

# Cheap Flights Engine Skyscanner Traffic Spikes 283% As Flyglobespan Collapses



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Passengers scramble to find replacement flights on Skyscanner

Travel search site Skyscanner has already reported an 283% rise on searches for [cheap flights](#) on Flyglobespan routes and expects to see traffic increase further as news of the airline's collapse spreads and affected travellers scramble to find replacement flights.

Flyglobespan went into administration last night (16th December 2009), cancelling all flights.

"It's terrible news for the 3,400 stranded passengers, for the 90,000 people who have paid for flights with the airline and for Flyglobespan employees" said Barry Smith, Skyscanner co-founder and Business Director.

"It's been a disastrous week for the airline industry what with the BA Xmas strike announcement, which saw a peak in searches for [flights to New York](#) and now this. Skyscanner is assisting affected passengers by helping them to find replacement flights."

"Searches on Flyglobespan routes have already gone through the roof and will continue to rise over the next few days. We saw a 269% rise on user traffic for XL Airline routes following its collapse in September 2008; the spike on Flyglobespan routes has already overtaken this."

According to a statement on Flyglobespan's website, customers who have booked a flight through Globespan Airways Limited operating as Flyglobespan are unlikely to be covered by the ATOL scheme.

Customers who have paid by credit card or Visa debit card should contact their card issuer in the first instance to determine whether they can claim a refund.

Skyscanner has set up a dedicated help page offering links to alternative flights on all Flyglobespan routes.

**About**

Skyscanner is a leading travel search site based in Edinburgh, Scotland. Skyscanner provides instant online comparison on flight prices, including [flights to London](#) for over 670,000 routes on over 600 airlines, as well as car hire, hotel and holiday price comparison. With Skyscanner, users can browse without having to enter specific dates or even destinations, and Skyscanner is available in 20 different languages including French, German and Spanish.

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