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Norwegian Group continued record summer with 2.9 million passengers in July

In July, Norwegian had 2,566,235 passengers, which sets a new post-pandemic record for number of passengers in a month. Widerøe's passenger number was 362,337, the highest July figure ever recorded, bringing the group total to 2,928,572. Also, Norwegian announced the first dividend payment in the company's history.

"We are pleased that July continued the good momentum of the summer season. Norwegian recorded the highest monthly passenger number since July 2019. Operational performance remained solid for a peak summer month, despite high traffic volumes and disruptions in European air traffic control. Widerøe also had a strong month, with an increase of almost ten percent in passenger numbers compared with the same period last year. I would like to thank all our colleagues for their commitment and efforts throughout this busy month," said Geir Karlsen, CEO of Norwegian.

Norwegian's capacity (ASK) in July was 4,129 million seat kilometres, up 1 percent from last year. Actual passenger traffic (RPK) for Norwegian was 3,813 million seat kilometres, an increase of 1 percent. The load factor was 92.4 percent, down 0.2 percentage points. Norwegian operated an average of 90 aircraft during July.

Widerøe's capacity (ASK) in July was 200 million seat kilometres, down 0.3 percent from last year. The actual passenger traffic (RPK) for Widerøe was 163 million seat kilometres, while the load factor was 81.4 percent, down 2.2 percentage points.

Norwegian and Widerøe's punctuality, defined as the share of flights departing within 15 minutes of scheduled time, was 73.2 percent and 89.3 percent, respectively. Regularity, measured by the share of scheduled flights taking place, was 99.2 percent for Norwegian and 97.6 percent for Widerøe.

Strong booking momentum and dividend payment

Earlier this summer, Norwegian announced that a dividend would be paid in August. Furthermore, the group's booking momentum continues to be solid going into the last summer month and the autumn.

"We continue to see strong booking momentum heading into autumn. Despite very nice summer weather in the Nordics, our customers remain eager to travel – for both business and leisure – and explore destinations across Europe. In addition, we are thrilled to be approaching the company's first dividend payment in its history, of NOK 0.90 per share, scheduled for payment on 20 August," said Geir Karlsen.

A separate press release on Widerøe's traffic figures is available at the Widerøe media center (In Norwegian only).

About Norwegian

The Norwegian group is a leading Nordic aviation company, headquartered at Fornebu outside Oslo, Norway. The company has over 8,200 employees and owns two of the prominent airlines in the Nordics: Norwegian Air Shuttle and Widerøe's Flyveselskap. Widerøe was acquired by Norwegian in 2024, aiming to facilitate seamless air travel across the two airline's networks.

Norwegian Air Shuttle, the largest Norwegian airline with around 4,700 employees, operates an extensive route network connecting Nordic countries to key European destinations. In 2024, Norwegian carried 22,6 million passengers and maintained a fleet of 86 Boeing 737-800 and 737 MAX 8 aircraft.

Widerøe's Flyveselskap, Norway's oldest airline, is Scandinavia's largest regional carrier. The airline has more than 3,500 employees. Mainly operating the short-runway airports in rural Norway, Widerøe operates several state contract routes (PSO routes) in addition to its own commercial network. In 2024, the airline had 3.8 million passengers and a fleet of 49 aircraft, including 46 Bombardier Dash 8's and three Embraer E190-E2's. Widerøe Ground Handling provides ground handling services at 41 Norwegian airports.

The Norwegian group has sustainability as a key priority and has committed to significantly reducing carbon emissions from its operations. Among numerous initiatives, the most noteworthy is the investment in production and use of fossil-free aviation fuel (SAF). Norwegian strives to become the sustainable choice for its passengers, actively contributing to the transformation of the aviation industry.

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