

RYANAIR HOLDINGS PLC  
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**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 July, 2008

**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)

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**RYANAIR Q1 PROFIT FALLS 85% TO €21M  
FUEL UP**

**93% AS TRAFFIC GROWS 19% TO 15M**

Ryanair, Europe's largest low fares airline, today (Monday, 28th July 2008

) announced a Q1 profit of €21m down €118m (or 85%) as fuel costs almost doubled and yields fell due to the absence of Easter in this quarter and its presence in the prior year comparable. Despite the absence of Easter, traffic grew by 19% to 15m, as average fares (incl. bag charges) fell by 8% to €42, while total revenues grew 12% to €777m. Unit costs excluding fuel fell by 6%, including fuel they increased by 18%, due to higher oil prices and longer sector lengths.

**Summary Table of Results (IFRS) - in Euro**

<b>Quarter Ended</b>	<b>June 30, 2007</b>	<b>June 30, 2008</b>	<b>% Change.</b>
Passengers	12.6m	15.0m	+19%
Revenue	€693m	€777m	+12%
Adjusted Profit after Tax (Note 1)	€139m	€21m	- 85%
Adjusted Basic EPS (Euro Cents) (Note 1)	8.98	1.40	-84%

**Ryanair's CEO Michael O'Leary said:**

"Trading conditions have been difficult in Q1 as we suffered the loss of Easter and the impact of higher fuel prices. Oil prices almost doubled in Q1 from \$61 to \$117 (per barrel) as our fuel bill rose 93% to €367m. Fuel now represents almost 50% of our total operating costs compared to 36% last year.

Yields fell by 8%, as we opened new routes and bases and suffered the absence of Easter in the quarter which distorts the prior year comparables. Yields were also impacted by a reduction in checked in baggage penetration rates as more passengers switch to web check-in and carry on baggage facilities. Traffic grew by 19% to 15m, whilst load factors at 81% were almost in line with Q1 last year despite the absence of Easter. Ancillary revenues grew by 25%, again faster than the rate of traffic growth, and we expect this to continue for the remainder of the year. Passengers will shortly be able to use their mobile phones and Blackberry's on 10

Dublin

based aircraft in a trial test which will expand to almost 40 aircraft by the year end.

We have taken advantage of the recent weakness in oil prices and are now hedged 90% for September at \$129 per barrel, 80% for Q3 at \$124 per barrel, but are unhedged for Q4. We continue to believe that oil prices remain subject to irrational exuberance. While many of our high fare competitors continue to increase fuel surcharges, Ryanair remains committed to our guarantee of no fuel surcharges - ever. We will continue to absorb higher oil costs, even if it means short-term losses, while we continue to deliver

Europe

's guaranteed lowest fares to our 58 million passengers.

Unit costs excluding fuel fell by 6%, better than we previously expected. Including fuel unit costs rose 18%. We have responded to these much higher oil prices by aggressively

tackling costs in all other areas. In the last quarter we have added cheaper, fuel efficient aircraft. We have implemented a company wide pay freeze and redundancies in our Dublin Call Centre. We have renegotiated many of our airport maintenance and handling contracts and we plan to introduce check-in kiosks in October at our main bases in

Dublin

and Stansted to further reduce airport staff and handling costs. The increased discretionary charges for baggage and airport check-in have encouraged more passengers to use web check-in and carry-on luggage and this is helping to significantly reduce our handling costs.

We have recently announced capacity reductions for the coming winter at our two highest cost airports in Stansted (15 aircraft grounded) and

Dublin

(4 aircraft) where regulatory failure has allowed these monopolies to further increase their already high airport charges. These high costs make it more profitable to ground some aircraft rather than fly them at

Dublin

and Stansted this winter. Despite these cutbacks, Ryanair's traffic will still grow by approx. 9% this winter as we switch route and capacity growth to lower cost airports and bases. Accordingly, passenger volumes for the year will grow by 14% to 58m, slightly lower than the 16% previously guided.

The demise of low fare air travel is again being predicted by high fare airlines like BA and others who are still losing shorthaul traffic to Ryanair. Higher oil prices won't end low fare air travel, it just increases the attraction of Ryanair's guaranteed lowest fares, as consumers become more price sensitive and switch away from high fare/fuel surcharging airlines like BA. Higher oil prices will speed up the decline of high fare shorthaul travel this winter as many European airlines consolidate or go bust. We believe that oil prices of approx. \$130 per barrel are unsustainable over the medium term, but we don't know when they are going to fall. The airline industry is cyclical, and this downturn will provide enormous opportunities for strong, well financed airlines, such as Ryanair to grow.

The outlook for the remainder of the fiscal year which is entirely dependent on fares and fuel prices remains poor. The emerging economic recession in the

UK

and

Ireland

caused by the global credit crisis and high oil prices means that consumer confidence is plummeting, and we believe this will have an adverse impact on fares for the rest of the year. We will respond as always with lower fares and aggressive pricing to keep people flying and maintain our high load factors. We now believe that our average fares for the year may fall by as much as 5% if European airfares plunge this winter. Ryanair will lead this downward pricing at a time when most of our competitors are hoping to raise fares and fuel surcharges. The market this winter will be heavily impacted by the timing and scale of EU airline bankruptcies and consolidations which are inevitable at these higher oil prices. Ryanair's better than anticipated savings which will flow from capacity and cost reductions already achieved will partly offset these lower yields. On the basis of our existing fuel hedges, Q4 oil prices at approx. \$130 per barrel, and average fares falling by 5% for the full year, we expect to record a full year result of between breakeven and a loss of €60m.

The capacity reductions which will ensue from this winter's wave of airline bankruptcies and consolidations will create more opportunities for Ryanair to grow. When oil prices fall significantly (as we believe they will over the medium term) then our earnings should rebound strongly. We have one of the strongest Balance Sheets in the industry and the business continues to be strongly cash generative with over €2.2bn in cash.

With the

lowest fares and lowest cost base in the industry Ryanair is the best positioned airline in Europe to take advantage of the opportunities that these very difficult trading conditions will create.

**Note 1.**

Q  
quarter end June 2008, excludes exceptional costs of i) Accelerated Depreciation of €17.  
9  
m on 15 aircraft to be disposed in 2009/10 and, ii) a €93.6m write down of our stake in Aer Lingus.  
Ends.

Monday, 28  
th  
July 2008

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**Certain of the information included in this release is forward looking and is subject to important risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. It is not reasonably possible to itemise all of the many factors and specific events that could affect the outlook and results of an airline operating in the European economy. Among the factors that are subject to change and could significantly impact Ryanair's expected results are the airline pricing environment, fuel costs, competition from new and existing carriers, market prices for the replacement aircraft, costs associated with environmental, safety and security measures, actions of the Irish, U.K., European Union ("EU") and other governments and their respective regulatory agencies, fluctuations in currency exchange rates and interest rates, airport access and charges, labour relations, the economic environment of the airline industry, the general economic environment in Ireland, the UK and Continental Europe, the general willingness of passengers to travel and other economics, social and political factors.**

**Ryanair is  
Europe**

's largest low fares airline with 28 bases and 729 low fare routes across 26 countries. By the end of March 2009 Ryanair will operate a fleet of 195 new Boeing 737-800 aircraft with firm orders for a further 70 new aircraft (all net of planned disposals), which will be delivered over the next 4 years. Ryanair currently employs a team of 6,000 people and expects to carry approximately 58 million scheduled passengers in the current fiscal year.

**Ryanair Holdings  
plc and  
Subsidiaries  
Condensed  
Consolidated  
Interim Balance  
Sheet measured in  
accordance with  
IFRS (unaudited)  
as at  
June 30, 2008**

	<b>At Jun 30, 2008 €'000</b>	<b>At Mar 31, 2008 €'000</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Property, plant and equipment	<b>3,551,294</b>	3,582,126
Intangible assets	<b>46,841</b>	46,841
Available for sale financial assets	<b>218,023</b>	311,462
<b>Total non-current assets</b>	<b>3,816,158</b>	3,940,429
<b>Current assets</b>		
Inventories	<b>1</b>	1,997
Other assets	<b>124,448</b>	169,580
Current	<b>1,069</b>	1,585

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tax		
Trade receivables	<b>46,580</b>	34,178
Derivative financial instruments	<b>6,034</b>	10,228
Restricted cash	<b>303,572</b>	292,431
Financial assets: cash > 3months	<b>312</b>	406,274
	<b>016</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>1,634</b>	1,470,849
	<b>61</b>	
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>2,430,066</b>	2,387,122
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>6,246,224</b>	6,327,551
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Trade payables	<b>1</b>	129,289
	<b>62,079</b>	
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	<b>9</b>	919,349
	<b>68</b>	
	<b>864</b>	
Current maturities of debt	<b>3</b>	366,801
	<b>29,214</b>	
Derivative financial instruments	<b>1</b>	141,711
	<b>23,032</b>	
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,583,189</b>	1,557,150
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>		
Provisions	<b>4</b>	42,790
	<b>7,425</b>	
Derivative financial instruments	<b>48,990</b>	75,685
Deferred income tax	<b>153,098</b>	148,088
Other creditors	<b>111,159</b>	101,950
Non-current maturities of debt	<b>1,887,825</b>	1,899,694
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>	<b>2,248,497</b>	2,268,207
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>		
Issued share capital	<b>9,390</b>	9,465
	<b>5</b>	592,761

Share premium account	88	
	,	
	285	
Capital redemption reserve	2	23,432
	8	
	,	
	102	
Retained earnings	1,876,900	2,000,422
Other reserves	(	(123,886)
	88	
	,	
	1	
	3	
	9	
	)	
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>	<b>2,414,538</b>	2,502,194
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>	<b>6</b>	6,327,551
	,	
	246,224	

## Ryanair Holdings plc and Subsidiaries

### *Condensed Consolidated*

*Interim Income Statement measured in accordance with IFRS  
(unaudited) for  
the quarter ended June 30, 2008*

	Pre	Total	
	Exceptional	Exceptional	Period
	Results	Items	Ended
	Jun-30	Jun-30	Jun-30
			Ended
			Jun
			-

	2008	2008	2008	30
	<u>€'000</u>	<u>€'000</u>	<u>€'000</u>	<u>€'000</u>
<b>Operating revenues</b>				
Scheduled revenues	6	-	6	575,948
	<b>30</b>		<b>30</b>	
	,		,	
	<b>111</b>		<b>111</b>	
Ancillary revenues	146,768	-	146	117,058
			,	
			<b>768</b>	
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	77	-	776,879	693,006
<b>-continuing operations</b>	<b>6</b>			
	,			
	<b>879</b>			
<b>Operating expenses</b>				
Staff costs	80,457	-	80,457	75,927
Depreciation	47,173		6	34,778
		17	5,031	
		,		
		<b>858</b>		
Fuel & oil	366,550	-	366,550	190,389
Maintenance, materials & repairs	14,307	-	14,307	12,630
Marketing & distribution costs	2,958	-	2,958	8,314
Aircraft rentals	19,088	-	19,088	18,182
Route charges	74,155	-	74,155	63,173
Airport & handling charges	113,823	-	113,823	101,807
Other	32,660	-	32,660	30,344
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	751,	17	7	535,544
	<b>171</b>		<b>6</b>	
		85	9	
		8	,	
			<b>029</b>	
<b>Operating profit - continuing operations</b>	<b>2</b>	(	7,850	157,462
	<b>5</b>		<b>1</b>	
	,		7	
	<b>70</b>		,	
	<b>8</b>	85		
		8		
		)		
<b>Other</b>				
<b>f</b>				
<b>inance income/</b>				
(				
<b>expenses</b>				
)				
Finance income	22,732	-	22,732	20,056
Finance expense	(	-	(30,037)	(22,924)
	<b>30,037</b>			
	)			



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Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	2,478	-	2,478	1,366
Loss on impairment of available for sale financial asset	-	(93,582)	-	-
Gain on disposal of property, plant & equipment	99	-	99	-
<b>Total other income/(expenses)</b>	(4,728)	(3,582)	(8,310)	(1,502)
<b>(Loss)/ profit before tax</b>	20,980	(11,440)	9,540	155,960
Tax on (loss)/ profit on ordinary activities	-	-	-	(17,046)
<b>(Loss)/ profit for the period- all attributable to equity holders of parent</b>	20,980	(11,440)	9,540	138,914
Basic (loss)/ earnings per ordinary share euro cent			(6.08)	8.98
Diluted (loss)/ earnings per ordinary share euro cent			(6.08)	8.88
*Basic adjusted earnings per ordinary share euro cent			1.40	8.98
*Diluted adjusted earnings per ordinary share euro cent			1.40	8.88
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (in 000's)			1,488	1,547

	470	,099
Weighted average number of diluted shares (in 000's)	1,	1,5
	4	64
	<b>88,470</b>	,
		182

\*

Calculated on profit for the year before exceptional items

## Ryanair Holdings plc and Subsidiaries

### *Condensed Consolidated Interim*

#### *Cashflow Statement measured in accordance with IFRS (unaudited) for the quarter ended June 30, 2008*

	<b>Period Ended Jun 3 0 , 200 8 €'000</b>	Period E nded Jun 30 , 200 7 €'000
<b>Operating activities</b>		
(Loss)/	(9	155
p	0	,
profit before tax	,	960
	<b>460</b>	
	)	
 <i>Adjustments to reconcile (losses)/ profits before tax to net cash provided by operating activities</i>		
Depreciation	6	34,778
	5	
	,	
	<b>031</b>	
D	111	160
crease in inventories		
(Increase) in trade receivables	(	(1,923)

	12	
	,	
	402	
	)	
Decrease	47	10,313
in other current assets	,	
	883	
Increase	3	(6,057)
/(decrease)	2	
in trade payables	,790	
Increase	43,817	36,260
in accrued expenses		
Increase in other creditors	9,209	13,062
Increase in maintenance provisions	4	2,295
	,	
	635	
(Gain)	(99)	-
on disposal of property, plant and equipment	)	
Loss on impairment of available for sale financial asset	9	-
	3	
	,	
	439	
(Increase) in interest receivable	(	(7,096)
	2,751	
	)	
Increase in interest payable	1	2,
	,	468
	996	
Retirement costs	108	147
Share based payments	678	8,076
Income tax refunded/ (paid)	51	(186)
	6	)
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>194,</b>	<b>248,257</b>
	<b>501</b>	
<b>Investing activities</b>		
Capital expenditure (purchase of property, plant and equipment)	(	(
	110	96,622
	,	)
	401	
	)	
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	78	-
	,	
	794	
Net (	(	(
	11	68

i		
investment) in restricted cash	141	284
	)	)
Net r	94	(
eduction/(investment) in financial assets: cash > 3months	, 24,410	
	258	)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>(</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	,	8
	<b>510</b>	9
		,
		316
		)
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Shares purchased under share buy back programme	(33,062	(40,053)
	)	
Net proceeds from shares issued	119	2,988
Net	(49,456)	(23,231)
(de		
crease		
)		
in long term borrowings		
<b>Net cash provided by</b>	<b>(82,399)</b>	<b>(60,296)</b>
<b>/(used in)</b>		
<b>financing activities</b>		
<b>Increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>(</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>1,355</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>)</b>
	<b>,6</b>	
	<b>12</b>	
Cash and cash equiva	1,470,849	1,
lents at beginning of the year		346
		,
		419
<b>Cash and cash</b>	<b>1,</b>	<b>1,</b>
<b>equivalents at end of the year</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>34</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
	,	,
	<b>461</b>	<b>064</b>

Ryanair Holdings plc and Subsidiaries

*Condensed Consolidated*

*Interim*

*Statement of Recognised Income and  
Expense measured in accordance with  
IFRS (unaudited)  
for the quarter ended June 30, 2008*

	<b>Period Ended Jun 30 2008 €'000</b>	Period Ended Jun 30 2007 €'000
<b>Cash flow hedge reserve - effective portion of fair value changes to derivatives:</b>		
Net movements into cash flow hedge reserve	<b>35,069</b>	25,463
Net (decrease) in available for sale financial asset	-	(41, 0 4 3)
Income and expenditure recognised dire ctly in equity	<b>35,069</b>	(15, 5 8 0)
( Loss ) / profit for the year	<b>(9, 0, 460 )</b>	138, 914
<b>Total recognised income and expense</b>	<b>(55,391)</b>	123, 33 4

**Ryanair Holdings plc and Subsidiaries  
Operating and Financial Overview**

**Introduction**

For the purposes of the  
Management Discussion and Analysis ("  
MD&A

")

all figures and comments are by reference to the adjusted income statement excluding the exceptional items referred to below.

Exceptional items in the  
period  
ended  
June 30  
, 2008  
amounted to  
€

111.4m consisting of the impairment of the Aer Lingus shareholding of €93.6m and an accelerated depreciation charge of € 17.9m on aircraft to be disposed in 2009/10.

A  
adjusted profit  
excluding exceptional items  
decreased by 85% to €21.0m. Including exceptional items the loss in the period amounted to  
€90.5m compared to a profit of €138.9m in the quarter ended June 30, 2007.

### **Summary**

#### **Quarter ended June 30, 2008**

##### **Profit after tax**

decreased by 85% to € 21.0m compared to € 138.9 in the quarter ended June 30, 2007 primarily due to a 93% increase in fuel costs.

##### **Total operating revenues**

increased by

12

% to

€

776.9m, slower

than the

19 % growth in passenger volumes, as average fares

decreased by 8 % , due to the absence of Easter

and lower baggage penetration rates.

Ancillary revenues grew by

25% to €

146.8m during the quarter .

##### **Total revenue per passenger**

as a result

decreased by

6 %, whilst

##### **Load Factor**

decreased

by

1 % during the  
quarter  
to 81%

.

**Total operating expenses**

increased by

40

% to

€ 7 51.2 m , primarily due to the increase in fuel prices ,

the

higher

level of activity, and increased costs, associated with the growth of the airline.

Fuel, which represents

4 9 % of total operating costs compared to 3 5 % in the quarter ended June 30, 2007 , increased by

93 % to € 366.6 m

due to the

increase

in the price per gallon

and

an increase

in the number of hours flown,

offset by a positive movement in the US dollar exchange rate versus the euro

.

**Unit costs**

**excluding**

fuel fell by 6%

.

Including fuel they rose by 18%.

**Operating margins**

fell

by

19

points

to

3 %

whilst

**operating profit**

decreased by

84 % to €

25.7m

.

**Net  
margins**

decreased  
to 3 %  
from 20% at June 30, 2007

for the reasons outlined above.

**Earnings per share**

decreased  
to

1.40  
cent for the

quarter compared  
8.98 cent in  
the quarter ended June 30, 2007.

**Balance  
sheet**  
The  
Group's  
**balance sheet**

reflects the cash generative strength of the business.

The  
Group  
generated cash from operating activities of €  
194.5 m and a further €78.8m from the sale of Boeing 737-800 aircraft  
which part funded

a  
€  
33.1m share buy back programme  
and  
capital expenditure incurred during the  
period  
with the  
remaining  
balance reflected in

**Total  
c  
ash**

of €2,  
250.0m  
. Capital expenditure amounted to €



110.4m

which largely consisted of

a

advance aircraft payments for future aircraft deliveries

and

the delivery of

three

aircraft.

**Long term debt**

, net of repayments,

de

creased by

€

49

.

5

m

during the

quarter

.

**Detailed Discussion and Analysis**

**Quarter**

**ended June 30, 2008**

**Adjusted profit after tax**, decreased by 85% to €21.0m primarily due to a 93% increase in fuel costs.

Total operating revenues grew by 12% due to a

19

% increase in passenger numbers

compared to the quarter ended June

30, 2007

,

a

n

8

% decrease in fares

due to the absence of Easter

, lower baggage penetration rates

and strong growth in ancillary revenues.

The growth in revenues was offset primarily by the increase in fuel prices which rose by 93% to €366.6m, increases in

route charges and airport costs.

**Operating margins**

, as a result, fell by 19 points to 3 %, whilst

**operating profit**

decreased

by 84 % to € 25.7 m .

**Total operating revenues**

increased by 12 % to € 77 6 . 9 m

whilst passenger volumes increased by 19 % to 15.0 m.

**Total revenue per passenger**

decreased by 6 % due to the

fall  
in average fare  
s  
of 8%

**Scheduled passenger revenues**

increased by  
9  
% to €  
6  
30  
.  
1  
m reflecting  
a  
19  
% increase in traffic  
due to increased passenger numbers on existing routes and the successful launch of new routes and bases  
, offset by an 8% decrease in average fares  
due to the absence of Easter  
and lower baggage penetration rates  
.

**Load factor**

decreased by 1  
%  
compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2007.

**Ancillary revenues**

continue to outpace the growth of passenger volumes and rose by  
25  
% to €  
146.8  
m in the  
quarter  
. This performance reflects the growth in  
onboard sale  
s  
, non-flight scheduled revenues, and other ancillary products.

**Total operating expenses**

rose by  
4  
0  
% to €  
751.  
2

m

primarily

due to the

93%

increase

in fuel prices, the

higher

level of activity, and the increased costs associated with the growth of the

airline

.

### **Total operating expenses**

were also adversely impacted by a

2

% increase in average sector length.

### **Staff costs**

have increased by

6

% to €

80

.

5

m

.

Excluding the charge of €7.0m for a one off share option grant in the quarter ended June 30, 2007 staff costs

i

ncreased by 11

%

.

This primarily reflects a

3

3

% increase in average employee numbers to

6,280. Cabin crew, who earn lower than the average salary accounted for

the vast majority

of the increase.

### **Depreciation and amortisation**

in

creased by

36

% to €

47

.

2

m

. This reflects  
, net of disposals,

an additional

39

lower cost 'owned' aircraft in the fleet this  
quarter compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2007

offset

by

the positive impact on amortisation of the stronger euro versus the US dollar.

### **Fuel costs**

rose by

93

% to €

366

.

6

m

due to

the increase in fuel

costs

and

a 2

2

% increase in the number of hours flown

.

### **Maintenance costs**

increased by

13

% to €

14.3

m

primarily

due to a combination of the

growth

in the number of leased aircraft from

3

5

to 3

9

and

the increased level of activity, offset by

the positive impact of

a stronger

euro versus US dollar exchange rate.

**Marketing and distribution costs**

de  
creased by  
64  
% to €  
3  
.  
0  
m

due to the  
tight control on expend  
i  
ture and the increased focus on internet based promotions.

**Aircraft rental costs**

increased by  
5  
% to €  
19.1  
m

as the number of leased aircraft increased by  
4  
to 3  
9

during the  
quarter.

**Route charges**

rose by  
17  
% to €  
74  
.  
2  
m

due to an increase in the number of sectors flown and a

2  
%  
increase in the average sector length.

**Airport and handling charges**

increased by  
12  
% to €  
113.8

m  
due to the 19% increase in passenger volumes  
,  
offset by lower costs at new airports and bases

launched and savings  
achieved  
on handling costs.

**Other expenses**

increased by

8

% to €

32.7

m

, which is lower than the growth in ancillary  
revenues

,  
due to improved margins on some existing products and cost reductions on some indirect costs.

**O**

**perating margins**

have declined by

19

point

s

to

3

% due to the reasons outlined above

and

operating profits have

de

creased by

84

% to €

25.7m

compared to the

quarter ended June 30, 2007

.

**Interest receivable**

has increased by

13

% to €

22.7

m

for the

quarter

primarily due to the increase in average deposit rates earned in the period

**Interest payable**

increased by

31

% to €

30

.

0

m

due to the drawdown of debt to part finance the purchase of new aircraft and the adverse impact of higher interest rates.

**Foreign exchange**

**gains**

during the

quarter

of €

2.5

m

arose on the retranslation of foreign currency deposits.

**Exceptional items**

:

**Accelerated depreciation**

of €

17.

9

m

arose on

aircraft to be disposed in 2009/10.

**Impairment**

**charge:**

During the

quarter

the

Group

recognised an impairment charge of €93.6m on its Aer Lingus shareholding reflecting the decline in the Aer Lingus share price from €2.00

per share

at March 31, 2008

to €1.40 per share

at June 30, 2008.

**Balance**



**sheet**

The  
Group's

**balance**

**sheet** reflects the cash generative strength of the business.

The  
Group  
generated cash from operating activities of €  
194.

5  
m  
and  
a further  
€  
78

.  
8  
m from the sale of Boeing 737-800 aircraft  
which part funded

a  
€  
33.1  
m share buy back programme  
and  
capital expenditure incurred during the  
period  
with the  
remaining  
balance reflected in

**Total**

**c**  
**ash**

of €2,  
250.0  
m  
. Capital expenditure amounted to €  
110.4

m  
which largely consisted of  
a  
dvance aircraft payments for future aircraft deliveries  
and  
the delivery of  
three  
aircraft.

**Long term debt**

, net of repayments,  
de  
creased by  
€

49

.

5

m

during the  
quarter

.

### Shareholders' Equity

at

March

31, 200

8

de

creased by €

8

7.7m

to €2,414.5m, compared to March 30, 2008

due to the €

9

0

.

2

m

de

crease in

profitability during the quarter

, offset by the impact of IFRS accounting treatment for derivative financial assets,

pensions,

stock option

grants

and

a share buy back.

(

See

detail

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in note 1

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**Statement of the directors in respect of the  
three  
month  
financial report**

We confirm our responsibility for the  
three  
month  
financial statements

and that to the best of our knowledge:

\* the condensed set of financial statements comprising the condensed income statement, the condensed statement of recognised income and expense, the condensed balance sheet and the related notes have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting;

\* the interim management report includes a fair review of the

information required by:

(a) Regulation 8(2) of the Transparency (Directive 2004/109/EC)

Regulations 2007, being an indication

of important events that have occurred during the first

three  
months of the financial year and their impact on the condensed set of financial statements; and a description of the principal risks and uncertainties for the remaining  
nine  
months of the year; and

(b) Regulation 8(3) of the Transparency (Directive 2004/109/EC) Regulations 2007, being related party transactions that have taken place in the first

three  
months of the current financial year and that have materially affected the financial position or performance of the entity during that period; and any changes in the related party transactions described in the last annual report that could do so.

The Group's auditors have not reviewed these condensed financial statements.

On behalf of the Board

David Bonderman  
Michael O'Leary  
Chairman

Chief Executive  
July 28, 2008

## Ryanair Holdings plc and Subsidiaries

### Notes

#### 1. Reporting entity

Ryanair Holdings plc (the "Company") is a company domiciled in Ireland

. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Company for the quarter ended

June

3

0

, 200

8

comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the "Group").

The consolidated financial statements of the Group as at and for the year

ended

March 31

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are available at

[www.ryanair.com](http://www.ryanair.com)

#### 2. Statement of compliance

These

unaudited

condensed consolidated interim financial statements

("the interim financial statements")  
have been prepared in accordance with International  
Accounting  
Standard  
No. 34  
(  
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AS 34"  
)  
"  
Interim Financial Reporting  
"

. They do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the most recent published consolidated financial statements of the Group.

The comparative figures included for the year ended March 31, 2008 do not constitute statutory financial statements of the Group within the meaning of regulation 40 of the European Communities (companies, group accounts) regulations, 1992. Statutory financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2008 are being filed with the companies' office. The auditors' report on these financial statements was unqualified.

The Audit Committee  
, upon delegation of authority by the Board of Directors,  
approved the  
interim  
financial statements for the  
three months  
ended  
June 30, 2008  
on  
July 25  
, 200  
8  
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### **3. Significant accounting policies**

Except as stated otherwise below, this  
quarter's  
financial information has been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in  
the Group's  
most recent published consolidated financial statements, which were prepared in accordance with International  
Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS")  
as adopted by the European Union and in compliance with IFRS's as issued by the International Accounting  
Standards Board.

### **4. Generally Accepted Accounting Policies**

The Management Discussion and Analysis of Results  
(Operating and Financial Overview)  
for the  
quarter

ended

June

30, 2008 and the comparative year are based on the adjusted results reported under the Group's IFRS accounting policies.

## 5. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Except as described below, in preparing these consolidated financial statements, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied in the most recent published consolidated financial statements.

In

the

year

ended

March

31, 200

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management reassessed its estimates of the recoverable amount of aircraft residual values following certain recent and forward

aircraft disposals

and

aircraft pricing

trends in the market

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## 6. Seasonality of operations

The

Group's

results of operations have varied significantly from quarter to quarter, and management expects these variations to continue. Among the factors causing these variations are the airline industry's sensitivity to general economic conditions and the seasonal nature of air travel. Accordingly the first half-year typically results in higher revenues and results.

## 7. Income tax expense

The Group's consolidated effective tax rate in respect of operations for the quarter

ended

June

30, 2008

was 0% due to the loss in the quarter

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## 8. Capital and reserves

*Share buy back programme.*

Pursuant to the share buy-back program

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announced in February 2008, from April 1, 2008 to date

, the Company has repurchased and cancelled

11.9 million shares at a total cost of €33 million. This is equivalent to 0.8% of the issued share capital of the Company at June 30, 2008.

## 9. Share based payments

The terms and conditions of the share option programme are disclosed in the most recent published consolidated financial statements.

The

charge to the income statement in the period

of approximately

€  
0

.  
7

m

illion

is related to the fair value of

various

share option

s

grant

ed in prior periods, which are being recognised within the income statement in accordance with employee services rendered.

## 10. Contingencies

The Group is engaged in litigation arising in the ordinary course of its business.

The Group

does not believe that any such litigation will individually or in aggregate have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Group. Should the Group be unsuccessful in these litigation actions, management believes the possible liabilities then arising cannot be determined but are not expected to materially adversely affect the Group's results of operations or financial position.

## 11. Capital commitments

During the quarter ended

June

30,

2008, the

Group

exercised three options under the 2005 contract with Boeing whereby it will increase its "firm" aircraft deliveries by this amount during the 2011 fiscal year.

This brings Ryanair's total firm orders for Boeing 737-800 aircraft to 135 and the total fleet size (net of planned disposals) to

265

by 2013.

## 12. Available for sale financial assets (Aer Lingus)

In the quarter ended June 30, 2008, the Group recognised an impairment charge of €93.6 million on its shareholding in Aer Lingus reflecting a further decline in the Aer Lingus share price from €2.00 per share at March 31, 2008 to €1.40 at June 30, 2008.

## 13. Loans and borrowings

The following is the movement in loans and borrowings (non-current and current) during the quarter:

	<b>€'000</b>
Balance at April 1, 2008	2,266,496
Loans raised to finance aircraft/simulator purchases	48,621
Repayments of debt borrowed	(98,078)
<b>Balance at June 30, 2008</b>	<b>2,117,039</b>

## 14. Changes in shareholders' equity

	Share Ordinary shares	premium account	Retained earnings	redemption Shares	Other Reserves Capital Other R eserves	Total
	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
<b>Balance at March 31, 2007</b>	9,822	607	1,905	-	17,307	2,539
Issue of ordinary equity shares	21	8	-	-	-	29
Repurchase of ordinary equity shares	-	-	(299,994)	-	-	(299,994)
Capital redemption reserve fund	(378)	(23,054)	-	23,432	-	(20,000)
		382				382



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Effective portion of changes in fair value of cash flow hedges					(129,960)	(129,960)
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges transferred to the profit and loss					26,768	26,768
Net movement	-	-	-	-	(103	(103
					,	,
out of cash flow reserve					192)	192)
Share based payments	-	-	-	-		
					10	10
					,	,
					9	9
					2	25
					5	
Retirement benefits	-	-	4,497	-	-	4
						,
						497
Subtotal	(378)	(23,054)	(295,497)	23,432	(141,193)	(436,690)
Profit for the financial year	-	-		-	-	
			390			390
			,			,
			708			708
<b>Balance at March 31, 2008</b>	9,465		2,000		(123,886)	2,5
		592	,	23,432		02
		,	422			,
		761				194
Issue of ordinary equity shares	-	119	-	-	-	119
Repurchase of ordinary equity shares	-			-	-	(
		-(33,062)				33
						,
						062
						)
Capital redemption reserve fund	(	(	-		-	-
	75	4		4		
	)	,		,		
		595		670		
		)				
Net movement	-	-	-	-	35	35
into cash flow reserve					,	,
					069	0
						6
						9
Share-based payments	-	-	-	-	678	
						678
Subtotal	(75)	(4,595)	(33,062)	4,670	35,747	2,685
Loss	-	-		-	-	
for the period			(9			(90,
						33

				0,		460
				460		)
				)		
<b>Balance at June 30, 2008</b>	<b>9,390</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>1,876</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>(88)</b>	<b>2,414</b>
		<b>285</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>538</b>
					<b>)</b>	

### 15. Analysis of operating revenues and segmental analysis

All revenues derive from the Group's principal activity and business segment as a low fares airline and includes scheduled services, car hire, internet income and related sales to third parties.

Revenue is analysed by geographical area (by country of origin) as follows:

	Quarter ended Jun 30	Quarter ended Jun 30
	E	E
	nded	nded
	Jun 30	Jun 30
	,	,
	200	200
	8	7
	€'000	€'000
United Kingdom	261,163	275
		,
		538
Other European countries	515,716	417,468
Total operating revenues	776,879	693,006

All of the Group's operating profit arises from low fares airline-related activities, its only business segment. The major revenue earning assets of the Group are comprised of its aircraft fleet, which is registered in Ireland and therefore principally all profits accrue in Ireland . Since the Group's aircraft fleet is flexibly employed across its route network in Europe , there is no suitable basis of allocating such assets and related liabilities to geographical segments.

**16.**

**Earnings per share**

For the quarter ended June 30, 2008, there was no difference in the weighted average number of ordinary shares used for basic and diluted net loss per ordinary share, as the effect of all potentially dilutive ordinary shares outstanding was anti-dilutive.

**17.**

**Property, plant and equipment**

*Acquisitions and disposals*

During the quarter

ended

June 30, 2008, the Group acquired assets with a cost of € 110

.

4

million

(quarter

ended

June

30, 2007: €96.6 million).

There were

four

Boeing 737-800 aircraft

disposed of during the

quarter

, the sale proceeds of which amounted to €

78.8m.

Deposits have been received in relation to

future aircraft disposals.

**18.**

**Post balance sheet events**

In July 2008, the  
Group  
acquired a further  
3.5

million  
shares  
in Aer Lingus plc at a cost of €4.2

million  
, bringing Ryanair's total holding in Aer Lingus to 29.8%.

**19.**  
**US**  
**GAAP Reconciliation**

Following on from the issuance by the SEC of  
R

ule 3235 "Acceptance from Foreign Private Issuers of Financial Statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards without reconciliation to US GAAP", the Group has chosen to exclude a US GAAP Reconciliation from these interim financial statements.

**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: 28 July 2008

By: \_\_\_/s/ James Callaghan\_\_\_

James Callaghan  
Company Secretary & Finance Director