

The World's Busiest International Cargo Airport



Greener Airport Vehicles



The Airport Authority (AA) and its partners use a growing number of environmentally friendly vehicles. For example, HKIA has one of Hong Kong's largest fleets of electric vehicles and ground service equipment. Over 200 electric vehicles and pieces of ground service equipment, including baggage tractors, conveyor-belt loaders and marshalling vehicles, are now in operation at the airport.

To power these vehicles, the AA set up charging stations on the apron and Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Co. Ltd. (HAECO) installed more than 20 quick-charging terminals in its aircraft maintenance area.

In addition, the Hong Kong Police use hybrid patrol cars at the airport. The AA operates hybrid passenger cars and all of its diesel vehicles run on B5 biodiesel, a mixture of 95% conventional diesel and 5% diesel made from used cooking oil.



The global economic downturn caused a sharp drop in demand for airfreight in the early part of 2009/10. However, the economy began to recover in the final quarter of the year, and annual throughput at Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) reached 3.6 million tonnes, an increase of 4.4% from 2008/09. Despite volatile market conditions, HKIA retained its position as the world's busiest international cargo airport in 2009 and has held this title since 1996.

During the year, we continued to develop our cargo and aviation services infrastructure, while several of our business partners expanded their operations at the airport.

In September 2009, Hong Kong hosted the Asian Aerospace International Expo and Congress, which attracted more than 12,000 delegates from all over the world. In cooperation with government departments, industry associations and our business partners, we used this event to showcase Hong Kong's advantages as an international and regional aviation centre and air cargo and logistics hub.

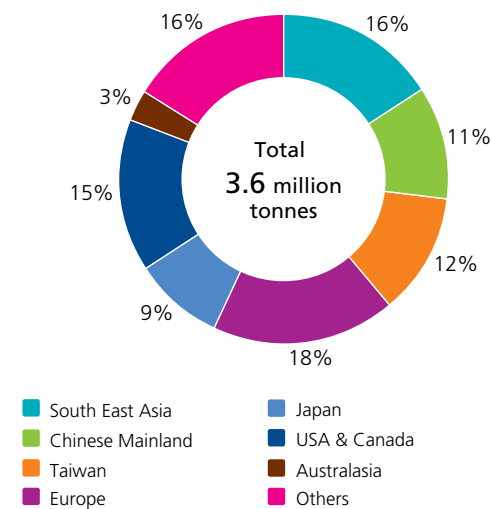




HKIA has been the world's busiest international cargo airport since 1996.

Cargo Throughput by Market

year ended 31 March 2010



Cargo Services

During the year, Cathay Pacific Services resumed work on a new HK\$5.5 billion cargo terminal, which is scheduled to enter service in 2013. When the terminal opens, it will add an annual cargo handling capacity of 2.6 million tonnes, bringing the total design handling capacity of HKIA to 7.4 million tonnes a year.

In September 2009, the HKIA Precious Metals Depository opened for business. A secure storage and physical settlement facility, the 340-square-metre depository enhances Hong Kong's position as a trading and logistics hub for gold and other precious metals.

For the fourth consecutive year, our cargo service was recognised with an air cargo excellence award from *Air Cargo World*. In the publication's annual survey, HKIA achieved a superior overall score among airports in Asia

and the Middle East with an annual capacity of over one million tonnes of cargo.

Aviation Services

In May 2009, China Aircraft Services Ltd. opened a 10,000-square-metre hangar at HKIA, adding base maintenance to its existing line maintenance service.

In September 2009, Hong Kong Aircraft Engineering Co. Ltd. opened a third hangar at HKIA. The new 16,460-square-metre building was built at a cost of HK\$850 million and can simultaneously accommodate two fully docked wide-bodied aircraft and one nose-in aircraft.

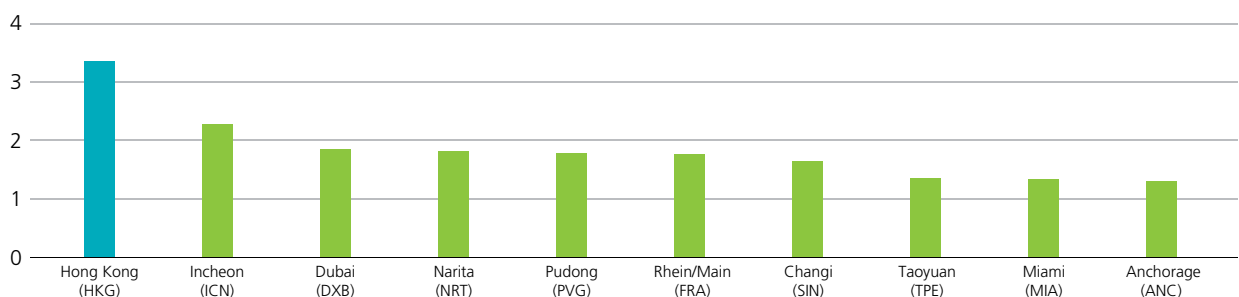
A dependable fuel supply underpins HKIA's reputation for efficiency and reliability. In March 2010, we opened phase 1A of the Permanent Aviation Fuel Facility (PAFF), which includes four tanks with a total storage capacity of 140,000 cubic metres, a jetty and twin submarine pipelines. Phase 1B will be commissioned by the end of 2010, adding four tanks and 124,000 cubic metres of storage capacity. When the facility is complete, it will have 12 tanks with a total capacity of 388,000 cubic metres. PAFF is operated by ECO Aviation Fuel Services Limited, a subsidiary of The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited.



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Ten Busiest Airports in 2009 – International Freight Throughput*

millions of tonnes



* International freight throughput includes imports, exports and transshipment (counted twice) freight carried between the designated airport and an airport in another country. Airmail is not included.

Source: Preliminary figures from Airports Council International in March 2010

