

JAL Group Traffic Forecast During New Year Vacation Period

Tokyo December 19, 2008: Japan Airlines (JAL) has forecast a total of 398,387 international passenger reservations on JAL Group airlines during the Japanese New Year period, from December 26, 2008 to January 4, 2009. It is an estimated 6.6% decrease in the number of international passenger reservations during the vacation period amidst the current economic climate and with the overall international seat capacity 4.8% down against the same period last year following continuous network restructuring. The forecast international seat load factor is 77.8%.

When compared to the same period last year, the forecast number of passenger bookings to Korea is expected to increase by 3.1%. This leads to a forecast improvement in the seat load factor on the Korea route from 86.4% to 89.7%. Also estimated to increase versus previous year are the seat load factors for Honolulu, Taiwan and China by 2.9%, 0.6% and 1.1% respectively.

The JAL Group will operate additional 71 flights to vacation destinations such as Guam, Hawaii, Fairbanks, Hong Kong and Palau to name a few.

For domestic Japan routes over the festive season, JAL has forecast that seat supply, measured in available seats, will be 0.2% up versus the same period last year. In terms of the total number of domestic passenger bookings, the airline expects 1,174,634 reservations, 1.9% down on last year with the load factor of 63.1%.

JAL Group plans to operate an additional 114 flights to meet the demand on popular domestic Japan routes such as Tokyo – Sapporo, and Tokyo – Kagoshima.

Looking at both international and domestic operations over the New Year period, JAL has forecast that seat supply will be 1% down while passenger booking numbers will be 3.2% down, resulting in an overall decrease in seat load factor by 2.2 points.

Forecast JAL Group International Reservations (Japan departures)				December 26, 2008 to January 4, 2009.
JAL/JAZ Routes	Available Seat % Change on 2007	Passenger Total	% Pax Change on 2007	Seat load factor %
Hawaii	-11.4	54,385	-8.9	93.7%
Transpacific	-7.1	33,457	-7.9	89.9%
Europe	-6.9	31,230	-8.1	72.2%
S.E. Asia	+2.2	101,934	-5.7	79.4%
Oceania	-19.6	12,339	-33.4	77.8%
Guam/ Saipan	-3.0	17,754	-4.8	93.7%
Korea	-1.2	59,536	+3.1	89.7%
China	-4.4	53,681	-3.3	53.0%
Taiwan	-10.8	34,071	-10.2	80.2%
TOTAL	-4.8	398,387	-6.6	77.8

(JAZ=JALways)

ASK = Available Seat Kilometers



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Forecast JAL Group Domestic Reservations				December 26, 2008 to January 4, 2009.
	Available Seat % Change on 2007	Passenger Total	% Pax Change on 2007	Seat load factor %
JAL / JEX	+0.1	1,040,165	-2.7	63.6
JTA	+0.1	84,661	+6.8	73.2
RAC	+11.1	8,514	+10.3	62.3
JAC	-1.3	38,284	-0.7	43.8
HAC	+20.2	3,010	-14.0	37.0
TOTAL	+0.2	1,174,634	-1.9	63.1

JEX=JAL Express; JTA=Japan Transocean Air; RAC=Ryukyu Air Commuter; JAC=Japan Air Commuter; HAC=Hokkaido Air System

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