

Growth Trend at Naples International Airport continues, over 20,000 passengers on Saturday September 18

A record breaking weekend: 50,000 passengers the weekend of 17-19 September.

Approximately 50,000 passengers travelled through Naples International Airport last weekend, an increase of almost 10% over the same period in 1998.

There were 500 landings and takeoffs with an average of 167 movements per day. Traffic was most intense on Saturday with 200 takeoffs and landings, most of which were international flights.

These figures coincide with the festivities of *San Gennaro*, the patron saint of Naples and one of the city's most characteristic moments, which promises well for the upcoming Jubilee year. This weekend can be considered as a "dress rehearsal" for the event which is estimated to bring in 3,750,000 passengers throughout the year 2000.

In order to improve services and meet the demands of a constant increase in traffic, Gesac, Naples airport operator, has implemented a development plan aimed at enhancing services as well as the infrastructure. Recently, new check-in counters were added and the VIP lounge "The Terrace" was opened for Business passengers who constitute 42% of overall passenger traffic.

Naples International Airport, with 3.5 million passengers in '98, has flights serving 15 domestic destinations, 10 international destinations and over 50 regular charter destinations. Over the past three years, there has been a 39% increase in passenger traffic.