

TRAFFIC AND CAPACITY STATISTICS – October 2008*New format and restatement of traffic and statistics*

With effect from October 2008, British Airways' traffic statistics now include data related to customers who have flown on 'frequent flyer' mileage redemption tickets. This change brings the Group into line with industry standards, and also into line with all major scheduled carriers. The historic data has also been restated on this basis, to create a like-for-like comparison.

Summary of the headline figures

In October 2008, passenger capacity, measured in Available Seat Kilometres, was 0.7 per cent below October 2007. Traffic, measured in Revenue Passenger Kilometres, fell by 4.4 per cent. This resulted in a passenger load factor decrease of 3.0 points versus last year, to 77.0 per cent. Traffic comprised an 9.2 per cent decrease in premium traffic and a 3.3 per cent fall in non-premium traffic.

Cargo, measured in Cargo Tonne Kilometres, fell by 4.2 per cent.

Market conditions

Trading conditions are fully reflected in the interim management report published today, 7 November 2008.

Strategic Developments

The airline completed successfully the final phase of its transfer of longhaul services from Terminal 4 to Terminal 5. The terminal is working extremely well with good punctuality and baggage performance.

The airline's franchise agreement with Loganair ended. A codeshare agreement continues to be in place, enabling Loganair passengers to travel on BA flight numbers when connecting on to BA flights through Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen.

Atlanta flights will move to Heathrow from Gatwick starting March 29, 2009. The move to Heathrow, made possible by the Open Skies agreement signed last March, will see the Atlanta service operate from Terminal 5.

British Airways announced the start of flights to the Caribbean islands of St Kitts and Nevis this winter. Weekly flights on Saturdays from Gatwick to St Kitts start on January 10, 2009.

The airline dropped its fuel surcharge for World Traveller and World Traveller Plus customers on October 15. The surcharge for World Traveller customers was reduced by £13 on flights of more than nine hours and £10 on flights less than nine hours. World Traveller Plus had a reduction of £6.50 on flights longer than nine hours and £5 flights shorter than nine hours.

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BRITISH AIRWAYS SCHEDULED SERVICES

	Month of October			Financial year to date		
			Change (%)	April to October		Change (%)
	2008	2007		2008	2007	
Passengers carried (000)						
UK/Europe	1746	1866	-6.5	13126	13488	-2.7
Americas	647	673	-3.8	4790	4881	-1.9
Asia Pacific	162	169	-3.8	1136	1160	-2.1
Africa and Middle East	288	304	-5.1	2004	2109	-5.0
Total	2843	3011	-5.6	21056	21638	-2.7
Revenue passenger km (m)						
UK/Europe	1812	1847	-1.9	13730	13498	1.7
Americas	4348	4518	-3.7	32254	32873	-1.9
Asia Pacific	1661	1732	-4.1	11593	11855	-2.2
Africa and Middle East	1875	2044	-8.3	13089	14083	-7.1
Total	9696	10141	-4.4	70666	72309	-2.3
Available seat km (m)						
UK/Europe	2643	2545	3.9	18568	17630	5.3
Americas	5521	5581	-1.1	39948	39354	1.5
Asia Pacific	1982	1968	0.7	13811	13800	0.1
Africa and Middle East	2447	2586	-5.4	16996	17557	-3.2
Total	12592	12679	-0.7	89323	88341	1.1
Passenger load factor (%)						
UK/Europe	68.6	72.6	-4.0pts	73.9	76.6	-2.7pts
Americas	78.8	80.9	-2.1pts	80.7	83.5	-2.8pts
Asia Pacific	83.8	88.0	-4.2pts	83.9	85.9	-2.0pts
Africa and Middle East	76.6	79.1	-2.5pts	77.0	80.2	-3.2pts
Total	77.0	80.0	-3.0pts	79.1	81.9	-2.8pts
Revenue tonne km (RTK) (m)						
Cargo tonne km (CTK)	406	423	-4.2	2840	2813	1.0
Total RTK	1369	1438	-4.8	9875	10086	-2.1
Available tonne km (m)	1886	1950	-3.3	13395	13561	-1.2
Overall load factor (%)	72.6	73.7	-1.1pts	73.7	74.4	-0.7pts

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