

Recent Airbus landing gear problems



■ **Apr 13:** Seven passengers injured when **Cathay Pacific Airbus A330** flying from Indonesia with 314 people aboard makes emergency landing at Hong Kong International Airport after tyre catches fire

■ **Apr 6:** **Air Canada Airbus A330**, flying from Frankfurt to Montreal with 219 people on board, bursts tyre on takeoff. Aircraft continues flight, landing safely at Montreal

■ **Apr 1:** Three tyres blow out while **Swiss Air Airbus A340** with 243 people aboard is travelling on taxiway prior to takeoff at Hong Kong airport

■ **Mar 31:** **Qantas Airways A380** superjumbo aircraft flying from Singapore with 244 people on board bursts two tyres while landing at Sydney Airport. No injuries reported

■ **Mar 10:** **Izmir Airlines Airbus A319**, flying from Turkey to Germany, bursts both nose gear tyres upon touchdown at Frankfurt. Airplane lands safely but becomes stuck on runway

■ **Jan 31:** **Skyservice Airbus A320**, flying from Canada to Cuba, blows three tyres during heavy landing at Varadero airport in bad weather. No injuries reported

A380 landing gear: Goodrich 22-wheel gear consists of two central under-fuselage struts each with six wheels, two four-wheel underwing struts, and a twin nose wheel

Gear must support 560-tonne aircraft hitting runway at 320km/h

