

# Despite accidents, flying is safer than ever

Despite a number of recent high-profile commercial aviation disasters, statistics suggest there has never been a safer time to fly

## COMMERCIAL AIRLINE ACCIDENTS, 2014\*

0 = Number of fatalities

**Sepahan Airlines**

HESA IrAn-140

Aug 10

48

**Nepal Airlines**

DHC Twin Otter

Feb 16

18

**TransAsia**

ATR-72

Jul 23

48

**HeviLift**

DHC Twin Otter

Sep 20

4

**Air Algeria**

MD-83

Jul 24

116

**Malaysia Airlines**

Boeing 777

Mar 8

239

**AirAsia Indonesia**

Airbus A320

Dec 28

162

- **Fatal events:** Scheduled passenger flights
- **Fatal accidents:** Regional and commuter airlines
- **Fatal accidents:** Non-passenger flights (details not shown)

**Total**  
19 fatal  
accidents  
(lowest ever),  
671 deaths

## NUMBER OF FLIGHTS PER FATAL ACCIDENT, 2014\*

2.5 million

July 17 loss of Malaysia Airlines flight MH17 with 298 passengers and crew excluded on grounds that it crashed due to conflict



2014: 2.38m

Five-year average

Average for last  
five years: 1.75m

\*Figures include all commercial flights by jets and turboprops with 14 or more seats

Source: Flightglobal / Ascend

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