



Connecting South Australia: Aviation Update

Adelaide Airport Passenger Statistics January 2026

	Monthly			Rolling 12 months		
	Jan-26	Jan-25	Variance (%)	Jan-26	Jan-25	Variance (%)
Domestic* <i>*Including regional</i>	643,395	644,410	-0.2%	7,829,782	7,691,633	1.8%
International	128,419	105,569	21.6%	1,192,398	971,585	22.7%
Total	771,814	749,979	2.9%	9,022,180	8,663,218	4.1%

Adelaide Airport continues to benefit from strong demand for international travel with double digit international passenger growth.

Adelaide Airport experienced its busiest ever January with nearly 772,000 people travelling through the terminal in January 2026.

International

International passenger numbers achieved double-digit growth with 128,000 travellers, an increase of 21.6 per cent on the year prior. This result builds upon a highly successful 2025, during which Adelaide Airport welcomed the introduction of United Airlines flights to San Francisco, Qantas to Auckland, Air New Zealand to Christchurch and Indonesia AirAsia to Bali, as well as the return of Cathay Pacific to Hong Kong.

As at 31 January, Adelaide Airport is served by a record 12 international airlines flying to 11 different destinations. From 21 June this will increase to 13 airlines and 12 destinations when China Eastern commences flights to Shanghai three times a week on a seasonal basis. Looking ahead, Malaysia Airlines is increasing its services to daily from February, while Indonesia AirAsia will move to a daily service year-round to Bali in March and up to 10 flights a week during peak periods.

Domestic

Domestic and regional passenger numbers were in line with last year with the benefit of solid demand on trunk routes and a successful Tour Down Under, offset by the impact of the timing of Lunar New Year falling in February this year compared with late January in the prior year.

QantasLink will begin flying its Airbus A220 aircraft between Adelaide and Brisbane from March, the first time the leading-edge aircraft type has operated in South Australia. Jetstar's Adelaide-Avalon service will also return in late March.



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China Eastern Airlines:
[Direct flights to global city on sale now](#)

Indonesia AirAsia:
[Indonesia AirAsia fly daily between Adelaide and Bali](#)

Qantas:
[Qantas brings next-gen A220 aircraft to South Australia](#)



Our International Destinations

Airlines and Frequency
January 2026



Legend

Operating

Coming soon

Airline	Destination	Avg weekly frequency
Air New Zealand	Auckland	5
	Christchurch*	2
Cathay Pacific	Hong Kong*	3
China Eastern	Shanghai*	0
China Southern	Guangzhou	3
Emirates	Dubai	7
Fiji Airways	Nadi	2
Indonesia AirAsia	Bali	6
Jetstar	Bali	11
Malaysia Airlines	Kuala Lumpur	7
United Airlines	San Francisco*	3
Qantas	Auckland*	4
Qatar Airways	Doha	5
Singapore Airlines	Singapore	10

* Seasonal service