

November 2021 Monthly traffic update and December 2021 preview

-89.1%

Auckland Airport total passenger volumes decreased by 89.1% in November 2021 versus the prior year and were down 96.7% compared to November 2018. International passengers (excl. transits) were up 7.1%, transit passengers were down 72.1% and domestic passengers were down by 93.9% compared to November 2020.

Key Points:

- Auckland remained at Alert Level 3 throughout November 2021, limiting both international and domestic flight and passenger movements in the month. The growth in international passengers in the month compared to November 2020 was driven by RSE workers arriving from Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu.
- New Zealand transferred to the COVID-19 protection framework (i.e. traffic light system) on 2nd December and Auckland transitioned from the Red setting to Amber on 30th December. Auckland's domestic border remained closed to all but essential travel until 23:59 14th December.
- Refer Appendix 2 for comparison with pre-COVID November 2018

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Passenger Movements

	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international (excl. Transits)	26,043	24,313	7.1%	212,715	124,869	70.4%	646,907	3,637,232	-82.2%
Transit movements	1,246	4,472	-72.1%	4,214	29,462	-85.7%	17,816	302,962	-94.1%
Total international passengers *	27,289	28,785	-5.2%	216,929	154,331	40.6%	664,723	3,940,194	-83.1%
Total domestic passengers	31,408	510,742	-93.9%	1,153,710	2,087,567	-44.7%	4,910,877	5,186,148	-5.3%
Total passengers	58,697	539,527	-89.1%	1,370,639	2,241,898	-38.9%	5,575,600	9,126,342	-38.9%

Top 10 arrivals by country of last residence

New Zealand	3,159	2,450	28.9%	53,755	14,189	278.8%	120,598	693,878	-82.6%
United Kingdom	1,363	1,782	-23.5%	4,970	6,128	-18.9%	13,077	109,055	-88.0%
Australia	1,123	2,708	-58.5%	19,720	14,120	39.7%	116,382	335,005	-65.3%
United States of America	487	1,084	-55.1%	2,060	4,097	-49.7%	7,093	142,165	-95.0%
India	368	33	1015.2%	1,888	664	184.3%	3,740	25,558	-85.4%
Canada	218	308	-29.2%	874	1,044	-16.3%	2,146	35,697	-94.0%
China, People's Republic of	195	326	-40.2%	1,614	1,604	0.6%	4,647	75,728	-93.9%
Singapore	192	121	58.7%	640	473	35.3%	1,728	13,119	-86.8%
Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region)	140	130	7.7%	589	618	-4.7%	1,630	16,987	-90.4%
Cook Islands	108	50	116.0%	1,404	404	247.5%	4,500	5,199	-13.4%

Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	1,412	1,191	18.6%	6,888	5,449	26.4%	16,541	27,154	-39.1%
Domestic aircraft movements	1,480	6,986	-78.8%	17,781	30,267	-41.3%	71,096	74,501	-4.6%
Total aircraft movements	2,892	8,177	-64.6%	24,669	35,716	-30.9%	87,637	101,655	-13.8%

MCTOW (tonnes) *

International MCTOW	172,902	146,721	17.8%	813,792	668,320	21.8%	1,916,486	2,973,199	-35.5%
Domestic MCTOW	31,294	136,897	-77.1%	372,877	609,162	-38.8%	1,401,582	1,468,823	-4.6%
Total MCTOW	204,195	283,618	-28.0%	1,186,669	1,277,482	-7.1%	3,318,068	4,442,022	-25.3%

Cargo (tonnes)

International Export	7,537	7,623	-1.1%	33,575	29,968	12.0%	85,570	77,717	10.1%
International Import	8,976	8,063	11.3%	42,208	34,229	23.3%	92,467	76,275	21.2%
Total Cargo	16,513	15,686	5.3%	75,783	64,197	18.0%	178,037	153,992	15.6%
Total Cargo Value NZ\$('000)	2,538,345	1,977,150	28.4%	10,632,433	8,863,882	20.0%	23,031,777	20,538,998	12.1%

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Passenger Movements

	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international passengers	0	0	0.0%	12,960	0	0.0%	38,240	235,156	-83.7%
Total domestic passengers	47,379	108,615	-56.4%	394,156	562,474	-29.9%	1,143,098	1,172,410	-2.5%
Total passengers	47,379	108,615	-56.4%	407,116	562,474	-27.6%	1,181,338	1,407,566	-16.1%

International aircraft movements	0	0	0.0%	155	0	0.0%	507	1,866	-72.8%
Domestic aircraft movements	446	999	-55.4%	3,073	4,874	-37.0%	8,926	9,940	-10.2%
Total aircraft movements	446	999	-55.4%	3,228	4,874	-33.8%	9,433	11,806	-20.1%

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December 2021 Monthly traffic update preview

-40.0%

Auckland Airport total passenger volumes decreased by 40% in December 2021 versus the prior year and were down 82.4% compared to November 2018. International passengers (excl. transits) were up 34.7%, transit passengers were down 38.1% and domestic passengers were down by 44% compared to December 2020.

Key Points:

- Entry to New Zealand remained restricted in the month. International passenger numbers in December improved on the prior month due to an increase in both outbound and inbound traffic, with the later a result of RSE workers arriving from Pacific Island nations.
- The first 2 weeks of December domestic passenger demand was in-line with prior month of November 2021, down by 92% versus December 2021. Following the removal of Auckland's regional border restrictions, domestic traffic strengthened for the remainder of December 2021, down by 7% compared to December 2020.
- Quarantine free travel with Cook Islands recommenced on 14 January 2022.
- Refer Appendix 2 for comparison with pre-COVID December 2018.

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	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Passenger Movements									
Total international (excl. Transits)	39,203	29,106	34.7%	251,918	153,975	63.6%	657,004	2,603,837	-74.8%
Transit movements	2,206	3,566	-38.1%	6,420	33,028	-80.6%	16,456	220,266	-92.5%
Total international passengers *	41,409	32,672	26.7%	258,338	187,003	38.1%	673,460	2,824,103	-76.2%
Total domestic passengers	307,432	548,812	-44.0%	1,461,142	2,636,379	-44.6%	4,669,497	4,925,549	-5.2%
Total passengers	348,841	581,484	-40.0%	1,719,480	2,823,382	-39.1%	5,342,957	7,749,652	-31.1%
Aircraft Movements									
International aircraft movements	1,461	1,311	11.4%	8,349	6,760	23.5%	16,691	23,104	-27.8%
Domestic aircraft movements	6,065	7,708	-21.3%	23,846	37,975	-37.2%	69,453	72,176	-3.8%
Total aircraft movements	7,526	9,019	-16.6%	32,195	44,735	-28.0%	86,144	95,280	-9.6%
MCTOW (tonnes) *									
International MCTOW	182,960	157,482	16.2%	996,752	825,803	20.7%	1,941,964	2,578,020	-24.7%
Domestic MCTOW	114,403	151,559	-24.5%	487,280	760,720	-35.9%	1,364,426	1,422,270	-4.1%
Total MCTOW	297,363	309,041	-3.8%	1,484,033	1,586,523	-6.5%	3,306,390	4,000,289	-17.3%

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Passenger Movements									
Total international passengers	0	0	0.0%	12,960	0	0.0%	38,240	166,108	-77.0%
Total domestic passengers	87,849	116,362	-24.5%	482,005	678,836	-29.0%	1,114,585	1,125,393	-1.0%
Total passengers	87,849	116,362	-24.5%	494,965	678,836	-27.1%	1,152,825	1,291,501	-10.7%
Aircraft Movements									
International aircraft movements	0	0	0.0%	155	0	0.0%	507	1,328	-61.8%
Domestic aircraft movements	799	1,045	-23.5%	3,872	5,919	-34.6%	8,680	9,761	-11.1%
Total aircraft movements	799	1,045	-23.5%	4,027	5,919	-32.0%	9,187	11,089	-17.2%

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Appendix 1 November 2021 Monthly traffic update compared to November 2018

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	Current month	3 years prior period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	3 years prior financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	3 years prior 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Passenger Movements									
Total international (excl. Transits)	26,043	887,762	-97.1%	212,715	4,248,145	-95.0%	646,907	10,393,472	-93.8%
Transit movements	1,246	81,048	-98.5%	4,214	434,260	-99.0%	17,816	836,042	-97.9%
Total international passengers *	27,289	968,810	-97.2%	216,929	4,682,405	-95.4%	664,723	11,229,514	-94.1%
Total domestic passengers	31,408	836,863	-96.2%	1,153,710	3,977,176	-71.0%	4,910,877	9,433,010	-47.9%
Total passengers	58,697	1,805,673	-96.7%	1,370,639	8,659,581	-84.2%	5,575,600	20,662,524	-73.0%
Top 10 arrivals by country of last residence									
New Zealand	3,159	177,864	-98.2%	53,755	1,154,693	-95.3%	120,598	2,388,291	-95.0%
United Kingdom	1,363	18,698	-92.7%	4,970	54,150	-90.8%	13,077	189,314	-93.1%
Australia	1,123	77,133	-98.5%	19,720	335,974	-94.1%	116,382	869,165	-86.6%
United States of America	487	31,664	-98.5%	2,060	87,936	-97.7%	7,093	278,259	-97.5%
India	368	6,016	-93.9%	1,888	22,829	-91.7%	3,740	63,668	-94.1%
Canada	218	7,183	-97.0%	874	18,264	-95.2%	2,146	60,105	-96.4%
China, People's Republic of	195	32,891	-99.4%	1,614	145,944	-98.9%	4,647	393,809	-98.8%
Singapore	192	4,894	-96.1%	640	12,968	-95.1%	1,728	33,886	-94.9%
Hong Kong (Special Administrative Region)	140	3,876	-96.4%	589	17,792	-96.7%	1,630	50,010	-96.7%
Cook Islands	108	1,208	-91.1%	1,404	5,007	-72.0%	4,500	12,197	-63.1%
Aircraft Movements									
International aircraft movements	1,412	4,794	-70.5%	6,888	23,687	-70.9%	16,541	56,608	-70.8%
Domestic aircraft movements	1,480	10,695	-86.2%	17,781	50,868	-65.0%	71,096	119,997	-40.8%
Total aircraft movements	2,892	15,489	-81.3%	24,669	74,555	-66.9%	87,637	176,605	-50.4%
MCTOW (tonnes) *									
International MCTOW	172,902	513,694	-66.3%	813,792	2,430,383	-66.5%	1,916,486	5,879,581	-67.4%
Domestic MCTOW	31,294	206,192	-84.8%	372,877	994,088	-62.5%	1,401,582	2,356,195	-40.5%
Total MCTOW	204,195	719,886	-71.6%	1,186,669	3,424,471	-65.3%	3,318,068	8,235,776	-59.7%
Cargo (tonnes)									
International Export	7,537	9,335	-19.3%	33,575	37,493	-10.4%	85,570	91,305	-6.3%
International Import	8,976	10,090	-11.0%	42,208	47,225	-10.6%	92,467	101,106	-8.5%
Total Cargo	16,513	19,425	-15.0%	75,783	84,718	-10.5%	178,037	192,411	-7.5%
Total Cargo Value NZ\$(000)	2,538,345	2,140,743	18.6%	10,632,433	9,393,888	13.2%	23,031,777	20,631,897	11.6%
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Passenger Movements									
Total international passengers	0	48,822	-100.0%	12,960	295,870	-95.6%	38,240	605,000	-93.7%
Total domestic passengers	47,379	143,847	-67.1%	394,156	670,583	-41.2%	1,143,098	1,597,272	-28.4%
Total passengers	47,379	192,669	-75.4%	407,116	966,453	-57.9%	1,181,338	2,202,272	-46.4%
Aircraft Movements									
International aircraft movements	0	356	-100.0%	155	2,194	-92.9%	507	4,516	-88.8%
Domestic aircraft movements	446	1,106	-59.7%	3,073	5,160	-40.4%	8,926	12,032	-25.8%
Total aircraft movements	446	1,462	-69.5%	3,228	7,354	-56.1%	9,433	16,548	-43.0%

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Appendix 2 December 2021 Monthly traffic update preview compared to December 2018

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Passenger Movements

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Total international (excl. Transits)	39,203	1,046,362	-96.3%	251,918	5,294,507	-95.2%	657,004	10,426,832	-93.7%
Transit movements	2,206	98,940	-97.8%	6,420	533,200	-98.8%	16,456	873,904	-98.1%
Total international passengers *	41,409	1,145,302	-96.4%	258,338	5,827,707	-95.6%	673,460	11,300,736	-94.0%
Total domestic passengers	307,432	839,530	-63.4%	1,461,142	4,816,706	-69.7%	4,669,497	9,449,450	-50.6%
Total passengers	348,841	1,984,832	-82.4%	1,719,480	10,644,413	-83.8%	5,342,957	20,750,186	-74.3%

Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	1,461	5,414	-73.0%	8,349	29,101	-71.3%	16,691	56,810	-70.6%
Domestic aircraft movements	6,065	10,907	-44.4%	23,846	61,775	-61.4%	69,453	120,230	-42.2%
Total aircraft movements	7,526	16,321	-53.9%	32,195	90,876	-64.6%	86,144	177,040	-51.3%

MCTOW (tonnes) *

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Domestic MCTOW	114,403	209,065	-45.3%	487,280	1,203,153	-59.5%	1,364,426	2,360,676	-42.2%
Total MCTOW	297,363	782,232	-62.0%	1,484,033	4,206,703	-64.7%	3,306,390	8,254,449	-59.9%

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Passenger Movements

	Current month	3 years prior period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	3 years prior financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	3 years prior 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international passengers	0	59,919	-100.0%	12,960	355,789	-96.4%	38,240	612,400	-93.8%
Total domestic passengers	87,849	159,374	-44.9%	482,005	829,957	-41.9%	1,114,585	1,609,083	-30.7%
Total passengers	87,849	219,293	-59.9%	494,965	1,185,746	-58.3%	1,152,825	2,221,483	-48.1%

International aircraft movements	0	482	-100.0%	155	2,676	-94.2%	507	4,580	-88.9%
Domestic aircraft movements	799	1,246	-35.9%	3,872	6,406	-39.6%	8,680	12,176	-28.7%
Total aircraft movements	799	1,728	-53.8%	4,027	9,082	-55.7%	9,187	16,756	-45.2%

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