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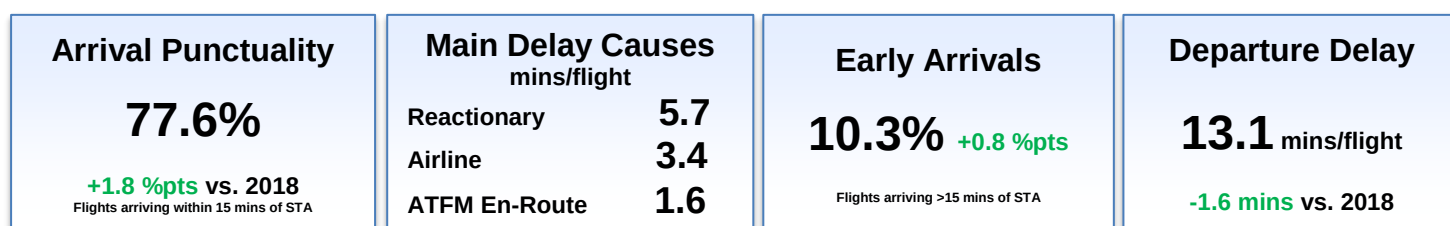
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1 Executive Summary

In 2019 delays improved when compared to 2018, this in comparison to the severe levels both passengers and the airline industry suffered in 2018. Despite this improvement, in the context of long-term performance **the level of delay was the third worst in the last 10 years**, behind 2010 and 2018, with en-route ATFM delays during the summer season remaining a problem for airlines.

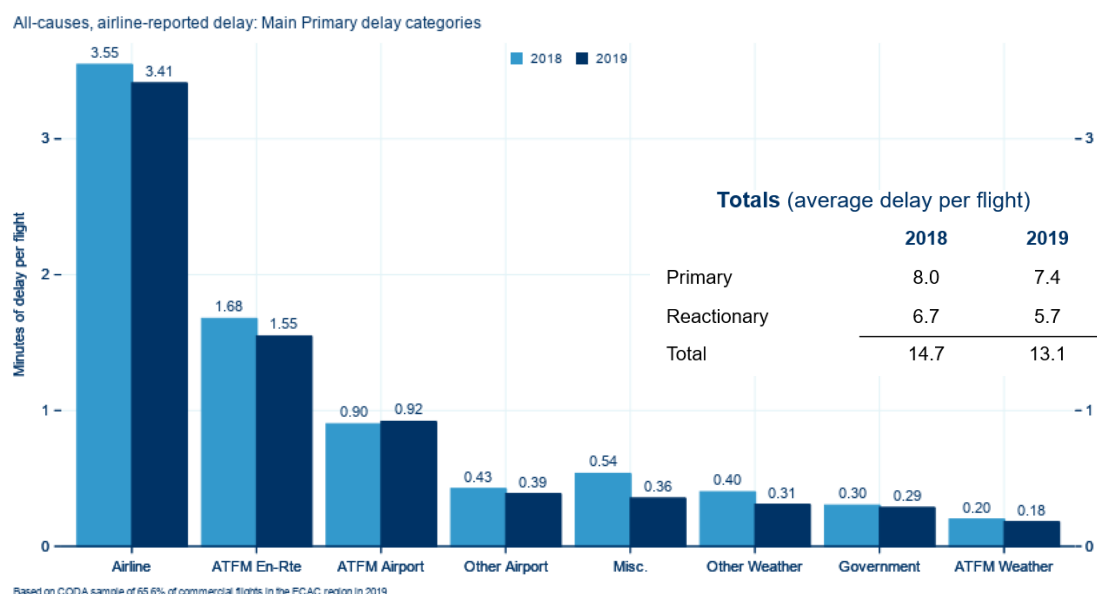
Following the record high delays of 2018, airlines made considerable efforts and investments such as scheduling improvements by increasing buffers and using hot spare aircraft to improve on-time performance, in-turn improving the passenger experience in reducing reactionary delay.

The benefits of these efforts can be seen in the 2019, with **punctuality improving to 77.6% (on arrival)**, compared to 75.8% in 2018. Driving this improvement were significant reductions in **reactionary (knock-on) delays**, down 1.0 minutes, contributing **5.7 minutes** to the average delay per flight. Primary delays from **airline operations** remained stable decreasing by 0.1 minutes with a contribution of **3.4 minutes per flight**, with this delay cause remaining the main cause of primary delay.

ATFM en-route delay remained a significant cause of delay to airlines in 2019, this **decreasing to 1.6 minutes per flight**. Although this cause remained an issue, measures taken by the Network Manager (eNM) and air navigation service providers for the summer helped, resulting in fewer ATC capacity ATC staffing regulations aided also in part by better weather.

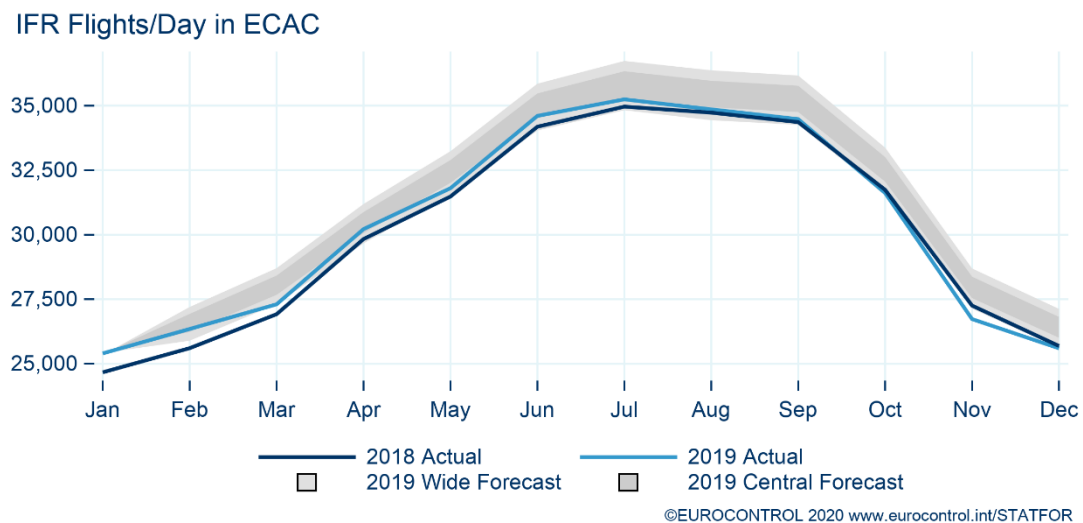
Operational cancellations decreased to 1.7% (from 2.0% in 2018) with fewer disruptions, notably ATC industrial action penalising airlines during the year.

In summary, combined these factors resulted in an **average all-causes departure delay of 13.1 minutes**, down by 1.6 minutes per flight on the record bad situation in 2018, where the average delay was 14.7 minutes per flight.



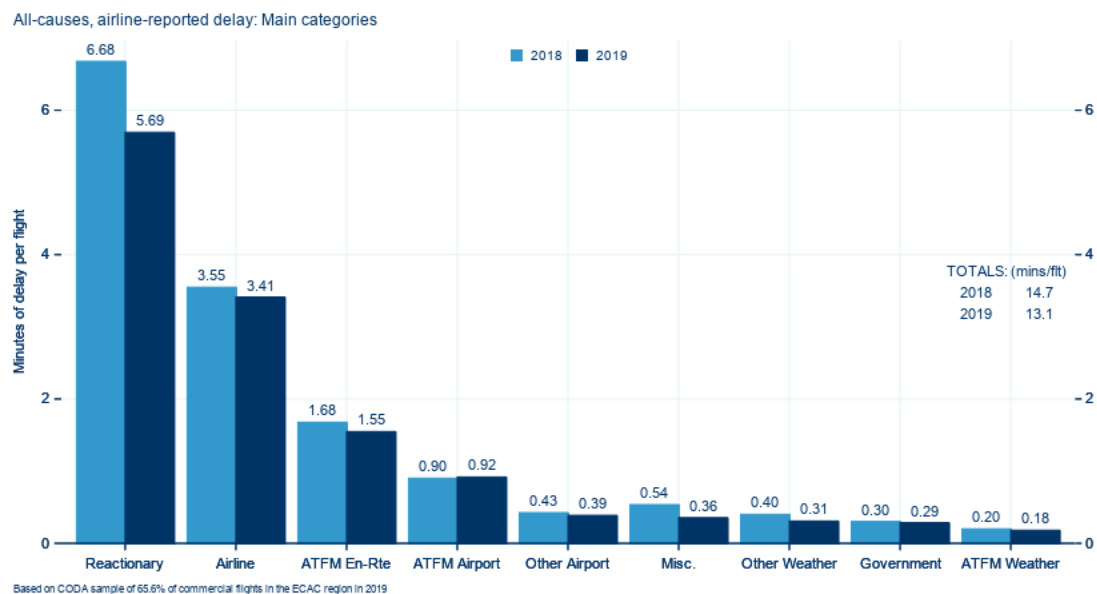
2 Traffic and Average Delay per Flight Overview

Figure 1. Total Flights per Day in ECAC



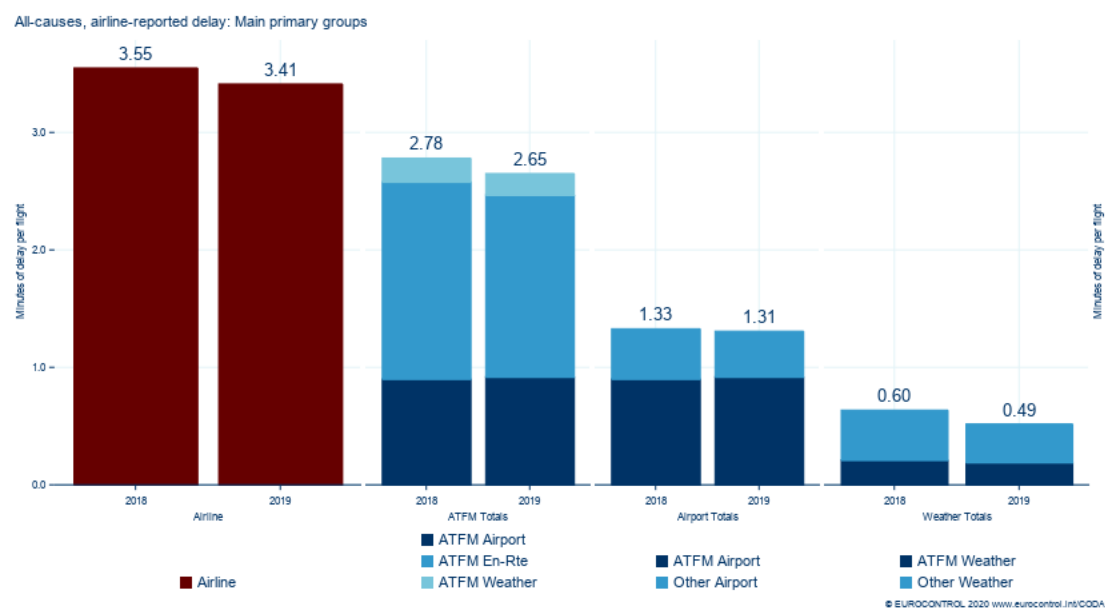
European flights (ECAC) in average daily terms (Figure 1) increased by 0.8% in 2019 compared with 2018. Further information regarding traffic and forecasts can be consulted at the STATFOR website and via the [STATFOR Interactive Dashboard \(SID\)](#).

Figure 2. Breakdown of the Average Delay per Flight 2018 vs. 2019



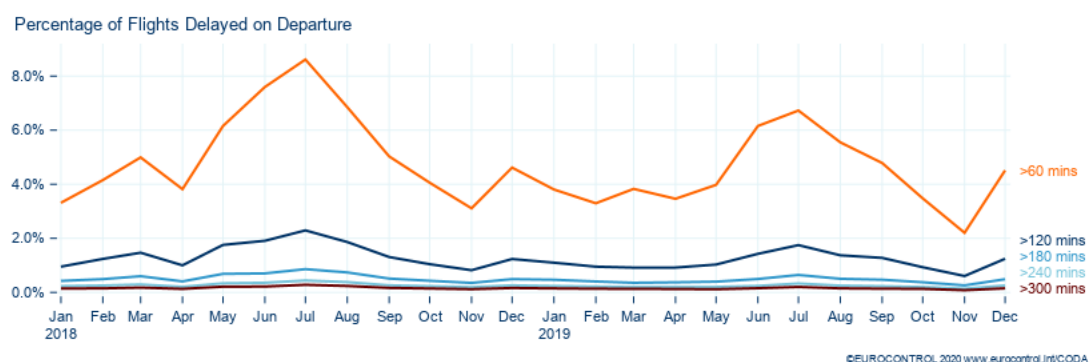
2019 saw an average departure delay per flight of 13.1 minutes for all-causes delay (Figure 2), a decrease of 11% in comparison to 2018. Analysis of the delay reasons shows that reactionary delays contributed the most to the average delay with 5.7 minutes per flight. Airline-related delays decreased to 3.4 minutes per flight. En-route ATFM delay reduced to 1.6 minutes from 1.7 minutes per flight in 2018.

Figure 3. Primary Delay Causes 2018 vs. 2019



Total ATFM delays (Figure 3) (airport, en-route and weather delay) reported by airlines decreased to 2.7 minutes per flight, with en-route ATFM delay contributing 1.6 minutes per flight, predominantly caused by ATC capacity and ATC staffing issues. Weather delay also fell, at 0.5 minutes per flight.

Figure 4. Long Departure Delays >60 Minutes



In 2019, longer delays (those greater than 60 mins in orange) decreased when compared to 2018 with 4.3% of flights experiencing long delays compared to 5.2% in 2019. Decreases were mainly observed during the summer months, however the peak was less pronounced than in 2018. Towards the end of the year ATC industrial action occurred twice in France, with low visibility and fog also impacting Amsterdam Schiphol, London Heathrow and Madrid

3 2019 Monthly Summary

Section 3 provides a month-by-month view for 2019, highlighting the particular locations, causes of Network delay or disruptions in further detail.

January 2019. Industrial actions by security personnel in Germany caused disruptions at Berlin Tegel airport on 07 January and Dusseldorf airport on 09 and 10 January. On 15 January eight further German airports were affected these being Frankfurt-Main, Hamburg, Bremen, Hannover, Erfurt, Leipzig, Dresden and Munich. Italian ATC industrial action occurred on 11 January with NM estimating that approximately 250 flights did not operate. Winter weather conditions affected operations at Lisbon, Istanbul Ataturk and especially Amsterdam Schiphol airports.

February 2019. Industrial action by security personnel at Hamburg on 04 February and Düsseldorf airport on 07 February affected their respective operations. Belgian ATC industrial action on 13 February generated delays as well as cancellations, NM estimates that 835 flights did not operate to/from Belgian airports and approximately 1,340 fewer flights did not operate through Brussels ACC. The volcanic ash cloud due to the eruption of Mt. Etna generated delay at Catania airport from 17 to 22 February. Low visibility and strong winds affected operations at London Heathrow, London Gatwick, Istanbul Atatürk and Amsterdam Schiphol airports.

March 2019. ATC industrial action occurred in Brussels from 19 to 28 March, there was also ATC industrial action in France on 19 March. There were en-route ATFM delays in Karlsruhe UAC, as well as ATC staffing issues in Brussels and Vienna ACCs. Strong winds and low visibility affected operations particularly at Amsterdam Schiphol and to a lesser extent at London Heathrow. Madrid Barajas also experienced delays following single runway operations due to work in progress. March saw flight restrictions applied to the Boeing 737 Max, with the network seeing approximately 200-250 fewer flights by the type.

April 2019. En-route ATFM delays in Karlsruhe UAC, as well as ATC staffing issues in Brussels and Marseille ACCs. A new ATM system implementation at Bucharest ACC caused some ATFM en-route delay. ATC industrial action occurred in Budapest ACC on 17 April. Concerning airports, Lisbon suffered from low visibility and strong winds, Amsterdam Schiphol experienced delays following the implementation of a new electronic flight strip system. Industrial action by SAS pilots occurred from 26 April to 02 May, with the airline cancelling approximately 600 flights per day during this period.

May 2019. Thunderstorms affected Frankfurt Main on 20 May, Amsterdam Schiphol suffered from capacity delays following the implementation of a new electronic flight strip system. Athens saw delays following runway works in progress. Regarding en-route, there were capacity delays at Karlsruhe, Langen, Vienna, Bremen and Budapest ACCs. French ATC industrial action also occurred from 08 May to 10 May.

June 2019. Weather (mainly thunderstorms) affected Frankfurt Main notably on 03 June. Amsterdam Schiphol also experienced delays from airport capacity, as well as weather particularly on 08 June where winds affected the airport. Athens airport also suffered from capacity delays. Regarding en-route, convective weather affected Vienna, Karlsruhe, Budapest and Marseille ACCs. En-route capacity delays were observed in Karlsruhe, Vienna and Budapest ACCs, ATC staffing issues affected Marseille ACC.

July 2019. En-route ATFM delays, ATC capacity delays occurred in Vienna, Zagreb and Barcelona ACCs. ATC staffing delays were recorded in Marseille, Karlsruhe and Budapest ACCs, with weather mostly convective activity also affecting Marseille and Vienna ACCs. Athens airport suffered from ATC capacity, Lisbon saw capacity delays as a result of military activity in the vicinity of the airport and aerodrome capacity delays occurred in Amsterdam Schiphol.

August 2019. ATC capacity delays occurred in Karlsruhe, Budapest, Marseille, Zagreb, and Barcelona ACCs as well as at Athens and Mikonos airports. There were ATC staffing issues in London, Vienna, Brussels and Marseille ACCs. Weather (mainly convective activity) also affected Vienna, Budapest, Zagreb, Karlsruhe and Bremen ACCs. Thunderstorms impacted operations at London Heathrow, London Gatwick and Frankfurt airports.

September 2019. A French central communications system failure on 01 September generated high delays in all French ACCs and neighbouring states such as London and Madrid ACCs. Weather (convective activity, strong winds and thunderstorms) affected operations in Vienna, Barcelona, Marseille, Zagreb, Budapest, Karlsruhe, Madrid and Prague ACCs as well as Palma de Mallorca and Barcelona airports. A ground handling staff industrial action disrupted operations at Schiphol airport.

October 2019. Weather (low visibility, convective activity, strong winds and thunderstorms) affected operations in London/Heathrow, Amsterdam/Schiphol, London/Gatwick, Frankfurt, Vienna, Brussels, London/Luton, Barcelona, Palma and Zurich airports. The Lufthansa Industrial Action on 20 October 2019 led to approximately 400 fewer flights; An Italian ATC industrial action on 25 October generated 6,149 minutes of en-route ATFM delay and 3,295 minutes of airport ATFM delay, mostly impacting Milano/Malpensa. NM estimates there were 600 fewer flights operated to/from Italian airspace.

November 2019. Lufthansa industrial action on 07 and 08 November led to approximately 1,300 fewer flights. Industrial action by ground personnel at Helsinki Airport on 25 and 26 November resulted in approximately 238 fewer flights. The Italian ATC industrial action on 25 November generated en-route ATFM delay and airport ATFM delay. On 25 November, low visibility impacted several airports such as Amsterdam Schiphol, Dublin, Frankfurt and Munich airports. Elsewhere airport capacity delays occurred in Lisbon airport. There were also ATC staffing shortages in Brussels ACC.

December 2019. French ATC industrial actions throughout December (04-13 and 16-18 December) generated en-route as well as airport ATFM delay. Staffing shortages in Lisbon, London, Karlsruhe, Langen, Madrid, Marseille, Brussels, Lisbon and Brest ACCs. Low visibility and fog impacted operations at Amsterdam Schiphol, Lisbon, Oslo, Frankfurt, London Heathrow and Madrid airports and strong winds at London/Heathrow impacted operations.

4 Average Delay per Delayed Flight (Departure)

The average delay per flight (Figure 5) decreased to 13.1 minutes per flight, compared to 14.7 minutes per flight in 2018. Delay decreased in all but one month of the year (January), with notably better performance in summer and November driving this annual decrease. The average delay per delayed departure (≥ 5 minutes) (Figure 6) decreased by 2.1 minutes to 28.4 minutes per flight. The percentage of flights delayed on departure (Figure 7) (≥ 5 minutes) also decreased, falling to 46.4% vs. 48.4% in 2018.

Figure 5. Average Delay per Flight (All-Causes) for Departures

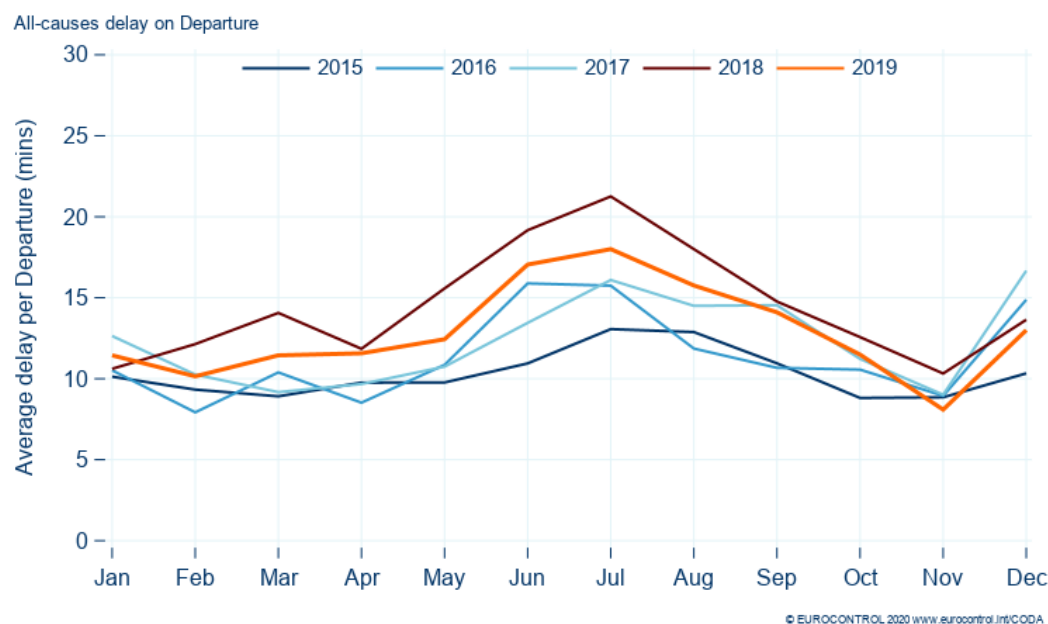


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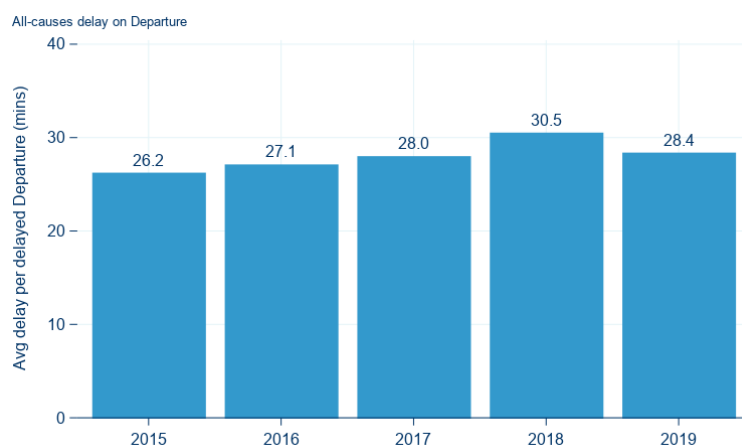
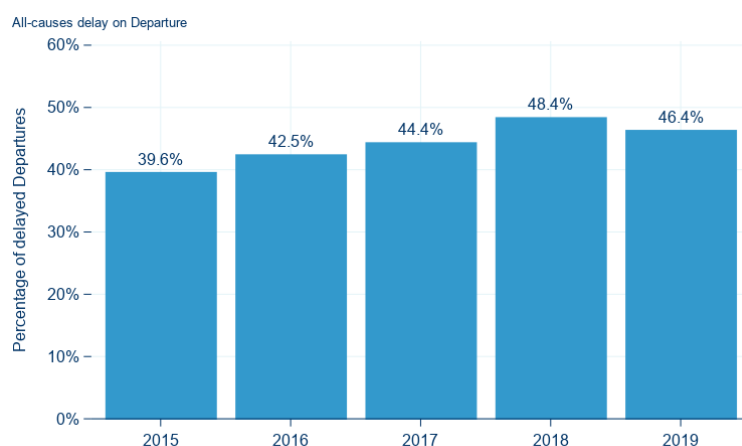


Figure 7. Percentage of Delayed Flights (All-Causes) for Departures



5 Average Delay per Delayed Flight (Arrival)

The average delay per flight on arrival (Figure 8) showed a similar trend to that of the departure, at 12.2 minutes per flight, a decrease of 1.6 minutes when compared to 2018. The average delay per delayed flight was 30.2 minutes per flight, a decrease of 2.1 minutes when compared to 2018. The percentage of delayed arrivals (Figure 10) decreased by 2.2 percentage points to 40.6%.

Figure 8. Average Delay per Flight (All-Causes) for Arrivals

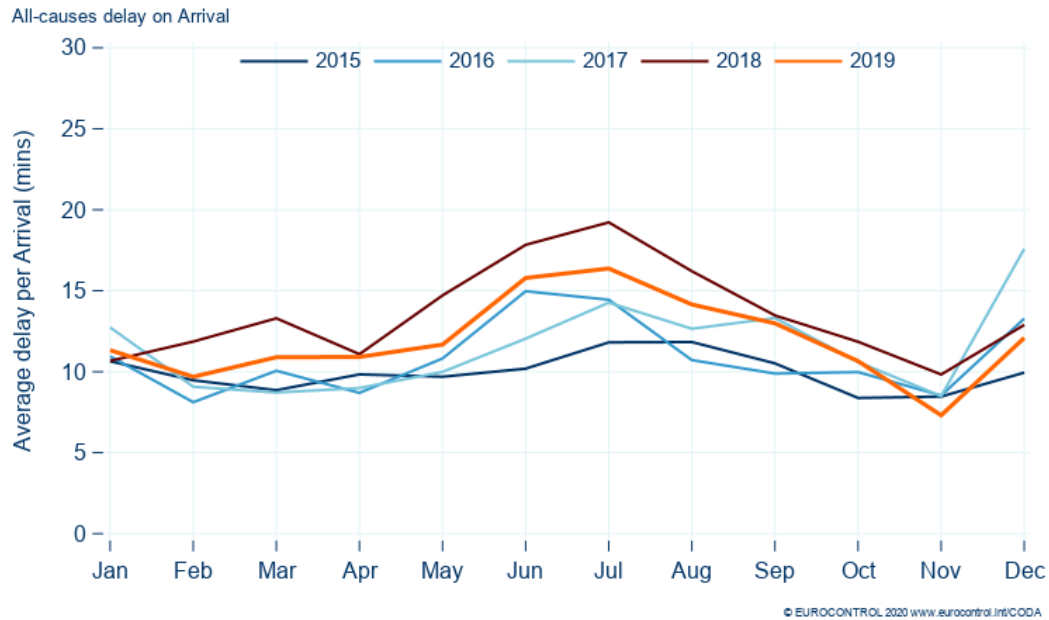


Figure 9. Average Delay per delayed Flight (All-Causes) for Arrivals

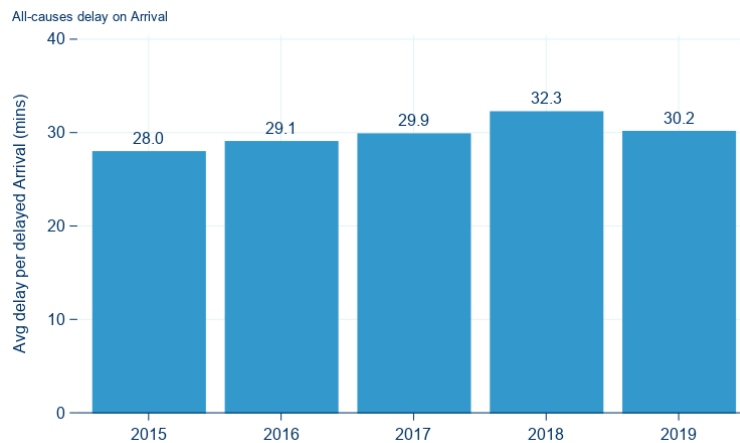
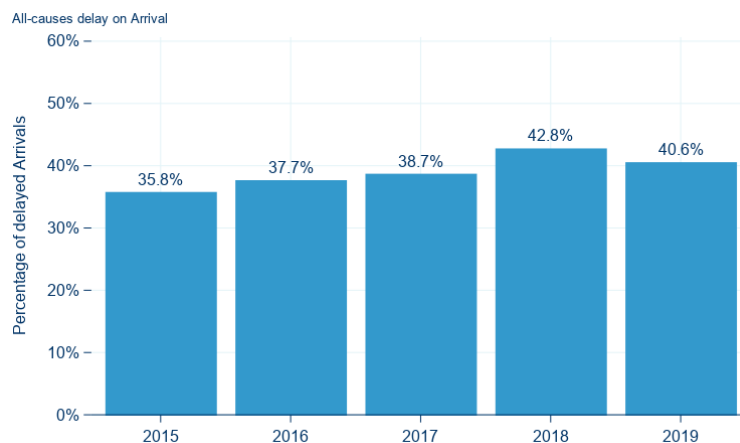
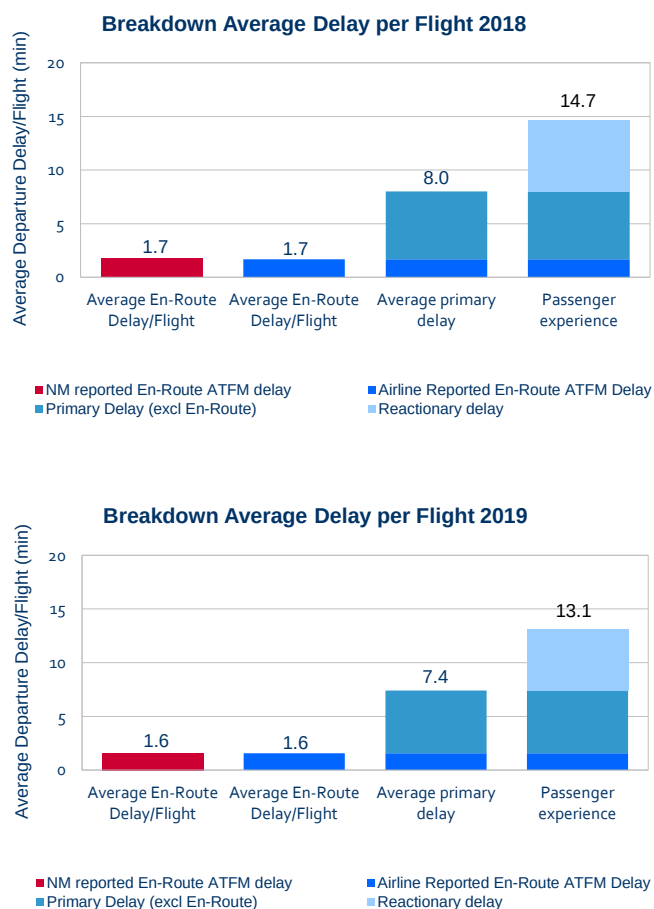


Figure 10. Percentage of Delayed Flight (All-Causes) for Arrivals



6 NM Versus Aircraft Operator Experience of Delay

Figure 11. Breakdown of Average Delay per Flight 2018 vs. 2019 (Network Manager vs. Aircraft Operator)



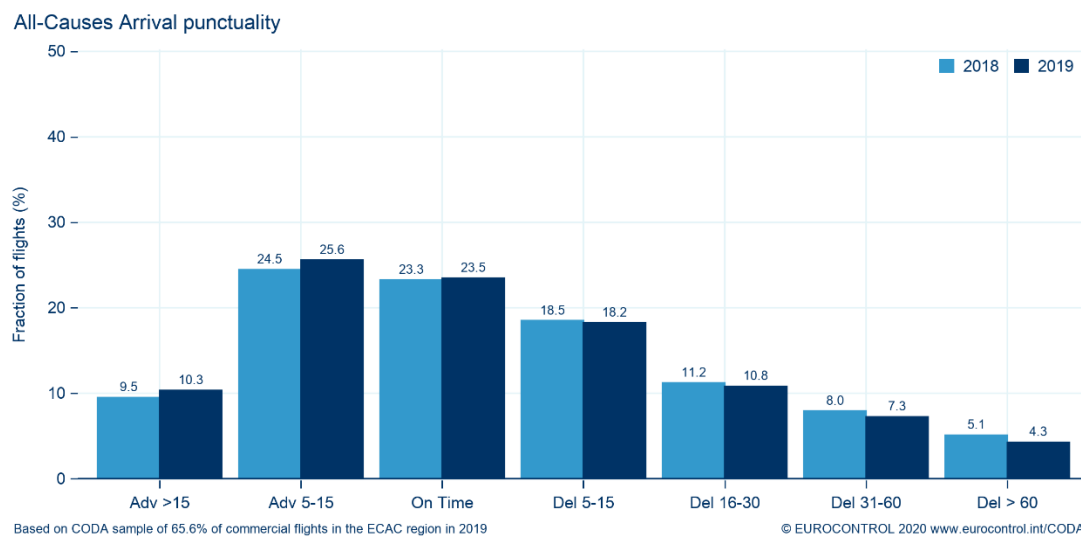
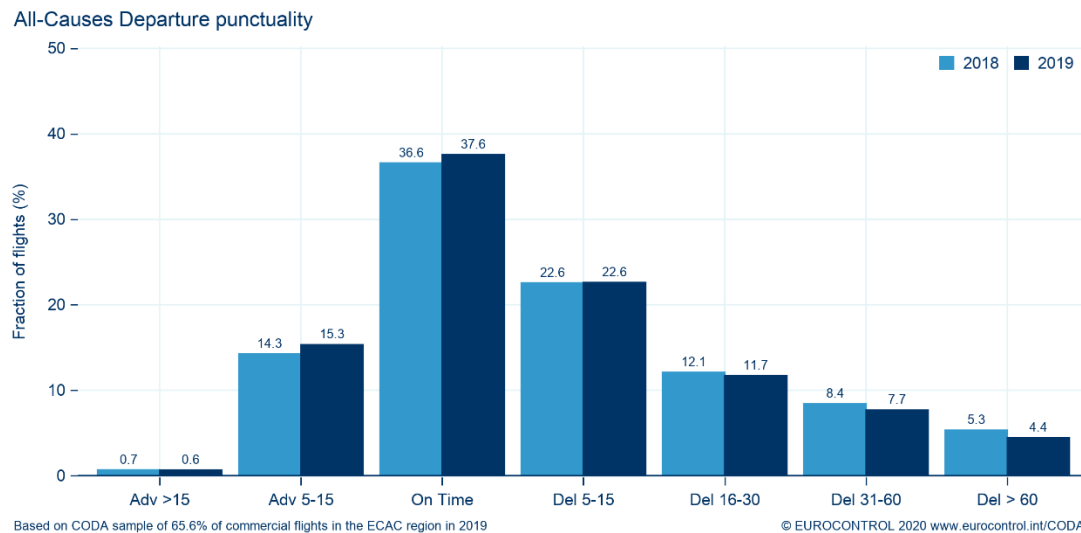
Airline data in (Figure 11) shows that the average en-route ATFM delay from all-causes was 1.6 minutes per flight. This was stable when compared to the NM recorded average en-route ATFM delay per flight for the year of 1.6 minutes per flight.

Primary delays (e.g. passenger and ramp handling delays) counted for 57% (7.4 min/flt), with reactionary delays representing the remaining share of 43% (or 5.7 min/flt). This resulted in a decreased average departure delay per flight, of 13.1 minutes per flight as reported in previous sections.

7 Punctuality

In 2019, overall departure punctuality improved (Figure 12), with 37.6% of flights departing within the 5-minute threshold before or after the scheduled departure time (STD). Flights delayed >30 minutes from all causes decreased by 1.6 percentage points to 12.1% compared to 2018.

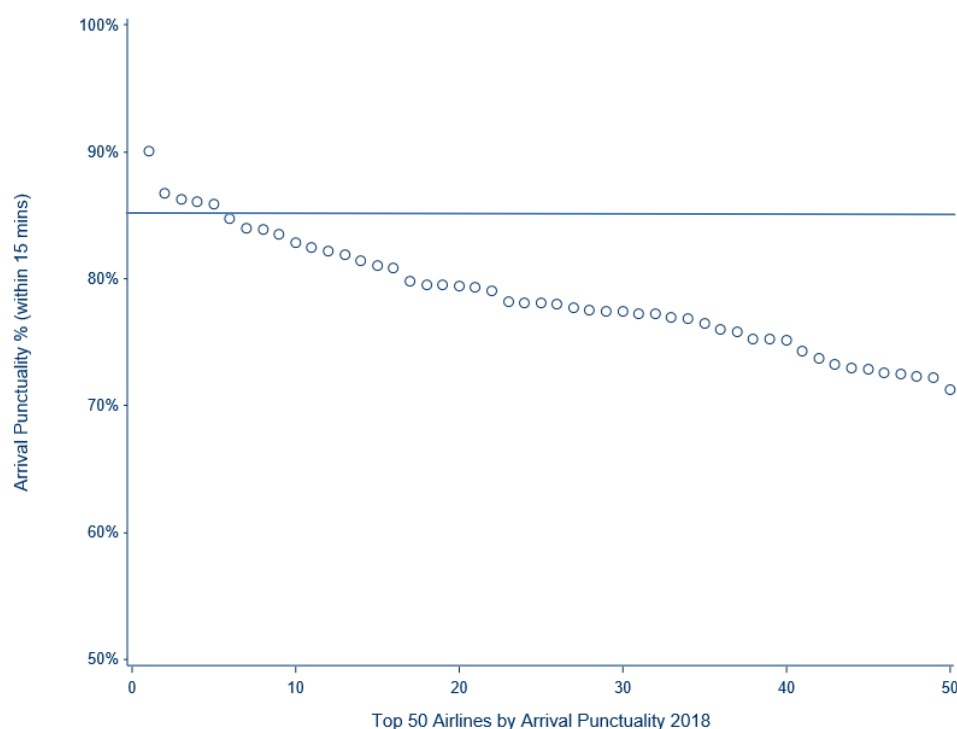
Figure 12. All-Causes Departure and Arrival Punctuality 2018 vs. 2019



Airline arrival punctuality also improved, with 77.6% of flights arriving within 15 minutes or earlier than their scheduled arrival time (STA), compared to 75.8% in 2018.

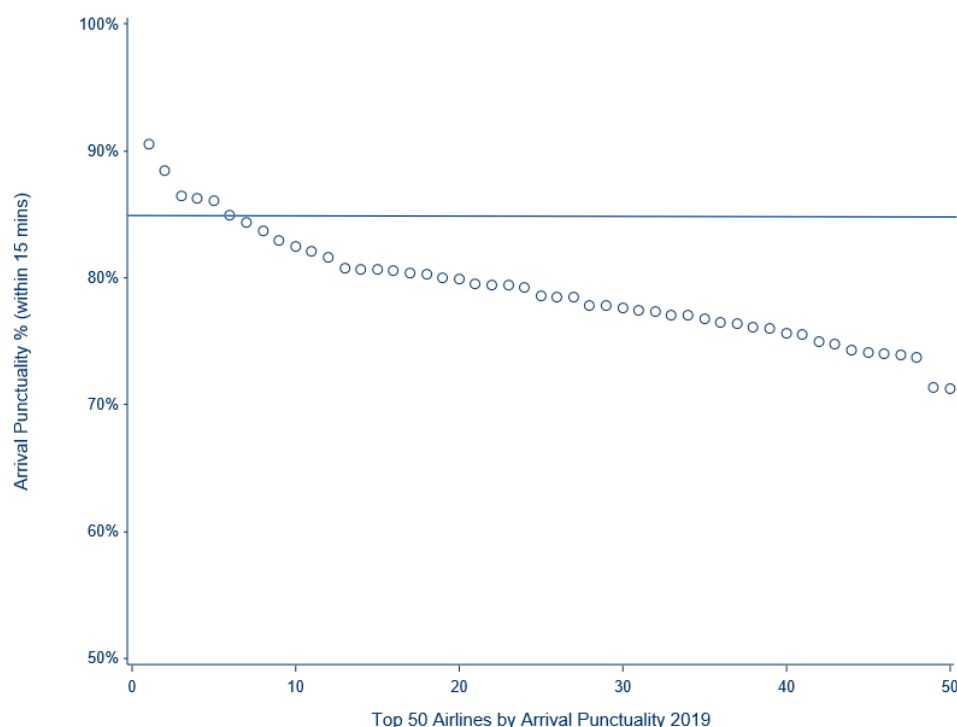
Flights arriving >15 minutes ahead of schedule saw an increase to 10.3%. Whilst being good for the passenger experience, this high share may affect operations. Effects being stand availability and air traffic flow management operations (implementation of ATFM regulations as a result of demand shifts) in the event of aircraft frequently arriving excessively ahead of their schedule.

Figure 13. Top 50* Airlines by Arrival On-Time Performance 2018



*The top 50 airlines reporting to CODA by number of flights. Arrival punctuality is calculated as the share of flights arriving within 15 minutes of the scheduled time (time of arrival at gate)

Figure 14. Top 50* Airlines by Arrival On-Time Performance 2019



During 2019, more airlines were able to maintain 15-minute arrival punctuality (Figure 13) above 85%. 6 airlines saw more than 85% of their flights arrive within 15 minutes of the scheduled time of arrival vs. 5 airlines in 2018. Despite this small change, overall more airlines also maintained arrival punctuality between 75% and 85% than in 2018.

8 Operational Flight Cancellations

Figure 15. Monthly Rate of Operational Cancellations 2019

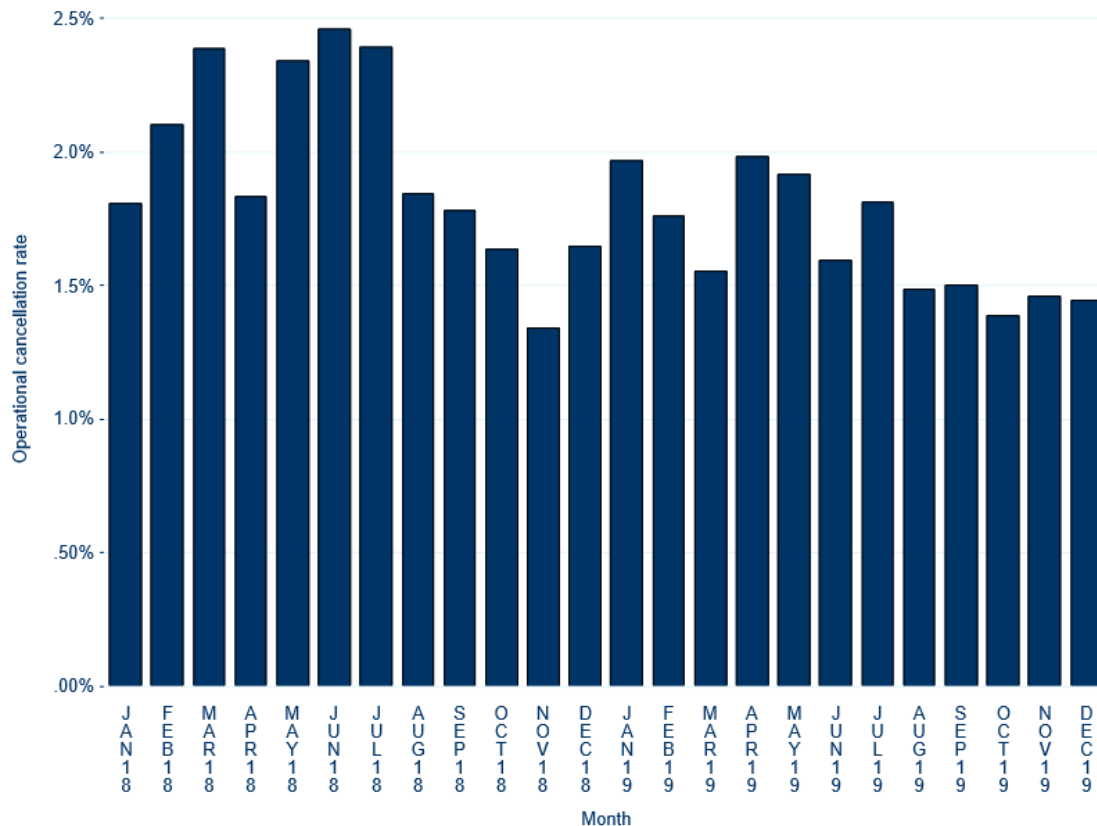
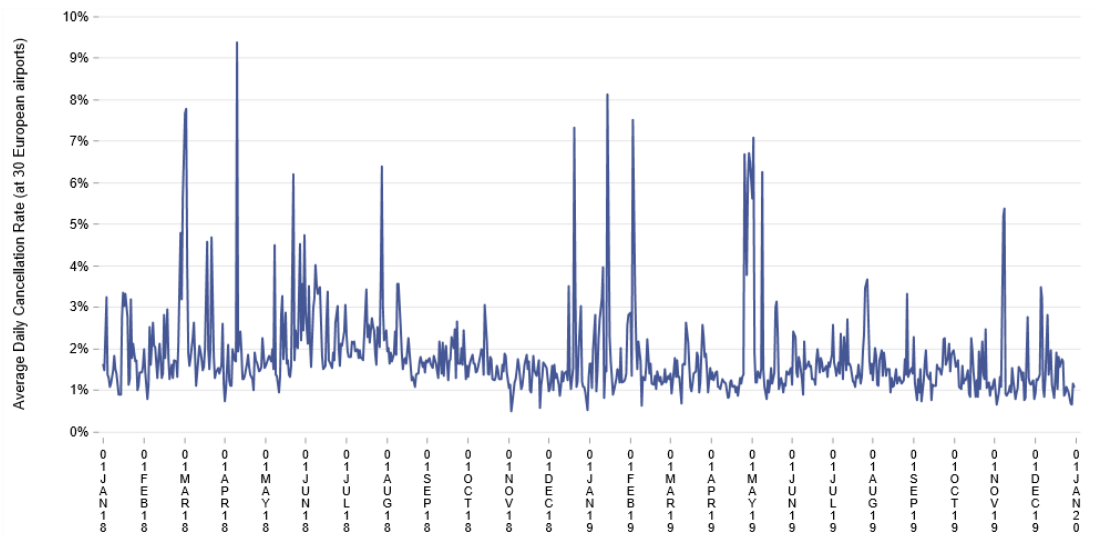


Figure 16. Average Daily Cancellation 2018 – 2019



Operational cancellations decreased to 1.7% (from 2.0% in 2018) with fewer disruptions, notably ATC industrial action penalising airlines during the year.

Figure 15 shows the monthly rate of operational cancellations providing details of cancellations by day for 2018 and 2019. It should be noted that initial cancellations count as 'operational cancellations' under the terms of the regulation [EC Regulation N° 390 2013](#).

Peaks in cancellations were observed on 15 January following industrial action by German airport security staff. Snow caused disruption at Munich and Stockholm airports on 03 February. Later in the first quarter, there was industrial action in Belgium on 13 March as well as a bad weather day on 25 March affecting Amsterdam, Frankfurt and Munich.

Strike action by SAS pilots occurred from 26 April to 02 May, with the airline cancelling approximately 600 flights per day during this period. There was also French ATC industrial action between 08 May and 10 May.

The main summer season saw fewer cancellations as industrial action was less prominent than in 2018, Radar instability affected London TC on 26 July with London Gatwick and London Heathrow seeing a peak in cancelled flights. The next day, the 27 July Gatwick suffered from gate and stand allocation system issues. On August 27 a security alert at Munich airport, as well as poor weather in the Balearic Islands resulted in increases in cancellations.

Lufthansa saw industrial action on 20 October, there was also Italian industrial action on 25 October. November saw further actions at Lufthansa on the 07 and 08 November. Italian industrial action occurred on 25 November with Rome Fiumicino being impacted. In December, French ATC industrial action occurred every week although cancellations were lower as most airlines operated their schedules incurring delays rather than cancelling flights. This can be observed in Figure 4 with long delays experiencing an increase for the month.

9 Scheduling Indicators

Two CODA scheduling indicators help airline schedulers determine the optimal schedule based on historical flight data:

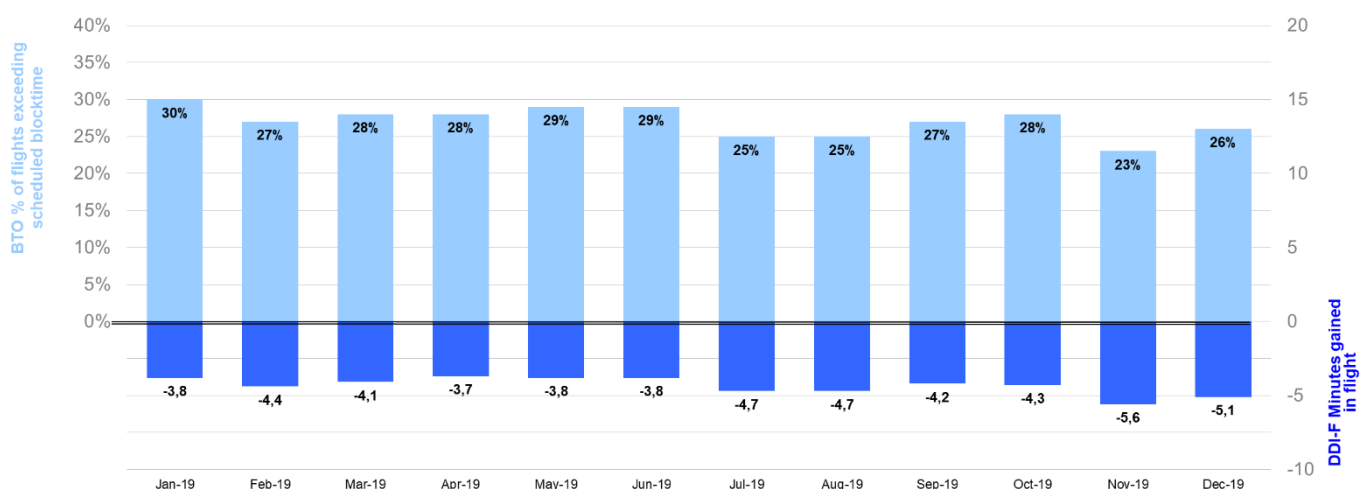
The **Delay Difference Indicator - Flight (DDI-F)** or the difference between departure and arrival punctuality expressed in minutes. This can be indicated as a positive or negative figure, for example, a flight departing with 20 minutes delay and arriving with 30 minutes arrival delay will have a DDI-F of +10 minutes.

The European DDI-F in 2019 was -4.4 minutes, this an increase in comparison to 2018 where the DDI-F was -4.2 minutes.

The **Block Time Overshoot (BTO)** is the percentage of flights with an actual block time that exceeds the scheduled block time.

The European BTO in 2019 decreased slightly to 27% compared to 28% in 2018, this indicates that airlines have been increasing their blocktimes to mitigate primary delays, notably ATFM and reactionary delay.

Figure 17. Block Time Overshoot (BTO) and Delay Difference Indicator - Flight (DDI-F) 2019



10 Reactionary Delay Analysis

In 2019, the share of reactionary delay (IATA delay codes 91-96) was 43.5% of delay minutes contributing 5.7 minutes per flight.

This section concentrates on IATA delay code 93 rotational delays, as these have a significant share of overall reactionary delays (approximately 90%) and the largest effect on network performance and passenger experience. In 2019, the share of IATA delay code 93 fell to 39% from 41% when compared to 2018.

(Figure 18) analysis shows that the median number of scheduled flights per sequence for an aircraft in 2019 was 6, this figure followed the established seasonal trend of increasing over summer. A sequence combines flights operated by the same aircraft with a normal planned ground time between flights. A sequence will end when the aircraft remains on the ground for a longer time compared to a normal turn-around time, e.g. night stop, maintenance slots etc. An increase in the scheduled sequence depth may also drive an increase in reactionary delays.

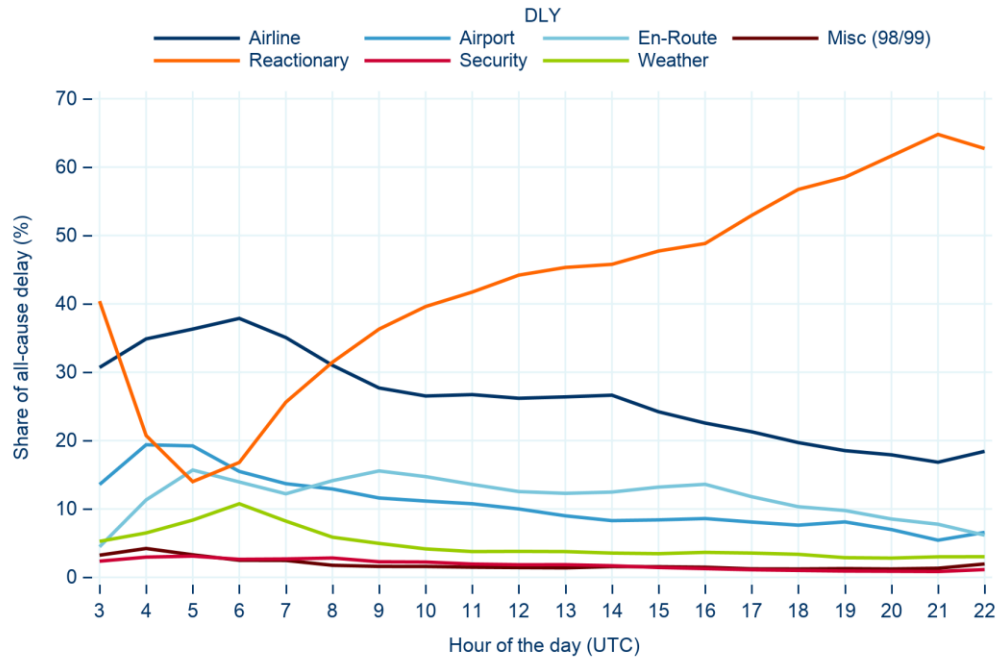
Figure 18. Median Scheduled Flight Sequence Depth and Share of Reactionary Departure Delay on Intra European Flights: 2018 –2019.



11 Average Departure Delay per Flight by Hour

Figure 19. Breakdown of the Average Departure Delay per Flight by Hour of the Day 2018 (top) vs. 2019 (bottom)

2018: Shares of all-cause delay reported by airlines, by hour of the day



2019: Shares of all-cause delay reported by airlines, by hour of the day

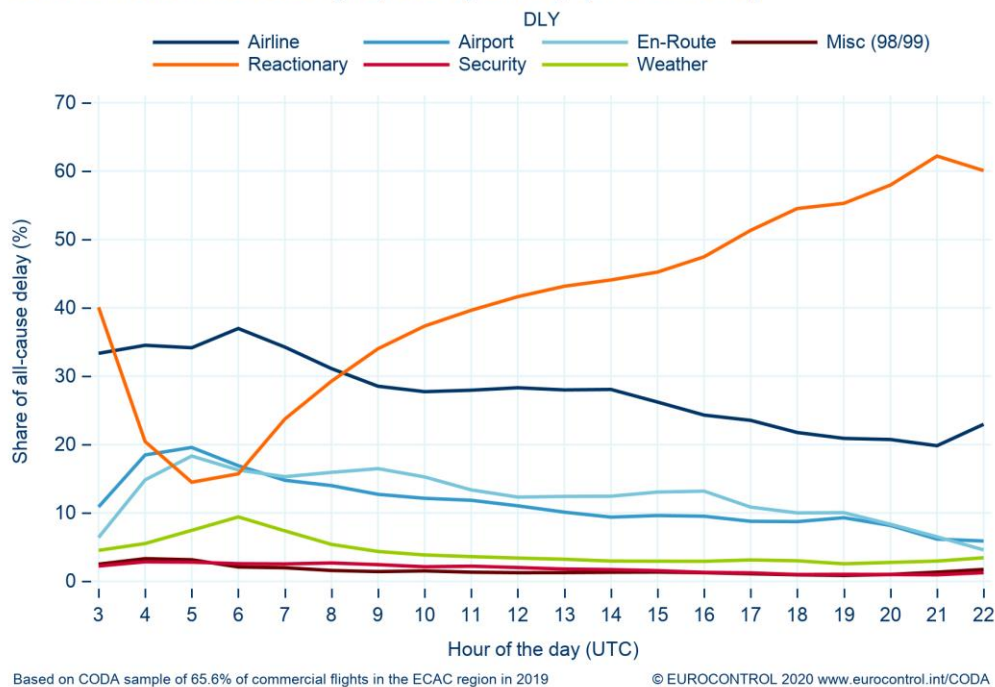
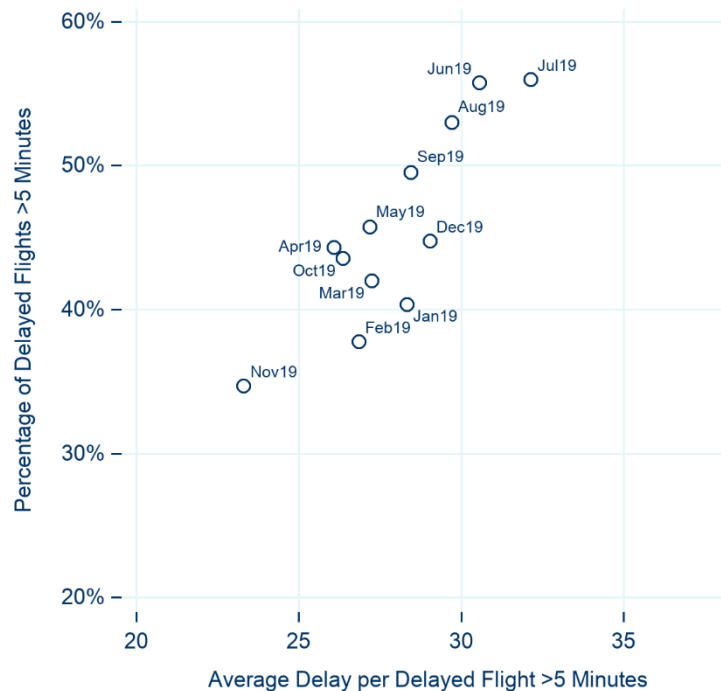


Figure 19 highlights the slight decrease in the delay situation for 2019. Lower shares of airline delay can be observed in the first rotation hours with en-route delay remaining an issue in the first rotation hours.

12 Average Delay per Delayed Flight vs Percentage of Delayed Flights

Figure 20. ADD vs. PDF on Departure



When grouped together in 2019 the percentage of flights delayed on departure (≥ 5 minutes) decreased to 46.4% from 48.4%. The average delay per delayed (ADD) flight was 28.4 minutes, a decrease of 2.0 minutes.

Figure 21. ADD vs. PDF on Arrival



The average delay per delayed flight (≥ 5 minutes) on arrival from all-causes was 30.2 minutes per flight in 2019 a decrease of 2.1 minutes per flight. The percentage of delayed arrivals also decreased, down 2.2 percentage points to 40.6% in comparison to 2018.

Use of schedule buffering can be observed as the percentage of delayed arrivals decreases, by comparing Figures 20 and 21, as the difference between the percentage of delayed arrivals and delayed departures in percentage points. This has increased compared to 2015 from 3.8% points to 5.8% points in 2019.

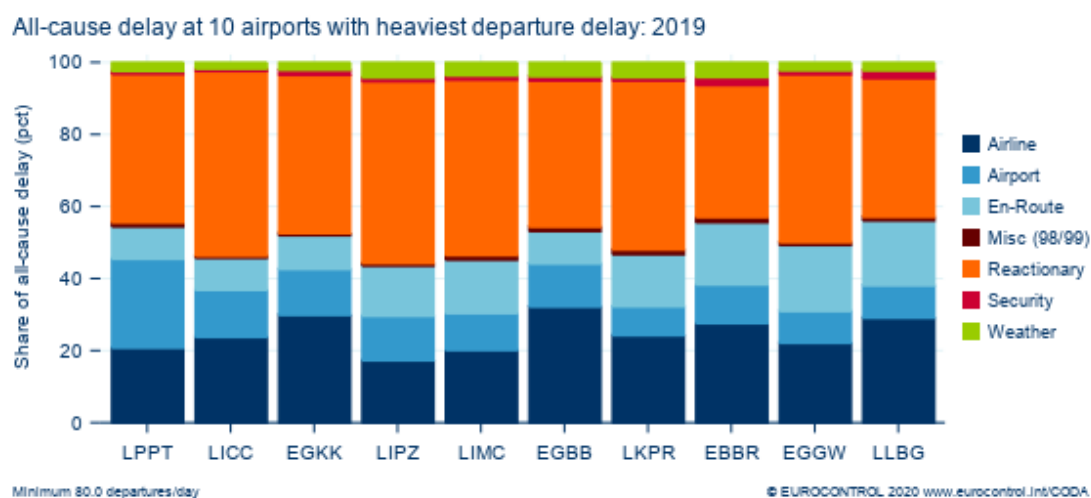
13 Top 20 Delay Affected Departure Airports

Figure 22. All-Causes Delay. Top 20 Affected Departure Airports 2019 (flights delayed >5 mins)

Rank	Departure airport	ICAO Code	Average delay per departure (mins)	Delay Change	Average delay per delayed departure	Percentage delayed departures	Average Reactionary Delay Per Departure (Mins)
1	LISBON	LPPT	19.5	-15%	30.9	63.2%	8.1
2	CATANIA	LICC	17.2	0%	32.1	53.7%	8.8
3	LONDON GATWICK	EGKK	17.1	-1%	30.8	55.6%	7.3
4	VENICE	LIPZ	16.8	1%	32.6	51.5%	8.4
5	MILAN MALPENSA	LIMC	16.7	-2%	31.1	53.6%	8.1
6	BIRMINGHAM	EGBB	16.4	-5%	30.6	53.5%	6.6
7	PRAGUE	LKPR	16.4	-10%	30.3	54.0%	7.6
8	BRUSSELS NATIONAL	EBBR	16.3	-6%	26.8	61.0%	6.0
9	LONDON LUTON	EGGW	16.3	-18%	29.7	55.1%	7.7
10	TEL AVIV BEN GURION	LLBG	16.3	-11%	29.3	55.5%	6.3
11	PORTO	LPPR	15.6	-15%	33.0	47.3%	8.4
12	BUDAPEST	LHBP	15.6	-11%	29.0	53.7%	6.8
13	PALMA DE MALLORCA	LEPA	15.6	-28%	33.5	46.5%	7.8
14	MANCHESTER	EGCC	15.5	-10%	30.2	51.2%	5.8
15	WARSAW CHOPIN	EPWA	15.4	-10%	27.4	56.1%	7.3
16	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	EHAM	15.4	13%	26.0	59.1%	6.8
17	NICE	LFMN	15.2	-14%	30.9	49.0%	7.6
18	NAPLES	LIRN	14.8	-5%	29.7	49.8%	6.6
19	LONDON CITY	EGLC	14.8	-3%	28.4	52.1%	8.0
20	PARIS CH DE GAULLE	LFPG	14.5	-15%	26.6	54.3%	3.3

Lisbon ranked 1st in the top 20 affected airports (Figure 22) with an average delay per flight of 19.5 minutes, with departing flights seeing delays due to local ATC as well as reactionary, however the average delay/flight did fall by 15% at this airport. Flights departing from Catania from high shares of reactionary delay, with 8.8 minutes per flight the highest of the Top 20. London Gatwick saw flights suffer for local start-up delay as well as reactionary. In general all but one airport (Venice) in the top 20 saw decreases in delay during 2019.

Figure 23. Main Departure Delay Causes at the Top 10 Affected Departure Airports



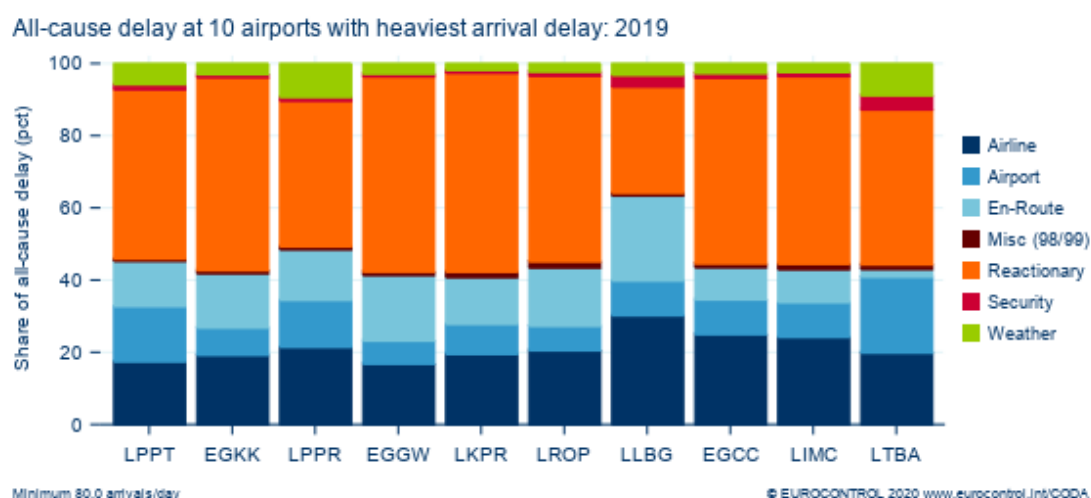
14 Top 20 Delay Affected Arrival Airports

Figure 24. All-Causes Delay. Top 20 Affected Arrival Airports 2019 (flights delayed >5 mins)

Rank	Arrival airport	ICAO Code	Average delay per arrival (mins)	Delay Change	Average delay per delayed arrival	Percentage delayed arrivals	Average Reactionary Delay Per Arrival (Mins)
1	LISBON	LPPT	18.9	-9%	34.5	54.8%	9.0
2	LONDON GATWICK	EGKK	18.8	-3%	38.1	49.3%	10.3
3	PORTO	LPPR	17.1	-11%	36.0	47.4%	7.2
4	LONDON LUTON	EGGW	16.9	-8%	35.4	47.8%	10.4
5	PRAGUE	LKPR	16.1	-6%	32.8	49.0%	9.3
6	BUCHAREST OTP	LROP	15.5	2%	29.1	53.4%	8.0
7	TEL AVIV BEN GURION	LLBG	15.5	-13%	29.5	52.6%	5.1
8	MANCHESTER	EGCC	15.5	-7%	34.5	44.9%	8.3
9	MILAN MALPENSA	LIMC	15.3	-4%	32.0	47.8%	8.2
10	ISTANBUL ATATURK	LTBA	15.2	20%	35.7	42.6%	5.9
11	BARCELONA	LEBL	15.0	-30%	36.0	41.6%	8.1
12	BUDAPEST	LHBP	14.8	-7%	30.3	48.9%	7.4
13	VENICE	LIPZ	14.2	-0%	29.9	47.3%	6.8
14	BIRMINGHAM	EGBB	14.1	-11%	32.4	43.7%	8.1
15	DUBLIN	EIDW	14.1	-7%	30.7	46.0%	6.5
16	LONDON STANSTED	EGSS	13.8	-40%	33.8	40.7%	5.8
17	ATHENS	LGAV	13.6	20%	28.4	48.0%	7.0
18	BRUSSELS NATIONAL	EBBR	13.1	-8%	29.9	43.8%	6.1
19	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	EHAM	13.0	27%	32.5	39.9%	6.2
20	EDINBURGH	EGPH	12.8	-14%	30.6	41.7%	7.4

Lisbon also ranked first for arrival delays in 2019 (Figure 24), with an average delay per flight on arrival of 18.9 minutes, with weather, reactionary delay and ATFM en-route delays affecting arrival performance of flights. Tel Aviv suffered from en-route delays in 2019, with an average delay per flight of 15.5 mins. Flights arriving at Porto suffered from weather delays (Figure 22). Barcelona saw better arrival performance with airlines suffering from less en-route and reactionary delays. (Figure 25).

Figure 25. Main Arrival Delay Causes at the Top 10 Affected Arrival Airports



15 Top 20 Delay Affected Airport Pairs

Figure 26. All-Causes Delay Situation for the 20 Most Delayed Airport Pairs 2019

Rank	Departure Airport	Arrival Airport	Average Delay Per Departure	Change since Previous Period	Average Delay Per Delayed Departure	Percentage Delayed Departures
1	LONDON GATWICK	BARCELONA	24.5	-5%	38.1	64.5%
2	LISBOA	MADEIRA	22.3	-7%	33.5	66.5%
3	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	LONDON GATWICK	21.4	19%	35.3	60.6%
4	LISBON	BARCELONA	21.2	-20%	34.5	61.3%
5	PARIS ORLY	LISBON	20.6	-2%	30.3	68.0%
6	CATANIA	MILAN MALPENSA	20.2	21%	36.4	55.6%
7	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	BARCELONA	20.2	-20%	31.3	64.5%
8	LISBON	PARIS ORLY	19.9	9%	30.5	65.3%
9	ROME FIUMICINO	BARCELONA	19.4	-26%	32.4	60.0%
10	BARCELONA	LISBON	19.3	-23%	32.5	59.5%
11	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	DUBLIN	19.3	46%	29.9	64.5%
12	LISBON	LONDON HEATHROW	19.0	-7%	28.6	66.5%
13	MADEIRA	LISBON	19.0	-4%	36.7	51.8%
14	BIRMINGHAM	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	18.7	30%	29.5	63.5%
15	BARCELONA	LONDON GATWICK	18.7	-21%	35.3	53.0%
16	IBIZA	BARCELONA	18.3	-35%	38.2	47.9%
17	PALMA DE MALLORCA	DUSSELDORF	18.0	-20%	30.6	58.9%
18	AMSTERDAM SCHIPHOL	BIRMINGHAM	17.8	18%	28.8	62.0%
19	MALAGA	LONDON GATWICK	17.7	-8%	36.8	48.1%
20	LONDON GATWICK	DUBLIN	17.7	2%	34.5	51.2%

The delay situation affecting Lisbon is highlighted in Figure 26 with airport appearing in 7 of the top 20 affected pairs. In 2019, flights between London Gatwick and Barcelona ranked first in the most delayed airport pairs (Figure 26). Many flights operating on this city pair suffered from local start up delays in Gatwick as well as reactionary delays. Lisbon airport city pairs also feature in the above table, the main cause of delay here is airport capacity, in turn, creating reactionary delay on the returning flights. However, overall delay at Lisbon did decrease during the year. Amsterdam Schiphol also features with flights at the airport affected by reactionary delays following airport capacity delays impacting their arrival during peak hours.

16 Year on Year Trends in All-Causes Indicators

This section summarises the year-on-year trends in the main indicators of delay from all-causes. A flight is considered delayed from 5 minutes.

The improved performance in 2019 can be observed in (Figures 27, 28 and 29). Further references to these graphs can be found in sections 4 and 5.

Figure 27 Average all-causes delay per delayed flight (departures top, arrivals bottom)

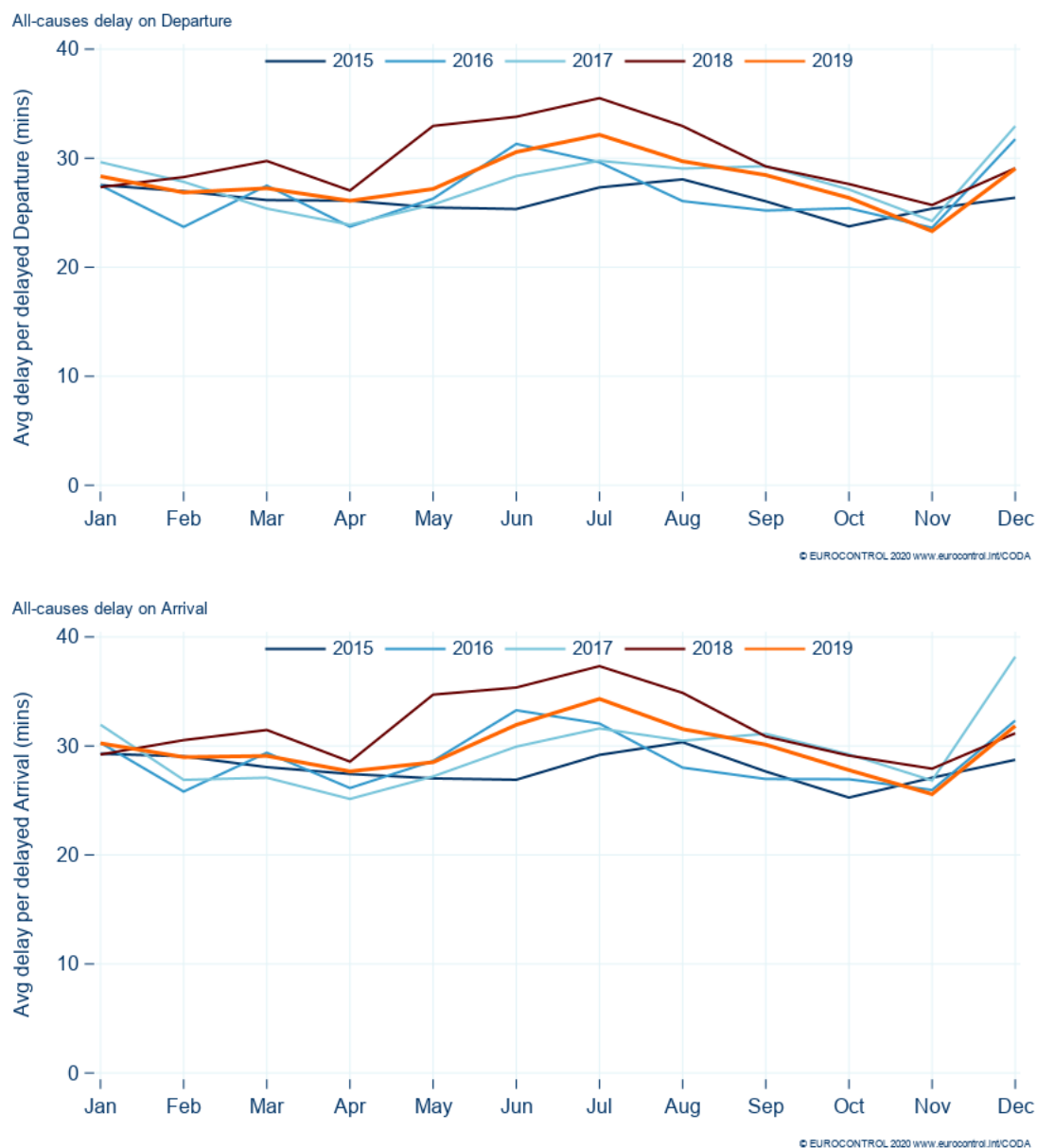


Figure 28. Percentage of flights delayed ≥ 5 mins for all-causes delay (departures top, arrivals bottom)

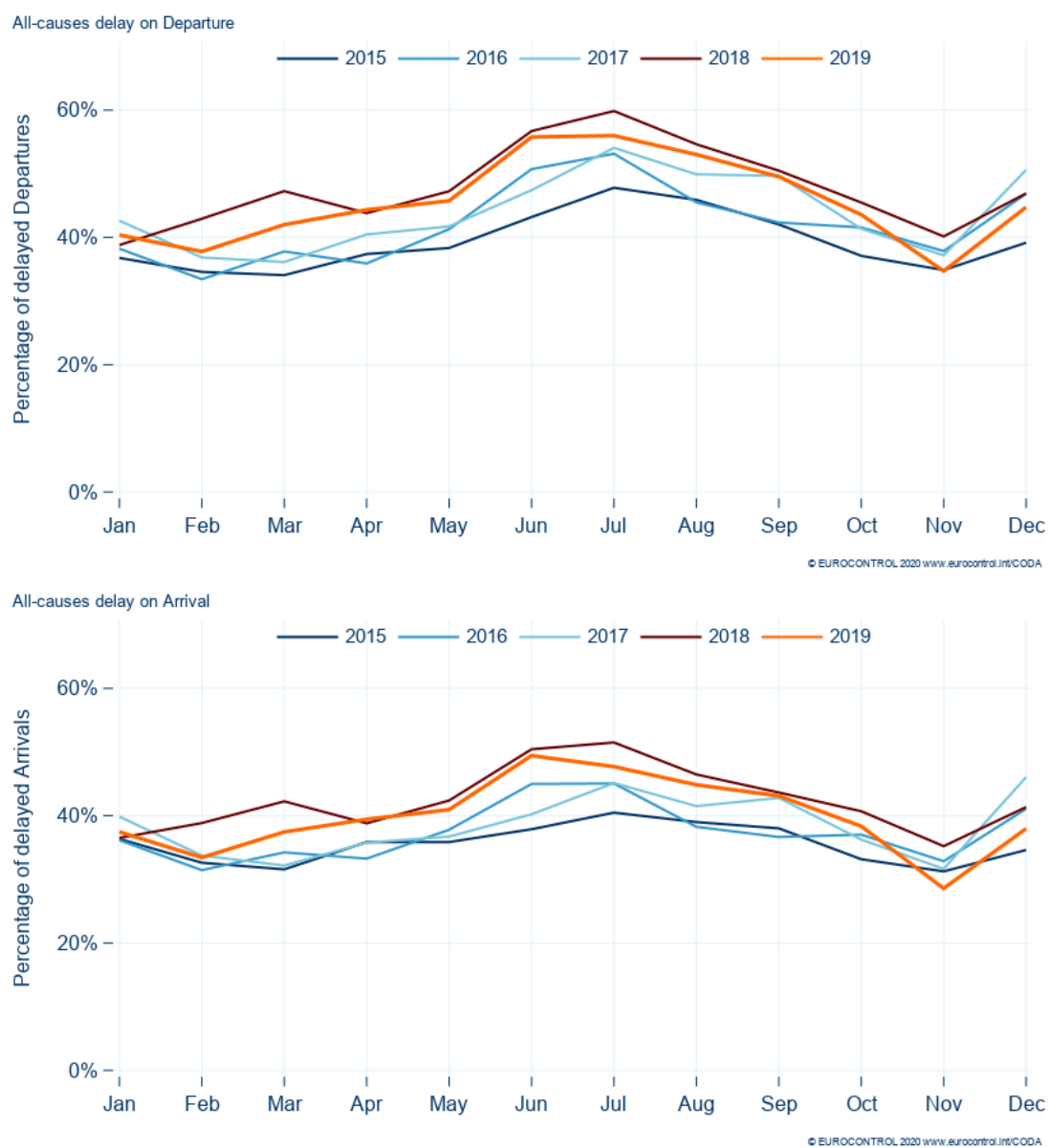
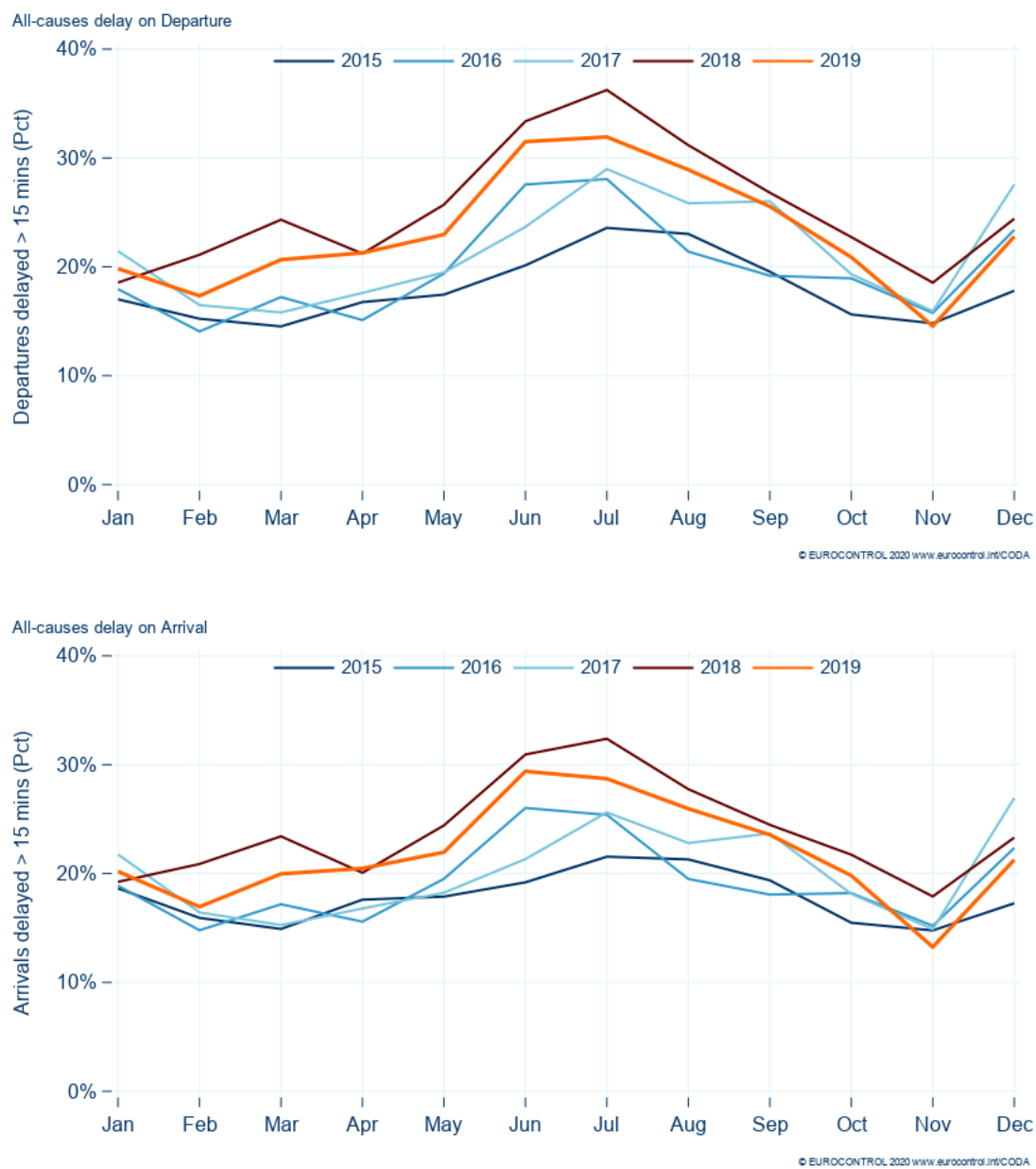


Figure 29. Percentage of flights delayed >15mins for all-causes (departures top, arrivals bottom)



17 CODA Definitions and References

NM Versus Aircraft Operator Experience of Delay

ATFM delays calculated by NM are the (flight) planned “delays” based on restrictions applied; the airlines report the “actual” experienced ATFM delay on departure. For instance, a flight with an ATFM restriction may also have a handling delay. For the airline, a part of this delay is the ATFM delay and the rest is the handling delay; for NM it is all ATFM delay.

In the event of a longer duration delay, an example being during ATC industrial action, a flight may keep its original schedule however when its flight plan is submitted for example a day later any ATFM delay allocated may be lower or zero, in this case airline reported delay will exceed NM reported ATFM delay.

Operational Flight Cancellations

These results are based on operational cancellation data supplied by 30 European coordinated airports reporting to CODA under [EC Regulation N° 390 2013](#). Albeit based on data supplied by a restricted list (see the conditions below) of major European airports, these results already give a good indication of trends and effects of Network events like industrial actions or extreme weather.

The IFR flight coverage at the individual airports included in this analysis is 100%. Those airports currently unable to report operational cancellations in the required data format or those not meeting all of the criteria for operational cancellations were excluded from the analysis.

According to Annex V of EC Regulation N°390 2013 an ‘Operational Cancellation’ means an arrival or departing scheduled flight to which the following conditions apply:

- The flight received an airport slot, and
- The flight was confirmed by the air carrier the day before operations and or it was contained in the daily list of flight schedules produced by the airport operator the day before of operations, but
- The actual landing or take-off never occurred.

Therefore this section of the CODA Digest reports on monthly and daily shares of operational cancellations of the total planned flights at day -1. Like delays, operational cancellations provide an insight into the impact of network events and associated disruption; e.g. industrial action or extreme weather events.

CODA Scheduling Indicators

Two CODA scheduling indicators help airline schedulers determine the optimal schedule based on historical flight data.

Scheduling correctly is a difficult art: if too long a time is blocked for a flight, the airline will not be able to make best use of resources - staff, airframes, infrastructure. Too short a time can arguably be worse as late flights generate rotational delay with late incoming aircraft and passengers from previous flights having to be accommodated. When flights leave on time but arrive after the scheduled time of arrival they cause reactionary delays. Schedule padding is essential for air carriers in order to find schedules which work with the typical patterns of delay, so that they can deliver passengers on time, and get maximum use out of their aircraft. Consequently, when delays decrease it takes one or two (IATA) seasons for the airline to adapt its schedule accordingly.

The **Delay Difference Indicator - Flight (DDI-F)** or the difference between departure and arrival punctuality expressed in minutes. This can be indicated as a positive or negative figure, for example, a flight departing with 20 minutes delay and arriving with 30 minutes arrival delay will have a DDI-F of +10 minutes.

The **Block Time Overshoot (BTO)** is the percentage of flights with an actual block time that exceeds the scheduled block time.

Reactionary Delay Analysis

Reactionary delays are generated as a result of an aircraft's late arrival from a previous flight, which in turn affects the punctuality of its next flight with the same aircraft, as well as potentially delaying connecting passengers. See the IATA Standard Delay Codes section for an overview of the IATA reactionary delay codes. Subsequently there are two types of reactionary delays: firstly as a result of the same aircraft being delayed on its next flight (rotational delay) and secondly when another aircraft is delayed as a result of another aircraft typically through passengers, crew and load connection (non-rotational delays).

A sequence combines flights operated by the same aircraft with a normal planned ground time between flights. A sequence will end when the aircraft remains on the ground for a longer time compared to a normal turn-around time, e.g. night stop, maintenance slots etc. An increase in the scheduled sequence depth may also drive an increase in reactionary delays.

18 CODA Delay Groupings

	CODA CAUSE	Description	IATA Code
Primary Delay Causes	Airline	Passenger and Baggage	11-19
		Cargo and Mail	21-29
		Aircraft and Ramp Handling	31-39
		Technical and Aircraft Equipment	41-48
		Damage to Aircraft & EDP Automated Equipment Failure	51-58
		Flight Operations and Crewing	61-69
		Other Airline Related Causes	Others
	Airport	ATFM due to Restriction at Destination Airport	83
		Airport Facilities	87
		Restrictions at Airport of Destination	88
		Restrictions at Airport of Departure	89
	En-Route	ATFM due to ATC En-Route Demand Capacity	81
		ATFM due to ATC Staff Equipment En-Route	82
	Governmental	Security and Immigration	85-86
	Weather	Weather (other than ATFM)	71-77
		ATFM due to Weather at Destination	84
	Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous	97-99
	Reactionary	Late Arrival of Aircraft, Crew, Passengers or Load	91-96

19 Correlation between IATA Delay Codes and the NM Regulation Codes

Note: updated version published in the ATFCM User's Manual 20.1.1¹

Correlation Between IATA Delay Codes and NM Regulation Reasons (Edition 20.1.1)				IATA	
Regulation Cause	Code	Regulation Location	Guidelines	Code	Delay Cause
ATC Capacity	C	D	En Route: Demand exceeds or complexity reduces declared or expected ATC capacity. Airport: Demand exceeds declared or expected ATC capacity	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		81	ATFM due to ATC ENROUTE DEMAND/CAPACITY
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
ATC Industrial Action	I	D	Reduction in any capacity due to industrial action by ATC staff	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		82	ATFM due to ATC STAFF/EQUIPMENT ENROUTE
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
ATC Routeings	R	D	Network Solutions / Scenarios used to balance demand and capacity	81	ATFM due to ATC ENROUTE DEMAND/CAPACITY
		E		89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		A		82	ATFM due to ATC STAFF/EQUIPMENT ENROUTE
ATC Staffing	S	D	Unplanned staff shortage reducing expected capacity	83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
		E		89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		A		82	ATFM due to ATC STAFF/EQUIPMENT ENROUTE
ATC Equipment	T	D	Reduction of expected or declared capacity due to the non-availability or degradation of equipment used to provide an ATC service	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		82	ATFM due to ATC STAFF/EQUIPMENT ENROUTE
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
Accident/Incident	A	D	Reduction of expected ATC capacity due to an aircraft accident/incident	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
		A		89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
Aerodrome Capacity	G	D	Reduction in declared or expected capacity due to the degradation or non-availability of infrastructure at an airport e.g. work in progress, shortage of aircraft stands etc. Or when demand exceeds expected aerodrome capacity.	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
		A		89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
Aerodrome Services	E	D	Reduced capacity due to the degradation or non-availability of support equipment at an airport e.g. Fire Service, De-icing / Snow Removal equipment or other ground handling equipment	83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
		E		99	OTHER
		A		99	OTHER
Industrial Action NON-ATC	N	D	A reduction in expected / planned capacity due to industrial action by non-ATC personnel	98	INDUSTRIAL ACTION OUTSIDE OWN AIRLINE
		E		98	INDUSTRIAL ACTION OUTSIDE OWN AIRLINE
		A		98	INDUSTRIAL ACTION OUTSIDE OWN AIRLINE
Aircraft Management	M	D	Reduction in declared or expected capacity following changes in air space / route availability due to small scale military activity	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		82	ATFM due to ATC STAFF/EQUIPMENT ENROUTE
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
Special Event	P	D	Reduction in planned, declared or expected capacity or when demand exceeds the above capacities as a result of a major sporting, governmental or social event. It may also be used for ATM system upgrades and transitions. Large multinational exercises may also use this reason. This category should only be used with prior approval during the planning process	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		82	ATFM due to ATC STAFF/EQUIPMENT ENROUTE
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
Weather	W	D	Reduction in expected capacity due to any weather phenomena. This includes where weather impacts airport infrastructure capacity, but where aerodrome services are operating as planned / expected	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		81	ATFM due to ATC ENROUTE DEMAND/CAPACITY
		A		84	ATFM due to WEATHER AT DESTINATION
Environmental Issue	V	D	Reduction in any capacity or when demand exceeds capacity due to agreed local noise, runway or similar procedures. This category should only be used with prior agreement in the planning process.	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		81	ATFM due to ATC ENROUTE DEMAND/CAPACITY
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT
Other	O	D	This category should be used in exceptional circumstances when no other category is sufficient. An explanatory ANM remark MUST be given to allow post ops analysis	89	RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE
		E		81	ATFM due to ATC ENROUTE DEMAND/CAPACITY
		A		83	ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT

¹ <http://www.eurocontrol.int/sites/default/files/content/documents/nm/network-operations/HANDBOOK/atfcu-users-manual-current.pdf>

Others

00-05	AIRLINE INTERNAL CODES
06 (OA)	NO GATE STAND AVAILABILITY DUE TO OWN AIRLINE ACTIVITY Including Early Arrivals
09 (SG)	SCHEDULED GROUND TIME LESS THAN DECLARED MINIMUM GROUND TIME

Passenger and Baggage

11 (PD)	LATE CHECK-IN, acceptance after deadline
12 (PL)	LATE CHECK-IN, congestions in check-in area
13 (PE)	CHECK-IN ERROR, passenger and baggage
14 (PO)	OVERSALES, booking errors
15 (PH)	BOARDING, discrepancies and paging, missing checked-in passenger
16 (PS)	COMMERCIAL PUBLICITY PASSENGER CONVENIENCE, VIP, press, ground meals and missing personal items
17 (PC)	CATERING ORDER, late or incorrect order given to supplier
18 (PB)	BAGGAGE PROCESSING, sorting etc.
19 (PW)	REDUCED MOBILITY, boarding debarking of passengers with reduced mobility.

Cargo and Mail

21 (CD)	DOCUMENTATION, errors etc.
22 (CP)	LATE POSITIONING
23 (CC)	LATE ACCEPTANCE
24 (CI)	INADEQUATE PACKING
25 (CO)	OVERSALES, booking errors
26 (CU)	LATE PREPARATION IN WAREHOUSE
27 (CE)	DOCUMENTATION, PACKING etc (<i>Mail Only</i>)
28 (CL)	LATE POSITIONING (<i>Mail Only</i>)
29 (CA)	LATE ACCEPTANCE (<i>Mail Only</i>)

Aircraft and Ramp Handling

31 (GD)	AIRCRAFT DOCUMENTATION LATE INACCURATE, weight and balance, general declaration, pax manifest, etc.
32 (GL)	LOADING UNLOADING, bulky, special load, cabin load, lack of loading staff
33 (GE)	LOADING EQUIPMENT, lack of or breakdown, e.g. container pallet loader, lack of staff
34 (GS)	SERVICING EQUIPMENT, lack of or breakdown, lack of staff, e.g. steps
35 (GC)	AIRCRAFT CLEANING
36 (GF)	FUELLING DEFUELLING, fuel supplier
37 (GB)	CATERING, late delivery or loading
38 (GU)	ULD, lack of or serviceability
39 (GT)	TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT, lack of or breakdown, lack of staff, e.g. pushback

Technical and Aircraft Equipment

41 (TD)	AIRCRAFT DEFECTS.
42 (TM)	SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE, late release.
43 (TN)	NON-SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE, special checks and or additional works beyond normal maintenance schedule.
44 (TS)	SPARES AND MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT, lack of or breakdown.
45 (TA)	AOG SPARES, to be carried to another station.
46 (TC)	AIRCRAFT CHANGE, for technical reasons.
47 (TL)	STAND-BY AIRCRAFT, lack of planned stand-by aircraft for technical reasons.
48 (TV)	SCHEDULED CABIN CONFIGURATION VERSION ADJUSTMENTS.

Damage to Aircraft & EDP Automated Equipment Failure

51 (DF)	DAMAGE DURING FLIGHT OPERATIONS, bird or lightning strike, turbulence, heavy or overweight landing, collision during taxiing
52 (DG)	DAMAGE DURING GROUND OPERATIONS, collisions (other than during taxiing), loading off-loading damage, contamination, towing, extreme weather conditions
55 (ED)	DEPARTURE CONTROL
56 (EC)	CARGO PREPARATION DOCUMENTATION
57 (EF)	FLIGHT PLANS
58 (EO)	OTHER AUTOMATED SYSTEM

Flight Operations and Crewing

61 (FP)	FLIGHT PLAN, late completion or change of, flight documentation
62 (FF)	OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS, fuel, load alteration
63 (FT)	LATE CREW BOARDING OR DEPARTURE PROCEDURES, other than connection and standby (flight deck or entire crew)
64 (FS)	FLIGHT DECK CREW SHORTAGE, sickness, awaiting standby, flight time limitations, crew meals, valid visa, health documents, etc.
65 (FR)	FLIGHT DECK CREW SPECIAL REQUEST, not within operational requirements
66 (FL)	LATE CABIN CREW BOARDING OR DEPARTURE PROCEDURES, other than connection and standby

- 67 (FC) CABIN CREW SHORTAGE, sickness, awaiting standby, flight time limitations, crew meals, valid visa, health documents, etc.
- 68 (FA) CABIN CREW ERROR OR SPECIAL REQUEST, not within operational requirements
- 69 (FB) CAPTAIN REQUEST FOR SECURITY CHECK, extraordinary

Weather

- 71 (WO) DEPARTURE STATION
- 72 (WT) DESTINATION STATION
- 73 (WR) EN ROUTE OR ALTERNATE
- 75 (WI) DE-ICING OF AIRCRAFT, removal of ice and or snow, frost prevention excluding unserviceability of equipment
- 76 (WS) REMOVAL OF SNOW, ICE, WATER AND SAND FROM AIRPORT
- 77 (WG) GROUND HANDLING IMPAIRED BY ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Air Traffic Flow Management Restrictions

- 81 (AT) ATFM due to ATC EN-ROUTE DEMAND CAPACITY, standard demand capacity problems
- 82 (AX) ATFM due to ATC STAFF EQUIPMENT EN-ROUTE, reduced capacity caused by industrial action or staff shortage, equipment failure, military exercise or extraordinary demand due to capacity reduction in neighbouring area
- 83 (AE) ATFM due to RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT, airport and or runway closed due to obstruction, industrial action, staff shortage, political unrest, noise abatement, night curfew, special flights
- 84 (AW) ATFM due to WEATHER AT DESTINATION

Airport and Government Authorities

- 85 (AS) MANDATORY SECURITY
- 86 (AG) IMMIGRATION, CUSTOMS, HEALTH
- 87 (AF) AIRPORT FACILITIES, parking stands, ramp congestion, lighting, buildings, gate limitations, etc.
- 88 (AD) RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DESTINATION, airport and or runway closed due to obstruction, industrial action, staff shortage, political unrest, noise abatement, night curfew, special flights
- 89 (AM) RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE WITH OR WITHOUT ATFM RESTRICTIONS, including Air Traffic Services, start-up and pushback, airport and or runway closed due to obstruction or weather², industrial action, staff shortage, political unrest, noise abatement, night curfew, special flights

Reactionary

- 91 (RL) LOAD CONNECTION, awaiting load from another flight
- 92 (RT) THROUGH CHECK-IN ERROR, passenger and baggage
- 93 (RA) AIRCRAFT ROTATION, late arrival of aircraft from another flight or previous sector
- 94 (RS) CABIN CREW ROTATION, awaiting cabin crew from another flight
- 95 (RC) CREW ROTATION, awaiting crew from another flight (flight deck or entire crew)
- 96 (RO) OPERATIONS CONTROL, re-routing, diversion, consolidation, aircraft change for reasons other than technical

Miscellaneous

- 97 (MI) INDUSTRIAL ACTION WITH OWN AIRLINE
- 98 (MO) INDUSTRIAL ACTION OUTSIDE OWN AIRLINE, excluding ATS
- 99 (MX) OTHER REASON, not matching any code above

SOURCE: IATA – Airport Handling Manual (730 & 731)

² Restriction due to weather in case of ATFM regulation only, else refer to code 71 (WO)

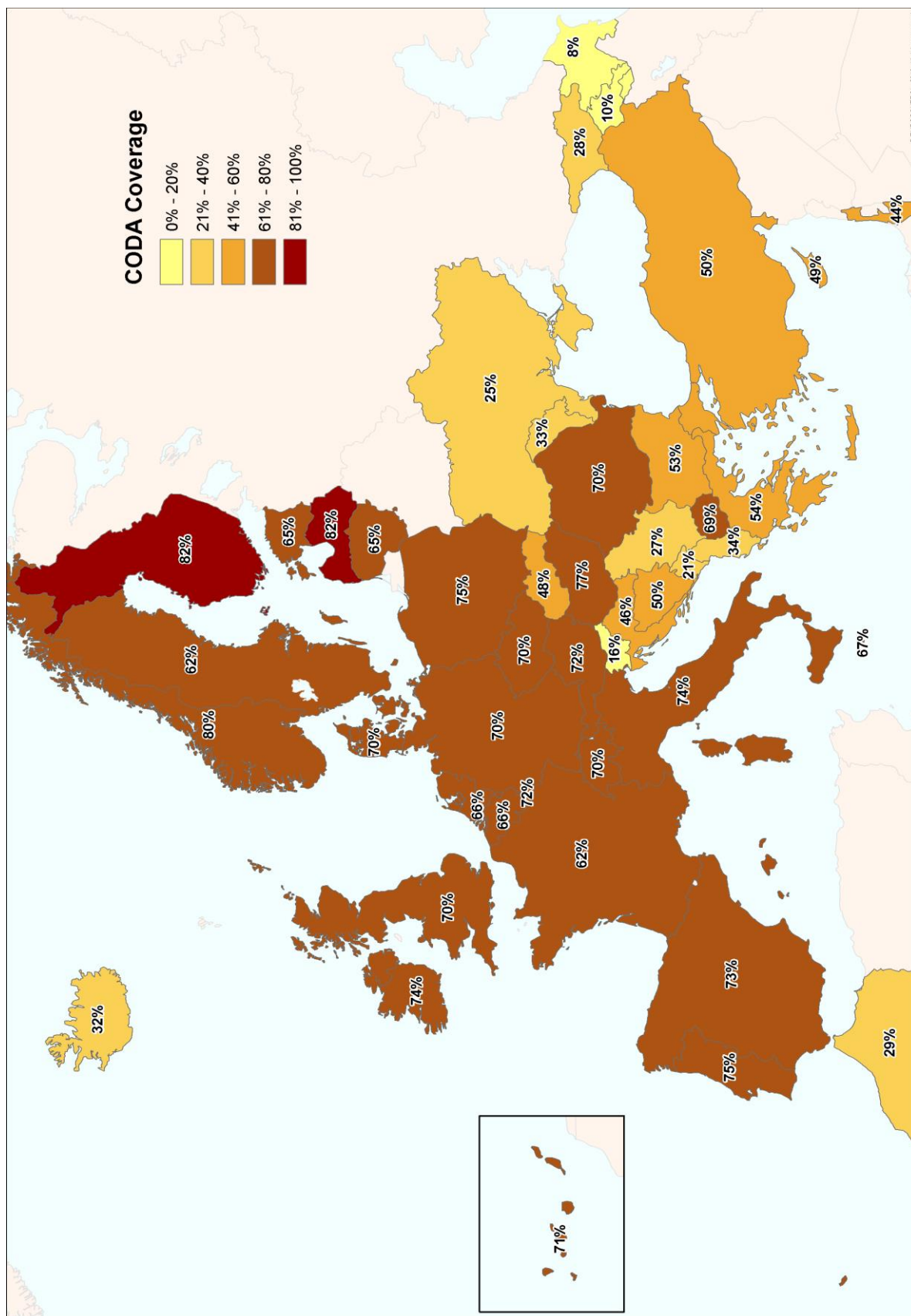
73 (WR)	WEATHER: EN ROUTE OR ALTERNATE Z OUTSIDE AIRCRAFT LIMITS Y OUTSIDE CREW LIMITS X ETOPS
81 (AT)	ATFM DUE TO ATC EN-ROUTE DEMAND CAPACITY, standard demand capacity problems Z ATC ROUTEING Y HIGH DEMAND OR CAPACITY X ENVIRONMENTAL W WEATHER G OTHER
82 (AX)	ATFM DUE TO ATC STAFF EQUIPMENT EN-ROUTE, reduced capacity caused by industrial action or shortage or equipment failure, extraordinary demand due to capacity reduction in neighbouring area Z INDUSTRIAL ACTION Y EQUIPMENT FAILURE X STAFF SHORTAGE W MILITARY ACTIVITY V SPECIAL EVENT
83 (AE)	ATFM DUE TO RESTRICTION AT DESTINATION AIRPORT, airport and or runway closed due to obstruction, industrial action, staff shortage, political unrest, noise abatement, night curfew, special flights Z HIGH DEMAND ATC CAPACITY Y INDUSTRIAL ACTION X EQUIPMENT FAILURE W STAFF SHORTAGE V ACCIDENT INCIDENT U MILITARY ACTIVITY T SPECIAL EVENT S NOISE ABATEMENT NIGHT CURFEW P HIGH DEMAND AIRPORT FACILITIES
85 (AS)	MANDATORY SECURITY Z MANDATORY SECURITY CHECK Y SECURITY CONTROL CHECKPOINTS X BAGGAGE AVI SECURITY W BAGGAGE IDENTIFICATION UNLOADING INTENDED V AIRPORT TERMINAL SECURITY U AIRLINE AIRCRAFT SECURITY CHECK T EXTRAORDINARY SECURITY EVENTS G OTHER
86 (AG)	IMMIGRATION, CUSTOMS, HEALTH Z IMMIGRATION EMMIGRATION Y CUSTOMS X HEALTH G OTHER
87 (AF)	AIRPORT FACILITIES, parking stands, ramp congestion, lighting, buildings, gate limitations, etc. Z PARKING STANDS LIMITATION NO PARKING STANDS AVAILABLE, EXCLUDING EARLY ARRIVALS Y RAMP CONGESTION, ABNORMAL STAND ACCESS LIMITATION (NON-ATC) X BUILDINGS W GATE LIMITATION NO GATE AVAILABLE EXCLUDING EARLY ARRIVALS V BAGGAGE SORTING SYSTEM DOWN SLOW U NO PUSH BACK CLEARANCE DUE TO INFRASTRUCTURE (NON-ATC) T JET BRIDGE INOPERATIVE S LACK OF CHECK IN COUNTERS R AIRFIELD ELECTRICAL SYSTEM FAILURE P PASSENGER TRANSPORT SYSTEM FAILURE N PUBLIC ADDRESS FLIGHT INFORMATION DISPLAY SYSTEM FAILURE M INSUFFICIENT FIRE COVER J LATE POSITIONING OF AIRCRAFT (WHEN RESPONSIBILITY OF AIRPORT) I SERVICE ROAD RESTRICTION H LATE ARRIVAL OR LACK OF FOLLOW ME VEHICLE G ANY OF THE ABOVE AT THE DESTINATION AIRPORT

- 89 (AM) RESTRICTIONS AT AIRPORT OF DEPARTURE WITH OR WITHOUT ATFM RESTRICTIONS, including Air Traffic Services, start-up and pushback, airport and or runway closed due to obstruction or weather.**
- Z** ATC CAPACITY
 - Y** ATC INDUSTRIAL ACTION
 - X** ATC STAFFING
 - W** ATC EQUIPMENT
 - V** ATC ACCIDENT INCIDENT
 - U** MILITARY ACTIVITY SPECIAL FLIGHTS VIP
 - T** ATC SPECIAL EVENT
 - S** ATC WEATHER
 - O** ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT, DELAYED START-UP PUSHBACK DUE TO USE OF REDUCED STANDARD TAXI TIMES
 - R** ATC RESTRICTIONS DUE TO CURFEW
 - P** ATC POLITICAL UNREST
 - N** ATC ENVIRONMENTAL
 - M** AIRPORT CLOSURE
 - L** RUNWAY CLOSURE
 - K** MISCELLANEOUS START-UP DELAY (LOCAL ATC)
 - J** LOST FLIGHT PLAN BY ATC
 - I** LATE PUSHBACK GIVEN DUE TO OTHER REASONS THAN INFRASTRUCTURE
 - H** CONSTRUCTION WORK MAINTENANCE
 - G** OTHER
- 93 (RA) AIRCRAFT ROTATION, late arrival of aircraft from another flight**
- Z** LATE ARRIVAL DUE DEPARTURE DELAY AT PREVIOUS STATION
 - Y** LATE ARRIVAL DUE ENROUTE DELAY
 - X** LATE ARRIVAL DUE DELAY AFTER LANDING
 - W** LATE ARRIVAL DUE TO HIGH DEMAND FOR DESTINATION STATION
 - V** LATE ARRIVAL DUE TO WEATHER AT DESTINATION
 - U** LATE ARRIVAL DUE TO TECHNICAL REASONS

22 Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations

ACC	Area Control Centre
ADD	Average Delay per Delayed Flight
AHM	Airport Handling Manual
AIBT	Actual In Block Time
AOBT	Actual Off Block Time
ATFCM	Air Traffic Flow and Capacity Management
ATFM	Air Traffic Flow Management (used by IATA in the Standard IATA Delay Codes)
ATS	Air Traffic Services
BTO	Block Time Overshoot
CODA	Central Office for Delay Analysis
DDI-F	Delay Difference Indicator – Flight
ECAC	European Civil Aviation Conference
FIR	Flight Information Region
IATA	International Air Transport Association
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IFR	Instrument Flight Rules
NM	Network Manager
NMOC	Network Manager Operations Centre
PDF	Percentage of Delayed Flights
STA	Scheduled Time of Arrival
STD	Scheduled Time of Departure
TDF	Total Delayed Flights
TDM	Total Delay in Minutes
TTF	Total Flights

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