

Press Release, September 08, 2004

Monthly traffic performance data – August 2004



Finnair's scheduled passenger traffic grew by 20 per cent in August

In August 2004, Finnair scheduled traffic increased by 19.9% compared to August last year. Passenger load factor was 68.8%, up 0.5 percentage points. Major driver in growth of demand was 19.0% increase in capacity.

All Finnair Group airlines altogether transported 657,400 passengers, which is 11.7% more than a year ago. The total traffic (RPK's), summing up both scheduled and leisure traffic, increased by 15.9%, while the capacity (ASK = available seat kilometres) was also up by 15.9%, resulting in a passenger load factor of 72.9%, which is same than last year.

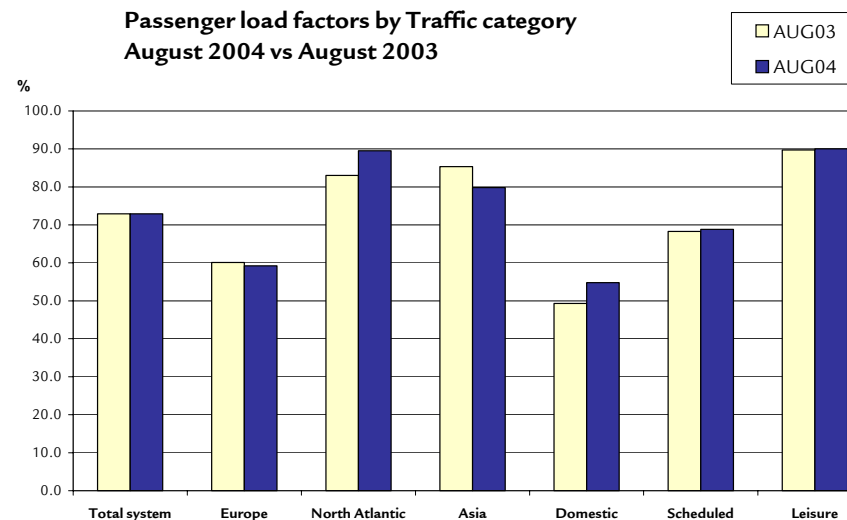
Departure punctuality of scheduled flights was 88.3% (based on a fifteen minute standard), 5.9 points lower than in August 2003. Including leisure flights departure punctuality was 87.3% (-6.2 p.p). The main reason for the deterioration of punctuality was an illegal industrial action by the ramp personnel. Arrival punctuality of scheduled flights was 90.4% and that of all operations was 88.9%. Finnair is one of the most punctual and regular airlines in Europe.

Finnair's Tallinn-based subsidiary Aero Airlines AS, carried 9,300 passengers (+28.4%) on Tallinn-Helsinki route. During August, Stockholm-based Nordic Airlink carried 34,000 passengers on its Scandinavian routes.

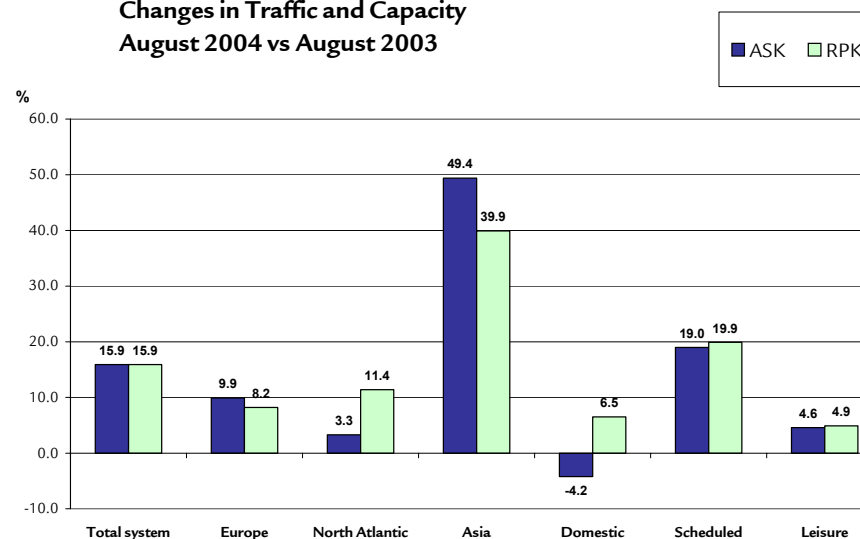
Scheduled traffic

- In **scheduled traffic** (international + domestic) revenue passenger kilometres increased by 19.9%. The change in capacity was +19.0%. Passenger load factor was 68.8%, 0.5 percentage points higher than last year.
- In **scheduled international traffic**, total number of passengers was up by 17.9%, partly affected by adding Nordic Airlink figures. Capacity in ASKs was +22.2%, while RPKs increased by 21.2%.
 - In **European** scheduled traffic, ASKs increased by 9.9%, and as RPKs increased by 8.2%, the passenger load factor was 59.2%, down 0.9 points from previous year.

Passenger load factors by Traffic category
August 2004 vs August 2003



Changes in Traffic and Capacity
August 2004 vs August 2003



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- In **North Atlantic** scheduled traffic, capacity increased by 3.3%. Change in RPKs was +11.4%, and passenger load factor for August was 89.5%, 6.5 points higher than previous year.
- In **Asian** scheduled traffic, capacity increase was 49.4% mainly due to adding frequencies to Shanghai and Osaka since beginning of June. The passenger traffic was up by 39.9%. Passenger load factor was 79.8%, 5.5 percentage points down.
- **Domestic** scheduled traffic increased by 6.5% on a capacity decrease of -4.2%. Passenger load factor improved by 5.5 percentage points to 54.8%.

Leisure traffic

- ASKs for leisure traffic increased in August by 4.6%, and RPKs increased by 4.9%, resulting in a passenger load factor of 90.0%, 0.3 points higher than last year.

Cargo

- Cargo traffic increased by 31.8% in terms of cargo tonnes carried. Growth in scheduled traffic was +19.7%. Increase in Asian traffic was 40.9%. Volume in European traffic increased by 9.0%. In North-Atlantic traffic cargo volume increased by 0.4%. Cargo traffic carried on chartered cargo flights increased over 500%. The cargo load factor was 58.2%. The cargo load factor in the Far Eastern traffic was 71.5% and in the North Atlantic traffic 69.2%.

TOTAL TRAFFIC	AUG04	AUG03	CHG %	JAN-AUG04	JAN-AUG03	CHG %
ASK (Mill)	1 745	1 506	+15.9%	14 184	12 010	+18.1%
RPK (Mill)	1 272	1 098	+15.9%	10 183	8 279	+23.0%
Passenger load factor	72.9%	72.9%	+0.0 pu	71.8%	68.9%	+2.9 pu
Nbr of passengers (000)	657.4	588.5	+11.7%	5336.9	4477.3	+19.2%

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ATTACHMENT: 'Finnair Traffic Performance August, Financial Year 2004'

Next traffic statistics will be released on 13 October 2004

Finnair Group traffic performance August 04, Financial year 2004

Statistics include performance of Finnair, Aero Airlines and Nordic Airlink

	Aug 04	Change%	Jan 04 – Aug 04	Change%		Aug 04	Change%	Jan 04 – Aug 04	Change%
Total traffic					Domestic				
Passengers 1000	657,4	11,7	5 336,9	19,2	Passengers 1000	157,6	2,9	1 549,6	8,3
Available seat-kilometres mill	1 745,4	15,9	14 183,8	18,1	Available seat-kilometres mill	138,9	-4,2	1 380,3	3,0
Revenue passenger kilometres mill	1 272,4	15,9	10 182,9	23,0	Revenue passenger kilometres mill	76,1	6,5	780,7	10,6
Passenger load factor %	72,9	0,0 p	71,8	2,9 p	Passenger load factor %	54,8	5,5 p	56,6	3,9 p
Cargo tonnes	6 960,7	31,8	55 552,8	21,3	Leisure traffic				
Available tonne-kilometres mill	259,8	20,6	2 054,6	21,9	Passengers 1000	116,6	5,4	896,1	5,2
Revenue tonne-kilometres mill	146,4	20,5	1 164,4	25,5	Available seat-kilometres mill	336,0	4,6	3 463,9	3,5
Overall load factor %	56,3	-0,1 p	56,7	1,6 p	Revenue passenger kilometres mill	302,2	4,9	3 152,0	4,5
Scheduled passenger traffic total					Passenger load factor %	90,0	0,3 p	91,0	0,9 p
Passengers 1000	540,8	13,1	4 440,8	22,5	Cargo Traffic				
Available seat-kilometres mill	1 409,5	19,0	10 719,9	23,8	Cargo scheduled traffic total tonnes	6 146,6	19,7	48 105,5	21,1
Revenue passenger kilometres mill	970,2	19,9	7 030,9	33,7	- Europe tonnes	2 097,9	9,0	17 157,5	5,4
Passenger load factor %	68,8	0,5 p	65,6	4,8 p	- North Atlantic tonnes	712,7	0,4	5 167,5	1,4
Europe					- Asia tonnes	2 999,9	40,9	22 875,2	50,3
Passengers 1000	307,1	15,3	2 384,1	28,1	- Domestic tonnes	336,1	-10,1	2 905,2	-7,3
Available seat-kilometres mill	637,7	9,9	4 926,7	15,7	Cargo leisure traffic tonnes	17,5	-9,8	306,6	-31,5
Revenue passenger kilometres mill	377,5	8,2	2 874,4	19,3	Scheduled cargo charter tonnes	796,6	534,5	7 140,7	26,9
Passenger load factor %	59,2	-0,9 p	58,3	1,7 p	Cargo tonnes total	6 960,7	31,8	55 552,8	21,3
North Atlantic					Available cargo tonnekilometres* mill.	59,7	38,7	448,1	30,9
Passengers 1000	16,3	11,4	111,7	17,0	Revenue cargo tonnekilometres mill.	32,8	39,0	256,4	34,4
Available seat-kilometres mill	120,4	3,3	903,0	6,9	Cargo load factor* %	54,9	0,1 p	57,2	1,5 p
Revenue passenger kilometres mill	107,8	11,4	759,3	20,5	<i>*Operational calculatory capacity</i>				
Passenger load factor %	89,5	6,5 p	84,1	9,5 p					
Asia									
Passengers 1000	59,8	35,8	395,4	67,1					
Available seat-kilometres mill	512,5	49,4	3 509,9	58,3					
Revenue passenger kilometres mill	408,8	39,9	2 616,5	72,8					
Passenger load factor %	79,8	-5,5 p	74,5	6,2 p					