

December 2015 Monthly traffic update

849,631 Auckland Airport's December 2015 international passengers (excluding transit passengers) were the highest ever for a single month. The 849,631 passengers were 32,000 higher than the previous record set in January 2015, and 8.8% higher than December 2014. The December 2015 result was driven by capacity increases on Asian and North American routes, which increased visitor arrivals over summer, as well as by the number people travelling to visit friends and relatives over the Christmas / New Year holiday period.

200,135 The week ending 20 December 2015 was the busiest week ever at Auckland Airport with 200,135 international passengers, and the number of arriving international passengers in a week exceeding 100,000 for the first time. This record performance has continued across the busy peak period, with five consecutive weeks exceeding 200,000 international passengers, and a new weekly record of 211,833 international passengers set in the week ending 10 January 2015.

8.4m+ Auckland Airport's international passengers (excluding transit passengers) exceeded 8.4 million for the 12 month period ending 31 December 2015. The increase in visitor numbers was primarily due to additional capacity on services from China, Australia, the United States, and Japan, in part due to the launch of three new airlines and four year-round routes this year.

10.8% Auckland Airport's domestic passengers increased by 69,000 passengers or 10.8% in December 2015 compared with December 2014, making it Auckland Airport's busiest domestic month ever. December 2015 saw the commencement of Jetstar's Auckland-Nelson and Auckland-Napier services, which added more than 17,000 seats to the regional network. Overall domestic load factors improved to 83.9% in December 2015, with the Auckland-Queenstown route exceeding 90% despite a combined airline capacity increase of 22% on that route.

Dec-15	Current month	Previous years month	% Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	% Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	% Change in rolling total
AUCKLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT									
Passenger Movements									
International arrivals (excl. Transits)	436,882	401,477	8.8%	2,209,520	2,054,639	7.5%	4,232,630	3,934,135	7.6%
International departures (excl. Transits)	412,749	379,448	8.8%	2,070,923	1,937,548	6.9%	4,180,061	3,907,303	7.0%
Total international (excl. Transits)	849,631	780,925	8.8%	4,280,443	3,992,187	7.2%	8,412,691	7,841,438	7.3%
Transit movements	53,948	44,530	21.1%	275,242	263,470	4.5%	505,528	488,534	3.5%
Total international passengers *	903,579	825,455	9.5%	4,555,685	4,255,657	7.1%	8,918,219	8,329,972	7.1%
Total domestic passengers **	686,592	619,735	10.8%	3,850,332	3,624,754	6.2%	7,424,173	7,018,648	5.8%
Top 10 arrivals by country of last residence									
New Zealand	113,360	108,196	4.8%	1,038,640	983,142	5.6%	1,926,338	1,820,232	5.8%
Australia	107,227	104,127	3.0%	413,138	394,751	4.7%	794,737	761,399	4.4%
China, People's Republic of	32,536	24,052	35.3%	158,978	122,444	29.8%	328,969	249,781	31.7%
United States of America	27,860	25,358	9.9%	88,554	81,954	8.1%	192,857	175,804	9.7%
United Kingdom	30,744	28,230	8.9%	76,968	73,931	4.1%	164,582	158,990	3.5%
Japan	10,196	7,914	28.8%	42,846	38,525	11.2%	76,619	68,403	12.0%
Germany	10,598	9,543	11.1%	35,377	32,408	9.2%	64,290	60,380	6.5%
Korea, Republic of	7,107	5,307	33.9%	24,769	21,767	13.8%	50,341	43,817	14.9%
India	4,890	4,555	7.4%	23,296	20,213	15.3%	48,838	39,963	22.2%
Canada	6,469	6,121	5.7%	21,468	19,504	10.1%	46,664	43,532	7.2%
Aircraft Movements									
International aircraft movements	4,552	4,236	7.5%	24,342	23,678	2.8%	47,356	46,407	2.0%
Domestic aircraft movements	9,443	9,046	4.4%	53,351	53,203	0.3%	104,412	104,778	-0.3%
Total aircraft movements	13,995	13,282	5.4%	77,693	76,881	1.1%	151,768	151,185	0.4%
MCTOW (tonnes) ***									
International MCTOW	456,840	423,934	7.8%	2,366,918	2,281,692	3.7%	4,641,278	4,450,697	4.3%
Domestic MCTOW	174,608	159,857	9.2%	1,016,149	955,556	6.3%	1,951,357	1,873,483	4.2%
Total MCTOW	631,448	583,791	8.2%	3,383,067	3,237,247	4.5%	6,592,635	6,324,180	4.2%

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QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT
Passenger Movements

Total international passengers	40,885	32,237	26.8%	264,965	221,431	19.7%	441,461	350,643	25.9%
Total domestic passengers	115,751	96,498	20.0%	565,595	498,361	13.5%	1,067,947	970,088	10.1%

Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	313	258	21.3%	2,060	1,802	14.3%	3,402	2,795	21.7%
Domestic aircraft movements	958	826	16.0%	5,063	4,502	12.5%	9,395	8,709	7.9%
Total aircraft movements	1,271	1,084	17.3%	7,123	6,304	13.0%	12,797	11,504	11.2%

CAIRNS AIRPORT
Passenger Movements

International Passenger movements (excl. Transits)	53,249	43,323	22.9%	314,106	262,139	19.8%	567,212	490,907	15.5%
Transit movements	15,683	8,945	75.3%	57,109	47,700	19.7%	110,912	99,708	11.2%
Total international passengers	68,932	52,268	31.9%	371,215	309,839	19.8%	678,124	590,615	14.8%
Total domestic passengers	367,203	344,239	6.7%	2,242,791	2,164,638	3.6%	4,119,397	3,989,554	3.3%

Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	583	528	10.4%	3,403	3,235	5.2%	6,590	6,521	1.1%
Domestic aircraft movements	3,481	3,256	6.9%	20,663	19,980	3.4%	39,141	38,512	1.6%
Total aircraft movements	4,064	3,784	7.4%	24,066	23,215	3.7%	45,731	45,033	1.5%

MACKAY AIRPORT
Passenger Movements

Domestic passengers	69,301	81,149	-14.6%	437,412	494,502	-11.5%	868,333	954,784	-9.1%
Transit movements	2,443	5,564	-56.1%	18,545	37,978	-51.2%	44,704	71,552	-37.5%
Total domestic passengers	71,744	86,713	-17.3%	455,957	532,480	-14.4%	913,037	1,026,336	-11.0%

Aircraft Movements

Domestic aircraft movements	887	1,121	-20.9%	5,629	6,823	-17.5%	11,815	13,147	-10.1%
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