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The Global Aviation Monitor

The Global Aviation Monitor is a statistical report series from the Institute of Air Transport of the German Aerospace Center, which serves as a supplement to various statistics, such as those from the Federal Statistical Office or the German Airports Association (ADV).

It provides monthly reports on the supply of flights in Germany, Europe, and worldwide. The development of flights over the last fifteen months is presented in the form of a time series. Additionally, there is a monthly ranking of the largest airports and airlines in Germany, Europe, and worldwide, which are compared to the values of the previous year. The data is released during each month and represents the planned data for the current month.

This report fills a gap that is of interest to both airports and airlines in assessing their position on a global scale. It is of interest to policy-makers, administrators, industry stakeholders, and tourism offices to gauge the performance of their region. In the event of significant changes, it is worthwhile to examine closely what has caused them. Due to its monthly updates, the report can serve as a leading indicator for trends and developments.



The report is being developed at the Air Transport Development department of the DLR-Institute of Air Transport. The department develops and applies methods for analysing and forecasting air transport at various levels (global, national, regional, airport-specific).

Number of Monthly departures in June 2024

Top 20 airports see growth in June 2024

The world's 20 largest airports in June 2024 all show positive growth rates compared to last year, with the 6 largest airports in North America, led by Atlanta with around thirty-three thousand departures. Istanbul, a European airport, is in 7th place, while Guangzhou, an Asian airport, ranks 8th. Frankfurt is in 18th place worldwide.

This figure shows the twenty-five largest **airports worldwide**, measured in passenger flights.

Tab. 1: Number of monthly departures at the largest airports in the world

Rank	Airport	06/2024	Growth rate
1	Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson Intl	33,153	3.6
2	Chicago O'Hare International	32,393	10.8
3	Dallas/Fort Worth Intl	31,960	10.6
4	Denver Intl	29,611	9.5
5	Charlotte	23,459	11.7
6	Los Angeles International	22,321	1.5
7	Istanbul	20,876	1.9
8	Guangzhou	20,291	14.9
9	London Heathrow	20,071	3.0
10	Shanghai Pudong International	19,981	18.6
11	Amsterdam	19,857	5.6
12	Tokyo Haneda	19,537	3.6
13	Seattle/Tacoma International	19,346	8.5
14	Paris Charles de Gaulle	19,004	4.9
15	Houston George Bush	18,981	11.3
16	New York J F Kennedy	18,888	0.5
17	Delhi	18,648	11.0
18	Frankfurt	18,388	0.9
19	Dubai	17,688	7.4
20	Beijing Capital	17,517	12.2
21	Las Vegas McCarran International	17,505	1.2
22	Jakarta Soekarno-Hatta	17,077	6.6
23	Boston Logan International	16,860	8.2
24	Phoenix Sky Harbor Intl	16,823	14.3
25	Newark Liberty International	16,754	-1.6

Source: DLR

This table shows the twenty-five largest **European airports**, measured in passenger flights.

Tab. 2: Number of monthly departures at the largest airports in Europe

Rank	Airport	06/2024	Growth rate
1	Istanbul	20,876	1.9
2	London Heathrow	20,071	3.0
3	Amsterdam	19,857	5.6
4	Paris Charles de Gaulle	19,004	4.9
5	Frankfurt	18,388	0.9
6	Madrid Barajas	16,587	10.6
7	Rome Fiumicino	14,802	22.7
8	Barcelona	14,655	12.8
9	Munich	14,062	10.0
10	Palma Mallorca	12,645	8.6
11	London Gatwick	12,523	2.5
12	Athens Intl Eleftherios Venizelos	12,157	12.8
13	Antalya	11,438	10.7
14	Moscow Sheremetyevo	11,228	22.9
15	Vienna	10,802	7.5
16	Dublin	10,657	3.7
17	Zurich	10,579	7.3
18	Istanbul Sabiha Gokcen	10,319	2.7
19	Copenhagen	10,306	7.6
20	Paris Orly	9,703	0.5
21	Lisbon	9,648	1.8
22	Oslo	9,209	3.7
23	Manchester International	8,963	9.7
24	London Stansted	8,143	10.1
25	Milan Malpensa	8,026	8.2

Source: DLR

Top European airports see 18,000+ flights in June 2024

The largest European airports with the highest number of passenger flights are Istanbul, London Heathrow, Amsterdam, Paris, and Frankfurt, each with more than eighteen thousand scheduled departures in June 2024.

Ranking by Airports Globally, for Europe and Germany

The twenty-five largest **German airports** are listed below, measured in passenger flights.

Tab. 3: Number of monthly departures at the largest airports in Germany

Rank	Airport	06/2024	Growth rate
1	Frankfurt	18,388	0.9
2	Munich	14,062	10.0
3	Berlin	7,868	10.3
4	Dusseldorf	7,029	-0.2
5	Hamburg	5,176	6.8
6	Stuttgart	3,532	3.1
7	Cologne/Bonn	3,350	-0.3
8	Hanover	1,930	17.7
9	Nuremberg	1,491	1.8
10	Memmingen	857	22.8
11	Dortmund	807	2.0
12	Bremen	745	3.0
13	Leipzig/Halle	682	2.4
14	Weeze	631	28.5
15	Munster	598	23.3
16	Hahn	525	29.6
17	Karlsruhe/Baden Baden	485	3.6
18	Dresden	405	-8.6
19	Paderborn	315	20.2
20	Saarbrücken	186	5.7
21	Westerland	157	-4.3
22	Friedrichshafen	48	-67.1
23	Erfurt	45	104.5
24	Luebeck	44	-58.1
25	Kassel	41	-24.1

Source: DLR

German airports see surge in departures in June 2024

In Germany, the number of departures has increased at most major airports in June 2024. Frankfurt ranks first, followed by Munich, Berlin, and Düsseldorf. Growth is particularly high at smaller airports such as Memmingen, Weeze, and Hahn, where mostly low-cost carriers are operating.

Number of Monthly departures in June 2024

Airlines increase flights in June 2024

Most of the major airlines worldwide have increased their number of scheduled passenger flights in June 2024. American Airlines leads with around one hundred eighty-eight thousand departures, while Lufthansa is in 13th place with thirty-seven thousand five hundred departures. A sharp decline can be seen at Turkish Airlines, partly due to a shift of flights to the newly founded subsidiary Ajet. When making comparisons with the previous year, factors such as vacations or public holidays must be considered, as they can influence the number of flights available in the respective month.

Ryanair leads European airlines in June 2024

Ryanair has the largest number of flights in Europe with almost one hundred thousand departures and a growth of around 11% compared to last June. EasyJet follows with approximately fifty-three thousand departures. A decline can be seen at Wizz Air, partly due to a transfer of flights to the new subsidiary, Wizz Malta.

This figure shows the **world's twenty-five largest airlines**, measured in passenger flights.

Tab. 4: Number of monthly departures by the largest airlines in the world

Rank	Airline	06/2024	Growth rate
1	American Airlines	187,719	10.0
2	Delta Air Lines	148,778	5.7
3	United Airlines	136,943	4.7
4	Southwest Airlines	127,334	4.2
5	Ryanair	102,220	11.6
6	China Eastern Airlines	71,742	5.5
7	China Southern Airlines	69,164	4.8
8	IndiGo Air	60,642	9.4
9	easyJet	54,416	3.7
10	Air China	51,177	4.7
11	Lan Airlines	43,732	1.9
12	Alaska Airlines	38,451	9.3
13	Lufthansa German Airlines	37,511	1.8
14	Turkish Airlines	35,296	-26.0
15	Air Canada	33,351	-1.0
16	Aeroflot Russian Airlines	29,423	24.7
17	All Nippon Airways	28,848	-1.4
18	JetBlue Airways Corporation	27,374	-7.1
19	British Airways	26,356	3.0
20	Azul	26,078	0.3
21	Spirit Airlines	25,860	5.8
22	Japan Airlines International	25,731	1.0
23	Air France	25,479	0.1
24	Qantas Airways	22,837	-1.8
25	Shenzhen Airlines	22,566	-0.1

Source: DLR

This table ranks the twenty-five **airlines** that offer the most passenger flights in **Germany**.

Tab. 6: Number of monthly departures by the largest airlines in Germany from German airports

Rank	Airline	06/2024	Growth rate
1	Lufthansa German Airlines	22,754	2.0
2	Eurowings	9,204	2.7
3	Ryanair	5,018	13.4
4	SunExpress	2,439	11.5
5	Condor Flugdienst	2,434	5.7
6	Air Dolomiti	2,012	17.2
7	easyJet	1,472	6.9
8	KLM-Royal Dutch Airlines	1,362	6.6
9	Pegasus Airlines	1,253	8.5
10	Austrian Airlines AG	1,221	3.1
11	TUIfly	1,219	9.9
12	Eurowings Discover	1,042	67.3
13	Turkish Airlines	1,009	-28.5
14	Air France	975	-3.9
15	Swiss	952	-1.8
16	British Airways	909	-8.3
17	Wizz Air	698	-18.3
18	SAS Scandinavian Airlines	593	7.4
19	Wizz Air Malta	576	37.8
20	Aegean Airlines	531	9.3
21	Corendon	485	2.3
22	United Airlines	480	-11.1
23	Marabu Airlines	467	6.6
24	Iberia	457	11.2
25	LOT - Polish Airlines	413	2.5

Source: DLR

Lufthansa leads German airlines with almost 23,000 flights in June 2024

In Germany, the airline with the most flights is Lufthansa, recording around twenty-three thousand departures, followed by Eurowings with nine thousand departures. Ryanair holds the third position. Eurowings' Discover has shown strong growth in June 2024, increasing its flight offerings from around 600 scheduled departures last year to over 1,000 this year.

The twenty-five **airlines in Europe** with the most passenger flights are listed below.

Tab. 5: Number of monthly departures by the largest airlines in Europe from European airports

Rank	Airline	06/2024	Growth rate
1	Ryanair	99,864	11.5
2	easyJet	53,306	3.2
3	Lufthansa German Airlines	34,860	1.9
4	Turkish Airlines	29,755	-29.3
5	Aeroflot Russian Airlines	23,177	23.6
6	British Airways	23,105	2.5
7	Air France	21,931	0.0
8	KLM-Royal Dutch Airlines	20,101	7.1
9	Vueling Airlines	19,942	6.2
10	SAS Scandinavian Airlines	19,586	-2.8
11	Iberia	18,232	8.3
12	Eurowings	17,586	3.2
13	Pegasus Airlines	16,631	6.5
14	Jet2.com	13,511	13.3
15	Swiss	11,983	11.2
16	Alitalia	11,767	10.5
17	Ajet	11,487	----
18	Wizz Air Malta	11,434	43.0
19	Austrian Airlines AG	11,205	6.9
20	Wizz Air	10,770	-11.9
21	Aegean Airlines	10,531	25.2
22	Wideroe's Flyveselskap	9,769	-5.8
23	SunExpress	9,649	20.7
24	Aer Lingus	9,532	3.5
25	TAP Air Portugal	9,177	-0.2

Source: DLR



Ranking by Airlines Globally, for Europe and Germany

Number of Monthly departures and growth rate

Global and German air traffic trends in June 2024

The following diagrams show the development of global and German flight capacity over the last fifteen months, both worldwide and in the individual region.

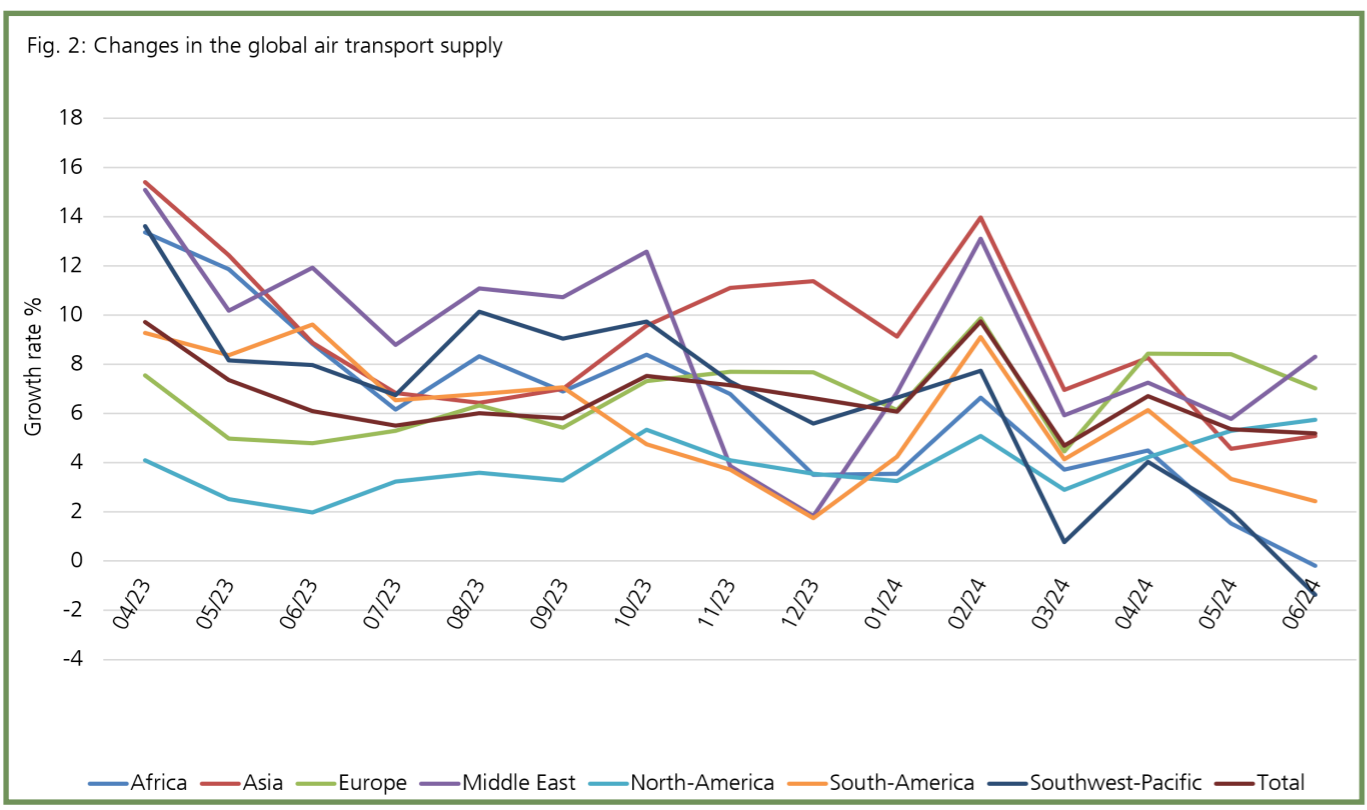
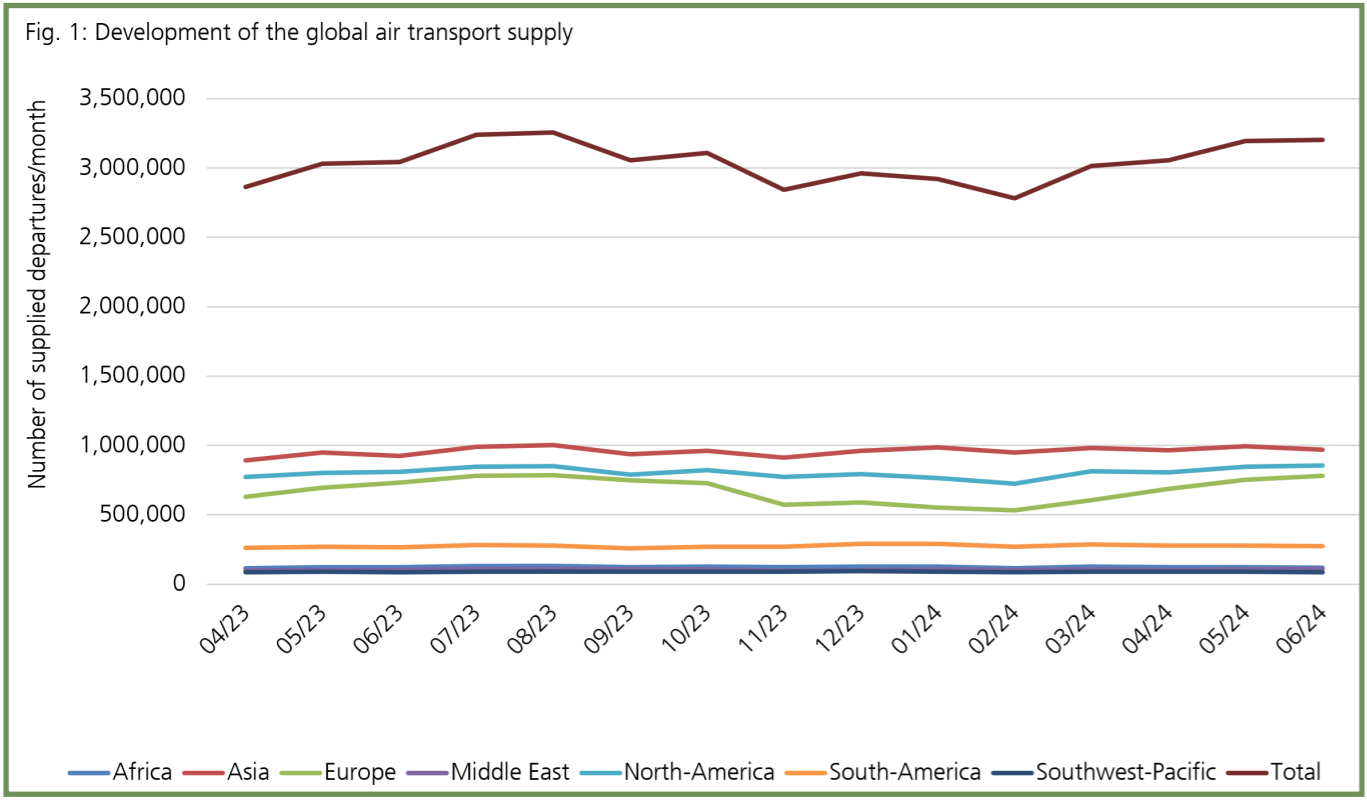
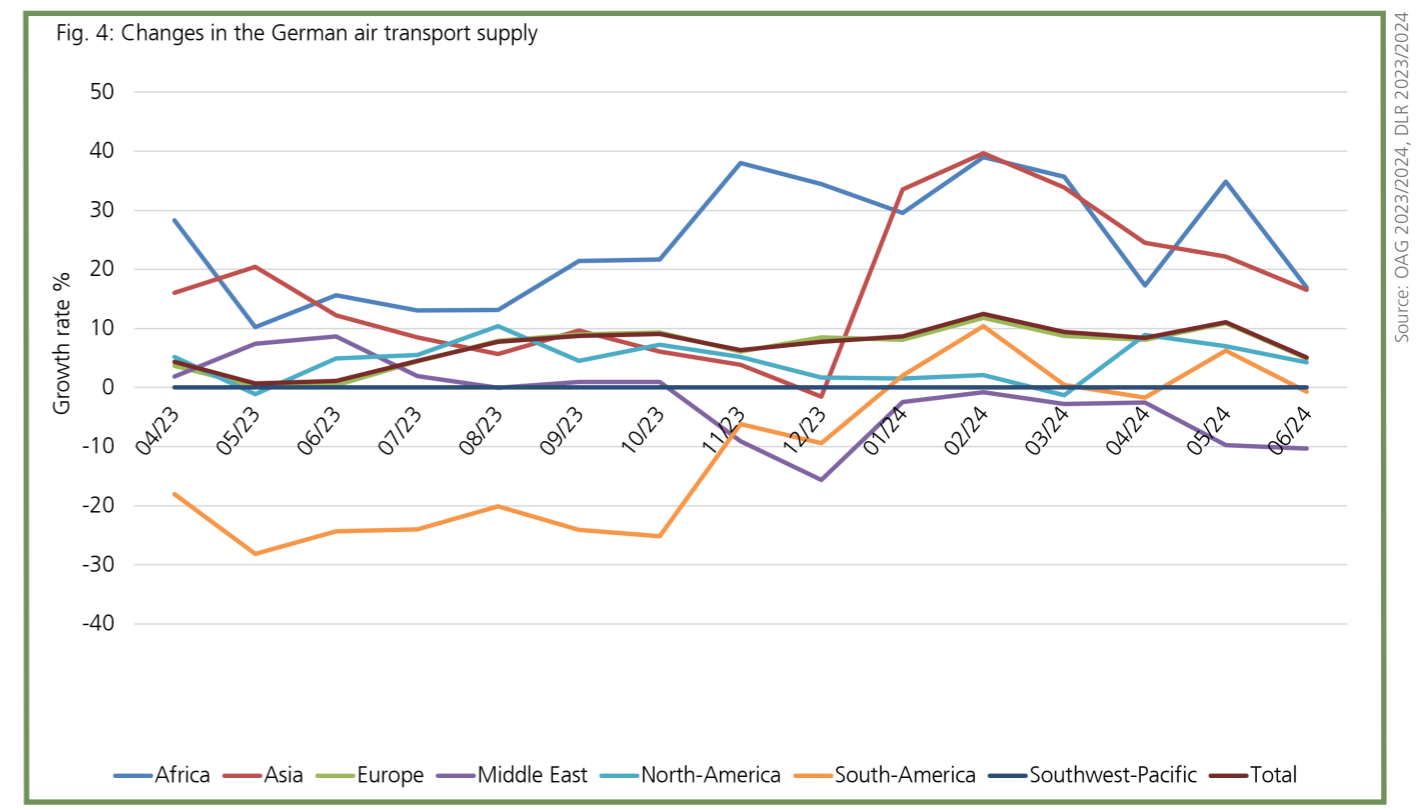
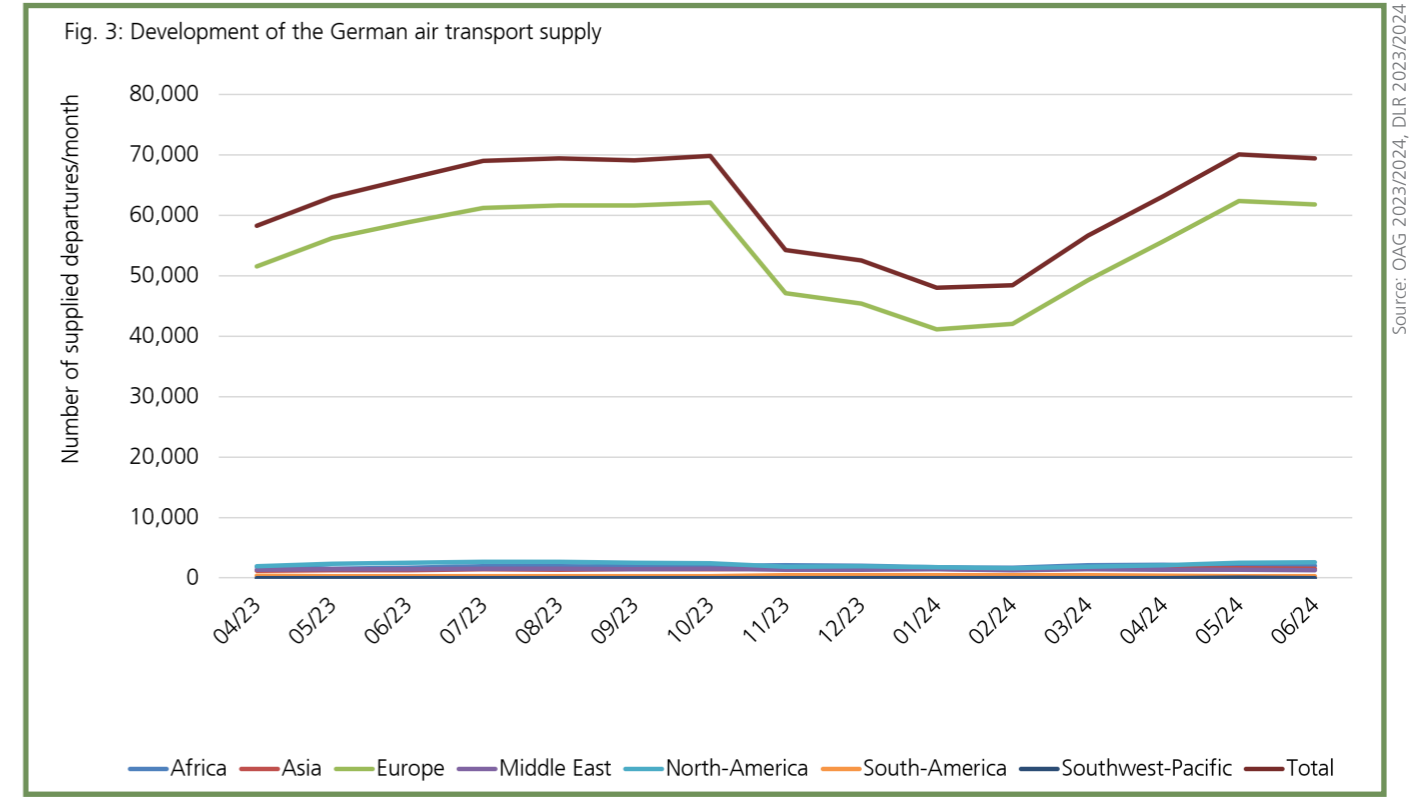


Fig. 1-2 Development global: In June 2024, the number of scheduled passenger flights worldwide grew by around 5% compared to the previous year, totaling 3.2 million departures. The strongest regions in terms of flight volume are Asia, North America, and Europe, with the Middle East region recording the highest growth at 8.3%, while the Pacific region experienced a decline.

Development Globally and for Germany

Fig. 3-4 Development-Germany: In June 2024, approximately seventy thousand scheduled departures in passenger air traffic will be offered in Germany, marking over 5% growth compared to the previous year. More than sixty-one thousand flights are destined for Europe.



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