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many
is too
many?

The Queenstown Airport has provided figures on volume of passenger movements through the airport, in 2017 we had 1.89million and they want to allow for 5 million.

What does this actually mean, how does this compare to other International Resort towns?

RESORT TOWNS – AND THEIR TOTAL PASSENGERS PER ANNUM

Venice Airport	1.3m
Aspen Airport	0.5m
Lugano Airport	0.1m
Queenstown Airport	Current 1.89 million in 2017 and want to make this 3.1 or 5m?

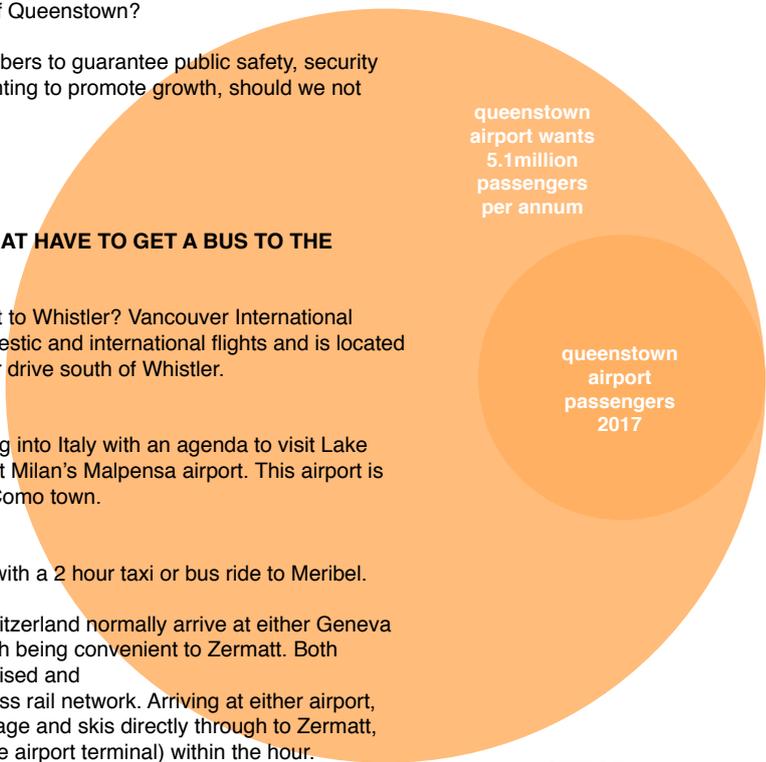


Should we not cap this at its current capacity and grow quality not quantity? We often compare ourselves to Aspen and want to do things better, we are currently operating 3 times the volume of Aspens airport and we want to grow this to 10 times the scale of Aspens airport? Should we not be capping and making a 'Boutique Destination airport' out of Queenstown?

Venice is currently reviewing measures to cap tourist numbers to guarantee public safety, security and livability of their city, whilst Queenstown airport is wanting to promote growth, should we not learn from these overseas resort towns?

SKI RESORTS – THAT PEOPLE PILGRIMAGE TO – THAT HAVE TO GET A BUS TO THE DESTINATION.

Whistler	Where is the closest airport to Whistler? Vancouver International Airport (YVR) handles domestic and international flights and is located a short and scenic 2.5 hour drive south of Whistler.
Lake Como	Most overseas visitors flying into Italy with an agenda to visit Lake Como will choose to land at Milan's Malpensa airport. This airport is roughly 25 miles south of Como town.
Meribel, France	Closest airport Chambéry with a 2 hour taxi or bus ride to Meribel.
Zermatt	International flights into Switzerland normally arrive at either Geneva or Zürich airports - with both being convenient to Zermatt. Both airports are superbly organised and fully integrated into the Swiss rail network. Arriving at either airport, one can simply check luggage and skis directly through to Zermatt, and board a train (under the airport terminal) within the hour.



These towns preserve their pristine world class character by actively limiting the way passengers arrive, but business is still booming – is this not a better strategy for long term economic growth, well being of our residents, tourists and community? Don't we want to excel and be the best tourism centre in the world – not the largest airport town in the South Island?

If Queenstown is the Jewel in New Zealand's tourism's crown – does this not deserve a little bit more respect? We are seriously at risk of ruining one of the most beautiful places to visit and reside in the World, just so that we can be the largest airport servicing the South Island. Why?

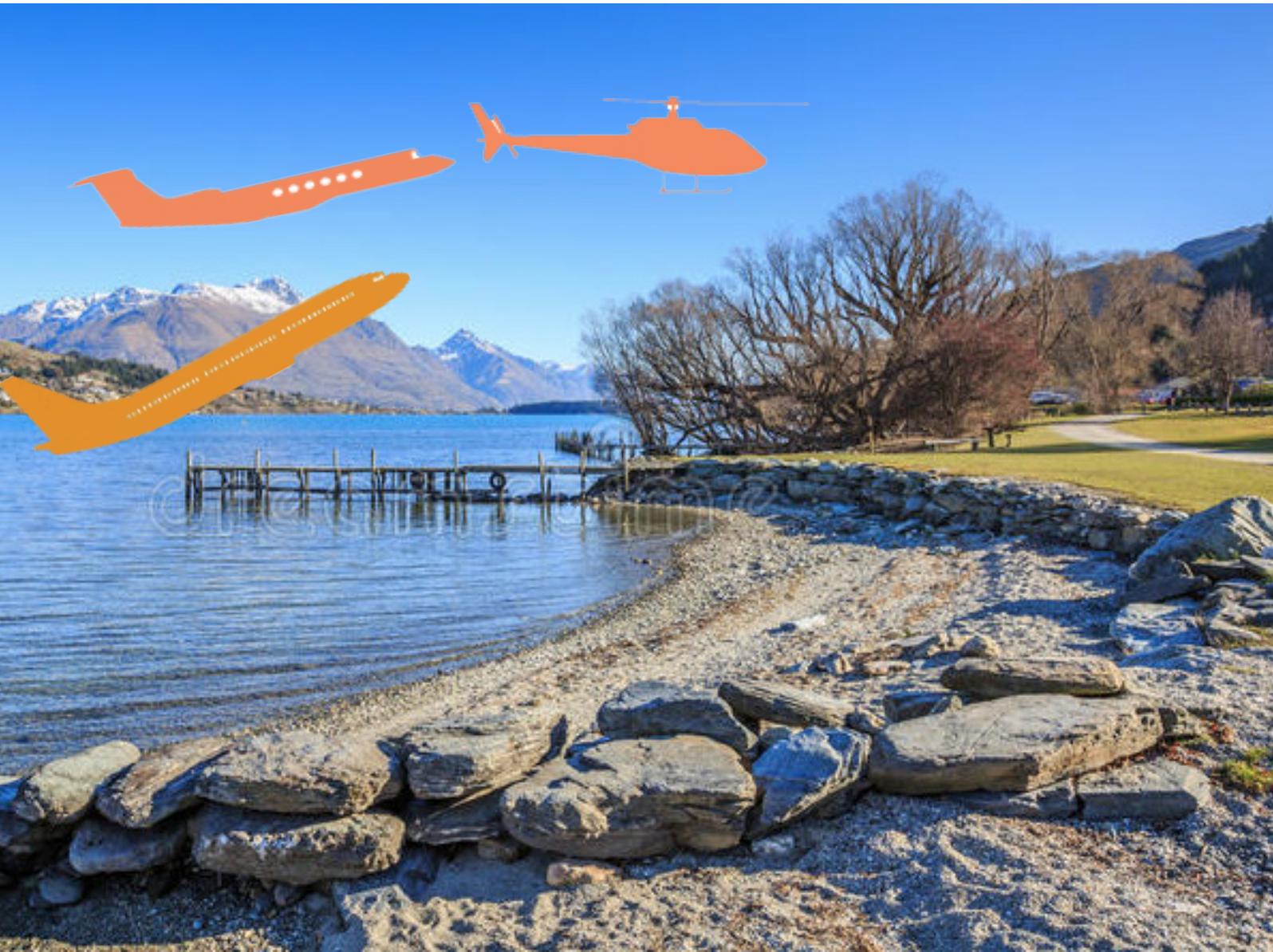
Aspens own website states: In addition to airports in Eagle and Aspen Colorado, visitors can also choose to fly into Denver International (DEN) and then take ground transportation to reach Aspen and Snowmass Colorado. As a major city airport DIA offers the best airfares for us to package airline tickets with your Aspen Snowmass vacation. Stay Aspen Snowmass can provide you with ground transportation from Denver International Airport to ensure seamless connections for your trip to Aspen Snowmass.

Could we note utilise Invercargill Airport as a International gateway. This would be great for Invercargill and support the regions – which the government are actively wanting to encourage. Some passengers will choose to fly into Invercargill and out of Christchurch or Dunedin? This would spread the load both positive economic benefit as well as environmental effect. Is this not better for the overall community?

We need to cap Queenstown at is current passengers - already 18 times the volume of Lugano airport, 3 times the volume of Aspens airport, establish another Boutique airport of similar size in Wanaka, and develop links with Dunedin and Invercargill airports. Not as good for QAC profit but far greater for the well being of our long term tourism strategy and community.

SIZE OF QUEENSTOWNS CURRENT AND QAC'S REQUESTED AIRPORT PASSENGERS NUMBERS GRAPHICALLY COMPARED TO OTHER RESORT TOWNS.

.....For aircraft alone, this equates to one plane every six minutes if every hour (between 6am and 10pm) and every day (365) of the year was utilised



Do we want to ruin the best family beach in the Wakatipu?



Do we want a constant stream of planes down Kelvin Heights Peninsula?

