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**SKYWEST AIRLINES LTD**  
**("Skywest" or "the Company")**

**OCTOBER 2009 AIRLINE PASSENGER OPERATING STATISTICS**

**Charter Services Increase by 23.68%, Load Factor continues to rise**

Skywest, the Australian and South East Asia regional airline, is pleased to announce its network operating statistics for the month of October 2009.

The Number of Charter Services increased by 23.68% to 235 while Passenger Numbers for the month decreased by 8.39% over the previous year.

Skywest Traffic, measured by Revenue Passenger Kilometres, decreased by 6.25%, while capacity, measured by Available Seat Kilometres decreased by 14.88% over the same period.

Load Factor increased by 5.29% to 57.45% compared to the previous year, load factor does not include Charter Passengers. Skywest Charter traffic, which is measured by Charter Available Seat Kilometres, increased by 17.27%.

	Month of October		
	October-09	October-08	Change
RPT Passengers Carried ('000s)	32	35	-8.39%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres ('000s) (RPT)	26,257	28,008	-6.25%
Available Seat Kilometres ('000s) (RPT)	45,706	53,696	-14.88%
Load Factor %	57.45%	52.16%	5.29%
Available Seat Kilometres ('000s) (Charter)	52,027	44,366	17.27%
Charter Services	235	190	23.68%
Average Aircraft in Fleet	14	14	

	Financial Year to Date		
	2009/10	2008/09	Change
RPT Passengers Carried ('000s)	125	139	-9.91%
Revenue Passenger Kilometres ('000s)	104,108	117,205	-11.17%
Available Seat Kilometres ('000s)	181,781	211,537	-14.07%
Load Factor %	57.27%	55.41%	1.86%
Available Seat Kilometres ('000s) (Charter)	216,065	167,912	28.68%
Charter Services	952	748	27.36%
Average Aircraft in Fleet	14	13	

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. Passengers Carried refers to Regular Passenger Transport (RPT) passengers and therefore excludes charter passengers
3. RPKs refers to the number of paying passengers carried multiplied by the number of kilometres flown
4. ASKs refers to the number of seats available for sale to public passengers multiplied by the number of kilometres flown
5. Load factor is RPKs divided by ASKs

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