

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC STATISTICS

OCTOBER-DECEMBER, 2021*

There are 69 scheduled international carriers- 7 Indian carriers and 62 foreign carriers. Currently India has air connectivity with 54 countries through 346 routes.

The international passenger traffic for the fourth quarter (October-December) of the year 2021 stands at 7.25 million.

It has been observed that there is a positive month-on-month growth in total international passengers carried in fourth quarter of the year 2021 (chart 1 & 2) (International operations by Indian Operators carried as per DGCA's Circular dated 26.3.2020 regarding Covid-19 restrictions).



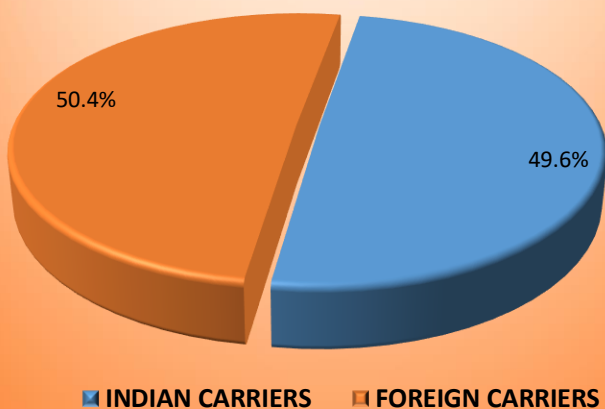
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Note: In wake of Covid-19 all International scheduled operations carried by Indian carriers have been suspended as per DGCA's Circular dated 26-03-2020.

MARKET SHARE

Chart 3: MARKET SHARE (%) OF INDIAN & FOREIGN CARRIERS IN TERMS OF INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER TRAFFIC

October-December, 2021



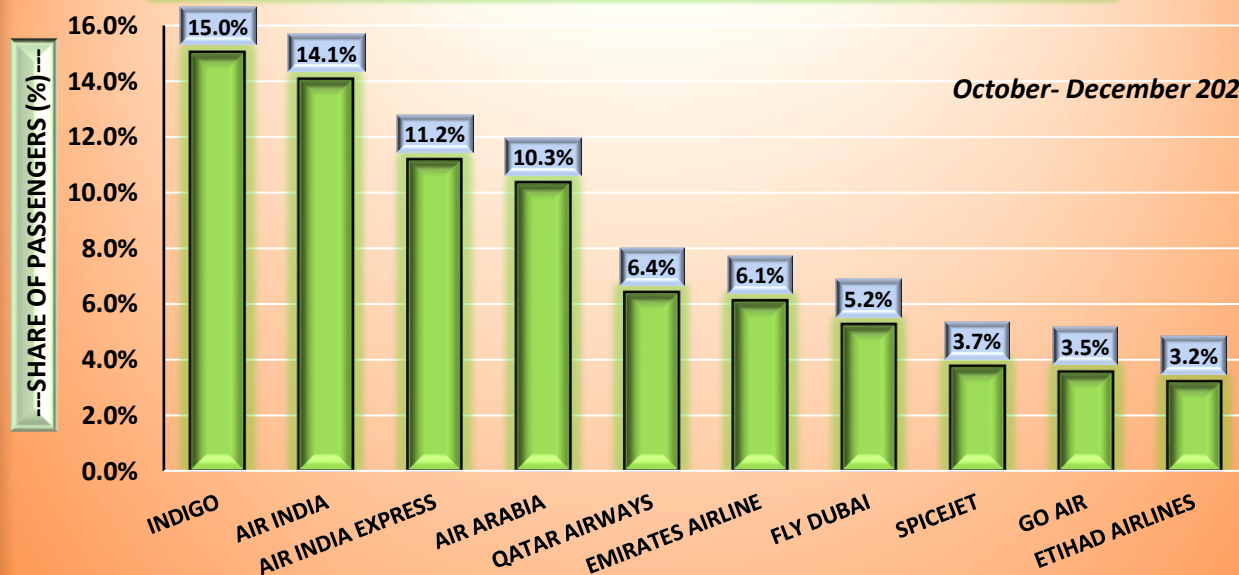
As can be seen from chart 3, the share of Indian and foreign carriers in the total international passenger traffic during the fourth quarter (October-December) of the year 2021 stands at 49.6 percent and 50.4 percent respectively.

During the fourth quarter of the year 2021, top ten international carriers accounted for almost 78.8 percent of the international passenger traffic. **Indigo** carried the maximum number of international passengers followed by **Air India** and **Air India Express**. All Indian Carriers except **Vistara** Airlines operating on international routes, find place in the top 10 list (Chart 4).

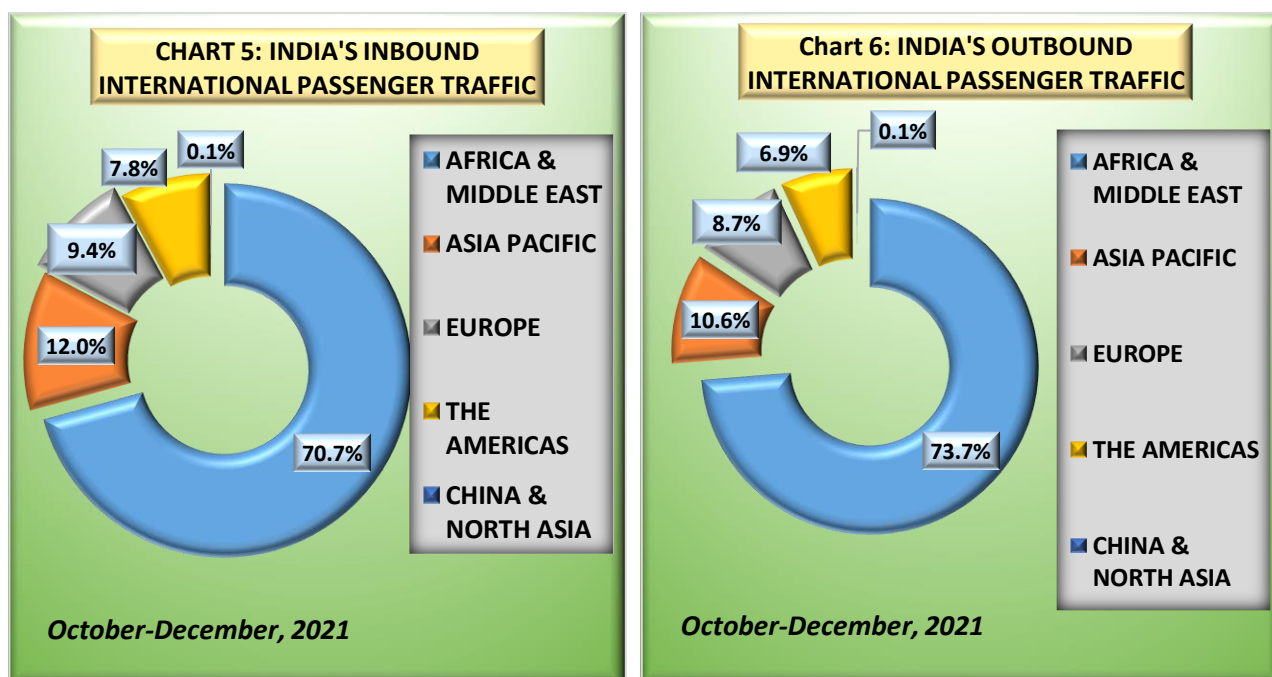
All the foreign carriers in the top 10 list originate from Gulf countries.

Chart 4: MARKET SHARE (%) OF TOP TEN CARRIERS IN TERMS OF INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER TRAFFIC

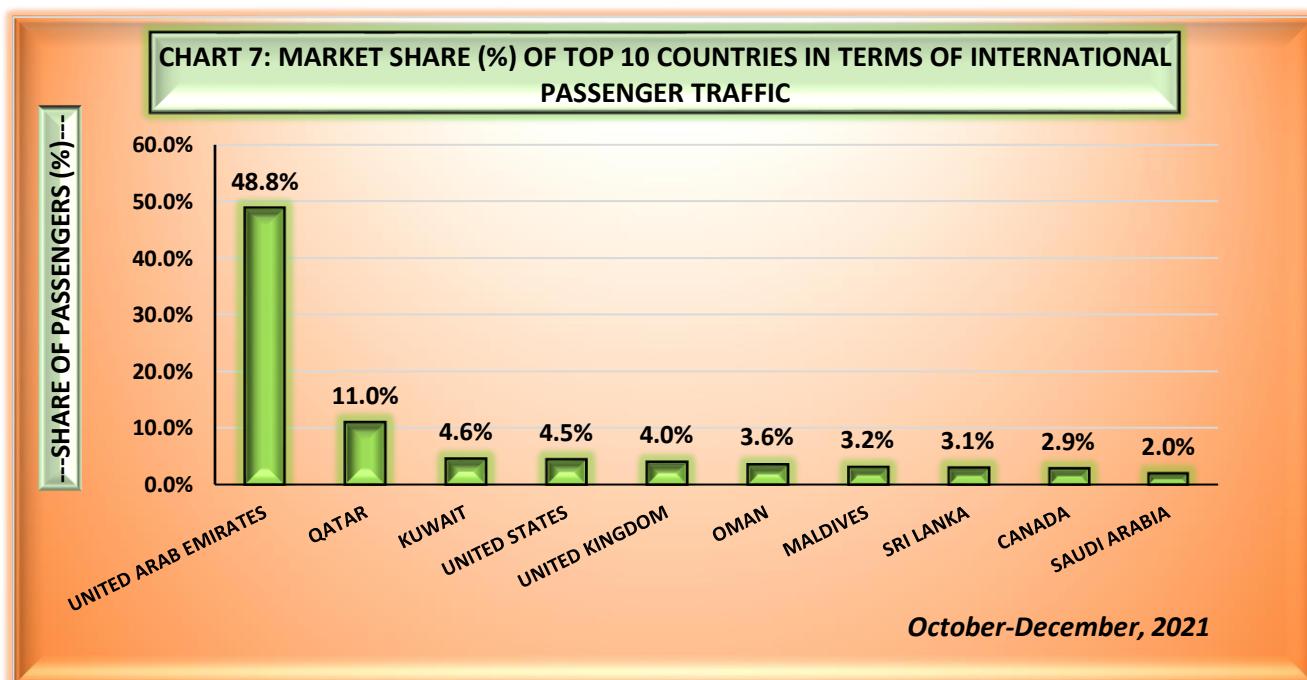
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Approximately, more than two-third of the total India's inbound passengers are accounted for by the countries in the region- **Africa & Middle East** (Chart 5). Approximately, three-fourth of the India's outbound passengers are accounted for by the countries in the region- **Africa & Middle East** (Chart 6).

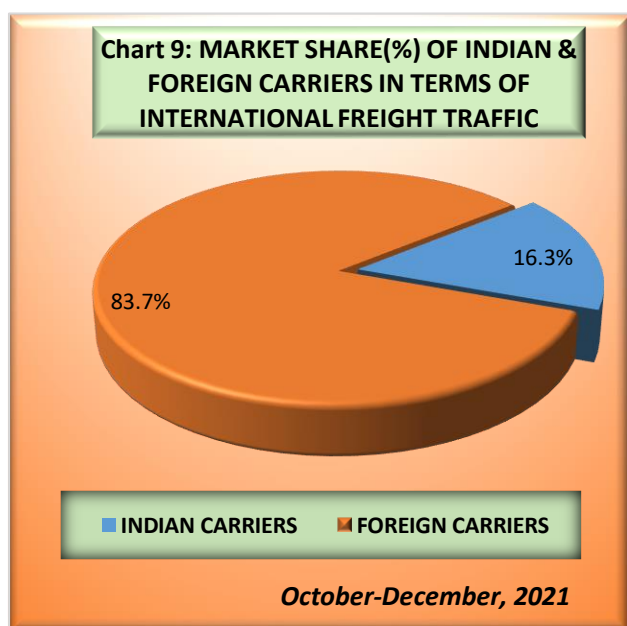
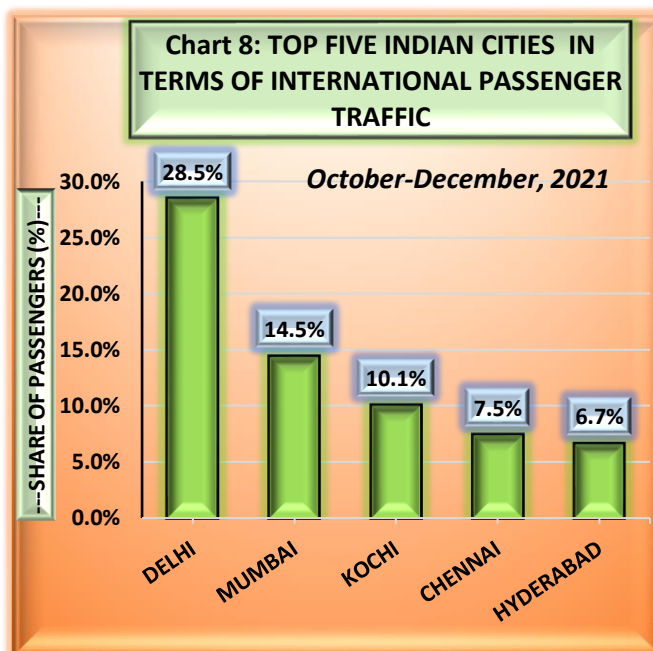


If we look at the specific countries within the regions shown in the chart (7), it is found that maximum passengers are carried to and from **United Arab Emirates (48.8 percent)** followed by **Qatar (11.0 percent)**, **Kuwait (4.6 percent)**, **United States (4.5 percent)** and **United Kingdom (4.0 percent)**. Among European Countries, United Kingdom is the most travelled destination as about 4.0 percent international passengers travelled to and from UK during Q4, 2021.



Out of the 27 Indian cities from where international passengers Embark/ Disembark, **5 Indian cities** accounted for most (approximately **67.4 per cent**) of the international passenger traffic (Chart 8). **Delhi** tops the position in this category with a share of **28.5 percent** followed by **Mumbai (14.5 percent share)** and **Kochi (10.1 percent share)**. Domestic and foreign carriers connect India to **54 countries** through **330 Routes**. Out of these routes **top 10 Routes** accounted for approximately **25.5 percent** of the total international passenger traffic during the **fourth quarter of the year 2021**.

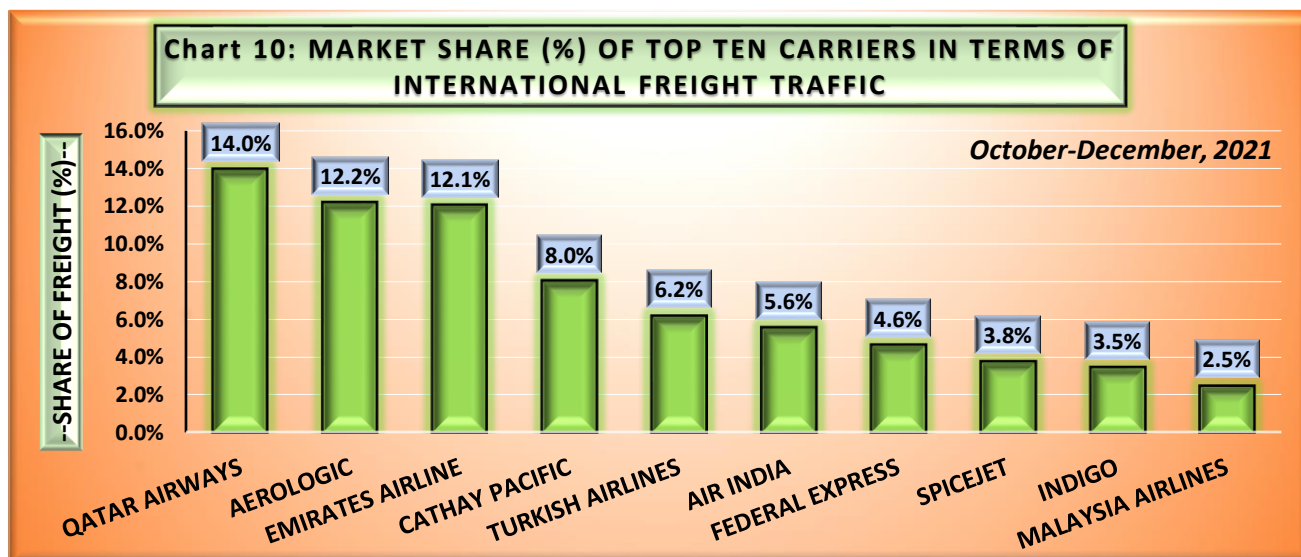
Maximum international passengers were carried on the **Dubai-Delhi** sector followed by **Sharjah-Delhi**.



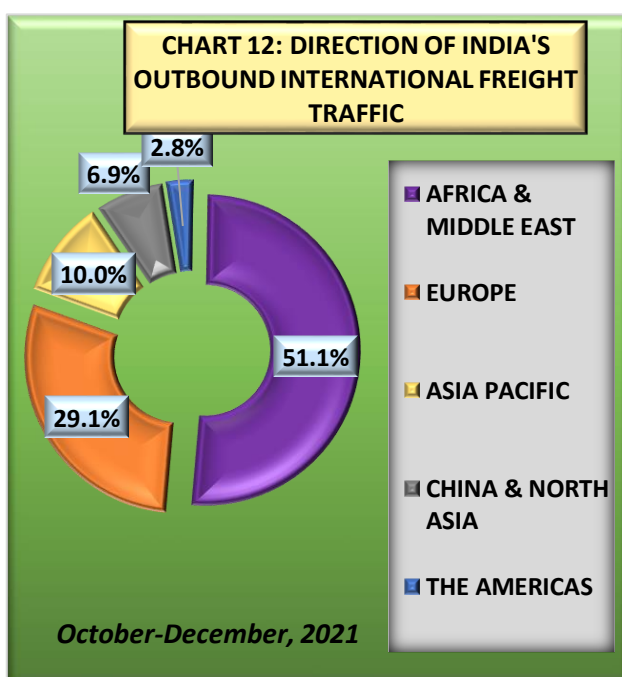
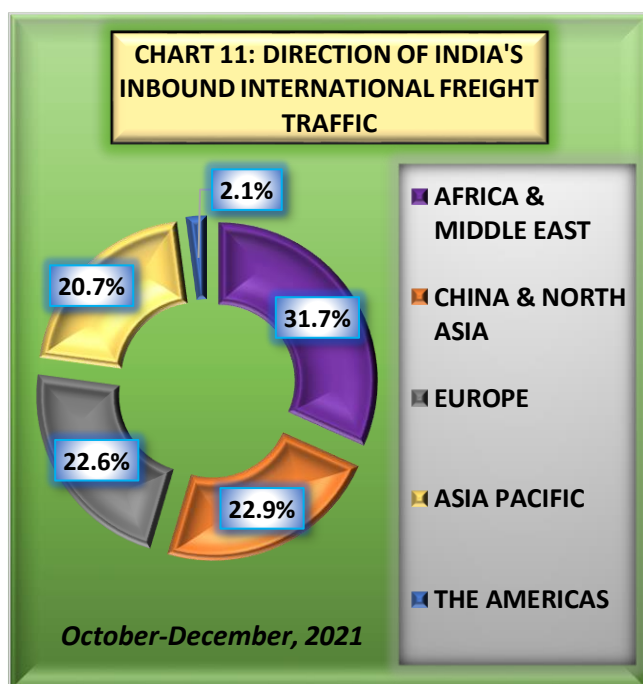
As regard to freight, share of Indian and Foreign Carrier is 16.3 percent and 83.7 percent respectively (Chart 9). Out of the total number of scheduled international carriers, top ten carriers accounted for almost 72.5 percent of the international freight traffic during the fourth quarter of the year 2021.

Qatar Airways carried the maximum freight with **14.0 percent market share** followed by **Aerologic (12.2 percent market share)** and **Emirates Airline (12.1 percent market share)** during the fourth quarter of the year 2021 (Chart 10).

Among the Indian Carriers, only **Air India, Spicejet** and **Indigo** appears in the top 10 list with market shares of 5.6, 3.8 and 3.5 percent, respectively, during the fourth quarter of the year 2021.



As far as India's inbound freight traffic is concerned, **Africa & Middle East** tops the position with a share of **31.7 percent** followed by **China & North Asia (22.9 percent share)** and **Europe (22.6 percent share)** during the fourth quarter of the year 2021 (Chart 11).



If we look at India's outbound freight traffic, **Africa & Middle East** tops the position with a share of **51.1 percent** followed by **Europe (29.1 percent share)** and **Asia Pacific (10.0 percent share)** in the fourth quarter of the year 2021 (Chart 12).