

Media Release

ACI releases World Airport Traffic Report 2010

Strong traffic rebound demonstrates industry's resiliency

Montreal, 1 August 2011 – Director General of ACI World, Angela Gittens today announced the publication of ACI's *World Annual Traffic Report* for 2010. "This annual Report is ACI's flagship publication, a unique and comprehensive industry reference presenting data from over 1,300 airports in 157 countries. The Report for 2010 documents a strong rebound from the two-year industry slump. Global passenger traffic rose by 6.6 per cent, topping the 5 billion passenger mark for the first time. Cargo volumes also hit a record, surging past 91 million tonnes with 15.3 per cent growth. Once again, our industry has shown its resiliency in recovering from a downturn and resuming its historical trajectory of impressive growth."

2010 – Key statistics in brief

1,318 airports located in **157** countries report that:

- Worldwide airport passenger numbers increased by 6.6% in 2010 to 5.04 billion, registering increases in all six regions
- Middle East (+12%), Asia-Pacific (+11.3%) Africa (+9.5%) and Latin America-Caribbean (+13.2%) showed high growth while Europe and North America grew more robustly
- Worldwide domestic traffic increased by 5.8% while international traffic jumped by 7.7%
- Worldwide aircraft movements increased 1.1% to 74 million
- Total cargo volumes handled by airports jumped by 15.3% to 91.0 million tonnes
- 69% of airports worldwide registered positive passenger growth at an average of 8.6%, while 30% of airports lost traffic at an average rate of -4.1%.

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Gittens observed, “While ACI welcomes the industry’s rebound, these numbers underscore the urgency of the airport capacity challenge. Airport operators worldwide are focusing on the need to provide the passenger a positive, seamless travel experience, and planning new capacity to meet the expected doubling of passengers in the next 15 to 20 years. More than ever, governments and our airline partners will need to work closely with our airports to ensure that the required capacity is added in a safe, secure, efficient and sustainable manner. At the same time, air navigation systems will need to be upgraded to keep pace with the growth curve.”

2010 AIRPORT TRAFFIC SUMMARY

ACI Stats Regions	Total Aircraft Movements	% Change	Total Passengers	% Change	Total Cargo	% Change	N° of Airports
AFR	2 590 933	4.4	155 979 778	9.5	1 715 838	1.9	154
ASP	11 635 928	5.7	1 294 834 546	11.3	31 856 866	18.5	172
EUR	19 263 177	(0.5)	1 466 758 533	4.3	17 920 309	15.5	454
LAC	7 602 460	7.0	403 676 303	13.2	4 665 694	14.3	263
MEA	1 974 916	7.7	206 622 059	12.0	5 881 214	13.7	53
NAM	31 387 228	(1.4)	1 509 836 075	2.5	28 709 087	13.2	222
ACI	74 454 642	1.1	5 037 707 294	6.6	90 749 008	15.3	1318

Passengers: total passengers enplaned and deplaned, passengers in transit counted once.

Cargo: loaded and unloaded freight and mail.

Aircraft Movements: landing and take-off of an aircraft.

Commenting on the regional trends, Gittens said, “Traffic growth in emerging markets led the way. The Latin America-Caribbean region, fueled by strong growth in Brazil, steered all regions with a 13.2 per cent increase over 2009. The Middle East and Asia-Pacific regions also experienced double-digit growth, with Africa just below them at 9.5 per cent. In the Middle East, liberalized bilateral agreements and large increases in fleet capacity drove growth, particularly in the UAE and Qatar. In Asia-Pacific, India’s traffic grew nearly 15 per cent and China’s nearly 14 per cent, as the region once again increased its global market share. Increases in the mature North American and European markets were 2 per cent and 4.3 per cent respectively; but they remain the number 1 and 2 regions for market share, although Asia-Pacific is rapidly closing the gap.”

2012 Outlook

Preliminary ACI statistics received just before press time showed global passenger traffic up 6 per cent for the first six months of 2011. Commenting on the prospects for the remainder of the year, ACI World’s Director of Economics, Andreas Schimm, noted, “Strong global economic growth in the latter half of 2011 should propel our sector to another good year. But even against the backdrop of growth, there is considerable uncertainty about oil prices, concern over sovereign debt, volatility in exchange rates, and in the US, slowing growth and persistent unemployment.

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All told, there is a lot to worry about, particularly in the developed economies. Growth in emerging and developing nations, however, is expected by the IMF to continue at a rapid clip, giving us considerable reason for further optimism about the remainder of the year.”

Notes to editors:

- Airports Council International (ACI), the only worldwide association of airports, is a non-profit organization whose prime purpose is to represent the interests of airports and to promote professional excellence in airport management and operations. In 2010, ACI had 580 members operating over 1650 airports in 179 countries and territories.
- The **World Airport Traffic Report 2010** (WATR 2010) is the most comprehensive source of airport traffic data on the market. Based on input from 1318 commercial airports from 157 countries, data is presented in five key global traffic categories: total passenger, total cargo, aircraft movements, international passenger and international freight. Rankings by order of busiest airports in each category are provided. The Report also groups results region-by-region, country-by-country, as well as airport-by-airport.
- This release includes the Top 10 ranking of airports by category, with growth percentages compared to 2009, as well as the list of the 25 fastest growing airports. An abridged version of the report’s executive summary and the top 100 listings for the main categories are available on request. Media representatives should contact Paul Behnke at pbehnke@aci.aero for any queries or to arrange interviews with Andreas Schimm, ACI Director of Economics, who authored the report.
- ACI produces a full range of publications covering airport policies/standards, monthly and yearly traffic reports, airport economics and global traffic forecasting. The WATR 2010, and previous editions, can be purchased on the ACI website www.aci.aero/publications

BUSIEST AIRPORTS – TOTAL PASSENGERS

TOP 10 WORLD AIRPORTS BY PASSENGERS

Total Passengers: arriving and departing passengers; direct transit passengers counted once

RANK	CITY	CODE	TOTAL PASSENGERS	% CHANGE
1	ATLANTA GA, USA	ATL	89 331 622	1.5
2	BEIJING, CHINA	PEK	73 948 113	13.1
3	CHICAGO IL, USA	ORD	66 774 738	4.1
4	LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM	LHR	65 884 143	(0.2)
5	TOKYO, JAPAN	HND	64 211 074	3.7
6	LOS ANGELES CA, USA	LAX	59 070 127	4.5
7	PARIS, FRANCE	CDG	58 167 062	0.4
8	DALLAS/FORT WORTH TX, USA	DFW	56 906 610	1.6
9	FRANKFURT, GERMANY	FRA	53 009 221	4.1
10	DENVER CO, USA	DEN	52 209 377	4.1

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BUSIEST AIRPORTS – INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS

TOP 10 AIRPORTS BY INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS IN 2010

RANK	CITY	CODE	INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS	% CHANGE
1	LONDON	LHR	60 903 278	0.4
2	PARIS	CDG	53 150 330	0.2
3	HONG KONG	HKG	49 774 874	10.6
4	DUBAI	DXB	46 313 680	15.5
5	FRANKFURT	FRA	46 306 814	4.0
6	AMSTERDAM	AMS	45 136 967	3.7
7	SINGAPORE	SIN	40 923 716	13.4
8	INCHEON	ICN	32 949 518	17.3
9	TOKYO	NRT	32 163 522	4.1
10	BANGKOK	BKK	31 417 712	9.0

BUSIEST AIRPORTS – CARGO (FREIGHT AND MAIL)

TOP 10 TOTAL CARGO AIRPORTS 2010

RANK	CITY	CODE	TOTAL CARGO	% CHANGE
1	HONG KONG, HK	HKG	4 165 852	23.2
2	MEMPHIS TN, US	MEM	3 916 811	5.9
3	SHANGHAI, CN	PVG	3 228 081	26.9
4	INCHEON, KR	ICN	2 684 499	16.1
5	ANCHORAGE AK, US*	ANC	2 646 695	36.6
6	PARIS, FR	CDG	2 399 067	16.8
7	FRANKFURT, DE	FRA	2 275 000	20.5
8	DUBAI, UAE	DXB	2 270 498	17.8
9	TOKYO, JP	NRT	2 167 853	17.1
10	LOUISVILLE	SDF	2 166 656	11.2

*ANC data include transit freight.

BUSIEST AIRPORTS – INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT (MAIL NOT INCLUDED)

WORLD AIRPORT RANKING BY INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT (IN METRIC TONNES)

	CITY	CODE	INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT	% CHANGE
1	HONG KONG	HKG	4 128 037	23.3
2	INCHEON	ICN	2 633 661	16.1
3	SHANGHAI	PVG	2 343 533	31.8
4	DUBAI	DXB	2 182 864	18.2
5	FRANKFURT	FRA	2 148 998	22.3
6	PARIS	CDG	2 142 194	20.0
7	TOKYO	NRT	2 125 730	17.4
8	SINGAPORE	SIN	1 813 810	11.0
9	TAIPEI	TPE	1 752 872	30.3
10	ANCHORAGE AK*	ANC	1 742 195	39.4

*ANC data include transit freight.

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BUSIEST AIRPORTS – AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS

WORLD AIRPORT RANKING BY TOTAL MOVEMENTS

	CITY	CODE	TOTAL MOVEMENTS	% CHANGE
1	ATLANTA GA	ATL	950 119	(2.1)
2	CHICAGO IL	ORD	882 617	6.6
3	LOS ANGELES CA	LAX	666 938	4.8
4	DALLAS/FORT WORTH TX	DFW	652 261	2.1
5	DENVER CO	DEN	630 063	3.8
6	HOUSTON TX	IAH	531 347	(1.3)
7	CHARLOTTE NC	CLT	529 101	3.9
8	BEIJING	PEK	517 584	6.0
9	LAS VEGAS NV	LAS	505 591	(1.1)
10	PARIS	CDG	499 997	(4.8)

2010 TRAFFIC GROWTH CHANGE RELATIVE TO 2009, BY SIZE CATEGORY

- Airports with over 40 million passengers +6%
- Airports with 25-40 million passengers +7.1%
- Airports with 15 -25 million passengers +6.4%
- Airports with 5-15 million passengers +7.4%
- Airports with 1-5 million passengers +5.4%
- Airports with less than 1 million passengers +7.1%

TOP 25 FASTEST GROWING AIRPORTS in 2010 (WITH OVER 5 MILLION PAX)

RANK	CITY	CODE	PASSENGERS	% CHG	REG	WORLD RANK
1	ISTANBUL	SAW	11 598 026	74.7	EUR	121
2	CAMPINAS	VCP	5 591 163	57.8	LAC	212
3	RIO DE JANEIRO	SDU	7 833 588	53.5	LAC	175
4	CHARLEROI	CRL	5 182 168	31.7	EUR	229
5	MOSCOW	SVO	19 329 185	30.9	EUR	68
6	BELO HORIZONTE	CNF	7 599 323	29.5	LAC	178
7	BOGOTA	BOG	18 762 502	26.8	LAC	72
8	PHUKET	HKT	7 313 783	26.5	ASP	185
9	SHANGHAI	PVG	40 578 621	26.4	ASP	20
10	MUSCAT	MCT	5 751 516	26.2	MEA	209
11	ANKARA	ESB	7 788 214	25.9	EUR	176
12	ST PETERSBURG	LED	8 443 753	24.9	EUR	160
13	MEDAN	MES	6 189 575	24.9	ASP	202
14	SHANGHAI	SHA	31 298 812	24.8	ASP	41
15	MILWAUKEE WI	MKE	9 848 377	24.1	NAM	133
16	COLOMBO	CMB	5 259 648	24.0	ASP	226
17	SÃO PAULO	GRU	27 432 346	22.8	LAC	47
18	MASHHAD	MHD	5 920 416	22.5	MEA	206
19	MOSCOW	VKO	9 460 292	22.4	EUR	138
20	HA NOI	HAN	9 519 839	21.5	ASP	135
21	FORTALEZA	FOR	5 441 732	20.6	LAC	220
22	IZMIR	ADB	7 518 333	20.2	EUR	182
23	ANTALYA	AYT	22 078 962	20.0	EUR	60
24	HURGHADA	HRG	8 059 849	19.8	AFR	170
25	DOHA	DOH	15 863 053	19.5	MEA	92

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