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# OVERVIEW

The aim of this project is to study whether is better to use wide- or narrow-body aircrafts in short-haul flights. Research into short-haul flights shows that there are multiple flights a day travelling the same journey, some of them within less than one-hour difference.

As a passenger, having a range of choices to plan a trip is a positive aspect, as any option would be suitable for their schedule. But, knowing that the airspace is reaching its maximum capacity and aviation is not environment friendly, the decision to make a study to determine if these problems could be diminished seemed mandatory.

The project will follow the next structure. First, an analysis of the evolution of the air traffic in Europe until the current moment and some predictions for the future will be made. Then, a research of what type of planes are preferably used for the different existing routes will be done. Later, the journey between *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport* will be studied and compared if it would be better performed with an A320 or an A330. This study will consist in stablishing the route travelled, examine the weight and balance of both planes and conduct an economical and environmental research. Finally, the results will be revealed and a final conclusion will be made.

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# RESUMEN

El objetivo de este proyecto es estudiar la mejor opción entre usar aviones de fuselaje estrecho o de fuselaje ancho en vuelos de corto recorrido. Estudiando los vuelos de corto recorrido, se ha encontrado que hay múltiples vuelos al día realizando el mismo trayecto, muchos de ellos con diferencia de salida inferior a una hora.

Como pasajero, tener varias alternativas para planear un viaje es un aspecto positivo, ya que alguna de ellas encajara en sus horarios. Pero, sabiendo que el espacio aéreo está llegando a su límite de capacidad y la aviación es desfavorable para el medio ambiente, la decisión de hacer este estudio para saber si se pueden mitigar estos problemas parecía casi obligatoria.

El proyecto seguirá la siguiente estructura. Primero se realizará un análisis sobre la evolución del tráfico aéreo en Europa, donde también se incluirán predicciones de futuro. Además, se investigará que tipo de aviones se usan en las diferentes rutas existentes. Después, se estudiará el trayecto entre los aeropuertos de *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat* y *Gran Canaria con* un avión A320 y un A330. El estudio consistirá en establecer una ruta, examinar la masa y centrado de cada avión y realizar un estudio económico y medioambiental de cada opción. Por último, se analizarán los resultados para ver que opción es preferible y se expondrán unas conclusiones finales.

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# INTRODUCTION

Flying has experienced an immense change since the first commercial flight started. In the 20<sup>th</sup> century the first planes able to take off by their own means, sustainable and controlled by a pilot were constructed. Aviation became a focus point and it started to be more studied and advanced. Sadly, the arrival of the world wars helped and accelerated this development, although mainly for military reasons.

Shortly after, aviation converted into a very competitive means of transport. Travelling longer distances was required and transporting as many passengers as possible created a new goal. The construction of wide-body aircrafts became a reality. More targets as make travelling at supersonic speed reliable and affordable or even travelling to space are future aspirations. Nonetheless aviation is in constant research and evolution.

In the late 1900s with the creation of low-cost companies flying became affordable for everyone. In fact, the outcome was an increase of the demand, which created more competition among companies. Also, higher demand meant the expansion of the fleet of some airlines, the opening of new routes and the increment of flights in general.

In recent years, flying has changed our way of life. Business evolved into a way that business meetings can be anywhere, with people from different locations, who take a flight only to attend to that specific meeting. In personal terms, there has also been a behaviour modification. People travel to spend the day in another city or they just move out to another country without fearing to be far from their families as they are only one flight away. In the past, all of this was unthinkable but now it is a fact.

All of these behaviour patterns lead to a continuous increase of the air traffic. As a matter of fact, at *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona El-Prat airport*, the number of passengers transferred beats a new record year after year, getting its maximum in August of 2019 with 187.752 passengers in one day. [1] The same happens in many other airports in Europe.

The problem of the non-stop increase of passengers and flights can create a problem if airports and airspace reach their maximum capacity. At *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona El-Prat airport* the capacity limitation is due to the limitations of the runways. The limitations in the airspace are because of the navigation system used. New ways of organization and navigation are being studied to increase the capacity.

Knowing that this situation of overcapacity exists and the number of flights and demand keeps increasing, the study to know whether it is better to use wide- or narrow-body aircrafts in short-haul flights seems important. If using wide-body instead of narrow-body aircrafts would be better, a new consideration of change in aviation could come up and it would represent a way to diminish the existing capacity

problems. Also, a study of the environmental effects that this would trigger will be done to see if it would be more environmentally friendly to do such a change.

The project will be divided into three chapters. The first one will show a research of the evolution of the air traffic in Europe and it will show future predictions. Then a comparison of what type of planes are preferably used for the different existing routes will be done. To conclude, a case of study between *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona El-Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport* will be accomplished. This study will compare if it would be better to perform such a route with A320s or A330s. For that, the route, weight and balance, the economical- and the environmental point of view will be studied. The results and conclusions will be shown at the end of the project.

# CHAPTER 1. EVOLUTION OF AIR TRAFFIC IN EUROPE

Air traffic is the number of passengers, planes and cargo carried by aircrafts and handled by airports. Since the beginning of aviation, air traffic has been evolving. The reasons of this evolution, come together with history.

After WWII, Europe was facing a terrible post-war period, but technology kept developing. This meant the growth of aviation and it brought down the cost of jet travel. The result of it, is reflected in the evolution of air traffic over the years, which kept growing and growing.

For this project it was possible to collect the data of the that evolution by the different countries of Europe over the period 1993-2019. The tables with such information are in annex 1 and annex 2. [2] Being aware that air traffic and economic growth are closely related, it is important to keep in mind the historical background of every country.

This chapter is divided into the evolution of the carried passengers and the freight and mail transported to have a more accurate result.

# **1.1. PASSENGER TRAFFIC EVOLUTION**

Figure 1.1 shows the evolution of the passengers carried at every European country. The difference between countries is clear, but it is even more clear that there are five countries where the movement of people is much higher and growing faster than the rest.

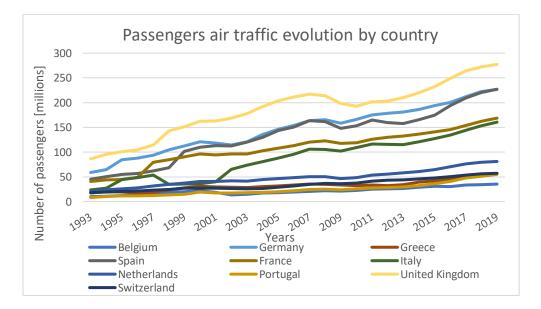


Figure 1.1 Passengers air traffic evolution by country

Looking into the graphic of figure 1.1, the trendline of every country approaches a lineal behaviour. The slope of the five leading countries is steeper and the shape of the lines is less smooth than the others.

Focusing now at the five leading countries: United Kingdom, Germany, Spain, France and Italy, figure 1.2 shows the evolution of their air traffic. It is certain that every graph line is different and with a different slope, but they have some aspects in common. They are all ascending and they have some stagnation or even descending fragments, where sometimes it is shown at all five lines during the same period. For that, and as it is mentioned before, a look into the background history is needed.

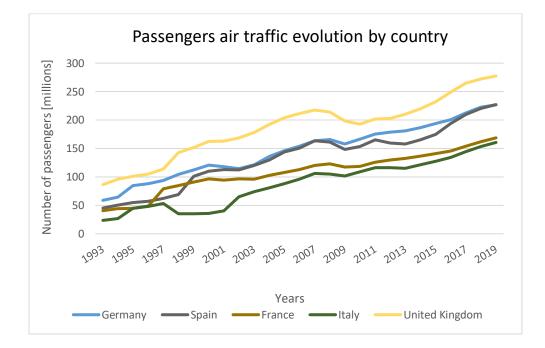


Figure 1.2 Passengers air traffic of the top five European countries

In 1991, the Gulf war started, having a big impact in aviation. A dramatic slump in the number of people flying followed, but the recovery was very fast. That is the reason why this graph starts with a slow growth for all the countries. Furthermore, the implementation of the "Schengen Agreement" in 1995, turned out into a good tendency of carrying passengers. The next important bump for aviation is in 2001 with the 9/11 attacks. Globally it took 1.5 years to recover to previous levels. Afterwards, it can be seen a very similar and lineal growing behaviour in the five countries until 2006-2007, depending on the country. Aviation already started noticing what was coming in 2008, the Great Financial Crisis. This generated a 3-year recession and it took 8 years to recover to the levels prior to the crisis. After that, traffic kept growing until 2020 when the arrival of Covid-19 provoked the worse

crisis ever with more than 6 million flights lost and with a big uncertainty of the recovery time to previous levels.

The United Kingdom, on top of the graph, is the country that transports the biggest number of passengers all over the years, with a difference of more than 20.000 thousand passengers from the second one. In fact, London-Heathrow airport has been the airport with the most passenger traffic all over the years. This is somehow possible due to the high number of long-haul flights with wide-body planes where more passengers can be carried plus the so called "minute of Heathrow". By virtue of the logistics of the airport, flights can take off within 1-minute difference instead the 2 minutes of a normal procedure, so the capacity is incremented. The outcome of all this keeps London Heathrow Airport at the top busiest airports of Europe, and second of the world.

Second in the ranking is Germany, followed very closely by Spain. Germany is a powerful country with a strong and stable economy. Their citizens income and stability allow them to travel and spend money on holidays, which is an important factor of passenger exchange. In general, the people form the north of Europe are attracted to travel to the south, as the good weather and food are very attractive. This positions Spain, France and Italy on the top of the list. The arrival of tourists to these regions, rises the number of flights between the north and the south, and consequently the number of passengers carried.

A very interesting fact that is worth to look at, are the curves of the United Kingdom and Spain alone, showed in Figure 1.3. Their shape is practically identical. This supports the idea that tourism is an important part of the increasing number of passengers carried, as people travel between these countries the most.

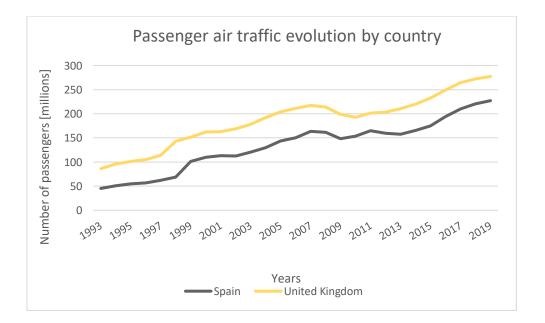


Figure 1.3 Passengers carried in United Kingdom and Spain

# **1.2. FREIGHT TRAFFIC EVOLUTION**

Another factor for the evolution of air traffic as important as the passengers carried, is the evolution of the cargo and mail traffic.

Following the same structure as the one for the analysis of the passengers carried, Figure 1.4 shows the evolution of the freight transported in every European country. The behaviour of the graph is also lineal, but with a different slope. The one of the passengers is steeper than the one of freight.

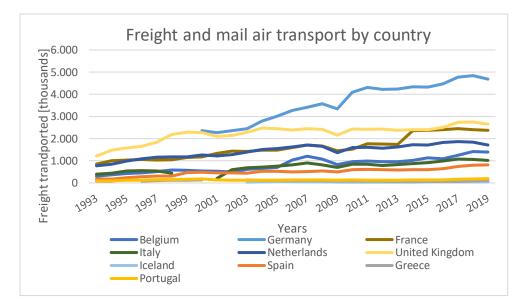


Figure 1.4 freight and mail air traffic evolution by country

Looking again at the five leading countries, it is important to notice that the leading countries differ from ones of the passengers. The United Kingdom, Germany and France stay in the ranking, but Spain and Italy have been replaced by The Netherlands and Belgium as Figure 1.5 shows.

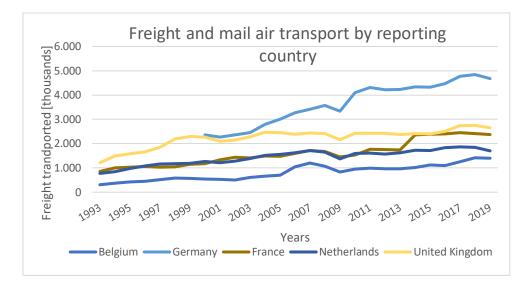


Figure 1.5 Five leading countries transporting freight and mail

Germany is leading the ranking for the transport of cargo and mail with a big difference. This is the result of their strong economy. The United Kingdom and France are respectively second and third.

The importance of the geographical location is a key factor for the transport of freight. That is the case for The Netherlands and Belgium. They are in a strategic position for transporting freight. The Netherlands has the biggest port in all of Europe, the port of Rotterdam, followed by Belgium with the second biggest, the port of Antwerp. Cargo and mail can be transported from anywhere in the world, and then it can be easily transported to the rest of Europe, either by sea or land.

It is important to recall the significance of the historical background in this case. Looking at the same period where there is a decrease of passengers carried, there is also a decrease of freight transport.

## **1.3. FUTURE EVOLUTION SCENARIOS**

The evolution of air traffic during the past years, can help support long-term planning for aviation and take well-informed decisions. For that, EUROCONTROL Statistics and Forecast Service (STATFOR) developed the project "*The Challenges of Growth*" in 2017-2018. [3]

This report presents the forecast of annual numbers of instrument flight rules (IFR) movements in Europe up to 2040. Air traffic is in constant growth, but there are some factors and constraints that make the evolution volatile. The aspects to take into account are:

- Long-haul appearance
- New low-cost aircraft types and carriers
- Middle class growth in China
- Total network delay
- Alternatives to air transport
- Oil prices changes
- Climate changes

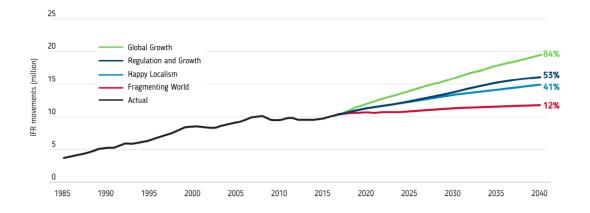
Furthermore, the assumption that the network will be constrained at airport level but not at airspace level is well studied.

Taking all of these into account, there are four possible scenarios:

- Global Growth: Globalization will increase and will lead to a strong global economic growth. Technology will be successful to mitigate the effects of sustainability challenges such as the environment or resource availability.
- Regulation and Growth: Moderate economic growth, with environmental and social regulations and economic demands to deal with the growing global sustainability concerns.
- Fragmenting World: Globalization will decrease and global tensions increase. This will rebound into more security threats, higher fuel prices, reduced trade and transport integration and knock-on effects of weaker economies.
- Happy Localism: Globalization will slightly decrease and Europe will look inwards and its fragility will increase. European economies will be exposed to shocks, pressure on costs will increase and stricter environmental constraints will take place.

Definitely, growth will not be uniform across Europe regardless the scenario. The states in Eastern Europe will grow quicker than the Western ones. The reason of such a clear statement is because the eastern European states are less developed than the western ones. Therefore, they have more chances to grow. Nevertheless, they growth will stay lower than the Western countries.

Figure 1.6 shows the evolution of the expected IFR movements in Europe up to 2040 with every possible scenario. Clearly a growth interval between 12%-84% is expected.





According to the situation of the past years, experts believed that the most likely scenario to happen was "Regulation and Growth". But, no one could ever expect or predict a world pandemic as Covid-19 in 2020. This new scenario changes all the prediction made up until the moment. Precisely, the "Fragmenting World" scenario looks like the most realistic at the moment. But, it is very important to keep this predictions in mind because the future is very unpredictable.

#### 1.4. IMPACT OF COVID-19

The reality of the situation is very far from all the predictions. The arrival of the Covid-19 virus resulted in a worldwide pandemic and impacted very hard on most countries in the world. For that, strong measurements as lockdowns and closing borders were implemented.

Since March 2019, Europe is involved in one of the biggest crises in history. The Schengen borders were close for external countries, and even the intra-Europe flow was restricted. On top, every country took its own restrictions. Figure 1.7 shows the traffic variation in Europe between 2019 and 2021 and a short prediction on what will happen in the second trimester of 2021. This figure shows that the impact of the pandemic it has been very strong and the air traffic has dropped immensely.

It is also important to recall the complexity and unknown of the situation. This can be seen in the difference of the top and bottom of figure 1.7. The top figure shows the actual traffic until November 2020, when the study was made, and the predictions until the moment. In April 2020, the first prediction was developed, but it was so optimistic that another one had to replace it. The second one, in September 2020 it got closer to reality.[4] But the situation is very volatile and it can change daily. For that, new predictions are constantly being studied.





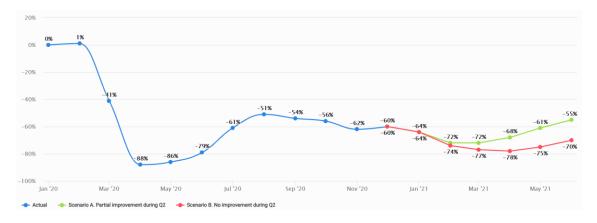


Figure 1.7b Evolution traffic scenario

*EUROCONTROL* published the latest STATFOR Forecast for the period 2020-2024.[5] This forecast shows the traffic outlook for the future. It takes into account the traffic trend and the economic growth. Also, it compares the situation with the evolution after other crises like 9/11 attack and the Great Financial crisis of 2008.

As this crisis has no precedents and the number of flights lost is greater than in the other crises, 3 scenarios are considered so far.

- Scenario 1: Considers that the vaccine will be effective and available for travellers or the pandemic will end by summer 2021. If this occurs, the recovery to 2019 levels will be in 2024.
- Scenario 2: Considers that the vaccine will be effective and available for travellers or the pandemic will end by summer 2022. If this occurs, the recovery to 2019 levels will be doubtfully in 2026.

Scenario 3: Considers that the vaccine will not be effective. This will carry into low passenger confidence and drop into propensity to fly. Recovery to 2019 levels will be in 2029.

Figure 1.8 shows the evolution of the traffic according to the 3 scenarios and compares it with the traffic of 2019.

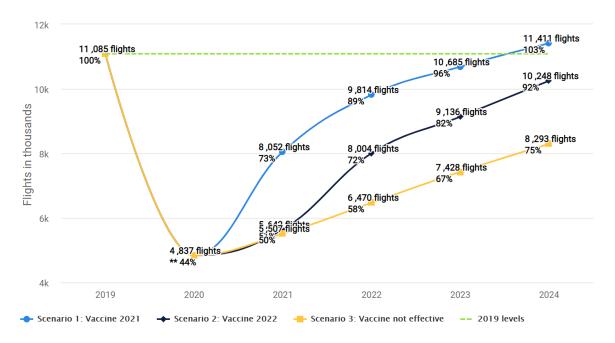


Figure 1.8 5-years forecast for Europe 2020-2024

# **CHAPTER 2. AIRCRAFT TYPE VS ROUTE**

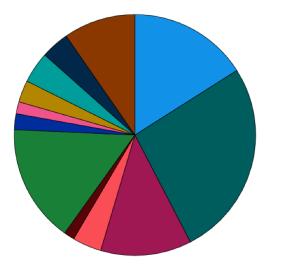
Knowing that air traffic is constantly growing, now the interest goes into the existing type of routes and aircrafts used for each one. *EUROCONTROL*, with the R&D data archive, provided a lot of data in order to make this study. [6] The data shows all the information of every flight for four different months a year between 2015 and 2019. As the big amount of data was difficult to analyse, the consideration of only using the data of one month was accepted. The chosen month is June 2015 as it would be representative enough because the period of the obtained data is not so long. Also, the program *IBM SPSS Statistics* has been used to do all the statistics results and graphs. [7]

The objective of this chapter is to study the type of aircraft used and its relation with the routes and range travelled. For that, and following the same structure until the moment, the study will be divided into the transport of passengers and freight. Furthermore, a division between traditional and low-cost carriers will be performed in the study of passenger transport. The importance of this differentiation is due to the origin of the kind of business.

The passengers transport has changed during all these years. The creation of the low-cost carriers and the evolution of the international market has been determining the way of travelling. Cargo has evolved due to the evolution of technology together with the deals between countries for the exchange of products, as for example the Schengen area.

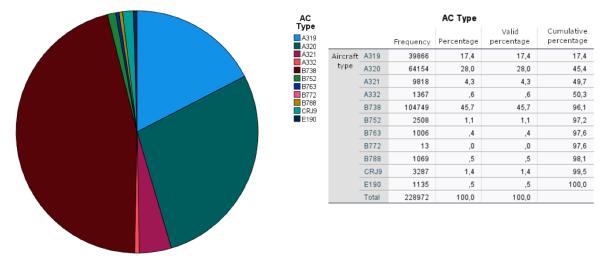
Having these considerations into account, it is expected to find different outcomes, so it is important to analyse the routes and the kind of aircrafts used by these different markets.

Figure 2.1. shows the aircraft type used and a table of its usage frequency for traditional carriers, low-cost and cargo. In reality, there are more different types of aircraft used. But the study considers that planes with a usage frequency under 1% are not influenceable.



AC				AC Type		
Type A319 A320			Frequency	Percentage	Valid percentage	Cumulative percentage
A321	Aircraft	A319	46433	16,0	16,0	16,0
A332	type	A320	76646	26,4	26,4	42,4
B738		A321	35350	12,2	12,2	54,6
B744 B752		A332	11301	3,9	3,9	58,5
B763		A388	4078	1,4	1,4	59,9
CRJ9		B738	45974	15,8	15,8	75,7
E190		B744	6186	2,1	2,1	77,8
		B752	4653	1,6	1,6	79,4
		B763	8519	2,9	2,9	82,4
		B77W	12157	4,2	4,2	86,6
		CRJ9	10969	3,8	3,8	90,4
		E190	28011	9,6	9,6	100,0
		Total	290277	100,0	100,0	

#### Figure 2.1a Aircraft type used for traditional carriers



#### Figure 2.1b Aircraft type used for low-cost carriers

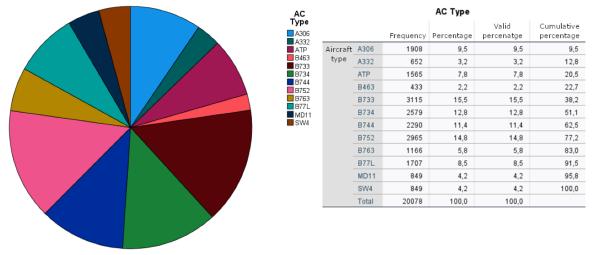


Figure 2.1c Aircraft type used for cargo

In the three markets, the utilization of narrow-body aircrafts prevails over the wide ones. This is not a surprise, as usually there are more short-haul flights than the long-haul ones and these are mainly operated by narrow-body aircraft whilst the long-haul flights are operated by wide-body aircrafts.

But what differs between these markets is the type of aircraft used and the percentage of usage of every type. Low-cost carriers mostly use narrow-body planes as they mainly have short-haul flights (except for a few airlines that operate both short- and long-haul), and they usually have the same kind of plane on their fleet. Traditional carriers operate both short- and long-haul flights and they have a diversity of aircrafts in their fleet.

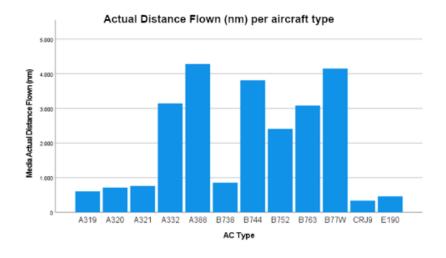
For this, the percentage of usage of wide-body planes is higher than the one for lowcost carriers. The transport of cargo is either by short- and long-haul flights. This translates into a more equal percentage of plane usage.

Table 2.1. shows the usage percentage of wide- and narrow-body planes for the three different markets.

Table 2.1. Usage percentage of wide- and narrow-body planes

AIRCRAFT TYPE	LOW-COST CARRIERS	TRADITIONAL CARRIERS	CARGO
NARROW-BODY	98.4 %	85.4 %	61.5 %
WIDE-BODY	1.6 %	14.6 %	38.5 %

Figure 2.2 shows the aircraft type vs range on low-cost, traditional carriers, and cargo. A flight is considered long-haul if the distance travelled is higher than 2000 nm. So, this figure supports the analyses of the previous data obtained in this study.





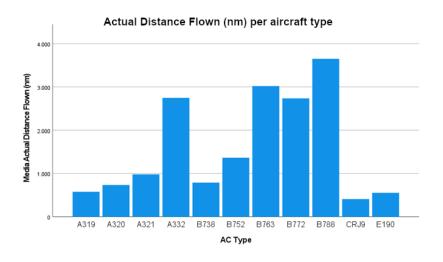


Figure 2.2b Aircraft type vs Range on Low-cost carriers

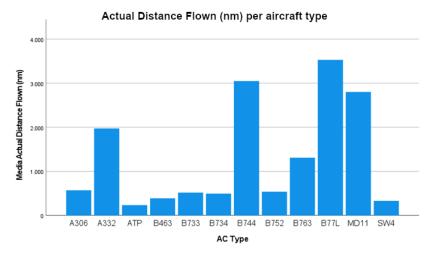


Figure 2.2c Aircraft type vs Range on Cargo

# **CHAPTER 3. CASE OF STUDY**

At this point, the situation is clear. The amount of air traffic is increasing very fast. There are more short- than long-haul flights and the narrow-body aircraft are the most used. If the situation keeps developing this way, soon there will not be physical space to keep carrying all the programmed flights, and the delays will increase very fast.

Besides, some extra investigation has been done. It has been found that trips between two specific cities are flown many times a day with a narrow-body aircraft. But with all the capacity problems that have been mentioned before, it is easy to ask what would happen if instead of flying so many times with a narrow-body, that specific route would be flown less frequently but with a wide-body plane instead.

This would mean a less saturated system. The number of planes taking off and landing, which is the constraint for capacity, would be reduced. Less delays due to capacity purposes and more environment friendly with less contamination and of course, less consumption of fuel.

In fact, the aim of this project is to study all the factors that determine whether it is better to use several narrow-body or fewer wide-body planes. Therefore, the route between *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* (BCN) and *Gran Canaria airport* (LPA) has been chosen. Even though there are many pairs of cities where there are constant planes transferring passengers, this one is perfect for this study due its tourism purposes. Other cities need more connectivity as on top of being touristic, many businesses passengers are travelling and business meetings can happen all along the day. But, in a touristic destination, the hour of arrival or departure it is not a big factor to consider.

To make the study case, the aircrafts to compare will be an A320 and an A330, carrying 180 and 300 passengers, respectively. The assumptions to take into account are that the planes will be completely full, carrying 45% of men, 45% of women and 10% of children and every adult will take a bag in the hold. Also, the study will consist in the evaluation of the turn flight including the turn round times in *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* (BCN) and *Gran Canaria airport*.

The study case will be simplified as much as possible as the interest focuses on the comparison of the planes under the same circumstances. For that, no wind will be considered. It will be divided in different sections. First, the route will be stablished, then the weight and balance of both planes will be evaluated and finally the economic costs and environmental effects will be analysed.

# 3.1. ROUTE

The route will take place between *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport* (BCN-LPA), which corresponds to 1191 nm or 2205.73km. The plane will depart from BCN using the runway 25R and will be following the procedure of the SID to arrive to the point LOTOS5D. [8] Then, the next route will be performed:

► LOTOS B28 DIKUT → LEVC → SERRA B28 ASTRO B28 XEBAR UM985 MAMIS B28 BAZAS UM985 VIBAS UM985 MGA UN851 BRIKE UN851 VJF UL82 TAVSI UL82 IBALU A857 ERMED UN857 TOVRA A857 VEDOD UN857 TERTO A857 LZR UN871 GDV →

Once the waypoint TERTO is reached, the approximation begins. The STAR TERTO7C procedure will be followed and the runway used to land will be 03L. [9] Figure 3.1 shows the route followed by the plane.

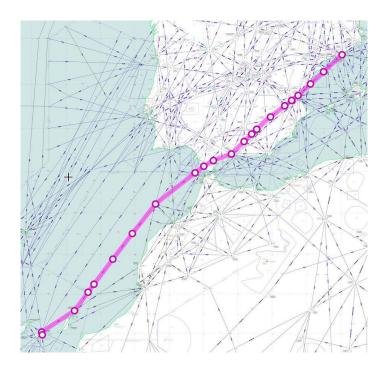


Figure 3.1 Route BCN-LPA [10]

In case of impossibility of landing in *Gran Canaria airport*, an alternate airport must be contemplated. In this case, *Tenerife Norte airport* has been chosen, being at a distance of 59 nm from *Gran Canaria airport*.

# **3.2. WEIGHT AND BALANCE**

Following the steps mentioned before, the weight and balance of both planes will be calculated. This is very important as it has a direct effect on the stability and performance of the aircraft. Calculating all the weights and comparing them with the maximum weights given by the manufacturer is essential to assure that it is safe to fly in these conditions. Another very important factor is to know the needed fuel to reach the destination safely and the possible setbacks that can occur.

EASA normalized the mass of the passengers according to their gender to 88kg, 70kg and 35 kg for men, women and children. Also, there is a normalized weight for the bags in the hold to 11kg per suitcase. This information will help us calculate the payload of every plane. [11]

The Airbus Commercial Aircraft (ACAP) will be checked and the needed data will be collected. [12] Also, the consideration that the plane flies at FL350 in cruise from departure to destination and FL100 from destination to alternate will be taken into account.

# 3.2.1. WEIGHT AND BALANCE A320

For the calculations of the weight and balance for the A320 the tables of annex 3 will be needed.

Operational Empty weight (OEW) = 40.500 kg [12]

Payload = PAX num \* % males \* standard male weight + PAX num \* % females \* standard female weight + PAX num \* % children \* standard children weight + PAX num \* % passengers with bags \* standard bag weight = 180 \* 0.45 \* 88 + 180 \* 0.45 \* 70 + 180 \* 0.10 \* 35 + 180 \* 0.90 \* 11 = 15.210 kg

Zero Fuel Weight = Operational Empty weight + payload = 40.500 + 15.210 = 55.710 kg

Block Fuel = Taxi fuel + Trip fuel + Holding fuel + Alternate fuel + Reserve fuel

Taxi fuel = 120 kg (average quantity per 12 minutes of taxi)[13]

Holding fuel = 1.063 kg[13]

The calculation of the alternate fuel is not simply checking a table and directly getting the desired value. In this case there are some steps to follow and some calculations if interpolation is needed. First, the fuel weight to travel from *Gran Canaria airport* to *Tenerife Norte airport* must be found in the correct table, given the distance of 59 nm between them [13]. Then a fuel burn correction regarding the estimated landing weight at the alternate airport and a reference weight (50.000kg) must be calculated. Finally, this extra burnt fuel will be added to the fuel weight needed between the two airports.

Alternate fuel (without considering the extra fuel burnt) = 611 kg

Estimated landing weight at alternate(ELWalt) = Zero fuel weight + holding fuel = 55.710 + 1.063 = 56.773 kg

Extra fuel burnt = (ELWalt - Reference weight) \* Fuel correction = (56,773 - 50) \* 4 = 27,09 kg

Alternate fuel = 611 + 27,09 = 638,09 kg

Likewise, the trip weight will be calculated the same way as the alternate weight. But in this case, the pair of cities will be departure and destination (BCN-LPA).

Trip fuel (without considering the extra fuel burnt) = 6.237 kg

Estimated landing weight at destination (ELWdest) = Estimated landing weight at alternate + trip destination to alternate = 56.773 + 631,32 = 57.404 kgExtra fuel burnt = (ELWdest - Reference weight) \* Fuel correction = (57,404 - 50) \* 47 = 348 kgTrip fuel = 6.237 + 348 = 6.585 kgReserve fuel(5% trip fuel) = 6.585 \* 0.05 = 329,25 kgBlock fuel = 120 + 1.063 + 638,09 + 6.585 + 329,25 = 8.735 kgTakeoff weight = 0EW + Payload + Block Fuel - Taxi fuel= 40.500 + 15.210 + 8.735 - 120 = 64.325 kgLanding weight = 120 + 1.063 + 638,09 + 6.585 + 329,25 = 57.740 kgRamp weight = 0EW + Payload + Block Fuel = 40.500 + 15.210 + 8.735= 64.445 kg

WEIGHTS	KG
OEW	40.500
PAYLOAD	15.210
BLOCK FUEL*	8.735
TAKE-OFF	64.325
LANDING	57.740
ZERO FUEL	55.710
RAMP FUEL	64.445

* BLOCK FUEL	KG
TAXI	120
TRIP	6.585
HOLDING	1.063
ALTERNATE	638,09
RESERVE	329,25
TOTAL	8.735

Next step, is to compare the maximum design weights with the ones obtained in this study and check if they are lower than the maximums.

Table 3.2. Comparison design weights. [12]

WEIGHTS	MAXIMUM	CURRENT
TAKE-OFF	70.000 kg	64.325 kg
LANDING	64.500 kg	57.740 kg
ZERO FUEL	60.500 kg	55.710 kg
RAMP FUEL	74.500 kg	64.445 kg

As table 3.2. shows, the calculated weights are never higher than the maximum design weights. Hence, flying in these conditions would be safe and it is possible to continue with the study.

#### 3.2.2. WEIGHT AND BALANCE A330

The same procedure will be performed for the A330. This the tables needed will be found in annex 4.

Operational Empty weight (OEW) = 122.300 kg [14]

Payload = PAX num \* % males \* standard male weight + PAX num \* % females \* standard female weight + PAX num \* % children \* standard children weight + PAX num \* % passengers with bags \* standard bag weight = 300 \* 0.45 \* 88 + 300 \* 0.45 \* 70 + 300 \* 0.10 \* 35 + 300 \* 0.90 \* 11 = 25.350 kg

 Table 3.1. A320 Weights summary.

Zero Fuel Weight = Operational Empty weight + payload = 122.300 + 25.350 = 147.650 kg

Block Fuel = Taxi fuel + Trip fuel + Holding fuel + Alternate fuel + Reserve fuel

Taxi fuel = 300 kg (average quantity per 12 minutes of taxi)[15]

Holding fuel = 1.100 kg[15]

For the calculation of the alternate fuel, the reference weight, also found in the table corresponds to 140.000 kg.

Alternate fuel (without considering the extra fuel burnt) = 1.674 kg

Estimated landing weight alternate(ELWalt) = Zero fuel weight + holding fuel = 147.650 + 1.100 = 148.750 kg

Extra fuel burnt = (ELWalt - Reference weight) \* Fuel correction = (148.750 - 140.000) \* 2 = 17,5 kg

Alternate fuel = 1.674 + 17,5 = 1691,5 kg

Trip fuel (without considering the extra fuel burnt) = 13.930 kg

Estimated landing weight destination (ELWdest) = Estimated landing weight alternate + trip destination to alternate = 148.750 + 13.930 = 162.680 kg Extra fuel burnt = (ELWdest - Reference weight) \* Fuel correction = (162.680 - 140.000) \* 43 = 975,24 kg Trip fuel = 13.930 + 975,24 = 14.905 kg Reserve fuel(5% trip fuel) = 14.905 \* 0.05 = 745,26 kg Block fuel = 300 + 1.100 + 1.691,5 + 14.905 + 745,26 = 18.742 kg Takeoff weight = 0EW + Payload + Block Fuel - Taxi weight = 122.300 + 25.350 + 18.742 - 300 = 166.092 kg Landing weight = Takeoff weight - Trip fuel = 166.092 - 14.905 = 151.187 kg Ramp weight = 0EW + Payload + Block Fuel = 122.300 + 25.350 + 18.742 = 166.392 kg

WEIGHTS	KG
OEW	122.300
PAYLOAD	25.350
BLOCK FUEL*	18.742
TAKE-OFF	166.092
LANDING	151.187
ZERO FUEL	147.650
RAMP FUEL	166.392

*BLOCK FUEL	KG
TAXI	300
TRIP	14.905
HOLDING	1.100
ALTERNATE	1.691,5
RESERVE	745,26
TOTAL	18.742

#### Table 3.3. A330 Weights summary

Next step, is to compare the maximum design weights with the ones obtained in this study and check if they are lower than the maximums.

Table 3.4. Comparison design weights. [14]

WEIGHTS	MAXIMUM	CURRENT
TAKE-OFF	184.000 kg	166.092 kg
LANDING	174.000 kg	151.187 kg
ZERO FUEL	164.000 kg	147.650 kg
RAMP FUEL	184.900 kg	166.392 kg

The same as happened with the A320, the calculated weights for the A330 are never higher than the maximum design weights. Hence, flying in these conditions would be safe and it is possible to continue with the study.

## **3.3. AIRCRAFT RANGE**

Another important aspect is to know the maximum range that the aircrafts would be able to achieve with the current payload and compare if this is bigger than the distance needed to travel, including the travel to the alternate airport. In that case it would be 1250 nm.

The Payload/ Range diagram is the one that gives that information by illustrating the trade-off relationship between the payload and the range of one single aircraft.

#### 3.3.1. A320 RANGE

Figure 3.2. shows the Payload/Range diagram for the A320.

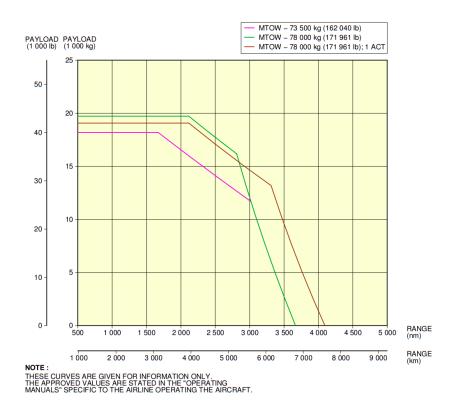


Figure 3.2. A320 Payload/Range diagram

In this diagram, the purple line is the one that has to be analyzed as it is the closest to the MTOW of this study. The payload is 15.210 kg as the previous section shows. The maximum range for the A320 in these conditions is approximately 2.300 nm, which is higher than the 1.250 nm needed for a safe flight.

## 3.3.2. A330 RANGE

To know the range of the A330 the Payload/Range diagram for this aircraft is shown in figure 3.3.

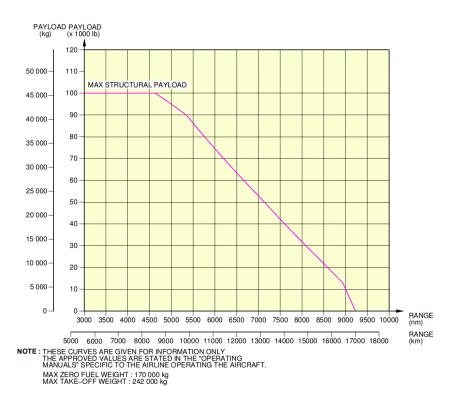


Figure 3.3 A330 payload/range diagram

In this case the payload loaded in the plane is 25.350 kg and the maximum range is approximately 6.750 nm, which is also higher than the 1250 nm above mentioned.

## 3.3.3. RANGE COMPARISON

Figure 3.4. gives a better view of the range to achieve the journey BCN-LPA plus the alternate, the maximum range of the A320 and the maximum range of the A330.



Figure 3.4 Range for the study, A320 max range and A330 max range. [16]

The smaller one is the range of this study, the middle one is the maximum range of the A320 and the bigger one is the maximum of the A330. Any of the aircrafts would reach safely the destination.

On top, this figure shows the limitations of using an A320 for long range flights, their range is not big enough.

# **3.4. AIRPORT TAXES**

The journey is travelled between two Spanish airports, which means that they are ruled by Spanish legislation. *AENA* is the society in charge of managing them. For that, some taxes, depending on the aircraft and the received services, must be paid to the airport manager, *AENA*. These taxes can be found in the *"Guia de tarifas de Aena 2020"* on its website. [17]

For the calculation of the taxes that should be paid for the A320 and the A330, the assumption of travelling inside the airports timetable, travelling only with passengers without special needs and the aircrafts will park at the tube will be considered.

## **3.4.1. LANDING TAXES**

The use of the runways to land and the derived services for its use is one of the taxes to pay. The price is calculated accordingly to the maximum take-off weight of the aircraft and it can vary depending on the type of flight and the acoustic rating. Depending on the acoustic rating, a percentage to pay might be added to the tax.

Looking at figure 3.2, both the A320 and the A330 have a cumulative noise margin slightly over -10EPNdb and are categorized as Chapter 4.

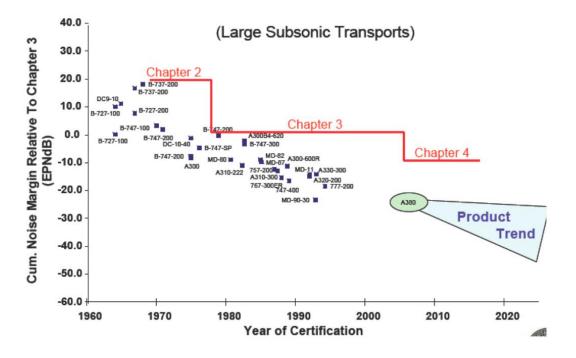


Figure 3.5 Aircraft cumulative noise margin

Knowing the chapter and looking at the table 3.5. the extra percentage to pay for these aircrafts is 0%.

Table 3.5. Extra percentage according to the chapter of the aircraft.

Acoustic classification	07:00-22:59 (local time)	23:00-06:59 (local time)
Chapter 1	70%	140%
Chapter 2	20%	40%
Chapter 3	0%	0%
Chapter 4	0%	0%

The last thing to consider is the type of flight and the airport where the landing is performed. For landing in Gran Canaria airport, the tax to pay is 6,910621 \* MTOW(tones) and in Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport is 7,285036 \* MTOW(tones). Table 3.6. shows the total price for every plane.

Table 3.6. Landing taxes.

AIRPORT	A320	A330
LPA	483,74 €	1.271,55€
BCN	509,95€	1.340,44 €

#### 3.4.2. PASSENGERS AND SECURITY

The tax for passengers allows them the access to the needed airport facilities with the purpose to reach the aircraft.

The security tax is for the inspection and control of the passengers and their suitcases as well as all the equipment and facilities for surveillance services in all the airport.

The taxes are applied to every departure passenger and it might differ at different airport.

In *Gran Canaria airport* is 5,03€ per passenger and 2.87 per passenger security and in *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* 13,25€ and 3.38 respectively.

The tax to pay is calculated as follows:

#### <u>A320</u>

Gran Canaria →  $(5,03 + 2,87) * 180 = 1.442 \in$ Barcelona →  $(13,25 + 3,38) * 180 = 2.993,40 \in$ 

<u>A330</u>

Gran Canaria →  $(5,03 + 2.87) * 300 = 2.370 \in$ Barcelona →  $(13,25 + 3,38) * 300 = 4.989 \in$ 

 Table 3.7. Passengers and security taxes.

AIRPORT	A320	A330
LPA	1.442€	2.370€
BCN	2.993,40€	4.989€

# 3.4.3. USAGE OF PARKING BRIDGE

Parking in a position and using (or not) the bridge to move passengers corresponds a tax. It is calculated according to the time that it is used. For an A320 the turn round time is of 44 minutes and for an A330 59 minutes. [12] [14]

Figure 3.3 shows the corresponding TRT for both aircrafts.

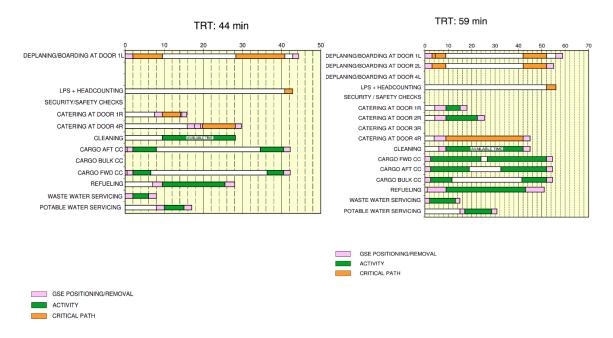


Figure 3.6. Turn Round Time A320 (left) and Turn Round Time A330 (right)

The tax is calculated following the equation:

$$P = (p1 + p2 * Tm) * Ft$$

where:

**P:** Tax to pay.

**p1:** Amount time staying in the tube.

**p2:** Amount per weight and time staying in the tube.

Tm: maximum take-off weight in tones.

Ft: Time staying in the tube in periods of 15 minutes.

The same as happens with the other taxes, the amount depends on the airport. For *Gran Canaria airport* p1 corresponds to  $20,473658 \in$  and p2 to  $0 \in$ . In *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport is*  $23,280197 \in$  and  $0 \in$  for p1 and p2. This makes the calculations as follows:

<u>A320</u>

Gran Canaria → 
$$(20,473658 + 0) * \frac{44}{15} = 60,05 \in$$
  
Barcelona →  $(23,280197 + 0) * \frac{44}{15} = 68,29 \in$ 

<u>A330</u>

Gran Canaria → 
$$(20,473658 + 0) * \frac{59}{15} = 80,53 €$$

Barcelona → 
$$(23,280197 + 0) * \frac{59}{15} = 91,56 \in$$

Table 3.8. Usage of the parking bridge.

AIRPORT	A320	A330
LPA	60,05€	80,53€
BCN	68,29€	91,56 €

# 3.4.4. FUEL SUPPLY

This tax is charged for the use of the airport facilities to transport and supply the fuel. Unlike the other taxes, this is the same amount regardless the airport. The price is 0,003771€/Liter

For the calculation of this tax, the weight and balance have to be checked, specifically the block fuel. Then, the kilos have to be converted to liters and the calculation can easily be made. An average density of kerosene of 810kg/m<sup>3</sup> has been chosen.

A320 Block fuel(conversion kg to l) =  $\frac{8.735}{810} * 1000 = 10.776,54$  l

 $A320 \rightarrow 10.776,54 * 0,003771 = 40,64€$ 

A330 Block fuel(conversion kg to l) =  $\frac{18.742}{810} * 1000 = 23.138,27 \, l$ 

A330 → 23.138,27 \* 0,003771 = 87,25€

Table 3.9. Tax to supply fuel.

ТАХ	A320	A330
Fuel Supply	40,64 €	87,25€

# 3.4.5. AIRCRAFT GROUND ASSISTANCE

This tax is divided into the different ground services that can be given to the aircraft and it is charged for the use of the airport facilities to achieve this purpose. Most of the services taxes remain the same for every airport except for the catering service, whose price varies accordingly to the departure airport. In this study, it is assumed that the aircrafts only need to be filled in *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* with food and beverages.

Additionally, the maximum take-off weight, divided into intervals, might also change the price of all the services taxes. The prices for the A320 and A330 are shown in table 3.10.

#### Table 3.10. Aircraft ground assistance taxes.

SERVICE	A320	A330
Baggage assistance	70,64 €	126,07 €
Runway operations assistance	22,44 €	40,25 €
Cleaning services	12,32€	22,09€
Line maintenance services	3,34 €	5,99€
Catering service	20,22€	36,27 €
Total	128,96 €	230,67 €

#### 3.4.6. METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

Tax because of the meteorological services given to the airlines by the airport manager. This tax is not linked to the airport, but to the aircraft weight. The price is obtained by the calculation of 0,181781 \* TOW(tones).

 Table 3.11. Meteorology services tax.

TAX	A320	A330		
Meteorological services	11,65€	27,81€		

#### 3.4.7. GROUND POWER SERVICE

The usage of the equipment and the airport facilities to supply electrical energy transformed in 400 hertz to the aircrafts is the last tax to consider. The MTOW (in intervals) and the time of use of this service are the aspects to calculate the price. Every aircraft is included in a different interval, so the amount to pay for the A320 is 6,920039€ and for the A330 is 13,50€ per 15 minutes of usage. Remembering the turn round time of the aircrafts, the calculations are the following:

A320 → 6,920039 \* 
$$\frac{44}{15} = 20,30 \in$$
  
A330 → 13,5 \*  $\frac{59}{15} = 53,10 \in$ 

ТАХ	A320	A330
400Hz energy system service	20,30 €	53,10€

# 3.4.8. OTHER SERVICES

There are other services, as checking desks, offices, machines and more that taxes are mandatory as well. But, for the aim of this project they can be neglected.

# 3.4.9. TOTAL TAXES PRICE

Once all the taxes are developed, it is possible to calculate the total taxes to pay to the airport manager if a plane wants to operate in their airports. Table 3.13. shows the total prices when the plane departs in J Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport and lands in Gran Canaria airport, the other way around and the total amount if the plane does both journeys.

Table 3.13. Total taxes prices.

JOURNEY	A320	A330
BCN->LPA	3.739,74€	6.739,91 €
LPA->BCN	2.201,57€	4.164,56€
Total	5.941,31 €	10.904,47 €

# 3.5. ATC TAXES

As *AENA* is the agency who manages the airports in the Spanish territory, *ENAIRE* is the one who manages the air navigation services. Thus, is who charges the taxes, which are divided into En-route charges and Terminal navigation charges. *ENAIRE* launched the *"Guide to air navigation charges 2021"* where these taxes are explained and can be calculates. [18]

## **3.5.1. EN-ROUTE CHARGES**

This tax is related to the use of the en-route air navigation facilities and services. The tax is calculated accordingly to the next equation:

 $r_{i=} t * N$ 

where:

ri: Total charge.

**t:** Spanish unit rate of the charge. This rate depends on the area of flying, differentiating between continental and Canary Island areas.

The flight of this study trespasses both areas. Therefore, it has been calculated the amount ok kilometres travelled in each area. This is 491nm continental area and 700 nm in the Canary Island one.

**N:** Number of service units. This number is related to the distance travelled and the MTOW.

The calculation is  $N = \frac{\text{Great circle distance travelled (km)}}{100} * \frac{\text{MTOW(tons)}}{50} * 0.5$ 

The total calculation according to this study is:

A320 = 45,44 \* 
$$\frac{491}{100}$$
 \*  $\left(\frac{70}{50}\right)^{0.5}$  + 40 \*  $\frac{700}{100}$  \*  $\left(\frac{70}{50}\right)^{0.5}$  = 595,29€  
A330 = 45,44 \*  $\frac{491}{100}$  \*  $\left(\frac{184}{50}\right)^{0.5}$  + 40 \*  $\frac{700}{100}$  \*  $\left(\frac{184}{50}\right)^{0.5}$  = 965,13€

Table 3.14. En-route charges.

ТАХ	A320	A330		
En-route charges	595,29 €	965,13€		

## **3.5.2. TERMINAL NAVIGATION CHARGES**

The terminal navigation charges is associated to the use of air navigation services to ensure the safety and orderly flow of movements at the approach and take-off.

The formula for the charge levied is:

$$R = t * (P/50)^n$$

Where:

R: Total charge per operation.

t: Spanish unit rate of the charge. In this case, this rate depends on the departure airport and it is the same for *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport*.

P: Licensed MTOW of the aircraft.

**n:** Weighting coefficient. Always 0,7.

The total calculation in this case is:

A320 → 20,01 \* 
$$\left(\frac{70}{50}\right)^{0.5} = 25,32 \in$$

A330 → 20,01 
$$\left(\frac{184}{50}\right)^{0.5} = 49,81 €$$

Table 3.15. Terminal Navigation charges.

ТАХ	A320	A330
Terminal navigation charges	25,32€	49,81€

## 3.5.3. TOTAL ATC CHARGES

The total ATC charges are simply the addition of the En-route charges and the Terminal navigation charges. This is for one leg of the journey. As in this study we want to do a comparison when the plane does both legs, the only thing we would need is having to apply these taxes 2 times. Table 3.16 shows the total ATC charges.

#### Table 3.16. Total ATC charges.

CHARGES	A320	A330
En-route	595,29€	965,13€
Terminal navigation	25,32 €	49,81€
Total (1 leg)	620,61 €	1.014,94 €
Total	1.241,22€	2.029,88 €

*ENAIRE* provides a document with all the related information and the prices needed to do all these calculations. These amounts are excluding taxes, so the real taxes to pay will be higher than the ones shown in this project. But once again, the focus of this project is to make a comparison of the two planes in the same conditions.

# **3.6. HANDLING COSTS**

Until this moment, all the costs explained were for the payment of taxes derived of services. This section will talk about the costs of actual services on the plane.

When an aircraft is on ground it needs ground assistance. It either has to be prepared for departure or get unload if it just landed. These services are called handling, and they are usually done by external companies.

AENA, as the airport manager has to authorize these external companies to provide their services inside the airport facilities and also establishes a maximum rate that these companies can charge to offer their services. Although, under this maximum, the rate they charge is up to the company and the deals are different with every airline.

At Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat there are three authorized companies: Iberia, Globalia and Swissport. Instead, at Gran Canaria airport there are only two: Iberia and Globalia.

For this study, the handling services are considered to be carried by the same company in both airports and they charge the maximum rate price.

An aircraft classification is made to differentiate the handling prices. Table 3.17. shows the different aircraft classes with an example aircraft type. Then table 3.18. shows the maximum price for the handling services according to the aircraft class and the type of flight.

Aircraft class	Aircraft type		Aircraft type
4A	AEROSPATIALE AS350 Ecureuil CESSNA TWIN PISTON	71	AIRBUS 320
4B	AVIOCAR CN212-200		BOEING 727-200
4C	EMBRAER 120 BRASILIA AVIOCAR CN235	81	BOEING 757-300 AIRBUS A310
31	AEROSPATIALE ATR42 DE HAVILLAND DHC-8	82	
41	AEBOSDATIALE ATD 72		AIRBUS 340-200 BOEING 777-200
51	BRITISH AEROSPACE 146-300 McDONNELL DOUGLAS DC-9	91	McDONNELL DOUGLAS MD-11 BOEING 777-300
61	BOEING 737 McDONNELL DOUGLAS MD 83	93	BOEING 747-200/400 AIRBUS A340-600

**Table 3.17.** Aircraft class with example of aircraft type.

For the A320 there is no doubt that the aircraft class is 71, as it is explicitly shown in the table. The problem comes with the A330. This plane is in the aircraft class 82 for its resemblances with the aircraft examples of this class.

Maximum price for handling services							
AIRCRAFT	AIRCRAFT	СОММЕ	TECHNICAL				
TYPE	CLASS	PAX	MIXED	FREIGHT	HANDLING (PAX)		
		Euros	Euros	Euros	Euros		
CESSNA SINGLE POSITION	4A	25,45	27,49	27,49	12,22		
CESSNA CITATION	4B	77,37	83,48	83,48	37,67		
EMBRAER 120	4C	153,73	167,98	165,95	75,34		
ATR 42	31	205,65	223,98	220,92	100,79		
ATR 72	41	328,84	357,35	354,29	160,86		
BOEING 717 (DC-9)	51	798,17	869,44	984,48	391,96		
BOEING 737-400	61	1.025,21	1.116,83	1.264,46	502,93		
AIRBUS 320	71	1.233,91	1.343,87	1.521,01	604,74		
BOEING 727	72	1.387,64	1.510,83	1.710,37	680,08		
AIRBUS 310	81	1.541,37	1.677,80	1.899,74	755,42		
BOEING 767-300	82	1.839,67	2.003,58	2.267,26	902,02		
AIRBUS 340-200	83	2.076,88	2.261,16	2.559,45	1.018,08		
BOEING 777-300	91	2.715,22	2.957,52	3.346,43	1.330,63		
BOEING 747-400	92	3.226,30	3.514,41	3.976,62	1.581,08		

Table 3.18. Maximum price for handling services.

Table 3.19 shows the total cost for the handling of both planes. The prices have to be multiplied by two to have the costs in both *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport*.

**Table 3.19.** Total handling costs.

	A320	A330
Handling costs (per turn round)	1.233,91€	1.839,67€
Total	2.467,82€	3.679,34€

# **3.7. AIRCRAFT OPERATING COSTS**

Aircraft operating costs are the costs that a plane produces for being used. The type of aircraft used it is a relevant factor. Therefore, this is the most important cost to study as it includes many elements concerning an aircraft. The operating costs are usually expressed in cost per block hour which state the cost per one hour.

They can be divided into fixed and variable costs depending on the origin of the expense. The variable costs can fluctuate and fixed costs show little or no change.

# 3.7.1. VARIABLE COSTS

The variable costs depend on the fares or taxes of specific services and they can affect directly to aircraft operators and indirectly to the users of air service. These costs include fuel and oil, maintenance and crew salaries.

## 3.7.1.1. Fuel and Oil costs

This is the cost of the fuel and oil loaded in the plane. The price is based on the price of the fuel at the given moment and the fuel consumption for a given operation. This cost changes when the price of the fuel changes, which is constantly.

## 3.7.1.2. Maintenance costs

In order to meet the safety requirements at the airline industry, maintenance costs are unavoidable. Maintenance can be scheduled or unscheduled. The last one is what it makes this cost variable.

It includes maintenance labor; airframe, engine and avionics parts; APU, propeller and Thrust reverse overhaul and dynamic components cost.

## 3.7.1.3. Crew costs

It includes the crew salaries, including pilot, co-pilot, flight engineers and stewardesses. It also includes the trainers and instructors, the personnel expenses and employees benefit, which are an extra on their wage.

# 3.7.2. FIXED COSTS

The fixed cost does not oscillate and in short-term, they are independent of a change of activity. They include depreciation, rentals, insurance and others.

#### 3.7.2.1. Depreciation

It is assumed that aircrafts lose a fixed percentage of their original purchase price each year, which converts into a cost and it is a significant component for fixed costs.

#### 3.7.2.2. Rentals

The rentals of hangars and other facilities in order to maintain the activity is also an important fixed cost.

#### 3.7.2.3. Insurance and others

The obligatory purchased insurances, sales costs, administration, accounts, general management and employment costs, among others are the rest of the fixed costs.

## **3.7.3. OPERATION COSTS CALCULATIONS**

The operating costs of a plane depend on the air carrier who is using the aircraft, the fleet of the airline and the utilisation of the aircraft. Meaning that the operating costs are not equal for the same aircraft. The *Federal Aviation Administration* (FAA) released a document with standard values, which are the ones that will be used. [19] Once again, emphasizing the importance of the comparison in this project, these values are satisfactory. Table 3.20. shows in detail the variables and fixed costs per block hour of the different aircraft types.

		Cost per Block Hour								
Aircraft Category	Fuel and Oil	Maintenance	Crew	Total Variable	Depreciation	Rentals	Insurance	Other	Total Fixed	Total
Wide-body more than 300 seats	\$5,411	\$1,331	\$2,356	\$9,097	\$845	\$406	\$4	\$1	\$1,254	\$10,351
Wide-body 300 seats and below	\$4,080	\$1,289	\$1,857	\$7,227	\$685	\$366	\$4	\$4	\$1,058	\$8,285
Narrow-body more than 160 seats	\$2,054	\$718	\$1,152	\$3,925	\$355	\$217	\$3	\$7	\$582	\$4,506
Narrow-body 160 seats and below	\$1,741	\$737	\$1,034	\$3,512	\$306	\$215	\$5	\$7	\$533	\$4,045
RJ more than 60 seats	\$115	\$431	\$444	\$991	\$131	\$252	\$1	\$13	\$397	\$1,388
RJ 60 seats and below	\$92	\$479	\$470	\$1,041	\$58	\$227	\$1	\$7	\$293	\$1,334
Turboprop more than 60 seats	\$0	\$880	\$360	\$1,241	\$439	\$103	\$0	\$2	\$544	\$1,785
All Aircraft	\$1,681	\$727	\$1,012	\$3,420	\$314	\$239	\$4	\$7	\$564	\$3,985

**Table 3.20.** Aircraft type variable and fixed costs per block hour. [10]

A cost per block hour is the total cost that a plane produces in a one-hour block. The block time is the time that the airplane needs for its operation, starting with the taxi at the departure airport until the end of the taxi at the arrival airport.

Afterwards, the total block time for this study needs to be calculated. For the taxi time, 12 minutes average time is assumed either at *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and at *Gran Canaria airport*. This means 12 minutes per 4 taxis is a total of 48 minutes in taxi. The total flying time can be extracted from the tables of the Flight Crew Operating Manual (FCOM). (Annex 3 and Annex 4)

The total block time for the A320 and A330 is the following:

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{A320} \rightarrow \text{taxi(BCN)} + \text{flying time} + \text{taxi(LPA)} + \text{taxi(LPA)} + \text{flying time} + \text{taxi(BCN)} \\ = 12 + 171 + 12 + 12 + 171 + 12 = 389 \text{ minutes} = 6h \ 29 \text{ min} \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{A330} \rightarrow \text{taxi(BCN)} + \text{flying time} + \text{taxi(LPA)} + \text{taxi(LPA)} + \text{flying time} + \text{taxi(BCN)} \\ = 12 + 168 + 12 + 12 + 168 + 12 = 384 \text{ minutes} = 6\text{h }24 \text{ min} \end{array}$ 

Considering that the block times can be counted per period of times of 15 minutes, both aircrafts would need a block time of 6h and 30min. This means that the results in the table have to be multiplied by 6.5 in order to get the total operating costs. It is important to mention that the prices of the table are in dollars, so a conversion to euros will be needed first.

Table 3.21. shows the operation cost per block hour and the total operating costs of the A320 and A330 to perform the journey that is being studied.

Table 3.21. Total aircraft operating cost.

	A320	A330
Operating cost per block hour	3.696,29€	6.796,23€
Total aircraft operation cost	24.025,89€	44.175,50 €

## 3.8. COST RESULTS

Once all the costs have been calculated, the results will be compiled. Table 3.22 shows a global overview of all the costs of a return flight from *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport*.

	A320	A330
AENA TAXES	5.941,74€	10.904,47 €
ATC TAXES	1.241,22€	2.029,88€
HANDLING COSTS	2.467,82€	3.679,34 €
OPERATING COSTS	24.025,89€	44.175,50 €
TOTAL	33.676,67 €	60.789,19 €

Table 3.22. Costs to perform a return flight BCN-LPA.

The operating costs is the parameter that determines the total costs, as they are surprisingly higher than the rest. This is due to the fact that the operating costs include several costs related to the motion of the aircraft, meanwhile the others are taxes related or only indirect related to this motion.

The total price of performing the return flight and the big differences between planes is surprising.

Another way of interpreting these results is to observe the price per passenger. This number is obtained dividing the total cost by the number of passengers that every plane carries. As the total costs obtained are for a return flight, the passengers are counted two times.

Price per passenger A320 = 
$$\frac{33.676,67}{360} = 93,55 \frac{\text{€}}{\text{pax}}$$
  
Price per passenger A330 =  $\frac{60.789,19}{600} = 101,32 \frac{\text{€}}{\text{pax}}$ 

Besides, there are two other interesting cases to know the price per passenger. The first one is the case where the price is higher for the A320 than for the A330. This happens when 27 seats of the A320s are empty, which corresponds to 8% of the total.

Price per passenger A320(8% empty seats) = 
$$\frac{33.676,67}{332} = 101,43 \frac{\text{€}}{\text{pax}}$$

The other one is when in both aircrafts are carried the same number of passengers, 300. This happens when the A330 is full and when in the A320s 60 seats, or 17% of the total are empty.

Price per passenger A320(17% empty seats) 
$$=\frac{33.676,67}{300} = 112,26\frac{\text{€}}{\text{pax}}$$

## **3.9. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

The last topic to be studied is the environmental impact of flying. Aircraft engines produce emissions and those are harmful for the environment.

Studies estimate that the total CO<sub>2</sub> aviation emissions are approximately 3% of the Global Greenhouse emissions, a very low percentage.

The Greenhouse gases extracted from airplanes are C02, H2O, sulphites, soot, and nitrogen oxide (NOx). The emission index for nitrogen oxide varies with altitude, Mach number, and fuel-flow rate, but it can be estimated with a fuel-flow-correlation model.

The aim of this project is not to calculate all these values, so they have been extracted from another study. [20] Table 3.23 shows a comparison of emission per passenger for a 1500 nm flight. The data extracted is a bit higher than the one it would be for this study, but once again the importance is to do the calculations for both planes under the same basis in order to be able to get a reliable comparison.

**Table 3.23.** Comparison of emission per passenger for the A320 and A330 over a 1.500 nm flight.

	A320	A330
PAX number	150	293
Fuel burnt	8.797 kg	18.749 kg
Emissions (I	kg/pax)	
C0 <sub>2</sub>	185	202
H <sub>2</sub> 0	72,1	78,7
Sulphites	0,0117	0,0128
Soot	0,00235	0,00256
NO <sub>x</sub>	0,785	1,08

The emission shown in table 3.23 are the kg per passenger. But the interest is in the total emission of the plane, which can be calculated for the specifications of the referenced study.

#### 3.9.1. A320 emission

$$C02 = 185 * 150 = 27.750 \text{ kg}$$
  
H20 = 72,1 \* 150 = 10.815 kg  
Sulphites = 0,0117 \* 150 = 1,775 kg  
Soot = 0,00235 \* 150 = 0,3525 kg  
NOx = 0,785 \* 150 = 117,75 kg

#### 3.9.2. A330 emission

$$C02 = 202 * 293 = 59.186 \text{ kg}$$
  
H20 = 78,7 \* 293 = 23.059,1 kg  
Sulphites = 0,0128 \* 293 = 3,7504 kg  
Soot = 0,00256 \* 293 = 0,75 kg  
NOx = 1,08 \* 293 = 316,44 kg

#### 3.9.3. Emission comparison

After the different emission are calculated for both planes, table 3.24. shows the emission per a travel of 1500 nm of the A320, emission if the A320 would be used two times and emission of the A330.

Table 3.24. Comparison of aircraft total emission over a 1.500 nm fli	ght.
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	A320	2xA320	A330
C0 <sub>2</sub>	27.750 kg	55.500 kg	59.186 kg
H <sub>2</sub> 0	10.815 kg	21.630 kg	23.059,10 kg
Sulfites	1,775 kg	3,55 kg	3,7504 kg
Soot	0,3525 kg	0,705 kg	0,75 kg
NO <sub>x</sub>	117,75 kg	235,5 kg	316,44 kg

# 4. RESULTS

This section shows and comments on all the results of this study. Table 4.1 shows the total costs to operate a return flight from *Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat airport* and *Gran Canaria airport* with an A320 and an A330.

**Table 4.1.** Costs to perform a return flight BCN-LPA.

	A320	A330
TOTAL COSTS	33.676,67 €	60.789,19€

From table 4.1. a big cost difference between operating an A320 and an A330 can be seen. This study considered that the planes fly completely full all the time, which means that the A320 transports 180 passengers and the A330 transports 300 passengers.

In these conditions, it is more profitable to use two times an A320 than one A330, as the relationship between economical cost and number of passengers transported is more efficient with the A320. The A330 can carry 66% more passengers than the A320 (300 passengers compared to 180), but the cost to use an A330 increases by 80%.

But the airplanes are not always full, and the occupancy rate is not always 100%. Then, the results change. In the case that two A320 and only one A330 are used, if the number of empty seats is equal or higher than 17% of the capacity of the A320, in other words, 60 seats are empty, then the option to use the A330 is better. Figure 4.1. shows a representation and a further explanation will be after.

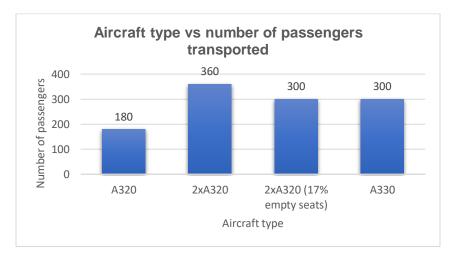


Figure 4.1 Aircraft type vs number of passengers transported

When 17% of the seats of the A320 are empty, the total number of passengers transported are 300, which is the maximum number of passengers that fit in just one A330. This would mean the possibility of unifying the two A320 into an A330 and the outcome is a reduction of costs for transporting the same number of passengers. Another factor to consider is that the prices shown above might be modified when airlines get better deals with the airport managers or the external companies that give services. But in this project the maximum prices are the ones that have been used.

A different way of interpreting the results is to observe the price per passenger. Figure 4.2. show the total cost depending on the amount of empty seats.

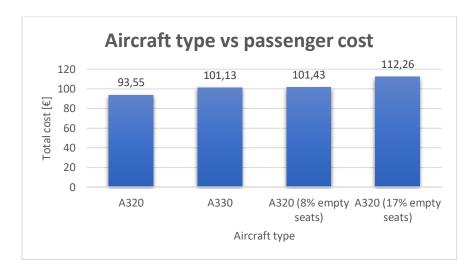


Figure 4.2. aircraft type vs passenger cost according to the empty seats

Following the same structure as before, if the planes occupancy rate is 100%, the cost per passenger for an A330 is higher than for the A320 and if 17% of the seats are empty, the situation reverts. But, the difference of using this way of interpretation is the point when the price per passenger for using the A320 becomes higher than for the A330. This occurs when 8% or 27 of the seats are empty. At this point, with two A320 the number of passengers transported would be 333, which would not fit in an A330. This is the trade-off point in what the decision to transport more passengers at a higher price and in two times or at a lower price and just in one time has to be decided.

Hence, the results depending on the number of empty seats, would be a good seasonal study for airlines to take into account when planning future flights. In summer, the occupancy of the planes is always higher than in winter.

Environmentally speaking, there is an impacting result. Figure 4.3. shows the emissions in kg per aircraft.

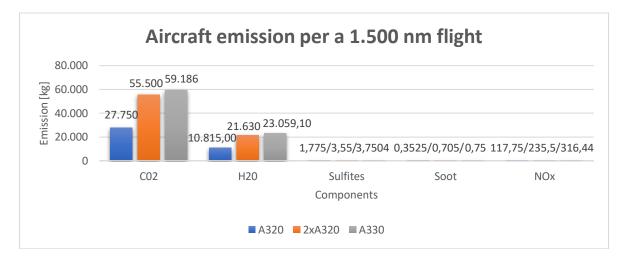


Figure 1.3. Aircraft emissions in kg per a 1.500 nm flight

Using an A320 contaminates less than an A330. But the surprising result is that using two A320 contaminates less than a single A330. So, for the environment is better to keep using narrow- above wide-body aircrafts.

Lastly, another concept seems relevant to be mentioned. Nowadays, wide-body aircrafts are designed to fly long- instead of short-haul. Therefore, they are equipped and certified with the necessary instruments.

Perhaps, the possibility of adapting and manufacturing the wide-body aircraft for a short-haul travel, the so-called LASR (Large Aircraft for Short Range) could be the new way of operating. Removing the unnecessary instruments, like aid navigation to cross the Atlantic, and reducing the avionics of the plane removing extra wiring inside the plane, like the one used for the passenger's screens, would be some examples of this adjustment.

The outcome will affect the operational empty weight (OEW), which will be reduced. Therefore, the maximum take-off weight (MTOW) and the fuel consumption will be lower. Consequently, the operating costs and taxes, like landing taxes or meteorology taxes among others will be reduced. On top, the environmental impact would also be reduced.

Next step, knowing the new weights of the LASR aircraft, this study should be repeated to evaluate which option would be better.

# **5.CONCLUSIONS**

The conclusions of this project can be divided basically into three general points. Economically, it is better to use narrow-body aircrafts above wide-body for shorthaul flights if the planes are full. Instead, if the planes have a lower occupancy rate, then a wide-body aircraft is better.

Environmentally, using narrow-body aircrafts results the best option.

Finally, the idea of the LASR seems interesting as it could save costs and they could be better for the environment. But it also has negative aspects like the reduction of choices of schedule for the passengers. Although for touristic travels as the one studied in this project, the schedule choice would not have such impact and it would be a good way to start implementing this type of aircrafts.

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# ANNEX 1. AIR PASSENGER TRANSPORT BY REPORTING COUNTRY

Switzerland	Norway	Iceland	United I	Sweden	Finland	Slovakia	Slovenia	Romania	Portuga	Poland	Austria	Netherlands	Malta	Hungary	Luxembourg	Lithuania	Latvia	Cyprus	Italy	Croatia	France	Spain	Greece	Ireland	Estonia	Germany	Denmark	Czechia	Bulgaria	Belgium	Europea	
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19.357.334									10.581.802			23.649.421							26.780.183		44.131.762	50.552.232	20.123.470	8.101.297		64.555.531	606.937			11.235.430		1994
20.501.352			100.971.029						11.299.367			25.544.282							44.852.540		44.652.838	55.025.894	19.313.135	9.781.040						12.505.217		1995
19.357.334 20.501.352 21.329.039			104.921.402						11.478.794			28.045.730							48.358.178		48.976.296	57.052.551	17.709.200	9.915.730		87.901.604				13.354.702		1996
			95.858.948 100.971.029 104.921.402 114.155.365 142.897.783 151.467.129 162.339.818 163.041.375 168.756.893		6.441.657				8.206.870 10.581.802 11.299.367 11.478.794 12.143.767 13.694.126 14.972.855 19.572.269 17.310.534			20.989.607 23.649.421 25.544.282 28.045.730 31.835.635 34.856.920 37.454.145 40.626.191 40.671.305							23.680.153 26.780.183 44.852.540 48.358.178 53.430.518 35.052.392 35.452.392 35.852.392 40.289.030 65.227.580		44.652.838 48.976.296 79.333.292 84.621.906 90.729.435 96.366.913 94.390.723 96.533.114	62.173.233	18.611.962	12.373.093		84.943.369 87.901.604 93.978.791 104.533.962 112.191.393 120.691.010 118.186.356				10.028.692 11.235.430 12.505.217 13.354.702 15.923.010 18.481.800 20.002.289 21.594.842 18.594.842		1997
24.741.620			142.897.783		9.983.372				13.694.126			34.856.920							35.052.392		84.621.906	68.767.908	24.103.793	13.274.833		104.533.962				18.481.800		1998
27.007.844			151.467.129						14.972.855			37.454.145							35.452.392		90.729.435		27.593.971	15.235.311		112.191.393				20.002.289		1999
26.997.844			162.339.818		9.796.432 10.721.453				19.572.269			40.626.191							35.852.392		96.366.913	109.971.151	30.725.465	16.685.717		120.691.010				21.594.842		2000
23.375.670 24.741.620 27.007.844 26.997.844 26.897.844			163.041.375			414.356		2.360.467	17.310.534			40.671.305	2.836.131					6.539.766	40.289.030		94.390.723	101.326.370 109.971.151 112.936.603	29.725.465	17.316.121		118.186.356				18.594.842		2001
26.747.287	18.631.949		168.756.893		10.295.754	497.007		2.414.809	17.383.237		14.943.765	41.875.323	2.639.805	4.468.821					65.227.580		96.533.114	112.237.754	28.725.465	18.235.186		114.383.253		6.579.480		13.558.962		2002
25.676.117	18.825.090	1.561.578	177.905.		10.516.:	625.861		2.717.516	17.739.078		15.798.652	41.168.497	2.647.642	5.010.397		721.789		6.077.403	73.917.022		96.295.0	120.238.	28.165.427			121.181.	361.945	7.761.268		15.095.		2003
26.567.888	19.621.419	1.888.607	268 192.282.712	19.957.013	364 11.785.244	1.080.945	1.046.162	3.192.620	18.423.155	6.091.886	18.296.612	44.493.696	2.790.121	6.380.372	1.509.069	994.161	1.056.041	6.421.198	80.805.830		103.042.925	129.771.378	30.314.835	20.851.353	990.776	135.909.864	361.945 21.006.048			17.468.503		2004
117 26.567.888 28.876.325 31.829.653	18.578.950	2.111.100	204.022.904 211.230.640	20.997.169	12.348.113	1.519.452	1.217.167	3.493.783	20.274.653	7.080.325	19.684.822	46.433.037	2.757.240	7.918.083	1.538.152	1.434.241	1.872.040	6.782.521	87.906.438		691         103.042.925         107.964.706         113.189.378	878 129.771.378 143.679.871 150.599.291	31.572.652	20.851.353 24.254.298 27.558.133	1.393.105	405 135.909.864 146.102.479	22.173.770 22.967.560	9.950.314 11.265.764 12.171.235		879 17.468.503 17.813.943 19.154.673		2005
31.829.653	24.052.506	2.278.036	211.230.640	25.744.721	13.443.365	2.124.447	1.327.333	4.900.134	22.028.195	13.737.803	20.824.533	48.584.873	2.699.870	8.245.920	1.597.404	1.799.195	2.488.065	6.714.102	95.914.382		113.189.378	150.599.291	33.580.794	27.558.133	1.533.132	154.090.077	22.967.560	12.171.235		19.154.673		2006

	TIME 2007		2009				2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
European Union	812.605.125	798.625.469	751.855.594	774.555.432	818.145.231	823.049.838	837.254.556	875.108.116	916.483.716	970.534.207	1.040.803.4	24	970.534.207 1.040.803.424 1.103.387.059 1.143.709.187
Belgium	20.805.455	21.983.683	21.316.690	22.697.764	25.102.695	25.919.515	26.389.927	28.776.258	30.958.841	30.115.832	33.260.	493	3.260.493 34.506.309 35.385.188
Bulgaria	6.072.357	6.417.992	5.840.825	6.169.323	6.652.007	6.819.103	7.079.292	7.520.697	7.610.949	9.324.217	11.092.6	2	1.092.651 12.137.714 11.713.068
Czechia	13.098.141	13.429.149	12.367.467	12.242.386	12.650.532	11.742.352	11.891.812	12.079.873	12.672.004	13.672.362	16.245.55	4	16.245.554 17.838.221 18.832.696
Denmark	24.043.172	24.639.072	22.277.524	24.334.687	25.808.321	26.532.730	27.459.623	29.015.133	30.095.505	32.763.142	33.261.2	4	3.261.214 34.701.139 34.780.127
Germany	163.784.893	165.758.846	158.148.829	166.130.833	175.316.076	178.591.103	180.783.188	186.445.814	193.936.430	200.687.293	212.389.3	Ψ.	12.389.343 222.422.361 226.764.086
Estonia	1.722.505	1.804.430	1.341.294	1.381.062	1.907.569	2.202.427	1.958.565	2.019.806	2.160.978	2.214.989	2.635.14	Ċ٦	2.635.145 2.995.528 3.258.003
Ireland	29.840.020	30.018.287	26.268.887	23.094.210	23.362.889	23.594.089	24.603.640	26.310.826	29.545.020	32.595.709	34.271.77	-	4.271.771 36.345.005 37.947.510
Greece	35.567.225	35.059.804	33.440.269	32.588.072	33.770.739	32.082.336	34.023.934	39.117.833	42.096.402	45.543.371	50.170.72	ω	0.170.728 54.258.826 56.088.527
Spain	163.523.010	161.400.952	148.318.298	153.387.014	165.153.230	159.771.261	157.731.973	165.354.382	174.652.503	193.872.037	209.824.08	0	09.824.089 220.611.429 227.189.012
France	120.037.222	122.960.315	117.636.389	118.697.207	126.013.257	129.764.462	132.762.875	136.360.671	140.867.569	145.280.602	154.096.485	01	154.096.485 161.991.179 168.729.932
Croatia		4.504.677	4.335.208	4.677.414	4.989.236	5.422.632	5.722.447	6.140.797	6.571.698	7.475.463	8.843.053		3.843.053 9.731.294 10.623.239
Italy	106.294.258	105.216.903	101.823.772	109.064.953	116.226.667	116.029.388	115.279.105	121.164.587	127.665.221	134.477.781	144.306.325		44.306.325 153.352.444 160.665.682
Cyprus	7.004.315	7.218.084	6.729.787	6.948.288	7.190.387	7.328.300	7.011.437	7.328.546	7.590.787	8.961.817	10.238.913		10.238.913 10.927.101 11.261.410
Latvia	3.155.771	3.687.329	4.062.704	4.655.898	5.098.360	4.754.530	4.782.257	4.802.282	5.145.856	5.384.160	6.077.854		7.037.070
Lithuania	2.195.959	2.552.074	1.867.191	2.282.834	2.691.991	3.166.628	3.482.358	3.798.110	4.227.389	4.787.561	5.246.101		5.246.101 6.254.178
Luxembourg	1.634.465	1.713.217	1.535.261	1.613.696	1.836.780	1.893.991	2.169.327	2.433.966	2.651.751	2.984.242	3.554.730		3.554.730 3.988.804
Hungary	8.580.261	8.429.082	8.081.067	8.174.510	8.884.837	8.429.843	8.441.319	9.054.848	10.228.352	11.660.366	13.350.029		3.350.029 15.176.493 16.700.750
Malta	2.971.368	3.109.899	2.918.676	3.293.548	3.506.814	3.650.347	4.032.029	4.290.032	4.619.557	5.080.446	6.007.731		6.805.817
Netherlands	50.502.715	50.419.501	46.479.327	48.618.879	53.895.292	55.680.209	58.077.271	60.963.003	64.570.938	70.317.995	76.240.304		76.240.304 79.644.163 81.192.507
Austria	22.926.104	23.899.584	21.817.267	23.532.455	25.137.612	25.965.977	25.749.724	26.378.676	26.754.007	27.181.511	28.327.279		3.327.279 31.138.417 35.644.188
Poland	17.120.078	18.727.365	17.046.899	18.383.115	20.635.672	21.800.765	23.274.484	25.714.422	28.907.439	32.266.861	37.684.668		7.684.668 43.767.548 46.899.765
Portugal	24.326.238	25.182.901	24.116.313	25.735.500	27.579.707	28.186.254	29.694.146	32.560.621	36.005.814	40.930.044	47.673.057		7.673.057 51.018.598 55.007.894
Romania	6.908.599	8.031.267	7.984.057	8.848.949	9.687.456	9.674.226	10.016.933	10.907.487	12.580.711	15.153.719	17.934.774		7.934.774 19.809.642 21.546.204
Slovenia	1.504.446	1.648.977	1.423.391	1.382.341	1.358.792	1.167.877	1.265.766	1.307.128	1.436.003	1.404.152	1.682.133		1.682.133 1.810.567
Slovakia	2.232.411	2.596.334	1.948.361	1.881.844	1.808.187	1.563.197	1.557.149	1.671.290	1.943.656	2.158.261	2.402.651		2.402.651 2.794.094 2.839.787
Finland	14.464.575	14.850.682	13.828.812	14.220.636	16.374.398	16.458.815	16.565.391	17.171.931	17.479.246	18.099.954	20.054.947		0.054.947 22.173.530 23.287.929
Sweden	26.967.253	27.817.350	25.218.784	26.646.764	29.732.247	30.350.849	31.443.225	32.766.043	34.011.263	35.952.558	38.456.207		38.456.207 38.945.096 37.614.259
United Kingdom	217.291.360	213.890.470	198.533.970	192.887.734	201.536.753	203.067.015	210.468.980	220.022.122	232.270.437	248.868.873	264.629.454		264.629.454 272.190.155 277.432.380
Iceland	2.462.113	2.240.998	1.837.165	2.036.356	2.462.894	2.740.691	3.199.266	3.853.614	4.847.288	6.801.814	8.318.734		8.318.734 10.166.386
Norway	26.385.631	27.717.155	27.675.619	29.518.449	32.403.522	34.592.225	36.686.364	37.603.195	37.503.052	37.727.546	38.739.778		8.739.778 40.030.105 40.348.437
Switzerland	34.537.698	36.595.735	35.928.169	37.615.959	41.439.848	43.236.086	44.217.568	46.127.426	48.026.375	50.505.492	53.564.943	00	3.564.943 56.139.549 57.194.328

# ANNEX 2. FREIGHT AND MAIL TRANSPORT BY REPORTING COUNTRY

Switzerland	Norway	Iceland	<b>United Kingdom</b>	Sweden	Finland	Slovakia	Slovenia	Romania	Portugal	Poland	Austria	Netherlands	Malta	Hungary	Luxembourg	Lithuania	Latvia	Cyprus	Italy	Croatia	France	Spain	Greece	Ireland	Estonia	Germany	Denmark	Czechia	Bulgaria	Belgium	
ld			۱gdom									sp			ırg																TIME 1993
353.748			1.215.474	0					86.478			772.688							402.501		852.609	179.395	80.625	50.019						306.183	
390.976			1.485.910						93.663			841.873							438.104		1.005.530	174.350	82.230	42.703						374.816	1994
398.462			1.584.054						122.086			982.547							534.703		1.034.330	243.885		60.910						426.233	1995
393.879			1.584.054 1.657.409						125.870			1.084.506							554.113		1.057.784	280.846	72.660	42.420						449.534	1996
406.876			1.846.581		92.459				145.870			1.163.003							535.304		1.025.039	308.885	106.214	76.338						518.009	1997
401.776			2.183.408		102.639				155.870			1.173.509							445.529		1.042.203	309.241	125.898	58.685						585.342	1998
421.932			2.290.898		96.016				165.870			1.182.337									1.147.485	463.436	126.635	71.943						565.342	1999
			2.274.057		101.423				177.908			1.267.623									1.170.979	478.953	134.563	77.258		2.364.760				545.342	2000
			2.274.057 2.094.067			4.676		15.624	133.417			1.217.445						32.294	206.773		1.329.957	454.004		69.480		2.269.152				525.342	2001
353.839	1.071		2.145.288		89.107	6.557		16.488	128.829		125.829	1.280.147	12.588	46.402					593.104		1.436.392	450.065		41.236		2.362.153		43.566		499.431	2002
321.690	567	42.392	2.285.602		89.693	12.847			123.546		128.738			50.525		5.217		31.816	683.863		1.416.967	439.991	137.045			2.447.061	417	53.222		606.504	2003 20
319.083	27	56.281	2.471.242	150.957	123.493	8.197	4.983	19.339	123.309	31.423	159.653	1.511.957	15.977	60.414	616.583	5.183	8.326	37.190	710.593		1.486.743	520.503	114.809	62.163	4.998	2.788.200	7.928	57.512		660.431	004
334.024																			754.302						9.739						2005
333.317																			810.446						10.053					694.523 1.037.357	2006

				2010						2016			2019
Belgium	1.203.245	1.071.346	836.409	953.582	984.363	963.615	957.012	1.014.586	1.126.234	1.088.734	1.251.173	<u> </u>	1.416.428
Czechia	59.911	55.906	53.924	65.620	69.206	58.707	58.147	58.312	58.445	77.704			90.526
Denmark	7.492	254.105	158.767	150.271	155.662	166.283	148.980	208.590	210.570	200.133	235.937		242.068
Germany	3.418.349	3.568.563	3.341.222	4.099.072	4.309.649	4.218.208	4.231.474	4.336.163	4.325.665	4.467.022	4.773.359	4	4.842.716
Estonia	22.634	41.744	20.526	11.886	18.341	23.760	20.862	19.432	16.034	13.868	11.233		11.475
Ireland	132.754	126.855	112.049	122.266	113.409	126.834	127.423	138.203	148.714	145.769	163.123		156.265
Greece	107.198	112.225	97.797	88.564	81.355	72.192	67.262	60.324	62.332	69.949	69.074		96.889
Spain	510.579	539.803	502.585	592.336	611.974	593.523	580.847	593.902	594.393	639.237	742.443	~	306.518
France	1.708.761	1.672.284	1.450.562	1.525.970	1.765.733	1.753.085	1.741.021	2.361.510	2.380.931	2.401.593	2.450.326	Ņ	2.407.878
Croatia		8.582	8.724	7.443	7.228	6.961	6.857	6.908	7.189	7.691	9.510		11.934
Italy	906.680	814.995	705.883	838.724	846.551	790.493	826.981	876.495	916.755	991.688	1.077.874	1.0	1.066.221
Cyprus	42.024	42.796	38.636	37.265	29.480	27.581	28.328	28.095	27.626	28.430			32.186
Latvia	7.197	6.884	8.646	11.268	11.571	31.460	52.473	31.439	16.809	17.922	21.204		24.628
Lithuania	12.804	9.049	6.465	9.762	10.011	14.342	15.857	13.210	14.904	14.245			16.779
Luxembourg	702.760	788.218	627.261	705.829	666.011	615.286	673.380	707.150	736.880	801.058	892.660	œ	895.004
Hungary	67.591	62.544	54.138	65.305	68.860	61.902	64.166	61.970	65.783	77.535		_	101.411
Malta	17.990	18.222	17.496	16.882	16.204	16.493	16.028	15.602	16.405	15.690	16.194		17.677
Netherlands	1.709.271	1.648.522	1.371.235	1.600.381	1.614.895	1.563.500	1.620.038	1.727.455	1.712.031	1.831.792	1.865.106	<u>1</u>	1.840.419
Austria	206.643	206.221	202.642	236.633	219.448	197.543	196.459	217.785	216.621	223.421	227.643		237.701
Poland	44.730	58.148	53.510	61.238	68.485	74.831	77.560	84.386	92.690	107.880	121.303	_	134.673
Portugal	130.827	136.364	125.501	137.131	121.465	117.645	126.612	134.982	133.416	136.578	164.732	_	73.493
Romania	19.229	24.431	23.482	24.512	26.156	28.523	30.605	31.113	33.399	37.456	41.692		45.310
Slovenia	12.515	8.180	5.584	6.071	6.877	7.572	7.969	8.563	8.891	8.970	12.025		12.337
Slovakia	2.282	7.432	12.231	17.835	20.542	20.893	20.588	18.498	21.216	23.028	27.188		24.565
Finland	146.134	147.822	126.900	165.254	179.216	195.631	192.512	190.586	182.089	186.471	188.722	_	196.810
Sweden	0	205.760	161.179	186.263	164.618	141.365	130.405	141.887	146.287	147.214	159.130	<u>د</u>	158.632
<b>United Kingdom</b>	2.443.483	2.411.463	2.156.206	2.429.026	2.419.718	2.428.375	2.369.879	2.406.673	2.405.225	2.511.011	2.738.784	2.7	2.748.539
Iceland	46.904	54.739	38.776	35.234	37.558	40.030	41.491	41.908	44.664	48.459	52.870		56.889
Norway	3.324	3.516	51.357	49.414	65.742	78.420	106.722	116.390	127.698	127.745	169.295	_	174.840
Switzerland	354.623	347.979	315.695	375.176	390.335	398.715	400.028	407.704	401.925	428.495	486.164	д	493.202

# ANNEX 3. A320 WEIGHT AND BALANCE CALCULATION TABLES

EF. LANDI	NG WEIG	HT = 500	IMC PRO		A		EL CONS	UMED (KO	G)
ORMAL A	IR CONDI	TIONING		CG =	33.0 %		TIME (I	H MIN)	
AIR	011					<u> </u>	CO	RRECTION 0	
DIST.			FLIGHT	LEVEL				CONSUMP (KG/1000KG)	
(NM)	290	310	330	350	370	390	FL290 FL310	FL330 FL350	FL370 FL390
825	5089 1.59	4852	4647	4472	4333	4239	26	34	46
850	5232 2.03	4986	4774 2.04	4592	4447	4350 2.05	27	35	47
875	5375	5120	4900	4711	4562	4461	27	35	49
900	2.06 5518	2.07	2.07	2.08 4831	2.09	2.09 4572	28	36	50
925	2.09	2.10	2.11 5154	<u>2.12</u> 4951	2.12 4791	2.12 4683	28	37	51
950	2.12	2.13	2.14	2.15	2.15 4906	2.15 4795	29	38	53
975	2.16	2.16	2.17 5408	2.18	2.19 5021	2.19 4906	30	39	54
	2.19 6091	2.20	2.21	2.22 5313	2.22	2.22 5018	30	40	56
1000	2.22 6234	2.23	2.24 5662	2.25	2.25	2.25	31	41	57
1025	6234 2.25 6378	2.26	2.27	2.28	2.29	2.29	32	41	58
1050	2.29	2.30	2.31	2.32	2.32	2.32	32	42	60
1075	2.32	2.33	2.34	2.35	2.36	2.36	200		
1100	6665 2.35	6332 2.36	6045 2.37	5796 2.38	5599 2.39	5467 2.39	33	43	61
1125	6809 2.38	6467 2.39	6172 2.41	5917 2.42	5715 2.42	5580 2.42	34	44	63
1150	6952 2.42	6603 2.43	6300 2.44	6038 2.45	Inter	polate	34	45	64
1175	7098 2.45	6738 2.46	6428 2.47	6160 2.48	5948 2.49	5806 2.49	35	46	65
1200	7240 2.48	6873 2.49	6556 2.50	6281 2.52	6064 2.52	5920 2.52	36	47	67
1225	7384 2.51	7009 2.53	6684 2.54	6403 2.55	6180 2.56	6033 2.56	36	48	68
1250	7528	7144 2.56	6812 2.57	6524 2.58	6297 2.59	6147 2.59	37	48	70
1275	7672 2.58	7280 2.59	6941 3.00	6646 3.02	6414 3.02	6261 3.02	38	49	71
1300	7817 3.01	7415	7069	6768 3.05	6531 3.06	6375 3.06	38	50	73
1325	7961 3.04	7551 3.06	7197	6890 3.08	6648 3.09	6489 3.09	39	51	74
1350	8105 3.08	7687 3.09	7326 3.10	7012	6765 3.13	6603	40	52	76
1375	8250	7823	7455	3.12 7134 2.15	6882	3.13 6718	40	53	78
1400	3.11 8394	3.12 7959	3.14	3.15	3.16	3.16 6832	41	54	75
1425	3.14 8539	3.16 8095	3.17	3.18	3.19	3.19 6947	42	55	81
1450	3.17 8684	3.19 8231	3.20 7841	3.22 7501	3.23 7234 3.26	3.23	42	56	82
	3.21 CONDITION	3.22	3.24 ENCI	3.25 NE ANTI IC		3.26	TOTAL AN	TI ICE ON	

	MAL A	At Alternate = Ir conditionin Off		CG = 3		FU	EL CONS		G)
	IR ST.		FLIGHT	LEVEL			COF FUEL	RECTION CONSUMP	TION
100	M)	100 120	140	160	180	200	FL100 FL120	FL140 FL160	FL180 FL200
)	20								
D 4	40	471 Inter	polate				2		
D 6	60	618 602 0.17 0.16		608 0.16			4	3	
	80	765 745 0.21 0.20	740	738 0.19	740 0.19	745 0.19	5	4	
9	00	913 887 0.25 0.24	877	868 0.23	864 0.23	864 0.22	6	5	
100	20	1061 1030 0.30 0.28	1014	999 0.27	989 0.26	983 0.26	7	6	1
12	40	1209 1172 0.34 0.32	1151	1130 0.30	1114 0.30	1102 0.29	9	7	0
13	60	1358 1315 0.38 0.36	1288	1260	1238 0.33	1221 0.33	10	8	1
150	80	1506 1458 0.43 0.40	1425	1391 0.37	1363 0.36	1340 0.35	11	9	1
16	200	1655 1602 0.47 0.44	1562	1522 0.41	1489	1459	13	10	10
18	20	1804 1745 0.51 0.48	1700	1653 0.44	1614 0.43	1579 0.43	14	11	1
19	40	1953 1889 0.55 0.52	1837	1785	1739	1698 0.47	15	12	12
210	60	2103 2033 1.00 0.56	1975	1916 0.52	1865	1818 0.50	16	13	1:
22	280	2252 2177 1.04 1.00	2113	2048	1990	1938 0.53	18	14	14
24	00	2402 2321 1.08 1.04	2251	2179	2116	2057	19	15	15
25	20	2552 2466	2389	2311	2242	2177	20	16	15
270	40	2702 2611	2528	2443 1.06	2358	2297	21	17	16
28	60	2853 2755 1.21 1.15	2666	2575	2494	2417	23	18	12
30	80	3004 2901	2805	2708	2620	2537	24	19	10
	00	1.25 1.19 3155 3046 1.30 1.22	2943	1.13 2840 1.16	2746	2657	25	20	19
33	20	3306 3191	3082	2972	2873	2778	26	21	2
345	40	1.34 1.26 3457 3337	3221	3105	2999	2898	28	22	2
360	60	1.38 1.30 3608 3483	3360	1.23 3238	1.22 3126	1.21 3019	29	23	2
37	80	1.42 1.33 3760 3629	3500	1.27 3370	3253	1.25 3139 1.28	30	24	2
39	and the second second second	1.47 1.37 3912 3775		1.30	1.28 3379	3260	31	25	23
AIR COND		3912 3775 1.51 1.41 CONDITIONING = - 0.5 %	ENGI	3503 1.34 NE ANTI ICE UEL = + 4 9		3260 1.32	31 TOTAL AN	TI ICE ON	

RACE TRACK HOLDING PATTERN - MAX. CRUISE THRUST LIMITS						ISA		N1 (%)	
CLEAN CONFIGU	CG=33.0%		FF (KG/H/ENG)						
NORMAL AIR CO	NDITIONI	VG							
ANTI-ICING OFF									
WEIGHT (1000KG)	FL 15	FL 50	FL100	FL140	FL180	FL200	FL220	FL250	
	44.7	46.8	50.2	52.9	56.3	57.8	59.5	62.3	
44	854	836	806	781	760	753	750	74	
46	45.6	47.8	51.1	54.0	57.4	58.9	60.6	63.	
40	888	871	837	811	792	787	785	78	
48	46.5	48.8	52.0	55.1	58.4	59.9	61.7	64.	
40	923	906	868	842	826	821	819	81	
50	47.3 959	49.8	52.9 898	56.1 874	59.3	60.9 856	62.8 853	65.	
1.555.554.44	48.2	938 50.5	53.9	57.3	859 60.3	61.9	63.9	84	
52	994	968	929	906	894	890	887	88	
	49.1	51.3	54.8	58.2	61.2	63.0	65.0	67.	
54	1030	1000	960	939	929	923	921	91	
	50.0	52.1	55.8	59.0	62.2	64.0	66.0	68.	
56	1063	1031	992	972	961	957	952	94	
	50.8	52.9	56.7	59.9	63.1	65.0	66.8	69.	
58	1094	1061	1024	1006	995	992	984	97	
60	51.5	53.7	57.7	60.7	64.1	66.0	67.7	70.	
60	1125	1091	1057	1041	1029	1023	1016	100	
62	52.2	54.5	58.7	61.5	65.0	66.9	68.5	71.	
02	1155	1122	1090	1075	1063	1055	1048	104	
64	52.9	55.3	59.4	62.4	66.0	67.6	69.3	71.	
	1186 53.6	1154 56.1	1123 60.1	1108 63.2	1095 66.9	1087 68.4	1081 70.1	107	
66	1217	1186	1157	1141	1125	1119	1113	110	
	54.3	56.9	60.8	64.0	67.6	69.2	70.9	73.	
68	1247	1218	1191	1173	1158	1151	1146	114	
	55.0	57.7	61.6	64.9	68.4	69.9	71.6	74.	
70	1279	1251	1225	1208	1190	1184	1179	118	
72	55.7	58.6	62.3	65.7	69.1	70.7	72.3	75.	
72	1311	1285	1259	1241	1223	1216	1212	121	
74	56.5	59.4	63.1	66.6	69.8	71.4	73.1	75.	
/4	1344	1319	1292	1272	1255	1249	1247	125	
76	57.2	60.2	63.8	67.4	70.5	72.1	73.8	76.	
	1377	1352	1325	1303	1288	1283	1282	129	
LOW AIR CONDITIONING △FF = - 0.3 %	ENGINE ANTI ICE ON △FF = + 5 %		TOTAL ANTI ICE ON $\triangle FF = +9\%$		PER 1° ABOVE ISA △FF = + 0.3 %		STRAIGHT LINE △FF = - 5 %		

# **ANNEX 4. A330 WEIGHT AND BALANCE CALCULATION TABLES**

FLIGHT PLANNING FROM BRAKE RELEASE TO LANDING CLIMB : 250KT/300KT/M.80 - CRUISE : M.80 - DESCENT : M.80/300KT/250KT											
ref. Landing Weight = 140000 kg Normal Air Conditioning				DCEDURE : 240 KG (6MIN) ISA CG = 37.0 %			UEL CONSUMED (KG)				
ANTI ICING							TIME (H.MIN)				
AIR DIST.		FLIGHT LEVEL						CORRECTION ON FUEL CONSUMPTION (KG/1000KG)			
(NM)	310	330 350		370 390		410	FL310 FL330	FL350 FL370	FL390 FL410		
200	3483 0.39	3477 0.39					11				
300	4654 0.52	4580 0.52	4523 0.52	4485 0.52	4465 0.52	4460 0.52	14	16	18		
400	5827 1.05	5685 1.05	5568 1.05	5478 1.05	5414 1.05	5375 1.05	16	19	22		
500	7002	6793 1.18	6615 1.18	6473 1.18	6366 1.18	6293 1.18	18	22	26		
600	8181 1.30	7904	7665	7472	7321	7214	21	25	29		
700	9362 1.43	9017 1.44	8718 1.44	8474	8280 1.45	8140 1.45	23	28	33		
800	10545	10133 1.57	9774	9478 1.58	9242 1.58	9069 1.58	26	31	37		
900	11731 2.09	11252 2.09	10833	10486	10206	10002	28	34	41		
1000	12920 2.21	12373 2.22	11894 2.23	Inter	polate	10939	31	37	45		
1100	14111 2.34	13497 2.35	12958 2.36	12510 2.37	12145 2.37	11879 2.37	33	40	49		
1200	15305 2.47	14624 2.48	14026	13526 2.50	13119 2.50	12823 2.50	36	43	53		
1300	16502 3.00	15754 3.01	15096 3.02	14547 3.03	14096 3.03	13770 3.03	38	46	57		
1400	17702	16887 3.14	16170 3.15	15570 3.16	15077 3.16	14723 3.16	41	49	61		
1500	18904 3.26	18023 3.27	17247 3.28	16596 3.29	16062 3.29	15679 3.29	44	53	65		
1600	20109	19161 3.40	18326 3.42	17625 3.42	17050 3.42	16639 3.42	46	56	70		
1700	21317 3.51	20303 3.53	19409 3.55	18657 3.55	18041 3.55	17602 3.55	49	59	74		
1800	22529 4.04	21448 4.06	20495 4.08	19692 4.09	19036 4.09	18570 4.09	52	63	79		
1900	23743 4.17	22597 4.19	21585 4.21	20731 4.22	20034 4.22	19542	55	66	83		
2000	24960 4.30	23748 4.32	22678 4.34	21773 4.35	21036 4.35	20518 4.35	58	70	88		
2100	26179 4.42	24903 4.45	23774 4.47	22819 4.48	22043 4.48	21499 4.48	61	73	94		
2200	27402 4.55	26060 4.57	24873 5.00	23868 5.01	23053 5.01	22502 5.01	64	77	99		
2300	28628 5.08	27220 5.10	25975 5.13	24920 5.14	24066 5.14	23494 5.14	67	80	104		
2400	29857 5.21	28384 5.23	27081 5.26	25975 5.27	25083 5.27	24491 5.27	70	84	110		
2500	31089 5.34	29551 5.36	28190 5.39	27034 5.40	26103 5.40	25493 5.40	73	88	115		
2600	32325 5.46	30721 5.49	29303 5.52	28097 5.53	27128 5.53	26499 5.53	76	91	121		
2700	33563 5.59	31895 6.02	30419 6.05	29162 6.06	28183 6.06	27510 6.06	79	95	126		
PACK FLO				OR/	ENGINE ANTI ICE ON		TOTAL ANTI ICE ON				
$\triangle FUEL = -$					∆FUEL =	+ 1.5 %		FUEL = + 7	%		

GO	-AROUN	D : 500 K	NNING FR (G - Clime 0/300kt/2	B : 250KT	/300KT/M	.80 - CRL	ISE : LON	IG RANGE	:	
REF. LDG WT AT ALTERNATE = 140000 KG NORMAL AIR CONDITIONING							UEL CONSUMED (KG)			
ANTI ICINO		DITIONING		CG = 30.0 %			TIME (H.MIN)			
AIR							CORRECTION ON FUEL CONSUMPTION			
DIST.	FLIGHT			LEVEL			(KG/1000KG)			
(NM)	100	120	140	160	180	200	FL100 FL120	FL140 FL160	FL180 FL200	
50	1532 0.14	Inter	polate				2			
100	2324 0.24	2242 0.25	2228 0.24	2225 0.24	2230 0.23	2239 0.23	4	5	5	
150	3118 0.34	3004 0.35	2960 0.34	2933 0.34	2917 0.32	2902 0.31	7	7	7	
200	3913 0.45	3768 0.45	3694 0.45	3642 0.44	3606 0.41	3567 0.40	9	10	10	
250	4711 0.55	4533 0.55	4430 0.55	4354 0.54	4298 0.50	4233 0.48	11	12	12	
300	5510 1.05	5300 1.05	5167 1.05	5068 1.04	4991 0.59	4901 0.57	13	15	14	
350	6311 1.15	6069 1.15	5906 1.15	5784 1.13	5686 1.08	5569 1.05	16	18	17	
400	7113	6839 1.26	6647 1.25	6502 1.23	6384 1.16	6239 1.14	18	20	19	
450	7918 1.35	7611 1.36	7390 1.35	7221	7083	6911 1.22	20	23	21	
500	8724 1.45	8384 1.46	8134 1.45	7942 1.43	7784	7583 1.31	22	26	24	
550	9532 1.56	9160 1.56	8880 1.55	8666 1.53	8487 1.42	8257 1.39	25	28	26	
600	10342 2.06	9937 2.06	9628 2.05	9391 2.02	9193 1.51	8933 1.48	27	31	28	
650	11154 2.16	10715	10378 2.15	10119	9900 1.59	9609 1.56	29	34	31	
700	11967 2.26	11496 2.26	11130 2.25	10848	10609	10287 2.04	32	37	33	
750	12782 2.36	12278 2.36	11883 2.35	11579 2.32	11321 2.16	10966 2.13	34	40	35	
800	13599 2.46	13061 2.47	12639 2.45	12313 2.41	12034	11647 2.21	36	42	37	
850	14418 2.56	13847 2.57	13396 2.55	13048 2.51	12750 2.33	12329 2.29	39	45	39	
900	15238 3.06	14634 3.07	14155 3.05	13785 3.01	13468 2.41	13012 2.38	41	48	42	
950	16059 3.16	15423 3.17	14916 3.15	14525 3.10	14187 2.49	13697 2.46	43	51	44	
1000	16883 3.26	16214 3.27	15679 3.25	15266 3.20	14909 2.57	14383 2.54	46	54	46	
1050	17708 3.37	17007 3.37	16444 3.35	16009 3.29	15628 3.06	15071 3.03	48	57	48	
1100	18534 3.47	17801 3.47	17212 3.45	16754 3.38	16346 3.14	15760 3.11	50	60	50	
1150	19363 3.57	18597 3.57	17981 3.55	17501 3.47	17066 3.23	16451 3.19	53	63	52	
1200	20193 4.07	19395 4.07	18752 4.05	18250 3.56	17787 3.31	17143	55	66	54	
PACK FLO		PAC	CARGO COO	OR/ ENGINE			TOTAL ANTI ICE ON			
△FUEL = -	$EL = -0.4 \%$ $\triangle FUEL = +1$				∆FUEL =		$\triangle FUEL = + 6 \%$			