Auckland Airport

October 2026 Monthly traffic update

Key points:

- Total passenger movements in October 2026 were in line with the prior year, with an increase in international volumes offset by a reduction in domestic activity;
- Total international passenger movements for October of 903k were 3% higher than the same month in 2025 with international seat capacity 2% higher than the same month last year, resulting in average load factors of 85%, a 0.9 percentage point increase;
- A review of the top five nationalities among non-transit international passenger movements compared with the prior year shows that Chinese nationals increased by 15%, Australian nationals increased by 11%, US nationals increased by 5% and New Zealand nationals increased by 2% while UK nationals decreased by 1%;
- Passenger movements on short-haul international routes increased by 6%, while seat capacity also increased by 6% compared with the prior year, resulting in average load factors of 85%, in line with the prior year. Passenger movements on long-haul international routes decreased by 1%, while seat capacity decreased by 4% compared with the prior year, resulting in average load factors of 84%, a 2.2 percentage point increase;
- Domestic passenger movements were down on the prior year, reflecting the continued effects of airline capacity reductions during the month. Passenger movements in October decreased by 3% compared with the same month last year, and seat capacity declined by 5% over the same period, resulting in average load factors of 86%, a 2.1 percentage point increase year-on-year. Passenger movements on domestic trunk routes were in line, while seat capacity declined by 4%, resulting in average load factors of 87%, a 3.5 percentage point increase. Regional passenger movements declined by 9%, and seat capacity declined by 8%, resulting in average load factors of 82%, a 1.3 percentage point decrease; and
- Queenstown Airport passenger movements increased by 11% in October compared with the same month last year, with international movements up 16% and domestic movements up 8%.

AUCKLAND AIRPORT	Current month		Financial year to date		Rolling 12-month total	
Passenger Movements	**Current year**	**Change vs prior year**	**Current year**	**Change vs prior year**	**Current year**	**Change vs prior year**
International passengers	845,376	4%	3,125,786	2%	9,869,847	2%
Transit movements	57,806	-10%	262,390	5%	670,282	3%
Total international passengers	**903,182**	**3%**	**3,388,176**	**2%**	**10,540,129**	**2%**
Domestic passengers	712,600	-3%	2,735,628	-4%	8,447,483	-1%
Total passengers	**1,615,782**	**0%**	**6,123,804**	**-1%**	**18,987,612**	**1%**
Aircraft Movements						
International aircraft movements	4,663	3%	17,833	2%	54,635	4%
Domestic aircraft movements	8,394	-8%	31,553	-9%	100,314	-5%
Total aircraft movements	**13,057**	**-4%**	**49,386**	**-5%**	**154,949**	**-2%**
MCTOW (tonnes)[1]						
International MCTOW	448,269	4%	1,722,901	3%	5,302,270	2%
Domestic MCTOW	179,123	-5%	688,021	-6%	2,150,482	-1%
Total MCTOW	**627,391**	**1%**	**2,410,922**	**0%**	**7,452,752**	**1%**

QUEENSTOWN AIRPORT	Current month		Financial year to date		Rolling 12-month total	
Passenger Movements	**Current year**	**Change vs prior year**	**Current year**	**Change vs prior year**	**Current year**	**Change vs prior year**
International passengers	91,252	16%	453,147	19%	1,138,081	17%
Domestic passengers	147,818	8%	586,279	3%	1,772,098	4%
Total passengers	**239,070**	**11%**	**1,039,426**	**9%**	**2,910,179**	**9%**
International aircraft movements	605	11%	2,932	14%	7,549	12%
Domestic aircraft movements	1,086	7%	4,196	4%	12,636	3%
Total aircraft movements	**1,691**	**8%**	**7,128**	**8%**	**20,185**	**6%**

Notes:

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