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Mishandled Baggage

**Consumer Complaints** 

(Includes Disability and Other Discrimination Complaints)

Oversales

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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 *http://airconsumer.ost.dot.gov/* 

### 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, flight delays, and cancellations. It is based on data filed by airlines each month with the Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (Office of Airline Information), as described in 14 CFR Part 234 of DOT's regulations. It covers nonstop scheduled-service flights between points within the United States (including territories) by the ten U.S. air carriers that have at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. (Aloha Airlines reported data voluntarily for the period October 2000 through October 2001; TWA ceased operating in December 2001.)

The rule requires carriers to currently report on operations to and from the 32 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 reporting 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 (CRS). 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, 5 (American, Continental, Northwest, United and US Airways) use ACARS exclusively; 1 (Southwest) relies solely on their pilots, gate agents and/or ground crews to record arrival times manually; and 4 (Alaska, America West, American Eagle, and Delta) 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 31 required or "reportable" airports; Tables 5, 6 and 7 contain data on flights to/from all airports that were reported. Tables 1 and 8 each have one column for the 32 "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.

Table 8 displays the number of operations, number of flight cancellations, and percentage of cancellations by air carrier for the reportable airports and for the air carriers' domestic system.

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 *http://www.bts.gov/ntda/oai/*. 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 CRS 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.



#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

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

	AT 32 REPORTA	BLE AI RPORTS B/	AT ALL REPORT	ED AIRPORTS C/
CARRI ER A/	NUMBER OF AI RPORTS REPORTED	PERCENT OF ARRIVALS ON TIME D/	NUMBER OF AI RPORTS REPORTED	PERCENT OF ARRIVALS ON TIME D/
US AI RWAYS S/	27	88. 2	65	88. 7
UNI TED S/	31	87.9	82	87.9
AMERICAN S/	31	86.8	88	87.6
NORTHWEST S/	32	85.7	110	86.3
SOUTHWEST S/	15	85.2	59	85.9
CONTINENTAL S/	30	83.4	76	83.6
DELTA S/	32	82.9	108	83.0
AMERICA WEST S/	27	80. 5	52	80.6
ALASKA S/	14	79.9	42	80. 2
AMERICAN EAGLE S/	18	79.9	99	79. 3
TOTAL		85.0		85. 2

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.

\* All U.S. airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues.

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#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

# 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 10-12 200		QUARTER 03 2002				UARTEI 9 2002	-	09 200	2	10 2002		11 2002	E	MONTHS ENDI NG 1 2002			TO DATE 11 2002
	% RAN	IK %	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANI	<	% RAN	к	% RANK		% RAN	\$	6 RANK	%	RAN	K
ALASKA	73.7	(11)	75.3 (	10) 7	9.1	(8)	79.2	(10)	85.1	(9)	80. 2	(8)	80.2	(9)	77.6 (	10)	75.9	(8)
ALOHA	79.9																	
AMERI CA WEST	85.2	(3)	86.4	(1) 8	4.2	(2)	81.7	(8)	83.9	(10)	82.4	(6)	80.6	(8)	83.8	(3)	78.6	(5)
AMERI CAN	81.8	(8)	83.2	(4) 8	2.6	(3)	84.3	(3)	89. 7	(3)	87.5	(3)	87.6	(3)	84.0	(1)	79. 1	(3)
AMERI CAN EAGLE	81.6	(9)	79.8	(7) 7	8.8 (	10)	80.4	(9)	85.6	(8)	79.6	(9)	79.3	(10)	79.7	(9)	74.9	(10)
CONTI NENTAL	85.8	(2)	85.1	(2) 8	5.2	(1)	84.0	(4)	86.2	(7)	78.4 (*	10)	83.6	(6)	84.0	(2)	78.8	(4)
DELTA	86.2	(1)	77.4	(8) 7	8.8	(9)	83.0	(5)	86.2	(6)	82.1	(7)	83.0	(7)	80.4	(8)	77.6	(7)
NORTHWEST	82.3	(7)	76. 9	(9) 7	9.6	(7)	82.0	(7)	87.0	(5)	86.4	(4)	86.3	(4)	80.6	(7)	79.8	(2)
SOUTHWEST	84.4	(5)	83.8	(3) 8	2.1	(5)	82.6	(6)	88.6	(4)	82.6	(5)	85.9	(5)	82.8	(6)	82.4	(1)
TWA	84.0	(6)																
UNI TED	79.9	(10)	82.2	(5) 8	2.5	(4)	85.0	(2)	89.8	(2)	88.0	(1)	87.9	(2)	83.7	(4)	75.7	(9)
US AI RWAYS	84.6	(4)	81.3	(6) 8	1.0	(6)	86.6	(1)	90.9	(1)	87.9	(2)	88.7	(1)	83.5	(5)	78.5	(6)
TOTAL	83. 2		81.3	8	1.3		83.3		88.0		84.2		85.2		82.3		78.6	

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.

\* All U.S. airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues, plus other carriers that report voluntarily. Aloha Airlines reported data voluntarily each month from October 2000 through October 2001. American Eagle reporting effective January 2001. Trans World ceased operating December 2001.

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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.

The ranking columns in this table that include September 2001 data (12 months ending November 2002, and Database to Date) reflect data submitted by the carriers to BTS for the entire month of September. The flight delay data for the period September 1-10 only was the basis for the September rankings in the ATCR's issued in November and December 2001 and January 2002.

#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

# TABLE 2. NUMBER OF REPORTED FLIGHT ARRIVALS AND PERCENTAGE ARRIVING ON TIME D/ BY CARRIER AND AI RPORT (REPORTABLE AI RPORTS ONLY)

							ARRI VAL	AI RPOF	RT							
	AT	L	BC	)S	BW	/	CL	.Т	CV	/G	DC	CA	DE	N	DF	W
CARRI ER	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME
AA AS CO DL HP MQ NW UA US WN	739 H, 367 15677 145 H/ 472 369 522 H,	74. 1 80. 9 86. 2 79. 2 86. 4 81. 2	1388 29 541 1630 145 1964 406 859 1635 H	84. 4 82. 8 85. 2 90. 9 71. 7 73. 2 80. 8 87. 7 90. 7	577 H 241 402 146 303 327 409 442 3848	88. 2 91. 3 87. 8 80. 1 68. 6 84. 7 85. 8 91. 0 88. 4	H 169 H/ 115 223 121 7303	95. 9 4/ 1/ 84. 0 80. 0 82. 5 86. 0 89. 3 4/	4406 302 31 140	H/ H/ H/ 85.9 H/ 77.8 77.4 86.4 H/	942 29 351 1031 86 769 566 371 1860 H/	88.6 93.1 91.5 89.5 70.9 74.8 86.6 88.7 91.1	686 89 326 522 286 H/ 371 6646 294 H/	92. 4 74. 2 85. 0 82. 6 75. 9 85. 4 93. 7 89. 5	12018 356 2575 217 6015 448 570 311 H/	87.9 84.2 86.6 89.1 87.3 90.9 88.1
TOTAL	18291	81.0	8597	84.2	6695	87.2	8101	89.0	4879	85.3	6005	87.5	9220	91.5	22510	89.5
							ARRI VAL	AI RPOR	RT							
	DT	W	EV	VR	FL	_L	IA	D	I A	λH	JF	K	LA	S	LA	X
CARRI ER	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME
AA AS CO DL HP MQ NW UA US WN	567 H, 267 230 146 141 8923 313 227 471	89.6	913 30 4486 667 169 282 538 651 325 H	82. 0 93. 3 79. 0 83. 2 72. 8 68. 4 75. 5 82. 9 76. 3	623 H 382 1224 59 H 150 90 362 993	80. 1 78. 8 78. 0	452 59 75 457 227 204 1832 138 H,	78.4 84.8 88.3 93.5	598 H, 7318 232 140 H, 382 315 269 154	89.5 / 87.8 75.9 79.3	1254 H, 51 1032 233 1051 90 462 H, H,	90. 2 87. 2 76. 4 74. 7 75. 6 93. 1	779 342 467 596 2157 H/ 359 841 179 4932	88. 6 77. 2 86. 1 75. 5 77. 9 82. 2 85. 6 83. 8 83. 4	2707 539 544 1041 491 2192 466 3021 311 3323	82. 7 79. 4 78. 9 79. 3 74. 7 83. 3 75. 8 88. 9 80. 4 82. 4
TOTAL	11285	87.5	8061	79. 2	3883	82.5	3444	88.0	9408	87.4	4173	82.5	10652	82.3	14635	83.0

ARRI VAL AI RPORT

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

ARRI VAL AI RPORT

	LG	A A	MC	20	MD	)W	MI	A	MS	Р Р	OF	?D	PD	X	PH	IL
CARRI ER	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# OF ARR.	% ON TIME	# 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
AA AS CO DL HP MQ NW UA US WN	2040 H 325 1943 H 1078 600 593 1316 H	78. 2 83. 3 / 64. 6 73. 7 78. 2 87. 0	978 H 440 1578 118 H 390 527 671 1720	88.3 / 80.5 84.0 88.1	210 96 115 H 359 H 3606	79.2 76.5 / / 85.8	3042 10 318 298 59 H/ 180 396 306 H/	82. 7 90. 0 73. 9 80. 9 79. 7 78. 9 86. 4 79. 1	696 H/ 215 316 157 H/ 9324 563 229 H/	82.3 78.8 72.6 88.3 84.9 89.1	8330 29 466 545 228 5097 734 10437 573 H,	82. 6 62. 1 77. 5 79. 1 79. 8 77. 6 77. 4 85. 0 80. 5	234 1238 89 386 174 H/ 149 684 H/ 971	84.6 80.8 77.5 83.7 74.7 , 83.9 90.1	793 H/ 134 456 171 275 466 579 5677 H/	90. 3 84. 9 79. 5 66. 5 83. 3 84. 3 87. 4
TOTAL	7895	78.4	6422	86. 0	4386	86. 1	4609	81.9	11500	87.5	26439	82. 2	3925	84.2	8551	86.0
							ARRI VAL	AI RPO	RT							
	PF	IX	PI	Т	SA	N	SE	A	SF	0	SL	.C	ST	Ľ	TF	PA
CARRI ER AA AS CO DL HP MO NW UA US WN	# OF ARR. 550 351 309 386 6078 266 329 568 182 5124	% ON TI ME 90. 2 82. 3 80. 9 75. 9 83. 4 81. 6 81. 5 85. 6 81. 9 83. 4	# OF ARR.  112 H 49 169 58 252 143 170 4551 H	91. 8 90. 5 84. 5 72. 6 84. 6 81. 8 91. 3	# OF ARR.  741 301 227 432 267 767 208 649 149 2312	% ON TI ME 88. 0 83. 1 74. 9 76. 2 78. 7 87. 9 72. 1 86. 0 85. 2 83. 0	# OF ARR.  541 3363 289 500 260 260 889 979 171 1120	% ON TI ME 87. 1 79. 2 78. 5 82. 6 67. 3 81. 7 89. 4 85. 4 87. 4	# OF ARR. 1074 463 374 553 315 144 321 4156 279 H/	% ON TI ME 82. 2 79. 7 77. 5 80. 0 74. 3 75. 1 88. 5 79. 9	# OF ARR. 236 H, 59 3506 142 H, 89 376 H, 1120	84.7 86.5 81.7 93.3 88.8	# OF ARR. 6665 H/ 23 172 58 H/ 321 207 118 2020	73. 9 86. 6 87. 9	# OF ARR. 625 H/ 349 1015 88 H/ 270 289 533 1664	84. 0 80. 8 87. 5
TOTAL	14143	83.4	5504	89. 9	6053	83.3	7612	82.3	7679	84.1	5528	86.5	9584	89.5	4833	85.2

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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)

ARRI VAL AI RPORT

	ARRIVAL ALREORI	
SCHEDULED - ARRI VAL TI ME	ATL BOS BWI CLT CVG DCA DEN DFW DTW EWR FLL IAD IAH JFK LAS LAX LGA MCC	)
600   -   659 AM     700   -   759 AM     800   -   859 AM     900   -   959 AM     1000   -   1059 AM     1100   -   1159 AM     1200   -   1259 PM     100   -   159 PM     200   -   259 PM     300   -   359 PM     400   -   459 PM     500   -   559 PM     600   -   659 PM     600   -   759 PM     800   -   759 PM     900   -   759 PM     1000   -   1059 PM     1000   -   1059 PM     1000   -   1059 PM     1000   -   559 AM	91.7 85.4 93.3 90.3 96.7 J/ 77.8 95.2 87.8 94.1 93.3 81.7 95.9 85.6 91.3 89.7 J/ J/   93.0 89.2 88.3 91.1 96.0 85.8 92.2 92.5 93.0 87.0 91.7 92.3 96.3 80.5 98.2 92.0 80.4 95.1   81.9 87.4 90.4 84.0 84.7 81.7 95.1 91.9 93.2 91.7 97.7 92.7 90.3 100.0 92.9 84.4 77.0 92.1   81.8 88.7 94.2 79.5 93.2 86.6 91.6 92.2 86.1 94.9 91.7 85.6 80.0 85.0 81.3 85.0 81.3 85.0 80.3 80.0 80.3 80.0 80.3 80.0 80.	1106684743744762
TOTAL, ALL ARRIVALS, BY AI RPORT	, 81. 0 84. 2 87. 2 89. 0 85. 3 87. 5 91. 5 89. 5 87. 5 79. 2 82. 5 88. 0 87. 4 82. 5 82. 3 83. 0 78. 4 86. ( ARRI VAL AI RPORT	0
SCHEDULED - ARRI VAL TI ME	MDW MIA MSP ORD PDX PHL PHX PIT SAN SEA SFO SLC STL TPA TOTAL	
$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	96.4 $88.4$ $94.2$ $90.5$ $J/$ $90.6$ $J/$ $91.9$ $96.0$ $88.2$ $96.7$ $J/$ $95.2$ $95.8$ $91.5$ $95.6$ $J/$ $93.6$ $92.7$ $100.0$ $93.1$ $92.7$ $94.8$ $91.5$ $96.0$ $93.3$ $91.5$ $96.3$ $93.7$ $92.0$ $94.1$ $96.7$ $91.3$ $89.9$ $94.1$ $85.8$ $92.2$ $92.4$ $95.7$ $91.9$ $92.2$ $90.0$ $93.8$ $95.8$ $89.8$ $93.1$ $81.8$ $88.5$ $90.5$ $91.2$ $86.4$ $89.7$ $89.7$ $87.4$ $91.2$ $84.7$ $90.7$ $93.6$ $94.2$ $89.0$ $95.8$ $86.5$ $90.3$ $89.2$ $92.4$ $91.7$ $78.9$ $93.9$ $84.6$ $91.2$ $85.9$ $88.0$ $87.0$ $85.4$ $87.6$ $95.2$ $86.0$ $88.5$ $87.7$ $86.2$ $88.9$ $86.3$ $91.6$ $84.5$ $91.0$ $88.1$ $91.9$ $88.2$ $87.9$ $87.2$ $83.7$ $91.7$ $85.0$ $89.0$ $91.0$ $88.4$ $92.1$ $84.0$ $87.6$ $77.5$ $87.4$ $89.9$ $88.3$ $87.5$ $91.1$ $80.0$ $92.6$ $81.6$ $86.7$ $87.5$ $83.1$ $82.4$ $83.9$ $83.8$ $86.3$ $86.4$ $94.7$ $91.7$ $87.4$ $87.7$ $89.6$ $76.8$ $82.4$ $90.0$ $82.4$ $92.2$ $81.1$ $86.2$ $84.8$ $89.5$ $91.4$ <td< td=""><td></td></td<>	

TOTAL, ALL ARRIVALS, BY AI RPORT 86.1 81.9 87.5 82.2 84.2 86.0 83.4 89.9 83.3 82.3 84.1 86.5 89.5 85.2 85.0

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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)

DEPARTURE AI RPORT

SCHEDULED						DEI	PARTURE	E AI RPO	RT								
DEPARTURE TIME	ATL BOS	BWI	CLT	CVG	DCA	DEN	DFW	DTW	EWR	FLL	I AD	I AH	JFK	LAS	LAX	LGA	MCO
600 - 659 AM   700 - 759 AM   800 - 859 AM   900 - 959 AM   1000 - 1059 AM   1100 - 159 PM   1200 - 1259 PM   100 - 159 PM   200 - 259 PM   300 - 359 PM   400 - 459 PM   500 - 559 PM   600 - 659 PM   700 - 759 PM   800 - 859 PM   900 - 959 PM   1000 - 1059 PM   1000 - 1059 PM	$\begin{array}{c} 94. \ 9 \ 96. \ 3 \\ 94. \ 4 \ 92. \ 7 \\ 94. \ 6 \ 89. \ 1 \\ 88. \ 1 \ 87. \ 8 \\ 90. \ 6 \ 92. \ 9 \\ 89. \ 1 \ 88. \\ 90. \ 4 \ 89. \ 6 \\ 88. \ 6 \ 86. \ 3 \\ 89. \ 5 \ 84. \ 9 \\ 86. \ 5 \ 84. \ 9 \\ 80. \ 6 \ 80. \ 5 \\ 80. \ 8 \ 79. \ 1 \\ 80. \ 2 \ 82. \ 8 \\ 85. \ 0 \ 79. \ 8 \\ 81. \ 2 \ 82. \ 8 \\ 81. \ 2 \ 84. \ 6 \\ 83. \ 2 \ 68. \ 0 \\ 87. \ 4 \ 94. \ 4 \end{array}$	93. 9 92. 3 89. 7 90. 5 82. 0 89. 0 84. 0 78. 0 83. 0 83. 0 80. 9 78. 8	88. 8 91. 2	96.6 93.8 91.7 94.1 93.3 92.3 92.3 92.3 92.3 88.1 93.1 85.2 90.5 86.2 85.1 81.2 85.1 81.2 85.1 82.9 90.0 J/	95.8 92.8 90.2 90.8 93.0 94.2 91.4 94.4 88.6 86.4 89.4 92.6 87.1 86.7 93.4	98. 4 95. 7 93. 3 95. 3 94. 2 92. 8 94. 1 90. 6 91. 4 90. 8 91. 4 91. 2 93. 6 91. 2 93. 6 91. 4 83. 9 1. 2 93. 6 91. 4 92. 8 91. 2 93. 6 91. 4 92. 8 91. 2 93. 6 91. 2 92. 8 91. 2 91. 2 91. 4 91. 2 91. 4 91. 4 9	94. 1 92. 5 92. 2 91. 9 91. 5 90. 8 90. 4 88. 3 90. 7 86. 1 89. 7 86. 4 89. 7 86. 4 89. 5	94. 7 93. 4 92. 8 93. 0 91. 3 92. 8 88. 8 86. 9 84. 6 85. 8 82. 3 87. 5 79. 4 83. 1 5 88. 7 79. 4 85. 5 79. 4 85. 7 J/	95.7 96.0 94.9 93.8 94.4 93.1 94.1 89.0 90.8 84.4 75.0 79.8 67.5 81.6 100.0 <i>J</i> /	97. 6 96. 5 94. 8 96. 4 89. 6 86. 3 87. 4 86. 8 87. 4 86. 8 87. 4 86. 8 80. 0 80. 0 80. 8 82. 6 74. 7 86. 1 73. 9 J/ 95. 8	96. 0 95. 0 94. 8 96. 4 98. 3 94. 5 90. 6 92. 0 87. 9 81. 4 90. 4 88. 6 88. 7 91. 9	95.1 87.3 91.2 91.4 89.0 92.8	87.4 91.9 95.9 93.2 93.7 96.5 88.0 85.8 85.0 85.8 85.0 85.0 85.0 85	94. 2 93. 1 89. 0 83. 5 81. 6 82. 2 84. 6 81. 9 81. 3 79. 1 78. 6 76. 4 77. 8 79. 3 76. 4 89. 8	87.0 87.6 86.6 83.9 82.8 85.0 85.0 85.0 83.4 84.6 85.3 80.6 79.6 81.9 91.1	94. 7 91. 6 90. 5 89. 9 92. 8 88. 0 87. 5 86. 1 85. 4 84. 3 80. 7 84. 3 80. 7 81. 1 77. 0 75. 3 82. 8 100. 0	99. 1 97. 5 96. 4 93. 8 95. 6 88. 1 92. 9 91. 2 82. 5 88. 0 87. 5 88. 0 86. 9 88. 8 88. 0 86. 7 J/ 93. 3
TOTAL, ALL DEPARTURI BY AI RPORT	ES, 87.0 86.9	85.0	90. 7	88. 2	91.4	93. 0	90. 3	88. 3	89. 1	87. 1	92. 1	92.2	86. 8	84.4	87. 0	86. 6	90. 9
						DEI	PARTURE	E AI RPO	RT								
SCHEDULED - DEPARTURE TIME	MDW MIA	MSP	ORD	PDX	PHL	PHX	PIT	SAN	SEA	SF0	SLC	STL	TPA	TOTAL			
600 - 659 AM   700 - 759 AM   800 - 859 AM   900 - 959 AM   1000 - 1059 AM   1100 - 159 PM   100 - 159 PM   200 - 259 PM   300 - 359 PM   400 - 459 PM   500 - 559 PM   600 - 659 PM   600 - 659 PM   800 - 859 PM   900 - 959 PM   1000 - 1059 PM   1000 - 1059 PM   1000 - 559 AM	95. 9 95. 0 96. 2 94. 7 94. 0 95. 8 85. 6 93. 8 90. 4 86. 2 89. 8 91. 6 89. 5 91. 3 83. 8 84. 7 65. 9 86. 3 73. 2 83. 9 78. 6 81. 3 72. 6 77. 1 74. 6 89. 9 62. 8 83. 0 61. 4 81. 0 68. 1 J/ J/ J/ J/ J/	92. 9 92. 9 92. 9 93. 2 88. 0 91. 6 90. 6 90. 9 89. 8 85. 6 89. 2 90. 2 90. 9	94. 6 92. 1 93. 3 91. 6 92. 3 90. 1 87. 6 88. 7 83. 2 81. 2 80. 8 81. 2 78. 6	95.8 96.0 94.9 91.0 91.4 88.9 90.2 86.0 89.8 82.8 88.3 81.3 77.1	94. 5 91. 3 91. 6 86. 7 85. 1 92. 5 89. 8 89. 7 88. 2 88. 6 82. 4 84. 3 79. 9 90. 5 84. 3 84. 3 79. 9 90. 5 87. 3	94. 7 97. 0 93. 5 86. 2 87. 2 84. 9 84. 2 83. 4 80. 4 77. 8 80. 9 80. 6 79. 6 82. 6	96. 3 94. 9 94. 7 94. 7 94. 6 93. 2 93. 2 93. 9 92. 5 78. 6 92. 5 91. 9 91. 5 91. 9 84. 3 84. 8 91. 6 90. 9 94. 4	96. 9 97. 0 91. 6 93. 2 85. 1 85. 3 85. 3 85. 3 85. 3 85. 3 85. 3 85. 3 85. 4 85. 4 85. 3 85. 4 85. 5 85. 4 85. 5 85. 4 85. 5 85. 5	92. 1 91. 7 91. 8 90. 2 89. 1 89. 4 89. 5 85. 3 81. 8 84. 5 84. 3 74. 4 74. 0 73. 9 76. 7 74. 4 84. 1	94.0 96.2 93.7 91.7	95. 7 96. 6 94. 4 91. 6 94. 0 90. 8 84. 3 89. 7 90. 7 89. 7 89. 7 89. 7 89. 3 89. 7 89. 3 90. 1 88. 7 91. 9	97. 2 96. 8 96. 4 95. 0 89. 5 93. 6 92. 2 93. 5 93. 6 92. 2 93. 3 90. 6 85. 6 90. 5 90. 5 87. 7 89. 0	96. 7 96. 4 93. 7 94. 2 95. 9 86. 3 91. 5 88. 6 87. 0 81. 4 89. 5 78. 9 88. 7 91. 9 88. 7 91. 9 88. 7 91. 6 82. 6	95. 3 94. 5 93. 2 91. 5 90. 8 89. 5 89. 3 88. 2 86. 7 86. 7 86. 7 86. 7 86. 7 84. 9 84. 2 84. 2 84. 2 84. 2 85. 0 89. 8 92. 3			
TOTAL, ALL DEPARTURI BY AI RPORT	ES, 81.4 87.5	90.7	85.7	88.4	88. 0	84.6	92. 7	86.2	86. 1	90. 0	91. 2	92.6	89. 5	88. 3			

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

CARRI ER	NUMBER	ALRPORTS	DEPARTURE TIME	REPORTED	15 MINUTES LATE OR MORE D/	AVERAGE MEDIAN
	FLI GHT	ORIGIN-DESTIN.	SCHEDULED	OPERATI ONS	OPERATIONS ARRIVING	NO. OF MIN. LATE
				NUMBER OF	PERCENTAGE OF FLIGHT	

NONE

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

	NUMBER OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED FLIGHTS FOR WHICH	LATE 70% OF TH	HEDULED FLIGHTS E TIME OR MORE D/
CARRI ER	FOR WHICH CARRIER REPORTED DATA	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
ALASKA	426	1	0. 2
DELTA	1, 988	1	0. 1
SOUTHWEST	2, 776	1	0.0
AMERI CAN	2, 313	0	0.0
UNI TED	1, 597	0	0.0
NORTHWEST	1, 452	0	0.0
AMERICAN EAGLE	1, 279	0	0.0
US AIRWAYS	1, 274	0	0.0
CONTI NENTAL	917	0	0.0
AMERICA WEST	554	0	0.0
TOTAL	14, 576	3	0.0

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

CI TY (AI RPORT)	PERC ON-T ARR.	IME	OPER ARR.	ORTED ATI ONS DEP.	CI TY (AI RPORT)	PERCENT ON-TIME ARR. DEP	
CITY (AIRPORT) 	$\begin{array}{c} 86.\ 7\\ 76.\ 5\\ 89.\ 3\\ 87.\ 8\\ 86.\ 6\\ 86.\ 5\\ 82.\ 4\\ 80.\ 5\\ 81.\ 0\\ 87.\ 1\\ 87.\ 2\\ 76.\ 2\\ 94.\ 8\\ 87.\ 4\\ 89.\ 1\\ 88.\ 0\\ 92.\ 3\\ 88.\ 9\\ 84.\ 2\\ 92.\ 4\\ 87.\ 6\\ 83.\ 9\\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\ 9\\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\ 84.\$	$\begin{array}{c} 91.8\\ 82.4\\ 82.8\\ 89.8\\ 89.8\\ 89.8\\ 89.8\\ 85.7\\ 85.4\\ 87.0\\ 92.0\\ 85.0\\ 85.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 93.7\\ 85.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 81.4\\ 27.7\\ 93.3\\ 87.9\\ 90.5\\ 87.3\\ 87.9\\ 90.5\\ 87.3\\ 87.9\\ 90.5\\ 87.3\\ 87.9\\ 90.5\\ 87.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.5\\ 87.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.5\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 90.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\ 87.6\\ 90.6\\$	$\begin{array}{c} 195\\ 17\\ 28\\ 1, 157\\ 2, 805\\ 550\\ 1, 397\\ 18, 279\\ 3, 124\\ 6, 694\\ 214\\ 58\\ 277\\ 112\\ 238\\ 1, 124\\ 6, 694\\ 214\\ 58\\ 277\\ 112\\ 238\\ 1, 117\\ 911\\ 8, 599\\ 118\\ 1, 186\\ 2, 075\\ 259\\ 392\\ 140\\ 344\\ 8, 101\\ 26, 427\\ 4, 387\\ 4, 879\\ 3, 398\\ 169\\ 548\\ 111\\ 2, 546\\ 373\\ 3, 418\\ 22, 506\\ 591\\ 90\\ 29\\ 9, 187\\ 651\\ \end{array}$		CLTY (ALRPORT) EL PASO TX (ELP) EUGENE OR (EUG) EVANSVI LLE IN. (EVV) FAI RBANKS AK (FAI) FARGO N. D. (FAR) FAYETTEVI LLE ARKANSAS REG (XNA) FLINT MI. (FNT) FRESNO CA (FAT) FT. LAUDERDALE FL. (FLL) FT. MYERS FL. (RSW) FT. WAYNE IN (FWA) GRAND FORKS N. D. (GFK) GRAND FORKS N. D. (GFK) GREAT FALLS MT. (GTF) GREEN BAY WI (GRB) GREENSBORO/HIGH PT. N. C. (GSO) GREENVI LLE/SPARTBG. S. C. (GSP) GULFPORT/BILOXI MS. (GPT) HARLINGEN TX (HRL) HARTI SBURG PA (MDT) HARTI SBURG PA (MDT) HARTI SBURG PA (MDT) HARTI SDURG PA (MDT) HOUSTON TX (HAU) HOUSTON TX (1AH) HUNTSVI LLE/DECATUR AL. (HSV) INDI ANAPOLIS IN. (IND) INDI O/PALM SPRINGS CA (PSP) I SLI P/LONG IS. N.Y. (ISP) JACKSON/VI CKSBURG MS. (JAN) JACKSON/VI LLE FL. (JAX) JUNEAU AK. (JNU) KAHULUI (OGG) KALAMAZOO MI. (AZO) KALI SPELL MT (FCA) KANSAS CITY MO (MC1) KETCHI KAN AK (KTN) KI LLEEN TX. (ILE) KING SALMON AK. (AKN) KNOXVI LLE TN. (TYS) KODI AK AK (ADQ) KONA HAWAII. HI. (LS) LARSI NG MI. (LAS) LARSI NG MI. (LAS) LARSI NG MI. (LAS) LARSI NG MI. (LAS) LARSI NG MI. (LAS) LAWTON OK. (LAW) LEXINGTON FK (FT KY. (LEX) LI HUE KAUAI HI. (LIH)	86.7   89.0     86.4   90.9     76.8   83.1     82.2   90.2     85.3   93.5     87.4   93.2     78.6   82.1     82.5   87.1     80.5   88.1     87.4   93.2     78.6   82.1     80.5   88.1     87.4   95.0     82.0   88.0     94.1   100.     83.1   91.2     92.7   95.0     85.0   92.2	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
EAGLE CO. (EGE)	66. / 100. 0	52. 9 100. 0	51 4	51	LEXINGION/FRKFI KY. (LEX) LIHUE KAUAL HI. (LIH)	82. 1 86. 5 89. 9 94. 9	5 112 111 99 99

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TABLE 7.	ON-TIME	ARRI VAL	AND	DEPARTURE	PERCENTAGE	BY	AI RPORT

CI TY (AI RPORT)	PERCENT ON-TI ME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.	CI TY (AI RPORT)	PERCENT ON-TIME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.
CI TY (AI RPORT) LI TTLE ROCK AR. (LI T) LONG BEACH CA. (LGB) LONGVI EW TX. (GGG) LOS ANGELES CA. (LAX) LOUI SVI LLE KY (SDF) LUBBOCK TX. (LBB) MADI SON WI. (MSN) MANCHESTER N. H. (MHT) MARQUETTE MI (MOT) MEDFORD OR (MFR) MELBOURNE FL (MLB) MEMPHIS TN (MEM) MI AMI FL (MIA) MI DLAND/ODESSA TX (MAF) MI NOT N. D (MOT) MI NOT N. D (MOT) MI SSI ON/MCALLEN TX. (MFE) MI SSOULA MT (MSO) MOBILE AL. /PASCAGOULA MS. (MC MONTEREY CA. (MRY) MYRTLE BEACH S. C (MYR) NASHVI LLE TN. (BNA) NEW OREANS LA (MSY) NEW YORK N. Y. (JFK) NEW YORK N. Y. (JFK) NEW YORK N. Y. (JFK) NEW YORK N. Y. (JFK) NEW YORK N. Y. (SWF) NOME AK. (OME) NORFOLK/VA. BEACH VA (ORF) OKLAHOMA CI TY OK (OKC) OMAHA NE (OMA) ONTARI O CA (ONT) PETERSBURG AK (PSG) PENSACOLA FL (PNS) PEORLA IL. (PIA) PETERSBURG AK (PSG) PHI LADELPHIA PA (PHL) PHOENIX AZ (PHX) PORTLAND OR (PDX) PROVI DENCE R. I. (PVD) RALEI GH/DURHAM N. C. (RDU) RAPID CI TY S. (RAP) RENO NV. (RNO) RI CHMOND VA (RI C) ROCHESTER MN. (RST) ROCHESTER N. Y (ROC) SACRAMENTO CA (SMF)	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	CITY (AIRPORT) SAGINAW MI. (MBS) SALT LAKE CITY UT (SLC) SAN ANGELO TX. (SJT) SAN ANTONIO TX. (SAT) SAN FRANCI SCO CA (SAN) SAN FRANCI SCO CA (SAN) SAN FRANCI SCO CA (OAK) SAN JOSE CA. (SJU) SAN JUAN P.R (SJU) SAN LUI S OBI SPO CA. (SBP) SANTA BARBARA CA. (SBA) SARASOTA/BRAD. FL (SRQ) SAVANNAH GA. (SAV) SCRANTON/WILKES-BARRE PA. (AVP) SEATTLE WA (SEA) SHREVEPORT LA (SHV) SIOUX FALLS S.D. (FSD) SI TKA AK. (SI T) SOUTH BEND I N (SBN) SPOKANE WA (GEG) SPRINGFIELD MO (SGF) ST. CROIX V.I (STX) ST. LOUIS MO (STL) ST. THOMAS V.I. (STT) SYRACUSE N.Y (SYR) TALLAHASSEE FL (TLH) TAMPA FL (TPA) TEXARKANA AR(TXK) TOLEDO OH. (TOL) TRAVERSE CITY MI. (TVC) TUCSON AZ. (TUS) TULSA OK. (TUL) TYLER TX. (ACT) WASHI NGTON D.C (IAD) WASHI NGTON D.C (IAD) WASHINGTON D.C (IAD) WASH	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

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# TABLE 8. OVERALL NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF FLIGHT CANCELLATIONS BY CARRIER

		AT 32 REPO	RTABLE AI RPO	RTS B/	AT ALL REPORTED AI RPORTS C/					
CARRI ER A/	NUMBER OF AI RPORTS REPORTED	FLI GHT OPERATI ON: SCHEDULED	FLIGHT SOPERATIONS CANCELLED	PERCENT OF OPERATIONS CANCELLED	NUMBER OF AI RPORTS REPORTED	FLI GHT OPERATI ONS SCHEDULED	FLI GHT OPERATI ONS CANCELLED	PERCENT OF OPERATIONS CANCELLED		
ALASKA	14	6, 872	158	2.3	42	12, 110	340	2.8		
AMERI CAN EAGLE	18	21, 223	556	2.6	99	35, 601	921	2.6		
SOUTHWEST	15	33, 378	357	1.1	59	77,607	835	1.1		
AMERI CA WEST	27	12, 590	86	0.7	52	15, 948	122	0.8		
NORTHWEST	32	28, 216	235	0.8	110	41, 776	316	0.8		
DELTA	32	44, 244	305	0.7	108	57, 432	391	0.7		
AMERI CAN	31	51, 274	331	0.6	89	66, 162	387	0.6		
US AI RWAYS	27	28, 932	119	0.4	65	37, 016	150	0.4		
UNI TED	31	38, 180	146	0.4	82	46, 172	170	0.4		
CONTI NENTAL	30	19, 535	30	0.2	76	25, 200	43	0.2		
TOTAL		284, 444	2, 323	0.8		415, 024	3, 675	0.9		

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.

### FOOTNOTES FOR TABLES 1 THROUGH 6 (FLIGHT DELAYS) AND 8 (CANCELLATIONS)

- **A** See Appendix for list of carrier codes.
- **B** See Appendix for list of 32 airports for which data must be reported. Data include all reported domestic flight operations to the 32 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 32 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.

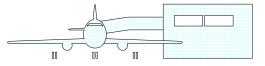
### **APPENDIX**

**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 (14 CFR	<u>PART 234)</u>
Atlanta. Hartsfield	ATL
Baltimore/Washington. International	BWI
Boston. Logan International	BOS
Charlotte. Douglas	CLT
Chicago. Midway	MDW
Chicago. O'Hare	ORD
Cincinnati. Greater Cincinnati	CVG
Dallas-Fort Worth. International	DFW
Denver. International	DEN
Detroit. Metro Wayne County	DTW
Ft. Lauderdale. International	FLL
Houston. George Bush	IAH
Las Vegas. McCarran International	LAS
Los Angeles. International	LAX
Miami. International	MIA
Minneapolis-St. Paul. International	MSP
Newark. Liberty 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. Dulles International	IAD
Washington. Reagan National	DCA

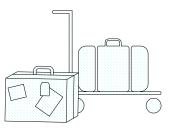
Air Carriers Required to Report
Data to DOT and to CRS Vendors

AS	Alaska Airlines
HP	America West Airlines
AA	American Airlines
MQ	American Eagle Airlines
CO	<b>Continental Airlines</b>
DL	Delta Air Lines
NW	Northwest Airlines
WN	Southwest 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. As with the data on flight delays in the previous section, these baggage statistics are filed with DOT's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (Office of Airline Information) on a monthly basis by U.S. airlines that have at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues. See 14 CFR Part 234.



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#### MISHANDLED BAGGAGE REPORTS

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#### U.S. AIRLINES<sup>\*</sup>

		NOVEMBER 2002				NOVEMBER 2001				
RANK	AIRLINE	TOTAL BAGGAGE REPORTS	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	REPORTS PER 1,000 PASSENGERS		TOTAL BAGGAGE REPORTS	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	REPORTS PER 1,000 PASSENGERS		
1	ALASKA AIRLINES	2,018	897,241	2.25		2,625	936,336	2.80		
2	CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	6,382	2,579,816	2.47		9,848	2,766,375	3.56		
3	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	9,500	3,441,206	2.76		11,448	3,311,311	3.46		
4	SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	16,670	5,783,947	2.88		22,514	5,863,537	3.84		
5	US AIRWAYS	8,870	3,066,605	2.89		12,056	3,705,748	3.25		
6	DELTA AIR LINES	20,686	6,845,808	3.02		19,478	6,380,477	3.05		
7	UNITED AIRLINES	14,672	4,718,178	3.11		20,289	4,607,250	4.40		
8	AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	4,960	1,574,233	3.15		4,483	1,361,573	3.29		
9	AMERICAN AIRLINES	22,040	6,130,402	3.60		18,761	4,735,945	3.96		
10	AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	7,810	927,242	8.42		7,953	864,972	9.19		
	TOTALS**	113,608	35,964,678	3.16		129,455	34,533,524	3.75		

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.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Trans World Airlines (TWA) ceased operating December 2001. Effective January 2002, TWA is no longer ranked in this table. Totals for November 2001 reflect the deletion of TWA's data for that month.

# **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 data are reported quarterly to DOT's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (Office of Airline Information). 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<sup>\*</sup>

			JULY-SEF	TEMBER 2002		JULY-SEPTEMBER 2001					
RANK	AIRLINE	DENIED BOARDINGS (DB'S) Voluntary Involuntary		Enplaned Passengers	Involuntary DB's per 10,000 psgrs	DENIED BOARDIN Voluntary	<u>GS (DB'S)</u> Involuntary	Enplaned Passengers	Involuntary DB's per 10,000 psgrs		
1	AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	145	0	199,565	0.00	265	37	410,087	0.90		
2	AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	11,118	38	5,265,565	0.07	10,586	109	5,140,026	0.21		
3	US AIRWAYS	16,036	103	11,114,308	0.09	18,038	229	13,400,761	0.17		
4	AMERICAN AIRLINES	29,223	474	22,834,621	0.21	30,515	664	18,076,630	0.37		
5	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	19,973	500	12,868,660	0.39	13,057	320	12,837,481	0.25		
6	CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	10,014	400	8,956,306	0.45	15,394	531	9,548,608	0.56		
7	UNITED AIRLINES	25,618	875	17,163,520	0.51	35,377	1,532	17,933,795	0.85		
8	ALASKA AIRLINES	5,690	314	3,972,522	0.79	8,787	490	3,740,709	1.31		
9	SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	20,729	1,530	18,781,696	0.81	19,871	2,694	18,564,869	1.45		
10	DELTA AIR LINES	29,669	1,839	21,324,234	0.86	29,534	1,420	21,724,341	0.65		
	TOTALS	168,215	6,073	122,480,997	0.50	181,424	8,026	121,377,307	0.66		

<sup>\*</sup> U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Trans World Airlines (TWA) ceased operating December 2001. Totals for July-September 2001 reflect the deletion of TWA's data for that 3-month period.

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#### JANUARY-SEPTEMBER

#### PASSENGERS DENIED BOARDING

#### BY U.S. AIRLINES<sup>\*</sup>

			JANUARY-S	EPTEMBER 200	2	JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 2001					
RANK	AIRLINE	DENIED BOARDINGS (DB'S) Voluntary Involuntary		Enplaned Passengers	Involuntary DB's per 10,000 psgrs	DENIED BOARDIN Voluntary	<u>GS (DB'S)</u> Involuntary	Enplaned Passengers	Involuntary DB's per 10,000 psgrs		
1	** AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	886	10	728,921	0.14	1,369	69	1,383,825	0.50		
2	AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	37,930	305	14,735,360	0.21	40,010	604	15,622,332	0.39		
3	AMERICAN AIRLINES	105,307	1,466	65,722,862	0.22	103,966	1,937	55,466,583	0.35		
4	US AIRWAYS	75,437	896	34,363,320	0.26	65,589	1,357	43,258,363	0.31		
5	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	60,654	1,898	35,830,290	0.53	58,054	1,557	38,495,416	0.40		
6	UNITED AIRLINES	73,652	3,061	47,129,523	0.65	120,191	5,499	54,721,034	1.00		
7	DELTA AIR LINES	114,143	5,423	62,118,958	0.87	135,690	4,544	69,750,219	0.65		
8	CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	36,065	2,499	26,784,287	0.93	54,383	2,599	29,749,486	0.87		
9	SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	64,956	5,817	54,698,676	1.06	63,289	9,215	56,439,110	1.63		
10	ALASKA AIRLINES	20,002	1,339	10,771,701	1.24	25,922	1,567	10,624,014	1.47		
	TOTALS	589,032	22,714	352,883,898	0.64	668,463	28,948	375,510,382	0.77		

<sup>\*</sup> U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues.

<sup>\*\*</sup> American Eagle Airlines incorrectly reported to DOT its oversales data for the first quarter of calendar year 2001. Therefore, this report reflects a correction of the American Eagle 2001 data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>T</sup> Trans World Airlines (TWA) ceased operating December 2001. Totals for January-September 2001 reflect the deletion of TWA's data for that 9-month period.

### **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.). Beginning with the October 2000 report, "Animals" was added as a new category. A detailed explanation of each category appears at the end of the report.

**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.

**Airline Rankings**: Table 6 (Table 5 in YTD reports) 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

		NOVEM	BER 2002		NOVEMBER 2001						
	COMPLAI NTS	OPI NI ONS	COMPLI MENTS	INFO REQUESTS	COMPLAI NTS	COMPLAINTS OPINIONS		INFO REQUESTS			
U.S. AI RLI NES	431	44	2	83	377	17	0	24			
FOREIGN AIRLINES	65	2	0	4	77	0	0	4			
TRAVEL AGENTS	20	1	0	1	41	0	0	0			
TOUR OPERATORS	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0			
MI SCELLANEOUS	1	6	0	21	19	14	0	14			
INDUSTRY TOTALS	519	53	2	109	517	31	0	42			

		NOVEMBER 200	2		NOVEMBER 2001					
COMPLAINT CATEGORY	RANKI NG	COMPLAI NTS**	SUB-CATEGORY	RANKI NG	COMPLAI NTS**	SUB-CATEGORY				
FLIGHT PROBLEMS CANCELLATIONS DELAYS MISCONNECTIONS	1	97	33 24 22	2	75	29 13 8				
BAGGAGE	2	96		3	70					
RES/TKTG/BOARDI NG	3	74		5	60					
CUSTOMER SERVI CE	4	69		4	69					
REFUNDS	5	67		1	154					
FARES	6	37		6	29					
DI SABI LI TY	7	31		9	12					
OVERSALES	8	26		10	11					
OTHER FREQUENT FLYER	9	13	10	8	14	2				
DI SCRI MI NATI ON	10	5		7	18					
ADVERTI SI NG	11	4		11	5					
ANI MALS	12	0		12	0					
COMPLAINT TOTAL		519			517					

\*\* INCLUDES FIGURES FOR SUB-CATEGORIES.

<sup>\*</sup> A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLAINT CATEGORIES FOLLOWS THIS SECTION.

#### AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

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

#### NOVEMBER 2002

U.S. AIRLINES**	FLI GHT	OVER-	RES/TKTG/				CUSTOMER	DI S-	ADVER-	DI SCRI M-			
ALPHABETI CAL	PROBLEMS	SALES	BOARDI NG	FARES	REFUNDS	BAGGAGE	SERVI CE	ABI LI TY	TI SI NG	I NATI ON	ANI MALS	OTHER	TOTAL
ALASKA AIRLINES	1	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	5	0	3	2	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	14
AMERICAN AIRLINES	19	5	6	6	2	16	9	2	0	2	0	2	69
AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	3	0	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	8
AMERICAN TRANS AIR	2	0	2	1	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	10
ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	6	3	6	3	7	7	10	2	0	0	0	2	46
DELTA AIR LINES	14	4	17	8	6	16	8	7	0	0	0	1	81
HAWAIIAN AIRLINES	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
NATIONAL AIRLINES	1	0	1	0	21	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
NORTHWEST AIRLINES	7	2	4	2	4	5	4	6	1	0	0	1	36
SOUTHWEST AI RLINES	1	0	4	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	9
UNITED AIRLINES	12	0	10	6	5	7	11	5	0	1	0	1	58
US AIRWAYS	2	0	0	6	0	5	4	2	0	1	0	3	23
OTHER U.S. AIRLINES	8	5	3	1	5	5	6	0	1	0	0	0	34
TOTAL NOVEMBER 2002	85	19	59	36	51	72	62	30	2	5	0	10	431
% OF TOTAL COMPLAINTS	19.7	4.4	13.7	8.4	11.8	16.7	14.4	7	0.5	1.2	0	2.3	
TOTAL NOVEMBER 2001	59	11	41	21	96	53	62	6	2	18	0	8	377
% OF TOTAL COMPLAINTS	15.6	2.9	10. 9	5.6	25.5	14.1	16.4	1.6	0.5	4.8	0	2.1	

<sup>\*</sup> A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLAINT CATEGORIES FOLLOWS THIS SECTION.

<sup>\*\*</sup> AIRLINES ARE LISTED INDIVIDUALY 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

#### NOVEMBER 2002

U. S. AI RLI NES* ALPHABETI CAL	Comps Recd I N Nov.	I NCI - DENTS I N NOV.	PERCENT	I NCI - DENTS I N OCT.	PERCENT	I NCI - DENTS I N ALL PRI OR MONTHS	PERCENT	UN- KNOWN I NCI - DENT DATE	PERCENT
ALASKA AIRLINES	6	3	50.0	3	50.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	14	6	42.9	3	21.4	4	28.6	1	7.1
AMERICAN AIRLINES	69	30	43.5	17	24.6	14	20. 3	8	11.6
AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	8	5	62.5	1	12.5	2	25.0	0	0.0
AMERICAN TRANS AIR	10	7	70.0	3	30.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST AIRLINES	5	0	0.0	4	80.0	1	20. 0	0	0.0
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	46	13	28.3	6	13.0	21	45.7	6	13.0
DELTA AIR LINES	81	24	29.6	26	32.1	23	28.4	8	9.9
HAWAIIAN AIRLINES	6	0	0.0	1	16.7	4	66. 7	1	16.7
NATIONAL AIRLINES	26	19	73.1	2	7.7	2	7.7	3	11.5
NORTHWEST AI RLINES	36	8	22.2	11	30.6	14	38.9	3	8.3
SOUTHWEST AI RLINES	9	3	33.3	4	44.4	1	11. 1	1	11. 1
UNITED AIRLINES	58	15	25.9	16	27.6	20	34.5	7	12.1
US AIRWAYS	23	5	21.7	4	17.4	8	34.8	6	26. 1
OTHER U.S. AIRLINES	34	9	26.5	7	20. 6	15	44.1	3	8.8
TOTALS	431	147	34.1	108	25.1	129	29.9	47	10. 9
PREVIOUS YEAR'S TOTALS	377	194	51.5	50	13.3	87	23.1	46	12.2

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#### AI R TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT COMPANIES OTHER THAN U.S. AI RLINES\* BY COMPLAINT CATEGORY\*\*

#### NOVEMBER 2002

	FLI GHT PROBLEMS	OVER- SALES	RES/TKTG/ BOARDI NG	FARES	REFUNDS	BAGGAGE	CUSTOMER SERVI CE	DI S- ABI LI TY	ADVER- TI SI NG	DI SCRIM- INATION	ANI MALS	OTHER	TOTAL
FOREI GN AI RLI NES													
AIR FRANCE	1	2	2	0	3	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	16
BRITISH AIRWAYS	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
OTHER FOREIGN AIRLINES	8	5	6	1	3	11	5	0	1	0	0	2	42
TOTALS	9	7	8	1	7	23	6	1	1	0	0	2	65
TRAVEL AGENTS OTHER TRAVEL AGENTS TOTALS	2 2	0	7	0	8	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	20 20
TOUR OPERATORS OTHER TOUR OPERATORS	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
MI SCELLANEOUS OTHER MI SCELLANEOUS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0	0	1
TOTALS		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	I

<sup>\*</sup> 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> A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLAINT CATEGORIES FOLLOWS THIS SECTION.

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#### NOVEMBER

#### CONSUMER COMPLAINTS: RANKINGS

#### U.S. AIRLINES \*

		NOVEMBER 2002			NOVEMBER 2001				
RAN	K AIRLINE	COMPLAINTS	SYSTEMWIDE ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS PER 100,000 ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS	SYSTEMWIDE ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS PER 100,000 ENPLANEMENTS		
1	SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	9	5,602,805	0.16	10	5,710,792	0.18		
2	ALASKA AIRLINES	6	1,055,274	0.57	7	1,030,152	0.68		
3	US AIRWAYS	23	3,314,919	0.69	28	3,876,394	0.72		
4	AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	14	1,568,628	0.89	22	1,347,523	1.63		
5	AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	8	888,853	0.90	3	898,224	0.33		
6	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	36	3,997,614	0.90	30	3,742,290	0.80		
7	AMERICAN AIRLINES	69	7,091,201	0.97	51	5,574,693	0.91		
8	UNITED AIRLINES	58	5,169,499	1.12	81	5,021,463	1.61		
9	DELTA AIR LINES	81	7,144,727	1.13	50	6,600,384	0.76		
10	CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	46	2,993,226	1.54	35	3,111,902	1.12		
	TOTAL **	350	38,826,746	0.90	317	36,913,817	.86		

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.

U.S. Airlines with at least one percent of total domestic scheduled-service passenger revenues.

\*\* Trans World Airlines (TWA) ceased operating December 2001. Effective January 2002, TWA is no longer ranked in this table. Totals for November 2001 reflect the deletion of TWA's data for that month.

### **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 claims procedures.

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.

**Discrimination**: Civil rights complaints by air travelers (other than disability); for example, complaints based on race, national origin, religion, etc.

Animals: Loss, injury or death of an animal during air transport provided by an air carrier.

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

\*Note: Effective with the *Air Travel Consumer Report* issued in May 2002, "Discrimination" has been added as a new category. Complaints about "Tours or Charters," which formerly was a separate category, are now included in the "Other" category.

