

20 April 2015

## Sydney Airport Traffic Performance March 2015

Pax (‘000s) <sup>1</sup>	Monthly performance			Year to date performance		
	Mar-15	Mar-14	Growth (%)	YTD-15	YTD-14	Growth (%)
Domestic	2,204	2,116	+4.2%	6,243	6,139	+1.7%
International <sup>2</sup>	1,122	1,030	+8.9%	3,474	3,343	+3.9%
Total	3,326	3,146	+5.7%	9,717	9,481	+2.5%

<sup>1</sup> Contains estimates with any adjustments to preliminary statistics to be included in the year to date results in future months.

<sup>2</sup> International includes Domestic-On-Carriage due to immateriality.

CEO and managing director Kerrie Mather said, “International traffic through Sydney Airport performed strongly during March, increasing 8.9% over the prior corresponding period (pcp). Earlier Easter school holidays, the end of Lunar New Year celebrations and the ICC Cricket World Cup all combined to support this excellent result.

“International passengers grew 8.9% on the pcp primarily as a result of a 7.5 percentage point increase in load factors. The Australian outbound market performed well increasing 7.7% and foreign nationalities grew 9.8%. Filipino (+42.1%), Indian (+39.9%), Chinese (+38.8%), Hong Kong (+27.0%), Korean (+11.7%) and UK (+9.9%) nationality passengers were the majors drivers of international growth in March.

“Chinese nationals increased 38.8% in the month, benefiting from Lunar New Year celebration return trips. The Indian nationality market also continued its recent strength, up 40% on the pcp and up over 25% year to date. In addition, Sydney Airport enjoyed robust demand from the UK (+9.9%) market; both Indian and UK growth were underpinned by the ICC Cricket World Cup event.

“Domestic traffic grew by 4.2% over the month driven by both seat capacity increases and load factor improvements. All domestic airlines experienced load factor improvements relative to the pcp.

“Sydney has hosted a number of sporting and cultural events this month attracting both domestic and international passengers. Events such as the Royal Easter Show, Sydney International Rowing Regatta and the Taste of Sydney festival, have contributed to our traffic growth in addition to making a significant economic contribution to the NSW economy.”

### Key Points

- Average load factors improved in both domestic and international markets up 1.5 and 7.5 percentage points respectively.
- Singapore Airlines confirmed that the three weekly A330 service operated during peak months will now be continued year round from June 2015. This increase represents an additional 89,000 seats annually.
- Total passenger traffic for March is estimated to have increased 5.7% on the pcp, with domestic traffic estimated to have increased 4.2% on the pcp and international traffic increasing 8.9% on the pcp.

### Top 10 Nationalities Travelling Through Sydney Airport

Rank	Nationality	Mar-15	YTD-15	Rank	Nationality	Mar-15	YTD-15
1	Australia	+7.7%	+4.0%	6	Korea	+11.7%	+6.9%
2	New Zealand	+0.1%	+0.6%	7	Japan	-11.8%	-6.9%
3	China	+38.8%	+15.4%	8	India	+39.9%	+25.1%
4	UK	+9.9%	-1.9%	9	Malaysia	-1.4%	-2.8%
5	USA	+4.1%	+4.0%	10	Germany	-0.1%	-3.3%

### Last 12 Months Traffic Data

('000s)	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Total Apr-14- Mar-15	Total Apr-13- Mar-14	Growth %
	Dom	2,080	2,021	1,949	2,190	2,132	2,130	2,350	2,174	2,185	2,090	1,948	2,204	25,455	25,115
Int	1,087	976	1,018	1,118	1,070	1,078	1,119	1,073	1,264	1,308	1,045	1,122	13,277	12,970	+2.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,167</b>	<b>2,996</b>	<b>2,967</b>	<b>3,308</b>	<b>3,202</b>	<b>3,209</b>	<b>3,469</b>	<b>3,247</b>	<b>3,449</b>	<b>3,398</b>	<b>2,993</b>	<b>3,326</b>	<b>38,731</b>	<b>38,084</b>	<b>+1.7%</b>

All data is for arriving and departing passengers.

All data is taken from management accounts, is provisional and subject to revision.

All data has been rounded to the nearest thousand and in some instances the total may not be equal to the sum of the parts. Percentage changes have been calculated based on actual figures and not based on rounded balances.

Contains estimates with adjustments made to preliminary data in later months.

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