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INCREASE IN PASSENGER NUMBERS AND SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER LOAD FACTOR

Traffic results of the Austrian Airlines Group for February 2007

Short- and medium-haul

The trend in the short- and medium-haul segment in February was once again disproportionately strong, with significant levels of passenger growth of 9.6% being recorded compared to the previous year. Revenue passenger kilometers on these scheduled services (RPK) increased by a substantial 12.6% compared to 2006, with scheduled availability (ASK) rising by 7.5%. The resultant passenger load factor was 62.4%, or 2.8 percentage points above the previous year's figure.

Cumulatively, the Austrian Airlines Group transported approximately 1.07 million passengers on scheduled services in the short- and medium-haul segment in the first two months of the year, an increase of 8.7% compared to the same period in 2006. The traffic result as measured in revenue passenger kilometers on scheduled services (RPK) saw a disproportionately strong increase of 11.6% compared to the same period the previous year, while scheduled availability (ASK) was expanded by just 8.5% compared to 2006. The resultant passenger load factor in this segment, at 60.4%, was 1.7% above the figure for 2006.

Long-haul

Scheduled availability on long-haul routes (in ASK) was reduced according to plan by 5.1% in February, while revenue passenger kilometers (RPK) in the same segment fell only slightly by contrast, by 1.2%. The resultant passenger load factor was 83.1% or 3.3 percentage points above the figure for the previous year.

Cumulatively, the Austrian Airlines Group carried around 236,000 passengers on its scheduled services in the long-haul segment in January and February 2007, an increase of 0.3% compared to the first two months of 2006. The traffic result measured in revenue passenger kilometers on these scheduled services (RPK) fell by just 4.3% compared to the same period the previous year, while scheduled availability (ASK) was reduced by 6.7% compared to 2006. The resultant passenger load factor in the long-haul segment reached 83.0% or 2.1 percentage points above the figure for 2006.

Overall view

Overall the Austrian Airlines Group welcomed around 638,000 passengers onto its scheduled flights in February 2007, an increase of 8.6% compared to February 2006. The traffic result measured in revenue passenger kilometers on scheduled services (RPK) was 3.0% above the figure for the comparison period the previous year, while availability on scheduled services (ASK) was reduced slightly by 0.5% compared to 2006. The passenger load factor was 74.9%, an increase of 2.5 percentage points on the comparable figure. Due to the structural effect and transfer of long-haul charter routes into the scheduled segment, 22.9% fewer passengers were carried in the charter segment than the previous year. By contrast, the load factor in this segment improved by 11.0 percentage points, to reach 81.9%.

Cumulatively, the traffic result measured in revenue passenger kilometers on scheduled services (RPK) was slightly up on the comparable figure for the previous year, showing an increase of 0.4%, while scheduled availability (ASK) was reduced by 1.1% compared to 2006. The resultant passenger load factor on scheduled services stood at 73.9%, or 1.1 percentage points above the figure for the previous year. With around 1.3 million passengers carried on scheduled services, the level of growth in the number of passengers carried on scheduled services was 7.1%. Overall the Austrian Airlines Group carried around 1.4 million passengers on its scheduled and charter services in the first two months of the year, an increase of 4.7% compared to the same period in 2006.

Traffic statistics in detail

AUSTRIAN AIRLINES GROUP (Austrian + Austrian Arrows + Lauda) *

TRAFFIC STATISTICS	February 2007	February +/- % p.y.		January - February 2007	January - February +/- % p.y.	
Revenue passenger km (**RPK**) m	1.566,4	-1,8		3.219,6	-3,0	
Scheduled	1.431,5	3,0		2.960,2	0,4	
Long Haul	956,2	-1,2		1.980,9	-4,3	
Short/Medium Haul	475,3	12,6		979,3	11,6	
Charter	134,9	-34,0		259,4	-30,5	
Available seat km (**ASK**) m	2.076,3	-6,0		4.337,5	-5,5	
Scheduled	1.911,6	-0,5		4.005,8	-1,1	
Long Haul	1.150,2	-5,1		2.385,4	-6,7	
Short/Medium Haul	761,4	7,5		1.620,4	8,5	
Charter	164,7	-42,9		331,7	-38,4	
Passenger load factor %	75,4	3,3	P.	74,2	1,9	P.
Scheduled	74,9	2,5	P.	73,9	1,1	P.
Long Haul	83,1	3,3	P.	83,0	2,1	P.
Short/Medium Haul	62,4	2,8	P.	60,4	1,7	P.
Charter	81,9	11,0	P.	78,2	8,9	P.
Passengers carried 000	688,2	5,5		1.404,0	4,7	
Scheduled	638,4	8,6		1.305,0	7,1	
Long Haul	115,0	4,7		235,9	0,3	
Short/Medium Haul	523,4	9,6		1.069,1	8,7	
Charter	49,8	-22,9		98,9	-18,8	
Total revenue tonne km (**RTK**) m	203,6	-4,3		418,7	-4,5	
Scheduled	190,3	-1,0		393,0	-2,0	
Long Haul	139,0	-4,9		287,2	-6,1	
Short/Medium Haul	51,3	11,5		105,8	11,0	
Charter	13,3	-35,1		25,6	-31,3	
Total available tonne km (**ATK**) m	287,4	-3,6		600,0	-3,3	
Scheduled	268,4	1,5		562,6	0,8	
Long Haul	176,5	-2,1		366,7	-3,6	
Short/Medium Haul	91,9	9,2		195,9	10,2	
Charter	19,0	-43,4		37,5	-39,9	
Overall load factor %	70,8	-0,5	P.	69,8	-0,9	P.
Scheduled	70,9	-1,8	P.	69,9	-2,0	P.
Long Haul	78,7	-2,3	P.	78,3	-2,1	P.
Short/Medium Haul	55,8	1,2	P.	54,0	0,4	P.
Charter	70,2	9,0	P.	68,4	8,5	P.

* until January 2007 inclusive Slovak Airlines

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