

Aer Lingus Group plc

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Traffic Statistics – August 2012

Dublin & London, 6 September 2012: Aer Lingus Group plc (“Aer Lingus”), today announced traffic statistics for the month of August 2012.

Total flown passenger numbers, including Aer Lingus Regional operations, increased by 2.2% to 1,116,000 in August 2012 compared to August 2011.

Aer Lingus mainline’s flown passenger load factor in August 2012 increased by 1.6 points on August 2011 to 87.3%. Short haul flown load factor was 84.6%, an increase of 1.2 points on August 2011, with capacity decreasing by 1.8%. Long haul flown load factor was 93.2%, an increase of 2.4 points on August 2011, with capacity increasing by 4.0% on prior year.

Aer Lingus mainline’s total flown passenger numbers in August 2012 were 1,009,000, a decrease of 0.4% compared to August 2011. Short haul flown passengers in August 2012 were 906,000, a decrease of 1.2% on August 2011, while long haul flown passengers in August 2012 were 103,000, an increase of 7.3% on August 2011.

Aer Lingus Regional’s total flown passenger numbers in August 2012 were 107,000, an increase of 35.4% compared to August 2011.

Detailed traffic statistics are set out on the following page. Attention is drawn to the notes at the foot of the tables which explain the basis on which the figures have been prepared.

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Aer Lingus Scheduled Traffic Statistics ³

	August			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹						
Short haul	906	917	(1.2%)	5,889	5,804	1.5%
Long haul	103	96	7.3%	635	583	8.9%
Total	1,009	1,013	(0.4%)	6,524	6,387	2.1%
Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions)¹						
Short haul	1,041	1,044	(0.3%)	6,460	6,320	2.2%
Long haul	535	502	6.6%	3,327	3,068	8.4%
Total	1,576	1,546	1.9%	9,787	9,388	4.3%
Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)						
Short haul	1,230	1,252	(1.8%)	8,552	8,536	0.2%
Long haul	574	552	4.0%	4,085	3,966	3.0%
Total	1,804	1,804	0.0%	12,637	12,502	1.1%
Passenger load factor (%)²			% Points			% Points
Short haul	84.6	83.4	1.2	75.5	74.0	1.5
Long haul	93.2	90.8	2.4	81.5	77.4	4.1
Total	87.3	85.7	1.6	77.4	75.1	2.3

Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.

Aer Lingus Regional Scheduled Traffic Statistics

	August			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹						
	107	79	35.4%	658	495	32.9%

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Total Aer Lingus Traffic Statistics including Aer Lingus Regional

	August			Year-to-date		
	2012	2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Passengers (thousands)¹						
	1,116	1,092	2.2%	7,182	6,882	4.4%

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Notes

- 1 Aer Lingus presents its monthly scheduled traffic statistics on the basis of passengers flown in the relevant month. This represents a change in our reporting as in previous traffic statistics announcements we reported on the basis of passengers booked to fly in the month.
- 2 Revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres
- 3 Aer Lingus' scheduled traffic statistics do not include traffic carried on the Washington Dulles – Madrid codeshare service operated in partnership with United Airlines.

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