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Grenoble airport's traffic leaped +52% and that of Chambéry airport leaped +42%, in two years.

Grenoble airport records a 33% growth in 2005 in addition to a rise of 15% of its traffic in 2004. The traffic of the airport leaped +52% in two years. It has reached the historical traffic of 1997, with the amount of frequentation standing at 270 985 travellers.

The winter charter traffic has consolidated and the specific flights have progressed well. At the same time, a strong increase in the scheduled flights induced a doubling of this activity. The estimated winter 2005-2006 charter traffic should show a 10% growth in accordance with a 70% growth in two years. This growth is due partly to the solidity of the principal markets (United Kingdom and North of Europe) and due to the passion of the markets of the East, Ukraine and the Baltic States, and mainly Russia with Moscow. The number of scheduled flights has multiplied tenfold. Since December 2005, 10 regular routes⁽¹⁾ are operating from Grenoble Airport.

Grenoble-Isere airport traffic 2005

➤ 270 985 passengers in 2005 (204 414 in 2004)
➤ 2 812 commercials movements and more than 35 000 non commercials movements (3 383 commercial movements in 2004). The fall in the number of commercial movements between 2005 and 2004 is explained by the end of the flights to Paris Orly and by an increase in the capacity of the aircrafts.

⁽¹⁾ London Luton (easyJet) ; Londron Stansted (Ryanair) ; Warsaw (Centralwings) ; London Gatwick (British Airways and easyJet) ; Bristol (easyJet) ; Roma (Blu-Express) ; Stockholm (Flynordic) ; Marrakesh (Tour Opérateur Marmara) ; Monastir (Tour Opérateur Marmara)

Chambéry airport records an 8% growth in 2005, in accordance with a rise of 32% in its traffic in 2004. It will have accomodated 194 437 travellers in 2005. The traffic thus leaped +42% in 2 years.

Chambéry-Savoy airport traffic 2005

➤ 194 437 passengers in 2005 (180 438 passengers in 2004)
➤ 3 338 commercial movements (2 934 commercial movements in 2004)

All in all, the market of winter charter flights has stabilised. The market of Great Britain remains the principal market, but it is evolving with a tripling of the activity of scheduled flights. The markets of Northern Europe remain well represented also. Corporate aviation, which recorded a growth of 25% last winter, showed a strong progression of 31% in 2005. The principal success of the winter season 2005-2006 is the increase in the regular traffic thanks to the opening of many news low cost connections. On the whole, these are 8 regular air services including 5 news ones which functions to and from the airport this winter, with 4 airlines.

⁽²⁾ Southampton, Birmingham, Exeter et Norwich (Flybe) ; Manchester and Leeds Bradford (Jet2), Brussels (Jetonly) ; Amsterdam (Transavia)