

Alexander Kartveli Batumi International Airport[3] (IATA: BUS, ICAO: UGSB) is an airport located 2 km (1.2 mi) south of Batumi, a city on the Black Sea coast and capital of Adjara, an autonomous republic in southwest Georgia. The airport is 20 km (12 mi) northeast of Hopa, Turkey, and serves as a domestic and international airport for Georgia and northeastern Turkey.

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Overview[edit]

Batumi is one of three international airports in operation in Georgia (along with Tbilisi International Airport serving the Georgian capital and David the Builder International Airport in Georgia's second largest city Kutaisi). The new airport terminal has been in operation since 26 May 2007. With a total area of 4,256 square metres (45,810 sq ft), it is capable of handling 600,000 passengers a year.[4]

Batumi International Airport has noted a significant growth in the number of passengers since its renovation carried out by TAV Airports Holding in 2007. In 2011, the airport handled 134,000 passengers, an increase of 51% over the previous year.[5]

In 2019, it was decided to expand the terminal because the existing capacities were no longer sufficient. The work was completed in spring 2021. The area has been doubled to 8000 square metres, which allows the handling of 1,200,000 passengers a year. Part of the work was to expand the number of bus gates, check-in and passport control counters as well as the expansion of duty-free areas and the car park. Additionally, the luggage handling area was partially expanded, where an automatic conveyor system was introduced and an additional one luggage carousel was installed. A total of 17 million US-dollar were invested.

Airlines and destinations[edit]

Airlines Destinations

Air Arabia Sharjah[6]

Aircompany Armenia Yerevan

Arkia Seasonal: Tel Aviv[7]

Bees Airline Kyiv-Zhuliany

Belavia Minsk

Buta Airways Baku[8]

El Al Seasonal: Tel Aviv

flydubai Seasonal: Dubai–International[9]

flynas Riyadh

Seasonal: Dammam, Jeddah[10]

Georgian Airways Tbilisi

Seasonal: Tel Aviv,[11] Yerevan[12]
Seasonal charter: Amman–Queen Alia[13]
GetJet Airlines Seasonal charter: Vilnius[14]
LOT Polish Airlines Seasonal: Warsaw–Chopin[15][16]
Pegasus Airlines Istanbul–Sabiha Gökçen[17]
SCAT Airlines Nur-Sultan[18]
Seasonal: Aktau
SkyUp Kyiv–Boryspil[19]
Seasonal: Kharkiv,[20] Lviv,[21] Zaporizhzhia[22]
SmartLynx Airlines Seasonal charter: Tallinn[23]
Sun D'Or Seasonal: Tel Aviv[24]
Turkish Airlines Istanbul
Vanilla Sky Airlines Tbilisi
Yanair Kyiv–Zhuliany[25]
Seasonal: Kharkiv,[26][27] Lviv,[28] Odessa[29]
Statistics[edit]

Annual passenger statistics[30]

Year Total passengers Change from previous year

2019	624,178	4.2%
2018	598,891	20.8%
2017	495,668	58.7%
2016	312,343	37.9%
2015	226,476	5.9%
2014	213,439	2.2%
2013	208,977	24.0%
2012	168,510	25.9%
2011	133,852	51.1%
2010	88,562	92.3%
2009	46,044	28.8%
2008	64,656	67.4%
2007	38,613	

According to Department of Tourism the amount of 11,792 visitors at Batumi International Airport in September 2015 were of foreign origin, which is 54% more comparing to the previous year.[31]

Annual passenger numbers at Batumi international Airport[edit]

See source Wikidata query and sources.

Most Popular Routes[edit]

Country Destination Airport Weekly flights[32] Airlines

Israel Tel Aviv Ben Gurion Airport 7 Georgian Airways (1 weekly); Arkia (2 weekly); El Al (4 weekly)

Turkey Istanbul Istanbul Airport 7 Turkish Airlines (7 weekly)

Russia Moscow Moscow Domodedovo Airport 4 S7 Airlines (2 weekly); Ural Airlines (2

weekly)

Belarus Minsk Minsk National Airport 2 Belavia (2 weekly)

Ukraine Kyiv Kyiv-Zhuliany 2 Yanair (2 weekly)

See also[edit]

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List of airports in Georgia

Transport in Georgia