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### **LBA ready for the busiest ever Christmas getaway**

Leeds Bradford Airport is preparing for its busiest ever Christmas getaway, just as figures announced LBA as the most punctual airport over the previous two festive periods.

Statistics released by kayak.co.uk last week showed that Leeds Bradford Airport is the UK airport where passengers are least likely to experience any significant delays during the festive season. Only 4% of flights were delayed by more than 30 minutes over the Christmas periods in both 2015 and 2014 – the lowest across all UK airports.

Passengers travelling over the festive period will also be the first to see the new look terminal frontage, as improvement works continue throughout the airport to create more space and allow natural light to flood into the terminal frontage entrance. During the remainder of the winter season, LBA will work further on improvements to the terminal enhance the passenger experience.

In total, nine new routes are available this Christmas and New Year period including New York, Berlin, Vilnius, Warsaw, Bratislava, Gran Canaria, Guernsey, Newquay, with the newest of all, Grenoble commencing on December 23; taking to the skies with Jet2.com. In total passengers will be able to fly to over 40 destinations from LBA over the festive period.

Meanwhile Jet2, Ryanair and Monarch have all added additional frequencies on their existing flying programme from Leeds Bradford Airport to cope with increased demand.

The airport terminal team are ready to welcome our passengers whether they are flying abroad on a beach, ski or city break or choosing to fly home to visit their family and friends over the festive period. Flying conveniently from Leeds Bradford Airport rather than enduring road or rail congestion there is no more relaxing start to the holiday period.

**Tony Hallwood, Aviation Development Director at LBA, said:**

*“We are very much looking forward to Christmas here at LBA, we know this is an important and exciting time for passengers and we are committed to delivering a great service and airport experience to start their Christmas break. I am pleased to hear that the recent statistics show just how focused we are maintaining a good on-time service.*”

*“We are also looking forward to welcoming an increasing number of overseas visitors to the region who can now fly directly into LBA for the first time on our new services from Poland, Slovakia and Lithuania.”*



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