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Overview of fiscal 2004 operations

Having recovered completely from the negative impact caused by the SARS outbreak, international flights quickly made up for lost ground and expanded, reaching 693 flights per week for the summer schedule, a figure that approached the all-time record, and setting a new record for the winter schedule at 680 flights per week. The number of international passengers grew year-on-year for the first time in four years, reaching a total of 11.16 million for a jump of 31% on the previous year. The number of flights per day reached 98.8—a 17% improvement on the previous year. This is the highest figure ever in this category for the airport. As for recent trends, more international routes are planned for the summer schedule, a move expected to result in a total of 712 flights per week, setting the stage for a new all-time record.

As for the airport's domestic business, the number of flights on the Osaka (Kansai) - Tokyo (Haneda) route rose to 18 with the new four-times-daily service offered by Skymark Airlines from March 2005. In addition to this, new daily domestic flight services to Hokkaido (Asahikawa) and Fukushima were also launched. The number of flights to Sapporo was increased from four to eight per day, and current daily service to Hokkaido (Memanbetsu and Hakodate), Kyushu (Miyazaki and Kagoshima) will be increased to two flights per day for each of these destinations. We aim to achieve recovery of domestic flight services through such network expansion as well as better international and domestic connections.

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