IN 2021 TORINO AIRPORT REGISTERED OVER 2 MILLION PASSENGERS, RECOVERING MORE THAN HALF OF THE VOLUMES LOST FROM 2019 DUE TO THE PANDEMIC.

19 NEW INTERNATIONAL FLIGHTS OPERATED FROM THE NEW RYANAIR BASE

In December 2021 the Airport of Turin is among the regional airports with the best performance at European level

Caselle Torinese, January, 28, 2022 – In 2021, Torino Airport transported 2,066,106 passengers, recording a traffic increase of 658 thousand passengers, equal to +46.7% on 2020 data and -47.7% on 2019 data, with a better trend than the Italian average (equal to -58.2%) in comparison with the pre-pandemic period.

Despite the persistence of the pandemic, in fact, the Airport of Turin in 2021 was able to recover especially in the second half of the year - a good part of the volumes lost in 2020 due to Covid-19.

Significant, in this scenario, is the recovery of the national segment, which in 2021 recorded volumes of 1.4 million passengers, amounting to +68.1% on 2020 and -21.9% on 2019 figures. The national market, developed mainly on the routes to the South of Italy and the islands, recorded a better performance for Turin Airport than the Italian average (-35.1%) in comparison with 2019 and showed particular liveliness in the summer peak period, bringing back to August 2021 even the best figure ever, thanks to the resumption of travel demand.

The international segment recorded 571 thousand passengers in 2021, in increase on 2020 (+10.6%), but still slowed regarding 2019 (-71.9%). The gap in the international segment compared to the pre-pandemic era has strongly narrowed in the last two months of the year: with the beginning of winter 2021/2022 season in November, the operations of the new Ryanair base have started; the carrier in Turin has positioned two aircraft and launched 21 new routes, of which 19 international. This has allowed Turin Airport to position itself among the first 15 airports in Europe that in the winter season have started the greatest number of routes. In addition, there is the resumption of snow traffic from the markets of Northern Europe, Ireland and Great Britain, with the consequent restarting of ski charter flights.

The sum of these factors has also allowed Torino Airport to be in December 2021 among the top 10 best European regional airports in terms of traffic recovery: in the month it has recorded total volumes of 86.4% compared to December 2019.

On the network front, 2021 has registered several new entries.
With regard to the national segment, new routes have been lunched to destinations already served, with the entry of several carriers and an increase in frequencies: the offer to southern Italy and the islands has been significantly strengthened, with more choice for passengers in terms of schedules and prices. In 2021 also started three new routes: Pescara, Reggio Calabria and Trapani.

With regard to the international segment, in summer the airline Binter started its operations on the Italian market from Turin Airport, with the new connection to Gran Canaria; in addition, new routes were launched to Greece and the Balearic Islands, with the Mykonos and Menorca of Volotea and the new Ryanair flights to Chania (Crete), Corfu, Rhodes and Palma de Mallorca; finally, new connections have also been added to Eastern Europe, with Lviv, in Ukraine, operated by Ryanair and Bacau, in Romania, served by Wizz Air.

The real novelty of the year, however, was the opening of the Ryanair base: with two based aircraft the carrier has arrived to serve 33 routes, including new international routes to Birmingham, Bristol, Budapest, Krakow, Copenhagen, Dublin, Edinburgh, Kiev, Lanzarote, London Luton, Madrid, Malaga, Marrakech, Paris Beauvais, Shannon, Seville and Tel Aviv. Finally, we remember the novelty of the flight to Paris Orly operated by Vueling.

Despite the persistence of the complex health situation, Turin Airport in 2021 has obtained the recognition of ACI Europe ‘The Voice of the Customer’ for having monitored even in a difficult period the voice of passengers, ensuring that their requests were always heard.

In 2021 the airport has also obtained the environmental certification issued by ACI Europe ACA (Airport Carbon Accreditation) Level 2 ‘Reduction’: this recognition is part of the project launched in July 2021 ‘Torino Green Airport’, which includes under a single brand all the initiatives put in place by the airport aimed at environmental sustainability.

With regard to the activities to contain the expansion of the Covid-19 pandemic, in 2021 Turin Airport made available to the community its infrastructure for the establishment of a vaccine hub in which more than 95 thousand doses of vaccine were administered from April, opening month, in December.

Turin Airport, finally, in 2021 has achieved the renewal of the Airport Health Accreditation certification issued by ACI Europe. The cleaning and disinfection of environments, the maintenance of physical distances, the protection of personnel, communications and facilities for passengers are among the elements examined and evaluated by ACI for the issue of this certification.