

Media release

October passenger numbers fly high

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Passenger numbers through Newcastle Airport hit a record high for the year with 107,312 travellers passing through the airport in October. This was also the sixth busiest month on record for the airport.

Friday 24 October was the busiest day for passenger movements ever recorded at Newcastle Airport with 4,598 passengers using the terminal in one day—compared with the daily average of 3,200 passengers.

Consistent with previous years, October is usually the busiest month of the year, attributed to a strong mix of leisure and business travel.

“October has been a consistently strong month for the past five years. There’s strong demand for travel associated with the end of the school holidays and the October long weekend. These are complemented with major sporting events around the country, such as the AFL Grand Final, the Spring Racing Carnival, Gold Coast V8s, and a high number of travellers attending conferences.

“Locally, our region hosted a major aviation conference in Hunter Valley Wine Country, a tourism conference in Port Stephens, and the National Gideon Convention in Newcastle. All of these drew increased visitation to our region,” said Newcastle Airport’s Manager Aviation Business Development, David Nye.

“It’s clear that our region’s desire to travel remains strong. In addition, the successful business events marketing by our team and local tourism organisations is enticing high-quality conferences and their delegates to our region.

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