



May 2022 Monthly traffic update

19.3%

Auckland Airport's total passenger volumes increased by 19.3% in May 2022 versus May 2021, but were down 46.1% compared to the pre-COVID equivalent in May 2019. Compared to May 2021, international passengers (excl. transits) were up 108.7%, transit passengers were up 6096% and domestic passengers were down by 4.8%.

Key Points:

- International passenger recovery continues with passenger numbers for May 2022 increasing 28% on prior month representing a 38% recovery compared to May 2019. Leading the recovery are Australian passport holders, at 53.6% versus May 2019 and New Zealand passport holders at 46.8%.
- Short haul international traffic improved with 206k passengers travelling in the month, a recovery of 47% versus May 2019. Long haul international recovery continues to lag short-haul with traffic 24.3% of May 2019.
- For the month of May 2022, the majority of international passenger movements occurred across the Tasman (159k) with the next most popular route being Fiji (23k), closely followed by Singapore.
- Load factors on international flights are exceeding pre-COVID levels. May is traditionally one of the quieter months in terms of load factors, however May 2022 experienced load factors in line with December 2019, showing a combination of robust demand and a shortage of airline capacity.
- 29th May 2022 was a record day for international passenger numbers post COVID, with 11,352 international passengers travelling through the airport. The last time daily passenger volume was higher was 26 months ago on 22 March 2020.
- Demand on the domestic network improved, increasing 11% on the prior month even though May, like the international network, is traditionally a quieter month. Domestic passenger volume recovered to 72.4% of May 2019 with recovery on regional sectors at 74.6% compared to 71.6% on jet sectors.
- Queenstown airport welcomed international passengers for the first time since July 2021.

AUCKLAND AIRPORT	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Passenger Movements									
Total international (excl. Transits)	281,774	134,982	108.7%	941,165	431,922	117.9%	1,068,304	454,293	135.2%
Transit movements	21,438	346	6096.0%	62,238	42,230	47.4%	63,072	45,138	39.7%
Total international passengers*	303,212	135,328	124.1%	1,003,403	474,152	111.6%	1,131,376	499,431	126.5%
Total domestic passengers	557,617	586,032	-4.8%	3,645,933	5,281,937	-31.0%	4,208,730	5,488,258	-23.3%
Total passengers	860,829	721,360	19.3%	4,649,336	5,756,089	-19.2%	5,340,106	5,987,689	-10.8%
Top 10 arrivals by country of last residence									
New Zealand	78,020	22,192	251.6%	235,675	56,691	315.7%	260,016	60,966	326.5%
Australia	35,856	36,378	-1.4%	111,968	81,178	37.9%	141,572	82,992	70.6%
United States of America	3,857	647	496.1%	10,328	8,425	22.6%	11,033	9,021	22.3%
United Kingdom	3,408	908	275.3%	15,903	13,560	17.3%	16,578	14,008	18.3%
China, People's Republic of	1,309	482	171.6%	4,523	3,917	15.5%	5,243	4,213	24.4%
Canada	1,143	181	531.5%	3,670	2,195	67.2%	3,791	2,308	64.3%
Singapore	1,038	179	479.9%	2,744	1,283	113.9%	3,022	1,349	124.0%
India	873	131	566.4%	5,695	2,338	143.6%	5,873	2,524	132.7%
Cook Islands	761	440	73.0%	4,348	2,947	47.5%	4,901	2,994	63.7%
Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region)	539	122	341.8%	1,981	1,472	34.6%	2,168	1,579	37.3%
Aircraft Movements									
International aircraft movements	2,028	1,825	11.1%	16,194	13,473	20.2%	17,823	14,499	22.9%
Domestic aircraft movements	7,999	7,836	2.1%	59,834	75,976	-21.2%	67,440	79,983	-15.7%
Total aircraft movements	10,027	9,661	3.8%	76,028	89,449	-15.0%	85,263	94,482	-9.8%
MCTOW (tonnes)*									
International MCTOW	207,112	185,399	11.7%	1,905,770	1,592,789	19.6%	2,083,994	1,721,659	21.0%
Domestic MCTOW	156,127	153,987	1.4%	1,183,357	1,485,512	-20.3%	1,335,712	1,556,192	-14.2%
Total MCTOW	363,239	339,386	7.0%	3,089,127	3,078,302	0.4%	3,419,706	3,277,851	4.3%
Cargo (tonnes)									
International Export	7,379	7,171	2.9%	77,608	75,921	2.2%	83,650	81,096	3.1%
International Import	6,895	8,373	-17.7%	89,955	76,153	18.1%	98,290	81,825	20.1%
Total Cargo	14,274	15,544	-8.2%	167,563	152,074	10.2%	181,940	162,921	11.7%
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Passenger Movements	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international passengers	2,429	9,651	-74.8%	15,389	12,534	22.8%	28,135	12,534	124.5%
Total domestic passengers	101,957	94,992	7.3%	980,802	1,204,107	-18.5%	1,088,111	1,241,539	-12.4%
Total passengers	104,386	104,643	-0.2%	996,191	1,216,641	-18.1%	1,116,246	1,254,073	-11.0%
International aircraft movements	18	154	-88.3%	173	216	-19.9%	309	216	43.1%
Domestic aircraft movements	881	702	25.5%	8,440	9,899	-14.7%	9,268	10,343	-10.4%
Total aircraft movements	899	856	5.0%	8,613	10,115	-14.8%	9,577	10,559	-9.3%

Notes:

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June 2022 Monthly traffic preview

37.9%

Auckland Airport total passenger volumes increased by 37.9% in June 2022 versus June 2021, but were down 37.9% compared to the pre-COVID equivalent in June 2019. Compared to June 2021, international passengers (excl. transits) were up 145.1%, transit passengers were up 3003% and domestic passengers were up by 9.3%.

Key Points:

- International passenger recovery continues with passenger numbers for June 2022 increasing 11% on prior month representing a 41.9% recovery compared to June 2019;
- Load factors on international flights were at levels not observed since 2015 demonstrating a combination of strong passenger demand and a shortage of airline capacity. Short-haul international load factors were 90% for June 2022, higher than any other month in over seven years of operations. Long-haul international load factors were slightly below historic levels due to softness on routes that operate to and from countries with the most restrictive border settings (China, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan). If these routes were excluded, then average long-haul load factors increase to 88%. Load factors this high are only traditionally observed during peak summer months;
- Short-haul international recovery improved during June 2022 and is now 55% of June 2019. There were 29k passengers that travelled to and from Fiji during the month, approximately two-thirds of pre-COVID levels and 27k passengers travelled to and from the Cook Islands, which is a recovery of 98.5% relative to June 2019. 84k passengers travelled across the Tasman which is 54% of June 2019.
- Demand on long-haul routes in June 2022 when compared to June 2019 was similar to last month at 24.6%. The modest improvement to performance reflects a shortage of airline capacity on routes which is resulting in higher load factors and higher air fares. Long-haul airline capacity is expected to increase during July 2022 with the return of Hawaiian Airlines, an increase in flights to and from Santiago and Air New Zealand's touted 'Relaunch of 14 international routes in 16 days'.
- Australian passport holders continue to firm, recovering to 59.8% of June 2019 and New Zealand passports at 48.6%. European demand is now at 39.1%, with pronounced strength of UK passports at 44.1% of June 2019 levels. Indian traffic is improving quickly with Indian passport holders now at 40.4% of June 2019.
- Demand on the domestic network improved, increasing 10% on the prior month. Domestic passenger volume recovered to 86.8% of June 2019 with recovery on regional sectors at 85.4% compared to 87.4% on jet sectors. Passengers on Queenstown route exceeded June 2019 volume with 79k passengers for the month, growth of 3.5% on June 2019.

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Passenger Movements

	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international (excl. Transits)	311,596	127,139	145.1%	1,252,761	559,061	124.1%	1,252,761	559,061	124.1%
Transit movements	25,876	834	3002.6%	88,114	43,064	104.6%	88,114	43,064	104.6%
Total international passengers*	337,472	127,973	163.7%	1,340,875	602,125	122.7%	1,340,875	602,125	122.7%
Total domestic passengers	615,338	562,797	9.3%	4,261,271	5,844,734	-27.1%	4,261,271	5,844,734	-27.1%
Total passengers	952,810	690,770	37.9%	5,602,146	6,446,859	-13.1%	5,602,146	6,446,859	-13.1%

Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	2,121	1,629	30.2%	18,315	15,102	21.3%	18,315	15,102	21.3%
Domestic aircraft movements	7,914	7,606	4.0%	67,748	83,582	-18.9%	67,748	83,582	-18.9%
Total aircraft movements	10,035	9,235	8.7%	86,063	98,684	-12.8%	86,063	98,684	-12.8%

MCTOW (tonnes)*

International MCTOW	209,358	178,225	17.5%	2,115,127	1,771,014	19.4%	2,115,127	1,771,014	19.4%
Domestic MCTOW	159,793	152,355	4.9%	1,343,150	1,637,867	-18.0%	1,343,150	1,637,867	-18.0%
Total MCTOW	369,151	330,579	11.7%	3,458,278	3,408,881	1.4%	3,458,278	3,408,881	1.4%

QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT

Passenger Movements

	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international passengers	22,500	12,746	76.5%	37,889	25,280	49.9%	37,889	25,280	49.9%
Total domestic passengers	115,853	107,309	8.0%	1,096,655	1,311,416	-16.4%	1,096,655	1,311,416	-16.4%
Total passengers	138,353	120,055	15.2%	1,134,544	1,336,696	-15.1%	1,134,544	1,336,696	-15.1%

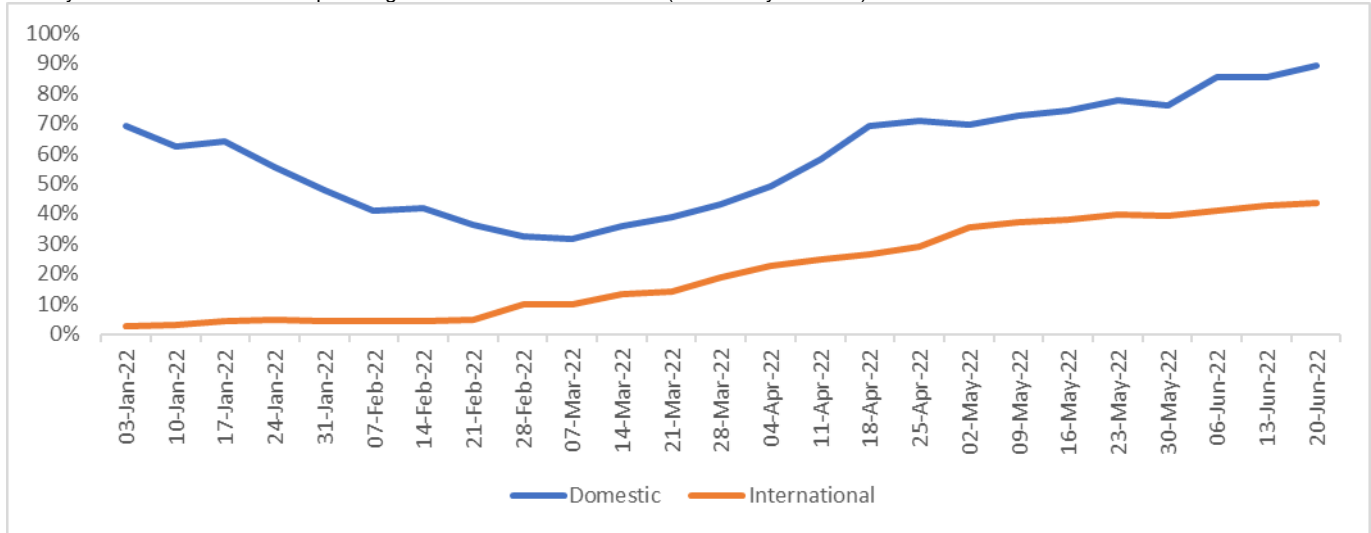
International aircraft movements	175	136	28.7%	348	352	-1.1%	348	352	-1.1%
Domestic aircraft movements	903	828	9.1%	9,343	10,727	-12.9%	9,343	10,727	-12.9%
Total aircraft movements	1,078	964	11.8%	9,691	11,079	-12.5%	9,691	11,079	-12.5%

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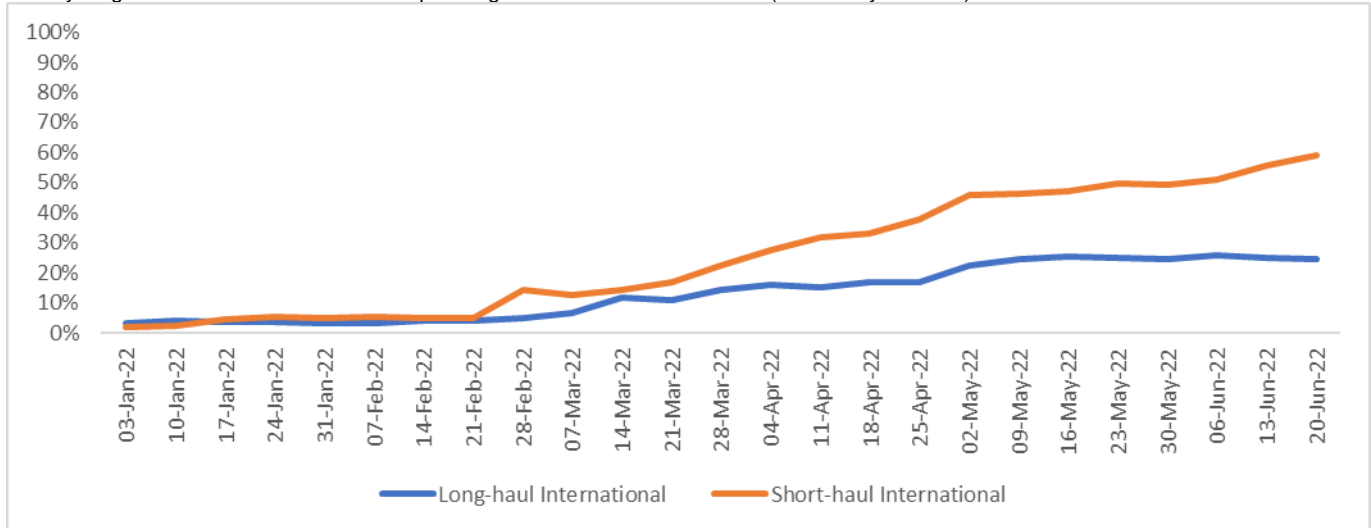
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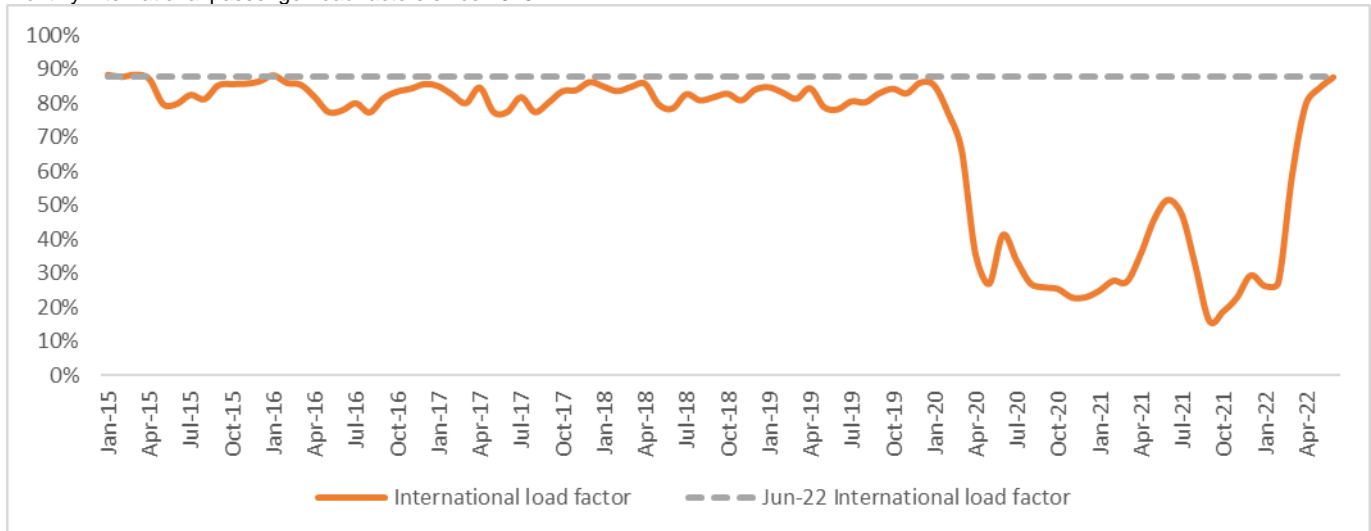
Weekly domestic & international passenger numbers relative to FY19 (Calendar year 2022)



Weekly long-haul & short-haul international passenger numbers relative to FY19 (Calendar year 2022)



Monthly international passenger load factors since 2015



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