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Sydney Airport Traffic Performance December 2013

Pax (‘000s) ¹	December 2013			Year to Date		
	Dec-13	Dec-12	Growth (%)	YTD-13	YTD-12	Growth (%)
Domestic	2,183	2,127	+2.6%	25,040	24,569	+1.9%
International ²	1,233	1,171	+5.2%	12,753	12,251	+4.1%
DOC ³	5	8	-39.4%	71	100	-29.5%
Total	3,421	3,307	+3.5%	37,863	36,920	+2.6%

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, “December 2013 provided an exceptional end to the year and delivered Sydney Airport a number of exciting records: our busiest year serving 37.9 million passengers; our busiest month, serving 3.4 million passengers; and December 21 was our busiest day ever at the international terminal where we served over 47,300 passengers, as well as many meeters and greeters.

“International traffic continued to perform strongly, growing by 5.2% during December and 4.1% over the year, while Domestic passengers grew by a solid 2.6% for the month and 1.9% over the year.

“Inbound passenger growth for the month was led by UK, China and Singapore nationals. Chinese growth was supported by the commencement of the Sichuan Airlines twice weekly service to Chongqing, while the Singapore growth was driven primarily by the addition of dedicated capacity.

“Australian outbound growth of 4.8% was significantly higher than the year to date growth rate with the most popular Australian business and leisure destinations being Malaysia, China, Philippines and New Zealand.

“Nationality growth over the year was clearly led by China (+14.9%), and our other Asian neighbours, Malaysia (+12.9), Singapore (+11.8%), Hong Kong (+10.0%) and India (+9.2%). Pleasingly we have also seen a strong performance from more mature markets with UK and USA growing 5.0% and 4.7% respectively.”

Key Points

- Total passenger traffic for December is estimated to have increased 3.5% on the pcp, with domestic traffic estimated to be up 2.6% on the pcp and international traffic (excluding domestic on-carriage) up 5.2% on the pcp.
- For international traffic, the major nationality markets that grew during December included Australia (+4.8%), Singapore (+24.6%), Malaysia (+11.8%), France (+11.4%), India (+10.8%), China (+8.0%), UK (+7.4%), USA (+5.3%), Japan (+5.3%) and Korea (+4.9%). Indonesia (-4.4%) and Canada (-4.4%) were the major nationality markets that declined.
- On 4 December, Tigerair announced it would commence flying a new daily return service between Sydney and Adelaide from 11 March 2014. In addition, Tigerair announced it will be increasing services on the existing Brisbane-Sydney and Sydney-Melbourne routes.
- On 19 December, the new Tigerair, Sydney-Perth route commenced, providing more than 112,000 additional seats annually through Sydney Airport. Tigerair will fly up to six times weekly. This represents the airline’s fifth new route launched through Sydney in 2013.
- On 20 December, Sichuan Airlines launched the new route from Chongqing, with a tag service to Chengdu. This new service will provide more than 50,000 seats per year and enables passengers to access western China directly from Sydney.
- From May 2014 Fiji Airways will begin flying twice weekly direct between Sydney and Suva. The new flight will be operated by a Boeing 737-700 aircraft on Mondays and Fridays, providing additional capacity of nearly 13,000 seats annually.

Last 12 Months Traffic Data

('000s)	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	Total	Total	Growth
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan 13 - Dec 13	Jan 12 - Dec 12	%	
Dom	2,065	1,882	2,117	2,073	1,980	1,930	2,183	2,117	2,088	2,274	2,147	2,183	25,040	24,569	+1.9%	
Int	1,189	960	1,026	1,016	921	1,000	1,127	1,048	1,086	1,098	1,048	1,233	12,753	12,251	+4.1%	
DOC	7	7	7	6	5	4	6	4	5	7	6	5	71	100	-29.5%	
Total	3,261	2,849	3,150	3,095	2,906	2,935	3,316	3,170	3,180	3,380	3,201	3,421	37,863	36,920	+2.6%	

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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