



# Hawai'i Tourism Authority

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## Statement attributable to Mike McCartney, President and CEO Hawai'i Tourism Authority

### Regarding Air Australia's Flight Suspension

Air Australia has announced today that it will suspend all flights, including two from Honolulu to Brisbane and Melbourne. These flights were launched in December 2011.

The HTA is working closely with our partners in the visitor industry to ensure that all affected by the flight suspensions are able to return home, whether it be to Australia or Hawai'i.

Approximately 500-600 passengers in Hawai'i are expected to be affected by the suspension of the Air Australia flights over the next three days. We anticipate that other carriers servicing Australia will be able to accommodate the affected passengers.

For passengers holding Air Australia tickets, please contact the following airlines who are offering assistance:

- Hawaiian Airlines, <http://www.hawaiianair.com>
- Qantas Airlines, <http://www.qantas.com.au/travel/airlines/disruptions/global/en>
- Jet Star, <http://www.jetstar.com>

For information and updates from Air Australia, visit their Frequently Asked Questions at <http://airaustralia.com/>.

Australia continues to be an important market to Hawai'i's tourism economy and we will continue to support carriers servicing this region. We will also continue to work with our airline partners to look at ways to restore the loss of airlift to the Hawaiian Islands.

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