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### **JETSTAR'S ON-TIME PERFORMANCE WELCOMED AT CHRISTCHURCH AIRPORT**

Jetstar's record on-time performance is getting the thumbs up from Christchurch Airport.

The airline has today revealed its domestic on-time performance is at record positive levels this year, with 89.7 per cent of domestic flights departing within 10 minutes of schedule.

Christchurch Airport CEO Jim Boulton says those performance figures are sure to be welcomed by all travellers through the airport.

"Jetstar's new standard in on-time performance is something we know all business people expect and leisure travellers value," says Mr Boulton. "On-time performance is crucial for travellers, whatever their reason for travel, so the airline's performance is commendable and another service this airport is happy to support.

"Jetstar is a crucial airline partner for Christchurch Airport and is going from strength to strength. Its recent announcement of new frequencies between Christchurch and Auckland reflects growing confidence in the city."

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## **Christchurch Airport – bringing the world South**

Christchurch Airport welcomed 5.5 million passengers in the past year, ranking as New Zealand's second largest airport. The airport occupies a unique position economically, as the South Island's busiest and most strategic air connection to the world's trade and tourism markets. 85% of international visitors to the South Island are welcomed and farewelled at Christchurch Airport.

In addition, the airport plays an important role as the South Island's major domestic hub servicing all New Zealanders, enabling passengers to connect to a full spectrum of destinations throughout New Zealand. Christchurch International Airport is a major driver of the regional Canterbury economy, generating airport precinct related jobs for nearly 6000 people.

Government policy currently offers 'Open Skies' over Christchurch until 2017, giving favourable consideration to airlines offering new services to and from the city.

Christchurch Airport is owned and operated by Christchurch International Airport Limited (CIAL). CIAL was established as a limited liability company in 1988, and ownership of CIAL is now shared by Christchurch City Holdings Limited with 75% and the New Zealand Government with 25%. The company's vision is to be recognised as New Zealand's leading tourist gateway.

Christchurch Airport is a carbon neutral company and has received carboNZero certification from Landcare Research following a detailed measurement and analysis process. CIAL is the first airport company in the Southern Hemisphere to attain certified carbon neutral status and is the second carbon neutral certified airport company in the world.

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