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Sydney Airport Traffic Performance January 2016

Pax (‘000s) ¹	Monthly performance			Year to date performance		
	Jan-16	Jan-15	Growth (%)	YTD-16	YTD-15	Growth (%)
Domestic	2,221	2,090	+6.2%	2,221	2,090	+6.2%
International ²	1,433	1,308	+9.5%	1,433	1,308	+9.5%
Total	3,654	3,399	+7.5%	3,654	3,399	+7.5%

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

² International includes Domestic-On-Carriage.

Sydney Airport Managing Director and CEO Kerrie Mather said, “January 2016 provided an exceptional start to the year and delivered total passenger growth of 7.5%, with international and domestic markets growing 9.5% and 6.2% respectively. This strong January result was driven by seat capacity and load factor growth.

“A number of exciting records were set in January 2016: the highest international passenger growth since June 2004; January 3 was our busiest day ever in our international terminal serving more than 53,300 passengers; and January 22 was our busiest domestic terminals day serving more than 90,000 passengers.

“Asian market growth led the international result, with China the standout market growing 38.9%. Early Lunar New Year has underpinned our demand this month, in addition to capacity increases from new and existing carriers. Broad foreign nationality demand growth continues (+9.5%), with USA (+15.1%), Korean (+13.9%), Japanese (+11.9%) and Indian (+11.8%) nationalities also performing well.

“Sydney Airport expects to welcome more than 430,000 Chinese passport holders during the peak January to March Lunar New Year period, when the airport will receive 74 flights per week from mainland China and 121 flights per week from greater China including Hong Kong and Taiwan.

“Australian outbound also grew strongly, increasing 8.3% due to peak school holiday demand and further seat capacity increases. The best performing outbound destinations were USA (+16.4%), Indonesia (+29.2%), UAE (+18.6%), Japan (+29.5%) and Chile (+33.0%).

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“Domestic passenger growth again grew strongly in January delivering an increase of 6.2%, to reach over 2.2 million passengers for the month. Pleasingly the domestic market experienced improving loads despite significant seat capacity increases.”

Key Point

- China Southern Airlines commenced its third weekly Shenzhen-Sydney service during the peak Lunar New Year period on an A330-300 aircraft, with 284 seats.

Top 10 Nationalities Travelling Through Sydney Airport

Rank	Nationality	Jan-16	YTD-16	Rank	Nationality	Jan-16	YTD-16
1	Australia	+8.3%	+8.3%	6	Korea	+13.9%	+13.9%
2	China	+38.9%	+38.9%	7	India	+11.8%	+11.8%
3	New Zealand	-1.7%	-1.7%	8	Japan	+11.9%	+11.9%
4	UK	+8.7%	+8.7%	9	Germany	+2.8%	+2.8%
5	USA	+15.1%	+15.1%	10	France	+4.8%	+4.8%

Last 12 Months Traffic Data

('000s)	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15	Jul-15	Aug-15	Sep-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Total Feb-15-Jan-16	Total Feb-14-Jan-15	Growth %
Dom	1,948	2,204	2,119	2,049	1,983	2,279	2,150	2,201	2,347	2,265	2,307	2,221	26,072	25,316	+3.0%
Int	1,046	1,123	1,086	995	1,047	1,185	1,106	1,135	1,176	1,134	1,374	1,433	13,840	13,169	+5.1%
Total	2,994	3,327	3,205	3,044	3,030	3,464	3,256	3,335	3,524	3,399	3,681	3,654	39,911	38,484	+3.7%

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 figure.

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