Edinburgh Airport announces March figures

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Yet again the capital's airport has announced best ever figures.

In March 927,200 people passed through Edinburgh Airport which is the busiest March ever. International passengers make up a large part of this which have risen to 493,200 this year from 358,450 in 2015. (Our photo shows The Chief Commercial Officer, Marwan Koleilat of Qatar Airways being greeted by Gordon Dewar the CEO of Edinburgh Airport on the occasion of the inaugural flight in 2014)

Welcoming March's passenger figures Gordon Dewar, Edinburgh Airport's Chief Executive, said:

"These record breaking passenger figures from March underline Edinburgh Airport's growing international ambitions and are very welcome indeed.

"We have seen a massive increase of 37.6 % in the number of international passengers and this highlights the ever-increasing draw of Edinburgh as a destination. This growth not only creates new jobs but offers greater international links for this city and for all of Scotland.

"Offering greater choice is key to our success. In conjunction with our partner airlines we are continuing to offer new routes and more destinations — and passengers are responding by flying in and out of Edinburgh directly in greater numbers than ever before.

"A recent independently prepared economic impact study shows

Edinburgh Airport contributes £1 billion annually to Scotland's economy; this proves that success at Edinburgh Airport is good news for the whole country and we plan to keep offering even greater choice and delivering even more success."