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# RELEASE

## Virgin Blue Holdings Limited - Preliminary Operating Statistics May 2010

### SUMMARY OF OPERATING STATISTICS

#### Domestic and International Operations EXCLUDING Polynesian Blue

##### Month of May 2010

Domestic passenger numbers for the month of May increased by 3.3% over the previous year. Virgin Blue traffic, measured by Revenue Passenger Kilometres (RPKs) increased by 2.7% while capacity, measured by Available Seat Kilometres (ASKs) increased by 6.0% over the same period. Revenue load factor was down 2.4 points from the previous year.

International passenger numbers for the month of May increased by 13.3% over the previous year. Virgin Blue traffic, measured by RPKs increased by 59.5% while capacity, measured by ASKs increased by 44.4% over the same period. Revenue load factor was up 6.4 points from the previous year.

On time performance was down 1.9 points to 87.1%, compared to 89.0% in the previous year.

##### Financial Year to Date May 2010

Domestic passenger numbers for the year to date decreased by 2.4% from the previous year. RPKs decreased by 2.0%, while ASKs decreased by 2.7% over the same period. Revenue load factor for the year to date increased by 0.7 point to 82.1% compared to the previous year.

International passenger numbers for the year to date increased by 30.7% from the previous year. RPKs increased by 134.6%, while ASKs increased by 117.6% over the same period. Revenue load factor was up 5.4 points to 75.0% compared to the previous year.

On time performance was up 4.3 points to 86.2%, compared to 81.9% in the previous year.

### News Summary

**12 May 2010:** Virgin Blue joins forces with Surf Life Saving to take surf safety messages to travellers with a series of 30 second TVC screening on more than 400 Virgin Blue flights across Australia.

**21 May 2010:** Virgin Blue was awarded 'Best Low-Cost Airline' (Australia/Pacific) in the 2010 Skytrax World Airline Awards.

**16 June 2010:** Virgin Blue successfully completes a cutover to the Navitaire New Skies reservation system following an investment of \$AUD10 million.

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## VIRGIN BLUE HOLDINGS OPERATING STATISTICS

	May 2010			Financial Year to Date (Year ending 30 June 2010)			
	May-10	May-09	Change	YTD May-10	YTD May-09	Change	
<b>DOMESTIC</b>	Passengers Carried	1,304,315	1,262,770	3.3%	14,520,652	14,870,888	<i>(2.4%)</i>
	Revenue Passenger Kilometres (millions)	1,406	1,369	2.7%	15,868	16,184	<i>(2.0%)</i>
	Available Seat Kilometres (millions)	1,867	1,761	6.0%	19,333	19,878	<i>(2.7%)</i>
	Revenue Load Factor	75.3%	77.7%	<i>(2.4pt)</i>	82.1%	81.4%	<i>0.7 pt</i>

<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>	Passengers Carried	215,242	189,974	13.3%	2,574,795	1,970,163	30.7%
	Revenue Passenger Kilometres (millions)	823	516	59.5%	8,763	3,735	134.6%
	Available Seat Kilometres (millions)	1,214	841	44.4%	11,678	5,367	117.6%
	Revenue Load Factor	67.8%	61.4%	6.4 pt	75.0%	69.6%	5.4 pt

<b>TOTAL NETWORK</b>	Passengers Carried	1,519,557	1,452,744	4.6%	17,095,447	16,841,051	1.5%
	Revenue Passenger Kilometres (millions)	2,230	1,885	18.3%	24,632	19,919	23.7%
	Available Seat Kilometres (millions)	3,081	2,603	18.4%	31,011	25,245	22.8%
	Revenue Load Factor	72.4%	72.4%	0.0 pt	79.4%	78.9%	0.5 pt
	Average Aircraft in Fleet	84.7	79.9	6.0%	82.9	75.2	10.2%
	On-Time Performance	87.1%	89.0%	<i>(1.9pt)</i>	86.2%	81.9%	<i>4.3 pt</i>

**Notes:**

- (1) Monthly operating statistics are issued on a preliminary basis and are subject to change. Any adjustments made will flow through to the year to date results.
- (2) RPKs means number of paying passengers carried multiplied by the number of kilometres flown
- (3) ASKs means total number of seats available for passengers multiplied by the number of kilometres flown
- (4) Revenue Load factor means RPKs as a percentage of ASKs
- (5) On-time performance means the percentage of flights departing within 15 minutes of scheduled departure time.