#### 2015 ATRS Global Airport Performance Benchmarking



## **Key Findings**

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#### **Outline**

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**Characteristics of Sample Airports** 

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Cost Efficiency from Airline Perspective

## **Objective of the Benchmarking Study**



- □ To provide a comprehensive, unbiased comparison of airport performance focusing on
  - Productivity and Operating/Mgt Efficiency
  - Unit Cost Competitiveness
  - Comparison of Airport Charge Levels
- ☐ Limitation: Service Quality is not considered

## Airports included in the 2015 Report



Canada-US 88 airports

Europe 70 airports

16 airport groups

Asia Pacific 9 airport groups

38 Asian airports

15 Oceania airports

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Total 211 airports

25 airport groups

#### The ATRS Database



- ☐ The ATRS Database contains historic information (FY 2002-2013) including financial data, traffic and capacity data of the major airports and airport authorities (groups) in the following geographic regions:
  - Asia Pacific
  - Europe
  - North America
- ☐ The data in each regions is segregated into:
  - Airport Information ( capacity, type of ownership etc)
  - Traffic
  - Aeronautical Revenue
  - Non-Aeronautical Revenue
  - Operating Expense
  - Balance Sheet
- ☐ Visit <a href="http://www.atrsworld.org/publications.html">http://www.atrsworld.org/publications.html</a> for more details.

## **Airport Characteristics**

traffic at 62 airports



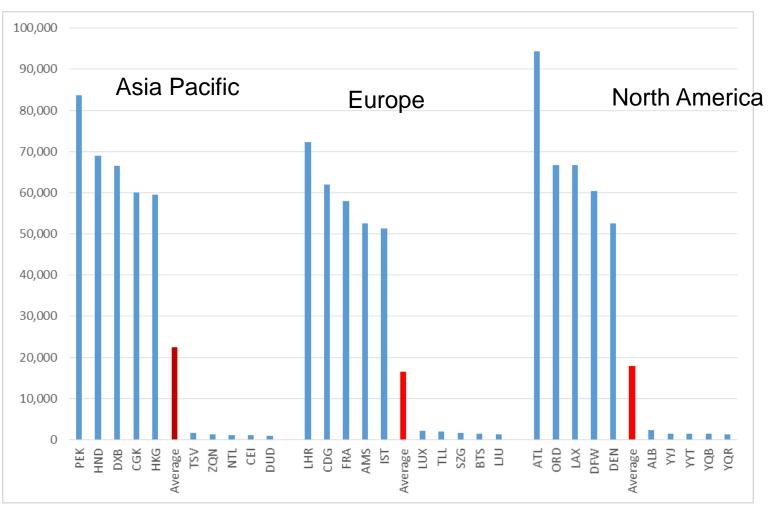
Number of passengers ranges from 860,438 at Dunedin (New Zealand) to 94.4 million at Atlanta (United States) in 2013
 □ 40 airports with only 1 runway, and 7 runways at DFW and 8 at ORD
 □ Number of Employees ranges from 20 (Queenstown) to 19,009 (Frankfurt)
 □ 13 airports serve only international passengers, and international passengers account for less than 10 % of total

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## Passenger Traffic, 2013



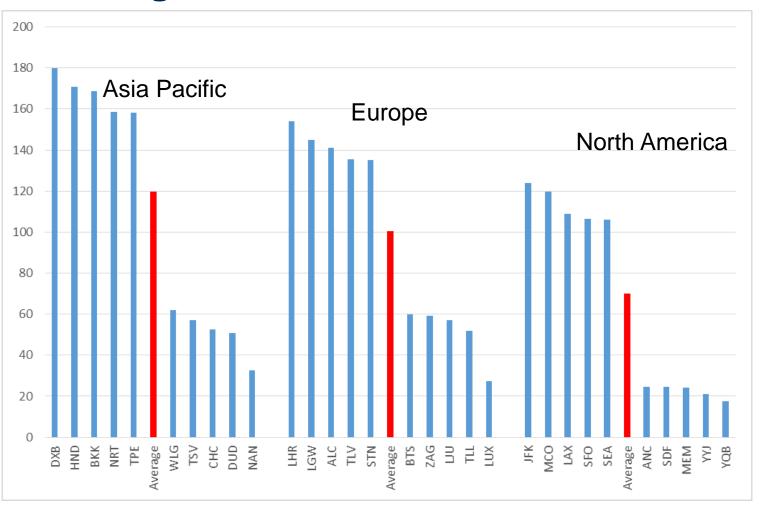
## **Largest Five and Smallest Five ('000)**



#### Passengers per Aircraft Movement, 2013



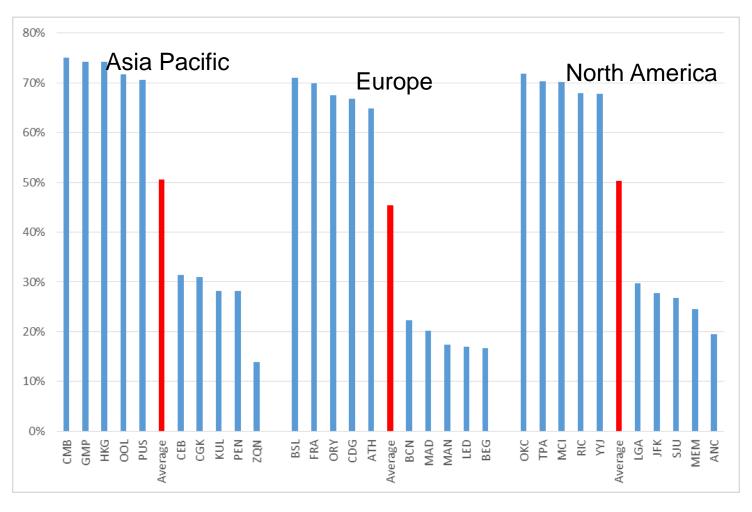
## **Highest Five and Lowest Five**



#### % OF Non-Aeronautical Revenue, 2013



## **Highest Five and Lowest Five**





- Variable Factor Productivity (VFP) Index
  - Total Factor Productivity (TFP) Impossible
     because of capital input cost accounting problem
- VFP is essentially the ratio of **total (aggregate) output index** divided by **total (aggregate) variable input index**, namely labor and soft cost input (total non-labor variable inputs).
- VFP is computed using the **multilateral index** procedure proposed by Caves, Christensen and Diewert (1982).



#### **Multilateral Index Procedure**

 This multilateral output (input) index procedure uses the revenue (cost) shares to aggregate output (inputs)

$$\ln \frac{Y_i}{Y_i} = \sum \frac{R_{ki} + \bar{R}_k}{2} \ln \frac{Y_{ki}}{\tilde{Y}_k} - \sum \frac{R_{kj} + \bar{R}_k}{2} \ln \frac{Y_{kj}}{\tilde{Y}_k}$$

$$ln\frac{X_i}{X_j} = \sum \frac{W_{ki} + \overline{W}_k}{2} ln\frac{X_{ki}}{\tilde{X}_k} - \sum \frac{W_{kj} + \overline{W}_k}{2} ln\frac{X_{kj}}{\tilde{X}_k}$$



#### Inputs

- Labour
- Other non-capital (soft-cost) input

#### **Outputs**

- Aircraft movement
- Passenger
- Non-aeronautical revenue
- (Cargo)





#### **Factors Beyond Managerial Control:**

- Airport size (Scale of aggregate output)
- Average aircraft size
- Share of international traffic
- Share of air cargo traffic
- Extent of capacity shortage congestion delay
- etc

Residual (Net) variable factor productivity (RVFP) is computed after removing effects of these Factors



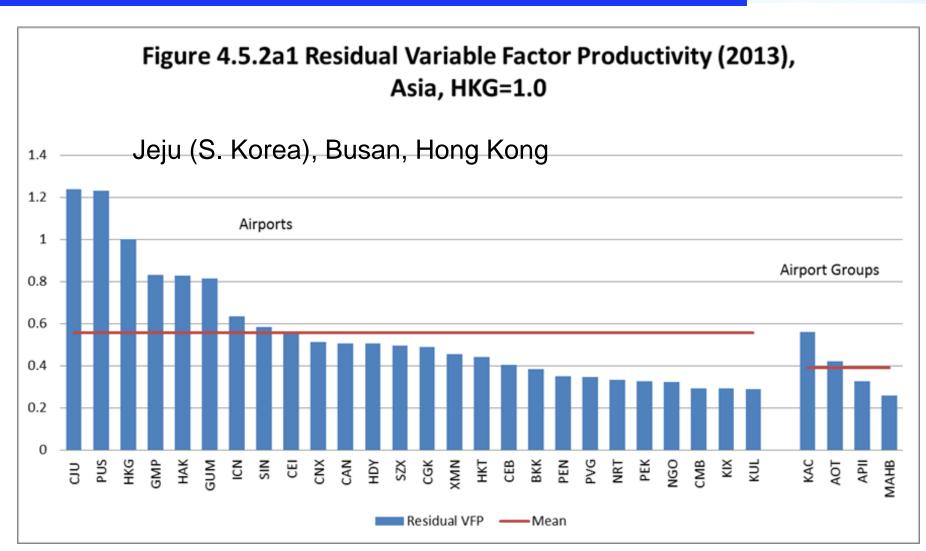
## **Cost Competitiveness**

- An airport enjoys lower unit costs than other airports when that airport is more efficient, or pays less for its inputs, or both
- A cost competitiveness indicator is constructed by summing the effects of variable input price and the effects of efficiency in using these variable inputs.

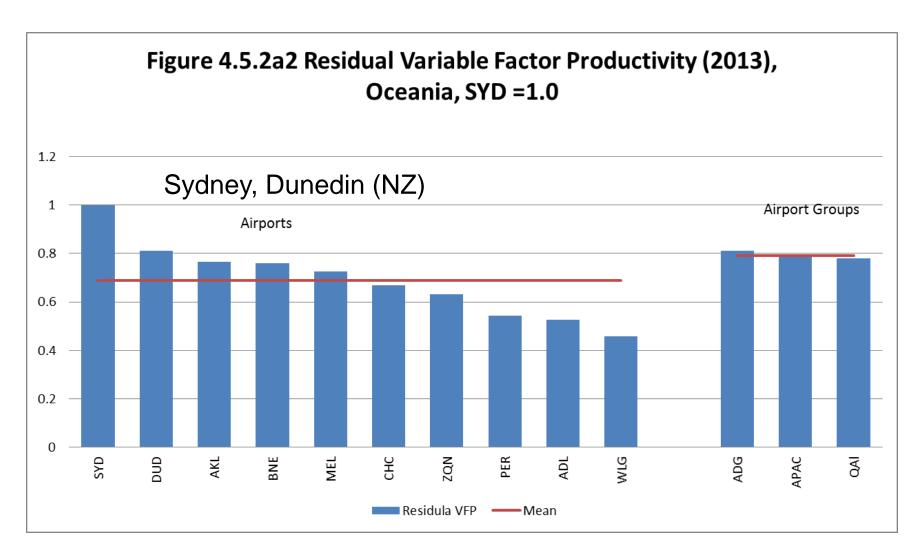


Residual VFP (Efficiency)

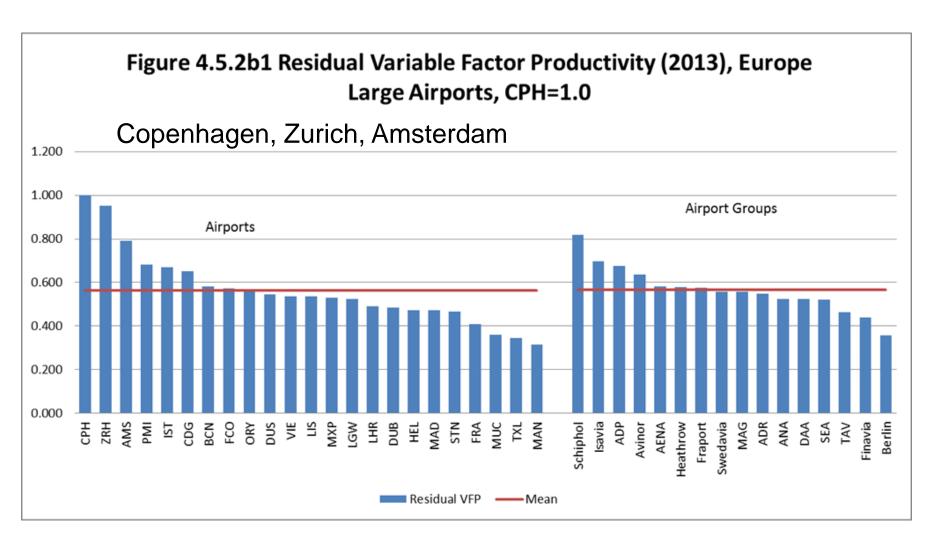




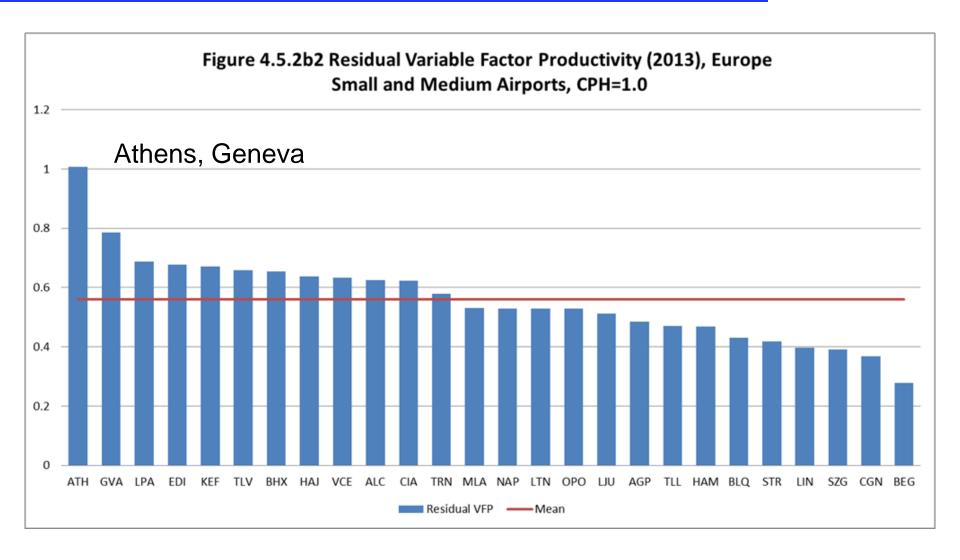






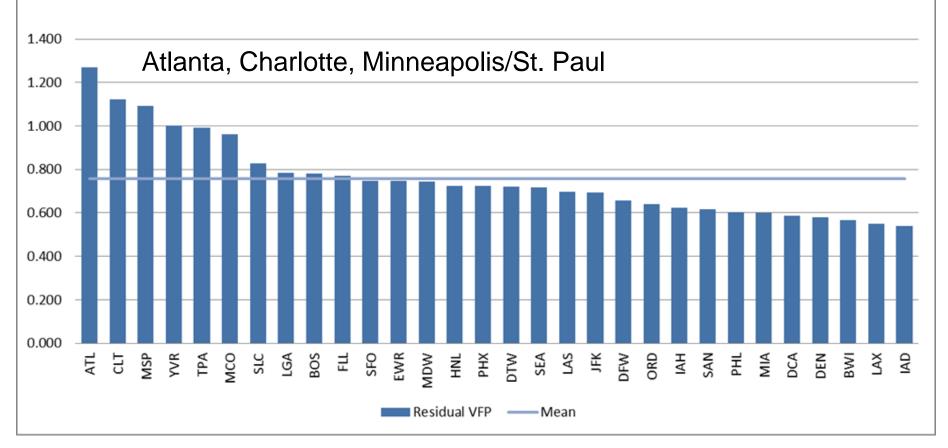




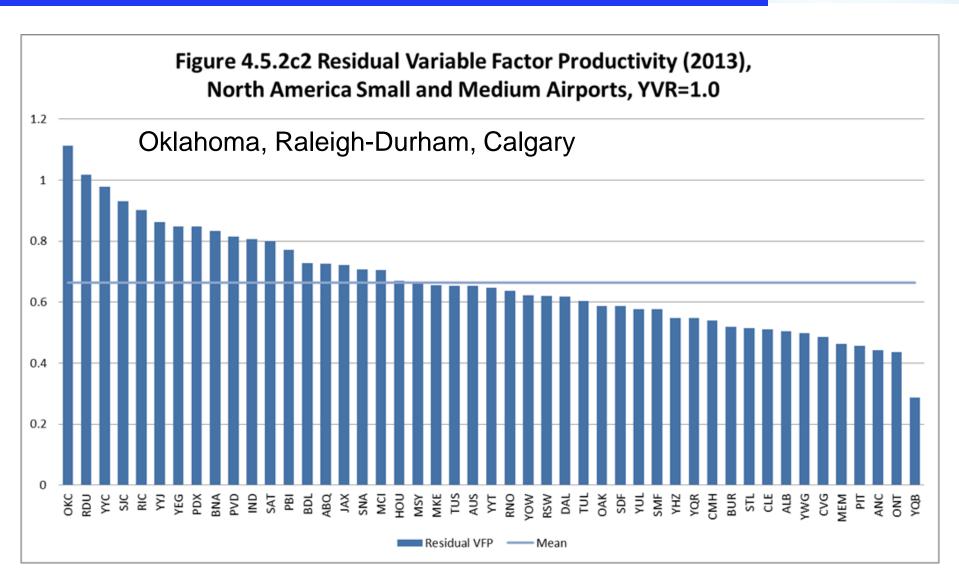












## **Top Efficiency Performers (2015)**



#### **Asia Pacific:**

- Asian Airports:
  - Jeju, Busan, Hong Kong
- Oceania Airports:
  - **Sydney,** Dunedin

#### **Europe:**

- Large Airports (> 15 million pax):
  - Copenhagen, Zurich, Amsterdam
- Small/Medium Airports (< 15 millions Pax):</li>
  - Athens, Geneva

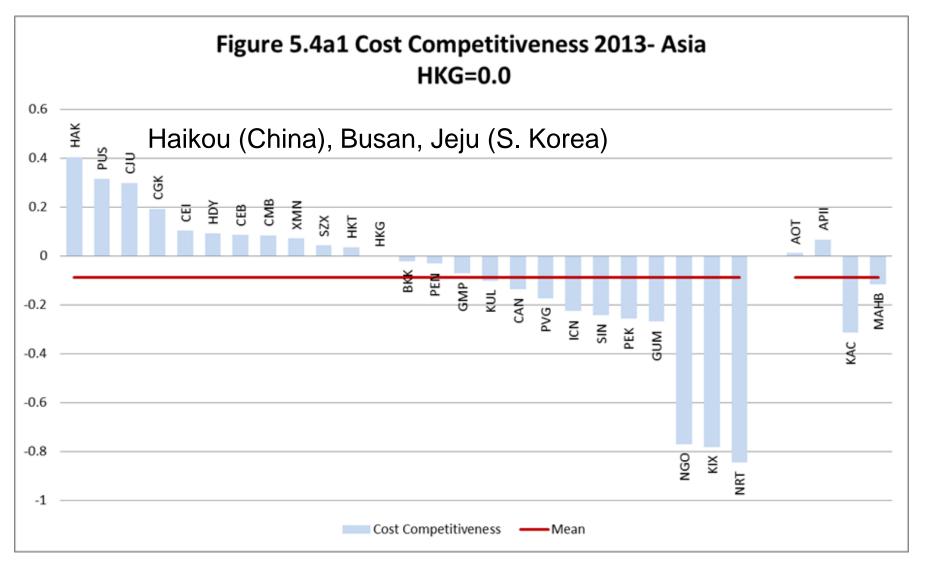
#### North America (Canada/US):

- Large Airports (> 15 million pax):
  - Atlanta, Charlotte, Minneapolis/St Paul
- <u>Small/Medium Airports (< 15 millions Pax):</u>
  - Oklahoma, Raleigh-Durham, Calgary

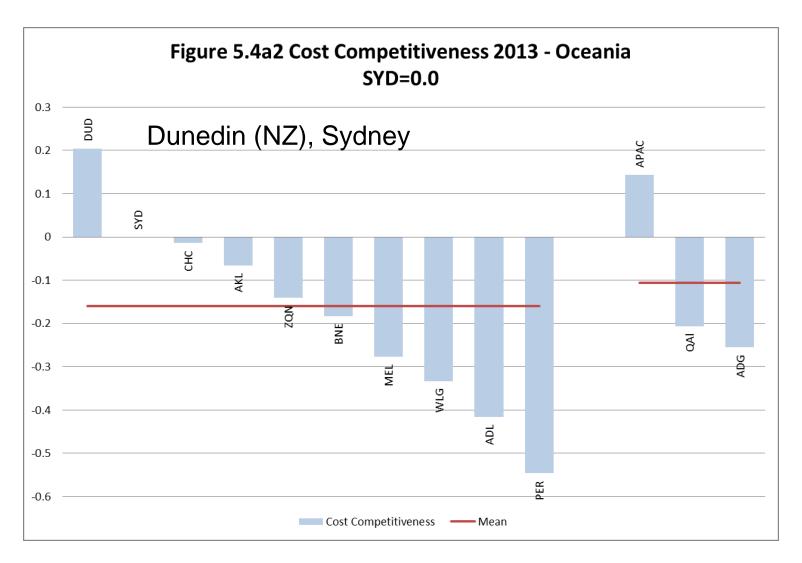


Cost Competitiveness

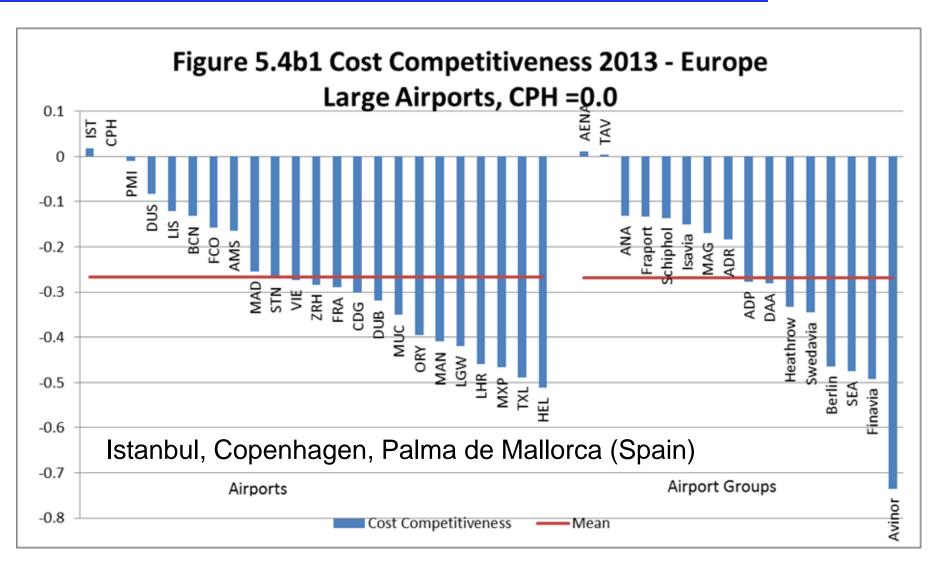




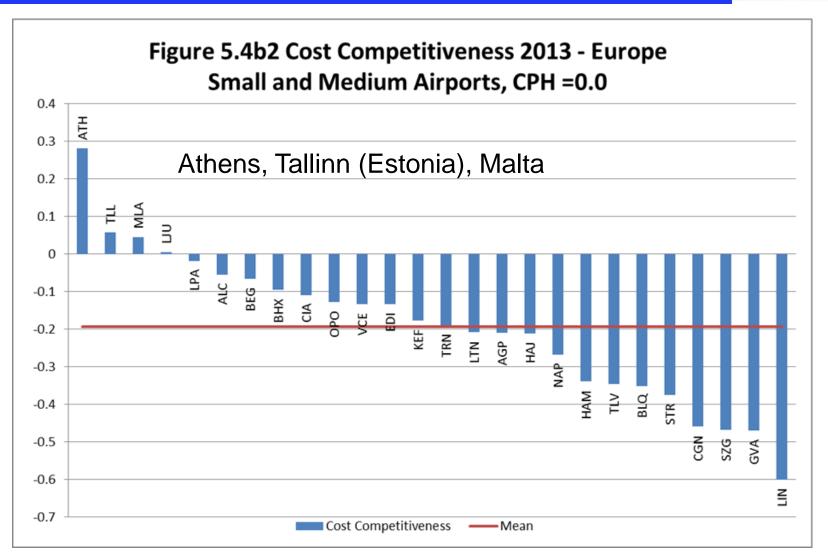




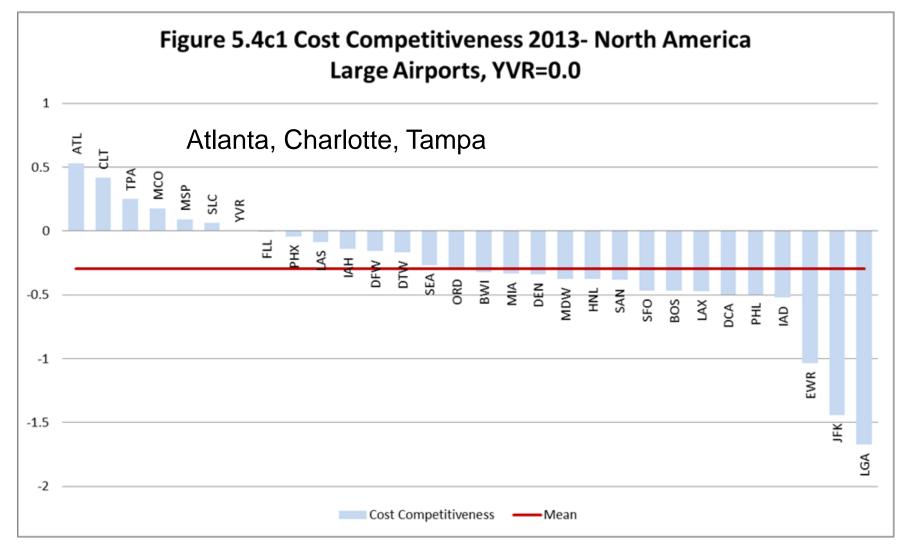




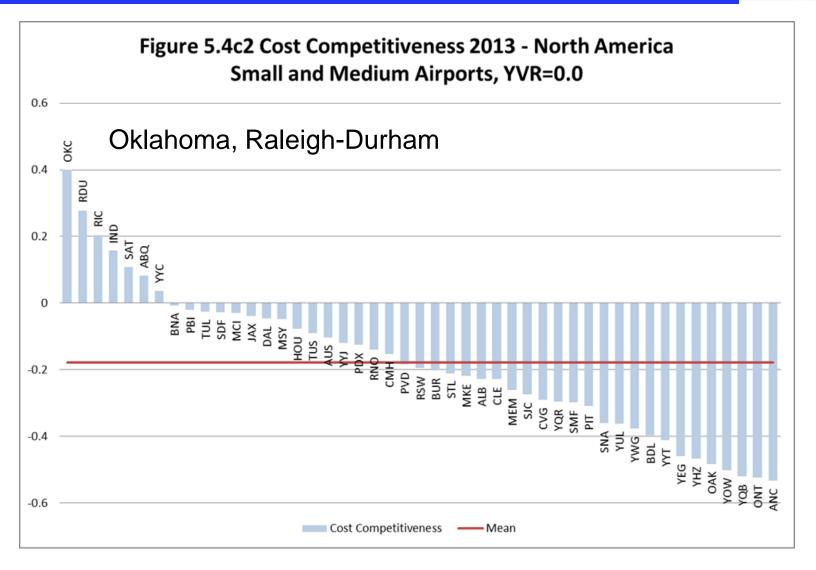












#### **Top Cost Competitiveness Performers**



#### **Asia-Pacific:**

- Oceania:
  - Dunedin, Sydney
- Asia:
  - Haikou, Busan

#### **Europe:**

- Large Airports (> 15 million Pax):
  - Istanbul Ataturk, Copenhagen
- <u>Small/Med Airports (< 15 million Pax):</u>
  - Athens, Tallinn

#### N. America:

- Large Airports (> 15 million Pax):
  - Atlanta, Charlotte
- Small/Med Airports (< 15 million Pax):
  - Oklahoma, Raleigh-Durham

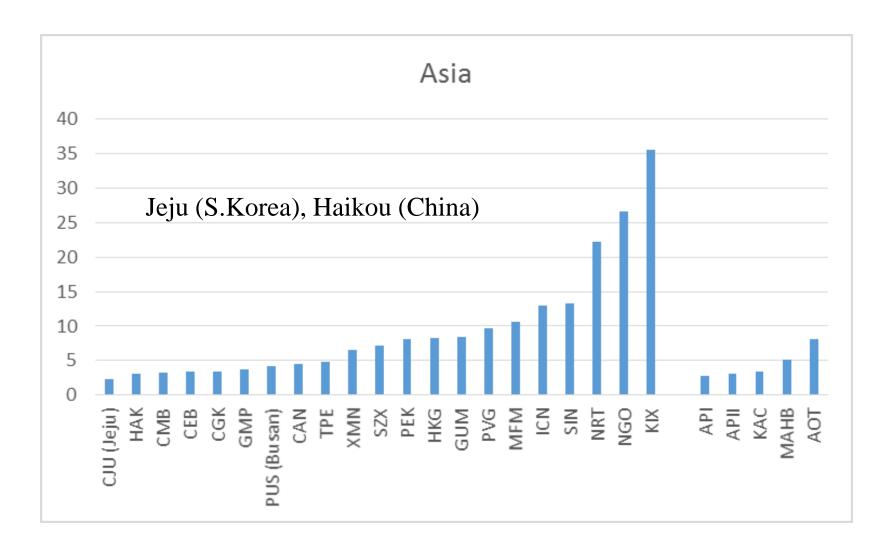
## **Cost Efficiency from Airline Perspective**



- Airports invest in infrastructure, facilities and management skills to provide the services at the least overall costs to airlines
- Cost per Enplanement (CPE) in the United States
  - All fees and Charges airlines pay to airports per enplaned passenger
  - Commonly accepted measure for comparing airline costs amongst airports
- Average Aeronautical Revenue per Passenger

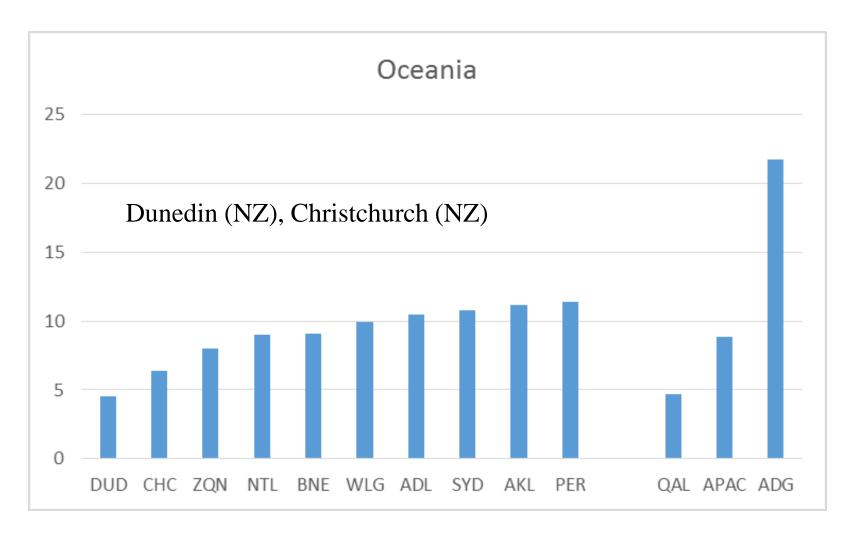
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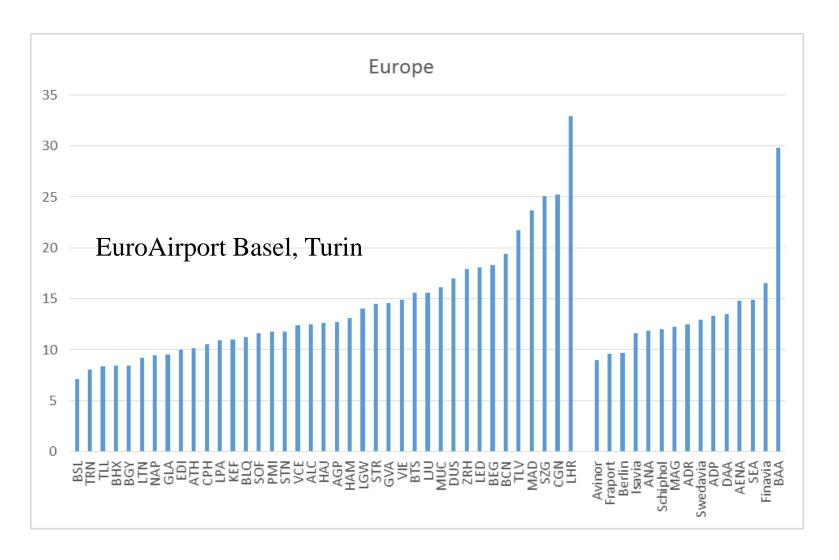
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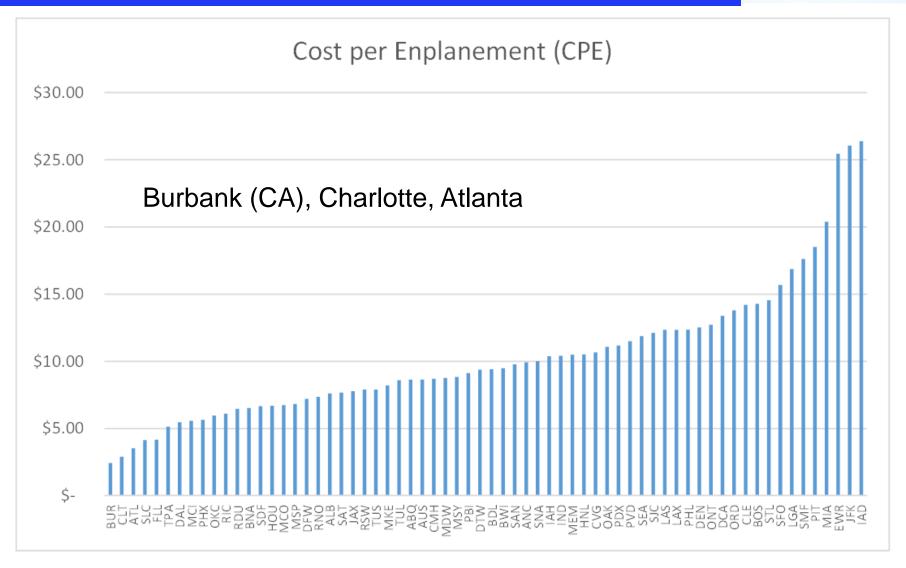
## Aeronautical Revenue per Passenger





#### Costs per Enplanement (CPE)





#### **Top Performers in Cost Efficiency to Airlines**



#### **Asia-Pacific:**

- Oceania:
  - Dunedin, Christchurch
- <u>Asia:</u>
  - **Jeju,** Haikou

#### **Europe:**

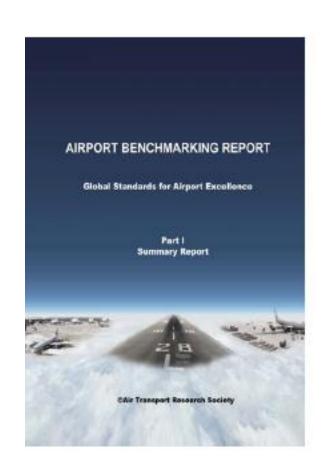
• EuroAirport Basel, Turin

#### N. America:

• Burbank, Charlotte

#### **ATRS Airport Benchmarking Report and Database**





- □ The ATRS Global Airport Performance Benchmarking Report : 3 volumes, over 600 pages of valuable data and analysis.
- ☐ ATRS Airport Database (2002-2013)
- Details at

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☐ Report and Database sale finances benchmarking research project



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# See you at the 2016 ATRS Conference in Rhodes Island, Greece



