

## ACI Releases World Airport Traffic Forecasts

Airports Council International (ACI) released the latest edition of the "World Airport Traffic Forecasts (WATF) 2016-2040," which presents aggregate airport traffic projections at global, regional and country levels based on internationally comparable airport traffic data. Absolute figures and compounded annual growth rates are presented through short-, medium- and long-term time horizons. Global traffic surpassed the 7 billion passenger mark in 2015 and is expected to double by 2029 based on a projected growth rate of 5.2 percent per annum.

"Because infrastructure projects are costly and often disruptive, a data-driven understanding of future demand—such as the expected number of aircraft movements, passenger traffic throughput and air cargo volumes—gives airport planners and investors the necessary information for effective decision making," said Angela Gittens, director general of ACI World.

## Final Thoughts: Thankful to Be an Engineer and All That Comes with It

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I read your article regarding "Thankful to be an Engineer ..." I have about the same number years of experience as you, and I totally agreed with all your points. Thanks for sharing.

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### Author's Response:

Thanks for reading the column. We were born at a good time to learn a lot while (hopefully) making a positive impact.

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