

List of the busiest airports in Australia

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This is a **list of the busiest airports in Australia** by passenger traffic and aircraft movements.



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Top 11 By passenger traffic 1985-2008

This is a list of the busiest airports in Australia by passenger traffic compiled by the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics. All passenger numbers are listed in thousands.^[1]

Rank	Airport	Location	IATA	1985-86	1990-91	1995-96	2000-01	2005-06	2007-08
1	 Sydney Airport	Sydney, New South Wales	SYD	9 497	12 361	19 878	25 814	28 996	32 701
2	 Melbourne Airport	Melbourne, Victoria	MEL	6 476	8 346	12 972	16 881	21 041	23 943
3	 Brisbane Airport	Brisbane, Queensland	BNE	3 457	5 246	9 236	12 467	16 016	18 298
4	 Perth Airport	Perth, Western Australia	PER	1 939	2 508	4 145	5 162	7 005	8 952
5	 Adelaide Airport	Adelaide, South Australia	ADL	2 082	2 461	3 743	4 443	5 767	6 619
6	 Gold Coast Airport	Gold Coast, Queensland	OOL	795	1 124	2 044	1 948	3 515	4 323
7	 Cairns Airport	Cairns, Queensland	CNS	578	1 288	2 595	2 891	3 731	3 777
8	 Canberra International Airport	Canberra, Australian Capital Territory	CBR	1 008	1 124	1 750	2 108	2 550	2 853
9	 Hobart International Airport	Hobart, Tasmania	HBA	506	590	850	974	1 606	1 758

10	 Darwin International Airport	Darwin, Northern Territory	DRW	407	496	932	1 078	1 219	1 562
11	 Townsville Airport	Townsville, Queensland	TSV	1030	542	662	811	1 161	1 366

Note: Avalon Airport has not been included in this table, however traffic at Avalon is expected to be at approximately 1.4 million per annum^[2] placing it at the 11th position after Darwin International Airport.

Top 11 By aircraft movements 2007-08

This is a list of the busiest airports in Australia by aircraft movements compiled by Airservices Australia.^[3]

Rank	Airport	Location	IATA	2007-08
1	 Jandakot Airport	Perth, Western Australia	JAD	368,070
2	 Bankstown Airport	Sydney, New South Wales	BWU	367,170
3	 Moorabbin Airport	Melbourne, Victoria	MBW	335,582
4	 Sydney Airport	Sydney, New South Wales	SYD	298,322
5	 Parafield Airport	Adelaide, South Australia	PAL	231,430
6	 Melbourne Airport	Melbourne, Victoria	MEL	193,826
7	 Brisbane Airport	Brisbane, Queensland	BNE	177,028
8	 Archerfield Airport	Brisbane, Queensland	---	135,272
9	 Gold Coast Airport	Gold Coast, Queensland	OOL	125,730
10	 Perth Airport	Perth, Western Australia	PER	114,492
11	 Adelaide Airport	Adelaide, South Australia	ADL	105,878

Top 45 Airports by passenger traffic 2008-2009

This list is compiled from the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics.^[4] Note: data not available for Avalon Airport.

Rank	Airport	Location	2007-08	2008-09
1	Sydney Airport	Sydney, New South Wales	32 700 984	32 345 879
2	Melbourne Airport	Melbourne, Victoria	23 943 342	24 448 326
3	Brisbane Airport	Brisbane, Queensland	18 297 730	18 720 931
4	Perth Airport	Perth, Western Australia	8 932 069	9 359 248
5	Adelaide Airport	Adelaide, South Australia	6 619 267	6 784 137

6	Gold Coast Airport	Gold Coast, Queensland	4 323 355	4 618 543
7	Cairns Airport	Cairns, Queensland	3 777 154	3 653 544
8	Canberra International Airport	Canberra, Australian Capital Territory	2 853 480	3 061 859
9	Hobart International Airport	Hobart, Tasmania	1 758 241	1 869 262
10	Darwin International Airport	Darwin, Northern Territory	1 562 216	1 538 938
11	Townsville Airport	Townsville, Queensland	1 365 959	1 435 568
12	Newcastle Airport	Newcastle, New South Wales	1 065 972	1 172 938
13	Launceston Airport	Launceston, Tasmania	1 106 375	1 126 572
14	Mackay Airport	Mackay, Queensland	837 416	946 318
15	Sunshine Coast Airport	Sunshine Coast, Queensland	919 393	916 845
16	Rockhampton Airport	Rockhampton, Queensland	690 242	725 015
17	Alice Springs Airport	Alice Springs, Northern Territory	627 425	674 215
18	Karratha Airport	Karatha, Western Australia	389 406	486 582
19	Hamilton Island Airport	Hamilton Island, Queensland	463 845	434 305
20	Broome Airport	Broome, Western Australia	360 652	391 914
21	Ballina Airport	Ballina, New South Wales	318 385	334 190
22	Coffs Harbour Airport	Coffs Harbour, New South Wales	337 698	321 678
23	Ayers Rock Airport	Ayers Rock, Northern Territory	361 966	317 311
24	Albury Airport	Albury, New South Wales	247 144	282 451
25	Kalgoorlie-Boulder Airport	Kalgoorlie, Western Australia	255 957	234 269
26	Proserpine Airport	Proserpine, Queensland	265 643	231 399
27	Wagga Wagga Airport	Wagga Wagga, New South Wales	225 394	209 279
28	Port Hedland International Airport	Port Hedland, Western Australia	196 252	208 359
29	Hervey Bay Airport	Hervey Bay, Queensland	210 740	201 359
30	Gladstone Airport	Gladstone, Queensland	200 611	192 878
31	Port Macquarie Airport	Port Macquarie, New South Wales	142 380	189 279
32	Mildura Airport	Mildura, Victoria	170 146	187 690
33	Newman Airport	Newman, Western Australia	135 987	176 559
34	Mount Isa Airport	Mount Isa, Queensland	186 679	173 491
35	Dubbo Airport	Dubbo, New South Wales	198 883	173 032
36	Port Lincoln Airport	Port Lincoln, South Australia	149 544	148 435
37	Paraburdoo Airport	Paraburdoo, Western Australia	114 157	130 298
38	Gove Airport	Gove, Northern Territory	130 737	125 147
39	Emerald Airport	Emerald, Queensland	106 758	119 932
40	Tamworth Airport	Tamworth, New South Wales	107 312	116 669
41	Bundaberg Airport	Bundaberg, Queensland	116 572	114 715

42	Devonport Airport	Devonport, Tasmania	98 706	114 514
43	Geraldton Airport	Geraldton, Western Australia	103 455	99 479
44	Mount Gambier Airport	Mount Gambier, South Australia	115 365	98 247
45	Armidale Airport	Armidale, New South Wales	95 273	95 559

See also

- Busiest airports in Europe by passenger traffic
- List of the largest airports in the Nordic countries
- List of airports in Australia

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