The airport’s passenger traffic continued *during July 2021* to be substantially affected by the COVID-19 pandemic crisis and its impact on air travel, with the airport’s passenger traffic being below the respective July 2019 levels by 37.8%. This outcome points to a gradual improvement compared to the previous months, as the lifting of movement restrictions since mid-May 2021 and the peak summer holiday period, support a progressive recovery. The improvement was more obvious in the domestic market, where traffic was below the respective 2019 levels by 26.1%, while international demand also showed recovery signs, with a 43% decline vs the corresponding 2019 traffic.

Overall, *during the period January through July 2021*, the airport’s passenger traffic totalled 4.5 million, approximately, a decline of 5.7% compared to 2020, and 68.3% compared to 2019, as a result of the sharp traffic drop suffered since March 2020 due to the impact of the pandemic. Analytically, domestic passengers exceeded the 2020 levels by 9.6%, while international passengers were below the respective 2020 levels by 14.4%. Both domestic and international travellers were below the same period 2019 by 56.8% and 73.4%, respectively.

**Notes**

As of January 2021, comparison to the respective month of 2020 and 2019 (passengers' and flights' figures) is presented. It is reminded that the pandemic’s impact was initially recorded mid-March 2020 onwards.

*July 2021 traffic statistics are provisional and subject to change; traffic data for the previous month are finalised following the 20th of each month*