

February 2025 Monthly traffic update

Key points:

- In February 2025, there was a total of 844k international passenger movements in the month, a 3.2% decrease compared to the same month in 2024. February 2024 was a leap year, so on an equivalent 28 day month, international passenger movements increased 0.2%. International passenger movements, excluding transits, for the month of February 2025 decreased by 1.3% and on a similar day adjusted basis, a 2.1% increase compared to a 28 day month last year. International passenger movements in February 2025 represent a recovery to 93% of the pre-COVID equivalent, just 1 percentage point off the highest recovery rate post the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- International seat capacity decreased by 7% for the month of February, resulting in airline load factors increasing by 4 percentage points to reach 83%. Once again, the two largest load factor increases were on the United States routes which improved by 11 percentage points and China routes improving by 7 percentage points compared to February 2024;
- International transit passenger movements continued to experience a large decline, falling 32% during February 2025 on the prior year reflecting airlines continuing to prioritise point-to-point passengers at the expense of Americas to Australia transit passenger flows;
- Reviewing changes in international passengers excluding transits shows American nationals had the largest volume increase for the month of 3.6k or 4%, followed by Australian nationals increasing 2.5k or 2.8%. Chinese nationals decreased by 17k or 20% due to the timing of Chinese New Year;
- Domestic passenger movements decreased 5% in the month of February 2025 when compared to the same month in the prior year, a day adjusted decline of 1.6% with seat capacity the same as last year, resulting in domestic load factors declining by 4.4 percentage points to 84.4%; and
- Queenstown Airport international passenger numbers in February 2025 increased 3% on the year prior and domestic passengers decreased by 3% on the same month last year.

AUCKLAND AIRPORT	Current month		Financial year to date		Rolling 12-month total	
	Current year	Change vs prior year	Current year	Change vs prior year	Current year	Change vs prior year
Passenger Movements						
International passengers	807,861	-1%	6,604,025	4%	9,539,031	6%
Transit movements	36,526	-32%	486,586	-3%	736,810	2%
Total international passengers	844,387	-3%	7,090,611	3%	10,275,841	6%
Domestic passengers	691,255	-5%	5,669,110	0%	8,449,419	0%
Total passengers	1,535,642	-4%	12,759,721	2%	18,725,260	3%
Aircraft Movements						
International aircraft movements	4,190	-7%	35,523	-2%	52,414	1%
Domestic aircraft movements	8,638	-2%	70,282	0%	104,963	0%
Total aircraft movements	12,828	-4%	105,805	-1%	157,377	0%
MCTOW (tonnes)¹						
International MCTOW	434,022	-6%	3,526,136	-1%	5,178,295	2%
Domestic MCTOW	175,400	0%	1,431,847	0%	2,137,953	0%
Total MCTOW	609,421	-5%	4,957,984	-1%	7,316,248	2%
QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT						
Passenger Movements						
International passengers	64,527	3%	680,179	10%	918,427	10%
Domestic passengers	144,595	-3%	1,136,314	3%	1,659,934	3%
Total passengers	209,122	-1%	1,816,493	5%	2,578,361	5%
International aircraft movements	431	0%	4,735	3%	6,485	2%
Domestic aircraft movements	999	-2%	8,421	4%	12,399	5%
Total aircraft movements	1,430	-1%	13,156	4%	18,884	4%

Notes:

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