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A total of 3,421,460 passengers chose to fly with Norwegian in May, 497,863 more than the same period last year. The total traffic growth (RPK) and capacity growth (ASK) both increased by 51 percent. The load factor remained unchanged at 86.5 percent.

“We have increased the capacity considerably compared to the same month last year. On our long-haul routes, the growth has been strongest outside the Nordics. Even with strong capacity growth, the demand is high, demonstrating that our affordable fares, new and more comfortable aircraft and a wide selection of routes attract many new customers,” said CEO of Norwegian, Bjørn Kjos.

“We have been through a long period of strong growth and significant investments, including the establishment of new bases and the training of thousands of new colleagues. Our strategy has been to build a strong, competitive company, and going forward we will reap what we have sown for the benefit of our customers, dedicated staff and shareholders,” Kjos continues.

Norwegian operated 99.2 percent of the scheduled flights in May, of which 77.3 percent departed on time. The on-time performance is influenced by air traffic control strikes in France.

Norwegian’s fleet renewal program continues with full force in 2018. The company took delivery of one Boeing 787-9 Dreamliner and one Boeing 737 MAX 8 in May. In total, Norwegian will take delivery of 11 Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners, 12 Boeing 737 MAX 8 and two Boeing 737 800 aircraft during 2018. With an average age of only 3.7 years, Norwegian’s fleet is one of the world’s “greenest” and most modern.

Please find more information in the attached traffic report.

Norwegian in the UK and Ireland:

- Norwegian carries **5.8 million UK passengers each year** from London Gatwick, Edinburgh and Manchester Airports to **50 destinations worldwide**
- Norwegian is the **third largest airline at London Gatwick**, with 4.6 million yearly passengers, and with more than 1,000 UK-based pilots and cabin crew
- In 2014, Norwegian introduced the **UK’s first low-cost, long haul flights to the U.S.** - the airline now flies to 11 U.S destinations, Buenos Aires and Singapore

- In 2017, Norwegian also launched **affordable transatlantic flights from Edinburgh, Belfast, Dublin, Cork and Shannon** to the US East Coast, using the brand new Boeing 737 MAX aircraft
- Norwegian is the only airline to offer **free inflight WiFi** on UK flights to more than 30 European destinations
- The airline has one of the **youngest aircraft fleets in the world** with an average age of 3.7 years, including next-generation Boeing 787 Dreamliner, Boeing 737 MAX and Boeing 737-800s
- Norwegian has been **voted 'Europe's best low-cost carrier' by passengers** for five consecutive years at SkyTrax World Airline Awards from 2013-2017, along with being awarded the **'World's best low-cost long-haul airline'** in 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Norwegian Reward is the airline's free to join **award-winning loyalty programme** offering members CashPoints and Rewards that reduce the cost of Norwegian flights

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