

BRITISH AIRWAYS PLC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

FURNISHED PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

5 August 2005

BRITISH AIRWAYS Plc

(Registrant's Name)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

BRITISH AIRWAYS Plc

By: /s/ _____

Name: Alan Buchanan

Title: Company Secretary

Date 5 August 2005

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Exhibit No.	Description
1.	Traffic and Capacity Statistics for July 2005

TRAFFIC AND CAPACITY STATISTICS - July 2005

Summary of the headline figures

In July 2005, passenger capacity, measured in Available Seat Kilometres, was 2.4 per cent above July 2004. Traffic, measured in Revenue Passenger Kilometres, was higher by 4.2 per cent. This resulted in a passenger load factor up 1.4 points versus last year, to 81.1 per cent, a record for July. The increase in traffic comprised a 6.8 per cent increase in premium traffic and a 3.8 per cent increase in non-premium traffic. Cargo, measured in Cargo Tonne Kilometres, fell by 3 per cent. Overall load factor fell by 0.1 points at 72.5 per cent.

Market conditions

Record passenger loads in July indicate that the short term impact of the London bombings was not material although it is too early to say what the long term impact will be. When taken together with the uncertain economic outlook and volatility in both fuel prices and the US Dollar exchange rate, accurate forecasting is even more of a challenge than usual.

Passengers carried (000)

UK/Europe	2280 311	-1.3	8367	8541	-2.0
Americas	693 683	+1.4	2630	2603	+1.0
Asia Pacific	176 148	+18.4	606	533	+13.7
Africa and Middle East	259 263	-1.7	959	971	-1.2
Total	3408 406	+0.1	12562	12648	-0.7

Revenue passenger km (m)

UK/Europe	2152 112	+2.1	7817	7661	+2.0
Americas	4674 577	+2.0	17635	17384	+1.4
Asia Pacific	1806 521	+18.7	6233	5489	+13.6
Africa and Middle East	1735 742	-0.4	6428	6444	-0.2
Total	10369 952	+4.2	38113	36978	+3.1

Available seat km (m)

UK/Europe	2826 757	+2.5	11033	10599	+4.1
Americas	5552 471	+1.5	21569	21387	+0.8
Asia Pacific	2234 004	+11.5	8318	7691	+8.1
Africa and Middle East	2174 248	-3.3	8539	8872	-3.8
Total	12786 481	+2.4	49458	48549	+1.9

Passenger load factor (%)

UK/Europe	76.3 6.6	-0.3pts	70.8	72.3	-1.5pts
Americas	84.1 3.7	+0.4pts	81.8	81.3	+0.5pts
Asia Pacific	80.8 5.9	+4.9pts	74.9	71.4	+3.5pts
Africa and Middle East	79.8 7.5	+2.3pts	75.3	72.6	+2.7pts
Total	81.1 9.7	+1.4pts	77.1	76.2	+0.9pts

Revenue tonne km (RTK) (m)

Cargo tonne km (CTK)	406 419	-3.0	1591	1630	-2.4
Total RTK	1440 413	+1.9	5386	5312	+1.4
Available tonne km (m)	1985 946	+2.0	7710	7588	+1.6
Overall load factor (%)	72.5 2.6	-0.1pts	69.9	70.0	-0.1pts

Certain statements included in this statement may be forward-looking and may involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements.

Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, projections relating to results of operations and financial conditions and the company's plans and objectives for future operations, including, without limitation, discussions of the company's business and financing plans, expected future revenues and expenditures and divestments. All forward-looking statements in this report are based upon information known to the company on the date of this report. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

It is not reasonably possible to itemise all of the many factors and specific events that could cause the company's forward-looking statements to be incorrect or that could otherwise have a material adverse effect on the future operations or results of an airline operating in the global economy.

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