

VIRGIN AUSTRALIA HOLDINGS LIMITED (ASX:VAH)**Preliminary Operating Statistics
March 2013****SUMMARY OF OPERATING STATISTICS****Domestic Operations**

Available Seat Kilometres increased by 3.1%, Revenue Passenger Kilometres increased by 0.2% and Revenue Load Factor decreased by 2.1 points on the prior corresponding period. This reflects the strategic deployment of additional Airbus 330 aircraft on transcontinental routes, contributing to growth in Available Seat Kilometres and Revenue Passenger Kilometres.

For the first time in six months the trend in yield growth has reversed with yields for the month of March 2013 higher than the prior corresponding period.

International Operations

International operations achieved passenger growth of 2.7% on Available Seat Kilometre growth of 3.1% for year-to-date March 2013 and Revenue Load Factor of 79.0% down from 79.3% on the prior corresponding period.

Available Seat Kilometre growth for the month of March was 12.7% higher than the prior corresponding period due to reduced flying between Sydney and Abu Dhabi in March 2012 as a result of aircraft maintenance requirements.

VIRGIN AUSTRALIA HOLDINGS OPERATING STATISTICS – MARCH

		Month			Financial Year to Date (Year ending 30 June 2013)		
		Mar-13	Mar-12	Change	YTD Mar-13	YTD Mar-12	Change
DOMESTIC	Passengers Carried	1,400,494	1,448,160	(3.3%)	12,693,798	12,714,681	(0.2%)
	Revenue Passenger Kilometres (millions)	1,624	1,620	0.2%	14,801	14,418	2.7%
	Available Seat Kilometres (millions)	2,197	2,131	3.1%	19,416	18,105	7.2%
	Revenue Load Factor	73.9%	76.0%	(2.1pt)	76.2%	79.6%	(3.4pt)

INTERNATIONAL	Passengers Carried	191,164	191,675	(0.3%)	1,937,349	1,886,371	2.7%
	Available Seat Kilometres (millions)	1,341	1,190	12.7%	11,930	11,574	3.1%
	Revenue Load Factor	74.6%	75.6%	(1.0pt)	79.0%	79.3%	(0.3pt)

TOTAL NETWORK	Passengers Carried	1,591,658	1,639,835	(2.9%)	14,631,147	14,601,052	0.2%
	Available Seat Kilometres (millions)	3,538	3,321	6.5%	31,346	29,679	5.6%
	Revenue Load Factor	74.2%	75.8%	(1.6pt)	77.6%	79.5%	(1.9pt)

Notes:

- (1) Monthly operating statistics are issued on a preliminary basis and are subject to change. Any adjustments made will flow through to the year to date results.
- (2) RPKs means number of paying passengers carried multiplied by the number of kilometres flown on VA operated flights
- (3) ASKs means total number of seats available for passengers multiplied by the number of kilometres flown on VA operated flights
- (4) Revenue Load Factor means RPKs as a percentage of ASKs. International and Total Network Revenue Load Factor metrics include Virgin Australia and International Alliance Partner ASK and RPK data on our revenue-share routes with International Alliance Partners Air New Zealand and Delta Air Lines.

News Summary

11 April: Virgin Australia Holdings Limited (Virgin Australia) is pleased to announce today that it has completed the acquisition of 100% of the issued share capital in Skywest Airlines Ltd through a scheme of arrangement (the Scheme) governed by the laws of Singapore.

11 April: Virgin Australia announced the appointment of Merren McArthur to the newly created role of Group Executive, Virgin Australia Regional Airlines.

18 April: Velocity Frequent Flyer today announced it will transform the program's membership card by adding a brand new side to it: the Global Wallet™. In partnership with Visa, the Global Wallet™ has been designed as the ultimate prepaid travel money card, conveniently located on one side of the new-look Velocity Frequent Flyer membership card.

18 April: Air New Zealand and Virgin Australia announced today that they will become the first airlines to offer a direct service between Perth and the New Zealand city of Christchurch in over 20 years.

22 April: Air New Zealand and Virgin Australia boost trans-Tasman capacity to Queenstown during ski season

23 April: Virgin Australia today welcomed the ACCC's decision not to oppose Virgin Australia's proposed acquisition of 60 per cent of the existing share in Tiger Airways Australia Pty Ltd (Tiger Australia).

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