

Traffic Figures

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EUROPEAN AIRLINE TRAFFIC IN MAY, PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR JUNE

May traffic severely negative, some signs of alleviation in June

The Association of European Airlines has released traffic and capacity data for its members in May 2009, along with a projection for June.

Passenger traffic in May was down 8.3% which, after making allowance for Easter variations which artificially depressed the March figure, was the worst result of the downturn to date. Far Eastern traffic was down 9.8%, the North Atlantic -8.8%, and traffic in Europe -7.9%.

Carriers have managed to increase the tempo of capacity cutbacks, with overall seat-km in May 5.3% lower than in the previous year. While this is some way short of the traffic loss, it has mitigated the load factor decrease, which in May stood at -2.4 points, down to 73.2%. All but three of the 28 reporting airlines reduced capacity for the month.

May was another catastrophic month for airfreight, which posted a 19.8% decrease. Several AEA airlines have seen their cargo volumes cut by one-third or more.

Preliminary figures for June, based on weekly reporting, are just slightly less gloomy. In the first half of the month, decreases were around 7.5%; and in the second half, about 5.5%. Towards the end of the month there were signs that load factors on European and North Atlantic routes had stabilised, although the Far East market remains very weak. There is no relief in sight, however, in the airfreight market.

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Note to the Editor: The Association of European Airlines (AEA) brings together 33 European established scheduled network carriers. These collectively carry 366 million passengers and 7 million tonnes of cargo each year, operating 2,617 aircraft serving 662 destinations in 162 countries with 11,585 flights a day. They provide around 394,200 jobs directly, and generate a total turnover of €79 billion

Traffic Update

Scheduled Services of AEA Member Airlines

MAY 2009

REGION	PASSENGER DATA								FREIGHT DATA	
	Passengers boarded (000)	Traffic RPK (mill)	Capacity ASK (mill)	Load Factor %	Change to Previous Year				Traffic TFTK (mill)	TFTK %
					Pax %	Traffic %	Capacity %	PLF Pts		
Domestic (1)	7 709.6	4 121.4	6 164.3	66.9	-9.7	-7.9	-5.7	-1.6	7.3	-23.9
Cross-border Europe (2)	14 157.4	15 493.5	22 518.2	68.8	-8.9	-7.9	-4.9	-2.3	54.4	-14.8
Total Europe (1+2)	21 866.9	19 614.9	28 682.5	68.4	-9.1	-7.8	-5.0	-2.1	61.7	-16.0
Europe - North Africa (3)	381.9	758.7	1 219.3	62.2	0.0	1.3	13.3	-7.4	21.6	44.1
Europe - Middle East (4)	731.5	2 363.1	3 734.5	63.3	3.9	0.8	14.5	-8.6	90.5	5.6
Intl Short/Medium Haul (2+3+4)	15 467.0	18 615.2	27 472.0	67.8	-6.9	-6.5	-1.9	-3.3	166.5	1.2
North Atlantic (5)	2 430.0	16 733.1	20 578.7	81.3	-9.0	-8.8	-8.2	-0.5	734.0	-20.5
Mid Atlantic (6)	464.8	3 544.5	4 561.5	77.7	-16.3	-14.8	-10.6	-3.9	111.4	-6.1
South Atlantic (7)	388.3	3 534.1	4 793.7	73.7	-14.4	-12.5	-8.5	-3.4	182.6	-22.9
Europe - Sub Saharan Africa (8)	615.7	3 978.2	5 499.1	72.3	1.3	-0.1	-1.2	0.8	259.3	-8.7
Europe - Far East/Australasia (9)	1 355.2	11 117.0	15 169.4	73.3	-10.3	-9.8	-6.0	-3.1	1 076.7	-24.5
Total Longhaul (5 to 9^x)	5 273.6	38 929.7	50 646.6	76.9	-9.3	-9.2	-7.1	-1.8	2 364.1	-20.9
Total International (2 to 9^x)	20 544.4	57 545.0	78 118.6	73.7	-8.4	-8.3	-5.3	-2.4	2 530.6	-19.8
Total Scheduled (1 to 9^x)	28 253.9	61 666.4	84 282.8	73.2	-8.7	-8.3	-5.3	-2.4	2 537.9	-19.8

JANUARY - MAY 2009

REGION	PASSENGER DATA								FREIGHT DATA	
	Passengers boarded (000)	Traffic RPK (mill)	Capacity ASK (mill)	Load Factor %	Change to Previous Year				Traffic TFTK (mill)	TFTK %
					Pax %	Traffic %	Capacity %	PLF Pts		
Domestic (1)	34 810.1	18 404.1	29 235.0	63.0	-12.8	-12.0	-9.2	-2.0	35.7	-22.7
Cross-border Europe (2)	61 037.9	65 290.4	101 829.8	64.1	-9.4	-8.1	-5.3	-2.0	264.5	-17.7
Total Europe (1+2)	95 848.0	83 694.4	131 064.8	63.9	-10.6	-9.0	-6.1	-2.0	300.1	-18.3
Europe - North Africa (3)	1 805.3	3 594.0	5 493.2	65.4	-2.8	-3.1	1.2	-2.9	97.9	25.3
Europe - Middle East (4)	3 458.3	11 626.2	17 246.3	67.4	4.4	1.6	8.3	-4.5	416.7	-3.6
Intl Short/Medium Haul (2+3+4)	67 132.0	80 510.5	124 569.3	64.6	-7.4	-6.6	-3.3	-2.3	779.1	-6.3
North Atlantic (5)	9 988.0	68 830.6	89 941.7	76.5	-8.9	-8.6	-6.5	-1.8	3 516.5	-21.6
Mid Atlantic (6)	2 719.8	20 436.9	25 142.5	81.3	-7.0	-6.8	-3.1	-3.2	549.9	-11.2
South Atlantic (7)	2 185.2	19 569.1	25 593.3	76.5	-7.8	-7.2	-3.8	-2.8	858.3	-26.9
Europe - Sub Saharan Africa (8)	3 410.8	22 619.8	29 801.0	75.9	0.9	-0.4	-0.8	0.3	1 283.3	-10.1
Europe - Far East/Australasia (9)	7 174.2	58 287.1	75 412.8	77.3	-7.9	-8.0	-4.3	-3.1	5 034.7	-27.5
Total Longhaul (5 to 9^x)	25 571.1	189 895.8	246 153.2	77.1	-7.1	-7.2	-4.5	-2.2	11 243.0	-23.3
Total International (2 to 9^x)	91 872.5	270 406.3	370 722.5	72.9	-8.1	-7.0	-4.1	-2.3	12 022.1	-22.3
Total Scheduled (1 to 9^x)	126 682.6	288 810.4	399 957.4	72.2	-9.5	-7.4	-4.5	-2.2	12 057.8	-22.3

Passenger traffic is measured in Passengers boarded (Pax), RPK (Revenue Passenger-Kms) and capacity in ASK (Available Seat-Kms).

Freight traffic is measured in TFTK (Total Freight Tonne-Kms) on passenger and all-cargo services, excluding mail.

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Introduced in 2004, new route area Total Europe includes 'international' or Cross-border Europe services and Domestic services.

(^x) Longhaul region 'Other' is not shown above, but is included in the total.

Traffic Update

TOTAL SCHEDULED
Scheduled Services by Airline

MAY 2009

AIRLINE	PASSENGER DATA								FREIGHT DATA	
	Passengers boarded (000)	Traffic RPK (mill)	Capacity ASK (mill)	Load Factor %	Change to Previous Year				Traffic TFTK (mill)	TFTK %
					Pax %	Traffic %	Capacity %	PLF Pts		
AF - AIR FRANCE	4 103.0	10 290.6	13 419.8	76.7	-6.5	-7.4	-4.9	-2.1	399.1	-20.8
AY - FINNAIR	482.5	1 145.0	1 706.6	67.1	-12.8	-10.1	-15.8	4.3	34.3	-26.9
AZ - ALITALIA	1 987.1	2 566.2	4 083.5	62.8					27.8	
BA - BRITISH AIRWAYS PLC	2 752.5	9 115.6	12 106.5	75.3	-7.6	-7.0	-5.9	-0.9	366.6	-9.5
BD - BMI	632.4	742.4	1 093.5	67.9	-23.4	-18.5	-18.8	0.3	8.1	-28.3
CV - CARGOLUX									382.7	-14.4
CY - CYPRUS AIRWAYS	135.4	275.4	419.2	65.7	-13.4	-13.0	-5.8	-5.4		-100.0
FI - ICELANDAIR	99.9	256.3	379.0	67.6	-19.2	-21.1	-13.2	-6.8		
IB - IBERIA	1 813.8	4 015.8	5 146.2	78.0	-11.1	-11.5	-9.7	-1.6	65.2	-24.7
JP - ADRIA AIRWAYS	86.2	79.7	139.3	57.2	-20.0	-17.8	-3.3	-10.0	0.1	-29.6
JU - JAT AIRWAYS	78.5	80.2	148.4	54.1	-28.0	-26.2	-9.7	-12.0	0.2	-37.4
KL - KLM ROYAL DUTCH AIRLINES	1 890.1	5 920.5	7 611.1	77.8	-8.8	-9.0	-6.6	-2.1	351.4	-14.1
KM - AIR MALTA	137.2	206.5	332.3	62.1	-11.7	-14.2	2.9	-12.3	0.7	-21.4
LG - LUXAIR	67.8	44.8	68.5	65.3	-8.6	-5.9	-8.0	1.5	0.0	
LH - DEUTSCHE LUFTHANSA AG	4 696.1	10 506.9	14 136.1	74.3	-5.0	-6.6	-1.2	-4.3	560.3	-20.2
LO - LOT POLISH AIRLINES	324.2	520.9	740.8	70.3	-9.5	-13.4	-10.1	-2.7	4.3	-46.3
LX - SWISS INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES	1 148.1	2 183.2	2 902.3	75.2	-1.5	-8.2	-3.3	-4.0	92.8	-14.5
MA - MALEV HUNGARIAN AIRLINES	282.5	304.3	480.7	63.3	5.0	-10.7	-10.9	0.1	0.3	-65.9
OA - OLYMPIC AIRLINES	363.8	419.3	855.9	49.0	-19.6	-26.3	-0.4	-17.2	3.6	-51.0
OK - CZECH AIRLINES	405.8	485.6	787.3	61.7	-10.6	-10.8	-4.1	-4.6	1.9	-13.6
OS - AUSTRIAN	756.4	1 255.1	1 780.5	70.5	-10.5	-16.4	-10.9	-4.6	30.5	-20.3
OU - CROATIA AIRLINES	155.5	109.6	185.1	59.2	-9.2	-11.0	-2.4	-5.7	0.2	-23.7
PS - UKRAINE INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES	63.8	108.3	182.0	59.5	-21.4	-21.4	-4.9	-12.5	0.7	23.7
RO - TAROM ROMANIAN AIR TRANSPORT	127.6	144.0	285.1	50.5	-9.7	-15.3	2.5	-10.6	0.3	-46.0
SK - SAS SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES	1 932.1	2 110.6	2 929.9	72.0	-18.6	-19.0	-17.5	-1.3	22.3	-51.6
SN - BRUSSELS AIRLINES	421.9	586.5	953.6	61.5	-11.9	-10.7	-8.6	-1.4	7.3	-23.4
TK - TURKISH AIRLINES	2 073.4	3 149.3	4 574.2	68.8	9.3	13.8	26.1	-7.4	53.0	23.0
TP - TAP PORTUGAL	683.3	1 560.7	2 298.8	67.9	-12.7	-15.2	-15.9	0.6	23.6	-23.9
VS - VIRGIN ATLANTIC AIRWAYS	444.0	3 205.8	4 112.9	77.9	-3.1	-2.5	-9.6	5.7	97.2	-27.1
VV - AEROSVIT	109.0	277.4	423.6	65.5	-31.3	-19.4	-15.1	-3.5	3.6	-27.6
AEA	28 253.9	61 666.4	84 282.8	73.2	-8.7	-8.3	-5.3	-2.4	2 537.9	-19.8

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AY - FINNAIR	2 488.5	6 094.2	8 756.9	69.6	-8.3	-6.2	-8.8	2.0	172.8	-22.8
AZ - ALITALIA	7 737.4	9 666.4	16 849.1	57.4					112.1	
BA - BRITISH AIRWAYS PLC	12 600.4	44 139.3	59 361.1	74.4	-5.8	-4.7	-4.0	-0.6	1 711.2	-14.2
BD - BMI	2 971.6	3 336.5	5 041.9	66.2	-21.1	-15.9	-22.5	5.2	30.2	-40.8
CV - CARGOLUX									1 899.9	-12.7
CY - CYPRUS AIRWAYS	576.5	1 117.1	1 703.2	65.6	-7.4	-7.8	-7.9	0.1	7.6	-66.9
FI - ICELANDAIR	376.7	957.6	1 413.6	67.7	-21.9	-24.0	-19.4	-4.1		
IB - IBERIA	8 340.4	20 125.0	25 781.5	78.1	-14.8	-7.6	-6.2	-1.2	328.3	-25.3
JP - ADRIA AIRWAYS	354.7	321.6	572.1	56.2	-17.5	-15.6	-6.3	-6.2	0.6	-20.2
JU - JAT AIRWAYS	332.3	346.0	654.2	52.9	-20.0	-17.9	-12.2	-3.6	0.9	-37.5
KL - KLM ROYAL DUTCH AIRLINES	8 724.1	28 683.1	36 708.2	78.1	-6.4	-5.6	-3.5	-1.7	1 645.1	-17.5
KM - AIR MALTA	504.3	751.9	1 172.2	64.1	-7.3	-8.1	1.6	-6.7	2.9	-14.3
LG - LUXAIR	283.6	171.1	302.6	56.5	-9.3	-8.2	-6.6	-1.0	0.0	-35.7
LH - DEUTSCHE LUFTHANSA AG	20 775.3	47 019.6	63 011.2	74.6	-6.6	-6.6	-2.6	-3.2	2 553.3	-25.9
LO - LOT POLISH AIRLINES	1 320.9	1 978.1	3 076.1	64.3	-17.1	-18.5	-12.9	-4.4	21.3	-43.0
LX - SWISS INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES	5 207.9	10 675.7	14 323.0	74.5	-0.8	-2.6	2.2	-3.7	443.0	-16.6
MA - MALEV HUNGARIAN AIRLINES	1 074.8	1 159.6	2 016.4	57.5	-3.9	-17.6	-13.8	-2.7	1.4	-65.7
OA - OLYMPIC AIRLINES	1 707.9	1 947.9	3 859.3	50.5	-14.0	-18.7	-2.8	-9.9	18.2	-41.0
OK - CZECH AIRLINES	1 654.6	1 953.6	3 402.0	57.4	-9.8	-10.7	-5.1	-3.6	9.8	-12.6
OS - AUSTRIAN	3 234.0	5 613.7	8 032.3	69.9	-12.6	-14.8	-10.6	-3.4	128.5	-28.4
OU - CROATIA AIRLINES	585.6	374.8	705.7	53.1	-4.2	-6.5	4.2	-6.1	0.9	-10.9
PS - UKRAINE INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES	279.6	483.5	918.4	52.6	-17.5	-18.5	1.5	-13.0	3.8	31.7
RO - TAROM ROMANIAN AIR TRANSPORT	564.6	650.0	1 339.7	48.5	-13.9	-17.7	2.0	-11.6	1.4	-40.2
SK - SAS SCANDINAVIAN AIRLINES	8 726.3	9 308.4	13 882.8	67.0	-18.8	-18.6	-13.8	-4.0	124.1	-43.6
SN - BRUSSELS AIRLINES	1 800.7	2 572.5	4 374.3	58.8	-16.7	-13.7	-10.5	-2.2	36.6	-16.8
TK - TURKISH AIRLINES	8 886.4	13 653.8	20 093.6	68.0	10.8	13.3	20.8	-4.5	238.1	25.6
TP - TAP PORTUGAL	3 187.5	7 770.9	12 291.8	63.2	-5.2	-6.9	-5.3	-1.0	109.4	-22.4
VS - VIRGIN ATLANTIC AIRWAYS	2 172.5	15 895.0	21 215.5	74.9	-6.3	-5.7	-5.1	-0.5	515.7	-20.3
VV - AEROSVIT	507.5	1 269.3	1 933.7	65.6	-23.4	-16.2	-13.3	-2.3	10.6	-29.0
AEA	126 682.6	288 810.4	399 957.4	72.2	-9.5	-7.4	-4.5	-2.2	12 057.8	-22.3

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