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Executive Summary

Aircraft Movements (No.)

Airport/Airstrip	July			Cumulative to-date		
	2017	2018	Change	2017/2018	2018/2019	Change
Jomo Kenyatta Int. Airport	9,274	9,816	5.8%	9,274	9,816	5.8%
Moi Int. Airport	2,008	2,332	16.1%	2,008	2,332	16.1%
Eldoret Int. Airport	733	803	9.5%	733	803	9.5%
Wilson Airport	10,092	9,612	-4.8%	10,092	9,612	-4.8%
Kisumu Int. Airport	691	951	37.6%	691	951	37.6%
Malindi Airport	831	1,209	45.5%	831	1,209	45.5%
Lokichoggio Airport	179	163	-8.9%	179	163	-8.9%
Wajir Airport	1,022	919	-10.1%	1,022	919	-10.1%
Manda Airstrip	443	526	18.7%	443	526	18.7%
Ukunda Airstrip	806	956	18.6%	806	956	18.6%
Isiolo Airport	61	40	-34.4%	61	40	-34.4%
Other Airstrips**	1,039	628	-39.6%	1,039	628	-39.6%
Total	27,179	27,955	2.9%	27,179	27,955	2.9%

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The first month of the current fiscal year recorded a 2.9% increase in the number of aircraft movements when compared to the traffic attained same month last year. Thus, the movements increased from 27,179 to 27,955.

In absolute numbers, much of the increase was attributable to the main hubs of JKIA and MIA. The former benefited from enhanced frequencies by scheduled carriers as well as charter operations and the former registered new charters serving the tourist market. Additionally, Malindi airport witnessed a build-up of training flights.

On the other hand, Wilson airport registered a decline in test training flights while Isiolo suffered from stoppage of scheduled by Fly SAX. Lokichoggio Airport continued to handle declining flight operations.

In the first month of the year beginning July 2018, the number of flights decreased by 2.9% when compared to the traffic registered same month in the previous year.

Passenger Throughput (No.)

Airport/Airstrip	July			Cumulative		
	2017	2018	Change	2017/2018	2018/2019	Change
Jomo Kenyatta Int. Airport	711,195	753,648	6.0%	711,195	753,648	6.0%
Moi Int. Airport	114,935	118,145	2.8%	114,935	118,145	2.8%
Eldoret Int. Airport	21,783	21,461	-1.5%	21,783	21,461	-1.5%
Wilson Airport	57,056	80,243	40.6%	57,056	80,243	40.6%
Kisumu Int. Airport	34,025	42,222	24.1%	34,025	42,222	24.1%
Malindi Airport	13,816	14,791	7.1%	13,816	14,791	7.1%
Lokichoggio Airport	421	310	-26.4%	421	310	-26.4%
Wajir Airport	7,919	10,930	38.0%	7,919	10,930	38.0%
Manda Airstrip	8,004	10,533	31.6%	8,004	10,533	31.6%
Ukunda Airstrip	11,759	17,348	47.5%	11,759	17,348	47.5%
Isiolo Airport	301	69	-77.1%	301	69	-77.1%
Other Airstrips**	11,319	7,846	-30.7%	11,319	7,846	-30.7%
Total	992,533	1,077,546	8.6%	992,533	1,077,546	8.6%

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The number of passengers served at the airports increased by about 8.6% from the number registered in July last year to reach 1,077,546. The increase was more pronounced at the main hubs of JKIA and MIA and the coastal stations. Wilson Airport also recorded a significant growth largely impacted on by the leisure activities in the Maasai Mara.

As has been the case in the recent past, the continued good performance of the budget carriers namely Silverstone Air Services, Fly540 COM, Skyward Aviation and Fly SAX boosted the passenger numbers on the domestic sector.

International traffic benefited from a growth in leisure and business related activities that led to enhanced frequencies of existing legacy carriers' as well new scheduled operators and tourist charter airlines in the major airports.

The year beginning July 2018 posted a growth of 8.6% in passenger throughput when compared to the traffic registered same month in the previous year.

Cargo Throughput (Kgs)

Airport/Airstrip	July			Cumulative		
	2017	2018	Change	2017/2018	2018/2019	Change
Jomo Kenyatta Int. Airport	28,935,061.0	24,213,154.0	-16.3%	28,935,061	24,213,154	-16.3%
Moi Int. Airport	281,177.0	209,398.0	-25.5%	281,177	209,398	-25.5%
Eldoret Int. Airport	1,015,811.0	925,200.0	-8.9%	1,015,811	925,200	-8.9%
Wilson Airport	190,235.0	218,510.0	14.9%	190,235	218,510	14.9%
Kisumu Int. Airport	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malindi Airport	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lokichoggio Airport	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wajir Airport	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manda Airstrip	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukunda Airstrip	-	-	-	-	-	-
Isiolo Airport	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Airstrips**	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	30,422,284.0	25,566,262.0	-16.0%	30,422,284	25,566,262	-16.0%

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The amount of cargo handled by the airports in July this year was estimated to have constricted by about 16.0% from 30,422.3 tons last year to 25,566.3 tons same month this year. The three main cargo handling airports all recorded drops in cargo volumes.

Based on the returns from the transit shades, there was JKIA recorded lower transit cargo as well as export cargo. Additionally MIA handled less imports particularly from Europe and Middle East. EIA also handled less imports of mixed merchandise from the Middle East. Wilson Airport was estimated to have a slight increase of cargo traffic based on the number of aircraft movements over the period. Lokichoggio and Malindi airports did not handle any cargo in the month under review.

The year beginning July 2018 posted a decline of 16.0% in cargo volumes when compared to the traffic registered same month in the previous year.

Traffic Performance by Airport- July 2018

A: Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA)

Passengers and Aircraft Movements

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
Europe	Amsterdam	20,703	13,523	6,218	40,444	69	132	201
	Brussels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	London	17,089	10,105	6,979	34,173	65	89	154
	Paris	12,073	5,433	6,304	23,810	52	60	112
	Zurich	6,071	2,938	2,180	11,189	26	27	53
	Other Europe	14,249	12,370	355	26,974	64	118	182
	Total Europe	70,185	44,369	22,036	136,590	276	426	702
Middle East	Dubai	33,360	23,779	8,084	65,223	124	127	251
	Jeddah	2,360	1,000	555	3,915	35	53	88
	Other Middle East	30,701	21,679	3,788	56,168	185	197	382
	Total Middle East	66,421	46,458	12,427	125,306	344	377	721
Far East	Mumbai	8,571	2,664	5,616	16,851	63	63	126
	Bangkok	7,151	1,579	4,322	13,052	32	31	63
	Other Far East	2,635	568	1,847	5,050	16	15	31
	Total Far East	18,357	4,811	11,785	34,953	111	109	220
East & Central Africa	Addis Ababa	22,414	15,975	3,729	42,118	181	177	358
	Bujumbura	3,318	1,484	2,130	6,932	50	50	100
	Dar-Es-alaam	12,191	6,284	5,696	24,171	190	188	378
	Entebbe	19,118	9,565	9,787	38,470	388	363	751
	Kigali	7,257	4,511	2,641	14,409	118	119	237
	Kinshasa	2,999	441	1,207	4,647	47	20	67
	Other East & Central Africa	8,844	2,741	8,817	20,402	232	252	484
	Total East & Central Africa	76,141	41,001	34,007	151,149	1,206	1,169	2,375
Indian Ocean Islands	Mauritius	1,561	1,531	524	3,616	26	31	57
	Seychelles	1,261	854	803	2,918	20	19	39
	Zanzibar	6,458	2,890	3,375	12,723	104	102	206
	Other Indian Ocean Islands	5,874	453	5,804	12,131	99	92	191
	Total Indian Ocean Islands	15,154	5,728	10,506	31,388	249	244	493
West Africa	Abidjan	2,024	685	1,198	3,907	18	18	36
	Douala	-	301	1,204	1,505	2	24	26
	Lagos	3,971	1,792	2,992	8,755	35	44	79
	Accra	3,995	1,432	2,119	7,546	32	31	63
	Other West Africa	4,081	206	602	4,889	48	14	62
	Total West Africa	14,071	4,416	8,115	26,602	135	131	266
Southern Africa	Johannesburg	14,898	8,042	9,491	32,431	205	145	350
	Harare	2,221	1,058	3,054	6,333	49	54	103
	Lilongwe	2,992	691	1,983	5,666	44	39	83
	Lusaka	3,879	851	3,069	7,799	64	52	116
	Cape Town	959	1,263	-	2,222	13	13	26
	Other South Africa	6,349	1,405	4,147	11,901	98	85	183

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
Total Southern Africa		31,298	13,310	21,744	66,352	473	388	861
North Africa	Cairo	2,794	2,309	99	5,202	24	27	51
	Khartoum	2,005	446	1,412	3,863	27	22	49
	Juba	3,593	3,072	922	7,587	105	110	215
	Other North Africa	1,393	149	766	2,308	21	17	38
	Total North Africa	9,785	5,976	3,199	18,960	177	176	353
Other International		8,120	8,822	4,093	21,035	277	504	781
Total International		309,532	174,891	127,912	612,335	3,248	3,524	6,772
Domestic traffic	Mombasa	38,465	31,170	7,259	76,894	576	572	1,148
	Kisumu	16,474	15,034	2,115	33,623	259	272	531
	Malindi	3,629	3,519	288	7,436	74	73	147
	Lokichoggio	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Eldoret	6,956	7,080	14	14,050	191	171	362
	Wajir	1,566	26	-	1,592	182	6	188
	Ukunda	3,036	3,540	-	6,576	62	64	126
	Lamu	102	132	-	234	16	21	37
	Kitale	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other Domestic	478	429	1	908	256	249	505
Total Domestic		70,706	60,930	9,677	141,313	1,616	1,428	3,044
Grand total		380,238	235,821	137,589	753,648	4,864	4,952	9,816

Note: Transit figures are estimated and separated from departing traffic

753,648 passengers used JKIA in July this year, representing a growth of about 6.0% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year. In the same period, the flight movements numbered 9,816 which was a growth of 5.8% when compared to the traffic recorded same month last year. The amount of cargo handled was estimated to have declined by about 16.3% to 24,213.2 tons. As captured from transit sheds.

Internationally, a number of carriers increased their frequencies and/or enhanced their load factors, leading to increased passenger numbers. These included African Express, Bluebird Aviation, Freedom Airlines, Jetways and Jubba Airways, all of which operated to the Horn of Africa. Silverstone Air Services also extended its services to the Horn of Africa while Turkish airlines increased number of flights to and from Europe. Jambo Jet also started passenger services to Entebbe, Uganda. Kenya Airways increased its overall frequencies especially to West Africa and also started new services to Cape Town, South Africa. There were also a number of new cargo operators such as Ribway Cargo Services and Ruby Star.

After poor performance from competition emanating from the SGR rail services particularly on the Nairobi-Mombasa sector, the domestic sector showed some recovery in July 2018 as it posted increased traffic compared to the numbers handled same month last year.



Decline in cargo traffic during the month under review may have been mainly as a result of reduced transit cargo.

JKIA registered 6.0% and 5.8% increases in passenger and aircraft movements respectively but a drop of 16.3% in cargo volumes in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

JKIA Cargo Movements (July 2018*)

Region	Spares & Equipment	Garments/ Textiles/ Clothing	Electronics	Pharmaceuticals	Misc. Perishable Cargo	Misc. Dry Cargo	Mail	Courier	Total
Europe	180,885	11,158	14,265	151,530	284,602	170,924	11,715	498,894	1,323,973
Middle East	101,751	20,947	133,694	136,968	257,125	128,028	7,176	331,695	1,117,384
Far East	12,837	4,975	9,625	3,068	43,426	9,775	104	13,219	97,029
East & Central Africa	113,444	11,207	15,838	77,994	463,456	125,850	21,900	182,187	1,011,876
Indian Ocean Islands	4,340	545	253	2,245	7,306	12,692	8	4,837	32,226
West Africa	24,741	2,874	7,861	16,408	13,348	8,975	1,706	30,482	106,395
Southern Africa	533,360	9,763	67,986	65,174	487,183	818,412	8,660	313,941	2,304,479
North Africa	22,223	813	2,218	5,674	15,189	27,945	356	98,433	172,851
Other International	644	708	307	805	3,234	2,543	133	2,575	10,949
Total International	994,225	62,990	252,047	459,866	1,574,869	1,305,144	51,758	1,476,263	6,177,162
Total Domestic	3,907	298	253	815	16,149	9,985	111	1,613	33,131
Grand total	998,132	63,288	252,300	460,681	1,591,018	1,315,129	51,869	1,477,876	6,210,293

Region	Fresh Produce	Flowers	Misc. Perishable Cargo	Garments/ Textiles/ Clothing	Electronics	Spares & Equipment	Misc. Dry Cargo	Mail	Courier	Total
Europe	2,673,876	6,001,107	364,578	21,210	15,511	161,797	1,022,656	5,705	492,706	10,759,146
Middle East	1,448,782	2,956,404	377,664	2,956	7,420	20,889	214,666	3,810	190,269	5,222,860
Far East	40	16	121	2	-	665	121	-	-	965
East & Central Africa	73,342	48,797	60,795	5,507	41,438	82,164	85,562	1,508	76,553	475,666
Indian Ocean Islands	1,503	8,471	4,837	4,934	12,753	17,666	27,294	323	14,906	92,687
West Africa	5	3	3,608	415	9,034	6,892	2,440	414	2,531	25,342
Southern Africa	25,334	46,087	18,436	3,845	7,298	23,897	32,985	137	21,050	179,069
North Africa	392,568	175,311	51,071	3,065	2,829	35,302	73,966	473	34,995	769,580
Other International	36,880	2,068	289,477	2,143	4,461	21,218	74,182	2,441	9,503	442,373
Total International	4,652,330	9,238,264	1,170,587	44,077	100,744	370,490	1,533,872	14,811	842,513	17,967,688
Total Domestic	7,555	2,652	2,995	4,422	1,687	655	12,028	12	3,167	35,173
Grand total	4,659,885	9,240,916	1,173,582	48,499	102,431	371,145	1,545,900	14,823	845,680	18,002,861

* Estimated from transit shades returns

B: Moi International Airport (MIA)

Passengers and Aircraft Movements - July 2018

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
Europe	Malpensa	1,235	788	-	2,023	5	10	15
	Fiumicino	-	14	-	14	-	1	1
	Frankfurt	1,608	810	565	2,983	9	5	14
	London	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Brussels	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Amsterdam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Zurich	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Paris	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Munich	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	3,173	3,177	256	6,606	24	27	51
	Europe	6,016	4,789	821	11,626	38	43	81
Middle & Far East	Dubai	1,221	636	1,644	3,501	14	11	25
	Other	-	-	-	-	2	2	4
		Middle East	1,221	636	1,644	3,501	16	13
East & Central Africa	Kilimanjaro	290	-	71	361	5	2	7
	Dar-Es-Salaam	4	24	-	28	6	6	12
	Other	306	517	1,762	2,585	14	16	30
		East & Central Africa	600	541	1,833	2,974	25	24
Indian Ocean Islands	Zanzibar	1,842	1,434	1,077	4,353	40	38	78
	Antananarive	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Seychelles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	49	55	39	143	5	6	11
		Indian Ocean Islands	1,891	1,489	1,116	4,496	45	44
Southern Africa	Johannesburg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	2	-	-	2	1	1	2
		Southern Africa	2	-	-	2	1	1
	Other Africa	4,604	4,218	-	8,822	36	36	72
	Other International	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total International	14,334	11,673	5,414	31,421	161	161	322
Domestic traffic	Nairobi-JKIA	37,992	38,102	579	76,673	575	580	1,155
	Nairobi-WLN	2,498	2,639	556	5,693	114	124	238
	Ukunda	96	53	-	149	90	65	155
	Malindi	59	36	33	128	25	13	38
	Lamu	1,468	1,392	495	3,355	126	122	248
	Other	380	346	-	726	76	100	176
		Total Domestic	42,493	42,568	1,663	86,724	1,006	1,004
	Grand total	56,827	54,241	7,077	118,145	1,167	1,165	2,332

MIA handled 118,145 passengers in July this year, translating into an improvement of about 2.8% when compared to the traffic attained same month last year. There were 2,332 aircraft movements giving a growth about 16.1% when compared to that obtaining



same month in 2017. As per records obtained from the cargo shed, the airport handled about 209.4 tons of cargo which was a 25.5% decline when compared to that for same month last year.

In terms of passenger numbers, the international flows were higher than the number obtaining same month last year. In particular traffic to and from Istanbul, Malpensa and Frankfurt in the European segment grew by some good margins. This was realized by resumption of tourist charter flights from a number of European source cities.

There was also some growth on the Middle East route. The situation would have been much better was it not for declines in the East and Central Africa and the Indian Ocean sectors.

Like it was in the previous month, the impact of competition from the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) continued to diminish in the month under review as the traffic between Nairobi and Mombasa was almost the same across the period.

Passenger traffic between MIA and Lamu grew by a visible margin riding on the operations of budget carriers such as East African Safari Air and Skyward Aviation.

The estimated decrease in cargo was as a result of growth in imports of various dry cargo from Europe as well as exports to the same region.

MIA registered 2.8%, 16.1% growth in passengers and aircraft movements respectively but a decrease of about 25.5% in cargo throughput in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

MIA Cargo Movements (July 2018*)

Imports	Electronics	Medical Products	Printed Matter	Apparel	Mail	Courier	Other perishable Products	Other Dry Cargo	Total
Europe	15,328	-	-	9,410	-	-	2,774	30,059	57,571
North America	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle & Far East	-	421	4	1,046	-	-	-	4,162	5,633
Indian Ocean Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East & Central Africa	-	-	4	-	-	-	228	128	360
Southern Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	189	189
Northern Africa	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Western Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other International	279	-	-	18	-	-	-	291	588
Total International	15,627	421	8	10,474	-	-	3,002	34,829	64,361
Domestic	90	34	580	6,091	50	669	30	10,164	17,708
Grand Total	15,717	455	588	16,565	50	669	3,032	44,993	82,069

Exports	Fresh Produce	Fish	Chilled Fish	Mail	Courier	Other perishable Products	Other Dry Cargo	Total
Europe	8,194	9,485	-	-	-	-	26,097	43,776
North America	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle & Far East	-	1,876	-	-	-	-	16,404	18,280
Indian Ocean Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	147	147
East & Central Africa	-	580	-	-	-	-	6,000	6,580
Southern Africa	-	4,258	-	-	-	-	204	4,462
Northern Africa	-	3,053	-	-	-	-	790	3,843
Western Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other International	-	7,305	-	-	-	-	-	7,305
Total International	8,194	26,557	-	-	-	-	49,642	84,393
Total Domestic	246	-	-	-	15,826	1,053	25,811	42,936
Grand Total	8,440	26,557	-	-	15,826	1,053	75,453	127,329

* Estimated from transit shades returns

C: Eldoret International Airport (EIA)

Passengers and Aircraft Movements- July 2018

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
International Traffic	Europe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Middle & Far East	-	-	-	-	13	-	13
	East & Central Africa	2	1	-	3	4	6	10
	Other	-	4	-	4	2	4	6
	Total	2	5	-	7	19	10	29
Domestic traffic	Nairobi-JKIA	6,387	6,506	437	13,330	168	201	369
	Nairobi-WLN	1,280	1,318	1,109	3,707	74	68	142
	Kisumu	383	56	496	935	23	3	26
	Lodwar	998	977	1,391	3,366	90	92	182
	Other Domestic	5	34	77	116	27	28	55
	Total	9,053	8,891	3,510	21,454	382	392	774
Grand total		9,055	8,896	3,510	21,461	401	402	803

Cargo Movements

	Imports	Exports	Total
International	925,200	-	925,200
Domestic	-	-	-
Total	925,200	-	925,200

In July this year, EIA handled 21,461 passengers which was 1.5% lower than the traffic obtaining same month last year. Aircraft movements were 803, an 9.5% growth over the number obtaining same month last year. The amount of cargo handled was 925.2 tons, which was 8.9% lower than the amount recorded same month in 2017.

The airport continues to handle few international passengers mainly within the East and Central Africa region and Southern Sudan.

In the domestic sector, there was a notable growth in traffic to destinations other than Nairobi, such as Lodwar and Kisumu. Domestic passenger traffic was almost the same in July of the two years in consideration.

In terms of aircraft movements, there were increased scheduled flights arising mainly from enhanced Skyward and Jambo Jet operations. There was also a notable growth in general charter operations in the month under review.

The decrease in cargo traffic was solely as a result of reduced imports of various electronics and other mixed merchandize from the Middle East.

EIA registered 1.5% and 8.9% reductions in passengers and cargo traffic respectively but an improvement of 9.5% in aircraft movements in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

D: Wilson Airport

Passenger and Aircraft Movements – July 2018

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
International Traffic	Somalia	239	592	-	831	89	133	222
	Tanzania	749	687	-	1,436	150	158	308
	South Sudan	22	26	-	48	19	17	36
	Uganda	61	61	-	122	12	18	30
	Other International	349	534	-	883	59	66	125
	Total International	1,420	1,900	-	3,320	329	392	721
Domestic Traffic	Masai Mara	10,879	8,441	-	19,320	1,197	992	2,189
	Lokichoggio	221	260	-	481	21	27	48
	Mombasa	3,069	2,906	-	5,975	118	111	229
	Wajir	2,832	2,461	-	5,293	150	72	222
	Eldoret	2,248	2,236	-	4,484	73	77	150
	Lamu	526	2,183	-	2,709	57	113	170
	Malindi	2,571	1,060	-	3,631	96	49	145
	Amboseli	927	909	-	1,836	149	162	311
	Nanyuki	264	459	-	723	86	101	187
	Magadi	41	21	-	62	37	37	74
	Ukunda	4,061	4,387	-	8,448	134	146	280
	Other Domestic	11,348	12,613	-	23,961	2,282	2,604	4,886
	Total Domestic	38,987	37,936	-	76,923	4,400	4,491	8,891
	Grand total	40,407	39,836	-	80,243	4,729	4,883	9,612

Cargo Movements

	Arrivals	Departures	Total
Domestic	-	26,016	26,016
International	-	192,494	192,494
Total	-	218,510	218,510

Wilson Airport handled 80,243 passengers in July this year, which was an improvement of about 40.6% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month in 2017. Aircraft movements numbered 9,612 which was a contraction of 4.8% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month in 2017. The airport handled an estimated cargo throughput of 218.5 tons which was a projected growth of about 14.9% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year. The projection was based on the recorded number of departing flights to Somalia and Horn of Africa which traditionally carry 'miraa'.

The international segment performed well in terms of both passenger and aircraft movements, particularly to and from Somalia. This was likely tied to enhanced operations by charter airlines such as Air Kenya, Freedom Airlines and Safari Link, possibly as a result of growth in security and other logistical movements. There was also a notable growth in both passenger and aircraft movements to Djibouti. Additionally there was increased traffic to Tanzania, riding on tourism activities connected to the Wildebeest migration.

The domestic sector also registered a growth in terms of passenger numbers. In particular, the Wilson-Maasai Mara performed particularly well riding on the attractions of the wildebeest phenomena. Additionally the Wilson-Ukunda, Wilson-Lamu, Wilson-Mombasa and the Wilson-Malindi sectors recorded significant increase in passengers. These may have benefited from enhanced scheduled operations by Skyward Aviation and Silverstone Air Services, driven mainly by leisure activities. There was also some improvement in the other domestic destinations particularly Vipingo.

However, aircraft movements were fewer mainly on account of fewer test/training flights.

Wilson Airport registered 40.6% and 14.9% more passengers and cargo throughput respectively but 4.8% fewer aircraft movements in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

E: Kisumu International Airport

Passengers and Aircraft Movements-July 2018

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
International Traffic	East & Central Africa	198	248	-	446	39	40	79
	Other International	-	21	-	21	-	2	2
	Total International	198	269	-	467	39	42	81
Domestic Traffic	Nairobi-JKIA	16,889	16,242	370	33,501	274	255	529
	Nairobi-WLN	3,083	3,277	-	6,360	91	86	177
	Eldoret	45	500	58	603	3	23	26
	Mombasa	366	408	-	774	12	11	23
	Other Domestic	248	255	14	517	56	59	115
	Total Domestic	20,631	20,682	442	41,755	436	434	870
	Grand total	20,829	20,951	442	42,222	475	476	951

Kisumu International Airport served 24.1% more passengers to reach 42,222 in July this year when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year. The airport handled 951 aircraft movements, which was 37.6% higher than the number recorded same month in 2017. The airport did not handle any cargo in the month under review.

The airport benefited from increased frequencies by Jambo Jet. Additionally, both the number of passengers handled as well as the number of flights was boosted by the operations of Silverstone Air Services which was not operating in the month under review last year.

KIA registered 24.1% and 37.6% more passengers and aircraft movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

E: Malindi Airport

Malindi Airport served 14,791 passengers in July this year. This was 7.1% more than the number obtaining same month in 2017. The number of flights were 1,209, which was 45.5% higher than the number achieved last year. The airport did not handle any commercial cargo in the month under review.

Even though Kenya Airways didn't operate to the airport in the month under review, this was more than compensated for by other airlines which enhanced their operations. These were Fly540 COM, East African Safari Air and Silverstone Air Services. Additionally, other charter operators boosted traffic levels in the month under review. These included Air Kenya and Bluesky Aviation.

In terms of aircraft movements, there was a notable increase in test/training flights, by training schools such as Skylink Flight Services, Kenya School of Flying and Skymax Aviation.

Malindi Airport registered 7.1% and 45.5% more passengers and aircraft movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

G: Lokichoggio Airport

Passengers, Aircraft and Cargo Movements-July 2018

	Passengers				Aircraft			Cargo		
	Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total	Landed	Uplifted	Total
International	65	69	19	153	60	60	120	-	-	-
Domestic	69	88	-	157	22	21	43	-	-	-
Total	134	157	19	310	82	81	163	-	-	-

Lokichoggio Airport handled 310 passengers in July 2018. This was 26.4% fewer than the number handled same month last year. The total number of flights was 163, which

was a decline of 8.9% when compared to the number recorded same month last year. There was no commercial cargo handled in the month under review.

The decrease in the number of passenger handled was reflected in both the international and domestic counters. The decrease was however more pronounced on the Lokichoggio-South Sudan sector. There was no cargo uplifts from the airport during the month under review. The airport continued to experience declining movements in the face of relocation of relief operations to Southern Sudan bases.

The airport registered 26.4%, 8.9% and 100.0% fewer passengers, aircraft and cargo movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

H: Wajir Airport Passengers and Aircraft Movements- July 2018

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
International Traffic	Hargeisa	4	-	-	4	20	1	21
	Mogadishu	2,021	-	8	2,029	65	3	68
	Other Somalia	779	110	4	893	230	27	257
	Other International	5	12	7	24	28	20	48
	Total	2,809	122	19	2,950	343	51	394
Domestic traffic	Nairobi-JKIA	11	2,129	-	2,140	5	217	222
	Nairobi- Wilson	2,414	3,135	-	5,549	69	149	218
	Other Domestic	178	109	4	291	41	44	85
	Total	2,603	5,373	4	7,980	115	410	525
Grand Total		5,412	5,495	23	10,930	458	461	919

10,930 passengers used Wajir Airport in July this year, a growth of about 38.0% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month in 2017. Aircraft movements numbered 919 which was a contraction of 10.1% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year.

The increase in domestic passenger numbers was informed by increased flows on the Wajir-Wilson sector. This may have resulted from enhanced uptake of air travel for reasons of convenience, security, speed and logistics. Additionally, there was a small increase in international passenger arrivals from various sources in Somalia.

In terms of aircraft movements, there were fewer charter flights from various points in Somalia.

Wajir Airport handled 38.0% more passengers but 10.1% fewer aircraft movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

I: Manda Airstrip

Passengers and Aircraft Movements- July 2018

	Passengers				Aircraft		
	Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
Malindi	11	3	-	14	8	2	10
Nairobi-JKIA	924	858	86	1,868	37	35	72
Nairobi-WLN	3,921	3,953	614	8,488	182	186	368
Mombasa	76	57	-	133	5	5	10
Other Domestic	13	17	-	30	31	35	66
International	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4,945	4,888	700	10,533	263	263	526

Manda Airstrip handled 10,533 passengers in July this year. This was about 31.6% higher than the number obtaining same month in 2017. In the period under review, the number of flights were 526 which was an improvement of about 18.7% when compared to the traffic registered same month last year.

The improvement in passenger numbers arose mainly from improved scheduled movements to and from Malindi, Mombasa and Nairobi. These routes benefited from enhanced operations by the main operators, namely SAX Aviation, Skyward Aviation and Air Kenya. Additionally, Silverstone Services which was a new operator to the Airstrip also made a significant component to this traffic.

Manda Airstrip registered 31.6% and 18.7% more passengers and aircraft movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

J: Ukunda Airstrip

Passengers and Aircraft Movements- July 2018

	Passengers				Aircraft		
	Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
Nairobi-JKIA	3,481	2,982	-	6,463	62	62	124
Nairobi-WLN	4,536	4,414	113	9,063	161	144	305
Maasai Mara	709	171	56	936	68	40	108
Malindi	44	30	6	80	20	21	41
Other Domestic	113	656	37	806	166	212	378
International	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8,883	8,253	212	17,348	477	479	956

Ukunda Airstrip handled 17,348 passengers in July this year. This was an improvement of about 47.5% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year. Aircraft movements numbered 956, which was 18.6% higher than the number obtaining same month last year.

The increase in passenger traffic was informed by enhanced uptake of leisure travel. The operating charters enjoyed higher bookings leading to increased frequencies and higher load factors. New carriers such as Silverstone Air Services added a significant portion to the total traffic. Additionally, the usual charter operators such as Air Kenya, Safari Link and Skyward Aviation added a notable number to this traffic.

The number of flights was also boosted by increased test training activities and general charter flights.

Ukunda Airstrip recorded 47.5% and 18.6% more passengers and aircraft movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.

K: Isiolo Airport

Passengers and Aircraft Movements- July 2018

		Passengers				Aircraft		
		Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total	Arrivals	Departures	Total
International Traffic	East & Central Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other International	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total International	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Domestic traffic	Nairobi-JKIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Nairobi-WLN	21	23	-	44	12	12	24
	Other Domestic	11	14	-	25	8	8	16
	Total Domestic	32	37	-	69	20	20	40
	Grand total	32	37	-	69	20	20	40

In July this year Isiolo International Airport handled 69 passengers and 40 flights. This was 77.1% and 34.4% fewer passengers and aircraft movements when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year.

A major reason for the decline was the stoppage of scheduled by Fly SAX on 7th of June 2018 which may affect future performance if the situation takes that trajectory.

L: Other Airstrips

(Lodwar, Eldoret, Kitale, Kabunde & Kakamega)

Passengers and Aircraft Movements- July 2018

Passengers	Arrivals	Departures	Transit	Total
	3,892	3,876	78	7,846

Aircraft	Landings	Take-offs	Total
	315	313	628

Lodwar, Kakamega, Eldoret, Kabunde and Kitale together handled 7,846 passengers in July this year. This was a contraction of about 30.7% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month in 2017. The airstrips also handled a total of 628 aircraft movements, which was a decline of about 39.6% when compared to the traffic obtaining same month last year.

The contraction in both passenger and aircraft flight numbers was recorded at all the Airstrips, but more pronounced at Eldoret, Kabunde and Kakamega.



The Airstrips recorded 30.7% and 39.6% more passengers and aircraft movements respectively in the first month of the year beginning July 2018 when compared to the traffic handled same month last year.