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Norwegian reports 15 per cent passenger growth in April

Norwegian carried more than 2.6 million passengers in April, an increase of 15 per cent compared to the same month last year. The figures are positively influenced by Easter traffic.

A total of 2,638,229 passengers chose to fly with Norwegian in April, 336,188 more than the same period last year. The total traffic growth (RPK) increased by 22 per cent, while the capacity growth (ASK) increased by 19 per cent. The load factor was 86.6 per cent, up 2.1 percentage points. The figures are influenced by the fact that Easter was in April this year (March last year).

Norwegian CEO Bjørn Kjos said: "We are very pleased to see that more passengers chose to fly Norwegian. Our international growth continues, in line with the company's global strategy, enabling us to create more jobs."

Norwegian operated 99.4 per cent of the scheduled flights in April, whereof 78.5 per cent departed on time.

Norwegian's fleet renewal program continues with full force in 2017. The company took delivery of two Boeing 737-800s in April. This year, Norwegian will take delivery of 9 Boeing 787-9 Dreamliners, 17 Boeing 737-800 and 6 Boeing 737 MAX 8. With an average age of only 3.6 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:

- Norwegian carries 5.2 million UK passengers each year from London Gatwick, Edinburgh, Birmingham 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 800 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 7 U.S destinations with fares from just £139 one way
- 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 3.6 years, including next-generation Boeing 787 Dreamliners and Boeing 737-800s
- Norwegian has been voted 'Europe's best low-cost carrier' by passengers for four consecutive years at SkyTrax World Airline Awards from 2013-2016, along with being awarded the 'World's best low-cost long-haul airline' in both 2015 and 2016

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