

TRAFFIC AND CAPACITY STATISTICS – November 2006

Summary of the headline figures

In November 2006, passenger capacity, measured in Available Seat Kilometres, was 0.7 per cent above November 2005. Traffic, measured in Revenue Passenger Kilometres, was lower by 0.8 per cent. This resulted in a passenger load factor down 1.0 points versus last year, to 72.2 per cent. The decrease in traffic comprised a 3.7 per cent increase in premium traffic and a 1.6 per cent decrease in non-premium traffic. Cargo, measured in Cargo Tonne Kilometres, decreased by 8.2 per cent. Overall load factor fell by 0.3 points to 69.8 per cent.

Market conditions

Underlying market conditions are broadly unchanged, bookings are continuing to recover supported by common European carry on baggage standards and improved performance at Heathrow.

Strategic Developments

The airline has reached agreement in principle to sell the regional operation of its subsidiary airline BA Connect to Flybe.

The airline purchased American Airline's remaining stake in Iberia for approximately 19 million euros (or £13 million) taking BA's total share holding from some nine to ten per cent. The transaction is intended to preserve British Airways' two seats on the Iberia board.

BA unveiled its next generation business class cabin which offers greater comfort, more space and storage. It is part of an £100 million investment in the airline's products and services that includes its First Class cabin and the introduction of an on-demand in-flight entertainment system in every cabin across the longhaul fleet. The new Club World flat bed is 25 per cent wider with a unique 'z' bed position that extends to six foot six inches.

A ten year funding plan to tackle the £2.1 billion deficit in the New Airways Pension Scheme (NAPS) was agreed in principle between BA and the trustees. It includes an increase in the company's one off cash injection from £500 - £800 million plus cash payments of £50 million for three years and an increase in annual contributions to over £250 million.

Following consultation with its trades unions the company proposed to increase its annual contributions to £272 million and offered staff the choice of a normal retirement age of 60 with increased staff contributions or retirement at 65 with a reduced pension.

Willie Walsh, chief executive, called for faster progress on plans to increase runway capacity at Heathrow airport. He urged the Government to set out a step-by-step timetable for the introduction of mixed mode operations and a short third runway, with clear deadlines for the necessary preparatory work by airport owner BAA and the Civil Aviation Authority.

British Airways announced a review of its uniform policy to examine ways in which the policy can be adapted to allow symbols of faith to be worn openly while remaining consistent with the British Airways brand and compliant with employment legislation.

A mini 'World Offers' sale to 36 popular long-haul destinations with savings of up to 53 per cent was announced.

New routes from London Gatwick to Port of Spain in Trinidad and Tobago, Dresden in Germany and Sarajevo in Bosnia and Herzegovina will start from March 2007. The airline signed a codeshare agreement with Caribbean Airlines on British Airways' services to Port of Spain, Barbados and Antigua.

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BRITISH AIRWAYS MONTHLY TRAFFIC AND CAPACITY STATISTICS

BRITISH AIRWAYS SCHEDULED SERVICES	Month of November			Financial year April through to Nov		
	2006	2005	Change (%)	2006	2005	Change (%)
Passengers carried (000)						
UK/Europe	1747	1728	+1.1	16513	16320	+1.2
Americas	525	570	-8.0	5184	5096	+1.7
Asia Pacific	143	152	-5.6	1273	1263	+0.9
Africa and Middle East	321	281	+14.0	2311	1995	+15.8
Total	2736	2732	+0.1	25281	24673	+2.5
Revenue passenger km (m)						
UK/Europe	1588	1514	+4.8	15676	15182	+3.3
Americas	3512	3815	-7.9	34928	34212	+2.1
Asia Pacific	1462	1560	-6.3	12956	12976	-0.2
Africa and Middle East	2203	1942	+13.4	15487	13442	+15.2
Total	8764	8831	-0.8	79047	75813	+4.3
Available seat km (m)						
UK/Europe	2491	2470	+0.8	21220	21735	-2.4
Americas	4871	4930	-1.2	44196	42623	+3.7
Asia Pacific	1933	2074	-6.8	16362	16918	-3.3
Africa and Middle East	2851	2588	+10.1	20007	17525	+14.2
Total	12145	12063	+0.7	101784	98801	+3.0
Passenger load factor (%)						
UK/Europe	63.7	61.3	+2.4pts	73.9	69.9	+4.0pts
Americas	72.1	77.4	-5.3pts	79.0	80.3	-1.3pts
Asia Pacific	75.6	75.2	+0.4pts	79.2	76.7	+2.5pts
Africa and Middle East	77.3	75.0	+2.3pts	77.4	76.7	+0.7pts
Total	72.2	73.2	-1.0pts	77.7	76.7	+1.0pts
Revenue tonne km (RTK) (m)						
Cargo tonne km (CTK)	408	444	-8.2	3221	3252	-1.0
Total RTK	1297	1325	-2.1	11185	10810	+3.5
Available tonne km (m)	1858	1890	-1.7	15677	15430	+1.6
Overall load factor (%)	69.8	70.1	-0.3pts	71.3	70.1	+1.2pts

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