

# November 2023 Monthly traffic update

**18%**

increase year on year

For November 2023, total passenger volumes at Auckland Airport increased by 18% compared to November 2022 and were 87% of the November 2018 pre-COVID equivalent, the last full year not impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. International passengers (excl. transits) increased by 31% versus November 2022 and represent 88% of the November 2018 equivalent. Transit passengers were up 12% compared to November 2022, representing 69% of November 2018 equivalent. Domestic passengers for November 2023 increased by 7% compared to November 2022 and represented 89% of November 2018 pre-COVID equivalent.

## Key Points:

- International passengers (excl. transits) increased by 31% compared to November 2022 due to passenger numbers almost doubling on the Asia network, led by pronounced recovery on the Chinese, Hong Kong, and Japan routes. The Americas route returned to pre-COVID levels for the month with 104k passengers traveling. The market has been stimulated by the return of the North American airlines to Auckland with six airlines serving mainland USA and Canada during November 2023;
- Short-haul international demand continues to improve, increasing 14% on the year prior, representing a 90% recovery relative to pre-COVID levels. Increased airline capacity and improving load factors have resulted in passenger numbers to the Pacific Islands exceeding pre-COVID levels at 102k in the month;
- Total passenger movements on the domestic network increased by 7% compared to November 2022 with a combined 14% increase on Christchurch and Queenstown routes;
- Queenstown Airport international passenger numbers increased 18% on the year prior and domestic passengers increased 9% on the same month last year.

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	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
<b>Passenger Movements</b>									
Total international (excl. Transits)	777,468	591,470	31%	3,692,492	2,463,466	50%	8,403,497	3,503,512	140%
Transit movements	56,260	50,358	12%	317,628	226,220	40%	690,492	310,120	123%
<b>Total international passengers</b>	<b>833,728</b>	<b>641,828</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>4,010,120</b>	<b>2,689,686</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>9,093,989</b>	<b>3,813,632</b>	<b>138%</b>
Total domestic passengers	746,146	695,133	7%	3,526,020	3,396,938	4%	8,216,791	6,504,499	26%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>1,579,874</b>	<b>1,336,961</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>7,536,140</b>	<b>6,086,624</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>17,310,780</b>	<b>10,318,131</b>	<b>68%</b>

## Top 10 arrivals by country of last residence

New Zealand	177,617	140,078	27%	1,049,834	711,118	48%	2,098,783	978,999	114%
Australia	61,531	61,577	0%	268,090	256,413	5%	691,455	387,872	78%
United States of America	32,337	22,516	44%	99,254	52,481	89%	264,346	65,133	306%
China, People's Republic of	18,277	4,027	354%	87,595	15,610	461%	150,363	20,026	651%
United Kingdom	13,413	13,143	2%	40,073	35,527	13%	143,361	49,018	192%
India	8,666	5,906	47%	40,985	13,307	208%	94,559	17,853	430%
Germany	6,050	4,866	24%	17,189	11,977	44%	43,719	13,620	221%
Korea, Republic of	5,867	2,588	127%	19,644	7,717	155%	45,013	9,598	369%
Canada	5,654	5,496	3%	14,792	11,874	25%	51,135	15,476	230%
Japan	4,634	1,827	154%	21,873	7,896	177%	46,704	9,468	393%

## Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	4,462	3,569	25%	21,600	15,138	43%	48,885	26,565	84%
Domestic aircraft movements	9,233	8,750	6%	43,788	41,566	5%	104,220	91,533	14%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>13,695</b>	<b>12,319</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>65,388</b>	<b>56,704</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>153,105</b>	<b>118,098</b>	<b>30%</b>

## MCTOW (tonnes) 1

International MCTOW	439,524	331,045	33%	2,077,290	1,432,634	45%	4,688,373	2,733,969	71%
Domestic MCTOW	181,880	169,292	7%	896,913	823,929	9%	2,101,185	1,794,202	17%
<b>Total MCTOW</b>	<b>621,403</b>	<b>500,336</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>2,974,203</b>	<b>2,256,563</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>6,789,558</b>	<b>4,528,171</b>	<b>50%</b>

## Cargo (tonnes)

International Export	6,385	7,612	-16%	28,804	33,590	-14%	76,578	83,834	-9%
International Import	7,820	8,177	-4%	36,292	39,167	-7%	81,230	94,394	-14%
<b>Total Cargo</b>	<b>14,205</b>	<b>15,789</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>65,096</b>	<b>72,757</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>157,808</b>	<b>178,228</b>	<b>-11%</b>

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<b>Passenger Movements</b>									
Total international passengers	67,326	57,050	18%	381,394	303,269	26%	814,986	328,198	148%
Total domestic passengers	143,871	131,683	9%	644,470	694,914	-7%	1,583,015	1,397,413	13%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>211,197</b>	<b>188,733</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>1,025,864</b>	<b>998,183</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2,398,001</b>	<b>1,725,611</b>	<b>39%</b>

International aircraft movements	472	454	4%	2,797	2,246	25%	6,230	2,439	155%
Domestic aircraft movements	1,029	1,023	1%	4,826	4,941	-2%	11,725	11,211	5%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>1,477</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>7,623</b>	<b>7,187</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>17,955</b>	<b>13,650</b>	<b>32%</b>

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## December 2023 Monthly traffic preview

**15%**

increase year on year

For December 2023, total passenger volumes at Auckland Airport increased by 15% compared to December 2022 and were 86% of the December 2018 pre-COVID equivalent, the last full year not impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. International passengers (excl. transits) increased by 26% versus December 2022 and represent 86% of the December 2018 equivalent. Transit passengers were up 5% compared to December 2022, representing 69% of December 2018 equivalent. Domestic passengers for December 2023 increased by 5% compared to December 2022 and represented 89% of December 2018 pre-COVID equivalent.

### Key Points:

- International passengers (excl. transits) increased by 26% compared to December 2022. Passengers on the short-haul international network increased 13% compared to the year prior and reached 89% of December 2018, whilst airline load factors on the route were down on the year prior, they are now in-line with pre-COVID levels. Long-haul international passengers increased by 45% on the prior year and were 83% of December 2018. Airline load factors on the long-haul international route are below pre-COVID levels a result of the 114% year on year increase in airline capacity to and from the USA and China and passenger numbers increasing 80% compared to December 2022;
- New Zealand nationals on the international network recovered to 97% during December 2023 compared to pre-COVID levels and represents a 20% increase on December 2022. Australian passport holders are the second largest segment of international passengers and grew by 2% during December 2023 compared to the prior year and recovered to 86% of December 2018. Americans are the third largest passenger segment and increased by 35% compared to the year prior and are 99% of December 2018. The fourth largest segment was Chinese passport holders, recovering to 66% of December 2018 and increased by 222% on prior year;
- 22<sup>nd</sup> December was Auckland airports busiest day in nearly four years with 64k passengers traveling through the airport and 526 flights operating;
- Total passenger movements on the domestic network increased by 5% compared to December 2022 on 3% more seats resulting in load factors increasing by 2ppts compared to last year and a 4ppts increase on December 2018. Over 0.5m passengers travelled on domestic trunk routes in the month with airline load factors reaching 89%;
- Queenstown Airport international passenger numbers in December 2023 increased 10% on the year prior and domestic passengers increased 3% on the same month last year.

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#### Passenger Movements

	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international (excl. Transits)	903,636	719,713	26%	4,596,128	3,183,179	44%	8,587,420	4,184,022	105%
Transit movements	68,572	65,230	5%	386,200	291,450	33%	693,834	373,058	86%
<b>Total international passengers</b>	<b>972,208</b>	<b>784,943</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>4,982,328</b>	<b>3,474,629</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>9,281,254</b>	<b>4,557,080</b>	<b>104%</b>
Total domestic passengers	743,597	706,178	5%	4,269,617	4,103,116	4%	8,254,210	6,903,245	20%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>1,715,805</b>	<b>1,491,121</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>9,251,945</b>	<b>7,577,745</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>17,535,464</b>	<b>11,460,325</b>	<b>53%</b>

#### Aircraft Movements

International aircraft movements	4,976	3,995	25%	26,576	19,133	39%	49,866	29,099	71%
Domestic aircraft movements	9,223	9,237	0%	53,011	50,803	4%	104,206	94,705	10%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>14,199</b>	<b>13,232</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>79,587</b>	<b>69,936</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>154,072</b>	<b>123,804</b>	<b>24%</b>

#### MCTOW (tonnes)<sup>1</sup>

International MCTOW	502,604	383,108	31%	2,579,894	1,815,742	42%	4,807,868	2,934,117	64%
Domestic MCTOW	182,900	177,316	3%	1,079,814	1,001,246	8%	2,106,769	1,857,116	13%
<b>Total MCTOW</b>	<b>685,504</b>	<b>560,425</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>3,659,707</b>	<b>2,816,988</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>6,914,638</b>	<b>4,791,233</b>	<b>44%</b>

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#### Passenger Movements

	Current month	Previous year period	Change (month)	Financial YTD	Previous financial YTD	Change financial YTD	Rolling 12 month total	Previous 12 month total	Change in rolling total
Total international passengers	83,444	75,526	10%	464,838	378,795	23%	822,904	403,724	104%
Total domestic passengers	154,831	150,302	3%	799,301	845,216	-5%	1,587,544	1,459,866	9%
<b>Total passengers</b>	<b>238,275</b>	<b>225,828</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>1,264,139</b>	<b>1,224,011</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2,410,448</b>	<b>1,863,590</b>	<b>29%</b>

International aircraft movements	664	587	13%	3,461	2,833	22%	6,307	3,026	108%
Domestic aircraft movements	1,105	1,103	0%	5,931	6,044	-2%	11,727	11,515	2%
<b>Total aircraft movements</b>	<b>1,769</b>	<b>1,690</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>9,392</b>	<b>8,877</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>18,034</b>	<b>14,541</b>	<b>24%</b>

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