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### QUEENSLAND AIRPORTS LIMITED 2008 PASSENGER MOVEMENTS

The three airports owned and operated by Queensland Airports Ltd (QAL) at Gold Coast, Townsville and Mount Isa achieved above average growth for passenger movements for the 2008 year.

“This growth was achieved largely in the first half of the year,” QAL Managing Director Dennis Chant said.

“As with other airports worldwide, our airports experienced more difficult conditions during the second half of the year but it is pleasing to see that they have mostly stayed in positive territory.”

The QAL group recorded 532,952 passengers in December, an increase of 4.13% compared to December 2007. Specifically the following passenger movements recorded at the three QAL owned airports during December 2008 and for the calendar year are as follows:

Airport	December 2008		2008 calendar year	
	Passengers	Growth (compared to Dec 07)	Passengers	Growth (compared to Dec 07)
Gold Coast	389,170	3.87%	4,499,554	14.89%
(Domestic) (International)	(339,730) (49,440)	(-2.45%) (87.38%)		
Townsville	129,693	5.69%	1,531,101	7.97%
Mount Isa	14,089	-2.63%	198,421	9.16%
QAL Group	532,952	4.13%	6,229,076	12.92%

“The Gold Coast Airport continues to see a positive increase in international passenger figures, attributed to the new Jetstar services to Tokyo and the Air Pacific service to Fiji, both of which started in December.

“Together with the existing AirAsia X flights to Malaysia, Jetstar flights to Osaka, Air New Zealand services to the Pacific and New Zealand and Pacific Blue flights to New Zealand, we are very pleased with the strong increase in international passenger movements through this port,” Mr Chant said.

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