

## Leeds/Bradford Airport Statistics March 2009

	Mar-08	Mar-09	% This month	% +/-
<b>Movements</b>				
Scheduled	2943	2511	52.16%	-14.68%
Charter	101	79	1.64%	-21.78%
Private/Misc	1488	2224	46.20%	49.46%
Total	4532	4814		6.22%
<b>Passengers</b>				
Scheduled	204059	153351	94.64%	-24.85%
Charter	7252	6258	3.86%	-13.71%
Transit	2024	2424	1.50%	19.76%
TOTAL	213335	162033		-24.05%
International	160935	119426	80.02%	-25.79%
Domestic	50376	40183	19.98%	-20.23%
MOVING ANNUAL TOTAL	2872540	2741606		-4.56%

The downward trend continues. However, the percentage reduction in passenger numbers (-24%) wasn't quite as bad as February (-25%). Also, Easter fell fully in March in 2008 whereas the Easter figures for 2009 will be in April 2009, so expect better figures next month.

With regard to aircraft movements, the total figures were skewed, by a large increase in "Private/Misc" Movements. The main increase of this type was "Test and Training" (+556 movements) and "Aero Club" (+192).

On the international front, I will start with the positive news. Just two routes had an increase in passenger numbers over March 2008, Arrecife (+30%), and Paris (+8%). There were a number of new routes and are as follows, Girona (4615), Sharm El Sheikh(1813), Bridgetown (551). The following didn't run this year and had carried significant numbers, Shannon, Cork and Copenhagen. The worst performing of the rest were Krakow (-89%), Palma (-86%), Salzburg (-73%), Innsbruck (-64%) and Las Palmas (-56%).

Domestically, Newquay was the only route with an increase in numbers (+106%). A couple of others had slight decreases - Belfast City (-2%) and Bristol (-5%). The worst performing routes were Edinburgh (-43%), Heathrow (-39%) followed by Exeter (-28%) as well as Inverness that has ceased operating. Interestingly Belfast International is now carries the most domestic passengers, overtaking Heathrow, which stopped operating during March 2009.

During the month we had five diversions away from the airport, with them going to Belfast (1), Edinburgh (1) and Manchester (3). No diversions were received.

For information a "Transit" passenger is where the passenger remains on board the aircraft for onward transportation, whereas the term "Transfer passenger" relates to passengers that enter the terminal building, but then get on another flight

Reference: CAA Statistics website

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