

Passenger Traffic Snapshot, January to March* 2014

Total (million)	2014			2014	2013	% YoY
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	
KLIA, of which	4.2	3.9	4.2	12.3	10.6	16.4%
KLIA-MTB	2.2	2.1	2.2	6.5	5.6	19.4%
LCCT	2.0	1.8	2.0	5.8	5.0	13.1%
Other Airports	2.7	2.7	2.9	8.3	6.8	21.3%
Total	7.0	6.5	7.1	20.6	17.4	18.4%

International (million)	2014			2014	2013	% YoY
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	
KLIA, of which	3.0	2.7	3.0	8.8	7.6	15.8%
KLIA-MTB	1.7	1.5	1.7	4.9	4.4	14.7%
LCCT	1.3	1.2	1.3	3.8	3.2	17.3%
Other Airports	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.4	1.2	11.1%
Total	3.5	3.2	3.5	10.2	8.8	15.1%

Domestic (million)	2014			2014	2013	% YoY
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	
KLIA, of which	1.2	1.1	1.2	3.6	3.0	18.0%
KLIA-MTB	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.2	37.1%
LCCT	0.7	0.6	0.7	2.0	1.8	5.9%
Other Airports	2.3	2.2	2.4	6.9	5.6	23.6%
Total	3.5	3.3	3.7	10.5	8.6	21.7%

** March is preliminary data, where main variations, if any, lie largely from the non-scheduled or charter flights at smaller airports.*

Vibrant passenger growth sustains to the end of March.

MAHB's airports recorded another vibrant double-digit growth rate of 13% in March, bringing the first three months' total growth to 18% compared with the same period last year. A new record total of 20.6 million passengers passed through MAHB's 39 airports in Malaysia, for a single quarter for MAHB. There was broad-based growth in both domestic and international travel, across both KLIA and other airports too.

First Quarter 2014 growth of 15% in International passengers

International passengers grew 15% year-on-year while domestic traffic registered a very healthy 22% growth in the first quarter of 2014. All months recorded double-digit increases over same months in 2013. It is patently clear that both foreign airlines and the issuance of a third licence to Malindo, have resulted in the tapping of under-served demand. Globally, such high growth rates at KLIA and MAHB have only been exceeded by MAHB's current 20%- and soon-to-be 60%-owned Istanbul Sabiha Gokcen International Airport (Istanbul SGIA), which recorded a massive 40% growth year-on-year to 4.8 million passengers in the first three months of 2014.

Both KLIA-MTB and LCCT Terminal continued to provide sustained growth at KLIA

Passengers at our now 15-year old KLIA-MTB grew by a more dynamic 19% year-on-year in the first quarter of 2014 to 6.5 million passengers. The MAS-oneworld alliance continued to be a large contributor to this growth, although the Malindo group's continued dynamism is unmistakably significant too. Foreign airlines, as a collective, continue to grow sustainably too. For instance, Emirates has been improving its Dubai-Kuala Lumpur-Sydney flights, as consumer awareness grows of Emirates' strategic alliance with Qantas offering such a service now.

Growth at the LCCT was also strong at 13% level, to 5.8 million passengers. Runway capacity remains ample within the KLIA system, with off-peak hours stretching from late morning to late afternoon and then again after midnight. Furthermore, KLIA does not have any curfews/restrictions on late night flights.

MH370 event and similar events' impact

Due to the current uncertainties surrounding the MH370 event, MAHB remains cautious as to the passenger traffic developments. There was some decline in the growth rates towards the last 10 days of March, but the overall positive growth momentum remained. From our analysis of similar, serious incidents in the last 10 years involving commercial aircraft, there was no major impact on international passenger traffic in those airports involved that could be attributed to such incidences. The exception was the September 11 2001 incident which caused a two-year dent in passenger traffic in the United States of America due mainly to the fear caused in passengers, but which turned positive again from 2004 onwards.

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