

Record growth for Naples Airport: a boost for tourism and economy in the region



Record number of passengers travelled through Naples airport in July, with figures reaching 1.427M (+12% compared to July 2022).

Naples, 3 August 2023 – Many records were broken at Naples Airport last month: **1.427 million passengers** were recorded, an **unprecedented number for Gesac**.

An all-time record was broken on **July 31**, with **52,100 thousand passengers** passing through the airport in one day.

Furthermore, **1.4 million international passengers** were reported in July, breaking another personal record for the company, and bringing the total number of passengers carried in 12 months (August 2022/July 2023) to **12 million**.

From January to July alone, **7 million passengers** travelled through Naples airport, scoring a **+18.4%** compared to the same period in 2022. These figures come with only a slight increase in the number of flights, and are reflective of Gesac's strategy to promote the use of larger aircraft and with a lower environmental impact.

The increase in the offer of flights, the use of larger aircraft and a high flight occupancy rate have made Naples one the European airports experiencing the largest growth compared to pre-pandemic levels. According to the latest report by ACI Europe*, in the second quarter of 2023 **Naples airport has been the airport with the largest growth compared to 2019 in the category of airports welcoming between 10 and 25 million passengers per year**.

The summer of 2023 sees direct flights to 113 destinations, 16 national and 97 international - including New York with two daily flights.

The international traffic has been the major driver of growth, confirming Naples airport as a key hub for the tourism industry and the local economy.

In addition to routes to the main European cities and Middle Eastern destinations such as Abu Dubai, Dubai and Riyadh, Naples has direct flights to major hubs (Munich, Paris Charles de Gaulle, Frankfurt, London, Istanbul) that provide connections with the rest of the world.

These outstanding operational results were matched by important environmental measures, in an effort to combine growth and sustainability. Last December, Gesac's efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions earned it the highest environmental certification for an airport: **the 4+ Transition level of ACI Europe's Airport Carbon Accreditation Programme**, making it the nineteenth airport management company in the world to obtain it.

The **green investment plan**, amounting to more than **EUR 16 million**, also includes the installation of photovoltaic panels, capable of producing up to 6,700 MWh/year, which will power the electric vehicles circulating at the airport, as well as urban forestation work in the areas surrounding the airport.

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Furthermore, in an effort to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, the implementation of new take-off procedures made it possible to **spare over 200 hours of flight time** in the first four months of the trial period (April-July), resulting in **noise abatement and in an estimated 5 thousand tonnes reduction in CO2 emissions**.

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