

# Passenger Statistics

22 October

## Adelaide Airport Q1 FY22 traffic declines -79.7% against pre-COVID levels

PAX (’000s)	Quarter to Date			Financial Year to Date		
	Sep-21	Sep-20	Growth (%)	Sep-21	Sep-20	Growth (%)
Domestic*	428	286	49.5%	428	286	49.5%
International	9	4	111.4%	9	4	111.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>50.4%</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>50.4%</b>

\*Including regional



The new 2021/2022 Financial Year commenced with several COVID outbreaks across the country resulting in multiple lockdowns (including South Australia’s 7-day statewide lockdown) and border closures as well as the suspension of the trans-Tasman bubble. Overall traffic grew by 50.4% against the same quarter in FY20/21, however it declined by 79.7% compared with pre-COVID-19 volumes.

International traffic was significantly impacted by Australia’s continued national border closure to foreign travelers, international arrival limits and travel bans for Australian residents as well as the suspension of the trans-Tasman bubble. Due to the restrictions, only a limited number of international flights operated for the purpose of repatriation and resulted in minimal international traffic compared with the same corresponding period in FY19.

Almost 428,000 passengers travelled domestically for the quarter, for a growth of 49.5% against the September 2020 quarter amidst a COVID backdrop. However, when compared with pre-COVID levels, traffic declined by 77.2% due to various COVID-19 travel restrictions implemented following multiple outbreaks and lockdowns across the country resulting in heavily reduced travel demand and deployed capacity.

Positively, by the end of the quarter, the open borders between South Australia and most of Australia saw the launch of multiple new routes including Virgin Australia’s introduction of non-stop services to Cairns, Launceston and Darwin, and Qantas’ introduction of non-stop services to Townsville, Hobart and Cairns.

### Quarter in Review

- [September 21 2021 – Virgin Australia announces new Adelaide – Hobart route](#)