

Airport from Katowice

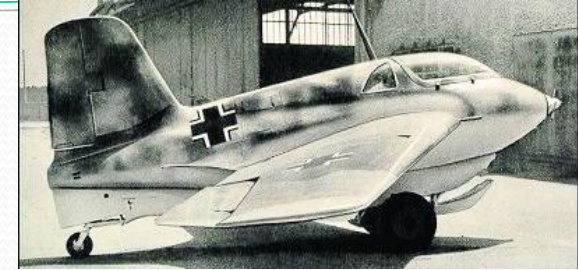


Katowice International



- **Katowice International Airport** (Polish: *Międzynarodowy Port Lotniczy Katowice*) (IATA: **KTW**, ICAO: **EPKT**) is an international airport, located in Pyrzowice, 30 km (19 mi) north of Katowice, Poland. The airport has the fourth-biggest (second-biggest in Summer Season) passenger flow in Poland. Katowice Airport has the biggest charter passenger flow of the airports in Poland. In August 2017 this airport was the second biggest airport in Poland in passenger flow. It is also second biggest airport in the Country in Cargo traffic. Katowice Airport operates a lot of charter, regular and cargo flights. The airport is an operating base for Enter Air, Ryanair Sun, Small Planet Airlines, Smartwings, Travel Service Polska and Wizz Air.

History



- The current location of Katowice International Airport was initially used by German soldiers. In 1940, the Luftwaffe began construction of an airbase in the meadows around Pyrzowice. The Germans built three stone and concrete airstrips, with runway lengths varying from 1000 to 1500 meters, all of which around 50 meters wide. The airbase was used for handling of military aircraft flying from the inner part of the German Reich, carrying supplies to troops on the Eastern Front.



Airlines

- Air Cairo
- Air Mediterranean
- AlMasria Universal Airlines
- Astra Airlines
- Bulgarian Air Charter
- Corendon Airlines
- Ellinair
- Enter Air
- FlyEgypt
- LOT Polish Airlines

Terminals



- The airport features three passenger terminals A, B (departures) and C (arrivals) as well as a cargo terminal. Operations at terminal B, much bigger than A, started on 30 July 2007. Terminals are capable of handling about 3.6 million passengers annually. Terminal A handles all non-Schengen departure flights, while Terminal B handles all Schengen departure flights. The operation of the newest Terminal C building (arrivals) started on June 27, 2015. This terminal handles all arrival flights from non-Schengen such as Schengen. The longest airport observation deck in Poland can be found inside Terminal B. New Terminal D is under planning such as new Cargo Terminal and Cargo City. New Terminal D will be equipped with a jetways etc. There is a chance for Kiss&fly zone and VIP Terminal in future.

Runway and apron

- The airport's concrete runway is 3200m by 45m and can accommodate aircraft as large as Boeing 747 or Boeing 777, albeit not at Maximum Takeoff Weight. Heavy transports such as Antonov An-124 or An-225 have been noticed to land there. The airport uses new generation Instrument Landing System - Thales 420. Runway at Katowice International Airport is the second longest runway in Poland. 33 new stands are under building. They will be located between taxiways E and H, to the west from main apron, between main and cargo apron and to the east from cargo apron.
- At Katowice International Airport you can find two spotter's platforms. One to the east and one to the west of runway 09/27. It is free and available for everyone who wants to take some photos or just see aircraft. Platforms are 2.5m above ground.

Sources

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Thank you for the attention!

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