



Edinburgh Airport Consultative Committee

Chief Executive's Report

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1. Traffic figures

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1.1 Passenger figures

Passenger figures	Oct '25	Nov '25	Dec '25	Q4 '25 Total	Q4 '25 % of Total	Q4 '24 % of Total	% change '25 vs '24
Domestic	410,423	412,440	406,307	1,229,170	30.5%	33.3%	-0.6%
International	1,199,424	781,558	815,476	2,796,458	69.5%	66.7%	12.9%
Total	1,609,847	1,193,998	1,221,783	4,025,628	100.0%	100.0%	8.4%

1.2 Aircraft movements

Aircraft movements	Oct '25	Nov '25	Dec '25	Q4 '25 Total	Q4 '25 % of Total	Q4 '24 % of Total	% change '25 vs '24
Domestic	3,799	3,651	3,587	11,037	37.8%	41.0%	-5.1%
International	7,655	5,163	5,375	18,193	62.2%	59.0%	8.8%
Total	11,454	8,814	8,962	29,230	100.0%	100.0%	3.1%

1.3 Aircraft traffic mix

Passenger traffic mix	Oct '25	Nov '25	Dec '25	Q4 '25 Total	Q4 '25 % of Total	Q4 '24 % of Total	% change '25 vs '24
Scheduled	1,603,024	1,189,813	1,215,195	4,008,032	99.6%	99.6%	8.4%
Charter	4,846	1,723	5,468	12,037	0.3%	0.3%	14.7%
Other	1,977	2,462	1,120	5,559	0.1%	0.1%	50.8%
Total	1,609,847	1,193,998	1,221,783	4,025,628	100.0%	100.0%	8.4%

1.4 Day v night aircraft movements

Day vs night aircraft movements	Oct '25	Nov '25	Dec '25	Q4 '25 Total	Q4 '25 % of Total	Q4 '24 % of Total	% change '25 vs '24
Night (0000-0559)	626	120	134	880	3.0%	3.8%	-17.7%

Day (0600-2159)	10,230	8,122	8,234	26,586	91.0%	90.4%	3.8%
Evening (2200-2359)	598	572	594	1,764	6.0%	5.9%	5.8%
Total	11,454	8,814	8,962	29,230	100.0%	100.0%	3.1%

1.5 Traffic commentary

- Between October-December 2025, 4.01 million passengers used Edinburgh Airport – that's 8.4% higher vs Q4 in 2024.
- Overall aircraft movements are up by 3.1% vs 2024, driven by international traffic.
- A slightly higher share of aircraft movements were in daytime hours compared to Q4 2024, with fewer aircraft movements in 'night' hours.
- 2025 passenger numbers finished at 16.98 million, meaning that 2025 was another record-breaking year for the airport, 7.5% ahead of 2024 and 15.1% ahead of 2019 levels.

2. Capital Investment

2.1 Key Projects in development, design and delivery

Project / Initiative Name	Stage	End Date
TIE SEPEX Ph1	Delivery	Apr-27
TIE RNEX Ph1&2	Design	Jun-28
Major Runway Rehab	Delivery	Mar-26
NEX Immigration Phase 1	Development	Apr-29
TIE PHASE 1 - Airfield Enabling Works	Delivery	Jun-26
Water Quality	Design	Jul-28
East Access Road	Development	May-28
Car Rental Futures	Delivery	Mar-26
MSCP Structural Rehabilitation	Design	Jan 29
Car Parking Futures Phases 3-5	Design	Dec-26
Fuel Capacity	Delivery	Mar-26

2.2 Summary of key projects

TIE SEPEX Ph1

This extension will see 8 gates constructed to address gate capacity. Enabling works for this project are nearing completion, substructure works due to start in Nov 2025.

TIE RNEX Ph1&2

This element of the Terminal Infrastructure Expansion (TIE) programme is a long-term project to address gate capacity, departure lounge space and the retail commercial offer. Detailed design is due to start in Nov 2025.

Major Runway Rehab

The major Runway Rehabilitation project will re-life the runway. A resurfacing exercise will be undertaken in winter 2025-26, the contractor has completed mobilising to site with the establish of two asphalt batching plants.

TIE – NEX Ph1

This element of the Terminal Infrastructure Expansion (TIE) programme is a long-term project to address operational capacity issues across immigration. It will see the amalgamation of both the international arrivals hall into a new single space. Delivery is scheduled to start Apr 2028.

TIE – Airfield Enabling Phase 1

This element of the Terminal Infrastructure Expansion (TIE) programme is a long-term project to address operational capacity issues across the airfield. The 1st phase of this project is now underway on site with the construction of 5 additional stands.

Water Quality

EAL is working closely with SEPA on the Water Quality project which provides an enhanced ability to capture de-icing runoff, it will improve the water quality across all adjacent watercourses.

EAST Access Road

The EAST Access Road project will provide resilience to the airport, creating a 2nd access from the Gogar Roundabout interchange. The project has restarted and EAL are working with CEC on the planning application and approval.

Car Rental

The Car Rental Futures project aims to provide the necessary capacity and infrastructure to facilitate the growth of Car Rental to 2028+ and deliver the associated revenue. This project has commenced on site with the construction of the car transporter area.

MSCP Structural Rehabilitation

The project will see the structural rehabilitation of the existing MSCP, extending its design life into the 2040's.

Car Parking Futures Phases 3-5

The project has already commenced on site with the completion of works to enlarge both fast park block parking and the plane parking product. Construction of the last stage will commence in Apr 2026.

Fuel Capacity

The Fuel Capacity project aims to provide the necessary storage capacity and infrastructure within the existing fuel farm to meet the requirements of airline demand and forecast traffic growth. Works have commenced on site and are progressing towards a completion in Mar 2026.

2.3 Projects commentary

- In 2024 the final year capital expenditure figure was £52m, an increase of £21m from 2023. A total of 148 separate capital projects where underway in the period.
- In 2025 the number of projects will be 171, the forecast capital expenditure increases by £31m to £93m.
- In 2026 the expected number of projects will be lower at 126, however the capital expenditure is expected to increase further to around £124m
- The team continue to future proof the airport and map out projects to improve the airport longer term but are also heavily involved in solutions to immediate issues when and where they require input.

3. Community Investment

- *The Community Fund budget is provided by the airport and is directly linked with passenger numbers.*
- *The Community Fund board meet three times a year and is chaired by Alex Cole-Hamilton, MSP for Edinburgh Western.*
- *Application information can be found at edinburghairport.com/community*

3.1 Community Fund

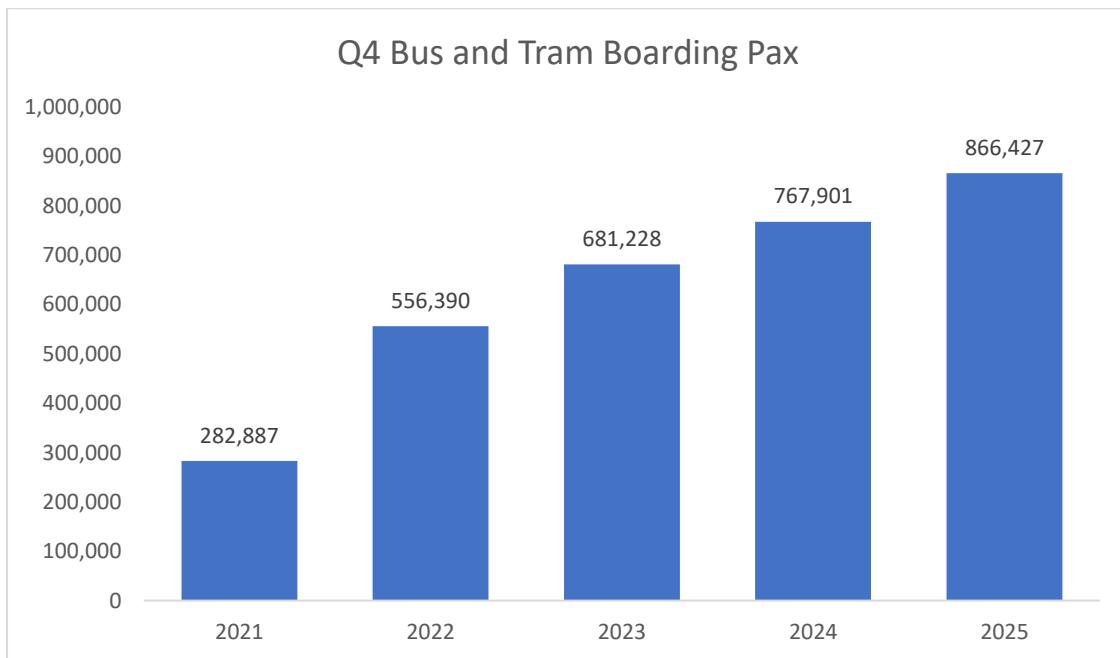
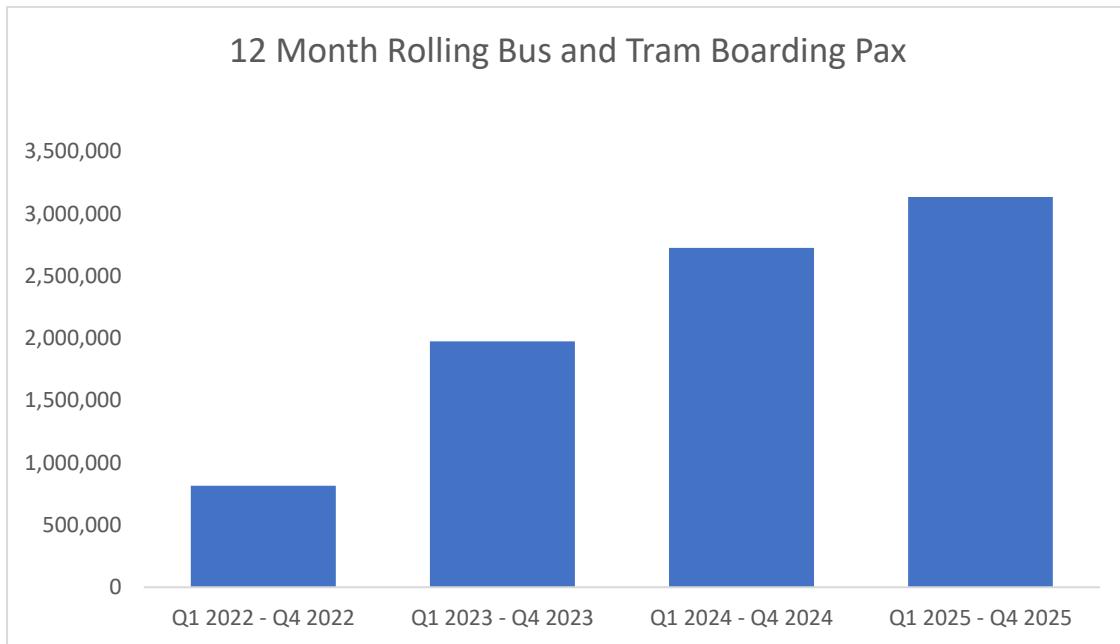
- The November Community Fund saw 111 applications with 33 of those receiving funding.
- Successful projects covered a variety of topics across the airport's Greater Good pillars: Zero Carbon, Enhancing Scotland, Scotland's Best Business, Trusted Neighbour.
- Projects supported in the November round of funding included:
 - Solar PV system for a local Scouts group
 - Hardware and equipment for a homeless sheltered accommodation
 - Reconstruction of a local school's allotment
 - Procurement and installation of beehives for community garden
 - "Katakanus" for Loch Ore sports centre
- The Community Fund will return in 2026 with a continued 1.5p per passenger.
- Given current passenger forecasts, this will mean a total donation of at least £258,759

3.2 Charity work

- Edinburgh Children's Hospital Charity (ECHC) is a local charity with a national reach. They impact almost all aspects of the patient experience at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children and Young People – from wellbeing support to specialist services, arts classes to funding life changing equipment.
- Q4 saw a total of £23,155 donated or raised for the charity, primarily through Christmas raffles, foreign coin donations, and marketing spaces.
- The process of shortlisting a charity partner for 2026/2027 concluded in Q4 with Change Mental Health unveiled as the winning charity.
- The onboarding process began in December, and plans made for what we are sure will be a productive and mutually beneficial partnership in 2026/27.

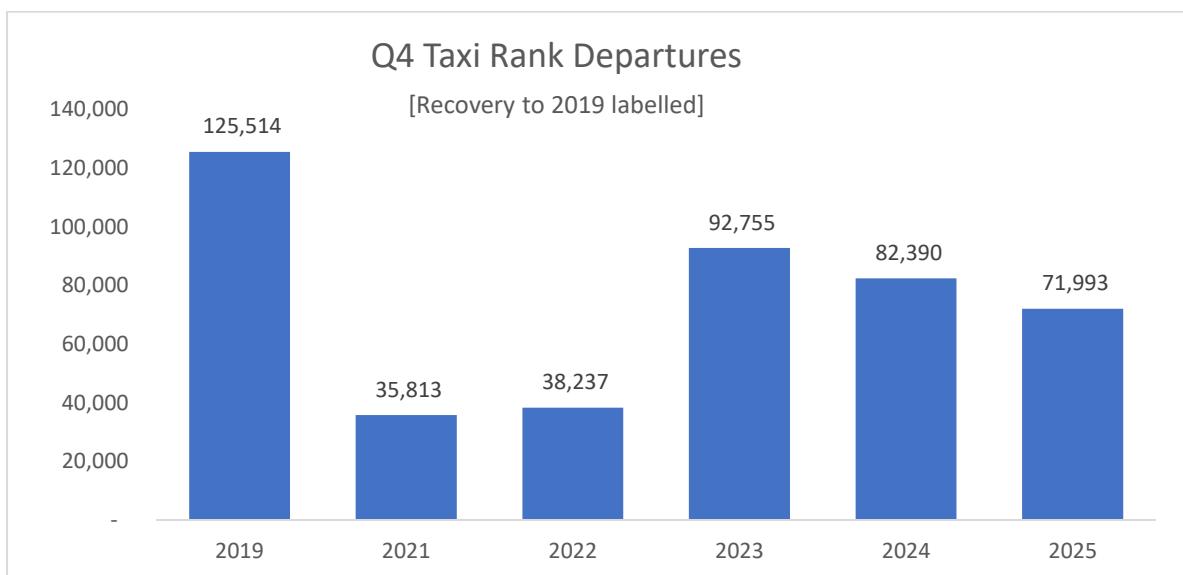
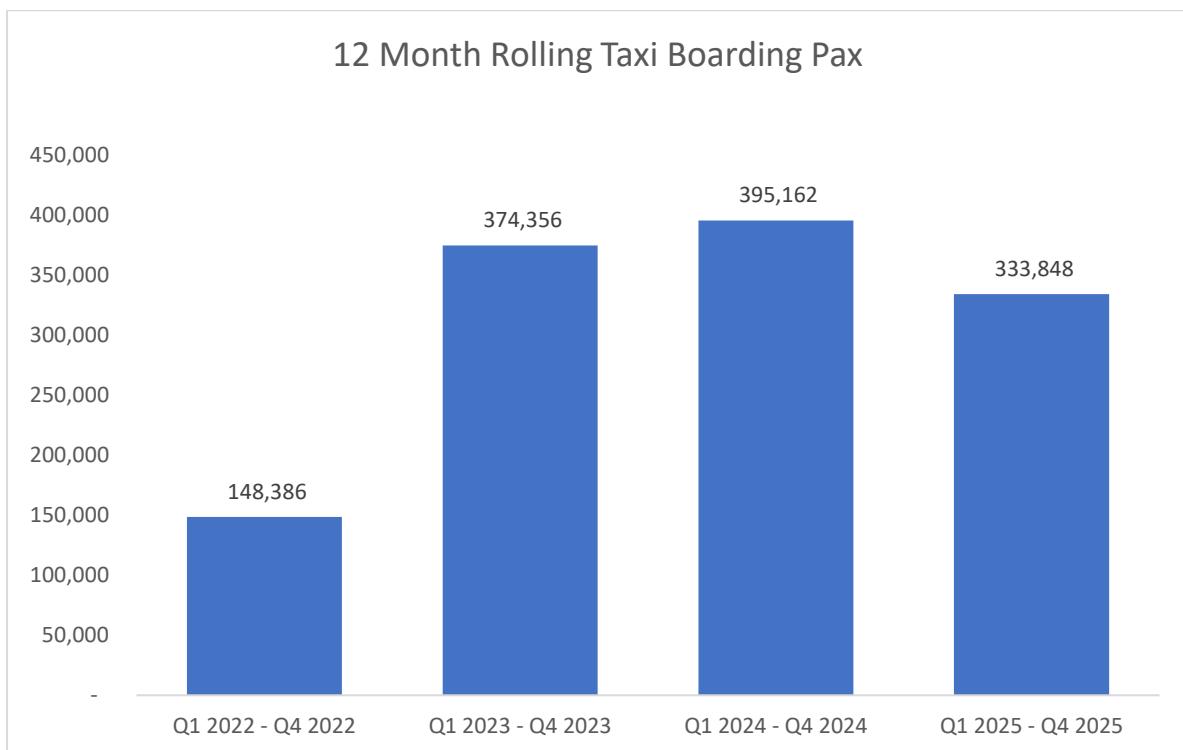
4. Surface access

4.1 Bus and tram services



- Public transport market share for Q4 2025 was 41.2%
- McGills withdrew their Airport Express city centre route from November 2025.
- Fly Aberdeen was also withdrawn by McGills in October 2025.
- Ember 1 extended their Dundee service to Aberdeen, maintaining connectivity to Aberdeen.

4.2 Taxi services



4.3 Yearly Mode Share

YEAR	MONTH	CAR PARKING	PUBLIC TRANSPORT	TAXI	COACHES	CAR RENTAL	OTHER
2019	Total	40.6%	33.7%	11.0%	7.1%	6.7%	0.9%
2023	Total	39.7%	36.6%	8.9%	6.3%	5.4%	3.1%

2024	Total	39.5%	39.5%	6.5%	7.5%	6.1%	0.9%
2025	Total	38.4%	39.6%	5.2%	8.2%	6.1%	2.5%

5. Aircraft noise

- Our Service Level Agreement (SLA) is to respond to noise complaints within five days.
- All percentages are reported to one decimal place.
- Any negative figures or decrease in percentages are reported in red

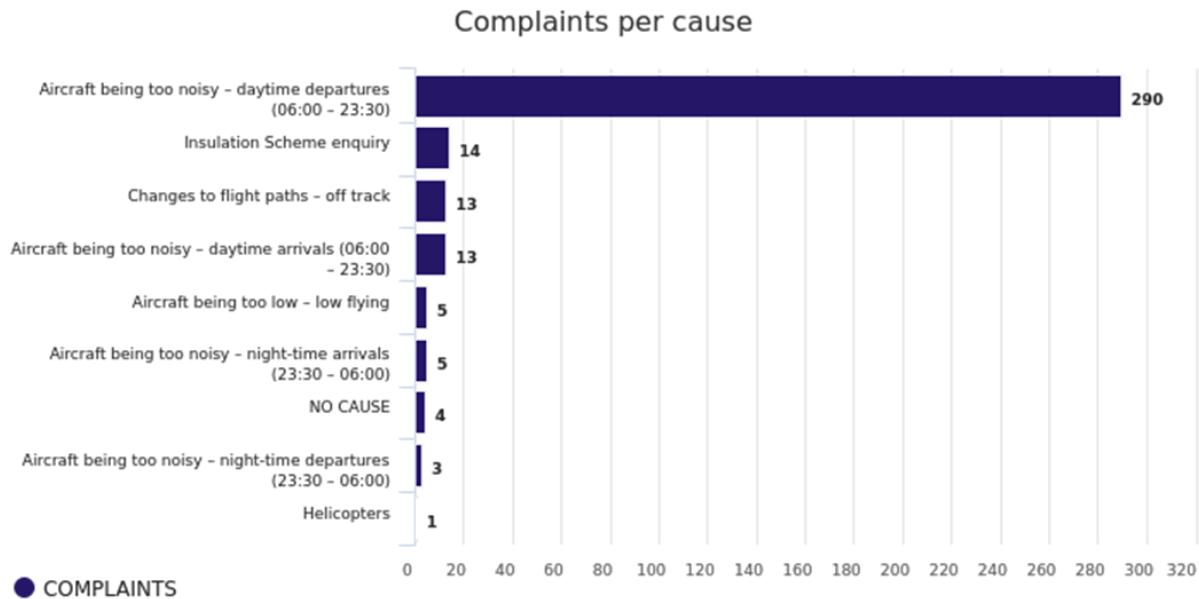
5.1 Noise complaints received

	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Q4/2025 total	Q3/2025 total	% change Q4/2025 v Q3/2025	% change Q4/2025 v Q4/2024
Noise complaints	32	46	54	132	348	-62.1%	46.7%
Complainers	13	14	18	36	59	-39.0%	24.1%
Answered in SLA	81.2%	97.8%	92.6%	91.7%	97.4%	-5.9%	10.0%

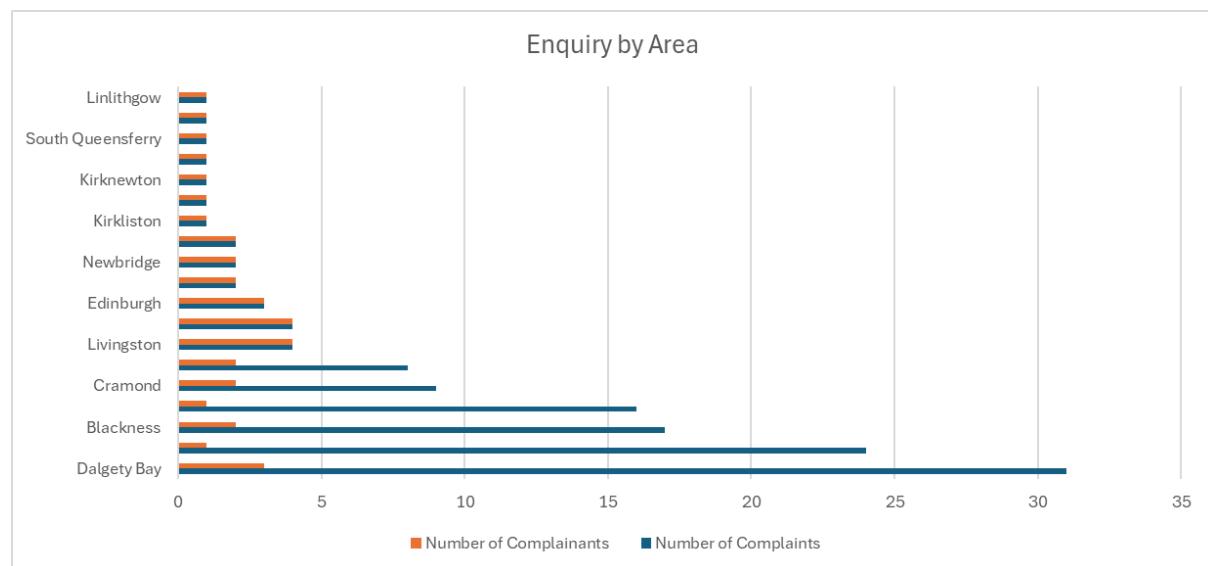
5.2 Runway use

	Period	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Q4/2025 total	Q3/2025 total	% change Q4/2025 v Q3/2025	% change Q4/2025 v Q4/2024
Runway 06	day	952	2065	3286	6303	7992	-21.1%	34.8%
	night	49	38	94	181	575	-68.5%	-49.4%
Runway 24	day	9685	6544	5445	21674	25873	-16.2%	-2.1%
	night	705	135	100	940	1984	-52.6%	-8.9%

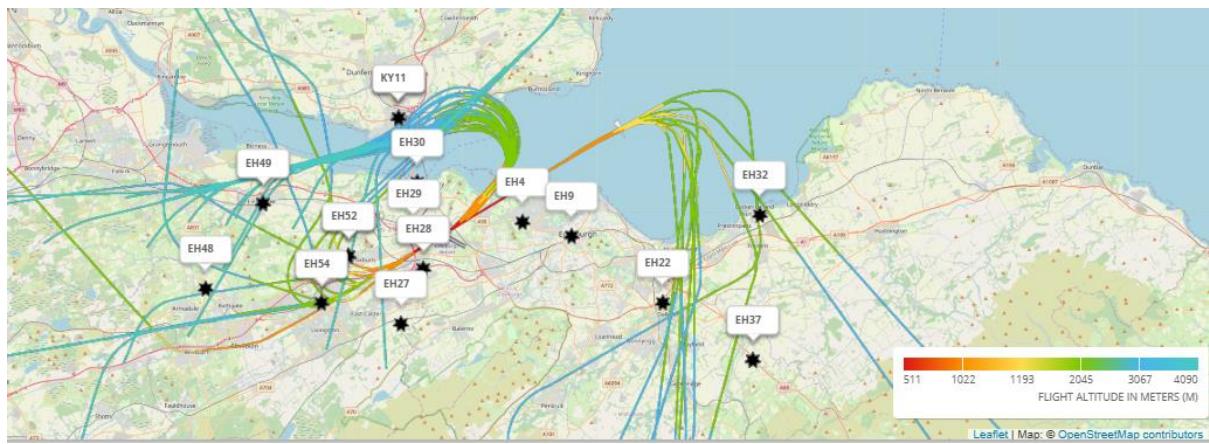
5.3 Complaints by type of enquiry



5.4 Complaints by area sorted by number of complainants



Heat map detailing location of complaints and altitude of aircraft:

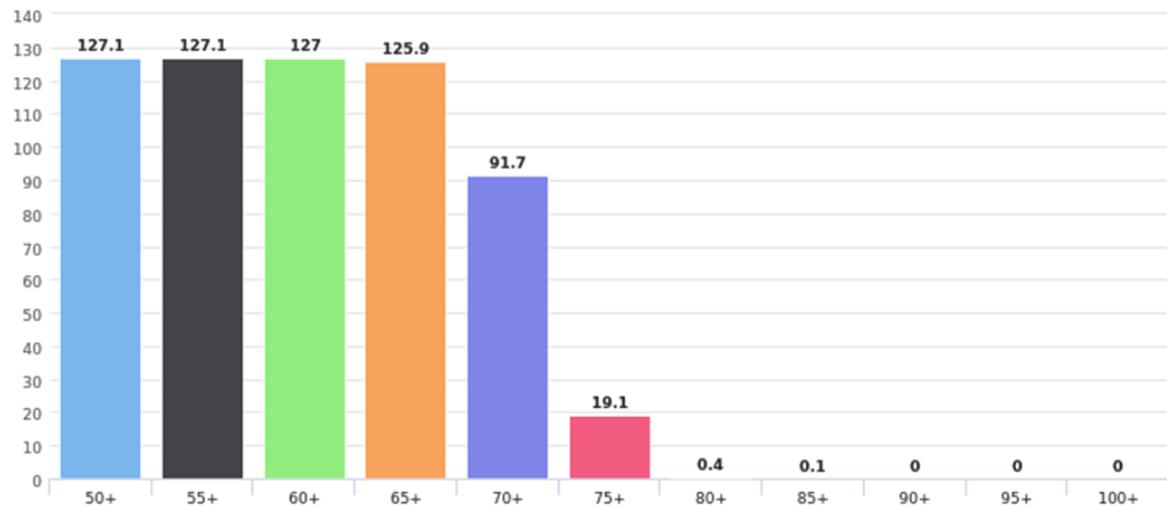


5.5 NAX

The NAX charts below detail the number the average number of aircraft per day that exceeded the noise level detailed on the X axis, at that monitor during the Quarter.

Monitor 1 - Livingston

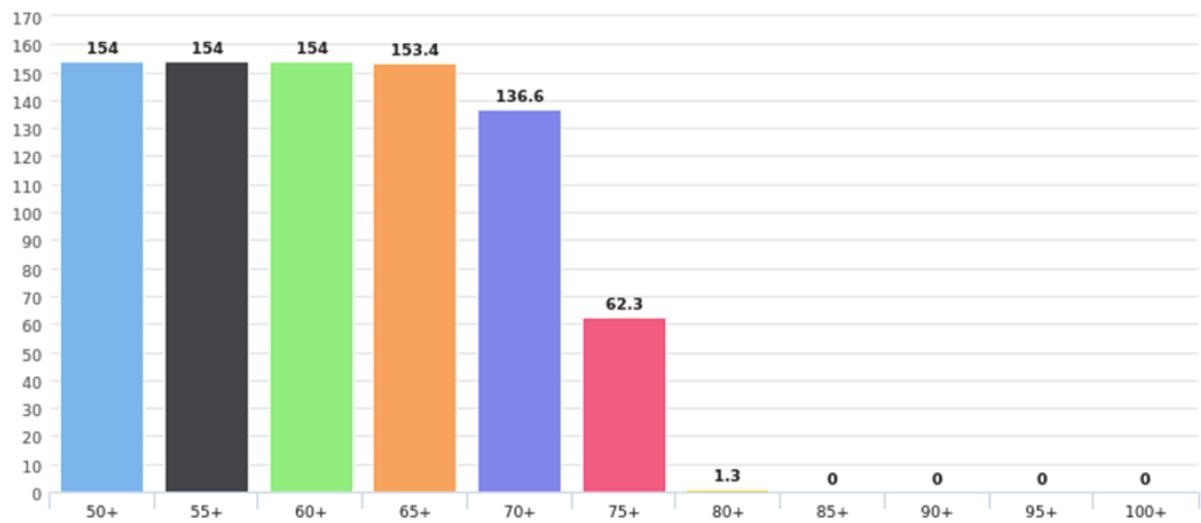
Number of Aircraft movements by Lmax reading - NMT 1
NMT 1, 01-10-2025 - 01-01-2026



Monitor 2 – Bathgate

Number of Aircraft movements by Lmax reading - NMT 2

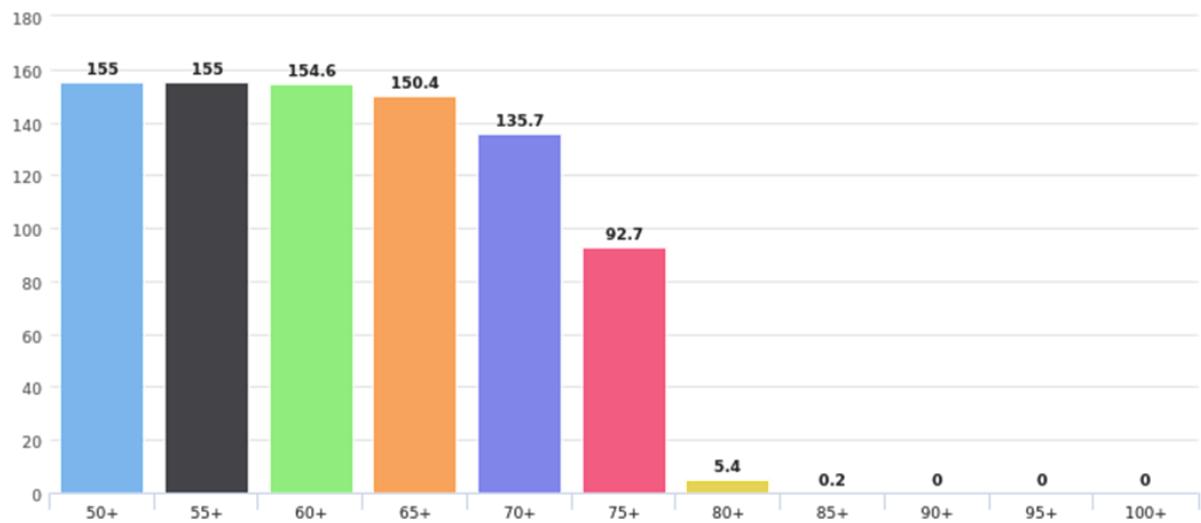
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Monitor 3 – Cramond

Number of Aircraft movements by Lmax reading - NMT 3

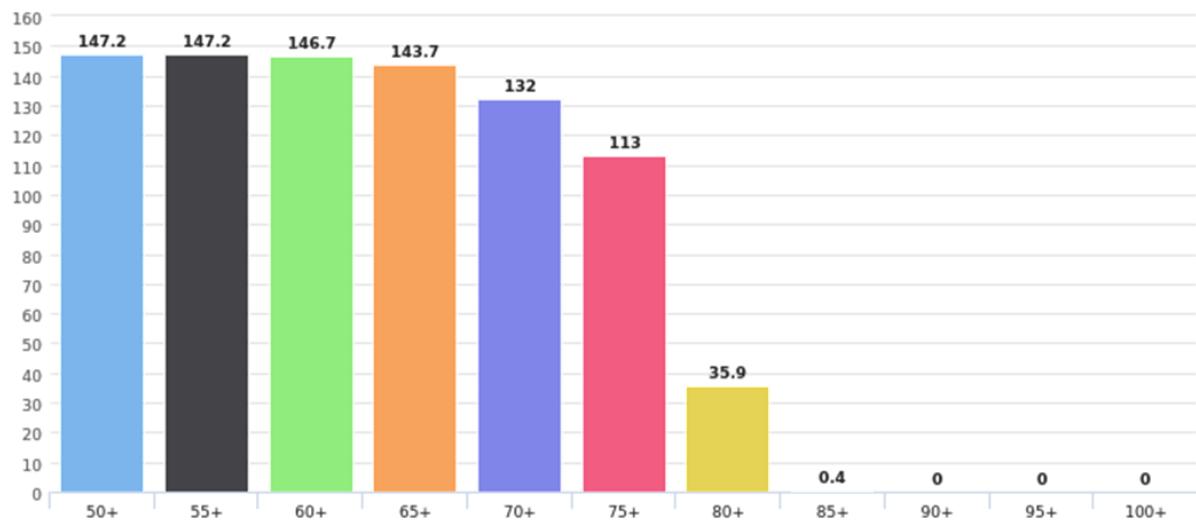
NMT 3, 01-10-2025 - 01-01-2026



Monitor 7 - Cramond primary school

Number of Aircraft movements by Lmax reading - NMT 7

NMT 7, 01-10-2025 - 01-01-2026



5.6 Complaints

The table below details any complaints found to be justified and the reason for the diversion from SID or any other issue and provides or any other relevant details. Standard Instrument Departures or SIDs are the technical term for departure flight paths.

EDI Day Quarterly complaints (06:00 - 23:30)										
Date complaint made	Date/time of disturbance	Area	Cause	Aircraft Type	Departure Airport	Destination Airport	SID	Valid Y/N	Reason	
No Applicable complaints										
EDI Night Quarterly complaints (23:30 - 06:00)										
Date complaint made	Date/time of disturbance	Area	Cause	Aircraft Type	Departure Airport	Destination Airport	SID	Valid Y/N	Reason	
No Applicable complaints										

5.7 Noise commentary

- Edinburgh Airport's Noise Action Plan 2024 – 2028 final document, summary document and consultation response and actions documents can now be viewed and downloaded from the Noise Lab <https://noiselab.casper.aero/edi/content/2/noise-action-plan/> This plan provides information on Edinburgh Airports 2025 Noise Insulation Scheme
- Edinburgh Airport Insulation Scheme 2025 launched mid-December 2025, Information on the scheme was posted to all properties who may be eligible to apply to the scheme. Going forward a summary of applications received during the quarter will appear in this section of the Quarterly noise report and will no longer be included in section 5.1 of this report. Prior to the introduction of the new scheme 4 applications were received from properties out with the 57/60dB LAeq Night/Day contours, which were not eligible to

apply for assistance under this or the previous scheme. Eligibility to apply can be checked on the insulation pages of the noise lab <https://edi.noiselab.casper.aero/addressDB>

2025 Noise Insulation Scheme Q4 2025

Number of applications	45
Number of eligible applications	43
Initial home visit arranged	42
Final visit arranged	0
Complete	0

- Of the 129* complaints made in Q4 2025, 68 (52.7%) were made by three frequent complainants.
 - 16 (12.4 %) by a complainant in Torphichen.
 - 28 (21.7 %) by a complainant in Dalgety Bay.
 - 24 (18.6 %) by a complainant in Livingston Village.

*3 complaints included in table 5.1 were duplicate entries

- City of Edinburgh Council has now confirmed approval of the planning application for installation of a new fixed noise monitoring station at the former MOD Craigiehall Barracks site. We expect installation to be completed within Q2 of 2026

6. Route development

6.1 Route commentary

Overall Market Update:

- Q4 passenger numbers remained strong for Edinburgh Airport, as we saw growing demand into peak winter months.
- International traffic remains the driver of increasing passenger numbers, with international volumes up 8.8% compared to Q4 2024.
- Each month saw an increase in passengers vs the same month in 2024. October was ahead 10%, November was ahead 9% and December was 6% ahead.
- As we move into 2026, we continue to be faced with the challenge surrounding both delivery of new aircraft and technical issues with some aircraft types in service.
- 2025 passenger numbers were an all time high for the airport, finishing at 16.98 million, 7.5% ahead of 2024 and 15.1% ahead of 2019 levels.
- We are confident we will see the growing demand trend remain in 2026, therefore we are positive we will be able to continue growing our passenger numbers.

Airline updates:**American Airlines:**

- American have announced that their Philadelphia service will extend from the end of S26 to early January 2027. The service will continue to operate daily on a 787-8 during this period.
- American have announced a new daily JFK service, with flights operating for the full summer season between 8 March and 24 October. This will be operated on an A321XLR aircraft, which is one of the newest aircraft in American Airlines' fleet.

Jet2:

- Jet2 have announced that they will start a new weekly service to Sharm el Sheikh from February 2027, further developing winter sun options for passengers.

easyJet:

- easyJet have announced that they will also start operating a weekly Sharm El Sheikh service, which will start at the start of the W26 season, three months earlier than Jet2.

Air Canada:

- Air Canada have extended the season on Montreal and the route will now start on 3rd June, 3 weeks earlier than 2025.

Pegasus:

- Pegasus increased their 6x weekly SAW service to daily from 20th December.
- This daily operation has also gone on sale for throughout the summer season.

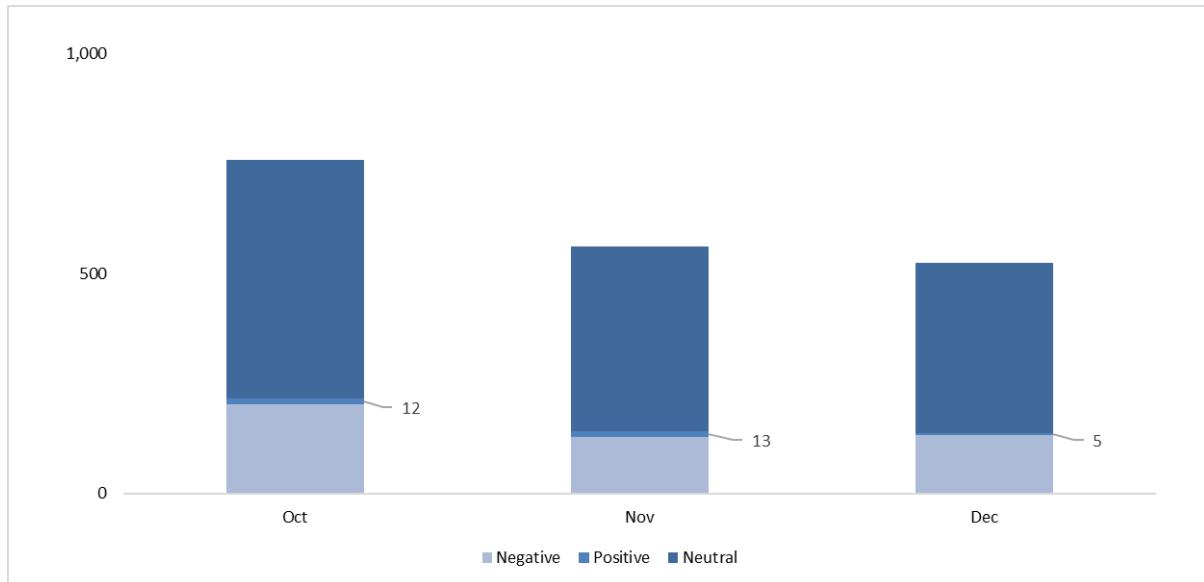
Vueling:

- Vueling have announced a new Bilbao service. This will be operating throughout shoulder months of the summer season, flying 2x weekly on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

7. Passenger satisfaction analysis

7.1 Complaints, compliments, enquiries and suggestions

Received via email, phone call, webform, letter and live chat.

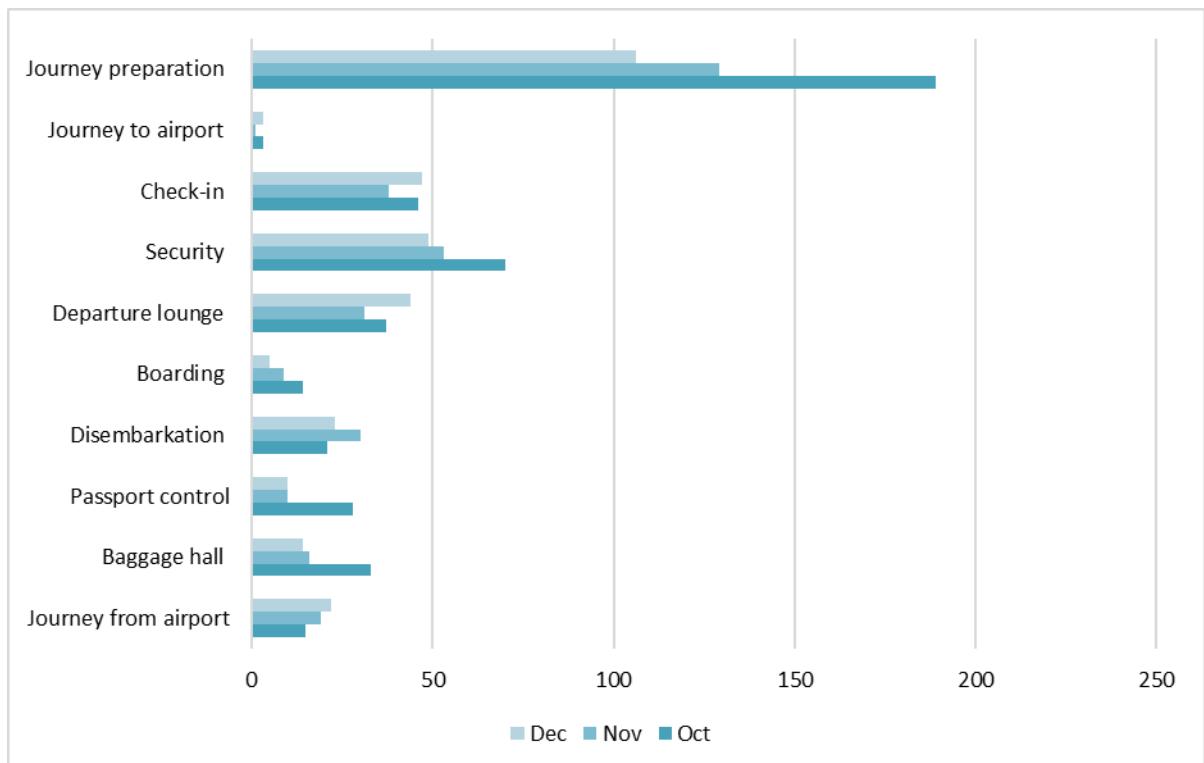


7.1.2 Commentary

	Oct - 25	Nov - 25	Dec- 25	Total Q4 2025	Q4 vs Q3 % Change	Total Q4 2024	Q4 2025 vs Q4 2024 % CHANGE
Complaints	203	129	132	464	-37%	533	-13%
Compliments	12	13	5	30	-33%	24	25%
Neutral	543	419	387	1,349	-35%	1,318	2%
total	758	561	524	1,843	-36%	1,875	-2%

- During Q4 the average satisfaction score was 81.9%,
- Q3 closed with an average of 1.14 complaints per 10,000 passengers.

7.2 Passenger Satisfaction



- In Q4 the area with the most enquiries and feedback is 'journey preparation' as we have seen previously. This is in line with what we would expect as passengers plan their journey prior to traveling to the airport.