

# Aer Lingus Group plc

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## Traffic Statistics – November 2010

**Dublin & London, 78 December 2010:** Aer Lingus Group plc (“Aer Lingus”), today announced traffic statistics for the month of November 2010.

Aer Lingus’ load factor in November 2010 improved by 1.3 points on November 2009 to 72.3%. Long haul load factor was 71.9%, an increase of 0.8 points on November 2009, with capacity decreasing by 0.4%. Short haul load factor was 72.6%, an increase of 1.6 points on November 2009, with capacity decreasing by 20.6%.

Aer Lingus’ total passenger numbers in November 2010 were 653,000, a decrease of 15.9% compared to November 2009. Short haul passengers were 581,000, a 17.5% decrease on November 2009 while long haul passengers remained unchanged from November 2009 at 72,000.

Aer Lingus significantly reduced its long haul capacity at the end of 2009 and made a smaller reduction to short haul capacity earlier this year. These changes were made to achieve a better match between capacity and market demand in the core market of Ireland, and to remove loss-making routes. As a result, total November 2010 capacity was 13.6% lower than last year.

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

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<b>Aer Lingus Scheduled Traffic Statistics <sup>3</sup></b>						
	<b>November</b>			<b>Year-to-date</b>		
	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Passengers (thousands) <sup>1</sup></b>						
Short haul	581	704	(17.5%)	8,298	8,980	(7.6%)
Long haul	72	72	0.0%	839	994	(15.6%)
Total	653	776	(15.9%)	9,137	9,974	(8.4%)
<b>Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) (millions) <sup>1</sup></b>						
Short haul	569	701	(18.8%)	8,970	9,599	(6.6%)
Long haul	377	374	0.8%	4,398	5,391	(18.4%)
Total	946	1,075	(12.0%)	13,368	14,990	(10.8%)
<b>Available seat kilometres (ASKs) (millions)</b>						
Short haul	784	988	(20.6%)	11,512	12,228	(5.9%)
Long haul	524	526	(0.4%)	5,614	7,508	(25.2%)
Total	1,308	1,514	(13.6%)	17,126	19,736	(13.2%)
<b>Passenger load factor (%) <sup>2</sup></b>			<b>% Points</b>			<b>% Points</b>
Short haul	72.6	71.0	1.6	77.9	78.5	(0.6)
Long haul	71.9	71.1	0.8	78.3	71.8	6.5
Total	72.3	71.0	1.3	78.1	76.0	2.1
<i>Detailed traffic statistics may be subject to change.</i>						

#### **Notes**

- 1 Earned seats and earned revenue passenger kilometres include seats and passenger kilometres respectively that are sold regardless of whether the passenger shows for a flight, as once a flight has departed the passenger is generally not entitled to change flights or obtain a refund.
- 2 Earned revenue passenger kilometres as a percentage of available seat kilometres
- 3 Aer Lingus' scheduled traffic statistics do not include traffic carried on Aer Lingus Regional Services operated by Aer Arann or traffic carried on the Washington Dulles – Madrid codeshare service operated in partnership with United Airlines.

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