



BOLOGNA AIRPORT, 780 THOUSAND PASSENGERS IN JULY: +12.6%
New monthly record in the Airport's history
Passengers grew by 13.1% in the first seven months of the year

Bologna Airport recorded another month with double-digit growth in July 2016, with passengers reaching 780,626, a 12.6% growth compared to July 2015. This is the best monthly figure ever recorded in the Airport's history.

Traffic growth was mainly driven by **international passengers** with a significant **+12.9% (reaching 590,535 passengers)**. **Domestic flights** performed very well, too, reaching 190,091 passengers with a growth of **11.7%**.

Among the **most popular destinations**, the latest months' trend was confirmed. The routes already strengthened by Alitalia, namely **Catania** and **Rome Fiumicino**, both delivered a sound growth and Catania **remained on top of the ranking**. **Bucharest, Cagliari and Copenhagen**, especially in reason of Ryanair's flights, performed very well too. Passenger traffic to **Moscow** (Aeroflot) and **Dubai** (Emirates) recorded good figures as well.

Among leisure destinations, **Sicily, Sardinia, Spain** and **Greece** resulted to be very appealing.

Flight movements reached **6,324, with an increase of 10.2% versus July 2015** while air cargo traffic recorded an increase of **8.7% (3,106 tons)**.

In the first seven months of the year, traffic reached **4,367,402**, with a growth of +13.1% as compared to 2015. Flight movements were **37,583 (+9.6%)** and air cargo reached 22,085 tons (+24.4%).

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***Bologna Guglielmo Marconi Airport**, classified as a "strategic airport" in the centre-north area of the National Airports Plan prepared by the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, is now the seventh biggest Italian airport by passenger numbers, with about 7 million passengers in 2015, of which 75% are on international flights (Source: Assaeroporti). Located in the heart of the Emilian food valley and the automotive and packaging industrial districts, the airport has a catchment area of about 11 million inhabitants and around 47,000 companies, with a strong propensity to exports and internationalisation and with commercial expansion policies to Eastern Europe and Asia.*

In 2015 102 destinations were served from Bologna: the presence at the airport of some of the largest airlines in Europe along with some of the leading low-cost carriers and the close link with European continental hubs make Bologna Italy's fifth airport in for global connectivity (Source: ICCSAI - Fact Book 2015) and the first in Europe in terms of growth of connectivity in the decade from 2004 to 2014 (Source: ACI Europe Airport Connectivity Report 2004-2014).

As for airport infrastructure, the airport has recently completed a major upgrade and expansion of the passenger terminal, while the capacity of aeronautical infrastructure is deemed adequate to accommodate the expected growth over the coming years. The company's aim is to make Bologna Airport one of the most modern and functional in Italy, an important gateway to the city and region.

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