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Sydney Airport Traffic Performance September 2013

Pax (‘000s) ¹	September 2013			Year to Date		
	Sep-13	Sep-12	Growth (%)	YTD-13	YTD-12	Growth (%)
Domestic	2,110	2,117	-0.3%	18,457	18,040	+2.3%
International ²	1,086	1,048	+3.7%	9,374	9,006	+4.1%
DOC ³	5	11	-50.8%	52	75	-29.8%
Total	3,201	3,175	+0.8%	27,883	27,120	+2.8%

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

² International excludes Domestic-On-Carriage.

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CEO Kerrie Mather said, “Solid international passenger growth of 3.7% on the prior corresponding period (pcp) was offset by flat domestic growth this month, resulting in total traffic growth of 0.8%. Year to date Sydney Airport has welcomed nearly 28 million passengers representing 3.7% growth on the pcp.

“Our international result this month was driven primarily by an increase in seat capacity and ongoing strong growth from our key Asian markets. We were particularly pleased with the Indian market performance (+18%) driven by the first full month of Air India’s operation of direct services serving Delhi. In fact, six of our Asian nationality markets delivered double digit growth this month, with the strongest market being Greater China, with 28% from Mainland China, 27% from Taiwan and 23% from Hong Kong. These growth rates are particularly pleasing given a number of airlines suffered interruptions due to Typhoon Usagi.”

Key Points

- Total passenger traffic for September is estimated to have increased 0.8% on the pcg, with domestic traffic estimated to have reduced 0.3% on the pcg and international traffic (excluding domestic on-carriage) up 3.7% on the pcg.
- For international traffic, the major nationality markets that grew included Australia (+3%), China (+28%), Taiwan (+27%), Hong Kong (+23%), Korea (+21%), India (+18%), Malaysia (+11%), France (+2%) and UK (+2%). Singapore (-11%), Japan (-5%) and Germany (-5%) were the major nationality markets that declined during September.
- Tigerair announced the commencement of transcontinental frequencies from Sydney to Perth in the lead up to Christmas. The service will operate up to 6 times weekly on an A320 aircraft from 19 December.
- Qantas announced plans to increase capacity on the Sydney-Hong Kong route from 4 November 2013. This will increase the number of A380 return services on this route from four to five per week and will boost capacity by around five per cent after an earlier increase this year. Qantas has also announced further upgauges to their A380 capacity over the Chinese New Year period on the Sydney-Hong Kong route and through January on the Sydney-Los Angeles route.

Last 12 Months Traffic Data

('000s)	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	Total	Total	Growth
	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct 12 - Sep 13	Oct 11 - Sep 12	%
Dom	2,218	2,184	2,127	2,065	1,882	2,117	2,073	1,980	1,930	2,183	2,117	2,110	24,986	24,168	+3.4%
Int	1,063	1,010	1,171	1,189	960	1,026	1,016	921	1,000	1,127	1,048	1,086	12,618	12,087	+4.4%
DOC	9	8	8	7	7	7	6	5	4	6	4	5	78	95	-18.0%
Total	3,290	3,203	3,307	3,261	2,849	3,150	3,095	2,906	2,935	3,316	3,170	3,201	37,683	36,350	+3.7%

All data is for arriving and departing passengers.

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

All data has been rounded to the nearest thousand and in some instances the total may not be equal to the sum of the parts. Percentage changes have been calculated based on actual figures and not based on rounded balances.

Contains estimates with adjustments made to preliminary data in later months.

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