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FOREWORD

This report provides an overview of domestic (including regional) airline activity in Australia for the year ending December 2010.

The data covers revenue passengers carried by Australian-registered operators of scheduled regular public transport services over Australian flight stages, including passengers carried between domestic airports on international flights operated by these carriers. The passengers carried refer to traffic on board by stages. These statistics may not match the passenger numbers shown in other spreadsheets available for download from the BITRE web site where passengers carried between domestic airports on international flights are excluded.

Charter flights are not included in these statistics.

Individual routes shown are restricted to those with an average exceeding 8 000 passengers per month where two or more airlines operate in competition. For the year ending December 2010 there were 55 such routes: 53 routes met these criteria for all twelve months of the year while two routes did so for a period shorter than one year.

Information on the total network for the year ending December 2010 is presented on page 2. Detailed information on the top 55 individual routes can be found in the summary pages 3 –10 of this publication. Top ten airport passenger movements are shown on page 11 and long-term trends for the top 20 competitive routes are presented graphically on pages 12–21. A list of definitions can be found on page 23.

The report was prepared by the Aviation Statistics Section of the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics with data provided by airlines.

Estimates are included where data is not available and data presented in this publication may contain revisions to previously published data.

Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of component items and totals, and in percentage changes which are derived from figures prior to rounding.

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HIGHLIGHTS

There were 53.97 million passengers carried on Australian domestic airlines (including regional operations) in the year ending December 2010, an increase of 7.0 per cent on the year ending December 2009. The industry showed a marked recovery from the GFC, with passenger numbers being higher than in any previous year.

Revenue passenger kilometres (RPKs) were 61.71 billion for the year, up 6.8 per cent on the year ending December 2009. Capacity, measured by available seat kilometres (ASKs), increased 7.9 per cent compared with year ending December 2009 to a total of 78.15 billion.

The number of available seats rose to 69.63 million, an increase of 7.5 per cent compared to the previous year.

The number of aircraft trips increased by 6.2 per cent, from 559 179 for the year ending December 2009 to 594 122 for the year ending December 2010.

With capacity increasing at a faster rate than passenger traffic, the industry wide load factor (RPKs/ASKs) decreased from 79.7 per cent for the year ending December 2009 to 79.0 per cent for the year ending December 2010. Seat utilisation on individual routes decreased on 31 of the 50 routes for which data is available in both years.

For the year ending December 2010, Melbourne – Sydney remained Australia's busiest route with 7.90 million passengers, an increase of 11.6 per cent compared with the year ending December 2009. It was followed by Brisbane – Sydney with 4.40 million passengers (up 2.4 per cent) and Brisbane – Melbourne with 3.02 million passengers (up 11.6 per cent).

The greatest percentage increase in passenger traffic, compared with the year ending December 2009, was on the Gold Coast – Newcastle route (up 26.0 per cent). There were large increases on a number of other routes, including Darwin – Melbourne (up 19.8 per cent), Cairns – Melbourne (up 15.7 per cent) and Karratha – Perth (up 13.3 per cent).

Routes with traffic decreases for the year ending December 2010 included Adelaide – Canberra (down 10.5 per cent), Brisbane – Hamilton Island (down 5.1 per cent), Adelaide – Gold Coast (down 4.5 per cent) and Adelaide – Perth (down 4.3 per cent).

For the year ending December 2010, Sydney remained Australia's busiest domestic airport with 24.48 million passenger movements, followed by Melbourne with 21.73 million passenger movements and Brisbane with 15.46 million passenger movements.

The highest percentage increases in passenger movements among the top ten airports, for the year ending December 2010, were recorded at Gold Coast airport (10.5 per cent), Melbourne (8.9 per cent), Sydney (8.1 per cent) and Darwin (7.9 per cent).

TOTAL NETWORK

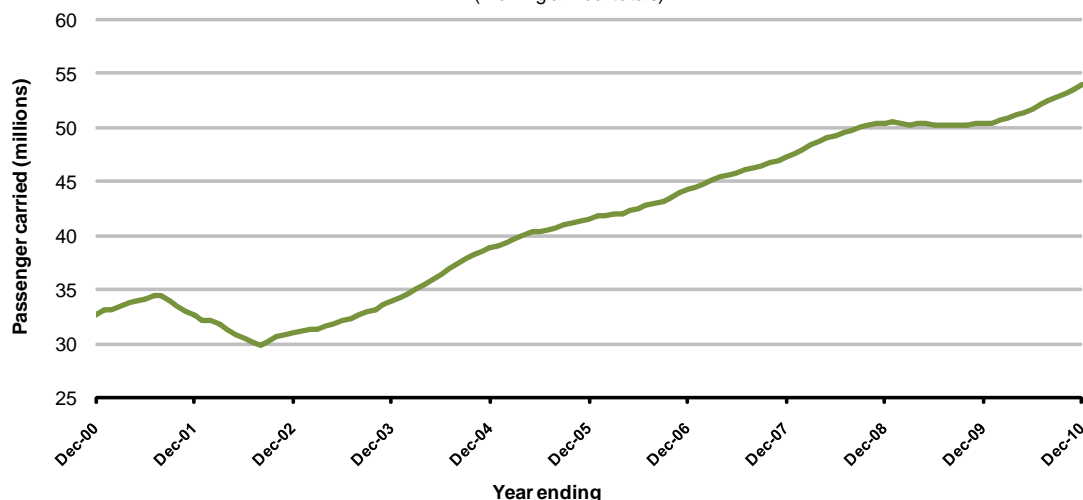
Summary of annual activity

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Total passengers carried (millions) | 50.45 | 53.97 | 7.0 |
| Revenue passenger kilometres (billions) | 57.77 | 61.71 | 6.8 |
| Available seats (millions) | 64.78 | 69.63 | 7.5 |
| Available seat kilometres (billions) | 72.44 | 78.15 | 7.9 |
| Load factor % | 79.7 | 79.0 | -0.8 * |
| Aircraft trips (000s) | 559.2 | 594.1 | 6.2 |

* percentage point difference

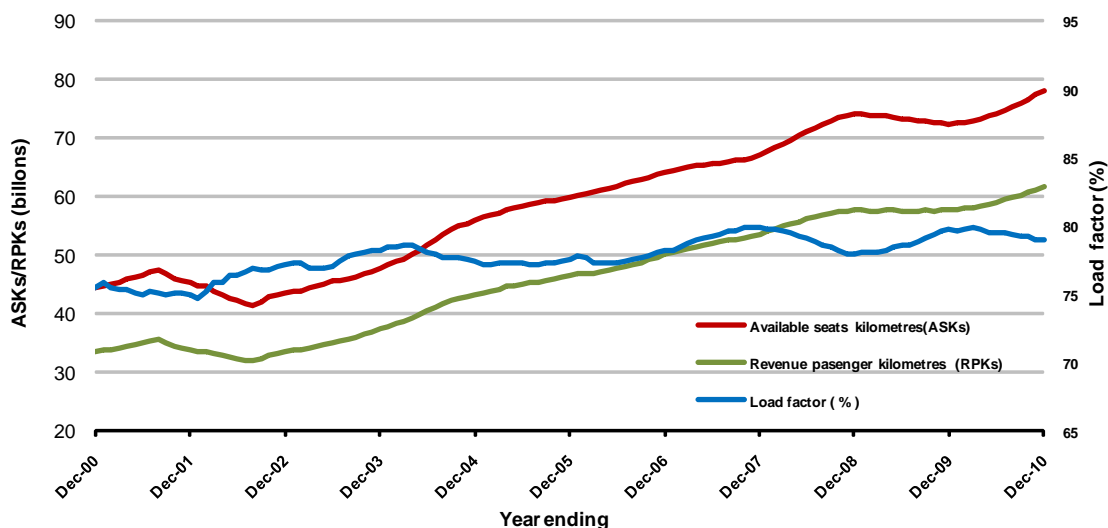
Domestic passenger traffic

(moving annual totals)



Network utilisation

(moving annual totals)



TOP COMPETITIVE ROUTES

Table 1: Passengers carried (000s) — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|----------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| 1 | Melbourne - Sydney | 7 082.4 | 7 901.1 | 11.6 |
| 2 | Brisbane - Sydney | 4 295.8 | 4 397.5 | 2.4 |
| 3 | Brisbane - Melbourne | 2 706.2 | 3 020.2 | 11.6 |
| 4 | Gold Coast - Sydney | 2 143.4 | 2 405.0 | 12.2 |
| 5 | Adelaide - Melbourne | 2 103.8 | 2 271.4 | 8.0 |
| 6 | Adelaide - Sydney | 1 600.2 | 1 785.7 | 11.6 |
| 7 | Gold Coast - Melbourne | 1 615.8 | 1 767.6 | 9.4 |
| 8 | Melbourne - Perth | 1 724.9 | 1 736.4 | 0.7 |
| 9 | Perth - Sydney | 1 465.1 | 1 622.7 | 10.8 |
| 10 | Hobart - Melbourne | 1 202.4 | 1 231.9 | 2.5 |
| 11 | Brisbane - Cairns | 1 155.0 | 1 153.8 | -0.1 |
| 12 | Canberra - Melbourne | 1 093.8 | 1 138.0 | 4.0 |
| 13 | Canberra - Sydney | 1 021.8 | 1 096.2 | 7.3 |
| 14 | Brisbane - Townsville | 942.6 | 941.1 | -0.2 |
| 15 | Cairns - Sydney | 832.9 | 876.8 | 5.3 |
| 16 | Launceston - Melbourne | 832.8 | 838.2 | 0.7 |
| 17 | Brisbane - Mackay | 735.9 | 798.0 | 8.4 |
| 18 | Brisbane - Perth | 718.0 | 755.1 | 5.2 |
| 19 | Adelaide - Brisbane | 637.0 | 717.1 | 12.6 |
| 20 | Brisbane - Rockhampton | 600.6 | 643.9 | 7.2 |
| 21 | Brisbane - Canberra | 604.5 | 612.7 | 1.3 |
| 22 | Adelaide - Perth | 626.0 | 599.0 | -4.3 |
| 23 | Karratha - Perth | 518.3 | 587.1 | 13.3 |
| 24 | Brisbane - Newcastle | 564.3 | 579.1 | 2.6 |
| 25 | Hobart - Sydney | 490.3 | 502.8 | 2.5 |
| 26 | Sunshine Coast - Sydney | 446.7 | 460.3 | 3.0 |
| 27 | Cairns - Melbourne | 389.8 | 451.1 | 15.7 |
| 28 | Melbourne - Sunshine Coast | 412.3 | 403.2 | -2.2 |
| 29 | Melbourne - Newcastle | 368.9 | 370.7 | 0.5 |
| 30 | Brisbane - Darwin | 380.4 | 367.2 | -3.5 |
| 31 | Perth - Port Hedland | 115.2 | 329.9 | NA (a) |
| 32 | Broome - Perth | 318.5 | 326.3 | 2.5 |
| 33 | Coffs Harbour - Sydney | 296.8 | 307.8 | 3.7 |
| 34 | Darwin - Melbourne | 241.4 | 289.2 | 19.8 |
| 35 | Ballina - Sydney | 271.6 | 267.6 | -1.5 |
| 36 | Adelaide - Gold Coast | 274.2 | 261.9 | -4.5 |
| 37 | Albury - Sydney | 237.5 | 248.6 | 4.7 |
| 38 | Kalgoorlie - Perth | 202.6 | 227.2 | 12.2 |
| 39 | Port Macquarie - Sydney | 192.1 | 212.4 | 10.6 |
| 40 | Launceston - Sydney | 211.2 | 211.5 | 0.2 |
| 41 | Brisbane - Proserpine | 220.9 | 210.5 | -4.7 |
| 42 | Newman - Perth | 178.7 | 199.0 | 11.4 |
| 43 | Melbourne - Mildura | 190.1 | 198.3 | 4.3 |
| 44 | Adelaide - Canberra | 215.4 | 192.7 | -10.5 |
| 45 | Sydney - Wagga Wagga | 175.5 | 185.4 | 5.6 |

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Table 1 (continued): Passengers carried (000s) — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 46 | Hamilton Island - Sydney | 97.3 | 183.3 | NA (b) |
| 47 | Dubbo - Sydney | 172.0 | 181.4 | 5.5 |
| 48 | Gold Coast - Newcastle | 141.8 | 178.7 | 26.0 |
| 49 | Cairns - Townsville | 164.0 | 178.5 | 8.9 |
| 50 | Brisbane - Hamilton Island | 185.7 | 176.2 | -5.1 |
| 51 | Sydney - Townsville | 169.5 | 171.3 | 1.0 |
| 52 | Adelaide - Port Lincoln | .. | 166.2 | NA (c) |
| 53 | Darwin - Perth | 109.4 | 147.9 | NA (d) |
| 54 | Alice Springs - Melbourne | 140.3 | 143.7 | 2.5 |
| 55 | Ayers Rock - Sydney | .. | 52.6 | NA (e) |
| | Total domestic network | 50 450.5 | 53 966.9 | 7.0 |

(a) Perth - Port Hedland route included from August 2009, prior data not shown.

(b) Hamilton Island - Sydney route included from July 2009, prior data not shown.

(c) Adelaide - Port Lincoln route included from March 2010, prior data not shown.

(d) Darwin - Perth route included from May 2009, prior data not shown.

(e) Ayers Rock - Sydney route included from September 2010, prior data not shown.

Table 2: Available seats (000s) — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Melbourne - Sydney | 8 679.5 | 9 594.3 | 10.5 |
| 2 | Brisbane - Sydney | 5 221.3 | 5 397.4 | 3.4 |
| 3 | Brisbane - Melbourne | 3 260.1 | 3 703.4 | 13.6 |
| 4 | Gold Coast - Sydney | 2 535.9 | 2 871.1 | 13.2 |
| 5 | Adelaide - Melbourne | 2 487.9 | 2 763.4 | 11.1 |
| 6 | Adelaide - Sydney | 1 953.8 | 2 167.3 | 10.9 |
| 7 | Gold Coast - Melbourne | 1 850.4 | 2 122.6 | 14.7 |
| 8 | Melbourne - Perth | 2 056.1 | 2 093.5 | 1.8 |
| 9 | Perth - Sydney | 1 796.8 | 2 022.9 | 12.6 |
| 10 | Hobart - Melbourne | 1 426.2 | 1 505.0 | 5.5 |
| 11 | Brisbane - Cairns | 1 350.9 | 1 407.4 | 4.2 |
| 12 | Canberra - Melbourne | 1 611.9 | 1 575.8 | -2.2 |
| 13 | Canberra - Sydney | 1 689.8 | 1 637.1 | -3.1 |
| 14 | Brisbane - Townsville | 1 221.4 | 1 204.3 | -1.4 |
| 15 | Cairns - Sydney | 958.6 | 1 078.4 | 12.5 |
| 16 | Launceston - Melbourne | 1 039.2 | 1 059.6 | 2.0 |
| 17 | Brisbane - Mackay | 910.3 | 1 016.8 | 11.7 |
| 18 | Brisbane - Perth | 853.1 | 892.3 | 4.6 |
| 19 | Adelaide - Brisbane | 759.6 | 874.8 | 15.2 |
| 20 | Brisbane - Rockhampton | 771.0 | 837.9 | 8.7 |
| 21 | Brisbane - Canberra | 836.1 | 822.7 | -1.6 |
| 22 | Adelaide - Perth | 828.9 | 725.1 | -12.5 |
| 23 | Karratha - Perth | 839.1 | 939.7 | 12.0 |
| 24 | Brisbane - Newcastle | 735.5 | 717.4 | -2.4 |
| 25 | Hobart - Sydney | 598.3 | 615.2 | 2.8 |
| 26 | Sunshine Coast - Sydney | 532.6 | 600.9 | 12.8 |
| 27 | Cairns - Melbourne | 460.3 | 538.3 | 16.9 |
| 28 | Melbourne - Sunshine Coast | 473.9 | 511.7 | 8.0 |
| 29 | Melbourne - Newcastle | 453.8 | 461.6 | 1.7 |
| 30 | Brisbane - Darwin | 486.9 | 463.1 | -4.9 |
| 31 | Perth - Port Hedland | 170.2 | 491.6 | NA (a) |
| 32 | Broome - Perth | 445.1 | 450.3 | 1.2 |
| 33 | Coffs Harbour - Sydney | 368.5 | 414.5 | 12.5 |
| 34 | Darwin - Melbourne | 308.7 | 387.9 | 25.7 |
| 35 | Ballina - Sydney | 336.1 | 358.3 | 6.6 |
| 36 | Adelaide - Gold Coast | 324.0 | 329.0 | 1.5 |
| 37 | Albury - Sydney | 346.6 | 356.4 | 2.8 |
| 38 | Kalgoorlie - Perth | 336.7 | 314.9 | -6.5 |
| 39 | Port Macquarie - Sydney | 266.0 | 296.6 | 11.5 |
| 40 | Launceston - Sydney | 251.3 | 258.9 | 3.0 |
| 41 | Brisbane - Proserpine | 252.8 | 250.0 | -1.1 |
| 42 | Newman - Perth | 322.5 | 334.8 | 3.8 |
| 43 | Melbourne - Mildura | 255.7 | 274.5 | 7.4 |
| 44 | Adelaide - Canberra | 297.8 | 256.3 | -13.9 |
| 45 | Sydney - Wagga Wagga | 250.1 | 278.2 | 11.3 |

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Table 2 (continued): Available seats (000s) — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 46 | Hamilton Island - Sydney | 124.0 | 244.2 | 96.8 (b) |
| 47 | Dubbo - Sydney | 238.9 | 251.7 | 5.4 |
| 48 | Gold Coast - Newcastle | 176.9 | 228.7 | 29.3 |
| 49 | Cairns - Townsville | 266.3 | 290.5 | 9.1 |
| 50 | Brisbane - Hamilton Island | 244.6 | 240.6 | -1.6 |
| 51 | Sydney - Townsville | 211.9 | 210.2 | -0.8 |
| 52 | Adelaide - Port Lincoln | .. | 300.1 | NA (c) |
| 53 | Darwin - Perth | 183.1 | 207.8 | 13.5 (d) |
| 54 | Alice Springs - Melbourne | 178.9 | 180.5 | NA |
| 55 | Ayers Rock - Sydney | .. | 68.0 | NA (e) |
| | Total domestic network | 64 776.1 | 69 631.0 | 7.5 |

(a) Perth - Port Hedland route included from August 2009, prior data not shown.

(b) Hamilton Island - Sydney route included from July 2009, prior data not shown.

(c) Adelaide - Port Lincoln route included from March 2010, prior data not shown.

(d) Darwin - Perth route included from May 2009, prior data not shown.

(e) Ayers Rock - Sydney route included from September 2010, prior data not shown.

Table 3: Load factors (%) — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Melbourne - Sydney | 81.6 | 82.3 | 0.8 |
| 2 | Brisbane - Sydney | 82.3 | 81.5 | -0.8 |
| 3 | Brisbane - Melbourne | 83.0 | 81.5 | -1.5 |
| 4 | Gold Coast - Sydney | 84.4 | 83.8 | -0.6 |
| 5 | Adelaide - Melbourne | 84.6 | 82.2 | -2.4 |
| 6 | Adelaide - Sydney | 81.9 | 82.4 | 0.5 |
| 7 | Gold Coast - Melbourne | 87.3 | 83.3 | -4.1 |
| 8 | Melbourne - Perth | 83.9 | 82.9 | -1.0 |
| 9 | Perth - Sydney | 81.5 | 80.2 | -1.3 |
| 10 | Hobart - Melbourne | 84.3 | 81.9 | -2.5 |
| 11 | Brisbane - Cairns | 85.5 | 82.0 | -3.5 |
| 12 | Canberra - Melbourne | 67.9 | 72.2 | 4.4 |
| 13 | Canberra - Sydney | 60.5 | 67.0 | 6.5 |
| 14 | Brisbane - Townsville | 77.2 | 78.1 | 1.0 |
| 15 | Cairns - Sydney | 86.9 | 81.3 | -5.6 |
| 16 | Launceston - Melbourne | 80.1 | 79.1 | -1.0 |
| 17 | Brisbane - Mackay | 80.8 | 78.5 | -2.4 |
| 18 | Brisbane - Perth | 84.2 | 84.6 | 0.5 |
| 19 | Adelaide - Brisbane | 83.9 | 82.0 | -1.9 |
| 20 | Brisbane - Rockhampton | 77.9 | 76.9 | -1.0 |
| 21 | Brisbane - Canberra | 72.3 | 74.5 | 2.2 |
| 22 | Adelaide - Perth | 75.5 | 82.6 | 7.1 |
| 23 | Karratha - Perth | 61.8 | 62.5 | 0.7 |
| 24 | Brisbane - Newcastle | 76.7 | 80.7 | 4.0 |
| 25 | Hobart - Sydney | 82.0 | 81.7 | -0.2 |
| 26 | Sunshine Coast - Sydney | 83.9 | 76.6 | -7.3 |
| 27 | Cairns - Melbourne | 84.7 | 83.8 | -0.9 |
| 28 | Melbourne - Sunshine Coast | 87.0 | 78.8 | -8.2 |
| 29 | Melbourne - Newcastle | 81.3 | 80.3 | -1.0 |
| 30 | Brisbane - Darwin | 78.2 | 79.3 | 1.1 |
| 31 | Perth - Port Hedland | 67.7 | 67.1 | NA (a) |
| 32 | Broome - Perth | 71.6 | 72.5 | 0.9 |
| 33 | Coffs Harbour - Sydney | 80.6 | 74.3 | -6.3 |
| 34 | Darwin - Melbourne | 78.2 | 74.5 | -3.7 |
| 35 | Ballina - Sydney | 80.8 | 74.7 | -6.1 |
| 36 | Adelaide - Gold Coast | 84.7 | 79.6 | -5.0 |
| 37 | Albury - Sydney | 68.5 | 69.8 | 1.2 |
| 38 | Kalgoorlie - Perth | 60.2 | 72.2 | 12.0 |
| 39 | Port Macquarie - Sydney | 72.2 | 71.6 | -0.6 |
| 40 | Launceston - Sydney | 84.0 | 81.7 | -2.3 |
| 41 | Brisbane - Proserpine | 87.4 | 84.2 | -3.2 |
| 42 | Newman - Perth | 55.4 | 59.5 | 4.1 |
| 43 | Melbourne - Mildura | 74.3 | 72.2 | -2.1 |
| 44 | Adelaide - Canberra | 72.3 | 75.2 | 2.9 |
| 45 | Sydney - Wagga Wagga | 70.2 | 66.6 | -3.6 |

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Table 3 (continued): Load factors (%) — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 46 | Hamilton Island - Sydney | 78.5 | 75.1 | NA (b) |
| 47 | Dubbo - Sydney | 72.0 | 72.1 | 0.1 |
| 48 | Gold Coast - Newcastle | 80.2 | 78.2 | -2.0 |
| 49 | Cairns - Townsville | 61.6 | 61.4 | -0.1 |
| 50 | Brisbane - Hamilton Island | 75.9 | 73.3 | -2.7 |
| 51 | Sydney - Townsville | 80.0 | 81.5 | 1.5 |
| 52 | Adelaide - Port Lincoln | .. | 55.4 | NA (c) |
| 53 | Darwin - Perth | 59.8 | 71.2 | NA (d) |
| 54 | Alice Springs - Melbourne | 78.4 | 79.6 | 1.2 |
| 55 | Ayers Rock - Sydney | .. | 77.3 | NA (e) |
| | Total domestic network | 79.7 | 79.0 | -0.8 |

(a) Perth - Port Hedland route included from August 2009, prior data not shown.

(b) Hamilton Island - Sydney route included from July 2009, prior data not shown.

(c) Adelaide - Port Lincoln route included from March 2010, prior data not shown.

(d) Darwin - Perth route included from May 2009, prior data not shown.

(e) Ayers Rock - Sydney route included from September 2010, prior data not shown.

Table 4: Aircraft movements — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Melbourne - Sydney | 46 170 | 51 321 | 11.2 |
| 2 | Brisbane - Sydney | 29 596 | 30 290 | 2.3 |
| 3 | Brisbane - Melbourne | 20 510 | 22 776 | 11.0 |
| 4 | Gold Coast - Sydney | 14 468 | 16 534 | 14.3 |
| 5 | Adelaide - Melbourne | 16 472 | 17 753 | 7.8 |
| 6 | Adelaide - Sydney | 12 241 | 13 495 | 10.2 |
| 7 | Gold Coast - Melbourne | 10 165 | 11 598 | 14.1 |
| 8 | Melbourne - Perth | 10 992 | 10 843 | -1.4 |
| 9 | Perth - Sydney | 8 562 | 9 490 | 10.8 |
| 10 | Hobart - Melbourne | 8 650 | 8 902 | 2.9 |
| 11 | Brisbane - Cairns | 8 396 | 8 706 | 3.7 |
| 12 | Canberra - Melbourne | 12 294 | 11 733 | -4.6 |
| 13 | Canberra - Sydney | 18 947 | 18 063 | -4.7 |
| 14 | Brisbane - Townsville | 8 230 | 8 077 | -1.9 |
| 15 | Cairns - Sydney | 5 212 | 5 936 | 13.9 |
| 16 | Launceston - Melbourne | 8 025 | 8 210 | 2.3 |
| 17 | Brisbane - Mackay | 7 131 | 8 090 | 13.4 |
| 18 | Brisbane - Perth | 4 375 | 4 406 | 0.7 |
| 19 | Adelaide - Brisbane | 5 189 | 5 746 | 10.7 |
| 20 | Brisbane - Rockhampton | 8 525 | 9 054 | 6.2 |
| 21 | Brisbane - Canberra | 6 669 | 6 561 | -1.6 |
| 22 | Adelaide - Perth | 5 598 | 4 952 | -11.5 |
| 23 | Karratha - Perth | 5 961 | 6 597 | 10.7 |
| 24 | Brisbane - Newcastle | 5 442 | 5 655 | 3.9 |
| 25 | Hobart - Sydney | 3 591 | 4 165 | 16.0 |
| 26 | Sunshine Coast - Sydney | 3 108 | 3 624 | 16.6 |
| 27 | Cairns - Melbourne | 2 536 | 2 850 | 12.4 |
| 28 | Melbourne - Sunshine Coast | 2 742 | 2 976 | 8.5 |
| 29 | Melbourne - Newcastle | 2 652 | 2 674 | 0.8 |
| 30 | Brisbane - Darwin | 2 468 | 2 318 | -6.1 |
| 31 | Perth - Port Hedland | 1 285 | 3 780 | NA (a) |
| 32 | Broome - Perth | 3 666 | 3 664 | -0.1 |
| 33 | Coffs Harbour - Sydney | 4 368 | 4 833 | 10.6 |
| 34 | Darwin - Melbourne | 1 672 | 2 043 | 22.2 |
| 35 | Ballina - Sydney | 3 530 | 3 684 | 4.4 |
| 36 | Adelaide - Gold Coast | 2 052 | 2 041 | -0.5 |
| 37 | Albury - Sydney | 6 645 | 6 637 | -0.1 |
| 38 | Kalgoorlie - Perth | 2 732 | 2 450 | -10.3 |
| 39 | Port Macquarie - Sydney | 3 963 | 4 483 | 13.1 |
| 40 | Launceston - Sydney | 1 458 | 1 519 | 4.2 |
| 41 | Brisbane - Proserpine | 1 455 | 1 448 | -0.5 |
| 42 | Newman - Perth | 2 881 | 3 000 | 4.1 |
| 43 | Melbourne - Mildura | 5 245 | 4 860 | -7.3 |
| 44 | Adelaide - Canberra | 2 173 | 1 899 | -12.6 |
| 45 | Sydney - Wagga Wagga | 6 003 | 5 778 | -3.7 |

(continued)

Table 4 (continued): Aircraft movements — annual activity

| | City-Pair | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|----|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 46 | Hamilton Island - Sydney | 728 | 1 444 | NA (b) |
| 47 | Dubbo - Sydney | 5 999 | 6 315 | 5.3 |
| 48 | Gold Coast - Newcastle | 1 029 | 1 303 | 26.6 |
| 49 | Cairns - Townsville | 4 354 | 4 770 | 9.6 |
| 50 | Brisbane - Hamilton Island | 1 455 | 1 419 | -2.5 |
| 51 | Sydney - Townsville | 1 255 | 1 273 | 1.4 |
| 52 | Adelaide - Port Lincoln | .. | 6 565 | NA (c) |
| 53 | Darwin - Perth | 1 056 | 1 349 | NA (d) |
| 54 | Alice Springs - Melbourne | 1 043 | 1 053 | 1.0 |
| 55 | Ayers Rock - Sydney | .. | 496 | NA (e) |
| | Total domestic network | 559 179 | 594 122 | 6.2 |

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(b) Hamilton Island - Sydney route included from July 2009, prior data not shown.

(c) Adelaide - Port Lincoln route included from March 2010, prior data not shown.

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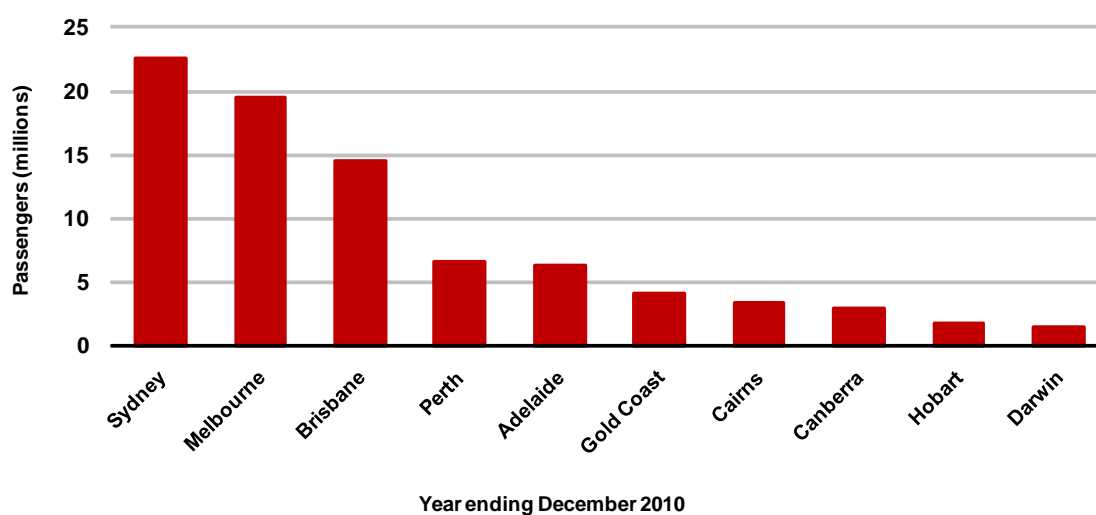
TOP TEN AIRPORTS

Table 5: Top ten airport domestic passenger movements (000s) — annual activity

| Airport | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change | % of Total |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------|--------------|
| 1 Sydney | 22 636.7 | 24 478.1 | 8.1 | 22.7 |
| 2 Melbourne | 19 944.5 | 21 727.9 | 8.9 | 20.1 |
| 3 Brisbane | 14 716.1 | 15 461.5 | 5.1 | 14.3 |
| 4 Perth | 6 841.6 | 7 320.5 | 7.0 | 6.8 |
| 5 Adelaide | 6 382.7 | 6 778.7 | 6.2 | 6.3 |
| 6 Gold Coast | 4 311.4 | 4 763.7 | 10.5 | 4.4 |
| 7 Cairns | 3 241.7 | 3 398.3 | 4.8 | 3.1 |
| 8 Canberra | 3 149.2 | 3 304.5 | 4.9 | 3.1 |
| 9 Hobart | 1 874.5 | 1 882.2 | 0.4 | 1.7 |
| 10 Darwin | 1 732.8 | 1 869.5 | 7.9 | 1.7 |
| Total top ten airports | 84 831.1 | 90 984.9 | 7.3 | 84.3 |
| Total domestic network | 100 901.0 | 107 933.8 | 7.0 | 100.0 |

Top ten airport passenger movements

(Domestic and regional passenger traffic - traffic on board)



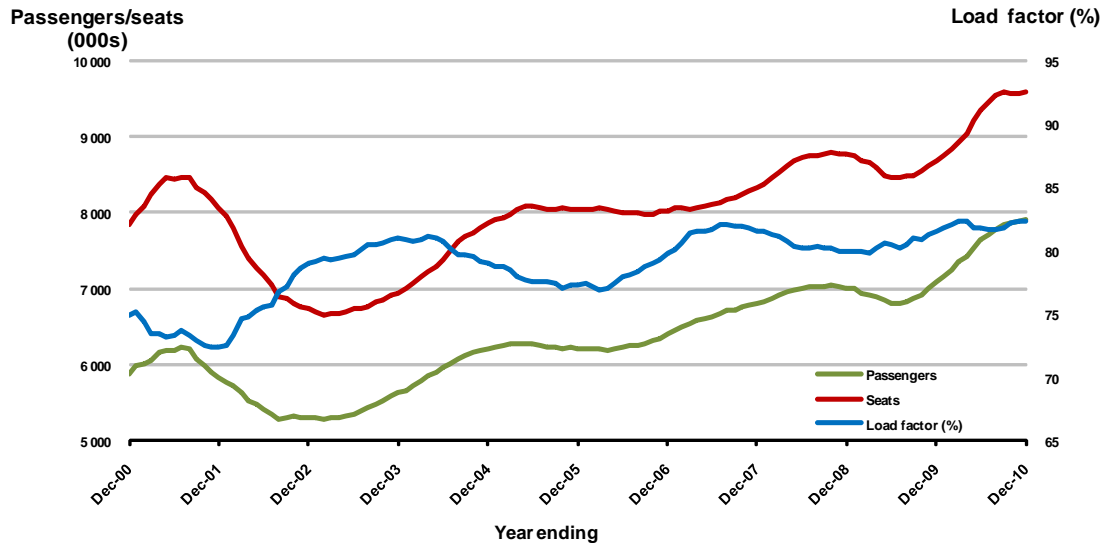
TOP TWENTY ROUTES

1. Melbourne - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 7 082.4 | 7 901.1 | 11.6 |
| Seats (000s) | 8 679.5 | 9 594.3 | 10.5 |
| Load factor % | 81.6 | 82.3 | 0.8 * |
| Aircraft trips | 46 170 | 51 321 | 11.2 |

* percentage point difference

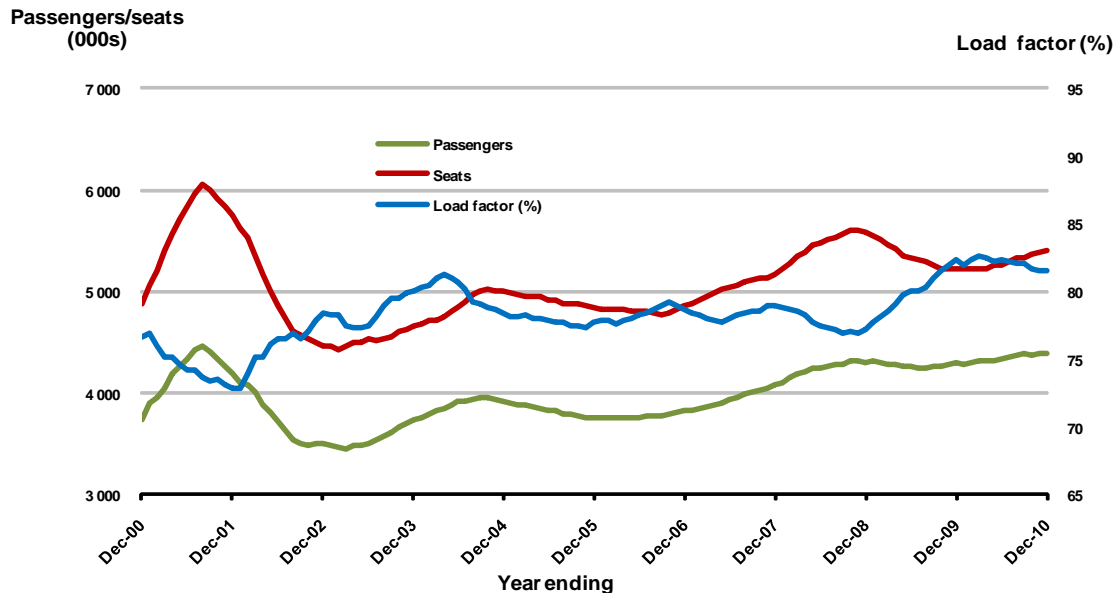


2. Brisbane - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 4 295.8 | 4 397.5 | 2.4 |
| Seats (000s) | 5 221.3 | 5 397.4 | 3.4 |
| Load factor % | 82.3 | 81.5 | -0.8 * |
| Aircraft trips | 29 596 | 30 290 | 2.3 |

* percentage point difference

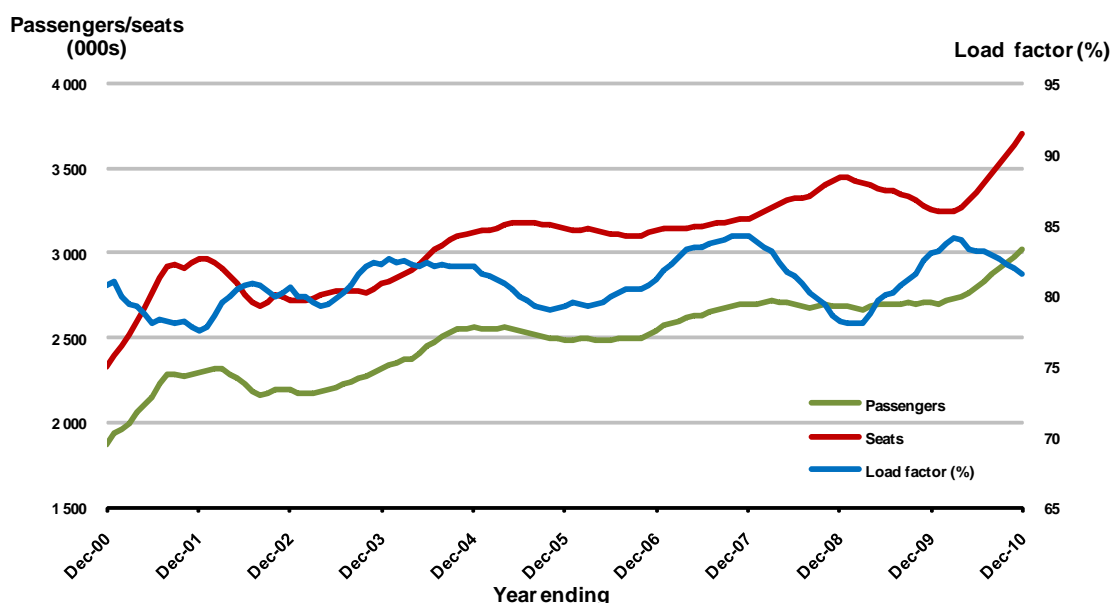


3. Brisbane - Melbourne

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 2 706.2 | 3 020.2 | 11.6 |
| Seats (000s) | 3 260.1 | 3 703.4 | 13.6 |
| Load factor % | 83.0 | 81.5 | -1.5* |
| Aircraft trips | 20 510 | 22 776 | 11.0 |

* percentage point difference

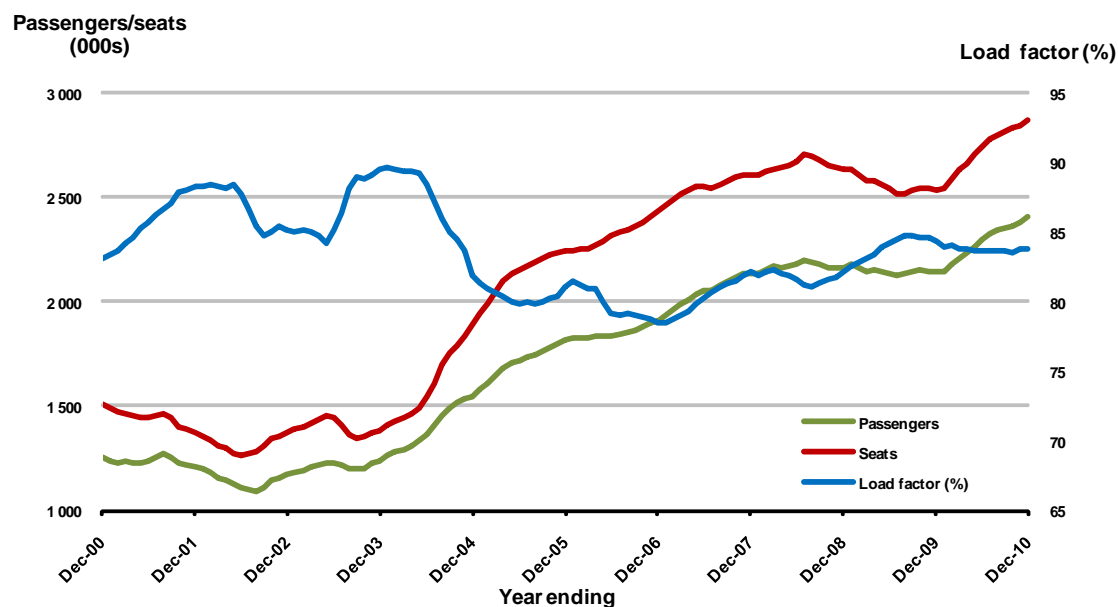


4. Gold Coast - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 2 143.4 | 2 405.0 | 12.2 |
| Seats (000s) | 2 535.9 | 2 871.1 | 13.2 |
| Load factor % | 84.4 | 83.8 | -0.6* |
| Aircraft trips | 14 468 | 16 534 | 14.3 |

* percentage point difference

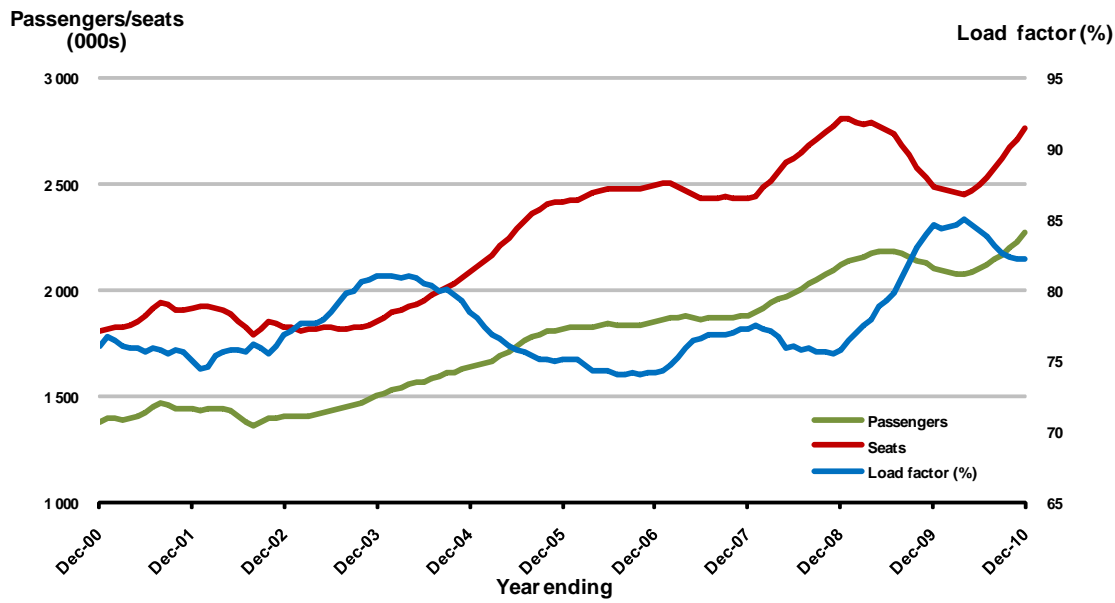


5. Adelaide - Melbourne

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 2 103.8 | 2 271.4 | 8.0 |
| Seats (000s) | 2 487.9 | 2 763.4 | 11.1 |
| Load factor % | 84.6 | 82.2 | -2.4 * |
| Aircraft trips | 16 472 | 17 753 | 7.8 |

* percentage point difference

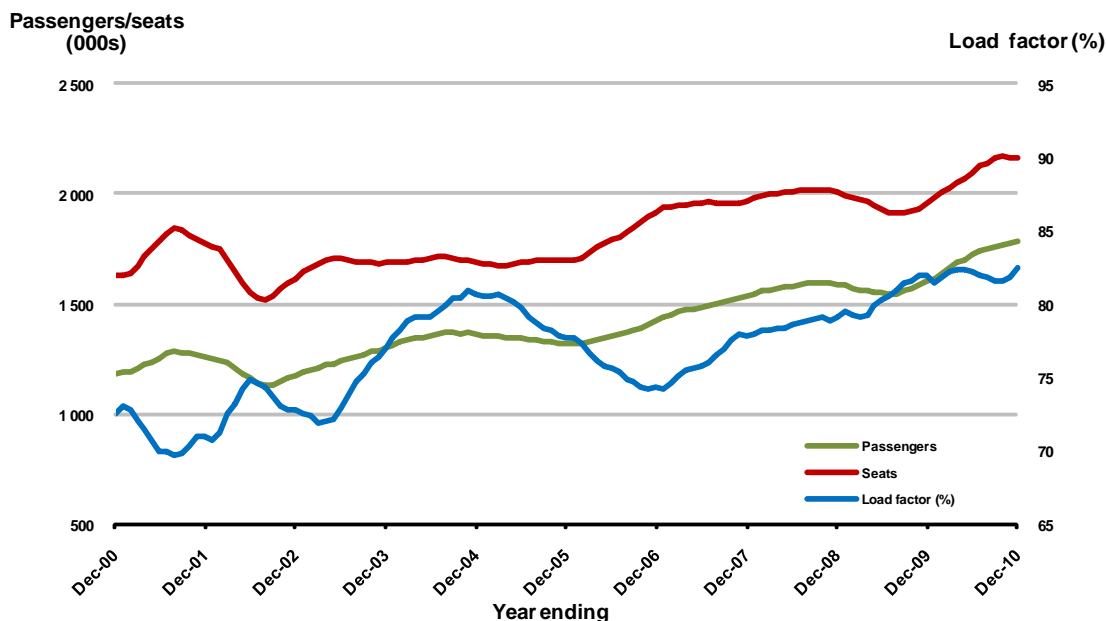


6. Adelaide - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 600.2 | 1 785.7 | 11.6 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 953.8 | 2 167.3 | 10.9 |
| Load factor % | 81.9 | 82.4 | 0.5 * |
| Aircraft trips | 12 241 | 13 495 | 10.2 |

* percentage point difference

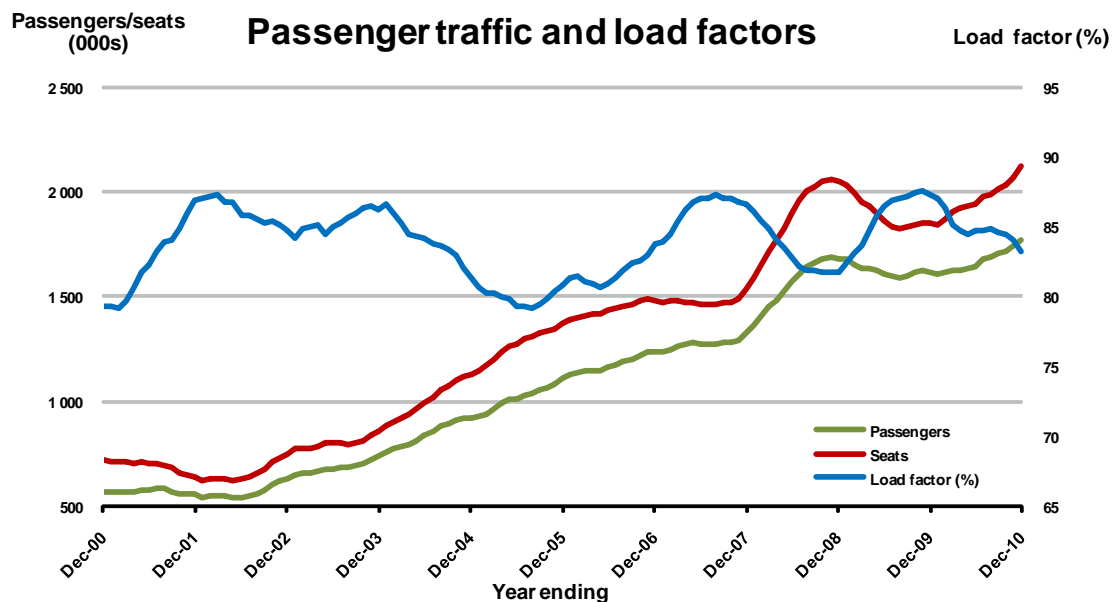


7. Gold Coast - Melbourne

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 615.8 | 1 767.6 | 9.4 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 850.4 | 2 122.6 | 14.7 |
| Load factor % | 87.3 | 83.3 | -4.1 * |
| Aircraft trips | 10 165 | 11 598 | 14.1 |

* percentage point difference

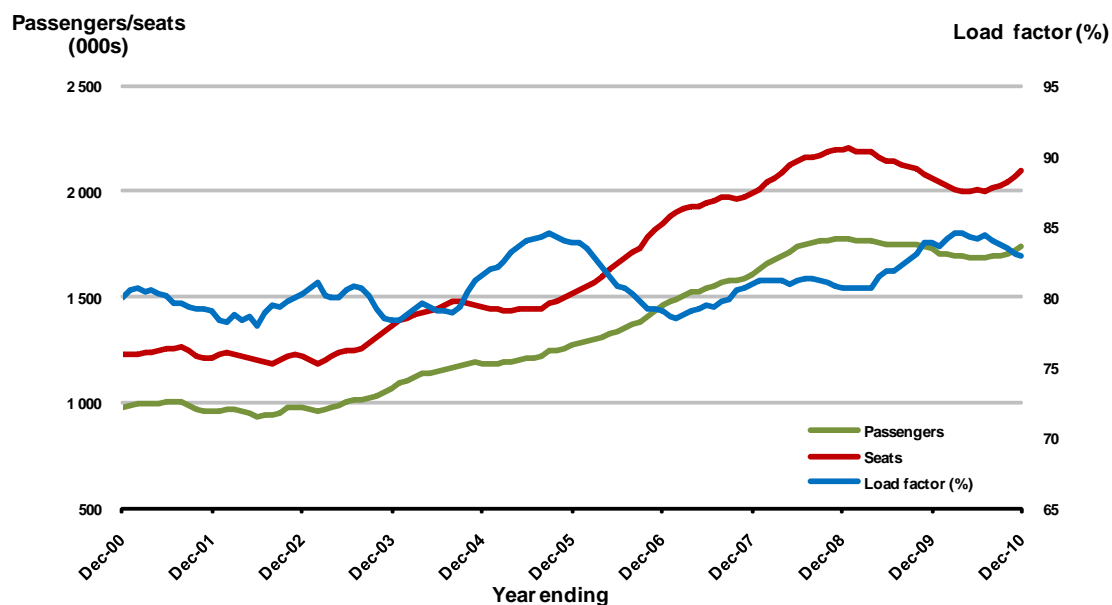


8. Melbourne - Perth

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 724.9 | 1 736.4 | 0.7 |
| Seats (000s) | 2 056.1 | 2 093.5 | 1.8 |
| Load factor % | 83.9 | 82.9 | -1.0 * |
| Aircraft trips | 10 992 | 10 843 | -1.4 |

* percentage point difference

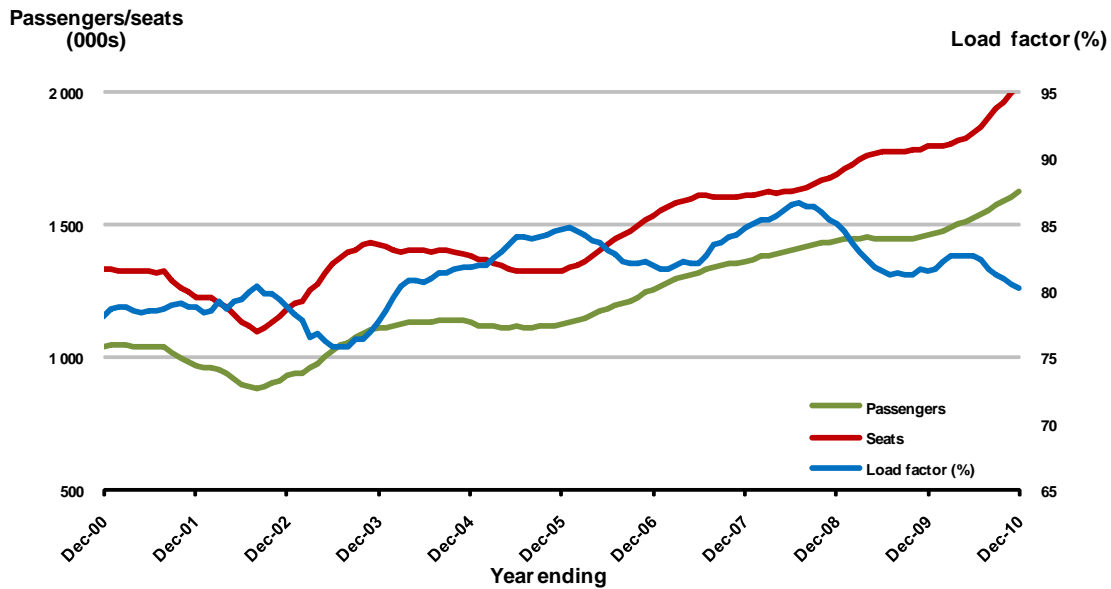


9. Perth - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 465.1 | 1 622.7 | 10.8 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 796.8 | 2 022.9 | 12.6 |
| Load factor % | 81.5 | 80.2 | -1.3 * |
| Aircraft trips | 8 562 | 9 490 | 10.8 |

* percentage point difference

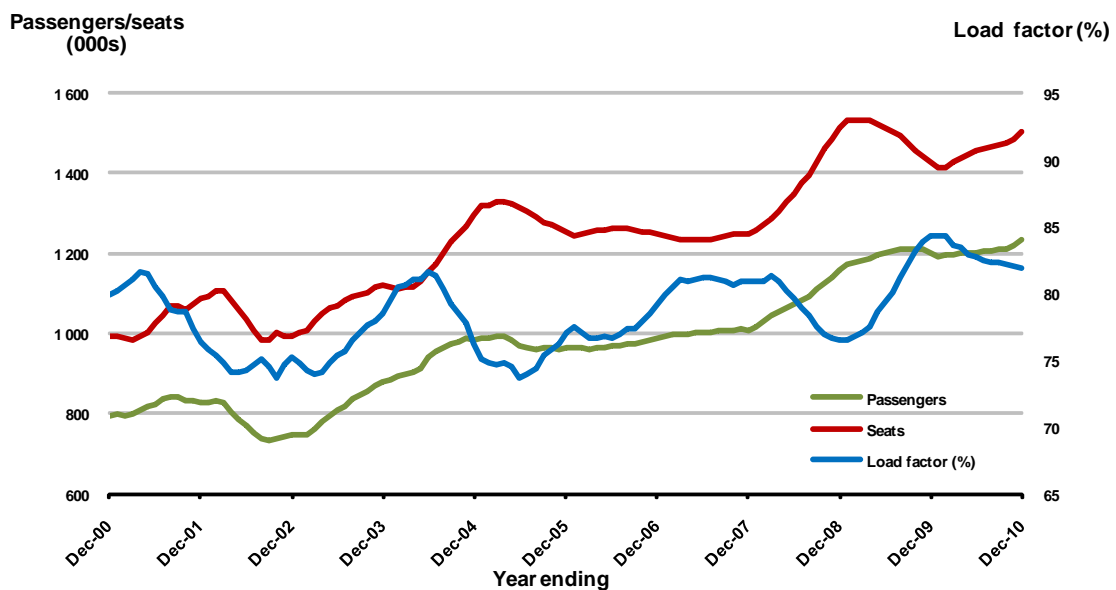


10. Hobart - Melbourne

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 202.4 | 1 231.9 | 2.5 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 426.2 | 1 505.0 | 5.5 |
| Load factor % | 84.3 | 81.9 | -2.5 * |
| Aircraft trips | 8 650 | 8 902 | 2.9 |

* percentage point difference

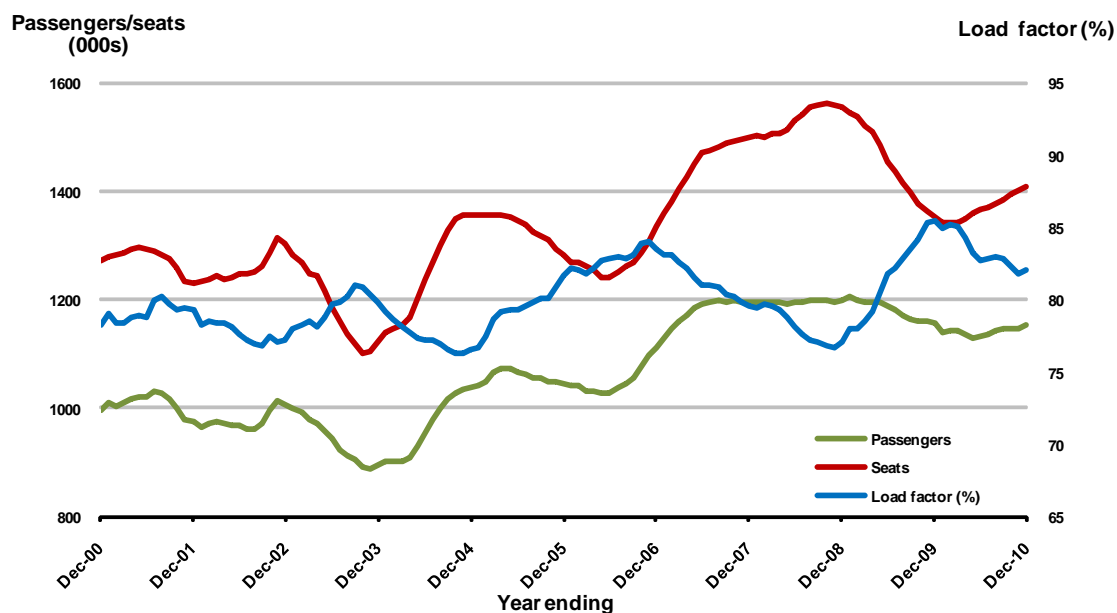


11. Brisbane - Cairns

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 155.0 | 1 153.8 | -0.1 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 350.9 | 1 407.4 | 4.2 |
| Load factor % | 85.5 | 82.0 | -3.5 * |
| Aircraft trips | 8 396 | 8 706 | 3.7 |

* percentage point difference

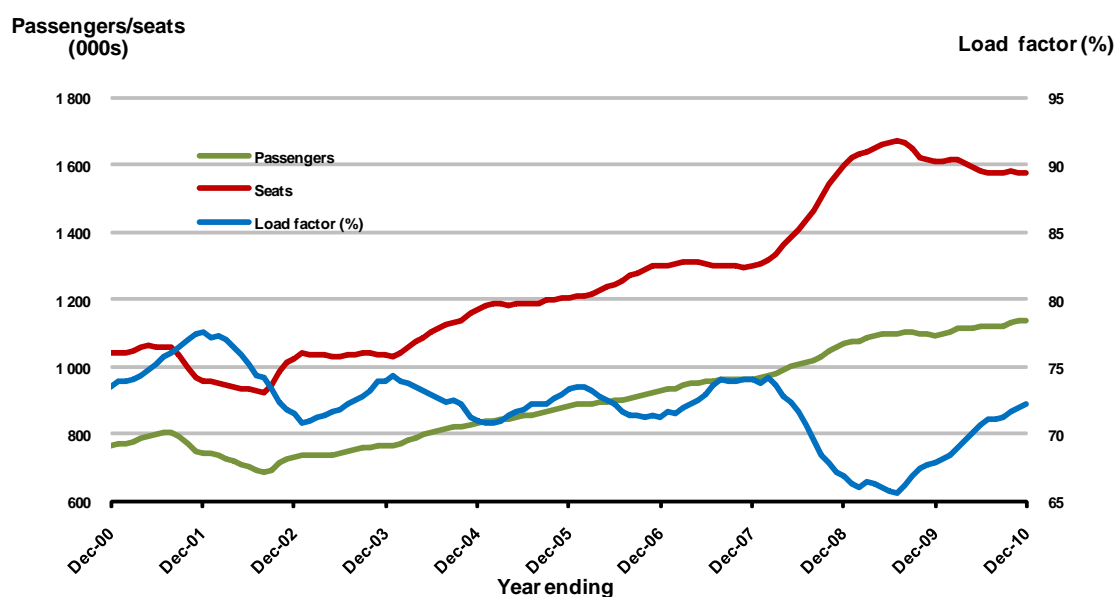


12. Canberra - Melbourne

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 093.8 | 1 138.0 | 4.0 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 611.9 | 1 575.8 | -2.2 |
| Load factor % | 67.9 | 72.2 | 4.4 * |
| Aircraft trips | 12 294 | 11 733 | -4.6 |

* percentage point difference

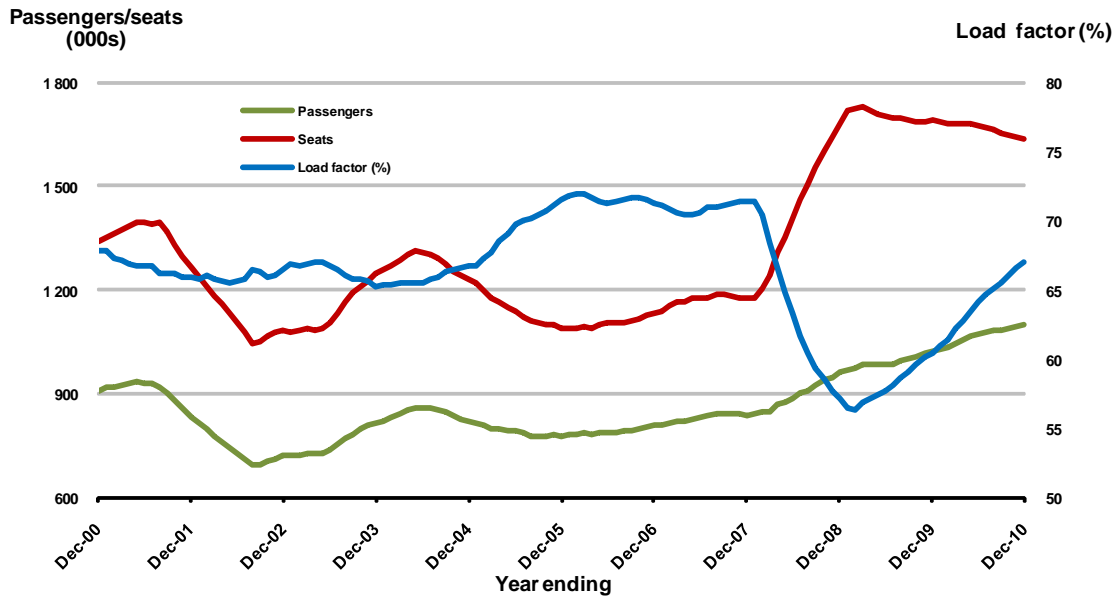


13. Canberra - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 1 021.8 | 1 096.2 | 7.3 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 689.8 | 1 637.1 | -3.1 |
| Load factor % | 60.5 | 67.0 | 6.5* |
| Aircraft trips | 18 947 | 18 063 | -4.7 |

* percentage point difference

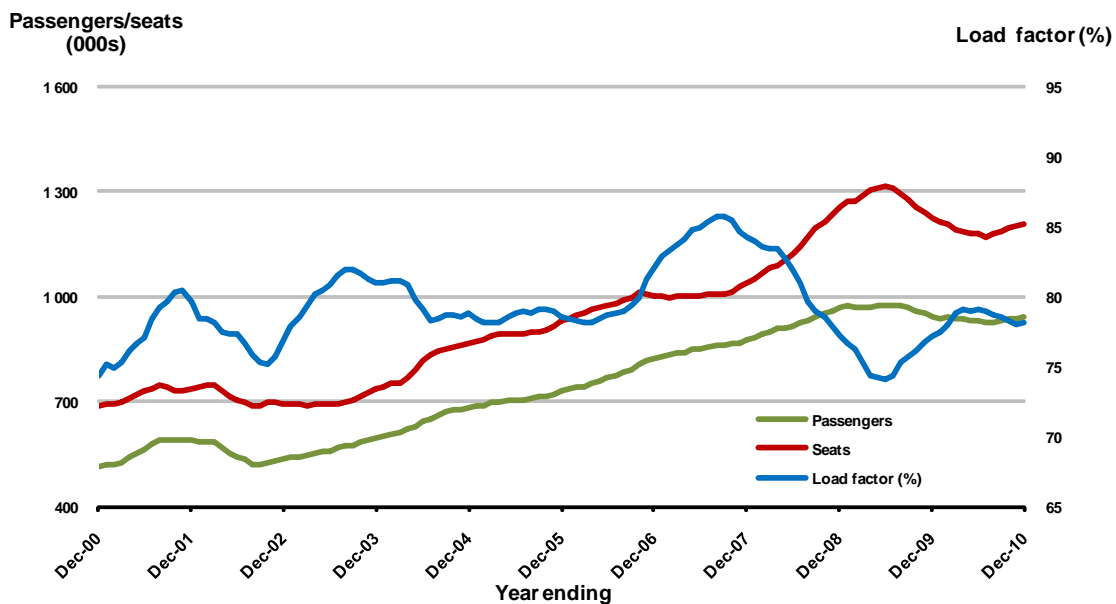


14. Brisbane - Townsville

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 942.6 | 941.1 | -0.2 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 221.4 | 1 204.3 | -1.4 |
| Load factor % | 77.2 | 78.1 | 1.0* |
| Aircraft trips | 8 230 | 8 077 | -1.9 |

* percentage point difference

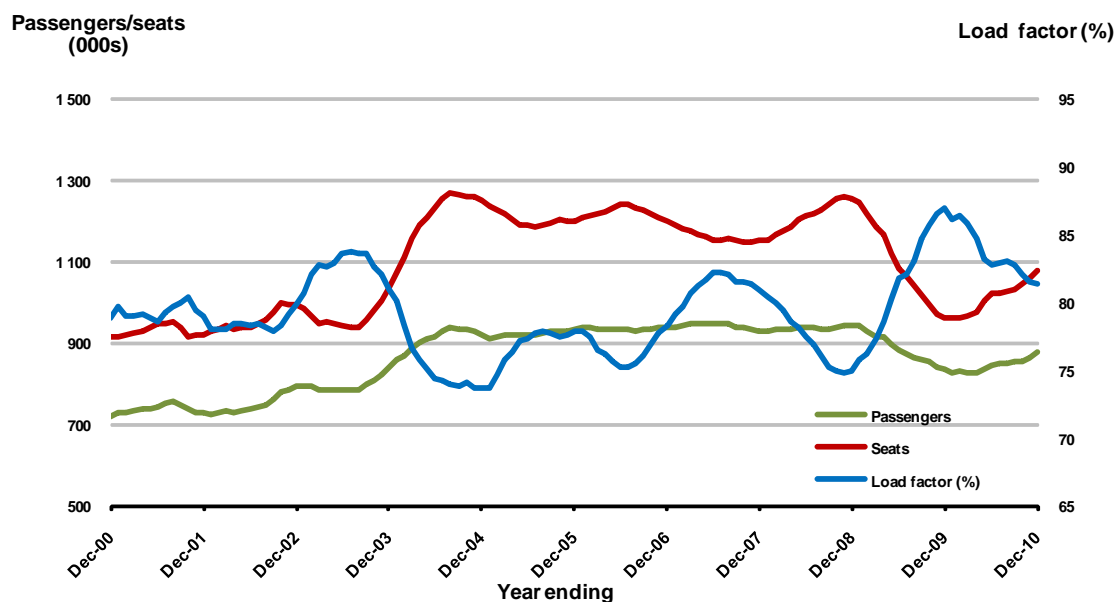


15. Cairns - Sydney

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 832.9 | 876.8 | 5.3 |
| Seats (000s) | 958.6 | 1 078.4 | 12.5 |
| Load factor % | 86.9 | 81.3 | -5.6 * |
| Aircraft trips | 5 212 | 5 936 | 13.9 |

* percentage point difference

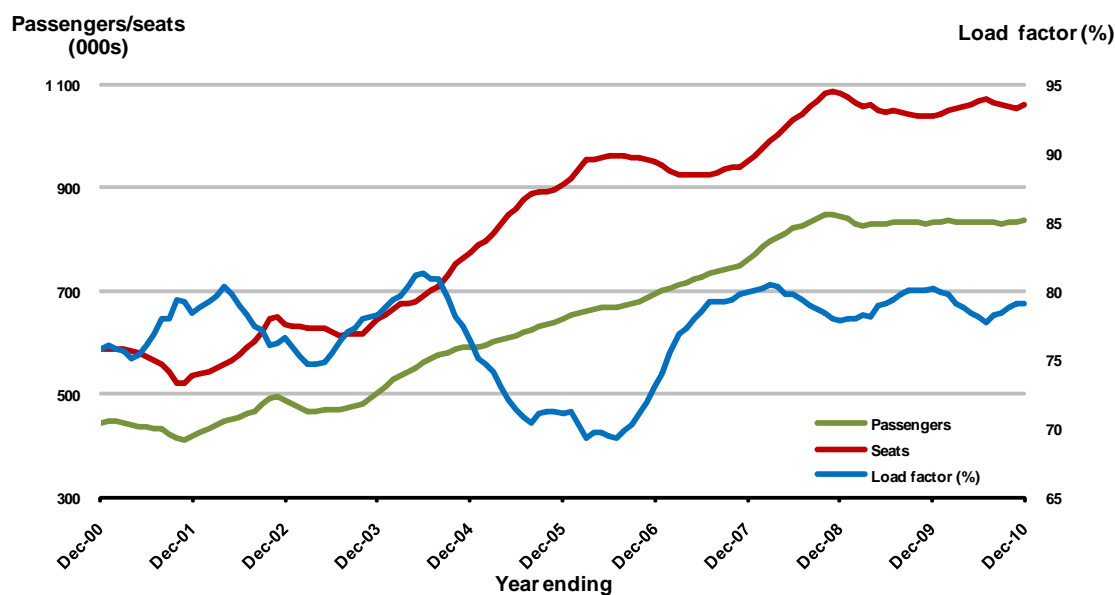


16. Launceston - Melbourne

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 832.8 | 838.2 | 0.7 |
| Seats (000s) | 1 039.2 | 1 059.6 | 2.0 |
| Load factor % | 80.1 | 79.1 | -1.0 * |
| Aircraft trips | 8 025 | 8 210 | 2.3 |

* percentage point difference



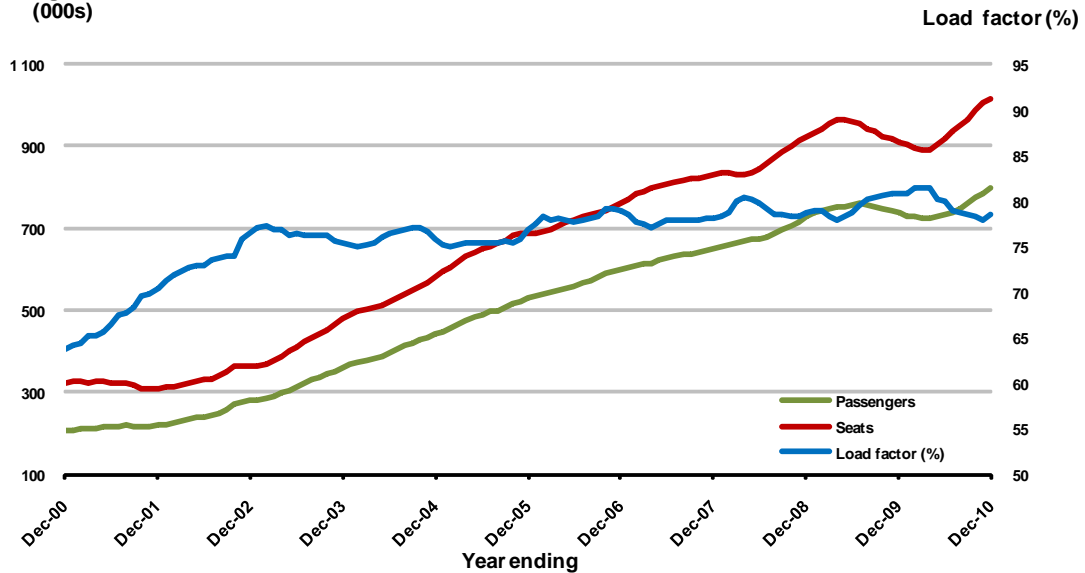
17. Brisbane - Mackay

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 735.9 | 798.0 | 8.4 |
| Seats (000s) | 910.3 | 1 016.8 | 11.7 |
| Load factor % | 80.8 | 78.5 | -2.4 * |
| Aircraft trips | 7 131 | 8 090 | 13.4 |

* percentage point difference

Passengers/seats (000s)



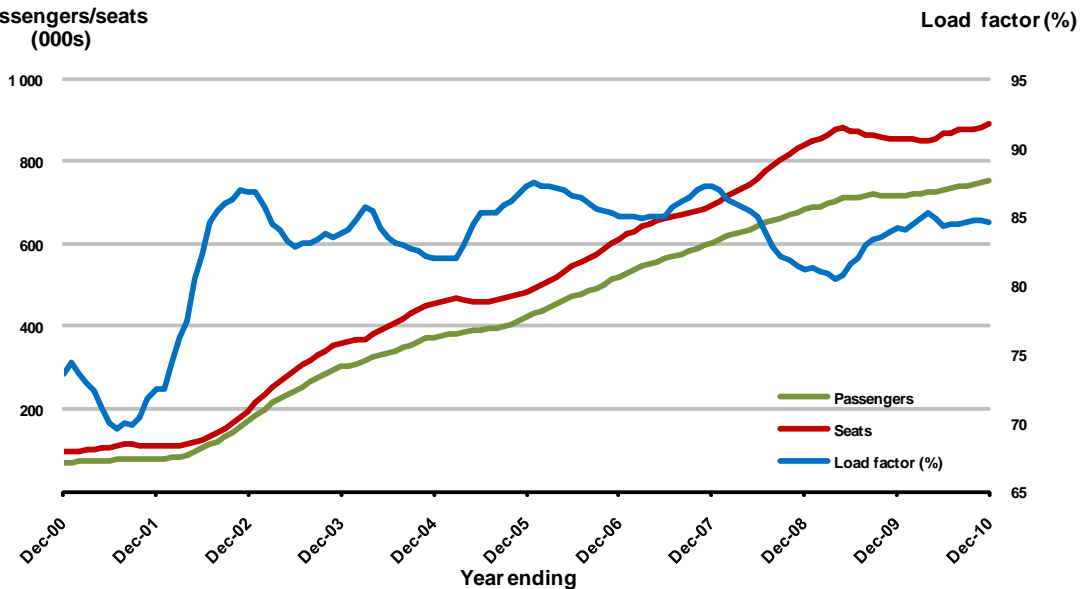
18. Brisbane - Perth

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 718.0 | 755.1 | 5.2 |
| Seats (000s) | 853.1 | 892.3 | 4.6 |
| Load factor % | 84.2 | 84.6 | 0.5 * |
| Aircraft trips | 4 375 | 4 406 | 0.7 |

* percentage point difference

Passengers/seats (000s)

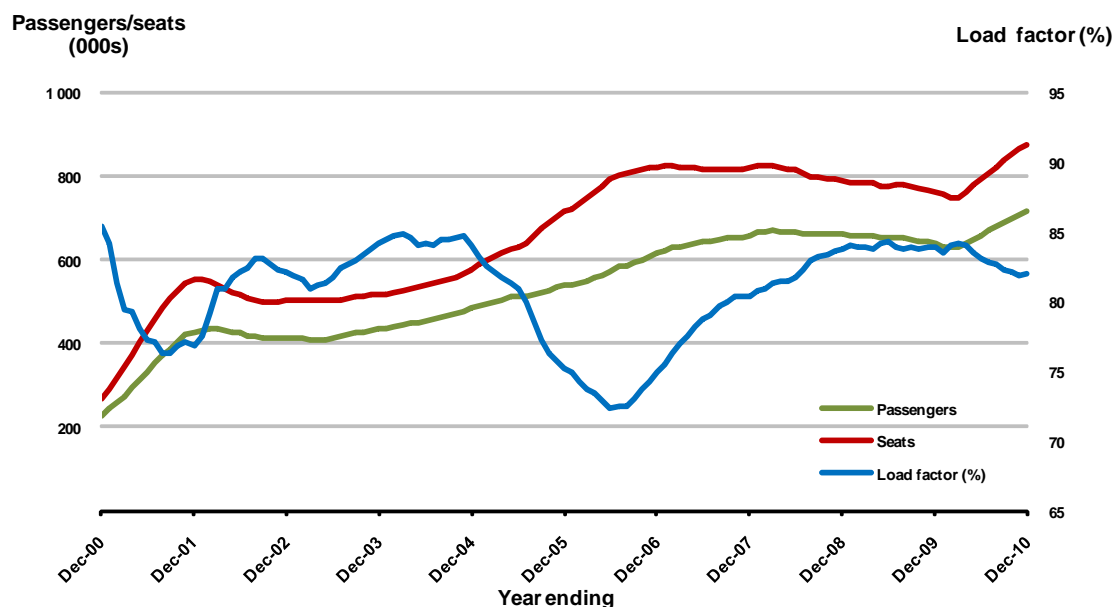


19. Adelaide - Brisbane

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 637.0 | 717.1 | 12.6 |
| Seats (000s) | 759.6 | 874.8 | 15.2 |
| Load factor % | 83.9 | 82.0 | -1.9 * |
| Aircraft trips | 5 189 | 5 746 | 10.7 |

* percentage point difference

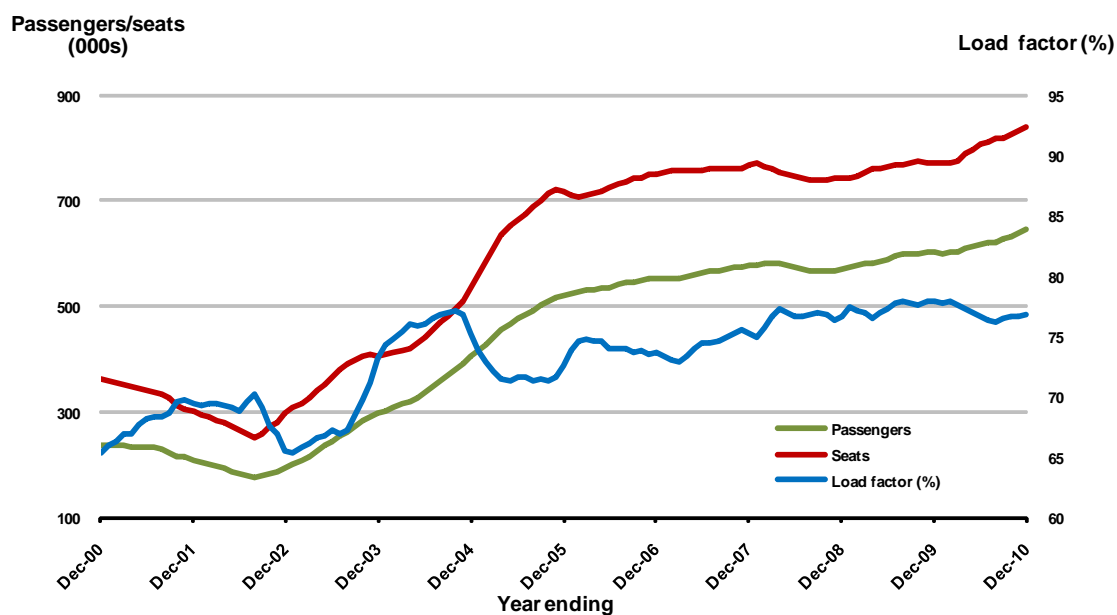


20. Brisbane - Rockhampton

Moving annual data

| | YE December 2009 | YE December 2010 | % Change |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Passengers carried (000s) | 600.6 | 643.9 | 7.2 |
| Seats (000s) | 771.0 | 837.9 | 8.7 |
| Load factor % | 77.9 | 76.9 | -1.0 * |
| Aircraft trips | 8 525 | 9 054 | 6.2 |

* percentage point difference



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DEFINITIONS

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Aircraft Trips | The number of flight stages. A return flight counts as two aircraft trips. |
| Available Seat Kilometres (ASKs) | Calculated by multiplying the number of seats available on each flight stage, by the distance in kilometres between the ports. The distances used are Great Circle Distances. |
| City-Pair | The ports shown make up the city-pair route. Passenger movements shown for a city pair reflect total traffic in both directions. |
| Flight Stage | The operation of an aircraft from take-off to landing. |
| Load Factor | The total revenue passenger kilometres performed as a percentage of the total available seat kilometres. |
| Passenger Carried | Revenue passengers carried. |
| Revenue Passengers | All passengers paying any fare. Frequent flyer redemption travellers are regarded as revenue passengers. |
| Revenue Passenger Kilometres (RPKs) | Calculated by multiplying the number of revenue passengers travelling on each flight stage, by the distance in kilometres between the ports. The distances used are Great Circle Distances. |
| Traffic on board by stages | The total of all traffic (revenue passengers) on each flight stage between two directly connected airports. |
| .. | Data not included |
| NA | Not applicable |