

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUG 2017: Air Transport Monthly Monitor

World Results and Analyses for JUN 2017. Total scheduled services (domestic and international).

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GLOBAL KEY FIGURES	<b>JUN 2017</b> (versus JUN 2016)					OUTLOOK* - JUL 2017 (versus JUL 2016)		
	<b>RPK ▲</b> +7.8%	<b>ASK ▲</b> +6.5%	FTK ▲ +11.0	<b>LF</b> : 81.9%	▲ +1.2 pts	ASK ▲ +6.8% * Source OAG		

### PASSENGER TRAFFIC

### **Revenue Passenger-Kilometres** - **RPK**

World passenger traffic grew by +7.8% YoY in June 2017, similar to the growth in the previous month. Passenger traffic recorded strong growth in the first half of the year, supported by the upturn in world economy and lower air fares compared to last year. Asia/Pacific was the fastest growing region and grew double-digitally, followed by Africa and Europe. The Middle East experienced the weakest performance, and was the only region showing a slower growth compared to the same period last year. India continued to post the fastest growth in domestic traffic with over +20.0%, followed by China.



### International Traffic vs. Tourist Arrivals

**International passenger traffic grew by +7.5% YoY in June 2017**, -0.1 percentage points down from the growth in the previous month. The fastest growing regions were Africa and Latin America/Caribbean. The Middle East and North America posted the slowest growth and grew below world average.

The growth of international tourist arrivals\* is expected to follow a similar monthly trend.



### FREIGHT TRAFFIC

ACRONYMS

### Freight Tonne-Kilometres - FTK

World freight traffic grew by +11.0% YoY in June 2017, -1.7 percentage points lower than the growth in the previous month. This growth remained strong and was the 3rd highest observed in the last 12 months. Freight traffic demonstrated the highest YTD growth for the first half of the year since 2010. All regions, except for Latin America/Caribbean and the Middle East, recorded double-digit growth. Africa continued to be the fastest growing region and grew substantially by above +30.0%, supported by the strengthening in trade between Africa and Asia/Pacific. Similar to passenger traffic, the Middle East experienced the weakest performance and grew by less than +4.0%.

Freight traffic growth outpaced the capacity expansion. As a result, the freight load factor exceeded its YTD rate by around 0.2 percentage points.

## CAPACITY

### Available Seat-Kilometres - ASK

**Capacity worldwide increased by +6.5% YoY in June 2017**, +0.4 percentage points higher than the growth in the previous month (+6.1%).

In response to the passenger traffic demand, the expansion of capacity is expected to be at +6.8% in July 2017.

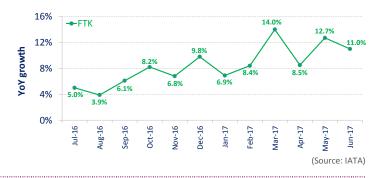


### Load Factor - LF

The passenger Load Factor reached 81.9% in June 2017, +1.8 percentage points higher than the LF recorded in the previous month.

Owing to the YoY traffic growth outpacing the capacity expansion, the June LF recorded +1.2 percentage points higher than the rate in the same period in 2016.





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## TOP 15 AIRPORTS (Ranked by aircraft departures, passengers and volume of freight)

### JUN 2017: +0.4%, +3.4%, and +8.2% YoY in terms of aircraft departures, passengers and freight for the Top 15

Airports (ranking by number of departures)	Departures	ΥοΥ	Airports (ranking by number of passengers)	Passengers*	ΥοΥ	Airports (ranking by tonnes of freight)	Freight**	ΥοΥ
Atlanta GA, US (ATL)	38,699	-0.4%	Atlanta GA, US (ATL)	4,709,964	1.3%	Hong Kong, CN (HKG)	410,000	11.4%
Chicago IL, US (ORD)	37,777	-1.9%	Los Angeles CA, US (LAX)	3,863,427	3.0%	Memphis TN, US (MEM)	366,147	10.1%
Los Angeles CA, US (LAX)	30,108	-1.3%	Beijing, CN (PEK)	3,819,102	1.6%	Shanghai, CN (PVG)	313,949	14.8%
Dallas/Fort Worth TX, US (DFW)	28,037	-3.2%	Chicago IL, US (ORD)	3,690,811	1.9%	Anchorage AK, US (ANC)	237,796	15.0%
Denver CO, US (DEN)	25,367	4.6%	London, GB (LHR)	3,380,105	2.3%	Incheon, KR (ICN)	232,727	<b>1</b> 5.1%
Beijing, CN (PEK)	24,117	1.1%	Tokyo, JP (HND)	3,212,323	2.5%	Dubai, AE (DXB)	215,668	-4.7%
Charlotte NC, US (CLT)	23,162	4 0.0%	Amsterdam, NL (AMS)	3,076,837	7.1%	Louisville KY, US (SDF)	211,816	1 8.5%
Amsterdam, NL (AMS)	22,828	<b>1</b> 3.6%	Paris, FR (CDG)	3,056,329	6.7%	Tokyo, JP (NRT)	193,048	<b>1</b> 8.0%
Paris, FR (CDG)	21,014	1.1%	Dubai, AE (DXB)	3,042,337	3.9%	Taipei, CN (TPE)	186,326	1.9%
Frankfurt, DE (FRA)	20,767	1.9%	Dallas/Fort Worth TX, US (DFW)	3,017,060	2.5%	Los Angeles CA, US (LAX)	179,306	10.5%
London, GB (LHR)	20,316	1.3%	Hong Kong, CN (HKG)	2,944,000	0.5%	Frankfurt, DE (FRA)	178,545	<b>1</b> 5.3%
Toronto ON, CA (YYZ)	20,273	2.5%	Frankfurt, DE (FRA)	2,898,827	<b>5</b> .3%	Singapore, SG (SIN)	172,000	<b>1</b> 5.5%
Shanghai, CN (PVG)	20,128	4.1%	Shanghai, CN (PVG)	2,829,591	4.7%	Doha, QA (DOH)	170,810	17.0%
San Francisco CA, US (SFO)	20,022	1.5%	Denver CO, US (DEN)	2,825,341	8.5%	Chicago IL, US (ORD)	169,246	15.5%
Houston TX, US (IAH)	20,018	-1.6%	New York NY, US (JFK)	2,721,484	1.5%	Paris, FR (CDG)	167,300	1 9.1%

Note: Total scheduled and non-scheduled services

In terms of aircraft departures, the Top 15 airports reported a minor increase of +0.4% YoY. As airlines tend to operate aircraft with more seats, six out of eight North American airports posted decreases in operations with the biggest decline in Dallas (-3.2%). The strongest growth was recorded by Denver (+4.6%), followed by Shanghai (+4.1%), and Amsterdam (+3.6%).

In terms of passengers, the Top 15 airports reported a growth of +3.4% YoY. All the Top 15 airports posted increases. Atlanta retained its position at 1st with a growth of +1.3%. A few airports in Europe and North America posted relatively stronger growth. Denver recorded the strongest growth by +8.5%, followed by Amsterdam (+7.1%), and Paris (+6.7%).

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## (Source: ACI)

% Share

of World

Total

5.3%

5 3%

5.1%

3.8%

3.8%

3.6%

3.2%

3.0%

2.9%

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1.8%

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Note: Total scheduled and non-scheduled services

0.8%

3.4%

8.3%

3.9%

2.0%

3.7%

3.4%

8 4%

11.3%

8.6%

6.3%

78% 100.0%

(Source: ICAO, airlines' websites)

14.4%

15.6%

Cumulative

% Share

5.3%

10.6%

15.8%

19.5%

23.3%

26.9%

30.2%

33.2%

36.0%

38.5%

40.8%

43.1%

45.0%

46.8%

48.5%

In terms of freight, the Top 15 airports reported a strong growth of +8.2% YoY. All the Top 15 airports, except for Dubai, recorded increases, with six airports posting double-digit growth. Hong Kong remained at 1st with a growth of +11.4%. Doha continued to record the strongest growth within the Top 15 by +17.0%, followed by Chicago (+15.5%).

RPK (billion)

24.0

23.9

22.9

20.6

19.2

18.2

15.8

14.3

14.3

12.6

11.5

10.7

Top 15 Total RPKs

World Total RPKs

10 15 20 25 30 35 40

33.8

33.5

32.6

308 billion

635 hillion

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American

Delta

United

AF-KLM

Emirates

Air China

Ryanair

Air Canada

Southwest

IAG

Lufthansa Group

**China Southern** 

**China Eastern** 

**Turkish Airlines** 

Singapore Airlines Group

### TOP 15 AIRLINE GROUPS (Ranked by RPK)

#### JUN 2017: +6.3% YoY in terms of RPK for the Top 15

In terms of RPK, the Top 15 airline groups accounted for 48.5% of world total RPK in June 2017, and grew by +6.3% YoY. This growth was -1.5 percentage points lower than the world average on scheduled services. All the Top 15 airline groups posted YoY increases.

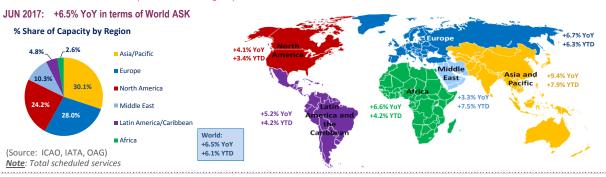
American ranked at 1st with a marginal increase of +0.8% YoY. Delta and United grew modestly, and remained at the position of 2nd and 3rd, respectively. Southwest improved 1 position to 8th with a growth of +3.7%. Air Canada recorded stronger growth within the North American airlines in the Top 15 and ranked 13th.

Emirates continued to post modest growth and dropped 1 position to 7th.

AF-KLM and Lufthansa remained at 4th and 5th, respectively. Lufthansa continued to record the highest growth within the Top 15 by +15.6%. IAG ranked over Emirates at 6th, albeit with a slower growth than other major European airlines. Ryanair continued to post double-digit growth and ranked 12th. Turkish Airlines remained at 14th with a strong growth of +12.2%.

Regarding the Asia/Pacific airlines, China Southern dropped 1 position to 9th albeit with the second highest growth within the Top 15, at +14.4%. Air China and China Eastern remained at the position of 10th and 11th, respectively. With a growth of +8.6%, Singapore Airlines ranked at 15th.

### CAPACITY BY REGION (ICAO Statistical Regions)



All regions posted an expansion in capacity in June 2017 with a +6.5% YoY increase in capacity worldwide. Three regions, Asia/Pacific, Africa, and Europe posted faster expansion than the world average growth. Asia/Pacific recorded the fastest capacity expansion while the Middle East posted the smallest increases

The world capacity expanded by +6.1% in the first half of the year.

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\* Embarked Passengers \*\* Loaded and Unloaded Freight inTonnes 1. Lufthansa Airlines, Germanwings, SWISS, Austrian Airlines, Brussels Airlines, Sun Express, and Lufthansa Cargo 2. British Airways, Iberia, and Vueling 3. ICAO estimates