



Changi Airport hosted its one billionth passenger during the month; Twelve-month cargo throughput crosses 2-million tonnes for first time

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## Operating Indicators for April 2017

**SINGAPORE, 29 May 2017** – Singapore Changi Airport handled 5.17 million passenger movements in April, a 7.8% year-on-year increase. Aircraft movements were 3.8% higher at 30,570 landings and takeoffs, while cargo shipments grew 4.4% to reach 171,720 tonnes, compared to the same period last year.

Passenger traffic for the month of April was boosted by growth across all regions except for the African region. Nine out of Changi's top 20 country markets registered double-digit growth, including India (+16%), Indonesia

(+16%) and Malaysia (11%).

### ***One billion passengers handled since opening***

In April 2017, Changi Airport registered its one billionth passenger since its opening on 1 July 1981. Since then, three terminals have opened – Terminal 1 (in 1981), Terminal 2 (in 1990) and Terminal 3 (in 2008), while Terminal 4 will open in the second half of this year. Changi Airport’s passenger traffic has risen steadily on an annual basis – it handled over 20 million passengers per annum (mppa) in 1994, 30 mppa in 2004, 40 mppa in 2010, 50 mppa in 2012 and is on track to achieve 60 mppa in 2017. The Singapore air hub has also grown with the rise in passenger traffic – in 1981, 34 airlines operated to 67 cities; today, about 120 airlines link Singapore to more than 380 cities globally.

### ***Two million tonnes of cargo in past 12 months***

Changi Airport handled more than two million tonnes of airfreight (+7%) for the 12 months ending April 2017, a new record in the airport’s history. Growth was across all flows – imports, exports and transshipment. Changi’s key airfreight segments include aerospace parts, perishables, pharmaceuticals, and e-commerce cargo. In January 2017, Changi Airport became the first air cargo community in Asia Pacific to establish an end-to-end supply chain that meets the IATA CEIV Pharma<sup>[1]</sup> standards, ensuring a high handling standard of pharmaceutical cargo passing through the airport.

Changi Airport’s traffic statistics are available at

<http://www.changiairport.com/corporate/about-us/traffic-statistics.html>.

### **Other highlights at Changi\***

**New Services** – On 27 April, VietJet launched a new daily service to Hanoi. Currently, seven carriers connect Singapore to three cities (Da Nang, Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City) in Vietnam.

**New Restaurants & Stores at Terminal 3** – In the public areas at Basement 2, *Ya Kun Family Café* has re-opened, this time with the addition of Beard Papa, renowned for its cream puffs.

In the transit areas, Terminal 3 has two new F&B openings – Australian coffee chain *Hudsons Coffee* and British sandwich chain *Pret a Manger*. This is *Hudsons Coffee*'s first store outside of Australia, and *Pret a Manger*'s first presence in Singapore. Inspired by local flavours, both outlets have special items on their menu such as pandan cake and coconut-flavoured coffee. For the shopping fans, *Hugo Boss* and *Victoria's Secret* have also opened their second and third Changi Airport stores respectively.

[\[1\]](#) International Air Transport Association's (IATA) Center of Excellence for Independent Validators on Pharmaceutical Handling

\* For the period 16 April to 15 May 2017

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### ***About Changi Airport Group***

Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte Ltd (CAG) ([www.changiairportgroup.com](http://www.changiairportgroup.com)) was formed on 16 June 2009 and the corporatisation of Singapore Changi Airport (IATA: SIN, ICAO: WSSS) followed on 1 July 2009. As the company managing Changi Airport, CAG undertakes key functions focusing on airport operations and management, air hub development, commercial activities and airport emergency services. CAG also manages Seletar Airport (IATA: XSP, ICAO: WSSL) and through its subsidiary Changi Airports International, invests in and manages foreign airports.

Changi Airport is the world's sixth busiest airport for international traffic. It served a record 58.7 million passengers from around the globe in 2016. More than 360 retail stores and 140 F&B outlets are situated across three terminals to cater to passengers and visitors. With over 100 airlines providing connectivity to 380 cities worldwide, Changi Airport handles about 7,000 flights every week, or about one every 90 seconds.