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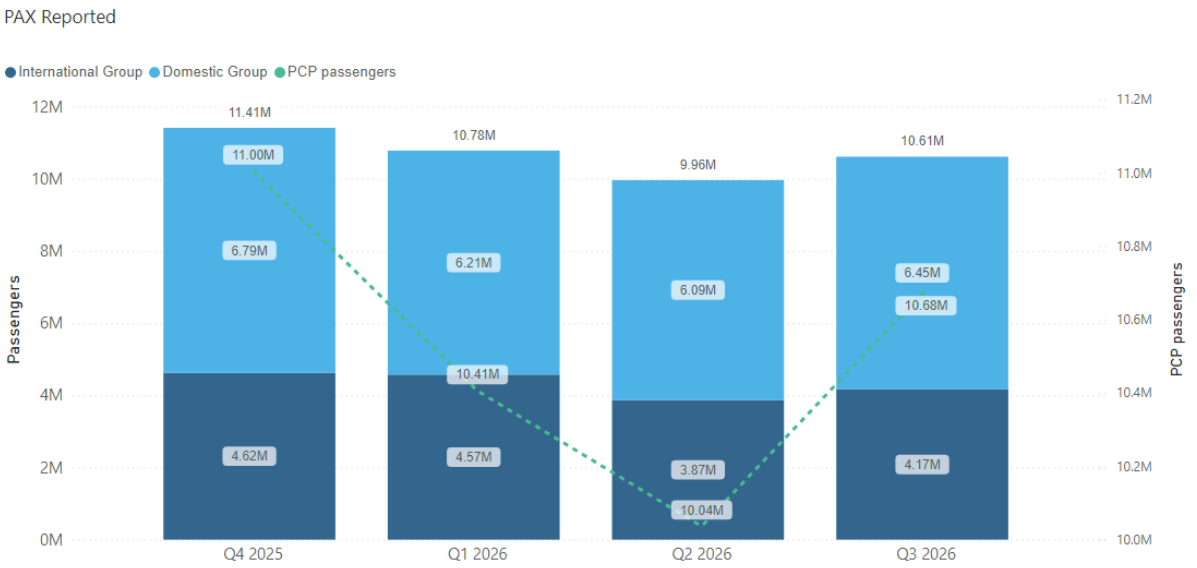
SYDNEY AIRPORT TRAFFIC AND OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE Q3 2026

YTD 2026 (to 31 October): Top 20 Destinations from Sydney Airport					
Rank	**Destination**	**Growth vs YTD 2025**	**Rank**	**Destination**	**Growth vs YTD 2025**
1	Melbourne	-0.1%	**11**	Hobart	0.4%
2	Brisbane	0.5%	**12**	Kuala Lumpur	21.3%
3	Gold Coast	2.9%	**13**	Tokyo	-1.1%
4	Adelaide	0.3%	**14**	Los Angeles	-2.9%
5	Perth	-1.7%	**15**	Seoul	1.9%
6	Singapore	1.9%	**16**	Bali	1.5%
7	Auckland	7.0%	**17**	Nadi	0.5%
8	Hong Kong	12.2%	**18**	Canberra	-10.1%
9	Cairns	-3.5%	**19**	Avalon	-7.5%
10	Sunshine Coast	2.5%	**20**	Guangzhou	28.5%

	Quarterly Performance		**Year-to-date Performance** (to 30 September)	
Passengers[1]	**Q3 26**	**Growth vs Q3 25**	**YTD 2026**	**YTD vs 2025**
Domestic	**6.45m**	**0.7%**	**18.75m**	**0.9%**
International[2]	**4.16m**	**-2.7%**	**12.61m**	**0.5%**
Total	**10.61m**	**-0.7%**	**31.36m**	**0.7%**

Sydney Airport rolling 12 months passenger traffic



Top 10 Nationalities travelling through Sydney Airport Q3 2026[1]					
Rank	**Nationality**	**Growth vs 2025**	**Rank**	**Nationality**	**Growth vs 2025**
1	Australia	3.8%	**6**	United Kingdom	5.5%
2	China	13.6%	**7**	Japan	16.4%
3	New Zealand	0.1%	**8**	India	-3.4%
4	United States of America	7.0%	**9**	Indonesia	7.4%
5	South Korea	-15.4%	**10**	Philippines	-1.3%

Top 20 Destinations from Sydney Airport in Q3 2026[1]					
Rank	**Destination**	**Growth vs 2025**	**Rank**	**Destination**	**Growth vs 2025**
1	Melbourne	2.0%	**11**	Bali	2.0%
2	Brisbane	-0.9%	**12**	Kuala Lumpur	18.5%
3	Gold Coast	-1.9%	**13**	Hobart	-0.6%
4	Adelaide	1.5%	**14**	Los Angeles	-7.2%
5	Perth	2.6%	**15**	Tokyo	-5.2%
6	Singapore	-2.7%	**16**	Seoul	-8.5%
7	Hong Kong	6.9%	**17**	Nadi	1.2%
8	Cairns	-1.0%	**18**	Dubai	-31.8%
9	Auckland	5.6%	**19**	Queenstown	9.8%
10	Sunshine Coast	2.0%	**20**	Canberra	-11.9%

Operational Performance Q3 2026					
	Quarterly Performance			Year-to-date Performance	
	Q3 '26	Q3 '25	Change vs Q3 25	YTD 2026	vs. YTD 2025
Domestic Passengers [2]					
Departure on time performance	76.5%	75.2%	1.3%	77.8%	78.4%
Departure on time performance – first wave[4]	90.5%	90.2%	0.3%	90.6%	92.0%
Arrival taxi times > 30 minutes (+ early arrivals)[5]	-0.5%	-0.1%	-0.4%	-0.4%	-0.1%
Percentage of passengers with security wait time < 10 mins	99.8%	99.9%	-0.1%	99.9%	99.8%
Numbers of days with traffic delays > 10 minutes	4	0	-0.0%	9	0
International Passengers					
Departure on time performance	68.5%	69.3%	-0.9%	69.3%	71.0%
Departure on time performance – first wave [3]	84.7%	83.9%	0.8%	84.7%	84.4%
Arrival taxi times > 30 minutes (+ early arrivals)[5]	4.9%	3.7%	-1.3%	4.9%	3.2%
Percentage of passengers with security wait time <10 mins	99.8%	99.1%	0.6%	99.8%	99.2%
90th Percentile Dwell Time Until Immigration Clearance (minutes)[6]	34mins	35mins	-2.86%	34mins	35mins
Numbers of days with traffic delays > 10 minutes	11	14	-21.4%	35	41

1. International passenger figures and prior corresponding period comparisons are based on airline passenger movement data for inbound and outbound services to international destinations. Figures may include estimates, with any adjustments incorporated into year-to-date results in future months.
2. Includes Domestic-on-Carriage.
3. All data is for arriving and departing international passengers. All data is taken from management accounts, is provisional and subject to revision. All data has been rounded to the nearest thousand and in some instances the total may not be equal to the sum of the parts. Percentage changes have been calculated based on actual figures.
4. The percentage of flights which departed within 0-15 mins of the scheduled off block time. First departure for the day before 9am
5. The airside movement of an aircraft from the moment it touches down on the runway to arriving at the boarding gate.
6. The time it takes for 90% of passengers to clear immigration after they disembark from their flight.

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About Sydney Airport

Sydney Airport is Australia's busiest and well-connected international gateway, with over 50 airlines connecting to more than 100 destinations across Australia and around the world. Just eight kilometres from Sydney's CBD and within easy reach of some of the nation's most iconic attractions, Sydney Airport plays a critical role in supporting tourism, trade, investment and economic growth, while providing seamless access to one of the world's most vibrant and globally connected cities. More than 42 million passengers travel through Sydney Airport each year, supporting around 355,000 jobs and contributing more

than $40 billion annually to the Australian economy. Sydney Airport is investing in the infrastructure, technology and customer experience needed to support more than 72 million passengers a year by 2045. Under Sydney Airport's approved Master Plan 2045, the airport's annual economic contribution is forecast to grow to more than $70 billion, while direct employment at the airport is expected to exceed 105,000 jobs.

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