

Leeds/Bradford Airport Statistics December 2008

	Dec-07	Dec-08	% This month	% +/-
Movements				
Scheduled	2460	1994	60.81%	-18.94%
Charter	102	81	2.47%	-20.59%
Private/Misc	896	1204	36.72%	34.38%
Total	3458	3279		-5.18%
Passengers				
Scheduled	149118	120898	93.32%	-18.92%
Charter	9569	7284	5.62%	-23.88%
Transit	1384	1372	1.06%	-0.87%
TOTAL	160071	129554		-19.06%
International	113889	93912	73.26%	-17.54%
Domestic	44682	34270	26.74%	-23.30%
MOVING ANNUAL TOTAL	2859858	2860447		0.02%

Last month I stated that November 2008 was “An absolutely appalling” month with a 12% reduction in passengers over the previous November. However December 2008 was MUCH WORSE with a 19% reduction in passenger numbers over the previous December. The only positive figure for the month was for Private/Misc Movements, which consist of positioning, local flights, test & training, aero club, military, private flights and business flights. The areas that increased the most were Test & Training(+161) and Aero Club(+139). Amazingly the passenger total overall for 2008 was slightly higher than 2007, but only with just 589 passengers extra.

As you can imagine most routes didn't do very well, but a number of International routes performed well, among them, Geneva (26% increase over Dec 07), Dusseldorf (23%) and Paris (20%). Of the new routes the following are of note - Gerona (3506), Islamabad (2352) and New York (639) and there were 600 passengers to Saudi as part of the Hajj festival. The route with the most passengers is now Amsterdam, when it was previously Dublin.

Domestically all routes carried less passengers than the previous December, with the worst being Newquay(79% reduction), Edinburgh (-44%) and Heathrow (-38%). The Heathrow service still managed to carry the most passengers (6789) and that equates to 20% of all the domestic routes and will be a massive loss when it finishes.

Reference: CAA Statistics website