

## Airline Operational Scope Classification

Each airline is classified by its **operational scope** (primarily **Domestic**, **Mixed**, or **International**) and the corresponding **haul category** (Short, Medium, or Long haul). In general:

- **Short Haul** airlines focus on domestic or short regional flights within a country or small region.
- **Medium Haul** airlines operate a mix of domestic and regional international routes (often within one continent).
- **Long Haul** airlines have extensive international networks spanning multiple continents.

Below is the classification of each airline:

Airline Name	Operational Scope (Primary Focus)	Haul Classification
American Airlines	International (extensive domestic <b>and</b> international network in 48 countries <sup>1</sup> )	Long Haul
Delta Air Lines	International (serves 325 destinations across 52 countries on six continents <sup>2</sup> )	Long Haul
United Airlines	International (extensive domestic <b>and</b> international network on six continents <sup>3</sup> )	Long Haul
Southwest Airlines	Domestic (primarily U.S. domestic flights, with limited nearby international routes <sup>4</sup> )	Short Haul
JetBlue Airways	Mixed (mostly U.S. & Caribbean routes, with a few transatlantic flights to Europe <sup>5</sup> )	Medium Haul
Air Canada	International (global network: ~158 international destinations across Asia, Africa, Americas, Europe, Oceania <sup>6</sup> )	Long Haul
British Airways	International (global reach across Europe, Americas, Asia, Africa, Oceania <sup>7</sup> )	Long Haul
Lufthansa	International (serves ~198 international destinations in 73 countries across Africa, Americas, Asia, Europe <sup>8</sup> )	Long Haul
Air France	International (worldwide operations to 201 destinations in 78 countries <sup>9</sup> )	Long Haul
KLM (Royal Dutch Airlines)	International (flag carrier of the Netherlands, ~145 destinations worldwide <sup>10</sup> )	Long Haul

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<b>Ryanair</b>	Mixed (international low-cost flights across Europe and nearby regions <sup>11</sup> )	Medium Haul
<b>easyJet</b>	Mixed (domestic UK and intra-Europe flights in 34+ countries via affiliates <sup>12</sup> )	Medium Haul
<b>Emirates</b>	International (Dubai-based global airline serving 150+ cities in 80 countries across six continents <sup>13</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Etihad Airways</b>	International (Abu Dhabi-based, 120+ destinations across Middle East, Africa, Europe, Asia, Australia, N. America <sup>14</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Qatar Airways</b>	International (Doha-based hub network to 170+ destinations on five continents <sup>15</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Singapore Airlines</b>	International (flies from Singapore across five continents worldwide <sup>16</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Malaysia Airlines</b>	International (connects Malaysia to Europe, Oceania and Asia from Kuala Lumpur <sup>17</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Qantas</b>	International (flag carrier of Australia; only airline to fly all 7 continents <sup>18</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Virgin Atlantic</b>	International (British long-haul carrier flying transatlantic and to Asia/Africa)	Long Haul
<b>AirAsia</b>	Mixed (Malaysian low-cost carrier with domestic and regional Asian routes in 22 countries <sup>19</sup> )	Medium Haul
<b>IndiGo</b>	Mixed (India's largest airline – ~91 domestic cities, plus regional international flights <sup>20</sup> <sup>21</sup> )	Medium Haul
<b>SpiceJet</b>	Domestic (primarily serves India with a few short international routes <sup>22</sup> )	Short Haul
<b>Air India</b>	International (flag carrier of India with ~40 international destinations across Asia, Europe, North America, etc. <sup>23</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Cathay Pacific</b>	International (Hong Kong-based, serves 80+ destinations across Asia, Europe, North America, Oceania <sup>24</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>Japan Airlines (JAL)</b>	International (flag carrier of Japan, services worldwide network in 35+ countries <sup>25</sup> )	Long Haul
<b>All Nippon Airways (ANA)</b>	Mixed (Japan's largest airline; extensive domestic network <b>and</b> international routes <sup>26</sup> )	Medium Haul
<b>Turkish Airlines</b>	International (flag carrier of Turkey; flies to 131 countries – more than any airline <sup>27</sup> )	Long Haul

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<b>Ethiopian Airlines</b>	International (Africa's largest carrier; 130+ destinations spanning five continents <sup>28</sup> )	Long Haul

Each airline's classification above is based on the **primary scope** of its operations as evidenced by route networks and destinations from official or authoritative sources. Sources are cited to provide detailed confirmation of each airline's operational scope.

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