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Regional News

- 22 December 2014 - [Robin Hood Airport Doncaster Sheffield has announced two new flights for its 2015-16 schedule.](#)
- 23 December 2014 - [A business park featuring offices, factories, a hotel and a car showroom could be created close to East Midlands Airport.](#)
- 26 December 2014 - Snow forced the closure of [Liverpool John Lennon Airport](#) and the delay of flights from [Manchester Airport](#) for a short time over the Christmas period.

Industry News

- 22 December 2014 - A number of UK airports have released statements suggesting that they are expecting their busiest ever Christmas periods: [Birmingham](#); [East Midlands](#); [Edinburgh](#); [Heathrow](#); [Leeds Bradford](#); and [Manchester](#).
- 22 December 2014 - [Qatar Airways will base its first Airbus A350-900 at Heathrow Airport in early 2015 where it will undertake noise demonstrations with the airport operator.](#)
- 25 December 2014 - [Dubai International Airport \(DIA\) handled 64.5m passengers in the first 11 months of 2014, according to the latest official data.](#)
- 25 December 2014 - [The airline operator Aer Lingus have rejected the recent bid by AEG to buy the company.](#)
- 28 December 2014 - [Industry organisations and bodies will be attending the 'Future Flyers and Expert Engineers' event which will be held on January 24 in Crawley.](#)

Media News

- 23 December 2014 - [Mayor of London Boris Johnson is suggesting that politics will prevent any expansion at airports in the south east of England regardless of a recommendation from the Airports Commission.](#)
- 27 December 2014 - [Campaign group PlaneWrong have issued a claim that changes to flight paths by Gatwick Airport were implemented without direct consultation with those affected by noise pollution.](#)
- 28 December 2014 - [A new report by the consumer group 'Which?' has found that one in five flights to and from ten UK airports are delayed.](#)