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January 07, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of January, 2004

RYANAIR HOLDINGS PLC  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

c/o Ryanair Ltd Corporate Head Office  
Dublin Airport  
County Dublin Ireland  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F..X.. Form 40-F.....

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes ..... No ..X..

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- \_\_\_\_\_

RYANAIR ANNOUNCES PASSENGER GROWTH OF  
53% FOR DECEMBER 2003

The following are Ryanair's passenger and internet statistics for December 2003.

	December 2002	December 2003	Rolling 12 months ended 31st Dec. 2003
Passengers (1)	1,307,452	2,006,544	21,372,091
Load Factor (2)	85%	83%	82%

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Internet Sales Percentage (3)                      94%                      96%                      95%

- (1) Represents the number of earned seats flown by Ryanair. Earned seats include seats that are flown whether or not the passenger turns up because once a flight has departed a no-show customer is not entitled to change flights or seek a refund.
- (2) Represents the number of passengers as a proportion of the number of seats available for passengers.
- (3) Represents the number of initial seat sales sold via the Ryanair internet site as a percentage of total initial seat sales. Initial seat sales exclude changed and amended seat sales.

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7th January 2004

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

RYANAIR HOLDINGS PLC

Date: 7 January 2004

By:\_\_\_/s/ Howard Millar\_\_\_

H Millar  
Company Secretary & Finance Director