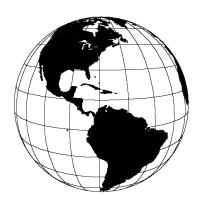




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### **INTRODUCTION**

The Air Travel Consumer Report is a monthly product of the Department of Transportation's Office of Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings. The report is designed to assist consumers with information on the quality of services provided by the airlines.

The report is divided into four sections. These sections deal with flight delays, mishandled baggage, oversales and consumer complaints. Each section of the report is preceded by a brief explanation of how to read and understand the information provided.

The report normally is released by the end of the first week of each month. The report is available via the Internet at <a href="http://www.dot.gov/airconsumer/">http://www.dot.gov/airconsumer/</a>.

#### NOTE TO CONSUMERS REGARDING FLIGHT DELAY DATA

Flight delays can be caused by a variety of factors, for example: severe weather, aircraft maintenance, runway closures, customer service issues, air traffic control system decisions and equipment failures. The data on which this report is based do not identify the cause, only the occurrence, of flight delays.





#### **FLIGHT DELAYS**

This section provides information about airline on-time performance and flight delays. It is based on data filed by airlines each month with the Department of Transportation as required by 14 CFR Part 234 of DOT's regulations. It covers nonstop scheduled-service flights between points within the United States (including territories) by the largest U.S. air carriers, i.e., those with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. These 10 airlines account for more than 90 percent of domestic operating revenues.

The rule requires carriers to currently report on operations to and from the 29 U.S. airports that account for at least one percent of the nation's total domestic scheduled-service passenger enplanements (see Appendix for a complete list of the reportable airports). However, all 10 airlines have voluntarily provided data for their entire domestic systems, and that information is included in this report.

A flight is counted as "on time" if it operated less than 15 minutes after the scheduled time shown in the carriers' Computerized Reservations Systems. All tables in this report except Table 4 are based on gate arrival times; Table 4 is based on gate departure times. Cancelled and diverted operations are counted as late.

In fulfilling DOT's data reporting requirements, the reporting air carriers use automated and/or manual systems for collecting flight data. Those using an automated system rely on the Aircraft Communication Addressing and Reporting System (ACARS). Based on the latest information available to DOT, of the 10 reporting air carriers, 4 (American, Northwest, United and US Airways) use ACARS exclusively; 3 (Alaska, America West and Southwest) rely solely on their pilots, gate agents and/or ground crews to record arrival times manually; and 3 (Continental, Delta and TWA) use a combination of ACARS and manual reporting systems.

As indicated above, a carrier may voluntarily file data for its entire domestic system. Tables 2, 3, and 4 are limited to the 29 required or "reportable" airports; Tables 5, 6 and 7 contain data on flights to/from all airports that were reported. Table 1 has one column for the 29 "reportable" airports and another for all of the airports reported; see footnote C for additional explanation.

Tables 1 through 4 display percentages of flight operations that were on time, while Tables 5 and 6 show service that was late. Tables 1, 1A, and 2 present data by carrier; airlines are ranked by performance in Table 1 and are listed in alphabetical order by carrier code in Table 2 (see Appendix for codes). Beginning with the February 1988 report, Table 1A shows carrier rankings by month and time-series data on the percentage of flight operations that arrived on time.

Tables 3 and 4 provide information by airport and time of day. Table 5 is a list of the most frequently delayed flights, showing the percentage of each flight's operations that were late that month and the average and median number of minutes the flight was late. The flights with the highest percentage of late operations are listed first in Table 5; where percentages are identical, flights are listed alphabetically by carrier code. Table 6, like Tables 1, 1A, and 2, presents data by carrier, but lists the carriers in rank order from worst to best based on the number of flights which were late 70% of the time or more. Table 7 lists more than 200 cities in alphabetical order with the corresponding on-time arrival and departure percentages.

Tables 3, 4, and 5 contain information on the time of day that a flight operated. All times are local. A 10:50 a.m. departure from Atlanta is 10:50 a.m. Atlanta time; if that flight arrived in Dallas at 11:45 a.m., that is 11:45 a.m. Dallas time. If a flight's scheduled operating time changed during the month, Table 5 shows the time that was in effect for the last flight operation performed that month.

This report provides summary information; except for the few flights listed in Table 5, it does not show the on-time record of individual flights. A printout showing the performance of each specific flight reported to DOT is available for inspection in the Reports Reference Room (room 4201) of the Office of Airline Information at DOT's headquarters in Washington, D.C. The on-time performance for individual markets and flights can be searched at <a href="http://www.bts.gov/ntda/oai/search.html">http://www.bts.gov/ntda/oai/search.html</a>. Computer tapes containing data for all reported flight operations are available for purchase from the Transportation Systems Center in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The Department cannot respond to inquiries about the performance of individual flights.

However, information on the performance of specific flights is displayed on the Computerized Reservations Systems used by most airlines and travel agencies. Each of the reporting carriers' flights has a one-digit code between 0 and 9 representing that flight's percentage of on-time operations for the latest reported month. For example, "8" means that flight arrived on time (within 15 minutes) between 80% and 89.9% of the time during the latest reported month.





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### TABLE 1. OVERALL PERCENTAGE OF REPORTED FLIGHT OPERATIONS ARRIVING ON TIME BY CARRIER

	AT 29 REPORTA	BLE AIRPORTS B/	AT ALL REPORTED AIRPORTS CA		
CARRIER A/	NUMBER OF AI RPORTS REPORTED	PERCENT OF ARRIVALS ON TIME D/	NUMBER OF AI RPORTS REPORTED	PERCENT OF ARRIVALS ON TIME D/	
TWA S/	29	89. 3	78	89. 5	
NORTHWEST S/	29	85. 0	114	85. 2	
SOUTHWEST S/	14	81. 8	56	83. 4	
AMERICAN S/	29	81. 1	92	81. 2	
CONTINENTAL S/	28	79. 7	76	80. 1	
UNITED S/	29	79. 1	101	79. 5	
DELTA S/	29	77. 7	114	78. 1	
ALASKA S/	7	77. 9	34	78. 0	
US AIRWAYS S/	25	75. 5	89	74. 9	
AMERICA WEST S/	26	66. 6	50	66. 8	
тотаь		79. 5		80. 1	

For simplicity, statistics are displayed to one decimal place. Actual ranking order is based on our computer carrying out the number of decimal places to nine.

#### NOTE TO CONSUMERS REGARDING FLIGHT DELAY DATA

Flight delays can be caused by a variety of factors, for example: severe weather, aircraft maintenance, runway closures, customer service issues, air traffic control system decisions and equipment failures. The data on which this report is based do not identify the cause, only the occurrence, of flight delays.

<sup>\*</sup> U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. The list of carriers appearing on this page is consistent with those carriers that appear in the "Mishandled Baggage," "Oversales" and "Consumer Complaints" sections of the *Air Travel Consumer Report*.



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## TABLE 1A. OVERALL PERCENTAGE OF REPORTED FLIGHT OPERATIONS ARRIVING ON TIME AND CARRIER RANK, BY MONTH, QUARTER, AND DATABASE TO DATE

CARRI ER	4TH QUARTE 10-12 1998		2ND QUARTER 04-06 1999		08 1999	09 1999	10 1999	12 MONTHS ENDI NG 10 1999	DATA BASE TO DATE 09 1987 - 10 1999
	% RAN	% RANK	% RANK	% RANK	% RANK	% RANK	% RANK	% RANK	% RANK
ALASKA	67. 1 (10)	69.6 (9)	72. 5 (7)	72. 0 (8)	64.4 (9)	79.4 (5)	78. 0 (8)	70.5 (9)	77.4 (9)
AMERICA WEST	68. 1 (9)	74.1 (7)	72. 3 (8)	62.7 (10)	62.9 (10)	65.8 (10)	66.8 (10)	69.0 (10)	79.8 (3)
AMERI CAN	79.8 (6)	70.4 (8)	66.5 (10)	75. 6 (5)	78.4 (4)	77. 5 (7)	81. 2 (4)	73. 5 (7)	79.4 (4)
CONTI NENTAL	82. 1 (4)	78.3 (2)	74. 2 (5)	74. 0 (6)	75.6 (6)	78.8 (6)	80. 1 (5)	76. 8 (5)	78. 3 (6)
DELTA	82.6 (3)	77.0 (3)	76.9 (4)	77.6 (4)	78.0 (5)	80.9 (4)	78. 1 (7)	77.8 (4)	77. 5 (8)
NORTHWEST	83. 3 (2)	75. 2 (5)	79.3 (1)	80. 1 (3)	81.3 (3)	85.6 (2)	85. 2 (2)	79.5 (3)	79. 9 (2)
SOUTHWEST	79. 8 (5)	80. 2 (1)	78. 2 (2)	81.8 (2)	81.7 (2)	85.3 (3)	83.4 (3)	80. 2 (1)	83. 5 (1)
TWA	83. 7 (1)	75.8 (4)	77. 0 (3)	83. 5 (1)	84.9 (1)	89.4 (1)	89. 5 (1)	80. 2 (2)	77. 7 (7)
UNI TED	76. 7 (8)	74.6 (6)	71.3 (9)	72.4 (7)	71.8 (7)	76.0 (8)	79. 5 (6)	73.9 (6)	76.6 (10)
US AIRWAYS	76. 8 (7)	68. 5 (10)	72.8 (6)	67. 2 (9)	69.0 (8)	71.5 (9)	74. 9 (9)	70.6 (8)	78.6 (5)
TOTAL	79. 4	74. 8	74. 3	75. 5	76. 1	79. 3	80. 1	75. 8	78. 8



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TABLE 2. NUMBER OF REPORTED FLIGHT ARRIVALS AND PERCENTAGE ARRIVING ON TIME D/BY CARRIER AND AIRPORT (REPORTABLE AIRPORTS ONLY)

#### ARRIVAL AIRPORT

	ATL	BOS	BWI	CLT	CVG	DCA	DEN
CARRI ER	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TI ME	# OF % ON ARR. TI ME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME
AA	744 66. 3	1401 78. 6	248 84. 7	217 88. 5	93 88. 2	1051 84. 6	574 86. 4
AS CO	H/ 667 65. 5	H∕ 796 71.6	H/ 308 81.5	H/ 109 88. 1	H/ 26 88. 5	H/ 661 80. 8	H∕ 393 78. 1
DL	18807 68. 9	2232 73.1	401 74.6	279 74. 9	6108 87. 4	1377 79.5	618 82.8
HP	183 41.5	271 55.7	176 40.3	$\mathbf{H}/$	H/	<b>62 83</b> . 9	207 68. 1
NW	518 66. 2	574 73.9	351 82.3	201 84.1	26 84.6	591 <b>86</b> . 6	295 85.8
TW	207 75. 4	239 88. 7	185 93.5	119 88. 2	119 87.4	293 89. 4	181 89. 5
UA	656 73. <b>5</b>	1380 77.7	400 78.8	<b>155 75</b> . 5	176 83.0	518 80. 7	9192 85. 2
US	889 58.4	<b>2658 66.</b> 8	2441 73.9	9165 82. 2	Н/	<b>2592 78</b> . 6	216 65.3
WN	<b>H</b> /	Н/	2659 86. 2	<b>H</b> /	<b>H</b> /	Н/	Н/
<b>TOTAL</b>	22671 68. 2	9551 72.6	7169 79.6	10245 82.2	6548 87.3	7145 81. 2	11676 84.3

#### ARRIVAL AIRPORT

	DF	 <b>W</b>	DT	W	EV	VR	IA	 Н	JF	 K	LA	S	LA	X
CARRI ER	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TI ME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME
AA	14860	88. 4	461	81. 1	884	75. 7	580	78. 3	1020	79. 5	1044	68. 1	2904	74. 8
AS	Н		H		H		Н			[/	309	73. 5	764	77. 6
CO	659	81. 3	296	82. 4	6334	74. 0	8559	86. 6	H		455	78. 0	662	77. 6
DL	3800	87. 2	336	77. 7	1008	68. 8	372	76. 6	1006	82. 6	805	87. 5	1390	83. 6
HP	217	65. 4	155	54. 2	276	47. 5	157	<b>56</b> . 1	216	49. 5	2435	66. 2	792	<b>66</b> . 9
NW	465	83. 9	10203	88. 1	560	72. 7	336	86. 6	114	77. 2	342	85. 1	585	82. 1
TW	295	91. 9	243	85. 2	181	80. 1	119	90.8	985	<b>89.</b> 0	185	89. 7	303	81. 2
UA	692	<b>79.</b> 0	341	82. 7	978	74. 7	486	81. 1	562	80. 2	1235	80. 9	5601	<b>78</b> . 3
US	315	72. 4	430	77. 7	409	67. 2	326	<b>68</b> . 1	H	[/	134	<b>75. 4</b>	480	74. 2
WN	H	/	575	80. 0	H	[/	198	87. 4	H	[/	4453	81. 7	3557	<b>75.</b> 9
TOTAL	21303	87. 1	13040	86. 1	10630	72.8	11133	84. 7	3903	81. 1	11397	77. 2	17038	77. 1



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TABLE 2. NUMBER OF REPORTED FLIGHT ARRIVALS AND PERCENTAGE ARRIVING ON TIME D/BY CARRIER AND AIRPORT (REPORTABLE AIRPORTS ONLY)

#### ARRIVAL AIRPORT

	LGA	МСО	MI A	MSP	ORD	PDX	PHL
CARRI ER	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TI ME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TI ME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME	# OF % ON ARR. TIME
AA	1583 72.7	599 84.5	3114 74.7	548 84. 7	9239 78.5	362 68. 5	684 78.9
AS	H/	H/	H/	H/	H/	1504 88. 4	H/
CO	441 74. 4	556 79.3	365 76. 7	218 88. 1	587 79. 4	88 65. 9	284 86. 6
DL	2254 74.0	2917 77.7	465 70.8	371 80. 1	836 73.2	618 87.7	700 73.0
HP	30 90.0	65 30.8	<b>62</b> 33. 9	154 49. 4	216 46.3	184 63.0	154 44. 2
NW	<b>597 69</b> . <b>5</b>	496 74.4	295 76.9	9863 89. 1	788 82. 2	185 64. 9	475 81.1
TW	291 81.4	305 88. 2	<b>222</b> 86. 0	285 90.9	377 84. 9	149 87. 2	176 85. 2
UA	878 74.6	681 77.8	502 79.5	<b>687 76</b> . 1	13002 78.6	955 75.0	792 80. 2
US	2487 65. 4	1502 69. 4	511 69.3	243 79.4	647 75. 1	$\mathbf{H}/$	6565 74. <b>8</b>
WN	Н/	1095 82.5	Н/	Н/	<b>H</b> /	904 85.3	Н/
TOTAL	8561 71.3	8216 77.3	5536 74.5	12369 87.3	25692 78. 2	4949 81.5	9830 75.8

#### ARRIVAL AIRPORT

	PH	X	PI	T	SA	.N	SE	A	SF	0	SL	C	ST	L	TP	A
CARRI ER	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME												
AA	552	89. 3	93	90. 3	822	83. 7	725	70. 3	1339	79. 2	185	91. 9	362	79. 6	372	78. 0
AS	311	82. 0	Н		370	80. 5	3733	74. 0	581	74. 5	Н		Н		Н	
CO	305	71. 8	109	89. 9	274	82. 1	305	68. 5	507	76. 7	93	86. 0	140	83. 6		73. 3
DL	743	88. 4	279	77.4	495	88. 5	588	79. 3	773	82. 9	4728	90. 5	310	74. 5	998	74.6
HP	6549	74. 1	H	[/	295	57. 3	215	54. 4	334	<b>55. 4</b>	133	71.4	62	<b>58</b> . 1	61	<b>62</b> . 3
NW	311	76.8	171	89. 5	186	89. 2	550	61.3	462	77. 9	122	86. 1	341	83. 9	343	74. 3
TW	212	90.6	171	91. 2	155	92. 3	211	80. 1	216	82. 9	93	89. 2	10642	90. 7	217	92. 2
UA	977	80. 1	185	87. 6	928	83.4	1529	69. 7	7089	<b>75.</b> 6	449	86. 0	248	77. 0	363	79. 3
US	215	74. 9	7627	80. 9	155	77.4	186	53.8	368	72.6	Н	/	295	80.0	1163	63. 7
WN	5004	83. 9	H	[/	2333	82. 6	1109	78. 7	431	75. 9	1069	80. 8	2600	82. 8	1221	80. 9
TOTAL	15179	79. 4	8635	81.6	6013	82. 3	9151	72. 2	12100	<b>76.</b> 0	6872	88. 2	15000	87. 9	5165	74. 7



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TABLE 3. PERCENTAGE OF ALL CARRIERS' REPORTED FLIGHT OPERATIONS ARRIVING ON TIME D/BY AIRPORT AND TIME OF DAY (REPORTABLE AIRPORTS ONLY)

CCHEDIU ED						A	RRI VAL	AI RPORT								
SCHEDULED ARRIVAL TIME	ATL	BOS	BWI	CLT	CVG	DCA	DEN	DFW	DTW	EWR	I AH	JFK	LAS	LAX	LGA	MCO
600 - 659 AM 700 - 759 AM 800 - 859 AM	87. 3 85. 3 82. 7	76. 0 77. 0 85. 8	62. 8 91. 5 87. 6	83. 3 90. 5 88. 3	87. 8 92. 9 95. 3	J/ 89. 7 87. 2	100. 0 94. 2 90. 6	88. 2 97. 4 91. 3	87. 4 94. 2 93. 3	76. 6 76. 3 83. 5	94. 9 92. 3 87. 8	79. 9 86. 7 58. 9	97. 3 86. 7 88. 0	94. 6 90. 3 85. 5	85. 7 86. 0 84. 8	56. 7 88. 5 83. 7
900 - 959 AM 1000 - 1059 AM	67. 4 70. 9	80. 7 80. 8	90. 5 90. 4	84. 4 82. 9	85. 9 91. 8	86. 2 84. 8	91. 5 84. 5	88. 7 85. 8	88. 8 89. 2	88. 3 84. 2	90. 0 88. 8	80. 6 100. 0	89. 3 80. 3	84. 6 79. 2	79. 0 72. 4	84. 8 86. 1
1100 - 1159 AM 1200 - 1259 PM	67. 2 69. 9	76. 7 82. 5	86. 9 90. 0	86. 3 78. 2	88. 2 91. 9	86. 8 85. 1	83. 4 85. 5	86. 6 88. 5	87. 6 89. 5	85. 7 83. 4	85. 4 90. 6	88. 3 86. 7	82. 9 82. 5	72. 6 75. 6	73. 5 74. 8	79. 9 79. 2
100 - 159 PM 200 - 259 PM	70. 6 70. 3	79. 3 72. 7	80. 9 82. 9	84. 7 85. 0	86. 6 97. 2	82. 3 81. 9	82. 6 84. 1	87. 6 86. 3	90. 4 87. 6	76. 6 76. 4	84. 4 85. 9	87. 3 82. 9	77. 7 79. 2	72. 3 76. 4	71. 1 74. 5	76. 7 77. 1
300 - 359 PM 400 - 459 PM 500 - 559 PM	63. 1 57. 8 63. 0	75. 5 73. 6 64. 5	74. 9 76. 8 79. 4	84. 2 74. 2 82. 1	88. 0 78. 5 82. 7	83. 5 80. 4 76. 1	85. 5 82. 9 83. 9	89. 0 85. 9 86. 0	84. 6 86. 3 81. 5	68. 8 64. 6 68. 6	82. 4 80. 4 82. 0	85. 1 84. 8 81. 1	69. 0 75. 4 70. 3	77. 7 76. 5 76. 0	72. 4 67. 8 64. 0	84. 2 79. 5 79. 2
600 - 659 PM 700 - 759 PM	62. 4 64. 8	61. 4 58. 8	77. 2 67. 8	82. 2 75. 7	82. 8 84. 9	74. 2 72. 6	81. 1 81. 8	85. 0 86. 2	80. 1 82. 4	57. 5 61. 6	82. 8 80. 6	76. 1 67. 4	77. 7 73. 0	75. 2 71. 7	64. 2 58. 3	76. 3 66. 4
800 - 859 PM 900 - 959 PM 1000 - 1059 PM	62. 4 67. 9 69. 0	62. 9 68. 9 65. 7	68. 1 75. 4 72. 4	64. 4 79. 2 85. 3	J/ 83. 3 75. 5	78. 2 70. 3 85. 1	82. 4 78. 1 73. 4	83. 4 87. 4 82. 2	86. 7 79. 6 85. 2	61. 7 69. 9 67. 8	85. 5 77. 9 77. 9	71. 4 82. 0 76. 5	73. 3 75. 5 68. 8	73. 5 77. 9 73. 0	67. 5 69. 8 70. 6	70. 6 73. 7 70. 2
1100 - 1033 IM	79. 0	82. 9	78. 9	88. 2	84. 3	83. 9	79. 0	88. 5	83. 0	81.6	81. 1	85. 9	73. 0	81. 1	76. 5	72. 2
TOTAL, ALL ARRIVAL BY AIRPORT	S, 68. 2	72. 6	79. 6	82. 2	87. 3	81. 2	84. 3	87. 1	86. 1	72. 8	84. 7	81. 1	77. 2	77. 1	71. 3	77. 3
SCHEDULED						A	RRI VAL	AI RPORT								
ARRIVAL TIME	MI A	MSP	ORD	PDX	PHL	РНХ	PIT	SAN	SEA	SF0	SLC	STL	TPA	TOTAL		
600 - 659 AM 700 - 759 AM	61. 1 90. 6	91. 6 93. 9	88. 5 84. 5	J/ 95. 2	79. 3 86. 6	93. 0 90. 1	90. 9 88. 4	J/ 93. 5	78. 1 90. 8	85. 5 96. 1	J/ 95. 9	95. 8 92. 5	81. 5 88. 6	86. 8 89. 4		
800 - 859 AM 900 - 959 AM 1000 - 1059 AM	87. 1 79. 8 75. 8	91. 0 90. 2 90. 1	84. 0 84. 7 77. 7	94. 4 96. 3 82. 8	79. 4 81. 4 81. 2	87. 3 81. 6 84. 5	83. 8 88. 9 83. 9	90. 4 91. 3 87. 7	86. 4 82. 7 67. 5	90. 3 79. 6 71. 6	92. 3 93. 2 90. 6	87. 3 91. 7 86. 0	90. 3 79. 6 81. 6	87. 4 84. 6 82. 2		
1100 - 1159 AM 1200 - 1259 PM	83. 9 73. 6	91. 8 91. 5	71. 5 81. 8	82. 9 85. 9	81. 0 78. 8	79. 0 79. 8	87. 0 84. 9	84. 4 85. 8	65. 0 66. 3	69. 3 63. 6	88. 5 83. 0	90. 6 90. 1	81. 0 78. 0	80. 2 80. 9		
100 - 159 PM 200 - 259 PM	79. 9 82. 3	88. 5 83. 0	78. 9 75. 3	74. 1 75. 2	83. 1 81. 6	74. 1 80. 9	82. 2 86. 2	81. 2 67. 6	66. 8 66. 0	72. 5 74. 7	88. 1 84. 9	89. 5 90. 2	75. 2 77. 4	80. 6 79. 8		
300 - 359 PM 400 - 459 PM 500 - 559 PM	75. 3 77. 5 71. 9	87. 9 79. 6 84. 4	77. 6 78. 7 74. 0	76. 3 86. 6 74. 5	73. 3 67. 5 75. 5	81. 0 77. 7 75. 8	82. 5 81. 0 78. 7	89. 6 74. 8 85. 8	78. 4 77. 1 66. 3	71. 3 75. 5 78. 6	88. 8 83. 3 84. 2	90. 1 87. 3 85. 0	74. 7 78. 1 67. 2	79. 4 76. 7 77. 4		
600 - 659 PM 700 - 759 PM	70. 7 75. 4	80. 2 83. 4	71. 5 75. 5	78. 4 77. 5	68. 9 71. 2	79. 5 73. 0	71. 9 74. 1	80. 8 74. 3	72. 3 68. 8	76. 0 76. 8	81. 9 89. 8	82. 8 86. 2	66. 4 68. 6	73. 8 76. 5		
800 - 859 PM 900 - 959 PM 1000 - 1059 PM	57. 1 69. 0 75. 1	82. 0 85. 9 85. 7	76. 7 76. 6 65. 9	70. 1 81. 3 81. 9	68. 3 73. 4 71. 8	69. 6 80. 2 80. 9	74. 5 77. 8 78. 2	78. 5 79. 5 83. 7	70. 1 72. 0 72. 6	76. 8 77. 2 74. 9	87. 6 84. 8 88. 0	86. 3 82. 1 89. 0	65. 2 67. 2 71. 5	73. 5 77. 8 74. 1		
1100 - 1039 FM 1100 - 559 AM	70. 9	83. 8	85. 6	83. 6	80. 9	77. 5	88. 8	79. 8	80. 5	79. 2	81. 4	81. 1	77. 0	80. 4		
TOTAL, ALL ARRIVAL BY AIRPORT	S, 74. 5	87. 3	78. 2	81. 5	75. 8	79. 4	81. 6	82. 3	72. 2	76. 0	88. 2	87. 9	74. 7	79. 5		



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TABLE 4. PERCENTAGE OF ALL CARRIERS' REPORTED FLIGHT OPERATIONS DEPARTING ON TIME E/BY AIRPORT AND TIME OF DAY (REPORTABLE AIRPORTS ONLY)

SCHEDULED						DEI	PARTURE	AI RPORT	Γ							
DEPARTURE TIME	ATL	BOS	BWI	CLT	CVG	DCA	DEN	DFW	DTW	EWR	I AH	JFK	LAS	LAX	LGA	MCO
600 - 659 AM 700 - 759 AM 800 - 859 AM 900 - 959 AM 1000 - 1059 AM 1100 - 1159 PM 1200 - 1259 PM 200 - 259 PM 300 - 359 PM 400 - 459 PM 500 - 659 PM 700 - 759 PM 800 - 859 PM 900 - 959 PM	91. 5 90. 5 87. 8 80. 8 79. 7 73. 6 78. 5 74. 9 72. 9 74. 2 67. 4 62. 5 69. 1 67. 5 70. 6	90. 9 88. 7 87. 6 84. 7 86. 6 82. 7 83. 1 72. 1 74. 0 71. 0 59. 1 65. 9 75. 0	94. 7 89. 0 85. 7 87. 8 83. 5 84. 9 83. 8 78. 4 79. 0 67. 1 72. 7 74. 9 66. 2 65. 6 63. 4	92. 1 93. 1 85. 3 87. 7 81. 8 77. 8 82. 1 78. 6 76. 4 77. 1 76. 3 81. 9 75. 7 74. 7 75. 7	93. 5 93. 2 95. 3 92. 8 92. 4 92. 6 91. 3 90. 3 90. 0 94. 5 87. 8 78. 7 87. 1 86. 7 87. 0 78. 2	93. 8 94. 1 91. 2 90. 4 88. 2 91. 8 89. 4 85. 9 82. 7 86. 0 79. 0 74. 5 79. 6 86. 0	94. 8 91. 6 92. 3 91. 7 90. 4 88. 4 84. 1 85. 5 86. 4 87. 2 86. 7 88. 4 86. 0 82. 7	93. 4 91. 8 90. 7 88. 3 85. 4 89. 3 84. 1 86. 2 82. 6 87. 3 85. 3 85. 3 90. 6	90. 6 92. 2 89. 7 88. 4 86. 1 85. 6 85. 1 84. 2 78. 8 77. 0 181. 8 80. 3 79. 0 78. 9 84. 9	93. 0 91. 0 87. 6 82. 4 86. 6 84. 0 85. 6 85. 2 77. 4 76. 1 67. 0 66. 9 55. 3	93. 5 93. 4 93. 3 90. 4 90. 8 87. 7 89. 7 87. 8 84. 3 83. 7 83. 1 83. 9 85. 7 85. 1	95. 5 90. 7 90. 7 91. 0 93. 5 87. 4 88. 0 90. 6 87. 6 86. 9 84. 1 84. 1 84. 8 58. 0	93. 8 90. 5 88. 7 83. 0 75. 3 77. 0 77. 3 78. 1 73. 1 68. 9 72. 4 74. 8 62. 6	94. 1 90. 8 87. 8 82. 4 80. 0 73. 1 76. 5 77. 2 74. 3 76. 1 72. 5 79. 2 67. 3 77. 7	90. 2 89. 2 88. 0 84. 3 79. 4 82. 0 81. 1 81. 0 76. 0 81. 5 73. 4 69. 2 64. 7 70. 7	95. 4 92. 0 92. 8 85. 9 88. 2 83. 4 77. 7 73. 9 81. 4 78. 0 83. 1 81. 3 82. 2 72. 3 72. 5
1000 - 1059 PM 1100 - 559 AM	75. 5 78. 6	J/ 96. 6	38. 5 93. 3	80. 1 90. 3	88. 2 J/	J/ J/	76. 5 93. 4	88. 6 96. 3	83. 7 93. 5	76. 9 87. 5	72. 1 83. 9	100. 0 96. 8	78. 0 72. 0	89. 5 89. 8	J/ J/	93. 5 J/

TOTAL, ALL DEPARTURES, BY AI RPORT 75. 7 79.6 78. 4 80. 2 90.0 86. 4 87. 6 87. 5 83. 9 **79.** 0 87. 1 87. 0 76. 3 80.6 78. 9 83.3

#### DEPARTURE AIRPORT

COTT	DIII ED						DΕ	FARIURE	AIRFUR	1					
	DULED														
DEPART	URE TIME	MI A	MSP	ORD	PDX	PHL	PHX	PIT	SAN	SEA	SF0	SLC	STL	TPA	TOTAL
600 -	659 AM	82. 0	96. 3	93. 0	95. 8	92. 9	93. 8	95. 7	94. 3	94. 6	93. 9	96. 4	92. 2	94. 6	93. 2
700 -	759 AM	84. 7	90. 3	90.8	95. 4	88. 3	87. 1	86. 5	92. 6	89. 5	91.0	94. 6	94. 6	92. 2	90. 7
800 -	859 AM	85. 4	92. 1	87. 0	89. 0	82. 8	86. 7	82. 5	92. 9	88. 8	92. 3	93. 7	90. 9	94. 6	89. 0
900 -	959 AM	86. 5	91.3	87. 5	91. 9	81.3	77. 7	82. 4	87. 1	82. 4	85. 0	94. 1	92. 5	89. 2	86. 6
1000 -	1059 AM	83. 9	93. 6	86. 5	89. 6	82. 4	75.4	83. 1	83. 6	78. 5	84. 3	91.0	89. 0	85. 0	84. 8
1100 -	1159 AM	80. 9	88. 4	81.0	86. 5	82. 5	81.4	80. 8	84. 0	71.7	<b>78.</b> 0	91. 2	88. 7	86. 4	82. 9
1200 -	1259 PM	81. 7	87. 1	82. 7	89. 8	83. 4	72.4	80. 0	85. 4	71.5	72.0	84. 1	90. 9	85. 4	82. 3
100 -	159 PM	77. 7	88. 6	85. 7	90. 7	81.6	75.8	100. 0	83. 7	74. 1	79.8	91. 2	89. 1	79.8	82. 3
200 -	259 PM	81. 7	87. 0	77. 2	81.6	75. 6	71. 1	81. 5	71. 1	69. 6	77. 2	92. 2	88. 7	73. 1	80. 3
300 -	359 PM	72. 7	86. 7	77. 2	83. 6	78. 0	73. 2	79. 5	81. 3	76. 6	79. 6	85. 6	86. 2	82. 2	79.8
400 -	459 PM	73. 9	85. 0	78. 7	78. 8	70. 4	75. 7	78. 6	78. 5	76. 9	76. 8	89. 8	83. 8	74. 0	77. 5
500 -	559 PM	76. 9	84. 0	75.8	78. 1	66. 0	71. 1	74. 2	77. 2	77. 0	79. 9	89. 2	86. 3	73. 9	76. 6
600 -	659 PM	76. 8	86. 9	76. 4	85. 3	72. 6	71. 7	80. 5	81. 7	72. 7	82.6	85. 6	84. 4	79. 7	78. 4
700 -	759 PM	73. 1	86. 2	74.6	77. 3	73. 1	70. 9	73. 7	73. 3	72. 5	77. 1	80. 8	82. 0	77. 9	75. 1
800 -	859 PM	77. 4	85. 1	81.4	81. 1	73.4	67. 5	77. 4	77. 2	76. 6	81. 1	91. 1	86. 3	74.8	79. 1
900 -	959 PM	$\mathbf{J}/$	J/	80. 6	86. 8	68. 6	64.0	80. 8	83. 0	73. 5	83. 6	86. 1	88. 0	64. 9	<b>78.</b> 0
1000 -	1059 PM	$\mathbf{J}/$	86. 3	83. 4	100. 0	$\mathbf{J}/$	82. 3	78. 9	97. 4	89. 1	86. 5	90. 7	83. 5	85. 5	84. 1
1100 -	559 AM	83. 9	93. 5	100.0	98. 0	96. 8	95. 2	80. 0	96. 2	94. 4	91.3	91.4	85. 2	93. 3	83. 2
TOTAL,	ALL DEPART	TURES,													
BY AIRP		79. 0	88. 0	82. 2	87. 9	77.7	77. 2	80. 5	84. 8	79.8	83.0	90. 4	88. 1	83.6	82. 5



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#### TABLE 5. LIST OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED FLIGHTS I/ ARRIVING LATE 80% OF THE TIME OR MORE

CARRI ER	FLI GHT NUMBER	ORI GI N- DESTI N. AI RPORTS	SCHEDULED DEPARTURE TIME	NUMBER OF OPERATIONS REPORTED		NO. OF M AVERAGE	IN. LATE MEDIAN
AA	2714	LAX- RNO	1746	31	96. 77	59	51
AA	2704	LAX- LAS	1242	31	96. 77	46	42
ĀĀ	2846	LAX- RNO	1919	26	92. 31	52	42
US	2609	ATL- BOS	1820	26	92. 31	51	34
AA	2790	LAS- RNO	1412	31	90. 32	54	43
AA	2897	RNO- LAX	2111	26	88. 46	51	42
US	2762	ATL- I AD	2015	26	88. 46	49	40
US	802	PIT-EWR	1730	26	88. 46	43	39
US	536	CMH- PHL	1525	26	88. 46	27	24
HP	2687	EWR- PHX	1740	30	86. 67	57	33
HP	2612	PHX- ATL	1206	29	86. 21	37	26
AA	2878	RNO- LAS	1940	26	84. 62	61	48
HP	401	PHX- I AD	0914	25	84. 00	42	22
US	2757	I AD- ATL	1747	31	83. 87	46	41
UA	1521	ORD- SEA	1144	30	83. 33	30	25
HP	2070	LAS- CMH	2310	29	82. 76	36	25
US	2631	BOS- ATL	1610	26	80. 77	37	28
HP	2047	LAS- ORD	1546	31	80. 65	32	21
HP	2317	BOS-CMH	1845	25	80. 00	51	32
CO	1900	ORD- CLE	1814	25	80. 00	24	21
HP	716	LAS-PHX	2335	30	80. 00	73	39
HP	248	LAS-BWI	2328	30	80. 00	34	29



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### TABLE 6. NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED FLIGHTS I/ARRIVING LATE 70% OF THE TIME OR MORE

	NUMBER OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED FLIGHTS		CHEDULED FLIGHTS HE TIME OR MORE D/
CARRI ER	FOR WHICH CARRIER REPORTED DATA	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
ANETHE CA. VICIO	***	00	
AMERICA WEST	592	23	3. 9
US AIRWAYS	2081	19	0. 9
AMERI CAN	2071	13	0. 6
UNI TED	2234	6	0. 3
CONTI NENTAL	1164	2	0. 2
SOUTHWEST	2496	4	0. 2
DELTA	2523	3	0. 1
ALASKA	435	0	0. 0
TWA	786	0	0. 0
NORTHWEST	1533	0	0. 0
TOTAL	15915	70	0. 4



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#### TABLE 7. ON-TIME ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE PERCENTAGE BY AIRPORT

CITY (AIRPORT)	PERCENT ON- TI ME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.	CITY (AIRPORT)	PERCENT ON-TI ME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.
CITY (AIRPORT)  AKRON/CANTON, OH. (CAK) ALBANY, N. Y. (ALB) ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (ABQ) ALLENTOWN, PA. (ABE) AMARILLO, TX. (AMA) ANCHORAGE, AK. (ANC) ASHEVILLE, N. C. (AVL) ATLANTA, GA. (ATL) AUGUSTA, GA. (AGS) AUSTIN, TX. (AUS) BAKERSFIELD, CA. (BFL) BALTIMORE, MD. (BWI) BARROW, AK. (BRW) BATON ROUGE, LA. (BTR) BETHEL, AK. (BET) BILLINGS, MT. (BIL) BINGHAMION, N. Y. (BGM) BIRMINGHAM, AL. (BHM) BISMARCK, N. D. (BIS) BOISE, ID. (BOI) BOSTON, MA. (BOS) BOZEMAN, MT. (BZN) BRISTOL, TN. (TRI) BUFFALO, N. Y. (BUF) BURBANK, CA. (BUR) BURLINGTON, VT. (BTV) CEDAR RAPIDS/IOWA CTY, IA. (CID) CHARIFSTON, S. C. (CHS)			CITY (AIRPORT)  ELMIRA, N.Y. (ELM)  ERIE, PA. (ERI)  EUGENE, OR. (EUG)  FAIRBANKS, AK. (FAI)  FAYETTEVILLE, N. C. (FAY)  FLINT, MI. (FNT)  FRESNO, CA. (FAT)  FT. LAUDERDALE, FL. (FLL)  FT. MYERS, FL. (RSW)  FT. WAYNE, IN. (FWA)  GRAND FORKS, N.D. (GFK)  GRAND RAPIDS, MI. (GRR)  GREEN BAY, WI. (GRB)  GREENBBRIER, W.V. (LWB)  GREENSBORO/HIGH PT., N.C. (GSO)	ARR. DEP.  82. 5 93. 0 82. 4 94. 1 80. 1 82. 8 74. 9 88. 0 90. 1 95. 9 78. 2 87. 1 86. 0 91. 4 74. 2 100. 0 70. 8 78. 4 72. 6 84. 2 88. 6 94. 3 90. 3 98. 9 83. 4 92. 6 89. 4 91. 7 84. 9 89. 8	ARR. DEP.  114 114 119 119 186 186 431 432 243 243 124 124 93 93 31 31 3, 793 3, 791 1, 059 1, 057 35 35 93 93 787 786 217 217 205 206
BILLINGS, MT. (BIL) BINGHAMTON, N.Y. (BGM) BIRMINGHAM, AL. (BHM) BISMARCK, N.D. (BIS) BOISE, ID. (BOI) BOSTON, MA. (BOS) BOZEMAN, MT. (BZN) BRISTOL, TN. (TRI) BUFFALO, N.Y. (BUF) BURBANK, CA. (BUR) BURLINGTON, VT. (BTV) CEDAR RAPIDS/IOWA CTY, IA. (CID) CHARLESTON, S.C. (CHS)	83. 3 95. 2 72. 7 81. 8 82. 1 84. 6 83. 2 95. 0 85. 0 88. 7 72. 6 78. 4 81. 5 97. 6 83. 2 85. 7 75. 1 82. 8 82. 6 84. 4 81. 4 90. 7 89. 7 95. 7 67. 2 76. 9	246 248 88 88 1, 719 1, 715 119 119 973 974 9, 551 9, 552 124 123 119 119 1, 585 1, 583 2, 411 2, 410 247 247 445 447 577 577	GREENBRIER, W.V. (LWB) GREENSBORO/HIGH PT., N.C. (GSO) GREENVILLE/SPARTBG., S.C. (GSP) GULFPORT/BILOXI, MS. (GPT) HARLINGEN, TX. (HRL) HARRISBURG, PA. (MDT) HARTFORD, CT./SPGFLD, MA. (BDL) HELENA, MT. (HLN) HONOLULU, OAHU, HI. (HNL) HOUSTON, TX. (HOU) HOUSTON, TX. (1AH) HUNTSVILLE/DECATUR, AL. (HSV) INDIANAPOLIS, IN. (IND)	77. 6 82. 5 96. 8 100. 0 82. 0 86. 2 78. 5 85. 6 82. 2 86. 1	14 14 1, 349 1, 348 589 590 93 93 356 356 651 651 2, 835 2, 831 62 62 959 956 4, 873 4, 873 11, 133 11, 127 517 516 2, 985 2, 985
BURBANK, CA. (BUR) BURLINGTON, VT. (BTV) CEDAR RAPIDS/IOWA CTY, IA. (CID) CHARLESTON, S. C. (CHS) CHARLESTON, W. V. (CRW) CHARLOTTE, N. C. (CLT) CHATTANOOGA, TN. (CHA) CHI CAGO, IL. (MDW) CHI CAGO, IL. (MDW) CINCINNATI, OH. (CVG) CLEVELAND, OH. (CLE) COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. (COS) COLUMBIA, S. C. (CAE) COLUMBUS, OH. (CMH) CORDOVA, AK. (CDV) CORPUS CHRISTI, TX. (CRP) DALLAS/FT. WORTH, TX. (DAL) DALLAS/FT. WORTH, TX. (DFW) DAYTON, OH. (DAY) DAYTONA BEACH, FL. (DAB) DEADHORSE, AK. (SCC) DENVER, CO. (DEN) DES MOINES, IA. (DSM) DETROIT, MI. (DTW) DILLINGHAM, AK. (DLG) DULUTH, MN. (DLH) DUTCH HARBOR, AK. (DUT) EL PASO, TX. (ELP)	77. 2 84. 2 82. 2 80. 2 86. 4 94. 3 82. 4 79. 5 78. 2 82. 2 87. 3 90. 0 77. 8 84. 6 78. 6 91. 1 74. 2 77. 9 78. 6 85. 1 77. 4 83. 9 85. 8 89. 7 87. 8 84. 7 87. 1 87. 5 82. 3 87. 9 73. 5 83. 9	114 114 10, 245 10, 245 88 88 4, 526 4, 524 25, 692 25, 694 6, 548 6, 570 4, 949 4, 951 1, 110 1, 112 422 420 3, 205 3, 205 62 62 253 253 4, 182 4, 182 21, 303 21, 308 928 928 155 155	INDI O/PALM SPRINGS, CA. (PSP) ISLIP/LONG IS., N.Y. (ISP) ITHACA, N.Y. (ITH) JACKSON/VICKSBURG, MS. (JAN) JACKSON, WY. (JAC) JACKSONVILLE, FL. (JAX) JUNEAU, AK. (JNU) KAHULUI, MAUI, HI. (OGG) KALAMAZOO, MI. (AZO) KALISPELL, MT. (FCA) KANSAS CITY, MD. (MCI) KETCHIKAN, AK. (KTN) KING SALMON, AK. (AKN) KNOXVILLE, TN. (TYS) KODIAK, AK. (ADQ) KONA, HAWAII., HI. (KOA) KOTZEBUE, AK. (OTZ) LA CROSSE, WI. (LSE) LANSING, MI. (LAN) LAS VEGAS, NV. (LAS) LEXINGTON/FRKFT, KY. (LEX) LIHUE, KAUAI, HI. (LIH) LINCOLN, NE. (LNK) LITTLE ROCK, AR. (LIT)	86 4 90 4	280 280 619 619 114 114 779 791 34 35 1, 998 2, 000 339 340 278 277 115 114 120 124 5, 254 5, 249 188 188 31 31 567 566 62 62 62 62
DEADHORSE, AK. (SCC) DENVER, CO. (DEN) DES MOINES, IA. (DSM) DETROIT, MI. (DTW) DILLINGHAM, AK. (DLG) DULUTH, MN. (DLH) DUTCH HARBOR, AK. (DUT) EL PASO, TX. (ELP)	84. 3 87. 6 85. 6 94. 4 86. 1 83. 9 87. 1 83. 9 89. 0 90. 7 66. 1 53. 2 85. 4 89. 8	13, 040 13, 041 31 118 62 62 2, 100 2, 098	KOTZEBUE, AK. (OTZ) LA CROSSE, WI. (LSE) LANSING, MI. (LAN) LAS VEGAS, NV. (LAS) LEXINGTON/FRKFT, KY. (LEX) LIHUE, KAUAI, HI. (LIH) LINCOLN, NE. (LNK) LITTLE ROCK, AR. (LIT)	81. 3 77. 3 88. 9 91. 3 82. 3 92. 8 77. 2 76. 3 76. 4 83. 9 89. 2 89. 2 83. 6 92. 2 84. 9 86. 7	75 75 81 80 181 181 11, 397 11, 378 305 304 37 37 269 269 1, 128 1, 127



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TABLE 7. ON-TIME ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE PERCENTAGE BY AIRPORT

CITY (AIRPORT)	PERCENT ON-TIME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.	CITY (AIRPORT)	PERCENT ON-TIME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.
CITY (AIRPORT)  LONG BEACH, CA. (LGB)  LOS ANGELES, CA. (LAX)  LOUISVILLE, KY. (SDF)  LUBBOCK, TX. (LBB)  MADISON, WI. (MSN)  MANCHESTER, N. H. (MHT)  MEDFORD, OR. (MFR)  MELBOURNE, FL. (MLB)  MEMPHIS, TN. (MEM)  MI MI, FL. (MIA)  MI DLAND/ODESSA, TX. (MAF)  MI LWAUKEE, WI. (MKE)  MI NNEAPLS/ST. P, MN. (MSP)  MINOT, N. D. (MOT)  MI SSION/MCALLEN, TX. (MFE)  MISSOULA, MT. (MSO)  MOBILE, AL. /PASCAGOULA, MS. (MOB)  MOLINE, IL. (MLI)  MONTEREY, CA. (MRY)  MONTGOMERY, AL. (MGM)  MYRTLE BEACH, S. C. (MYR)  NASHVILLE, TN. (BNA)  NEW ORLEANS, LA. (MSY)  NEW YORK, N. Y. (LGA)  NEWARK, N. J. (EWR)  NOME, AK. (OME)  NORFOLK/VA. BEACH, VA. (ORF)  OKLAHOMA CITY, OK. (OKC)  OMAHA, NE. (OMA)  ONTARIO, CA. (ONT)  ORANGE COUNTY, CA. (SNA)  ORLANDO, FL. (MCO)  PASCO, WA. (PSC)  PENSACOLA, FL. (PIA)  PETTERSBURG, AK. (PSG)  PHILADELPHIA, PA. (PHL)  PHOENIX, AZ. (PHX)  PITTSBURGH, PA. (PIT)  PORTLAND, ME. (PWM)  PORTLAND, OR. (PDX)  PROVI DENCE, R. I. (PVD)  RAPID CITY, S. D. (RAP)  RENO, NV. (RNO)  RICHMOND, VA. (RIC)  ROANOKE, VA. (ROA)  ROCHESTER, MN. (RST)  ROCHESTER, N. Y. (ROC)	82. 6 88. 4 77. 1 80. 6 81. 8 86. 2 88. 5 88. 9 77. 6 92. 8 83. 3 85. 4 74. 2 80. 6 88. 6 89. 8 74. 5 79. 0 89. 4 93. 4 81. 3 89. 8 87. 3 88. 0 81. 7 96. 8 85. 4 94. 9 91. 9 93. 3 97. 2 80. 6 88. 7 86. 7 67. 9 93. 3 97. 2 80. 6 88. 7 81. 7 84. 1 78. 6 83. 6 81. 1 87. 0 71. 3 78. 9 72. 8 79. 0 86. 3 90. 3 72. 5 75. 0 81. 0 86. 4 86. 5 92. 1 80. 6 88. 7 81. 1 87. 0 71. 3 78. 9 72. 8 79. 0 86. 3 90. 3 72. 5 75. 0 81. 8 88. 2 81. 7 77. 4 86. 5 92. 1 87. 3 83. 3 89. 4 95. 1 79. 9 82. 3 96. 8 93. 5 77. 3 83. 3 89. 4 95. 1 79. 9 82. 3 96. 8 93. 5 77. 6 79. 7 79. 4 77. 2 81. 5 87. 9 82. 8 85. 6 79. 7 97. 6 74. 7 79. 7 80. 4 85. 9 87. 7 79. 84. 5 87. 9 7 88. 9 79. 7 88. 9 79. 7 88. 9 79. 7 88. 9 79. 7 88. 9 98. 8 89. 5 77. 7 89. 4 77. 2 81. 5 87. 9 82. 8 85. 6 79. 7 97. 6 74. 7 79. 7 80. 4 85. 9 77. 2 85. 6	334 335 17, 038 17, 027 1, 931 1, 929 497 497 388 388 3, 1, 153 1, 153 125 124 124 124 4, 336 4, 329 5, 536 5, 531 549 549 1, 370 1, 370 12, 369 12, 367 93 93 295 295 186 186 372 372 180 180 186 186 62 62 93 93 170 170 4, 786 4, 790 4, 246 4, 242 3, 903 3, 905 8, 561 8, 570 10, 630 10, 634 124 124 80 80 1, 357 1, 356 1, 769 1, 769 1, 463 1, 465 2, 995 2, 994 3, 802 3, 801 8, 216 8, 222 123 123 522 519 62 62 9, 830 9, 832 15, 179 15, 171 8, 635 8, 627 496 496 4, 949 4, 946 2, 021 2, 020 3, 204 3, 204 123 3, 051 3, 050 1, 479 1, 478 1, 229 1, 226	SACRAMENTO, CA. (SMF) SAGINAW, MI. (MBS) SALT LAKE CITY, UT. (SLC) SAN ANTONIO, TX. (SAT) SAN DIEGO, CA. (SAN) SAN FRANCISCO, CA. (OAK) SAN FRANCISCO, CA. (SFO) SAN JOSE, CA. (SJC) SAN JUAN, P.R. (SJU) SANTA BARBARA, CA. (SBA) SARASOTA/BRAD., FL. (SRQ) SAVANNAH, GA. (SAV) SCRANTON/WILKES-BARRE, PA. (AVP) SEATTLE, WA. (SEA) SHREVEPORT, LA. (SHV) SIOUX CITY, IA. (SUX) SIOUX FALLS, S. D. (FSD) SITKA, AK. (SIT) SOUTH BEND, IN. (SBN) SPOKANE, WA. (GEG) SPRINGFIELD, MO. (SGF) ST. CROIX, V. I. (STX) ST. LOUIS, MD. (STL) ST. THOMAS, V. I. (STT) SYRACUSE, N. Y. (SYR) TALLAHASSEE, FL. (TLH) TAMPA, FL. (TPA) TOLEDO, OH. (TOL) TRAVERSE CITY, MI. (TVC) TUCSON, AZ. (TUS) TULSA, OK. (TUL) VALPARAISO, FL. (VPS) WASHINGTON, D. C. (DCA) WASHINGTON, D. C. (DCA) WASHINGTON, D. C. (IAD) WEST PALM BEACH, FL. (PBI) WHITE PLAINS, N. Y. (HPN) WI CHITA, KS. (ICT) WILMINGTON, N. C. (ILM) WRANGELL, AK. (WRG) YAKUTAT, AK. (YAK)	81. 8 84. 4 80. 6 92. 5 88. 2 90. 4 83. 8 89. 1 82. 3 84. 8 85. 6 83. 0 81. 4 84. 0 76. 7 86. 8 80. 5 74. 6 73. 0 85. 6	3, 221 3, 219 309 308 6, 872 6, 866 3, 262 3, 257 6, 013 6, 011 4, 734 4, 733 12, 100 12, 103 5, 555 5, 559 1, 587 1, 587 128 126 404 402 432 432 155 155 9, 151 9, 135 331 57 57 364 364 93 93 238 238 1, 194 1, 193 176 176 93 93 15, 000 14, 998 175 175 960 959 186 186 5, 165 5, 159 88 88 83 1, 665 1, 663 1, 642 1, 636 6, 752 6, 751 1, 856 1, 858 425 512 186 6, 752 6, 751 1, 856 1, 858 425 512 186 62 62 62



#### **FOOTNOTES FOR TABLES 1 THROUGH 6 (FLIGHT DELAYS)**

- **A** See Appendix for list of carrier codes.
- **B** See Appendix for list of 29 airports for which data must be reported. Data include all reported domestic flight operations to the 29 reportable airports (e.g., Albany to Atlanta, Toledo to Boston).
- C All domestic airports for which carriers reported data. Data include all reported domestic flight operations to the 29 reportable airports and from those airports to other destinations (e.g., Albany to Atlanta, and Atlanta to Albany). In addition, for carriers that reported data for their entire domestic systems, the data also include all reported domestic flight operations between non-required airports (e.g., Albany to Toledo).
- **D** "On time" means an arrival less than 15 minutes after scheduled arrival time; cancelled and diverted flights are not considered on-time arrivals.
- E "On time" means a departure less than 15 minutes after scheduled departure time; cancelled flights are not considered on-time departures; diverted flights may be on time or late departures, depending on actual departure time.
- **F** Incomplete data; percentage based on operations reported.
- **G** Carrier did not report useable data.
- **H** Carrier did not serve airport.
- I Regularly scheduled flights are those for which the carrier reported at least 15 operations for the month.
- J Blanks in any time interval in Tables 3 and 4 indicate no arrival operations (Table 3) or departure operations (Table 4) for domestic flights of the reporting carriers during that time period. Other carriers, including code-sharing partners, may operate during those periods.
- S Carrier reported data for entire domestic system.
- V Carrier reported data voluntarily.



#### **APPENDIX**

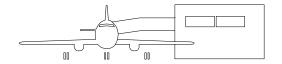
NOTE: The Department of Transportation has screened the reporting carriers' data for completeness and verified all arithmetic data elements computed by the carriers (e.g., length of delay). Individual flight operations records with incorrect calculations, erroneous city-pairs, or missing data elements were rejected and excluded from the data base; such rejected records accounted for less than 0.01% of the flight operations records submitted. Any errors in the data base with respect to basic flight data -- non-computed data elements such as flight numbers, scheduled and actual arrival/departure times, days of operation -- are the responsibility of the reporting carrier.

#### **Airports Covered by the Rule**

	A T.
Atlanta. Hartsfield	ATL
Baltimore/Washington International	BWI
Boston. Logan International	BOS
Charlotte. Douglas	CLT
Chicago. O'Hare	ORD
Cincinnati. Greater Cincinnati	CVG
Dallas-Fort Worth International	DFW
Denver International	DEN
Detroit. Metro Wayne County	DTW
Houston. George Bush	IAH
Las Vegas. McCarran International	LAS
Los Angeles International	LAX
Miami International	MIA
Minneapolis-St. Paul International	MSP
Newark International	EWR
New York. JFK International	JFK
New York. LaGuardia	LGA
Orlando International	MCO
Philadelphia International	PHL
Phoenix. Sky Harbor International	PHX
Pittsburgh. Greater International	PIT
Portland International	PDX
St. Louis. Lambert	STL
Salt Lake City International	SLC
San Diego. Lindbergh Field	SAN
San Francisco International	SFO
Seattle-Tacoma International	SEA
Tampa. Tampa International	TPA
Washington. Reagan National	DCA

## Air Carriers Required to Report Data to DOT and to CRS Vendors

AS	Alaska Airlines
HP	America West Airlines
AA	American Airlines
CO	Continental Airlines
DL	Delta Air Lines
NW	Northwest Airlines
WN	Southwest Airlines
TW	Trans World Airlines
UA	United Airlines
US	US Airways





#### **MISHANDLED BAGGAGE**

This section gives the rate of mishandled-baggage reports per 1,000 passengers by carrier and for the industry. The rate is based on the total number of reports each carrier received from passengers concerning lost, damaged, delayed or pilfered baggage. Like the data on flight delays in the previous section, as required by 14 C.F.R. 234 these baggage statistics are filed with DOT on a monthly basis by U.S. airlines that have at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues.





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# OCTOBER MISHANDLED BAGGAGE REPORTS FILED BY PASSENGERS U.S. AIRLINES\*

			OCTOBER 1999			OCTOBER 1998				
OCT. '99 RANK	AIRLINE	TOTAL BAGGAGE REPORTS	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	REPORTS PER 1,000 PASSENGERS	TOTAL BAGGAGE REPORTS	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	REPORTS PER 1,000 PASSENGERS			
1	Continental	10,803	3,115,157	3.47	11,945	2,980,018	4.01			
2	Alaska	3,390	955,342	3.55	5,085	917,782	5.54			
3	Northwest	14,879	4,024,741	3.70	17,042	3,739,381	4.56			
4	Southwest	21,027	5,686,245	3.70	20,450	5,054,427	4.05			
5	TWA	8,439	2,095,321	4.03	6,396	1,785,640	3.58			
6	US Airways	20,692	4,786,119	4.32	17,451	4,875,167	3.58			
7	Delta	37,228	8,562,732	4.35	30,228	8,125,011	3.72			
8	American	25,036	5,719,915	4.38	23,162	5,361,050	4.32			
9	America West	7,133	1,629,431	4.38	4,995	1,452,618	3.44			
10	United	35,796	6,807,164	5.26	43,167	6,681,762	6.46			
	Total	184,423	43,382,167	4.25	179,921	40,972,856	4.39			

**NOTES**: For simplicity, statistics are displayed to two decimal places. Actual ranking order is based on our computer carrying out the number of decimal places to nine.

TOTAL BAGGAGE REPORTS—For the domestic system only. These are passenger reports of mishandled baggage, including those that did not subsequently result in claims for compensation.

ENPLANED PASSENGERS—For the domestic system only.

<sup>\*</sup> U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. The list of carriers appearing on this page is consistent with those carriers that appear in the "Flight Delays," "Oversales" and "Consumer Complaints" sections of the *Air Travel Consumer Report*.



#### **OVERSALES**

This section furnishes data on the number of passengers who hold confirmed reservations and are denied boarding ("bumped") from a flight because it is oversold. These figures include only passengers whose oversold flight departs without them; they do not include passengers affected by cancelled, delayed or diverted flights.

The report includes U.S. airlines that have at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues (see footnote on chart for details). It provides system data for scheduled passenger service on domestic flights and data on international flight segments that originate in the United States. Information is displayed for the latest available quarter and for the year to date, for the current period and for the same period in the previous year. The reporting requirement is found in 14 C.F.R. 250.10.

These tables give information by carrier on the number of passengers bumped involuntarily and on the number who voluntarily gave up their seat on an oversold flight in exchange for compensation. Also shown is the rate of involuntary denied boardings per 10,000 passengers. This rate determines the order in which carriers are listed; the airline with the lowest rate appears first. The number and rate of involuntary denied boardings include both passengers who received denied boarding compensation and passengers who did not qualify for compensation because of one of the exceptions in the oversales rule. There are three exceptions: 1) passenger accommodated on another flight scheduled to arrive within one hour of the original flight; 2) passenger fails to comply with ticketing, check-in or reconfirmation procedures; and 3) aircraft of smaller capacity is substituted. Totals appear at the end of each table.

The enplanement figures that are used to calculate the involuntary denied boarding rate do not include "shuttle" service on which reservations are not offered, nor do they include inbound international service, since the rule does not apply to these flights.





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## July-September PASSENGERS DENIED BOARDING BY U.S. AIRLINES\*

			JULY-SEP	TEMBER 199	9			JULY-SEP	TEMBER 199	8
JULY-SEPT. '99 RANK	AIRLINE	DENIED BOAR VOLUNTARY	RDINGS (DB'S) INVOLUNTARY	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	INVOLUNTARY DB'S PER 10,000 PSGRS	-	DENIED BOA	RDINGS (DB'S) INVOLUNTARY	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	INVOLUNTARY DB'S PER 10,000 PSGRS
1	TWA	15,958	63	6,605,087	0.10		8,429	1,129	6,054,643	1.86
2	Northwest	22,363	163	13,900,327	0.12		27,378	306	10,080,236	0.30
3	US Airways	19,015	350	13,495,129	0.26		18,389	226	14,730,549	0.15
4	Continental	13,936	290	10,202,941	0.28		15,365	115	10,002,893	0.11
5	American	57,242	713	19,267,801	0.37		52,881	717	19,275,699	0.37
6	United	38,689	1,210	21,843,465	0.55		37,195	1,164	21,963,437	0.53
7	Delta	43,651	1,567	25,855,692	0.61		55,767	2,667	26,968,275	0.99
8	Alaska	4,919	350	3,811,080	0.92		4,621	418	3,654,398	1.14
9	Southwest	18,919	2,369	17,020,885	1.39		20,577	2,708	15,483,831	1.75
10	America West	17,274	738	4,997,967	1.48		10,728	439	4,800,905	0.91
	TOTAL	251,966	7,813	137,000,374	0.57		251,330	9,889	133,014,866	0.74

<sup>\*</sup>U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. The list of carriers on this page is consistent with those carriers that appear in the "Flight Delays," "Mishandled Baggage" and "Consumer Complaints" sections of the *Air Travel Consumer Report*.



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## January-September PASSENGERS DENIED BOARDING BY U.S. AIRLINES\*

			JANUARY-S	EPTEMBER 1	999	JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 1998						
JAN-SEPT '99 RANK	AIRLINE	DENIED BOAR VOLUNTARY	RDINGS (DB'S) INVOLUNTARY	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	INVOLUNTARY DB'S PER 10,000 PSGRS	_	DENIED BOA	RDINGS (DB'S) INVOLUNTARY	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	INVOLUNTARY DB'S PER 10,000 PSGRS		
1	Northwest	68,573	772	38,374,040	0.20		98,147	1,117	34,100,676	0.33		
2	Continental	46,975	839	29,496,569	0.28		54,513	375	28,524,460	0.13		
3	American	192,119	2,278	54,433,093	0.42		163,872	2,312	55,607,904	0.42		
4	US Airways	60,149	2,302	40,517,315	0.57		67,167	991	42,736,280	0.23		
5	United	102,185	4,170	60,254,240	0.69		110,274	3,542	59,904,245	0.59		
6	TWA	52,952	1,652	18,717,037	0.88		26,041	2,987	17,709,761	1.69		
7	Alaska	17,928	1,018	10,312,660	0.99		19,532	1,459	9,820,451	1.49		
8	America West	41,091	1,949	14,160,423	1.38		36,790	1,536	13,749,186	1.12		
9	Southwest	59,775	6,816	48,558,809	1.40		60,802	8,136	44,204,904	1.84		
10	Delta	143,707	15,230	76,926,030	1.98		189,886	9,639	77,610,171	1.24		
	TOTAL	785,454	37,026	391,750,216	0.95		827,024	32,094	383,968,038	0.84		

<sup>\*</sup>U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. The list of carriers on this page is consistent with those carriers that appear in the "Flight Delays," "Mishandled Baggage" and "Consumer Complaints" sections of the *Air Travel Consumer Report.* 



#### **CONSUMER COMPLAINTS**

This section summarizes aviation consumer complaints filed with the Department in writing, by telephone, via e-mail, or in person. DOT has not determined the validity of the complaints. The report does not include safety complaints, which are handled by the Federal Aviation Administration. An explanation of each section of the report appears below:

**Summary**. Table 1 gives the total number of complaints, and also breaks down complaints by industry groups (U.S. airlines, tour operators, etc.). As with most other sections of the report, figures for the current month are compared to the same month in the previous year.

**Complaint Categories**. Table 2 ranks the categories of complaints (baggage, refunds, etc.). A detailed explanation of each category appears at the end of the report. Note that beginning with the September 1999 report, disability complaints are listed as a separate category. Prior to September 1999, disability complaints were included in the Reservations/Ticketing/Boarding category. Also, effective with the September 1999 report, complaints about "smoking" and "credit," which formerly were separate categories, are included in the "other" category.

**U.S. Airlines**. Table 3 shows the number of complaints against individual U.S. airlines, listed alphabetically and broken down by complaint category.

**Incident Date**. Table 4 shows the number of complaints against individual U.S. airlines, listed alphabetically and broken down by the percentage of complaints where the incident occurred in the most recent month versus previous periods. (Table 4 data are not included in YTD reports.)

**Companies Other Than U.S. Airlines**. Table 5 (Table 4 in YTD reports) provides the same information as above for foreign airlines, and for tour operators, travel agents, etc. Effective with the September 1999 report, complaints against "cargo companies" (formerly a separate grouping) are included with the "miscellaneous" grouping.

**Airline Rankings**: Table 6 ranks the largest U.S. airlines (those that each account for one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues) according to the rate of complaints per 100,000 passengers. This ranking takes into account airline size when identifying the carriers against whom the most complaints have been filed.



## AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT CONSUMER COMPLAINTS SUMMARY

OCTOBER 1999 OCTOBER 1998

	COMPLAINTS	OPI NI ONS	COMPLI MENTS	INFO REQUESTS	COMPLAI NTS	OPI NI ONS	COMPLI MENTS	INFO REQUESTS
U. S. AIRLINES	1325	129	8	58	645	48	1	50
FOREIGN AIRLINES	189	0	0	2	117	2	0	2
TRAVEL AGENTS	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
TOUR OPERATORS	46	0	0	7	21	0	0	0
MI SCELLANEOUS*	52	10	0	11	23	17	0	5
INDUSTRY TOTALS	1616	139	8	78	807	67	1	57

<sup>\*</sup>EFFECTIVE WITH THE SEPTEMBER 1999 REPORT, COMPLAINTS AGAINST "CARGO COMPANIES" (FORMERLY A SEPARATE GROUPING) ARE INCLUDED WITH THE "MISCELLANEOUS" GROUPING.



#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT COMPLAINT CATEGORIES \*

**OCTOBER 1999** 

**OCTOBER 1998** 

	RANKING COMPLAINTS** CATEG		SUB CATEGORY	RANKI NG	COMPLAI NTS**	SUB CATEGORY
FLIGHT PROBLEMS	1	548		1	221	
DELAYS			205			57
CANCELLATIONS			178			80
MI SCONNECTI ONS			68			32
CUSTOMER SERVICE	2	324		2	171	
BAGGAGE	3	261		3	116	
RES/TKTG/BOARDING	4	104		4	100	
REFUNDS	5	96		5	65	
DI SABILITY	6	81		9	28	
OTHER	7	68		8	30	
FREQUENT FLYER			18			16
FARES	8	62		7	34	
OVERSALES	9	47		6	38	
TOURS	10	17		11	1	
ADVERTI SI NG	11	8		10	3	
COMPLAINT TOTAL		1616			807	

NOTE: EFFECTIVE WITH THE SEPTEMBER 1999 REPORT, "DISABILITY" COMPLAINTS ARE LISTED AS A SEPARATE CATEGORY. PREVIOUSLY, DISABILITY COMPLAINTS WERE INCLUDED IN THE "RES/TKTG/BOARDING" CATEGORY. ALSO, COMPLAINTS ABOUT "SMOKING" AND "CREDIT," WHICH FORMERLY WERE SEPARATE CATEGORIES, ARE NOW INCLUDED IN THE "OTHER" CATEGORY.

<sup>\*</sup> A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLAINT CATEGORIES IS ATTACHED. \*\* INCLUDES FIGURES FOR SUB-CATEGORIES.



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#### COMPLAINTS AGAINST U.S. AIRLINES BY COMPLAINT CATEGORY\*

#### **OCTOBER 1999**

U.S. AIRLINES ALPHABETICAL	FLI GHT PROBLEMS	OVER- SALES	RES/TKTG/ BOARDI NG		REFUNDS	BAGGAGE	CUSTOMER SERVI CE	DISABILITY	ADVER- TI SI NG	TOURS	OTHER	TOTAL
AIRTRAN AIRWAYS ALASKA AIRLINES AMERICA WEST AIRLINES AMERICAN AIRLINES AMERICAN EAGLE	5 6 54 68 6	0 0 4 10 1	2 1 1 14 0	2 0 1 15 0	1 1 1 10 0	3 3 6 25 3	0 2 17 44 4	0 1 4 9 2	0 0 0 2 0	0 0 0 0	2 0 2 4 1	15 14 90 201 17
AMERICAN TRANS AIR ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES BUSINESS EXPRESS CONTINENTAL AIRLINES CONTINENTAL EXPRESS	6 2 6 20 3	0 0 0 3 0	0 0 0 1 1	0 0 0 3 0	0 0 0 4 0	4 1 1 23 0	1 2 3 28 0	1 0 0 11 1	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	1 1 0 4 0	13 6 10 97 5
DELTA AIR LINES EASTWIND AIRLINES HAWAIIAN AIRLINES MIDWAY AIRLINES NORTHWEST AIRLINES	53 3 3 4 54	2 0 1 0 4	7 3 1 0 7	6 0 1 0 5	3 16 0 1 3	22 0 0 1 17	31 0 1 0 33	5 0 0 1 5	1 0 0 0 1	0 0 0 0	12 0 1 0 3	142 22 8 7 132
RENO AIR RYAN INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES SKY TREK INT'L AIR SOUTHWEST AIRLINES SPIRIT AIRLINES	1 1 2 1 16	0 0 0 1 0	1 0 0 1	0 0 0 1 2	0 0 0 0 2	2 1 0 3 3	1 3 1 9	0 0 0 1 2	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 1 2 0 1	5 6 5 17 34
TOWER AIR TRANS STATES AIRLINES TRANS WORLD AIRLINES TRANS WORLD EXPRESS UNITED AIRLINES	10 4 16 4 58	0 1 4 1 3	1 2 9 0 18	0 0 4 0 5	0 0 3 0 6	5 0 10 0 31	3 3 10 0 46	0 0 3 0 16	0 0 0 0 1	0 0 0 0	1 0 5 0 11	20 10 64 5 195
UNITED EXPRESS US AIRWAYS VANGUARD AIRLINES OTHER U.S. AIRLINES	4 75 2 9	0 3 1 3	0 7 3 0	0 4 2 1	1 5 0 3	3 10 2 6	0 21 3 0	0 9 0 4	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 4	8 134 13 30
OCTOBER 1999 % OF TOTAL COMPLAINTS	496 37. 4	42 3. 2	80 6. 0	52 3. 9	60 4. 5	185 14. 0	274 20. 7	75 5. 7	5 0. 4	0 0. 0	56 4. 2	1325
OCTOBER 1998 % OF TOTAL COMPLAINTS	189 29. 3	29 4. 5	69 10. 7	25 3. 9	47 7. 3	87 13. 5	150 23. 3	24 3. 7	3 0. 5	0 0. 0	22 3. 4	645

\*EFFECTIVE WITH THE SEPTEMBER 1999 REPORT, "DISABILITY" COMPLAINTS ARE LISTED AS A SEPARATE CATEGORY.
PREVIOUSLY, DISABILITY COMPLAINTS WERE INCLUDED IN THE "RES/TKTG/BOARDING" CATEGORY. ALSO, COMPLAINTS ABOUT
"SMOKING" AND "CREDIT," WHICH FORMERLY WERE SEPARATE CATEGORIES, ARE NOW INCLUDED IN THE "OTHER" CATEGORY.

AIRLINES ARE LISTED INDIVIDUALLY IF DOT RECEIVED 5 OR MORE COMPLAINTS AGAINST THEM DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. COMPLAINTS AGAINST U.S. AIRLINES ACCOUNTING FOR FEWER COMPLAINTS THAN THAT ARE INCLUDED UNDER 'OTHER U.S. AIRLINES.'



#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

### COMPLAINTS AGAINST U.S. AIRLINES BY INCIDENT DATE

OCTOBER 1999

U.S. AIRLINES ALPHABETICAL	COMPS RECD I N OCT	I NCI - DENTS I N OCT	PERCENT	I NCI - DENTS I N SEP	PERCENT	INCI - DENTS IN ALL PRIOR MONTHS	PERCENT	UN- KNOWN I NCI- DENT DATE	PERCENT
AIRTRAN AIRWAYS	15	4	26. 67	4	26. 67	$\begin{array}{c} 7 \\ 5 \\ 20 \\ 110 \\ 6 \end{array}$	46. 67	0	0. 00
ALASKA AIRLINES	14	6	42. 86	1	7. 14		35. 71	2	14. 29
AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	90	35	38. 89	29	32. 22		22. 22	6	6. 67
AMERICAN AIRLINES	201	46	22. 89	32	15. 92		54. 73	13	6. 47
AMERICAN EAGLE	17	4	23. 53	6	35. 29		35. 29	1	5. 88
AMERICAN TRANS AIR ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES BUSINESS EXPRESS CONTINENTAL AIRLINES CONTINENTAL EXPRESS	13 6 10 97 5	$egin{matrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ 26 \\ 2 \\ \end{bmatrix}$	0. 00 66. 67 40. 00 26. 80 40. 00	0 1 5 23 0	0. 00 16. 67 50. 00 23. 71 0. 00	10 0 1 41 3	76. 92 0. 00 10. 00 42. 27 60. 00	3 1 0 7 0	23. 08 16. 67 0. 00 7. 22 0. 00
DELTA AIR LINES EASTWIND AIRLINES HAWAIIAN AIRLINES MIDWAY AIRLINES NORTHWEST AIRLINES	142	45	31. 69	30	21. 13	44	30. 99	23	16. 20
	22	0	0. 00	9	40. 91	9	40. 91	4	18. 18
	8	3	37. 50	3	37. 50	2	25. 00	0	0. 00
	7	3	42. 86	0	0. 00	4	57. 14	0	0. 00
	132	48	36. 36	27	20. 45	49	37. 12	8	6. 06
RENO AIR RYAN INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES SKY TREK INT'L AIR SOUTHWEST AIRLINES SPIRIT AIRLINES	5	0	0. 00	0	0. 00	5	100. 00	0	0. 00
	6	0	0. 00	0	0. 00	6	100. 00	0	0. 00
	5	0	0. 00	1	20. 00	4	80. 00	0	0. 00
	17	10	58. 82	1	5. 88	5	29. 41	1	5. 88
	34	9	26. 47	3	8. 82	21	61. 76	1	2. 94
TOWER AIR TRANS STATES AIRLINES TRANS WORLD AIRLINES TRANS WORLD EXPRESS UNITED AIRLINES	20	7	35. 00	1	5. 00	12	60. 00	0	0. 00
	10	0	0. 00	4	40. 00	6	60. 00	0	0. 00
	64	9	14. 06	8	12. 50	42	65. 63	5	7. 81
	5	1	20. 00	1	20. 00	2	40. 00	1	20. 00
	195	50	25. 64	50	25. 64	78	40. 00	17	8. 72
UNITED EXPRESS US AIRWAYS VANGUARD AIRLINES OTHER U.S. AIRLINES	8	1	12. 50	2	25. 00	3	37. 50	2	25. 00
	134	37	27. 61	22	16. 42	65	48. 51	10	7. 46
	13	2	15. 38	5	38. 46	6	46. 15	0	0. 00
	30	7	23. 33	7	23. 33	11	36. 67	5	16. 67
TOTALS PRIOR YEAR'S TOTALS	1325	363	27. 40	275	20. 75	577	43. 55	110	8. 30
	645	132	20. 47	158	24. 50	354	54. 88	1	0. 16



#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

### COMPANIES OTHER THAN U.S. AIRLINES BY COMPLAINT CATEGORY \*

#### **OCTOBER 1999**

	FLI GHT PROBLEMS	OVER- SALES	RES/TKTG/ BOARDI NG	FARES	REFUNDS	BAGGAGE	CUSTOMER SERVI CE	DISABILITY	ADVER- TI SI NG	TOURS	OTHER	TOTAL
FOREIGN AIRLINES												
AEROCALI FORNI A AIR ARUBA	1 2	0	0 0	2 0	1 0	1 1	0	0	0	0	0	5 5
AIR CANADA	1	0	1	1	1	2	5	1	0	0	0	12
AIR FRANCE AIR JAMAICA	5 2	1 0	2 1	0 0	1 0	17 1	7 1	0	0 0	0 1	0 0	$\begin{array}{c} 34 \\ 6 \end{array}$
ALI TALI A	1	1	0	0	0	.1	2	Ō	Ō	o	1	6
BRITISH AIRWAYS KLM	6 5	1 0	5 1	1 0	1 0	14 5	5 2	0 0	1 0	0 0	2 0	36 13
LUFTHANSA VIRGIN ATLANTIC	0	0	0 0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0 1	5 5
OTHER FOREIGN AIRLINES	12	2	7	2	5	22	8	2	0	0	2	62
TOTAL	35	5	17	8	10	67	33	4	2	1	6	189
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TRAVEL AGENTS												
OTHER TRAVEL AGENTS	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
TOTAL	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
TOUR OPERATORS												
SUNJET INT'L SALES	0	0	0	0	17	2	0	0	0	9	0	28
OTHER TOUR OPERATORS	1 	0	2	0	4	2	3	0	0	6	0	18
TOTAL	1	0	2	0	21	4	3	0	0	15	0	46
MI SCELLANEOUS**												
OTHER MI SCELLANEOUS	15	0	5	1	4	5	13	0	1	1	5	52
TOTAL	15	0	5	1	4	5	13	2	1	1	5	52

<sup>\*</sup>EFFECTIVE WITH THE SEPTEMBER 1999 REPORT, "DISABILITY" COMPLAINTS ARE LISTED AS A SEPARATE CATEGORY.
PREVIOUSLY, DISABILITY COMPLAINTS WERE INCLUDED IN THE "RES/TKTG/BOARDING" CATEGORY. ALSO, COMPLAINTS ABOUT
"SMOKING" AND "CREDIT," WHICH FORMERLY WERE SEPARATE CATEGORIES, ARE NOW INCLUDED IN THE "OTHER" CATEGORY.

COMPANIES ARE LISTED INDIVIDUALLY IF DOT RECEIVED 5 OR MORE COMPLAINTS AGAINST THEM DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. COMPLAINTS AGAINST COMPANIES ACCOUNTING FOR FEWER COMPLAINTS THAN THAT ARE INCLUDED UNDER 'OTHER FOREIGN AIRLINES,' OTHER TOUR OPERATORS,' ETC.

<sup>\*\*</sup>EFFECTIVE WITH THE SEPTEMBER 1999 REPORT, COMPLAINTS AGAINST "CARGO COMPANIES" (FORMERLY A SEPARATE GROUPING) ARE INCLUDED WITH THE "MISCELLANEOUS" GROUPING.





## OCTOBER Consumer Complaints: Rankings U.S. AIRLINES\*

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	AIRLINE	OCTOBER 1999			OCTOBER 1998		
OCT. '99 RANK		COMPLAINTS	SYSTEMWIDE ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS PER 100,000 ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS	SYSTEMWIDE ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS PER 100,000 ENPLANEMENTS
1	Southwest	17	5,705,654	0.30	5	5,066,738	0.10
2	Alaska	14	1,061,213	1.32	7	1,026,667	0.68
3	Delta	142	8,922,401	1.59	68	8,728,047	0.78
4	United	195	7,625,921	2.56	94	7,564,297	1.24
5	Continental	97	3,780,531	2.57	56	3,519,599	1.59
6	US Airways	134	4,962,957	2.70	34	5,029,177	0.68
7	Northwest	132	4,840,360	2.73	60	4,456,107	1.35
8	American	201	7,160,841	2.81	99	6,754,501	1.47
9	TWA	64	2,195,962	2.91	25	1,872,939	1.33
10	America West	90	1,664,066	5.41	37	1,479,115	2.50
	TOTAL	1,086	47,919,906	2.27	485	45,497,187	1.07

Note: For simplicity, statistics are displayed to two decimal places. Actual ranking order is based on our computer carrying out the number of decimal places to nine.

<sup>\*</sup> U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. The list of carriers appearing on this page is consistent with those carriers that appear in the "Flight Delays," "Mishandled Baggage" and "Oversales" sections of the *Air Travel Consumer Report*.



#### **COMPLAINT CATEGORIES\***

**Flight Problems:** Cancellations, delays, or any other deviations from schedule, whether planned or unplanned.

**Oversales:** All bumping problems, whether or not the airline complied with DOT oversale regulations.

**Reservations, Ticketing, Boarding:** Airline or travel agent mistakes in reservations and ticketing; problems in making reservations and obtaining tickets due to busy telephone lines or waiting in line, or delays in mailing tickets. Problems boarding the aircraft (except oversales).

**Fares:** Incorrect or incomplete information about fares, discount fare conditions and availability, overcharges, fare increases and level of fares in general.

**Refunds:** Problems in obtaining refunds for unused or lost tickets, fare adjustments, or bankruptcies.

**Baggage:** Claims for lost, damaged or delayed baggage, charges for excess baggage, carry-on problems, and difficulties with airline claim procedure.

Customer Service: Rude or unhelpful employees, inadequate meals or cabin service, treatment of delayed passengers.

**Disability:** Civil rights complaints by air travelers with disabilities.

**Advertising**: Advertising that is unfair, misleading or offensive to consumers.

**Tours:** Problems with scheduled or charter tour packages.

**Other:** Frequent flyer, smoking, credit, cargo problems, security, airport facilities, claims for bodily injury, and other not classified above.

\*Note: Effective with the September 1999 report, complaints about "smoking" and "credit," which formerly were separate categories, are included in the "other" category.

