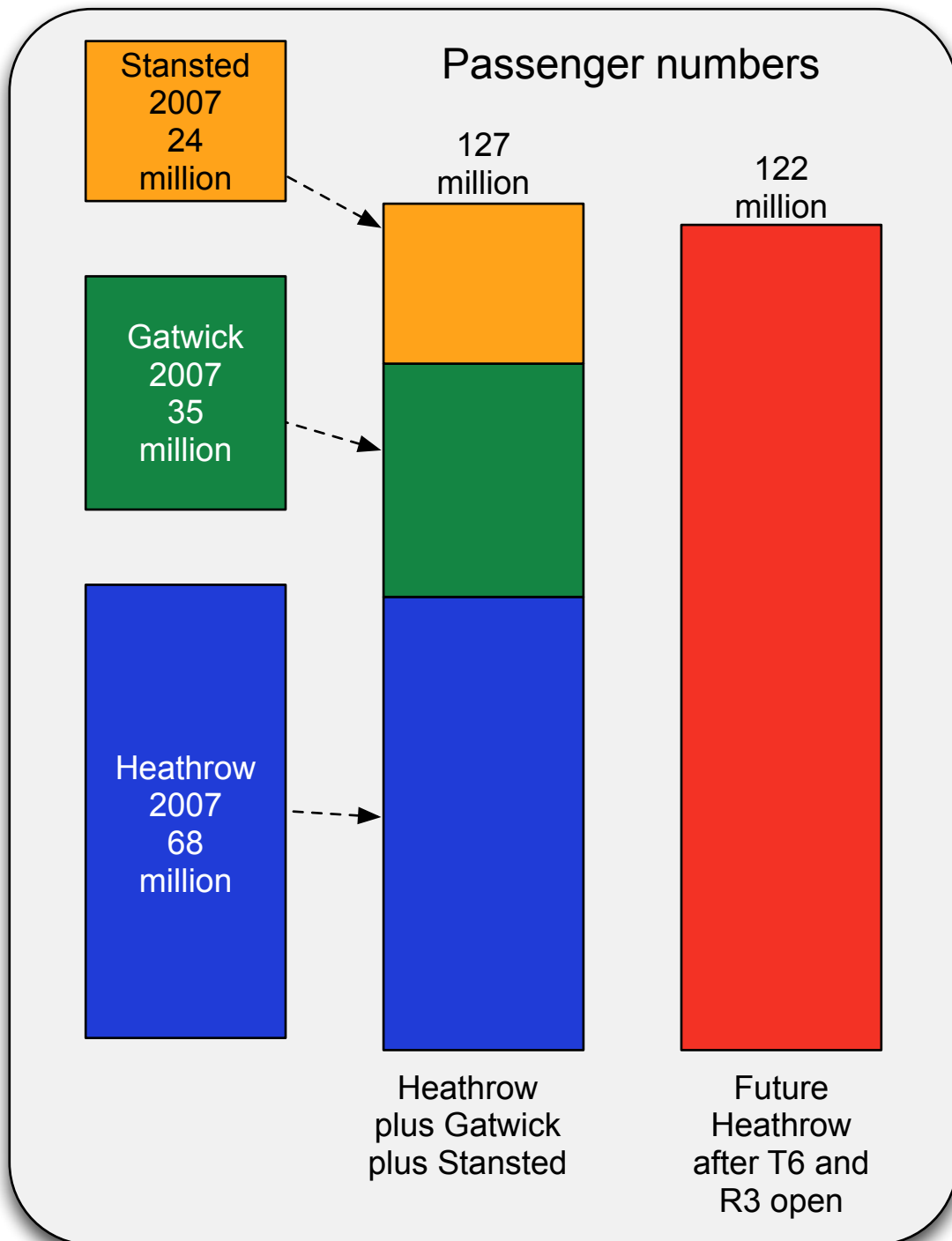


Adding capacity at Heathrow airport

Heathrow expansion is equivalent to adding all passengers from London Gatwick and London Stansted airports to London Heathrow airport now.



The number of passengers using Heathrow is set to increase from the current 67.8 million in 2007. This rises to 95 million a year after T5 opens next month. Should T6 be approved, that will bring a grand total, according to DfT, of 122 million passengers a year—almost double today's number.

Using figures released by BAA for passenger numbers at three of its airports in 2007, the increase in passenger numbers planned for Heathrow is similar to adding the passenger capacity of two airports like Gatwick (35.2 million) and Stansted (23.8 million) to Heathrow (67.8 million).

Significant increases in traffic, noise, pollution, and emissions are inevitable, should proposals be accepted and approved for *Adding capacity at Heathrow airport*.