Airline                                | Millions | Rank | Airline                                | Millions | Rank | Airline                                | Millions |
| 1    | Emirates                               | 12,713   | 1    | Federal Express                        | 9,044    | 1    | Federal Express                        | 17,499   |
| 2    | Qatar Airways                          | 12,695   | 2    | United Parcel Service                  | 6,207    | 2    | Emirates                               | 12,713   |
| 3    | Cathay Pacific Airways                 | 11,284   | 3    | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 1,289    | 3    | Qatar Airways                          | 12,695   |
| 4    | Federal Express                        | 8,455    | 4    | Air China                              | 1,138    | 4    | United Parcel Service                  | 12,459   |
| 5    | Korean Air                             | 7,815    | 5    | Atlas Air                              | 761      | 5    | Cathay Pacific Airways                 | 11,284   |
| 6    | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 7,391    | 6    | China Eastern Airlines                 | 695      | 6    | Korean Air                             | 7,839    |
| 7    | Cargolux                               | 7,322    | 7    | Air Transport International (2)(3)     | 666      | 7    | Lufthansa <sup>(3)</sup>               | 7,394    |
| 8    | Singapore Airlines                     | 6,491    | 8    | SF Airlines                            | 628      | 8    | Cargolux                               | 7,322    |
| 9    | United Parcel Service                  | 6,252    | 9    | Hainan Airlines <sup>(1)</sup>         | 533      | 9    | Air China                              | 7,051    |
| 10   | Air China                              | 5,912    | 10   | Shenzhen Airlines                      | 508      | 10   | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 6,597    |
| 11   | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 5,860    | 11   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 473      | 11   | Singapore Airlines                     | 6,491    |
| 12   | China Airlines                         | 5,804    | 12   | ABX Air <sup>(2)</sup>                 | 422      | 12   | Turkish Airlines <sup>(3)</sup>        | 5,890    |
| 13   | AirBridgeCargo Airlines                | 5,511    | 13   | United Airlines                        | 391      | 13   | China Airlines                         | 5,804    |
| 14   | China Southern Airlines <sup>(3)</sup> | 5,309    | 14   | LATAM group <sup>(3)</sup>             | 345      | 14   | AirBridgeCargo Airlines                | 5,511    |
| 15   | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>         | 4,270    | 15   | Delta Air Lines                        | 345      | 15   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 4,587    |
| 16   | All Nippon Airways <sup>(3)</sup>      | 4,113    | 16   | Kalitta Air <sup>(2)(3)</sup>          | 341      | 16   | Atlas Air                              | 4,553    |
| 17   | United Airlines                        | 4,064    | 17   | Japan Airlines                         | 325      | 17   | United Airlines                        | 4,455    |
| 18   | Asiana Airlines                        | 4,052    | 18   | Xiamen Airlines                        | 295      | 18   | British Airways <sup>(3)</sup>         | 4,276    |
| 19   | Polar Air Cargo                        | 4,010    | 19   | American Airlines                      | 267      | 19   | Asiana Airlines                        | 4,067    |
| 20   | Atlas Air                              | 3,792    | 20   | Hawaiian Airlines                      | 266      | 20   | Polar Air Cargo                        | 4,038    |
| 21   | Air France <sup>(3)</sup>              | 3,672    | 21   | Aeroflot Russian Airlines              | 259      | 21   | American Airlines                      | 3,817    |
| 22   | KLM <sup>(3)</sup>                     | 3,604    | 22   | Garuda Indonesia                       | 251      | 22   | Air France <sup>(3)</sup>              | 3,673    |
| 23   | EVA Air                                | 3,580    | 23   | Shandong Airlines                      | 246      | 23   | KLM <sup>(3)</sup>                     | 3,604    |
| 24   | American Airlines                      | 3,550    | 24   | CargoJet <sup>(1)</sup>                | 231      | 24   | EVA Air                                | 3,580    |
| 25   | Etihad Airways                         | 3,471    | 25   | IndiGo <sup>(1)</sup>                  | 217      | 25   | Etihad Airways                         | 3,471    |

<sup>(1)</sup> IATA Estimate (2) US DOT

<sup>(3)</sup> Airline has additional notes regarding coverage; please see the Notes section at the end of the Rankings for further information.



# Top Passenger Airport-Pairs

The top airport–pair rankings as presented in this table have been sourced from IATA's PaxIS Plus. It covers all scheduled traffic, on all airlines world–wide. The data are bi–directional and compiled based on the origin–destination counting concept, as opposed to on–flight origin–destination counting (see Section 1). This means that potential intermediate connections are included. For example, a passenger travelling from Hong Kong to London–Heathrow via Dubai, is included under Hong Kong–London–Heathrow.

Top Passenger Airport Pairs by Route Area-International and Regional Traffic, 2018

| International          |   |           |               |
|------------------------|---|-----------|---------------|
| Route Area             | Airport Pair  | 2018      | Growth<br>(%) |
| Africa - Asia          | Cairo - Guangzhou                                     | 189,089   | 11.3          |
| Africa - Europe        | Paris-Orly - St. Denis de la Reunion                  | 767,975   | 20.6          |
|                        | Algiers - Paris-Orly                                  | 743,507   | -5.7          |
|                        | Algiers - Paris-Charles de Gaulle                     | 688,261   | -2.1          |
|                        | Paris-Orly - Tunis                                    | 608,377   | 7.1           |
|                        | Paris-Orly - Marrakech                                | 582,631   | 10.5          |
|                        | Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo - London-<br>Heathrow         | 516,194   | -0.9          |
|                        | Casablanca - Paris-Orly                               | 468,457   | 5.6           |
|                        | London-Heathrow - Lagos                               | 417,106   | 10.9          |
|                        | Agadir - Paris-Orly                                   | 384,455   | 17.3          |
|                        | London-Gatwick - Marrakech                            | 361,293   | 9.6           |
| Africa - Middle East   | Cairo - Jeddah  | 1,608,172 | -9.4          |
|                        | Cairo - Riyadh  | 934,862   | -1.2          |
|                        | Cairo - Kuwait  | 828,279   | -2.5          |
|                        | Cairo - Dubai-International                           | 795,810   | 11.9          |
|                        | Jeddah - Khartoum                                     | 501,714   | 8.0           |
|                        | Cairo - Madinah                                       | 501,565   | 7.7           |
|                        | Cairo - Dammam  | 480,002   | 8.0           |
|                        | Alexandria-Borg El Arab - Jeddah                      | 434,825   | -7.1          |
|                        | Addis Ababa - Dubai-International                     | 430,724   | 23.2          |
|                        | Alexandria-Borg El Arab - Kuwait                      | 385,642   | 20.7          |
| Africa - North America | Cairo - New York-John F. Kennedy                      | 177,703   | 19.2          |
|                        | Casablanca - Montreal-P. E. Trudeau                   | 165,512   | 12.6          |
|                        | New York-John F. Kennedy -<br>Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo | 139,973   | -1.7          |
|                        | Algiers - Montreal-P. E. Trudeau                      | 121,305   | -7.3          |
|                        | Casablanca - New York-John F.<br>Kennedy              | 110,746   | 4.1           |
| Asia - Europe          | Hong Kong - London-Heathrow                           | 953,920   | 0.6           |
|                        | Bangkok-Suvarnabhumi - London-<br>Heathrow            | 655,540   | -6.4          |
|                        | London-Heathrow - Singapore                           | 629,923   | 0.4           |
|                        | Delhi - London-Heathrow                               | 613,968   | 6.1           |
|                        | Mumbai - London-Heathrow                              | 536,483   | 4.9           |
|                        | Bangkok-Suvarnabhumi - Paris-Charles de Gaulle        | 512,380   | 10.1          |
|                        | London-Heathrow - Shanghai-Pudong                     | 509,038   | 0.9           |
|                        | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - Seoul-Incheon               | 505,519   | 2.0           |
|                        | Frankfurt-International - Seoul-Incheon               | 451,303   | 1.2           |
|                        | London-Heathrow - Beijing-Capital                     | 431,213   | 2.6           |



# **World Air Transport Statistics**

#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs by Route Area-International and Regional Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| International                    |                                       |           |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Route Area                       | Airport Pair                          | 2018      | Growth<br>(%) |
| Asia - Middle East               | Mumbai - Dubai-International          | 1,157,267 | -1.6          |
|                                  | Delhi - Dubai-International           | 871,476   | 1.6           |
|                                  | Jeddah - Lahore                       | 866,686   | 8.6           |
|                                  | Jeddah - Karachi                      | 838,390   | 0.9           |
|                                  | Dubai-International - Karachi         | 807,923   | -4.5          |
|                                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Jeddah       | 771,713   | -7.0          |
|                                  | Kochi - Dubai-International           | 770,159   | -5.4          |
|                                  | Islamabad - Jeddah                    | 638,823   | 4.5           |
|                                  | Dubai-International - Manila          | 601,657   | 1.7           |
|                                  | Kozhikode - Dubai-International       | 554,566   | -1.7          |
| Asia - North America             | Honolulu - Tokyo-Narita               | 1,414,919 | -5.4          |
|                                  | Guam - Seoul-Incheon                  | 1,009,543 | 12.5          |
|                                  | Honolulu - Osaka-Kansai               | 778,652   | 29.1          |
|                                  | Guam - Tokyo-Narita                   | 756,788   | -8.2          |
|                                  | Seoul-Incheon - Los Angeles           | 725,116   | -3.1          |
|                                  | Los Angeles - Shanghai-Pudong         | 626,021   | 2.9           |
|                                  | Hong Kong - San Francisco             | 607,094   | 13.2          |
|                                  | San Francisco - Taipei-Taoyuan        | 569,560   | 16.5          |
|                                  | Los Angeles - Taipei-Taoyuan          | 551,631   | -18.2         |
|                                  | Los Angeles - Tokyo-Narita            | 544,861   | 19.0          |
| Asia - Southwest Pacific         | Bali-Denpasar - Perth                 | 843,001   | 6.5           |
|                                  | Hong Kong - Sydney                    | 659,231   | 11.6          |
|                                  | Singapore - Sydney                    | 643,134   | 4.2           |
|                                  | Melbourne-Tullamarine - Singapore     | 612,308   | 1.4           |
|                                  | Bali-Denpasar - Melbourne-Tullamarine | 564,206   | 24.2          |
|                                  | Perth - Singapore                     | 505,094   | -8.9          |
|                                  | Bali-Denpasar - Sydney                | 488,906   | 7.0           |
|                                  | Hong Kong - Melbourne-Tullamarine     | 427,177   | 10.7          |
|                                  | Shanghai-Pudong - Sydney              | 384,590   | 6.4           |
|                                  | Seoul-Incheon - Sydney                | 378,436   | 5.2           |
| Europe - Latin America/Caribbean | Paris-Orly - Pointe-a-Pitre           | 871,247   | 0.4           |
|                                  | Fort de France - Paris-Orly           | 766,205   | 2.1           |
|                                  | Buenos Aires-Ezeiza - Madrid          | 549,590   | 16.4          |
|                                  | Madrid - Mexico City-Benito Juarez    | 385,461   | 8.8           |
|                                  | Bridgetown - London-Gatwick           | 375,493   | 3.7           |
|                                  | Barcelona - Buenos Aires-Ezeiza       | 362,373   | 26.3          |
|                                  | Cancun - London-Gatwick               | 343,692   | -4.0          |
|                                  | Amsterdam - Curacao                   | 331,818   | -3.1          |
|                                  | Bogota - Madrid                       | 329,455   | 21.7          |
|                                  | Lima - Madrid                         | 312,752   | 13.9          |



#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs by Route Area-International and Regional Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| International                           |  |           |               |
|---|--|-----------|---------------|
| Route Area                              | Airport Pair   | 2018      | Growth<br>(%) |
| Europe - Middle East                    | Dubai-International - London-Heathrow                    | 1,317,472 | -4.5          |
|   | Tehran-Imam Khomeini - Istanbul-<br>Ataturk              | 1,188,100 | 46.8          |
|   | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - Tel Aviv Yafo-<br>Ben Gurion   | 698,848   | 8.3           |
|   | Amsterdam - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben Gurion                     | 550,943   | 6.9           |
|   | Istanbul-Ataturk - Jeddah                                | 539,953   | -1.3          |
|   | Bucharest-Otopeni - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben<br>Gurion          | 535,986   | 12.8          |
|   | London-Heathrow - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben<br>Gurion            | 508,475   | 2.1           |
|   | Rome-Fiumicino - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben<br>Gurion             | 504,168   | 33.7          |
|   | London-Luton - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben<br>Gurion               | 474,072   | 15.3          |
|   | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - Dubai-<br>International        | 467,796   | 15.6          |
| Europe - North America                  | New York-John F. Kennedy - London-<br>Heathrow           | 1,874,623 | -3.9          |
|   | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - New York-<br>John F. Kennedy   | 1,093,878 | 8.9           |
|   | Los Angeles - London-Heathrow                            | 824,329   | 12.4          |
|   | Newark - London-Heathrow                                 | 811,024   | 10.6          |
|   | London-Gatwick - Orlando-International                   | 736,531   | 4.9           |
|   | London-Heathrow - San Francisco                          | 727,564   | 6.5           |
|   | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - Los Angeles                    | 701,466   | 19.0          |
|   | New York-John F. Kennedy - Milan-<br>Malpensa            | 693,461   | 16.5          |
|   | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - Montreal-P.<br>E. Trudeau      | 593,181   | 5.0           |
|   | Boston - London-Heathrow                                 | 587,753   | -1.4          |
| Europe - Southwest Pacific              | London-Heathrow - Sydney                                 | 522,087   | 3.2           |
|   | London-Heathrow - Melbourne-<br>Tullamarine              | 353,994   | 6.2           |
|   | Auckland - London-Heathrow                               | 220,607   | -5.9          |
|   | London-Heathrow - Perth                                  | 207,611   | 1.0           |
|   | Brisbane - London-Heathrow                               | 207,087   | 3.1           |
|   | Paris-Charles de Gaulle - Sydney                         | 150,198   | 10.7          |
| Latin America/Caribbean - North America | Buenos Aires-Ezeiza - Miami                              | 917,678   | -7.7          |
|   | Los Angeles - Mexico City-Benito<br>Juarez               | 811,670   | 5.5           |
|   | Guadalajara - Los Angeles                                | 792,690   | 21.5          |
|   | Cancun - Toronto-Pearson                                 | 718,256   | 10.6          |
|   | New York-John F. Kennedy - Mexico<br>City-Benito Juarez  | 698,117   | 16.4          |
|   | Sao Paulo-Guarulhos - Miami                              | 654,139   | 22.7          |
|   | New York-John F. Kennedy - Santiago                      | 634,739   | 6.0           |
|   | Cancun - New York-John F. Kennedy                        | 601,311   | -2.6          |
|   | New York-John F. Kennedy - Santo<br>Domingo-Las Americas | 574,186   | -11.2         |
|   | Punta Cana - Toronto-Pearson                             | 525,346   | 13.6          |



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#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs by Route Area-International and Regional Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| International                     |  |           | _           |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|-------------|
| Route Area                        | Airport Pair   | 2018      | Growt<br>(% |
| Middle East - North America       | New York-John F. Kennedy - Tel Aviv<br>Yafo-Ben Gurion   | 709,036   | -6.         |
|                                   | Newark - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben Gurion                        | 436,710   | 19.         |
|                                   | Los Angeles - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben Gurion                   | 175,666   | 1.          |
|                                   | Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben Gurion - Toronto-<br>Pearson           | 172,772   | 1.          |
|                                   | San Francisco - Tel Aviv Yafo-Ben<br>Gurion              | 166,389   | 11.         |
|                                   | Dubai-International - Washington-Dulles                  | 154,690   | 23.         |
|                                   | Dubai-International - New York-John F.<br>Kennedy        | 139,712   | -6.         |
|                                   | Dubai-International - Los Angeles                        | 108,040   | 0.          |
|                                   | Dubai-International - Toronto-Pearson                    | 107,157   | 13.         |
|                                   | Beirut - Montreal-P. E. Trudeau                          | 105,320   | 4.          |
| Middle East - Southwest Pacific   | Beirut - Sydney  | 107,646   | 7.          |
| North America - Southwest Pacific | Los Angeles - Sydney                                     | 356,751   | 0.          |
|                                   | Los Angeles - Melbourne-Tullamarine                      | 262,522   | 1.          |
|                                   | Honolulu - Sydney  | 249,927   | -1          |
|                                   | Brisbane - Los Angeles                                   | 178,882   | 4           |
|                                   | Los Angeles - Papeete                                    | 169,122   | -7          |
|                                   | San Francisco - Sydney                                   | 163,938   | 4           |
|                                   | New York-John F. Kennedy - Sydney                        | 139,584   | 0           |
|                                   | Auckland - Los Angeles                                   | 135,021   | -9          |
| Nithin Africa                     | Harare - Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo                         | 476,748   | 25          |
|                                   | Mauritius - St. Denis de la Reunion                      | 391,586   | -13         |
|                                   | Cairo - Khartoum   | 278,230   | 22          |
|                                   | Entebbe/Kampala - Nairobi-Jomo<br>Kenyatta               | 258,989   | 26          |
|                                   | Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo - Windhoek-<br>Hosea Kutako Intl | 255,477   | -13         |
|                                   | Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo - Mauritius                      | 249,738   | 7           |
|                                   | Algiers - Tunis  | 238,366   | 5           |
|                                   | Mitiga - Tunis   | 224,819   | -12         |
|                                   | Accra - Lagos  | 221,017   | -22         |
|                                   | Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo - Lusaka                         | 203,569   | 28          |
| Within Asia                       | Hong Kong - Taipei-Taoyuan                               | 5,385,806 | -0          |
|                                   | Bangkok-Suvarnabhumi - Hong Kong                         | 3,365,328 | 8           |
|                                   | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Singapore                       | 3,202,216 | -3          |
|                                   | Seoul-Incheon - Osaka-Kansai                             | 2,903,837 | 16          |
|                                   | Kuala Lumpur-International - Singapore                   | 2,840,332 | 2           |
|                                   | Hong Kong - Seoul-Incheon                                | 2,761,060 | 1           |
|                                   | Tokyo-Narita - Taipei-Taoyuan                            | 2,747,087 | 8           |
|                                   | Hong Kong - Shanghai-Pudong                              | 2,687,484 | 6           |
|                                   | Bangkok-Suvarnabhumi - Singapore                         | 2,554,043 | 0           |
|                                   | Hong Kong - Singapore                                    | 2,437,636 | -2.         |



#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs by Route Area-International and Regional Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| International                  |   |           | Growth       |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------|--------------|
| Route Area                     | Airport Pair                                      | 2018      | Growti<br>(% |
| Within Europe                  | Dusseldorf-International - Palma de<br>Mallorca   | 1,392,673 | 6.1          |
|                                | Barcelona - London-Gatwick                        | 1,350,591 | -4.3         |
|                                | Dublin - London-Heathrow                          | 1,288,244 | 2.4          |
|                                | Dublin - London-Gatwick                           | 1,213,209 | -0.7         |
|                                | Amsterdam - London-Heathrow                       | 1,132,742 | 10.9         |
|                                | Berlin-Tegel - Zurich                             | 1,119,556 | 37.0         |
|                                | Moscow-Domodedovo - Simferopol                    | 1,098,102 | -25.         |
|                                | Amsterdam - London-Gatwick                        | 1,060,957 | 1.5          |
|                                | Malaga - London-Gatwick                           | 1,034,568 | -7.          |
|                                | Stockholm-Arlanda - Copenhagen                    | 1,001,976 | 0.7          |
| Within Latin America/Caribbean | Lima - Santiago de Chile                          | 965,075   | 29.          |
|                                | Sao Paulo-Guarulhos - Santiago de<br>Chile        | 717,905   | 42.6         |
|                                | Buenos Aires-Ezeiza - Santiago de<br>Chile        | 600,880   | -6.3         |
|                                | Rio de Janeiro-Galeao - Santiago de<br>Chile      | 599,008   | 27.3         |
|                                | Buenos Aires-Ezeiza - Rio de Janeiro-<br>Galeao   | 585,723   | 23.          |
|                                | Buenos Aires-Jorge Newbery -<br>Santiago de Chile | 442,269   | -22          |
|                                | Bogota - Mexico City-Benito Juarez                | 442,126   | 14.          |
|                                | Buenos Aires-Ezeiza - Sao Paulo-<br>Guarulhos     | 416,846   | 48.          |
|                                | Buenos Aires-Ezeiza - Lima                        | 379,447   | -1.          |
|                                | Bogota - Lima                                     | 371,772   | 10.          |
| Within Middle East             | Dubai-International - Riyadh                      | 1,359,135 | 8.           |
|                                | Dubai-International - Kuwait                      | 1,350,120 | -7.          |
|                                | Dubai-International - Jeddah                      | 1,027,638 | -0           |
|                                | Dubai-International - Muscat                      | 818,673   | 12.          |
|                                | Bahrain - Dubai-International                     | 719,028   | -10          |
|                                | Beirut - Dubai-International                      | 649,751   | -0.          |
|                                | Amman - Dubai-International                       | 586,466   | -3.          |
|                                | Doha - Kuwait                                     | 574,382   | 44.          |
|                                | Dammam - Dubai-International                      | 554,266   | 16.          |
|                                | Dubai-International - Tehran-Imam<br>Khomeini     | 541,889   | -31.         |
| Nithin North America           | New York-La Guardia - Toronto-<br>Pearson         | 1,188,429 | 14.          |
|                                | Los Angeles - Vancouver                           | 663,596   | -2.          |
|                                | Los Angeles - Toronto-Pearson                     | 621,038   | 5.           |
|                                | Orlando-International - Toronto-Pearson           | 580,519   | 7.           |
|                                | Las Vegas - Toronto-Pearson                       | 506,210   | -2.          |
|                                | Chicago-O'Hare - Toronto-Pearson                  | 448,545   | 14.          |
|                                | Fort Lauderdale - Montreal-P. E.<br>Trudeau       | 445,113   | 2.           |
|                                | Fort Lauderdale - Toronto-Pearson                 | 438,225   | 4.           |
|                                | San Francisco - Toronto-Pearson                   | 406,808   | 10.          |
|                                | San Francisco - Vancouver                         | 389,699   | 12.          |



#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs by Route Area-International and Regional Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| International            |                                      |           |               |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Route Area               | Airport Pair                         | 2018      | Growth<br>(%) |
| Within Southwest Pacific | Auckland - Sydney                    | 1,172,721 | 6.9           |
|                          | Auckland - Melbourne-Tullamarine     | 868,203   | 0.2           |
|                          | Auckland - Brisbane                  | 661,950   | -4.6          |
|                          | Christchurch - Sydney                | 408,714   | 14.5          |
|                          | Auckland - Gold Coast                | 405,574   | 27.2          |
|                          | Nadi - Sydney                        | 368,377   | 0.0           |
|                          | Auckland - Nadi                      | 322,336   | 4.3           |
|                          | Christchurch - Melbourne-Tullamarine | 276,125   | 7.6           |
|                          | Sydney - Queenstown                  | 255,005   | 15.0          |
|                          | Brisbane - Christchurch              | 232,411   | 6.2           |

Source: IATA PaxIS-Plus

#### **Top Passenger Airport Pairs-Domestic Traffic, 2018**

| Domestic                   |  |            |               |
|----------------------------|--|------------|---------------|
| Country                    | Airport Pair                                       | 2018       | Growth<br>(%) |
| Republic of Korea          | Jeju - Seoul-Gimpo                                 | 14,517,391 | 7.6           |
| Japan                      | Fukuoka - Tokyo-Haneda                             | 7,628,987  | 0.9           |
| Australia                  | Melbourne-Tullamarine - Sydney                     | 7,626,914  | -2.1          |
| Japan                      | Sapporo - Tokyo-Haneda                             | 7,250,950  | -1.5          |
| People's Republic of China | Beijing-Capital - Shanghai-Hongqiao                | 6,388,881  | 0.4           |
| Viet Nam                   | Hanoi - Ho Chi Minh City                           | 6,222,674  | -2.1          |
| India                      | Mumbai - Delhi                                     | 5,899,139  | 6.0           |
| Japan                      | Tokyo-Haneda - Okinawa                             | 4,872,792  | 1.8           |
| Saudi Arabia               | Jeddah - Riyadh                                    | 4,789,112  | 0.6           |
| People's Republic of China | Chengdu - Beijing-Capital                          | 4,786,822  | 4.5           |
| People's Republic of China | Beijing-Capital - Shenzhen                         | 4,732,603  | 10.1          |
| People's Republic of China | Shanghai-Hongqiao - Shenzhen                       | 4,571,093  | 11.4          |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Shanghai-Hongqiao                      | 4,364,629  | 10.2          |
| Indonesia                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Bali-Denpasar             | 4,360,051  | 8.7           |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Beijing-Capital                        | 4,328,908  | 5.3           |
| Indonesia                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Surabaya                  | 4,311,901  | 4.3           |
| Japan                      | Tokyo-Haneda - Osaka-Itami                         | 4,257,739  | -0.1          |
| India                      | Bangalore - Delhi                                  | 3,866,369  | 10.7          |
| Australia                  | Brisbane - Sydney                                  | 3,816,260  | -2.2          |
| Mexico                     | Cancun - Mexico City-Benito Juarez                 | 3,733,779  | 13.0          |
| Brazil                     | Sao Paulo-Congonhas - Rio de Janeiro-Santos Dumont | 3,642,452  | 7.1           |
| Republic of Korea          | Jeju - Busan                                       | 3,576,351  | 6.3           |
| South Africa               | Cape Town - Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo                | 3,488,768  | -0.5          |
| Indonesia                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Medan                     | 3,285,031  | 14.4          |
| Philippines                | Cebu - Manila                                      | 3,155,008  | 10.4          |
| Colombia                   | Bogota - Medellin-Jose Marie Cordova               | 3,059,213  | 8.4           |
| Indonesia                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Ujung Pandang             | 3,043,552  | -3.3          |
| Australia                  | Brisbane - Melbourne-Tullamarine                   | 3,035,470  | 0.5           |
| United States              | New York-John F. Kennedy - Los Angeles             | 3,005,193  | -0.7          |
| India                      | Bangalore - Mumbai                                 | 2,959,077  | 8.9           |
| Thailand                   | Bangkok-Don Muang - Phuket                         | 2,926,635  | 2.4           |
| People's Republic of China | Chengdu - Shenzhen                                 | 2,923,896  | 14.6          |
| Republic of Korea          | Seoul-Gimpo - Busan                                | 2,898,802  | -6.1          |
| Peru                       | Cuzco - Lima                                       | 2,874,123  | 5.5           |



#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs-Domestic Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| Domestic                   |  |           |               |
|----------------------------|--|-----------|---------------|
| Country                    | Airport Pair                               | 2018      | Growth<br>(%) |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Chengdu                        | 2,864,509 | 4.7           |
| Mexico                     | Mexico City-Benito Juarez - Monterrey      | 2,805,727 | 15.9          |
| Viet Nam                   | Da Nang - Ho Chi Minh City                 | 2,791,943 | -2.7          |
| People's Republic of China | Hangzhou - Beijing-Capital                 | 2,703,010 | 2.2           |
| United States              | New York-La Guardia - Chicago-O'Hare       | 2,700,102 | 11.6          |
| Thailand                   | Chiang Mai - Bangkok-Don Muang             | 2,554,711 | 1.6           |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Hangzhou                       | 2,525,727 | 4.0           |
| People's Republic of China | Chongqing - Shenzhen                       | 2,498,777 | 18.9          |
| India                      | Kolkata - Delhi                            | 2,494,305 | 15.8          |
| Viet Nam                   | Da Nang - Hanoi                            | 2,489,392 | 4.1           |
| People's Republic of China | Beijing-Capital - Xi'an                    | 2,425,532 | 3.3           |
| People's Republic of China | Chongqing - Beijing-Capital                | 2,415,368 | 3.5           |
| United States              | Los Angeles - San Francisco                | 2,371,175 | 16.4          |
| South Africa               | Durban - Johannesburg-O.R. Tambo           | 2,351,263 | 4.1           |
| People's Republic of China | Jinghong - Kunming                         | 2,319,951 | 5.2           |
| Mexico                     | Guadalajara - Mexico City-Benito Juarez    | 2,317,417 | 9.1           |
| India                      | Delhi - Hyderabad                          | 2,302,665 | 21.8          |
| Australia                  | Gold Coast - Sydney                        | 2,287,999 | -4.6          |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Chongqing                      | 2,273,441 | -2.6          |
| Thailand                   | Bangkok-Suvarnabhumi - Phuket              | 2,266,873 | 6.4           |
| People's Republic of China | Hangzhou - Shenzhen                        | 2,262,322 | 5.6           |
| Philippines                | Davao - Manila                             | 2,209,040 | -0.4          |
| India                      | Delhi - Pune                               | 2,183,104 | 9.3           |
| Colombia                   | Bogota - Cartagena                         | 2,177,248 | 11.7          |
| Thailand                   | Bangkok-Suvarnabhumi - Chiang Mai          | 2,167,751 | 9.6           |
| France                     | Paris-Orly - Toulouse                      | 2,164,244 | -0.1          |
| Malaysia                   | Kota Kinabalu - Kuala Lumpur-International | 2,158,382 | 2.2           |
| Japan                      | Tokyo-Haneda - Kagoshima                   | 2,157,994 | 5.2           |
| India                      | Delhi - Chennai                            | 2,129,363 | 16.0          |
| Thailand                   | Bangkok-Don Muang - Hat Yai                | 2,113,389 | -2.0          |
| New Zealand                | Auckland - Wellington                      | 2,088,126 | 1.3           |
| People's Republic of China | Kunming - Beijing-Capital                  | 2,007,891 | 4.4           |
| France                     | Nice - Paris-Orly                          | 1,995,392 | 0.3           |
| New Zealand                | Auckland - Christchurch                    | 1,982,830 | 2.8           |
| Chinese Taipei             | Kinmen - Taipei-Sung Shan                  | 1,980,491 | 44.4          |
| People's Republic of China | Dalian - Shanghai-Pudong                   | 1,954,592 | 1.4           |
| Republic of Korea          | Cheongju - Jeju                            | 1,947,786 | 15.6          |
| Australia                  | Adelaide - Melbourne-Tullamarine           | 1,920,118 | -0.3          |
| Turkey                     | Izmir-Adnan Menderes - Istanbul-Ataturk    | 1,911,539 | -10.1         |
| People's Republic of China | Beijing-Capital - Sanya                    | 1,882,717 | -0.8          |
| People's Republic of China | Chengdu - Shanghai-Pudong                  | 1,880,042 | 3.4           |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Nanjing                        | 1,857,517 | 17.0          |
| Indonesia                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Yogyakarta        | 1,857,217 | 5.8           |
| United States              | Atlanta - New York-La Guardia              | 1,852,826 | 3.0           |
| People's Republic of China | Chengdu - Shanghai-Hongqiao                | 1,840,707 | 15.8          |
| People's Republic of China | Guangzhou - Xi'an                          | 1,838,345 | 5.0           |
| United States              | Los Angeles - Seattle/Tacoma               | 1,831,410 | -11.8         |
| Indonesia                  | Surabaya - Ujung Pandang                   | 1,831,410 | -0.7          |
| United States              | Newark - Orlando-International             | 1,829,119 | -0.7          |
| Ornica Otatos              | HOWAIN - CHANGO-MICHIANONAI                | 1,029,119 | -0.3          |



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#### Top Passenger Airport Pairs-Domestic Traffic, 2018 (Cont'd)

| Domestic                   |   |           |               |
|----------------------------|---|-----------|---------------|
| Country                    | Airport Pair                                  | 2018      | Growth<br>(%) |
| People's Republic of China | Nanjing - Shenzhen                            | 1,816,165 | 12.8          |
| People's Republic of China | Shanghai-Hongqiao - Xiamen                    | 1,814,954 | -2.0          |
| Turkey                     | Izmir-Adnan Menderes - Istanbul-Sabiha Gokcen | 1,811,080 | 16.3          |
| Indonesia                  | Jakarta-Soekarno-Hatta - Palembang            | 1,800,052 | 17.6          |
| Japan                      | Fukuoka - Okinawa                             | 1,782,440 | -1.1          |
| United States              | Las Vegas - Los Angeles                       | 1,770,936 | 3.7           |
| Philippines                | Iloilo - Manila                               | 1,766,680 | 53.5          |
| Colombia                   | Bogota - Cali                                 | 1,765,302 | -8.4          |
| Japan                      | Tokyo-Haneda - Kumamoto                       | 1,761,756 | 1.7           |
| Spain                      | Madrid - Palma de Mallorca                    | 1,752,758 | 16.3          |
| India                      | Ahmedabad - Delhi                             | 1,745,241 | 22.2          |
| India                      | Mumbai - Chennai                              | 1,741,401 | 1.4           |
| Australia                  | Melbourne-Tullamarine - Gold Coast            | 1,734,394 | -1.2          |
| People's Republic of China | Chengdu - Kunming                             | 1,725,550 | -5.6          |
| People's Republic of China | Changsha - Beijing-Capital                    | 1,723,972 | 0.8           |
| India                      | Mumbai - Goa                                  | 1,721,615 | -1.5          |

Source: IATA PaxIS-Plus



# **Top Passenger Countries**

The top passenger–countries rankings as presented in this table have been sourced from IATA's PaxIS Plus. It covers all scheduled traffic, on all airlines world–wide. The data reflect all passenger counts to, from, or within the respective country.

Top Passenger Countries by Region, 2018

|                                  | Number      | Growth (%) |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Africa                           |             |            |
| South Africa                     | 25,253,344  | 3.9        |
| Egypt                            | 23,996,516  | 15.3       |
| Morocco                          | 18,785,269  | 13.5       |
| Algeria                          | 9,998,802   | -11.6      |
| Tunisia                          | 8,216,465   | 22.3       |
| Nigeria                          | 7,443,155   | 6.1        |
| Kenya                            | 6,783,334   | 12.2       |
| Ethiopia                         | 5,559,202   | 1.8        |
| United Republic of Tanzania      | 3,763,319   | 8.6        |
| Mauritius                        | 3,614,373   | 3.8        |
| Sudan                            | 3,488,252   | 11.0       |
| Senegal                          | 2,427,899   | 9.0        |
| Ghana                            | 2,366,070   | -8.4       |
| Réunion                          | 2,184,862   | -1.6       |
| Côte d'Ivoire                    | 1,984,485   | 3.6        |
| Cape Verde                       | 1,885,534   | 11.4       |
| Zimbabwe                         | 1,859,307   | 20.6       |
| Angola                           | 1,744,596   | -7.3       |
| Uganda                           | 1,634,462   | 18.0       |
| Cameroon                         | 1,556,441   | 2.9        |
| Asia/Pacific                     | , ,         |            |
| People's Republic of China       | 668,024,219 | 15.3       |
| Japan                            | 187,233,922 | 7.3        |
| India                            | 176,719,682 | 15.8       |
| Indonesia                        | 138,807,314 | 10.1       |
| Thailand                         | 105,905,344 | 8.5        |
| Republic of Korea                | 102,304,402 | 15.3       |
| Australia                        | 97,486,223  | 3.9        |
| Malaysia                         | 65,683,220  | 5.6        |
| Chinese Taipei                   | 60,879,324  | 10.7       |
| Viet Nam                         | 60,507,574  | 12.0       |
| Hong Kong (SAR), China           | 54,180,456  | 4.2        |
| Philippines                      | 51,972,645  | 10.1       |
| Singapore                        | 49,196,273  | 2.7        |
| New Zealand                      | 24,891,447  | 3.1        |
| Pakistan                         | 19,129,335  | -0.7       |
| Bangladesh                       | 11,558,845  | 10.2       |
| Cambodia                         | 10,831,317  | 23.2       |
| Sri Lanka                        | 8,225,013   |            |
| Kazakhstan                       | 8,154,588   | 7.3<br>0.7 |
|                                  |             |            |
| Macao (SAR), China               | 7,941,893   | 14.2       |
| Myanmar                          | 7,934,861   | -8.2       |
| Nepal National                   | 6,460,065   | 12.5       |
| Maldives                         | 4,912,348   | 11.6       |
| Uzbekistan                       | 4,086,419   | 22.0       |
| Lao People's Democratic Republic | 3,195,881   | 17.4       |



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#### Top Passenger Countries by Region, 2018 (Cont'd)

|   | Number      | Growth (%) |
|---|-------------|------------|
| Kyrgyzstan                                | 2,593,997   | -7.1       |
| Papua New Guinea                          | 2,536,141   | -12.5      |
| Fiji                                      | 2,230,401   | 3.2        |
| Afghanistan                               | 2,103,344   | -0.8       |
| Tajikistan                                | 2,064,336   | 0.7        |
| Turkmenistan                              | 1,929,485   | -7.4       |
| Europe                                    |             |            |
| United Kingdom                            | 251,370,641 | 4.7        |
| Spain                                     | 200,814,594 | 5.5        |
| Germany                                   | 171,126,916 | 3.7        |
| Italy                                     | 146,984,636 | 7.8        |
| France                                    | 140,165,675 | 9.1        |
| Russian Federation                        | 100,491,546 | 16.0       |
| Turkey                                    | 95,792,929  | 20.4       |
| Netherlands                               | 51,585,542  | 8.3        |
| Switzerland                               | 49,110,761  | 4.5        |
| Greece                                    | 47,516,575  | 17.2       |
| Portugal                                  | 44,407,341  | 7.2        |
| Poland                                    | 36,794,934  | 12.3       |
| Norway                                    | 35,237,424  | -0.6       |
| Sweden                                    | 34,543,554  | -0.4       |
| Ireland                                   | 33,808,200  | 5.3        |
| Belgium                                   | 29,052,869  | 1.4        |
| Denmark                                   | 28,460,089  | 2.4        |
| Austria                                   | 24,105,166  | 8.4        |
| Romania                                   | 19,733,335  | 7.2        |
| Czech Republic                            | 16,615,189  | 11.3       |
| Ukraine                                   | 16,147,113  | 15.5       |
| Hungary                                   | 15,253,317  | 14.2       |
| Finland                                   | 15,225,481  | 7.9        |
| Cyprus                                    | 12,471,405  | 8.6        |
| Bulgaria                                  | 10,332,473  | 14.0       |
| Croatia                                   | 9,264,070   | 10.4       |
| Iceland                                   | 7,704,538   | 2.2        |
| Malta                                     | 6,787,694   | 14.2       |
| Serbia                                    | 6,416,125   | 4.5        |
| Lithuania                                 | 5,775,709   | 16.4       |
| Georgia                                   | 4,773,206   | 28.5       |
| Latvia                                    | 4,627,181   | -2.2       |
| Luxembourg                                | 3,978,051   | 10.8       |
| Azerbaijan                                | 3,893,894   | 10.4       |
| Albania                                   | 2,975,434   | 25.8       |
| Slovakia                                  | 2,847,678   | 15.2       |
| Armenia                                   | 2,835,430   | 14.2       |
| Republic of Moldova                       | 2,622,417   | 0.8        |
| Estonia                                   | 2,609,003   | 9.1        |
| The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | 2,292,068   | 17.9       |
| Belarus                                   | 2,207,182   | -7.7       |
| Montenegro                                | 2,045,407   | 12.8       |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                    | 1,681,853   | 8.6        |
| Slovenia                                  | 1,511,773   | 6.6        |



#### Top Passenger Countries by Region, 2018 (Cont'd)

|                                    | Number      | Growth (%) |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Latin America and Caribbean        |             |            |
| Brazil                             | 93,266,806  | 3.7        |
| Mexico                             | 88,900,965  | 9.9        |
| Colombia                           | 33,879,040  | 11.6       |
| Argentina                          | 26,788,122  | 9.0        |
| Chile                              | 22,174,381  | 15.6       |
| Peru                               | 19,984,490  | 11.8       |
| Dominican Republic                 | 13,388,987  | 4.4        |
| Cuba                               | 8,912,003   | -8.5       |
| Ecuador                            | 7,638,667   | 6.2        |
| Panama                             | 6,284,299   | -12.9      |
| Costa Rica                         | 6,171,253   | 0.5        |
| Jamaica                            | 5,916,836   | 7.0        |
| Bolivia (Plurinational State of)   | 5,392,683   | -1.7       |
| Bahamas                            | 4,093,422   | 11.3       |
| Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) | 3,913,136   | -28.1      |
| Guatemala                          | 3,118,559   | 7.3        |
| Trinidad and Tobago                | 2,625,430   | -9.2       |
| Belize                             | 2,584,571   | 3.2        |
| Aruba                              | 2,562,903   | 3.4        |
| El Salvador                        | 2,466,987   | -16.0      |
| Uruguay                            | 2,315,998   | 1.8        |
| Honduras                           | 1,990,942   | -0.5       |
| Guadeloupe                         | 1,921,961   | -19.4      |
| Barbados                           | 1,847,092   | -3.4       |
| Haiti                              | 1,726,743   | 6.4        |
| Martinique                         | 1,707,781   | -1.8       |
| Paraguay                           | 1,500,804   | 23.3       |
| Middle East                        | 1,000,001   | 20.0       |
| Saudi Arabia                       | 60,170,002  | 2.8        |
| United Arab Emirates               | 53,573,211  | 0.3        |
| Israel                             | 21,588,660  | 21.1       |
| Iran (Islamic Republic of)         | 19,403,070  | 16.4       |
| Kuwait                             | 12,181,830  | 6.0        |
| Qatar                              | 9,733,992   | -11.2      |
| Oman                               | 9,491,502   | 3.5        |
| Lebanon                            | 7,967,300   | 9.0        |
| Iraq                               | 7,382,934   | 5.4        |
| Jordan                             | 6,583,885   | 8.1        |
| Bahrain                            | 4,968,478   | -8.0       |
| North America                      | 7,000,710   | -0.0       |
| United States                      | 796,877,823 | 5.8        |
|                                    |             |            |
| Canada                             | 97,545,561  | 8.4        |

Source: IATA PaxIS-Plus

# Top Freight Country-Pairs, International and Regional Traffic

The top freight country–pair rankings as presented in this table are estimated by IATA. It covers all scheduled traffic, on all airlines world–wide, however excluding integrator traffic. The data are uni–directional and compiled on an on–flight origin–destination counting basis. This means that, for example, freight (in tonnage terms) that is shipped from China, P.R. to Germany with an intermediate connection in United Arab Emirates, will be presented twice, once under China, P.R. to United Arab Emirates, and once under United Arab Emirates to Germany.

|      |                             |                   | Freight Tonnes              |        |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Rank |                             |                   | 2018                        | % Chan |
| 1    | From People's Repu          |                   | 3,254,447                   | 2      |
|      | 1 United Sta                | tes               | 642,145                     | ţ      |
|      | 2 Japan                     |                   | 322,861                     | -4     |
|      | 3 Republic o                |                   | 276,037                     | -;     |
|      | =                           | g (SAR), China    | 236,252                     |        |
|      | 5 Germany                   |                   | 218,362                     | }      |
|      | 6 Chinese T                 | •                 | 195,363                     |        |
|      | 7 Netherland                | IS                | 159,819                     |        |
|      | 8 Singapore                 |                   | 114,149                     | -      |
|      | 9 Luxembou<br>10 United Ara | rg<br>b Emirates  | 92,202                      | -      |
| 2    | From United States          | b Emirates        | 84,747                      | -      |
| 2    |                             | Republic of China | <b>3,077,624</b><br>286,017 | 1      |
|      | 2 United Kin                | Republic of China | 263,234                     | ı      |
|      | 3 Japan                     | guom              | 246,913                     | -      |
|      | 4 Republic o                | f Korea           | 199,972                     | -      |
|      | 5 Germany                   | TRoiea            | 193,543                     |        |
|      | 6 Brazil                    |                   | 159,486                     |        |
|      | 7 Chinese T                 | ainei             | 154,273                     | -1     |
|      |                             | g (SAR), China    | 138,897                     | •      |
|      | 9 Luxembou                  |                   | 132,540                     | 1      |
|      | 10 Belgium                  | .9                | 98,457                      | 2      |
| 3    | From Hong Kong (S           | AR), China        | 2,486,162                   |        |
|      | 1 United Sta                |                   | 392,219                     | -1     |
|      | 2 People's F                | Republic of China | 240,039                     |        |
|      | 3 Chinese T                 | aipei             | 237,083                     |        |
|      | 4 Japan                     |                   | 185,435                     |        |
|      | 5 United Ara                | b Emirates        | 157,658                     |        |
|      | 6 India                     |                   | 152,820                     |        |
|      | 7 Republic o                | f Korea           | 136,869                     |        |
|      | 8 Singapore                 |                   | 106,609                     | •      |
|      | 9 Thailand                  |                   | 98,160                      | 2      |
|      | 10 Australia                |                   | 65,178                      |        |
| 4    | From United Arab E          | mirates           | 1,795,717                   | •      |
|      | 1 India                     |                   | 149,158                     |        |
|      | 2 Germany                   |                   | 119,165                     |        |
|      | 3 United Kin                | gdom              | 117,092                     |        |
|      | 4 Turkey                    |                   | 93,059                      |        |
|      | 5 Saudi Aral                |                   | 91,159                      |        |
|      | 6 United Sta                |                   | 77,426                      | •      |
|      | 7 Singapore                 |                   | 76,031                      |        |
|      | 8 Australia                 |                   | 66,516                      |        |
|      |                             | Republic of China | 62,913                      | -      |
|      | 10 South Afric              | а                 | 43,954                      | -      |



|      |                              | Freight Tonnes   | Carried   |
|------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Rank |                              | 2018             | % Chang   |
| 5    | From Japan                   | 1,691,811        | 5         |
|      | 1 United States              | 349,358          | 0         |
|      | 2 People's Republic of China | 222,703          | -3        |
|      | 3 Republic of Korea          | 190,453          | 14        |
|      | 4 Chinese Taipei             | 184,139          | 13        |
|      | 5 Hong Kong (SAR), China     | 134,895          | 5         |
|      | 6 Thailand                   | 83,938           | 10        |
|      | 7 Singapore                  | 80,493           | -4        |
|      | 8 Germany                    | 67,166           | -4        |
|      | 9 Indonesia                  | 34,513           | 22        |
|      | 10 Viet Nam                  | 34,010           | 19        |
| 6    | From Republic of Korea       | 1,439,666        | 2         |
|      | 1 United States              | 298,521          | 6         |
|      | 2 People's Republic of China | 251,022          | 5         |
|      | 3 Japan                      | 153,225          | -3        |
|      | 4 Viet Nam                   | 131,934          | 4         |
|      | 5 Hong Kong (SAR), China     | 88,623           | -7        |
|      | 6 Russian Federation         | 56,312           | 6         |
|      | 7 Germany                    | 46,931           | -3        |
|      | 8 Singapore                  | 46,022           | (         |
|      | 9 Thailand                   | 34,659           | -6        |
|      | 10 Chinese Taipei            | 27,422           | 2         |
| 7    | From Germany                 | 1,437,683        | -1        |
|      | 1 United States              | 272,145          | (         |
|      | 2 People's Republic of China | 216,274          | 4         |
|      | 3 United Arab Emirates       | 113,909          | -4        |
|      | 4 Turkey                     | 91,557           | 22        |
|      | 5 Republic of Korea          | 76,953<br>70,020 | -7        |
|      | 6 Japan<br>7 India           | •                | -8<br>-10 |
|      | 7 India<br>8 Qatar           | 64,170           | -10       |
|      | 9 Brazil                     | 40,667<br>32,230 | 7         |
|      | 10 Mexico                    | 32,104           | -Ę        |
| 8    | From Qatar                   | 1,121,475        | 7         |
| U    | 1 United Kingdom             | 70,673           | -9        |
|      | 2 United States              | 48,794           | -38       |
|      | 3 Germany                    | 40,381           | -20       |
|      | 4 Thailand                   | 39,365           | 27        |
|      | 5 Italy                      | 37,917           | 22        |
|      | 6 People's Republic of China | 37,731           | 2         |
|      | 7 Viet Nam                   | 37,448           | 67        |
|      | 8 Spain                      | 36,786           | 12        |
|      | О Орані                      | 30,700           | 12        |
|      | 9 Belgium                    | 30,970           | 19        |



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|      |                     |                            | Freight Tonne | Freight Tonnes Carried |  |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------------------|--|
| Rank |                     |                            | 2018          | % Change               |  |
| 9    | From United Kingdom |                            | 1,100,082     | 2.2                    |  |
|      | 1                   | United States              | 387,864       | 0.2                    |  |
|      | 2                   | United Arab Emirates       | 113,138       | -1.8                   |  |
|      | 3                   | Qatar                      | 49,997        | 7.2                    |  |
|      | 4                   | India                      | 48,514        | 10.7                   |  |
|      | 5                   | Canada                     | 40,693        | 3.2                    |  |
|      | 6                   | People's Republic of China | 39,107        | 3.9                    |  |
|      | 7                   | Hong Kong (SAR), China     | 35,173        | -0.1                   |  |
|      | 8                   | Singapore                  | 32,845        | -3.7                   |  |
|      | 9                   | Germany                    | 31,636        | 31.5                   |  |
|      | 10                  | Turkey                     | 25,678        | 19.3                   |  |
| 10   | From India          |                            | 1,080,969     | 0.8                    |  |
|      | 1                   | United Arab Emirates       | 261,493       | -6.5                   |  |
|      | 2                   | Hong Kong (SAR), China     | 90,511        | 7.0                    |  |
|      | 3                   | Germany                    | 83,942        | 7.6                    |  |
|      | 4                   | United Kingdom             | 71,500        | 7.4                    |  |
|      | 5                   | Thailand                   | 37,940        | 15.1                   |  |
|      | 6                   | Turkey                     | 28,535        | 60.5                   |  |
|      | 7                   | Sri Lanka                  | 27,443        | 21.3                   |  |
|      | 8                   | France                     | 20,771        | 11.0                   |  |
|      | 9                   | Netherlands                | 20,231        | 42.0                   |  |
|      | 10                  | Kuwait                     | 20,129        | -18.0                  |  |

Source: IATA Statistics www.iata.org/statistics



Please refer to the table below for additional explanation for some airlines.

| Carrier Name   | Notes  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|
| Air Dolomiti   | Excludes LH-marketed operations  |  |  |
| Air France   | Includes operations of Joon (JN) and Air France-marketed flights operated by HOP! (Airlinair (AN), Brit Air (DB), Aerienne Europeene (YS), VLM Airlines (VG), Cityjet (WX))  |  |  |
| Air India  | Includes operations of Air India Regional (9I)   |  |  |
| Air Italy  | Includes operations of Air Italy (I9); includes non-scheduled traffic  |  |  |
| Air New Zealand  | Includes operations of Mount Cook (NZM) and Air Nelson (RLK)   |  |  |
| Air Transport International  | I All operations considered as scheduled traffic, with exception Military operations   |  |  |
| Alitalia   | Includes operations of Air One (AP), Alitalia CityLiner (CT), Alitalia Express (XM), CAI Second (VE)   |  |  |
| All Nippon Airways   | Includes operations of ANA Wings (EH), Air Japan (NQ), and All Nippon Airways-marketed operations of Solaseed Air (6J), Ibex Airlines (FW), Air Do (HD), Oriental Air Bridge (OC)  |  |  |
| Avianca Group  | Includes operations of Avianca Costa Rica (LR), Avianca El Salvador (TA), Avianca Ecuador (2K), Avianca Guatemala (GU), Avianca Honduras (WC), Avianca Peru (T0), SANSA Airlines (RZ), Tampa Cargo (QT)  |  |  |
| British Airways  | Includes operations of BA CityFlyer (CJ)   |  |  |
| China Southern Airlines  | Includes operations of Chongqing Airlines (OQ)   |  |  |
| Copa Airlines  | includes operations of Copa Colombia (P5)  |  |  |
| DHL Air  | All operations considered as scheduled traffic   |  |  |
| easyJet  | Includes operations of easyjet Switzerland (DS)  |  |  |
| Eurowings  | Includes operations of Eurowings Europe (E2), Germanwings (4U), Eurowings-marketed operations by Privatair (PV)  |  |  |
| Finnair  | includes operations of Nordic Regional (N7)  |  |  |
| HOP!   | Excludes operations marketed by Air France (AF)  |  |  |
| Iberia   | Includes operations of Level (LV) to/from Spain  |  |  |
| Kalitta Air  | All operations considered as scheduled traffic, with exception Military operations   |  |  |
| KLM  | Includes operations of KLM CityHopper (WA)   |  |  |
| LATAM group  | Includes operations of LATAM Colombia (4C), LATAM Argentina (4M), LATAM Brasil (JJ), LATAM Cargo Colombia (L7), LATAM Chile (LA), LATAM Peru (LP), LATAM Express (LU), LATAM Cargo Brasil (M3), LATAM Cargo Mexico (M7) up to November 2018, LATAM Paraguay (PZ), LATAM Cargo Chile (UC), LATAM Ecuador (XL) |  |  |
| ufthansa Includes operations of Lufthansa CityLine (CL) and Lufthansa-marketed operations by Air Dolomiti (EN), Eurov Germanwings (4U) |  |  |  |
| Norwegian  | Includes operations of Norwegian Long-Haul (DU), Norwegian Air International (D8), Norwegian Air Norway (DH), Norwegian Air UK (DI), Norwegian Air Argentina (DN)  |  |  |
| Philippine Airlines  | Includes operations of PAL Express (2P)  |  |  |
| Qantas Airways   | Includes operations of Eastern Australia Airlines (EAQ), National Jet Systems (NC/NJS), Network Aviation Australia (NWK), JetConnect (QNZ), Sunstate Airlines (SSQ), and Qantas-marketed operations of Alliance Airlines (QQ)  |  |  |
| Royal Air Maroc  | includes operations of Royal Air Maroc Express (RXP)   |  |  |
| Scandinavian Airlines  | Includes operations of Jet Time (JO), Blue 1 (KF), Cimber (QA), Scandinavian Airlines Ireland (SZS), and SAS-marketed operations of Braathens Regional (DC)  |  |  |
| Sky Lease Cargo  | All operations considered as scheduled traffic   |  |  |
| Southern Air   | All operations considered as scheduled traffic   |  |  |
| SunExpress   | Excludes TK-marketed operations  |  |  |
| SWISS  | Includes operations of Helvetic Airlines (2L), Swiss Global Air Lines (LZ) and Swiss-marketed operations by Edelweiss Air (WK)   |  |  |
| TAP Portugal   | Includes operations of PGA-Portugalia Airlines (NI)  |  |  |
| TUI Fly  | All operations considered as scheduled traffic   |  |  |
| Turkish Airlines   | Includes Turkish Airlines-marketed flights operated by Sun Express (XQ)  |  |  |
| Virgin Australia   | Includes operations of Virgin Australia Regional Airlines (OZW) and Virgin Australia-marketed operations of Alliance Airlines (QQ)   |  |  |
| Wizz Air   | Includes operations of Wizzair UK (W9)   |  |  |

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