

COVID-19
ANSWERS TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications

IQ20-000001

Division/Agency: COVID Aviation Response Programs

Inquiry: Senate Select Committee on COVID-19

Topic: Weekly passenger arrivals by Airport

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Senator Kristina Keneally asked:

Senator KENEALLY: I'm happy for you to take this on notice: could you provide the committee with time series data that indicates how passenger loads have changed during the pandemic? I would like to see, over a week or a month, how many first class, business class and economy seats have been into Australia every week since the pandemic began. Is that possible to do?

Mr Atkinson: I can certainly give you weekly data on the number of people coming through. We wouldn't hold data on who comes in what class and who pays what.

Answer:

Information provided by Australian Border Force on weekly international passenger arrivals is provided at Attachment A.

Attachments

- A: Weekly passenger arrivals by international airport.

Weekly passenger arrivals by Port (week commencing)

	23-Mar	30-Mar	6-Apr	13-Apr	20-Apr	27-Apr	4-May	11-May	18-May	25-May	1-Jun	8-Jun	15-Jun
Canberra	62	-	-	-	-	-	-	208	-	-	-	296	-
Sydney	25,019	3,485	1,531	1,616	1,321	2,311	2,581	1,689	2,481	2,225	2,357	2,230	3,175
Darwin	280	84	40	27	43	39	39	51	47	40	77	48	49
Cairns	555	8	17	12	36	46	6	15	13	18	12	22	33
Gold Coast	429	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brisbane	8,918	1,097	749	912	593	802	203	489	321	541	1,163	779	745
Adelaide	705	-	-	-	697	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
Melbourne	12,614	1,319	1,555	1,914	1,544	1,647	1,393	932	1,410	1,951	1,320	1,315	1,520
Perth	5,450	864	332	258	323	710	230	273	248	330	542	324	439

	15-Jun	22-Jun	29-Jun	6-Jul	13-Jul	20-Jul	27-Jul	3-Aug	10-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug	31-Aug
Canberra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
Sydney	3,175	3,181	3,954	2,255	2,282	1,999	2,005	1,966	2,141	2,288	2,350	2,425
Darwin	49	42	40	37	52	41	34	49	54	39	76	222
Cairns	33	21	30	13	14	16	35	17	39	34	19	34
Gold Coast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brisbane	745	1,348	1,028	1,007	387	434	395	401	401	482	472	532
Adelaide	4	266	117	49	59	109	212	354	120	193	227	231
Melbourne	1,520	1,869	336	-	4	4	26	13	9	10	28	11
Perth	439	387	942	997	364	391	433	412	500	493	544	486

Source: ABF TRIPS data

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Topic: Monthly passenger arrivals and seat capacity

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Senator Slade Brockman asked:

Senator BROCKMAN: I assume, then, you wouldn't have to hand the number of commercial arrivals and the number of commercial seats available—say, since the borders were closed?

Mr Atkinson: We've probably got arrivals—

Ms Dacey: On average, we think that there are at least 20,000-plus seats available each week that are not being taken up because of the caps and because of the quarantine, noting the causality of the two of them. But, in order to give you a whole number over the period of six months, perhaps we'll take that on notice as well, so we can give you an accurate number.

Answer:

Monthly arrivals at Australian international airports April-July 2020 (scheduled operations).

International Air Transport

Scheduled services that carried passengers

Month	Flights	Passengers (a)	Seats
Apr-20	442	17,307	121,071
May-20	386	18,749	101,772
Jun-20	444	25,244	123,956
Jul-20	398	20,016	109,521

Source: Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics

Statistics for August and September are yet to be published.