

QANTAS AIRWAYS LIMITED
ABN 16 009 661 901

PRELIMINARY MONTHLY TRAFFIC AND CAPACITY STATISTICS
APRIL 2006

Summary of Traffic and Capacity Statistics

Month of April 2006

April Group (comprising Qantas Domestic, QantasLink, Jetstar, Qantas International and Australian Airlines) passenger numbers increased by 5.7 per cent when compared to the previous year. RPKs and ASKs for the Group increased by 6.7 per cent and 5.3 per cent respectively, resulting in a revenue seat factor of 77.9 per cent, up 1.0 percentage point when compared with the previous year.

Financial Year to Date April 2006

Total Domestic (Qantas, QantasLink and Jetstar domestic operations) yield excluding exchange for the financial year to April 2006 increased by 4.6 per cent when compared to the same period last year. Total International (Qantas, Australian Airlines and Jetstar Trans-Tasman operations) yield excluding exchange increased by 7.7 per cent over the same period.

Group passenger numbers for the financial year to April 2006 increased by 3.8 per cent from the previous year. RPKs increased by 3.9 per cent, while ASKs increased by 3.2 per cent, resulting in a revenue seat factor of 77.5 per cent, 0.6 percentage point higher than the previous year.

Recent Developments

Qantas has recently increased its hedging of expected crude oil requirements for 2006/07 to 50 per cent. After additional hedging, the average hedged price has risen to approximately US\$66 a barrel, inclusive of option premium, for West Texas Intermediate crude (WTI).

On 31 May 2006, Qantas announced the appointment of James Strong as a non-executive Director to the Board of Qantas. Mr Strong will fill a casual vacancy on the Qantas Board and take up the position effective from 1 July 2006. Mr Strong previously held the position of Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Qantas Airways between 1993 and March 2001, following an appointment to the Qantas Board in 1991. He is also Chairman of Woolworths Limited and Insurance Australia Group Limited.

On 17 May 2006, Qantas announced James Kennedy will retire as a Director of Qantas after more than 10 years on the Board. Mr Kennedy was appointed to the Board in October 1995 and his retirement will take effect on 30 June 2006.

On 10 May 2006, Qantas announced that based on the most recent reconciliation foreign sales, together with a recent issue of shares under Qantas' Dividend Reinvestment Plan, have resulted in foreign persons having a relevant interest in approximately 44.90 per cent of Qantas shares. Qantas last advised the market on 29 November 2005 that foreign persons had a relevant interest in approximately 46.21 per cent of the Qantas issued share capital.

On 3 May 2006, Qantas announced it would increase capacity between Canberra and Sydney by more than 12 per cent, as its sixth and seventh QantasLink Bombardier Q400 aircraft enter into service over the coming months. Qantas also said the arrival of the aircraft would see QantasLink open a new crew base in Canberra. The new 72-seat Bombardier Q400 will enable Qantas to provide more than 140,000 additional seats per annum on the route. The new aircraft are scheduled to enter service between Canberra and Sydney in mid August 2006 and mid October 2006.

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	Month			Financial Year to Date		
	2005/06	2004/05	Change	2005/06	2004/05	Change
Qantas Domestic *						
Passengers carried ('000)	1,324	1,349	(1.9)%	13,221	13,624	(3.0)%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres (m)	1,916	1,876	2.1%	18,863	18,970	(0.6)%
Available Seat Kilometres (m)	2,354	2,275	3.5%	23,641	23,468	0.7%
Revenue Seat Factor (%)	81.4	82.5	(1.1) pts	79.8	80.8	(1.0) pts
QantasLink						
Passengers carried ('000)	298	261	14.4%	2,715	2,545	6.7%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres (m)	193	160	20.6%	1,706	1,570	8.7%
Available Seat Kilometres (m)	271	213	26.8%	2,483	2,162	14.9%
Revenue Seat Factor (%)	71.1	74.8	(3.7) pts	68.7	72.6	(3.9) pts
Jetstar *						
Passengers carried ('000)	556	418	33.1%	4,774	3,625	31.7%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres (m)	624	433	44.1%	5,183	3,558	45.7%
Available Seat Kilometres (m)	819	585	40.0%	6,899	4,873	41.6%
Revenue Seat Factor (%)	76.2	74.0	2.2 pts	75.1	73.0	2.1 pts
Qantas International						
Passengers carried ('000)	701	703	(0.3)%	7,153	7,294	(1.9)%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres (m)	4,713	4,478	5.2%	47,312	46,134	2.6%
Available Seat Kilometres (m)	6,068	5,876	3.3%	60,687	60,383	0.5%
Revenue Seat Factor (%)	77.7	76.2	1.5 pts	78.0	76.4	1.6 pts
Australian Airlines						
Passengers carried ('000)	56	63	(11.1)%	647	685	(5.5)%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres (m)	259	294	(11.9)%	3,069	3,330	(7.9)%
Available Seat Kilometres (m)	382	471	(18.9)%	4,568	4,769	(4.2)%
Revenue Seat Factor (%)	67.8	62.5	5.3 pts	67.2	69.8	(2.6) pts
Total Group Operations						
Passengers carried ('000)	2,935	2,778	5.7%	28,510	27,467	3.8%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres (m)	7,705	7,224	6.7%	76,133	73,246	3.9%
Available Seat Kilometres (m)	9,894	9,395	5.3%	98,278	95,195	3.2%
Revenue Seat Factor (%)	77.9	76.9	1.0 pts	77.5	76.9	0.6 pts

Notes

Any adjustments to preliminary statistics will be included in the year to date results next month. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between the sum of the components of items and the total and in percentage changes which are derived from figures prior to rounding. The number of passengers carried is calculated on the basis of origin/destination (ie. one origin/destination journey represents one passenger regardless of the number of stage lengths undertaken).

* Qantas and Jetstar prior year statistics include the effect of a domestic codeshare agreement between the two airlines. However the effect of this codeshare is only included once in the prior year statistics for the Total Group Operations.

Key

(m): Millions

RPKs: The number of paying passengers carried multiplied by the number of kilometres flown

ASKs: The number of seats available for sale multiplied by the number of kilometres flown