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Norwegian reports record passenger figures and solid on-time performance in May

Norwegian reports record passenger figures in May. Almost 1.9 million passengers flew with Norwegian in May, which is the highest number of passengers the company has carried in a single month. The total on-time performance was 90.1 percent. With an on-time performance of as much as 94.5 percent, the Helsinki base reports in at first place, closely followed by Bergen and Alicante.

Norwegian carried a record 1,885,648 passengers in May, an increase of

342,925 (22 percent) compared to May last year. The previous passenger record from July last year was beaten by 65,000 passengers.

The seat capacity (ASK) was up 33 percent and the passenger traffic (RPK) was up 34 percent. The load factor was 77 percent, slightly higher than the same month previous year.

Growth in Europe

May's traffic figures are, like previous month, influenced by strong capacity growth and longer distances flown. Norwegian also launched new routes to New York Earlier this spring, Norwegian opened a new base in London.

"I'm very satisfied that so many passengers choose to travel with us and that we are able to fill our aircraft even with strong capacity growth. More and more new passengers have flown with us this month, which means that Norwegian is gaining a stronger foothold in Europe. When launching new routes in new markets, the prices may be influenced; however, it is necessary to attract new customers. Once people have travelled with us, we know they will return to become faithful customers of Norwegian," said CEO Bjørn Kjos.

Solid on-time performance

Norwegian operated 99.6 percent of its scheduled flights in May, whereof 90.1 percent departed on time. The company's Helsinki base reported the best on-time performance, closely followed by Bergen, Alicante, Copenhagen and Malaga.

Please find more detailed figures in the pdf attached.

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Norwegian Air Shuttle ASA, commercially branded "Norwegian," is a public low-cost airline noted on the Oslo Stock Exchange. The company is the second largest airline in Scandinavia, and has a route portfolio that stretches across Europe into North Africa and the Middle East. In May 2013 it will even commence long-haul flights from Scandinavia to the US and Asia. With competitive prices and customer friendly solutions and service, the company

has experienced significant growth over the previous years. With 17.7million passengers in 2012, Norwegian is the 3rd largest low-cost airline in Europe. Norwegian currently operates 73 aircraft on 330 routes to 120 destinations and employs approximately 3,000 people. Norwegian's fleet has an average age of 4,6 years and the company currently has 280 aircraft on order.

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