

Traffic snapshot

- MAHB network of airports recorded close to 10million passenger movements in May 2023 progressing well towards pre-pandemic level driven by strong traffic recovery from both Malaysia and Turkey operations and surpassing the December 2022 peak of 9.5million.
- It is also encouraging to note that both the international and domestic sector contributed to the overall May 2023 growth, recording the highest volume since March 2020 at 4.6million and 5.4million passenger movements respectively.
- Correspondingly, airports in Malaysia fared well registering 6.8million total passenger movements and exceeded more than 80% traffic recovery for the first time at 86.2% against May 2019 passenger movements.
- International passenger movements registered close to 3million passengers, with four of the international airports namely, Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA), Penang International Airport, Kota Kinabalu International Airport and Langkawi International Airport registered new high respectively since March 2020, partly driven by increased movements to Indonesia, South Korea, and China.
- Domestic passenger movements in May 2023 were the highest for the year at 3.8million passengers, driven by the Raya festive season that continued to early May and coincided with the 2-week school holiday, several public holidays, and Langkawi International Maritime & Aerospace Exhibition. In addition, there was an increase in Haj pilgrim movements from MASB airports to KLIA in correspondence with the increase in Haj pilgrim's quota to 31,600 this year.
- Istanbul SGIA passenger movements exceeded May 2019 levels with a growth of 13.4% partly driven by the international sector. It is a significant milestone for the Istanbul SGIA as the international passenger movements recorded the highest passenger movements at 1.58million exceeding the peak movements recorded during the summer season in 2022. Anadolu Jet continued to expand connectivity with daily service to Rome, and Royal Air Maroc resumed flights from Casablanca to Istanbul SGIA with four weekly frequencies.

Passenger movements ('000) snapshot, May 2023

Total	2023	2022	% YOY	2023	2022	%YOY	2023	2022	%YOY
	May			Year- to-date			'LTM		
KLIA	3,845	1,982	94.0%	18,002	6,445	179.3%	36,957	9,470	290.3%
<i>International</i>	2,522	904	179.1%	12,027	2,430	394.9%	23,870	3,316	619.8%
<i>ASEAN</i>	1,299	482	169.7%	6,081	1,127	439.6%	12,457	1,469	748.0%
<i>Non-ASEAN</i>	1,223	422	189.7%	5,946	1,303	356.2%	11,414	1,848	517.8%
<i>Domestic</i>	1,323	1,079	22.7%	5,975	4,014	48.8%	13,086	6,153	112.7%
MASB Airports	2,988	2,616	14.2%	13,922	9,271	50.2%	31,962	14,215	124.9%
<i>International</i>	465	140	231.6%	2,178	227	860.2%	4,207	248	1594.5%
<i>ASEAN</i>	369	139	164.4%	1,764	225	685.6%	3,644	245	1389.0%
<i>Non-ASEAN</i>	97	1.0	9972.3%	414	2	17910.2%	564	4	15654.6%
<i>Domestic</i>	2,523	2,475	1.9%	11,744	9,044	29.9%	27,754	13,966	98.7%
Total MAHB	6,834	4,598	48.6%	31,924	15,716	103.1%	68,918	23,684	191.0%
Istanbul SGIA²	3,086	2,603	18.5%	13,957	11,163	25.0%	33,973	29,770	14.1%
Total MAHB System	9,919	7,201	37.7%	45,881	26,879	70.7%	102,891	53,454	92.5%

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Total KLIA & MASB	2,988	1,044	186.1%	14,205	2,657	434.6%	28,078	3,565	687.7%
<i>ASEAN</i>	1,668	621	168.5%	7,844	1,351	480.5%	16,101	1,714	839.6%
<i>Non-ASEAN</i>	1,320	423	211.9%	6,360	1,306	387.2%	11,977	1,851	547.0%
Istanbul SGIA	1,581	1,247	26.8%	7,346	5,458	34.6%	17,600	12,382	42.1%
Total MAHB System	4,569	2,291	99.4%	21,551	8,115	165.6%	45,678	15,947	186.4%

Domestic	2023	2022	% YOY	2023	2022	%YOY	2023	2022	%YOY
	May			Year- to-date			LTM		
KLIA	1,323	1,079	22.7%	5,975	4,014	48.8%	13,086	6,153	112.7%
MASB Airports	2,523	2,475	1.9%	11,744	9,044	29.9%	27,754	13,966	98.7%
Total	3,846	3,554	8.2%	17,720	13,059	35.7%	40,840	20,120	103.0%
Istanbul SGIA	1,505	1,356	10.9%	6,611	5,706	15.9%	16,373	17,388	-5.8%
Total MAHB System	5,351	4,910	9.0%	24,330	18,764	29.7%	57,214	37,507	52.5%

*May is preliminary, where main variations if any lie largely from the non-scheduled or charter flights at domestic airports

**MASB Airports refers to the 38 Malaysian airports other than KLIA/KUL operated by Malaysia Airports Sdn Bhd.

¹LTM refers to the last twelve months, up to and including the month in question

²Istanbul SGIA is Istanbul Sabiha Gokcen International Airport with the SAW three-letter International Air Transport Association (IATA) code

KLIA Terminal 1 & Terminal 2 passenger movements ('000) snapshot, May 2023

Airport	2023	2022	% YOY	2023	2022	%YOY	2023	2022	%YOY
	May			Year- to-date			LTM		
Terminal 1 Total	1,826	943	93.6%	8,872	3,258	172.3%	18,947	4,851	290.6%
<i>International</i>	1,409	560	151.5%	6,929	1,815	281.8%	14,198	2,599	446.2%
<i>ASEAN</i>	523	186	181.9%	2,462	580	324.3%	5,148	827	522.5%
<i>Non-ASEAN</i>	885	374	136.4%	4,468	1,235	261.9%	9,051	1,773	410.6%
<i>Domestic</i>	418	383	9.0%	1,943	1,443	34.6%	4,749	2,251	110.9%
Terminal 2 Total	2,019	1,039	94.3%	9,130	3,187	186.5%	18,009	4,619	289.9%
<i>International</i>	1,114	344	224.0%	5,097	615	728.3%	9,672	717	1249%
<i>ASEAN</i>	776	296	162.1%	3,619	547	562.0%	7,309	642	1038.6%
<i>Non-ASEAN</i>	338	48	607.5%	1,478	69	2052.9%	2,363	75	3049.9%
<i>Domestic</i>	905	695	30.2%	4,033	2,571	56.8%	8,337	3,902	113.7%

Aircraft movements snapshot, May 2023

Total	2023	2022	% YOY	2023	2022	%YOY	2023	2022	2023
	May			Year- to-date			LTM	%YOY	
KLIA	27,214	15,683	73.5%	123,916	63,552	95.0%	258,666	113,005	128.9%
MASB Airports	32,711	32,226	1.5%	153,003	136,774	11.9%	367,400	243,173	51.1%
Total	59,925	47,909	25.1%	276,919	200,326	38.2%	626,066	356,178	75.8%
Istanbul SGIA	18,826	17,765	6.0%	85,206	75,859	12.3%	204,735	201,221	1.7%
Total MAHB System	78,751	65,674	19.9%	362,125	276,185	31.1%	830,801	557,399	49.0%

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	May			Year- to-date			LTM		
KLIA	17,662	7,484	136.0%	80,738	28,776	180.6%	162,790	57,228	184.5%
MASB Airports	4,874	2,306	111.4%	22,109	8,039	175.0%	46,328	16,087	188.0%
Total	22,536	9,790	130.2%	102,847	36,815	179.4%	209,118	73,315	185.2%
Istanbul SGIA	9,750	8,312	17.3%	45,372	37,992	19.4%	108,019	87,400	23.6%
Total MAHB System	32,286	18,102	78.4%	148,219	74,807	98.1%	317,137	160,715	97.3%

Domestic	2023	2022	% YOY	2023	2022	%YOY	2023	2022	%YOY
	May			Year- to-date			LTM		
KLIA	9,552	8,199	16.5%	43,178	34,776	24.2%	95,876	55,777	71.9%
MASB Airports	27,837	29,920	-7.0%	130,894	128,735	1.7%	321,072	227,086	41.4%
Total	37,389	38,119	-1.9%	174,072	163,511	6.5%	416,948	282,863	47.4%
Istanbul SGIA	9,076	9,453	-4.0%	39,834	37,867	5.2%	96,716	113,821	-15.0%
Total MAHB System	46,465	47,572	-2.3%	213,906	201,378	6.2%	513,664	396,684	29.5%

Overview of traffic

MAHB network of airports handled close to 10million passenger movements (9.9million) in May 2023 overtaking December 2022 passenger volume that was the highest passenger movements registered since the pandemic outbreak in March 2020. In addition, traffic recovery for the first time reached more than 90% compared against May 2019 at 93.1%. Both the international and domestic sectors for the network of airports were equally resilient with almost balanced proportion traffic from both sectors with 46:54 ratio and recording the highest passenger movements with 4.6million and 5.4million passenger movements respectively.

Passenger movements in Malaysia continue to make progress, recording a new high with 6.8million passengers in May 2023, slightly higher than December 2022. The international sector gathered momentum moving closer to 3million passenger movements at 2.98million with significant increase from Indonesia, United Arab Emirates (UAE) and China. Xiamen Air expanded its network by commencing direct international flight from Chongqing to KLIA, marking an important milestone to boost traffic between China and Malaysia with four weekly flight frequencies. AirAsia expands its network from Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) to Kertajati with twice weekly frequencies, the only carrier operating the route. AirAsia X commenced new service to Bangkok Suvarnabhumi with five weekly frequencies and Batik Air Malaysia launched new daily flights operating to Maldives. Domestic sector was equally remarkable, recording the highest passenger movements for the year driven by the 2-week school break, multiple public holidays that continued to early May following the Raya festive season, Langkawi International Maritime & Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA) and movements of Haj pilgrims from MASB airports to KLIA. The growth of domestic passenger movements was also supported by Firefly jet operations with daily flights to Sandakan, Tawau, and Miri from Kota Kinabalu, Kuching, and Penang.

Passenger movements in May 2023 for Istanbul SGIA were remarkable, reaching more than 3million passengers, a mark that was registered generally during the peak summer season in year 2022 and 2019 partly driven by the international sector. It is encouraging to note that the international sector reached a significant milestone registering more than 1.5million (1.58million) in May 2023, a mark that was recorded during the peak summer season in year 2022 and the highest passenger movements recorded for the airport. International connectivity continues to grow for the airports with Anadolu jet commencing daily flights to Rome, and Royal Air Maroc to Casablanca with four weekly frequencies in May 2023.