AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION & CONSUMER COMMISSION

Airport Monitoring Report 2018–19

Despite weak passenger growth, the airports continued to increase their combined operating profit from aeronautical activities.

Returns on aeronautical assets fell for all monitored airports except Sydney, which recorded its highest return since privatisation.

All airports maintained a 'good' overall quality of service rating. Airline ratings fell for most airports, with some airlines concerned about congestion and baggage facilities.

The airports invested $1.2 billion in aeronautical assets. Key projects include Brisbane Airport's runway development and Melbourne Airport commencing construction of a new taxiway network.

The airports earned less from car parking, but profit margins remain very high. Sydney and Brisbane were typically the more expensive airports for short-term parking.

Revenues from landside services increased over the year and have risen 159 per cent over the past decade. Much of this growth is due to increases in volume, but higher prices have also played a role.

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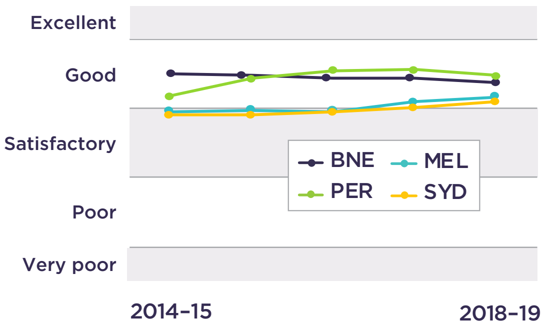
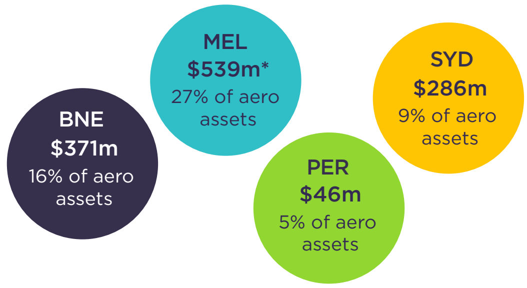
Key industry results 2018–19

QUALITY OF SERVICE

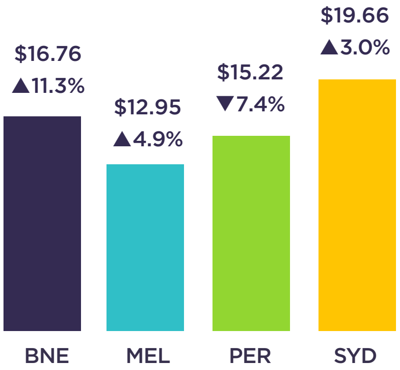


AERONAUTICAL INVESTMENT



AERONAUTICAL SERVICES

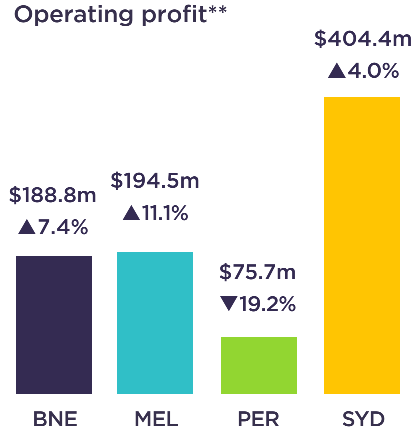
Revenue per passenger



Return on aeronautical assets

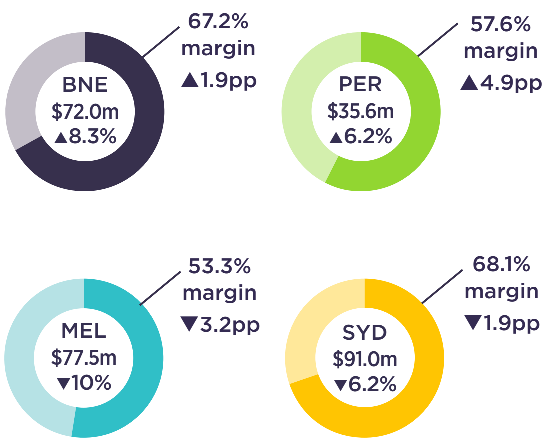
BNE	7.2%	▼0.7
MEL	8.5%	▼0.4
PER	7.6%	▼1.4
SYD	12.5%	▲0.8

Operating profit**

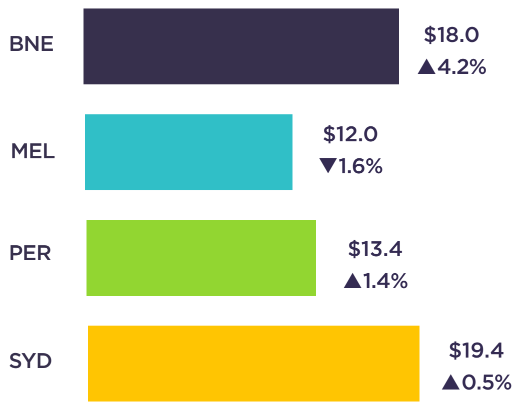


CAR PARKING SERVICES

Operating profit** and profit margin***



Drive-up price for at-terminal parking: 30 to 60 minutes



* Includes large payment associated with the airport taking operational control of the T1 domestic terminal from Qantas.
** Operating profit is measured as earnings before interest, tax, and amortisation (EBITA).
*** Operating profit margin refers to EBITA as a percentage of revenue.