

Leeds/Bradford Airport Statistics May 2009

	May-08	May-09	% This month	% +/-
Movements				
Scheduled	3317	2726	57.94%	-17.82%
Charter	293	229	4.87%	-21.84%
Private/Misc	2998	1750	37.19%	-41.63%
Total	6608	4705		-28.80%
Passengers				
Scheduled	238993	209789	86.36%	-12.22%
Charter	38543	31559	12.99%	-18.12%
Transit	141	1581	0.65%	1021.28%
TOTAL	277677	242929		-12.51%
International	223875	209080	86.27%	-6.61%
Domestic	53661	33268	13.73%	-38.00%
MOVING ANNUAL TOTAL	2872776	2691218		-6.32%

At the start of the summer season, we have had a return to a double digit reduction, year on year in regard to passenger numbers. Unsurprisingly the international numbers are better than the domestic, following the loss of the Heathrow service. The movements for Charter and Scheduled flights has reduced more, in percentage terms, than the passenger numbers, which tends to indicate the remaining flights will have a better load factor. The moving annual total figure also continues to decline, but I am confident that things will start to improve in the not too distant future (my bet is July!)

On the international front, this month saw a very strange mix of figures, in that there were 17 routes that increased in passengers and 24 that saw reductions with 5 new routes, 8 routes that have ceased and one route where exactly the same number of passengers travelled in both 2008 and 2009 (La Rochelle). The positive routes of note are Innsbruck, Larnaca, Islamabad, Pisa and Toulouse. The worst ones were Avignon, Burgas, Malta, Olbia, and many others with a reduction of 15-20%. The routes with the most passengers are Palma (19798), Amsterdam (18567) and Alicante (17090). Last year it was Amsterdam, Palma and then Dublin.

Domestically, Newquay increased from 259 to 1709 passengers, Plymouth was a new route and Belfast City increased very slightly. All the other routes reduced by more than 20% except Jersey (-6%), Isle of Man (-15%) and Southampton (-15%)