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Preliminary 2012 World Airport Traffic and Rankings **Passenger traffic up 4%; Cargo and Movements flat**

MONTRÉAL, QUÉBEC, CANADA, 26 March 2013 – ACI preliminary traffic results, based on reports from over 1093 airports worldwide, indicate that global passenger traffic grew at a rate of 4 percent while cargo and aircraft movements were flat as compared to 2011.

Global passenger traffic has remained resilient in the face of global uncertainties and downside risks that plagued the global economy throughout 2012. While airports in the developed economies of Europe and North America experienced only modest gains in passenger traffic, with year-over-year growth of +1.7 and +1.2 percent respectively, air transport markets in emerging economies continue to show buoyant activity. As many as five airports in emerging markets with over 40 million passengers reported double-digit growth rates. These airports include Istanbul (IST; +20.6), Dubai (DXB; +13.2), Jakarta (CGK; +12.1), Bangkok (BKK; +10.6) and Singapore (SIN; +10.0).

The volume of air cargo in 2012 remained more or less at 2010 and 2011 levels. Most regions remained relatively weak in relation to their year-over-year growth rates. Half of the airports in the top 30 busiest cargo airports experienced declines in 2012. With an overall contraction of -2.6 percent in cargo traffic across European airports, the only bright spot was Middle Eastern airports with year-over-year growth in the realm of +5 percent for the region as a whole in 2012.

ACI World's Director of Economics Rafael Echevarne commented, "Although we saw slightly lower year-over-year growth rates in passenger traffic in 2012, from month to month as compared to 2011, the overall result for the year was in line with ACI forecasts, which factored in the slowdown in certain European and North American markets. Air cargo had mixed results throughout 2012 with some months showing modest gains while other months posting declines. Amid the significant downside risks in the Euro area and the fiscal deadlock in the United States that remained omnipresent throughout the year, growth in the air cargo market came to an overall halt in 2012. As the global economy and international trade gradually picks up steam, we are optimistic to see stronger demand for air transport in the latter half of 2013."

Airport Rankings

Atlanta (+3.3%) continues to be the world's busiest airport, while Beijing (+4.1%) maintains second place. London Heathrow (+0.9%) remains in third while Tokyo Haneda (+6.7%) moves into fourth position. Chicago O'Hare (-0.1%) takes fifth place. Only three other airports in the top 30 experienced declines in passenger traffic in 2012, which include Madrid (-9.0%), Houston (-0.4%) and Phoenix (-0.3%). See tables 1, 2, 3.

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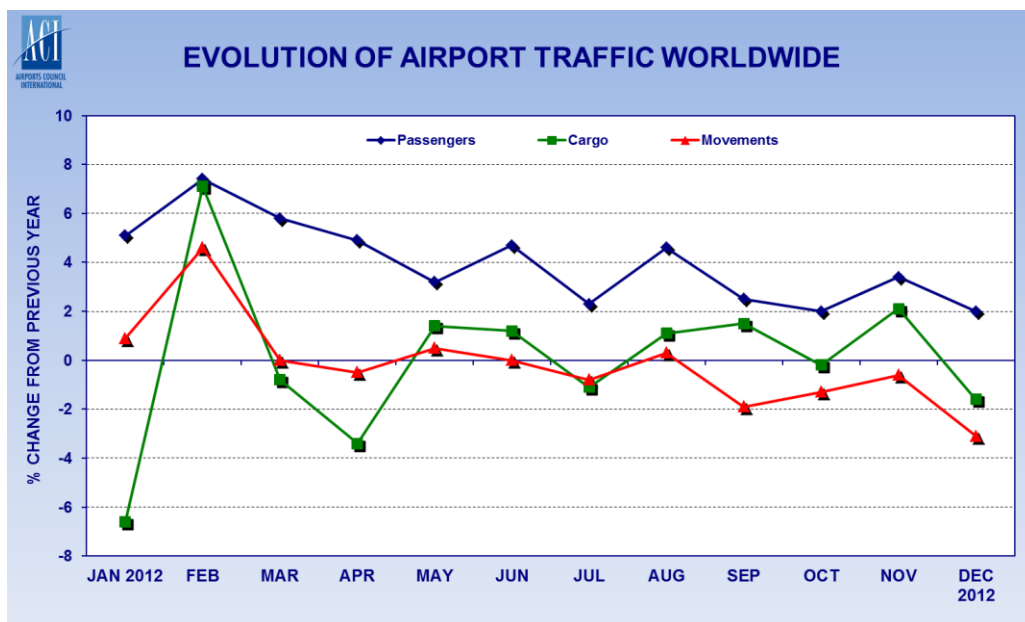
SUMMARY: PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR 2012 (compared with 2011 figures)

Total Passengers: **+4.0%**
 Total International Passengers: **+5.6%**
 Total Cargo (includes mail): **0.0%**
 Total International Freight: **-0.1%**
 Total Aircraft Movements: **-0.2%**

Notes for Editors

1. 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. ACI has 580 members who operate over 1751 airports in 174 countries and territories.
2. For queries concerning the statistics, please contact Cheryl Marcell, Director Communications at ACI World cmarcell@aci.aero or James Roach, Communications Manager ACI World jroach@aci.aero
3. Please note that preliminary results are based on the submissions of over 1093 reporting entities. The final confirmed report, which will be published in summer 2013, will include any outstanding airport reports, and therefore figures are subject to variation.

Charts and tables



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WORLDWIDE AIRPORT TRAFFIC REPORT SUMMARY

Preliminary Results 2012

STATS REGIONS	PASSENGERS	percent change	CARGO	percent change	MOVEMENTS	percent change
AFR	147 199 338	6.4	1 515 148	0.4	2 323 553	(0.0)
ASP	1 308 991 876	7.5	29 881 319	0.4	10 066 588	4.8
EUR	1 528 091 032	1.7	16 975 590	(2.6)	17 472 247	(2.7)
LAC	412 627 337	7.3	4 784 531	1.1	6 615 350	3.6
MEA	182 228 582	13.1	5 013 497	4.9	1 489 660	8.6
NAM	1 484 505 538	1.2	26 717 512	0.2	25 747 561	(1.6)
ACI	5 063 643 703	4.0	84 887 597	0.0	63 714 959	(0.2)

Passengers total passengers enplaned and deplaned; passengers in transit counted once.

Cargo loaded and unloaded freight and mail in metric tonnes.

Movements landing or take-off of an aircraft.

Number of participating airports by region included in this summary in 2012: 1093

AFR: 117; ASP: 133; EUR: 450; LAC: 205; MEA: 17; NAM: 171

INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER & FREIGHT SUMMARY

Preliminary Results 2012

STATS REGIONS	INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS	percent change	INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT	percent change
AFR	93 687 621	11.0	1 374 602	1.6
ASP	484 437 062	9.6	21 001 054	1.0
EUR	1 113 199 639	2.9	14 851 893	(2.8)
LAC	112 095 129	5.3	3 224 741	1.4
MEA	162 854 336	13.2	5 101 492	4.5
NAM	212 003 632	3.5	8 806 551	(1.2)
ACI	2 178 277 419	5.6	54 360 334	(0.1)

International (Passengers/Freight) traffic (passengers and freight) performed between the designated airport and an airport in another country/territory

Freight comprises goods, newspapers, diplomatic bags, parcel post and express parcel; does not include passenger baggage and trucked freight; loaded and unloaded in metric tonnes.

Number of participating airports by region included in the international summary in 2012: 733

AFR: 97 ASP: 96 EUR: 320 LAC: 126 MEA: 17 NAM: 77

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WORLD'S BUSIEST AIRPORTS – Preliminary Ranking

Table 1: AIRCRAFT MOVEMENTS 2012

RANK	AIRPORT	MOVEMENTS	
		Take-off and Landings	Percent change
1	ATLANTA GA, US (ATL)	930 250	0.7
2	CHICAGO IL, US (ORD)	878 108	0.3
3	DALLAS/FORT WORTH TX, US (DFW)	650 124	0.5
4	DENVER CO, US (DEN)	612 557	-2.6
5	LOS ANGELES CA, US (LAX)	605 480	0.3
6	BEIJING, CN (PEK)	557 167	4.5
7	CHARLOTTE NC, US (CLT)	552 093	2.3
8	LAS VEGAS NV, US (LAS)	527 739	-0.7
9	HOUSTON TX, US (IAH)	510 242	-3.5
10	PARIS, FR (CDG)	497 763	-3.2
11	FRANKFURT, DE (FRA)	482 242	-1.0
12	LONDON, GB (LHR)	475 180	-1.2
13	PHOENIX AZ, US (PHX)	450 204	-2.6
14	PHILADELPHIA PA, US (PHL)	443 236	-1.1
15	AMSTERDAM, NL (AMS)	437 640	0.1
16	TORONTO ON, CA (YYZ)	433 990	1.3
17	DETROIT MI, US (DTW)	427 814	-3.4
18	MINNEAPOLIS MN, US (MSP)	426 818	-1.7
19	SAN FRANCISCO CA, US (SFO)	424 566	5.2
20	NEWARK NJ, US (EWR)	414 195	1.1
21	NEW YORK NY, US (JFK)	401 950	-1.7
22	MUNICH, DE (MUC)	398 039	-2.9
23	MIAMI FL, US (MIA)	391 195	-0.9
24	MEXICO CITY, MX (MEX)	376 286	7.5
25	MADRID, ES (MAD)	373 185	-13.1
26	GUANGZHOU, CN (CAN)	371 515	6.4
27	NEW YORK NY, US (LGA)	370 050	1.4
28	JAKARTA, ID (CGK)	369 740	7.7
29	PHOENIX AZ, US (DVT)	365 432	15.1
30	ISTANBUL, TR (IST)	364 317	12.0

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Table 2: TOTAL PASSENGER TRAFFIC 2012

RANK	AIRPORT CITY / COUNTRY/CODE	PASSENGERS	
		(Enplaning and deplaning)	Percent change
1	ATLANTA GA, US (ATL)	95 462 867	3.3
2	BEIJING, CN (PEK)	81 929 359	4.1
3	LONDON, GB (LHR)	70 037 417	0.9
4	TOKYO, JP (HND)	66 795 178	6.7
5	CHICAGO IL, US (ORD)	66 633 503	(0.1)
6	LOS ANGELES CA, US (LAX)	63 688 121	3.0
7	PARIS, FR (CDG)	61 611 934	1.1
8	DALLAS/FORT WORTH TX, US (DFW)	58 591 842	1.4
9	JAKARTA, ID (CGK)	57 772 762	12.1
10	DUBAI, AE (DXB)	57 684 550	13.2
11	FRANKFURT, DE (FRA)	57 520 001	1.9
12	HONG KONG, HK (HKG)	56 057 751	5.1
13	DENVER CO, US (DEN)	53 156 278	0.6
14	BANGKOK, TH (BKK)	53 002 328	10.6
15	SINGAPORE, SG (SIN)	51 181 804	10.0
16	AMSTERDAM, NL (AMS)	51 035 590	2.6
17	NEW YORK NY, US (JFK)	49 291 765	3.5
18	GUANGZHOU, CN (CAN)	48 548 430	7.8
19	MADRID, ES (MAD)	45 176 978	(9.0)
20	ISTANBUL, TR (IST)	45 124 831	20.6
21	SHANGHAI, CN (PVG)	44 880 164	8.3
22	SAN FRANCISCO CA, US (SFO)	44 399 885	8.5
23	CHARLOTTE NC, US (CLT)	41 228 372	5.6
24	LAS VEGAS NV, US (LAS)	40 799 830	0.6
25	PHOENIX AZ, US (PHX)	40 421 611	(0.3)
26	HOUSTON TX, US (IAH)	39 891 444	(0.4)
27	KUALA LUMPUR, MY (KUL)	39 887 866	5.8
28	MIAMI FL, US (MIA)	39 467 444	3.0
29	INCHEON, KR (ICN)	39 154 375	11.3
30	MUNICH, DE (MUC)	38 360 604	1.6

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Table 3: TOTAL CARGO TRAFFIC 2012

RANK	AIRPORT	CARGO (Metric tonnes)	
		Loaded and unloaded	Percent change
1	HONG KONG, HK (HKG)	4 062 261	2.2
2	MEMPHIS TN, US (MEM)	4 016 126	2.5
3	SHANGHAI, CN (PVG)	2 939 157	(5.3)
4	INCHEON, KR (ICN)	2 456 724	(3.3)
5	ANCHORAGE AK, US (ANC)	2 449 551	(3.7)
6	DUBAI, AE (DXB)	2 267 365	3.1
7	LOUISVILLE KY, US (SDF)	2 168 365	(0.9)
8	PARIS, FR (CDG)	2 150 950	(6.5)
9	FRANKFURT, DE (FRA)	2 066 432	(6.7)
10	TOKYO, JP (NRT)	2 006 173	3.1
11	MIAMI FL, US (MIA)	1 929 889	4.9
12	SINGAPORE, SG (SIN)	1 841 858	(3.0)
13	BEIJING, CN (PEK)	1 787 027	6.0
14	LOS ANGELES CA, US (LAX)	1 771 907	3.7
15	TAIPEI, TW (TPE)	1 577 728	(3.1)
16	LONDON, GB (LHR)	1 556 203	(0.7)
17	CHICAGO IL, US (ORD)	1 512 186	(3.0)
18	AMSTERDAM, NL (AMS)	1 511 824	(2.4)
19	BANGKOK, TH (BKK)	1 345 487	1.8
20	NEW YORK NY, US (JFK)	1 283 663	(5.5)
21	GUANGZHOU, CN (CAN)	1 246 467	5.6
22	INDIANAPOLIS IN, US (IND)	932 105	2.7
23	TOKYO, JP (HND)	909 684	3.6
24	SHENZHEN, CN (SZX)	854 901	3.5
25	LEIPZIG, DE (LEJ)	846 092	13.7
26	DOHA, QA (DOH)	844 532	4.5
27	NEWARK NJ, US (EWR)	743 762	(7.5)
28	COLOGNE, DE (CGN)	730 054	0.5
29	OSAKA, JP (KIX)	723 148	(2.7)
30	KUALA LUMPUR, MY (KUL)	702 227	(0.1)

*ANC data includes transit freight

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