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Sydney Airport Traffic Performance February 2013

Pax (‘000s) ¹	February 2013			Year to Date		
	Feb-13	Feb-12	Growth (%)	YTD-13	YTD-12	Growth (%)
Domestic	1,882	1,849	+1.8%	3,947	3,817	+3.4%
International ²	960	931	+3.1%	2,149	2,098	+2.4%
DOC ³	7	7	-9.2%	14	15	-8.0%
Total	2,849	2,787	+2.2%	6,109	5,930	+3.0%

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

² International excludes Domestic-On-Carriage.

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CEO Kerrie Mather said “We welcomed more than 2.8 million passengers through the airport during February, a 2.2% increase on the pcp. This is a strong result given we are cycling a leap year. Total passenger growth for February excluding the leap year effect is estimated as 5.9%.

“International traffic continued to perform well, growing by 3.1% during February. Inbound passengers were the key driver, achieving strong growth of 7.7%. Chinese New Year being in February this year generated strong growth driven primarily from Malaysian, Hong Kong and Chinese passengers. Mainland Chinese seat capacity for the month was extremely strong, increasing 22% on the pcp. Overall it is pleasing to see Chinese passengers up 52% for the month and 18% year to date.

“Also in February, Emirates announced an upgauge of a daily B777 service to an A380 from June. Emirates operates three services a day from Sydney to Dubai, which will now include two A380s. Sydney remains one of the world's largest A380 ports and will facilitate over 100 return services per week from June.

“Domestic passenger growth of 1.8% for the month was driven by an increase in load factors.”

Key Points

- Total passenger traffic for February is estimated to have increased 2.2% on the pcp, with domestic traffic estimated to be up 1.8% on the pcp and international traffic (excluding domestic on-carriage) up 3.1% on the pcp.
- For international traffic, the major nationality markets that grew were, Malaysia (+69%), Hong Kong (+64%), China (+52%), Taiwan (+39%), Singapore (+33%), together with solid growth from the USA (+5%) and Germany (+1%). Australia (-3%), Korea (-24%), France (-9%), the UK (-6%) and NZ (-3%) were the major nationality markets that declined.
- Hawaiian Airlines will expand its Sydney to Honolulu services, increasing from daily frequencies to 10 times weekly over the peak period, September and October 2013.

Last 12 Months Traffic Data

('000s)	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	Total	Total	Growth
	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar 12 - Feb 13	Mar 11 - Feb 12	%	
Dom	2,070	1,999	1,949	1,884	2,109	2,096	2,117	2,218	2,184	2,127	2,065	1,882	24,699	23,897	+3.4%	
Int	968	997	870	965	1,068	993	1,048	1,063	1,010	1,171	1,189	960	12,302	11,688	+5.3%	
DOC	7	8	7	9	10	9	11	9	8	8	7	7	99	72	+38.3%	
Total	3,044	3,004	2,826	2,858	3,186	3,097	3,175	3,290	3,203	3,307	3,261	2,849	37,100	35,657	+4.0%	

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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