



AIRBALTIC CARRIES RECORD NUMBER OF PASSENGERS FOR SECOND MONTH IN A ROW

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In July 2017, the Latvian airline *airBaltic* carried 393 312 passengers or 21% more than in the same period of 2016. For the second month in a row it has been the biggest number of transported passengers in the airline's history. During the first seven months of 2017, *airBaltic* has transported a total of 1 958 774 passengers to its network spanning Europe, Scandinavia, Russia, CIS and the Middle East.

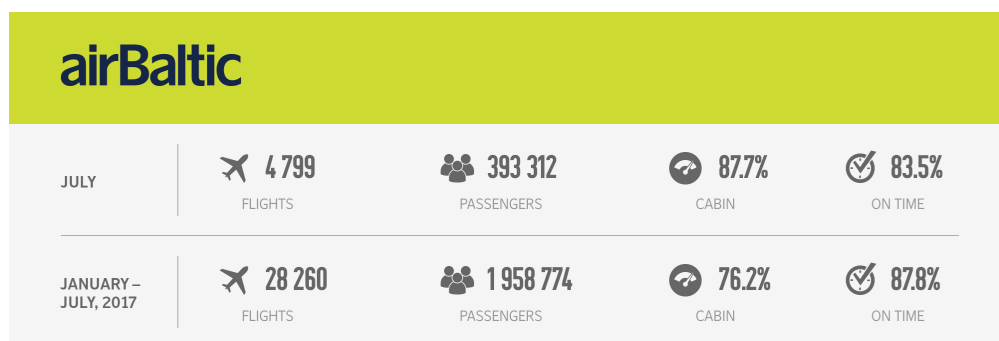
Martin Gauss, Chief Executive Officer of *airBaltic*: "This summer has been fulfilling and challenging at the same time. Historically highest passenger numbers and revenue has also meant that our flights are almost full. It creates more pressure on our team to keep operating our flights with the worlds' best on-time performance and provide expected customer service"

“As our passengers enjoy fleet of seven state-of-the-art Bombardier CS300 aircraft, we listened to their wishes and just announced first five new destinations for the next summer season. We will continue improving attractiveness of our offer as we are committed to better connect Baltics to the world,” Gauss noted.

In July, the airline performed 4 799 flights, or 16% more than in the same period of 2016. During the first seven months of the 2017 *airBaltic* has operated 28 260 flights.

The airline’s load factor, which represents the number of passengers as a proportion of the number of available seats, was at a level of 87.7% in July 2017. During the first seven months of 2017, *airBaltic*’s load factor was at a level of 76.2% and it is the highest in the history of the airline.

The 15-minute flight punctuality indicator for *airBaltic* reached a level of 83.5% in July 2017. This means that more than 83 of every 100 *airBaltic* flights departed at the planned time or with a delay of no more than 15 minutes. The flight punctuality indicator during the first seven months of 2017 reached a level of 87.8%.



For the summer season of 2018 *airBaltic* has added Malaga (Spain), Lisbon (Portugal), Split (Croatia), Bordeaux (France) and Gdansk (Poland). A complete schedule of *airBaltic* flights can be found on the company's homepage at www.airbaltic.com.

airBaltic operates direct flights from Riga to over 60 destinations. *airBaltic* offers convenient connections via Riga to its network spanning Europe, Scandinavia, the CIS and the Middle East. In addition, *airBaltic* also offers direct flights from Tallinn and Vilnius.

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