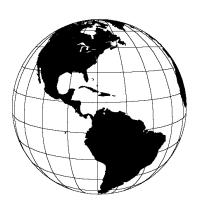


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# INTRODUCTION

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://airconsumer.ost.dot.gov/">http://airconsumer.ost.dot.gov/</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, 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 <a href="http://www.bts.gov/ntda/oai/">http://www.bts.gov/ntda/oai/</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 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	ABLE AIRPORTS 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/
UNITED S/	31	88. 1	83	88. 0
US AIRWAYS S/	27	87. 7	67	87. 9
AMERICAN S/	32	87. 5	93	87. 5
NORTHWEST S/	32	86. 6	110	86. 4
SOUTHWEST S/	15	83. 4	59	82. 6
AMERICA WEST S/	27	82. 0	52	82. 4
DELTA S/	32	82. 3	108	82. 1
ALASKA S/	13	81. 0	41	80. 2
AMERICAN EAGLE S/	19	81. 2	101	79. 6
CONTINENTAL S/	30	78. 4	76	78. 4
TOTAL		84. 7		84. 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.

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

#### ALR 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 QUAR 10-12 2		1ST QU 01-03	—	2ND QU 04-06	—	3RD QU 07-09	—	08	2002	09	2002	10	2002	12 MO END 10 2	I NG		ASE TO DATE 87 - 10 2002
	% F	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK	%	RANK
ALASKA	73. 7	(11)	75. 3	(10)	79.	1 (8)	79. 2	(10)	76. C	(10)	85. 1	(9)	80. 2	(8)	77. 3	(10)	75. 8	(8)
ALOHA	79. 9																	
AMERICA WEST	85. 2	(3)	86. 4	(1)	84. 2	2 (2)	81. 7	(8)	82. 7	(5)	83. 9	(10)	82. 4	(6)	84. 2	(1)	78. 5	(5)
AMERI CAN	81.8	(8)	83. 2	(4)	82.	6 (3)	84. 3	(3)	83. 5	(3)	89. 7	(3)	87. 5	(3)	83. <i>6</i>	(3)	78. 9	(3)
AMERICAN EAGLE	81.6	(9)	79. 8	(7)	78. 8	8 (10)	80. 4	(9)	79. 7	(9)	85. 6	(8)	79. 6	(9)	79. 8	(9)	73. 7	(10)
CONTI NENTAL	85.8	(2)	85. 1	(2)	85. 2	2 (1)	84. 0	(4)	83. 3	(4)	86. 2	(7)	78. 4	(10)	84. 2	(2)	78. 7	(4)
DELTA	86. 2	(1)	77. 4	(8)	78.	8 (9)	83. 0	(5)	84. 6	(2)	86. 2	(6)	82. 1	(7)	80. 7	(7)	77. 5	(7)
NORTHWEST	82. 3	(7)	76. 9	(9)	79.	6 (7)	82. 0	(7)	81. 8	3 (7)	87. 0	(5)	86. 4	(4)	80. 5	(8)	79. 7	(2)
SOUTHWEST	84. 4	(5)	83. 8	(3)	82.	1 (5)	82. 6	(6)	81. 5	(8)	88. 6	(4)	82. 6	(5)	82. 8	(6)	82. 3	(1)
TWA	84. 0	(6)																
UNI TED	79. 9	(10)	82. 2	(5)	82. !	5 (4)	85.0	(2)	82. 3	(6)	89. 8	(2)	88. 0	(1)	83. 1	(5)	75. 5	(9)
US AIRWAYS	84. 6	(4)	81. 3	(6)	81. (	0 (6)	86. 6	(1)	85. 9	(1)	90. 9	(1)	87. 9	(2)	83. 4	(4)	78. 4	(6)
TOTAL	83. 2		81. 3		81.	3	83. 3		82. 6	)	88. 0		84. 2		82. 2	!	78. 4	

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.

The ranking columns in this table that include September 2001 data (12 months ending October 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.

<sup>\*</sup> 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. TWA ceased operating December 2001.

## AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

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

## ARRI VAL AI RPORT

							ARRI VAL	. AI RPUF	K I							
	ATL	_	BO	S	BW	/	CL	.T	CV	G	DC	Α	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	785 396 16600 155 H/ 500 444 554 H/	74. 6 58. 3 74. 0 74. 2 72. 6 77. 0 67. 9	1508 31 599 1764 155 2313 421 1022 1762 H.	92. 0 93. 5 86. 3 93. 8 92. 3 73. 6 92. 2 92. 8 93. 9	642 H. 263 429 180 356 339 451 476 4200	93. 8  76. 8 86. 7 84. 4 77. 0 88. 8 90. 9 89. 7 89. 0	292 H/H/ 186 H/ 124 232 146 7697 H/	92. 5 / 76. 3 / 75. 0 87. 9 89. 0 86. 9	92 H/ H/ 4682 210 31 181 H/	91. 3 , , 91. 6 , 80. 0 , 77. 4 , 90. 1	1022 31 392 1129 119 874 578 431 1956 H/	90. 6 77. 4 83. 9 91. 7 86. 6 81. 9 88. 2 91. 9 95. 4	755 93 352 553 328 H/ 387 7447 231	88. 9 77. 4 73. 3 83. 9 82. 9 76. 5 91. 6 77. 5	13131 389 2715 210 6313 466 657 355 H/	68. 6 82. 5 84. 3 82. 1 74. 5 83. 9 73. 2
TOTAL	19434	73. 6	9575	88. 0	7336	88. 3	8677	86. 8	5196	91. 0	6532	90. 4	10146	89. 0	24236	84. 7
							ARRI VAL	. AI RPOF	RT							
	DTV	N	EW	/R	FL	.L	ΙΑ	'D	I A	 Н	JF	K	LA	.S	LA	١X
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	599 H/ 286 244 155 157 9263 362 247 526	89. 3	963 4 4886 705 182 313 571 758 363	88. 6 75. 0 86. 1 86. 1 85. 2 69. 0 83. 9 88. 4 89. 0	621 H. 333 1182 62 42 154 77 387 1074	90.8	484 62 85 470 H/ 248 213 1983 122	91. 7 91. 9 74. 1 86. 8 87. 1 90. 1 93. 2 93. 4	635 H/ 7905 248 151 H/ 395 359 307 169	78. 1 78. 1 66. 5 80. 1	1332 H/ 58 1017 273 1192 93 504 H/	89. 5 89. 7 89. 3 80. 6 82. 0 86. 0 94. 4	829 370 487 620 2360 H/ 345 955 195 5171	84. 9 83. 5 67. 6 78. 5 80. 3	2877 575 575 1083 527 2267 543 3278 319 3546	80. 6 82. 1 69. 6 82. 7 81. 0 88. 5 78. 6 87. 7 68. 0 82. 4
TOTAL	11839	90. 3	8745	85. 9	3932	85.3	3667	91. 2	10169	77. 3	4469	87. 4	11332	80. 9	15590	83. 2

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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

							ARRI VAL	. AI KFUI	X I							
	LO	BA	MC	0	ME	)W	MI	Α	MS	Р	OR	RD	PD	)X	Pŀ	1L
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	1964 336 2078 H 1251 609 607 1463 H	87. 0 85. 1 91. 9 76. 9 85. 4 86. 7 92. 8	986 H, 463 1620 124 H, 404 547 688 1809	88. 2 78. 2 87. 4 84. 7 83. 2 87. 0 85. 0 86. 6	228 H 108 124 H 383 H 3883	89. 0 81. 5 67. 7 / 83. 8 / 85. 1	3118 321 310 62 Hz 162 403 301 Hz	88. 9 72. 9 80. 0 90. 3 85. 2 91. 6 88. 4	773 H/ 237 341 167 H/ 9804 610 239 H/	84. 8 74. 8 79. 6 87. 0 85. 4 89. 1	9208 31 510 581 244 5549 798 11762 606	87. 2 87. 1 79. 0 81. 2 78. 7 82. 8 79. 4 87. 7 77. 6	248 1317 93 406 186 H/ 181 787 H/ 1040	85. 9 88. 2 80. 6 89. 4 76. 9 86. 2 87. 7	875 H.7 488 186 313 509 679 5959	74. 8 81. 6 88. 7 59. 4 84. 3 89. 0 87. 7
TOTAL	8308	87. 5	6641	86. 1	4726	84. 6	4677	87. 3	12171	86. 3	29289	85. 8	4258	86. 8	9156	86. 3
							ARRI VAL	. AI RPOI	RT							
	PH	łХ	PI	T	SA	AN	SE	A	SF	0	SL	.C	ST	L	TF	PΑ
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	581 295 333 402 6545 278 341 641 217 5437	80. 9 80. 3 68. 2 78. 9 84. 0 78. 1 75. 7 83. 8 74. 7 80. 3	120 H, 81 182 10 270 146 182 4954	96. 7 82. 7 81. 3 90. 0 76. 7 84. 9 89. 6 91. 9	843 361 244 461 303 805 217 812 165 2411	83. 7 86. 1 56. 6 79. 2 81. 5 90. 4 67. 3 83. 3 71. 5 81. 0	647 3756 306 526 278 HA 401 1170 200 1191	83. 3 77. 9 75. 8 86. 9 61. 9	1146 484 405 583 335 178 341 4770 300	79. 5 76. 7 63. 2 74. 6 67. 5 79. 2 71. 3 84. 2 72. 0	248 Hz 62 3707 151 Hz 93 403 Hz 1186	91. 1 71. 0 87. 9 86. 1 82. 8 85. 6	7545 H/ 27 186 62 H/ 347 302 137 2192	90. 9 81. 5 79. 6 82. 3	658 Hz 368 1143 93 Hz 252 284 527 1741	73. 6 87. 5 83. 9
TOTAL	15070	81. 5	5945	90. 6	6622	81. 4	8475	80. 2	8542	79. 8	5850	86. 5	10798	88. 9	5066	85. 4

## AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

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

CCHEDIII ED							AF	RRIVAL	AI RPOR	T								
SCHEDULED ARRIVAL 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 - 1159 AM 1200 - 1259 PM 100 - 159 PM 200 - 259 PM 400 - 359 PM 400 - 459 PM 500 - 559 PM 600 - 659 PM 700 - 759 PM 800 - 859 PM 900 - 959 PM 1000 - 1059 PM	91.8 95.5 79.1 83.8 83.4 82.5 83.3 81.9 558.6 61.1 65.2 60.3 60.1 70.4 85.6	88. 4 90. 4 86. 4 93. 3 90. 6 93. 6 85. 6 93. 6 88. 3 88. 2 87. 8 83. 9 82. 7 84. 8 90. 2 85. 4 90. 9	94. 9 93. 0 94. 4 96. 9 96. 4 90. 7 90. 7 92. 6 92. 7 87. 9 87. 9 87. 2 84. 3 87. 2 90. 5	97. 7 90. 5 97. 8 71. 3 91. 1 93. 4 92. 8 90. 2 91. 3 84. 8 82. 0 88. 3 88. 1 81. 7 85. 2 83. 7 89. 4	98. 9 94. 7 97. 4 96. 7 90. 3 93. 9 92. 6 78. 5 90. 9 86. 1 78. 9 89. 0 91. 4 87. 5	96. 7 94. 9 93. 1 88. 1 90. 9 95. 3 93. 1 91. 2 87. 0 89. 2 88. 3 86. 1 89. 8 88. 1 87. 7	89. 2 92. 3 88. 2 95. 4 88. 5 90. 3 90. 6 86. 5 86. 1 89. 0 82. 1	92. 9 90. 6 88. 7 85. 2 86. 1 84. 5 79. 2 89. 9 82. 7 83. 6 84. 8 83. 1 81. 9 81. 8 81. 9 84. 4 89. 5	91. 9 92. 5 95. 3 91. 6 92. 9 90. 1 94. 0 88. 0 93. 1 88. 8 87. 8 87. 8 85. 9 86. 1 83. 9 92. 3	93. 9 94. 1 91. 1 92. 3 93. 0 92. 2 89. 4 85. 6 86. 9 86. 8 78. 8 75. 0 84. 3 83. 2 85. 5 88. 9	83.9 73.6 96.6 97.6 92.2 88.2 87.0 87.5 89.7 80.3 89.7 84.6 81.1 85.1 70.9 78.2	93. 3 91. 1 93. 3 89. 5 94. 5 90. 3 93. 4 96. 1 90. 0 86. 0 96. 2 90. 7 88. 8 91. 8 86. 1 90. 4	95. 4 92. 4 80. 1 81. 6 72. 6 68. 3 83. 6 76. 4 82. 0 81. 8 73. 9 72. 6 75. 2 74. 0 75. 8 76. 0 83. 1	95.5 86.0 90.3 90.8 90.3 93.5 89.2 84.9 91.9 86.3 81.5 85.7 87.9 89.0 88.4 91.2	100. 0 96. 0 92. 8 91. 4 76. 4 82. 8 79. 7 80. 0 83. 1 81. 1 76. 6 74. 5 76. 7 79. 5 73. 1 75. 3 81. 6 84. 1	94. 9 90. 5 88. 6 84. 3 83. 3 85. 5 82. 7 84. 1 78. 8 78. 8 79. 4 76. 9 78. 6 87. 3	J/ 90. 1 89. 7 92. 9 87. 7 90. 3 89. 6 89. 2 88. 0 88. 3 87. 2 85. 6 85. 9 85. 9 85. 2 87. 5 88. 1	94. 1 93. 0 92. 0 89. 4 91. 9 83. 2 93. 9 92. 8 86. 4 86. 3 84. 0 80. 9 77. 6 81. 7 82. 2 80. 6 82. 6
TOTAL, ALL ARRIVALS, BY AIRPORT	73. 6	88. 0	88. 3	86.8	91. 0	90. 4	89. 0	84. 7	90. 3	85. 9	85.3	91. 2	77. 3	87. 4	80. 9	83. 2	87. 5	86. 1

SCHEDULED							AF	RRI VAL	AI RPOR	T					
ARRI VAL 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 - 1159 AM 1200 - 1259 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	98. 1 90. 2 91. 3 93. 6 89. 6 90. 9 87. 0 86. 9 85. 7 84. 5 77. 0 84. 6 75. 0 78. 4 74. 5 86. 5	94. 1 92. 0 96. 8 89. 4 93. 5 85. 1 88. 3 90. 0 89. 1 90. 8 85. 5 86. 3 85. 5 86. 3 85. 2 86. 3	95. 6 94. 9 93. 6 91. 7 89. 8 91. 4 92. 2 86. 6 88. 1 85. 8 80. 4 83. 5 74. 9 83. 1 68. 4 88. 0 90. 3 88. 9	93. 1 90. 2 91. 8 84. 8 89. 6 88. 6 88. 6 87. 7 84. 9 83. 4 86. 7 84. 7 80. 5 80. 6 82. 9 85. 2 87. 1 92. 8	94. 3 96. 7 94. 8 91. 6 92. 4 87. 4 81. 9 83. 5 84. 4 82. 8 83. 1 87. 5 79. 8 83. 5	93. 1 95. 9 84. 4 84. 1 87. 5 85. 6 89. 8 85. 8 90. 6 83. 5 80. 4 75. 8 82. 2 84. 6 89. 3	82. 7 80. 8 75. 8 80. 9 80. 6 78. 1 75. 7 79. 5 80. 5 75. 3	94. 0 95. 5 91. 9 97. 0 94. 6 92. 3 92. 1 95. 3 92. 8 93. 4 92. 9 85. 7 89. 2 81. 6 86. 4 97. 8	100.0 92.6 94.4 89.8 84.3 83.5 80.3 79.6 81.4 82.7 80.4 81.5 76.4 74.3 79.0 72.4 79.0 488.0	84. 5 89. 3 86. 1 87. 0 86. 8 82. 6 83. 4 82. 5 76. 3 77. 8 76. 6 77. 1 76. 6 77. 3 78. 1	88. 9 90. 2 85. 7 72. 6 69. 8 69. 0 83. 7 82. 9 84. 8 84. 6 82. 1 73. 1 81. 6 77. 2 78. 0	94.7 94.6 93.7 90.2 89.2 87.5 89.2 83.5 80.1 85.3 82.6 81.8 79.8 67.0	94.8 94.3 90.3 91.0 94.6 86.1 93.8 88.2 94.6 84.2 86.9 87.1 88.3 85.7 81.1 86.2	91. 2 100. 0 98. 3 98. 2 90. 4 90. 6 88. 7 83. 6 82. 0 82. 8 83. 4 82. 5 80. 7 84. 5 75. 2 83. 9	93. 2 92. 6 89. 5 87. 9 86. 6 86. 5 86. 6 86. 2 85. 6 82. 7 82. 7 80. 9 79. 7 80. 9
TOTAL, ALL ARRIVALS, BY AIRPORT		87. 3	86. 3	85. 8	86.8	86. 3	81. 5	90. 6	81. 4	80. 2	79. 8	86. 5	88. 9	85. 4	84. 7

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

					BY AIR	PORT A	ND TI	ME OF D	AY (RE	PORTAB	LE AIF	RPORTS	ONLY)					
COUEDIN ED							DEF	PARTURE	AI RPO	RT								
SCHEDULED 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 - 1159 AM 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	96. 1 95. 6 86. 3 89. 7 87. 9 87. 9 89. 7 89. 0 85. 8 80. 1 72. 5 68. 6 67. 8 70. 2	83. 1 81. 8 86. 8 84. 6	95. 6 91. 9 93. 3 91. 8 91. 3 86. 8 87. 0 82. 6 81. 9 80. 6 81. 4 73. 5 78. 9	97. 2 91. 7 95. 3 84. 7 93. 3 97. 4 90. 6 92. 4 91. 5 88. 9 90. 8 88. 3 95. 6	94. 6 96. 8 95. 2 94. 9 93. 5 88. 7 90. 0 91. 8 91. 9 75. 8 84. 0 87. 4	96. 9 94. 7 95. 0 94. 7 93. 9 93. 3 94. 5 93. 7 90. 8 87. 8 90. 7 93. 3 92. 9 92. 7 88. 7	96. 9 96. 2 93. 3 92. 9 92. 1 94. 2 92. 9 92. 3 90. 1 89. 6 88. 9 90. 6 88. 8	93. 9 90. 7 89. 8 91. 0 88. 4 87. 7 88. 2 85. 9 81. 6 85. 8 80. 6 84. 6 85. 8 87. 5	91. 2 96. 0 92. 0 92. 6 90. 2 89. 7 89. 6 88. 5 85. 9 87. 8 76. 0 86. 1 79. 9 89. 4 J/	94. 8 94. 8 95. 1 90. 3 93. 2 92. 3 88. 8 85. 8 84. 1 83. 3 84. 4 80. 5 84. 0 J/	97. 4 95. 2 93. 8 97. 7 93. 1 91. 5 89. 6 85. 1 84. 8 84. 4 82. 1 79. 5 85. 2 87. 2 77. 8	95.3 96.4 94.7 93.5 95.3 91.5 88.1 92.7 89.5 81.6 90.1 87.3 82.8 93.1	94. 7 95. 5 91. 8 89. 4 86. 8 81. 6 86. 1 89. 5 86. 1 85. 0 77. 9 84. 1 81. 5 86. 2 93. 2	96. 0 93. 1 95. 2 89. 9 94. 7 93. 9 90. 2 89. 3 87. 2 86. 5 85. 0 82. 4 75. 4 87. 6 87. 1	94. 9 91. 4 91. 6 84. 9 78. 8 82. 0 81. 4 80. 4 75. 4 77. 6 74. 1 75. 8 74. 4 78. 8	94. 6 92. 9 86. 9 86. 9 84. 4 86. 2 85. 8 83. 9 85. 8 83. 9 79. 2 84. 3	92.6 90.9 93.1 92.2 89.3 87.9 89.8 86.2 89.2 87.7 86.9 86.8 84.7	94. 6 97. 8 95. 3 94. 7 91. 7 92. 2 90. 7 88. 5 90. 3 82. 9 86. 9 81. 5 83. 1 82. 4 79. 1
TOTAL, ALL DEPARTUR BY AIRPORT		88. 2	86. 2	90. 6	92. 1	93. 2	92. 1	87. 5	88. 5	89. 2	89. 6	92. 0	86. 5	88. 9	82. 9	87. 2	90. 1	89. 8
							DEF	PARTURE	AI RPO	RT								
SCHEDULED DEPARTURE TIME				ORD		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 - 1159 AM 1200 - 1259 PM	95. 0 89. 2 87. 9 86. 9 88. 7	96. 8 96. 0 94. 7	91. 8 96. 3 91. 8 86. 6 90. 4	95. 4 95. 1 92. 8 91. 3 92. 1 90. 9 90. 3	94. 3 95. 7 90. 4 88. 2 86. 1 91. 1 91. 8	94. 6 93. 1 87. 6 85. 7 91. 1	95. 4 92. 4 90. 1 84. 5 81. 3 78. 9 81. 1	93. 9 96. 0 94. 4 91. 9 94. 5	95. 2 94. 2 90. 2 89. 9 89. 7 88. 5 81. 2	91. 1 89. 9 89. 1 88. 9 86. 6	96. 8 96. 8 94. 2 93. 3 90. 5 84. 8 84. 4	97. 2 95. 4 97. 6 94. 1 90. 4	96. 6 95. 7 95. 2 94. 0 94. 7 88. 8 93. 0		95. 3 94. 7 93. 1 91. 0 89. 8 88. 6 88. 8			

DEPARTURE TIME	MDW	MI A	MSP	ORD	PDX	PHL	PHX	PIT	SAN	SEA	SF0	SLC	STL	TPA	TOTAL
600 - 659 AM 700 - 759 AM 800 - 859 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 700 - 759 PM 800 - 859 PM 900 - 959 PM	96. 9 95. 0 89. 2 87. 9 86. 9 88. 7 81. 8 78. 0 68. 2 74. 4 70. 9 62. 7 73. 8 62. 2 66. 7 J/	94.6 94.6 95.8 96.8 96.0 94.7 91.9 89.2 86.4 87.6 84.8 85.7 83.2 88.7	91. 5 91. 8 96. 3 91. 8 86. 6 90. 4 90. 7 88. 5 87. 3 88. 5 84. 7 83. 6 87. 1 85. 3 89. 9	95. 4 95. 1 92. 8 91. 3 92. 1 90. 9 88. 3 85. 3 85. 3 85. 0 86. 2 86. 2 84. 7 83. 8 89. 8 89. 8	94.3 95.7 90.4 88.2 86.1 91.1 91.8 91.0 89.5 86.9 86.9 88.6 81.1 77.5 80.6 85.9	93. 4 94. 6 93. 1 87. 6 85. 7 91. 1 88. 1 91. 2 85. 8 88. 3 86. 9 82. 8 81. 8 78. 0 84. 8	95. 4 92. 4 90. 1 84. 5 81. 3 78. 9 81. 1 79. 6 78. 7 70. 0 79. 5 78. 5 78. 5 78. 1	97. 2 93. 9 96. 0 94. 4 91. 9 94. 5 95. 5 89. 4 89. 9 88. 4 89. 0 84. 8 90. 0 87. 5 89. 5	95. 2 94. 2 90. 2 89. 9 89. 7 88. 5 81. 2 86. 1 82. 4 83. 5 83. 5 87. 6 75. 8 70. 1 85. 9 92. 2	94. 5 91. 1 89. 9 86. 6 85. 2 81. 5 79. 1 83. 6 74. 3 74. 3 74. 3 81. 5 89. 9	96.8 96.8 94.2 93.3 90.5 84.8 85.7 89.5 90.7 91.6 89.3 88.9 93.9	93. 9 97. 2 95. 4 97. 6 94. 1 90. 4 93. 9 90. 8 89. 3 92. 1 89. 8 88. 3 85. 5 82. 3 86. 8 84. 3 92. 8	96.6 95.7 94.0 94.7 88.8 93.0 91.3 84.6 91.6 92.8 83.0 91.0 90.1 89.8 83.0	96. 1 97. 2 96. 6 96. 4 92. 2 94. 0 93. 2 90. 5 83. 5 84. 5 82. 0 73. 4 83. 2 90. 2 82. 3 70. 4 85. 2	95. 3 94. 7 93. 1 91. 0 89. 8 88. 6 88. 8 87. 7 86. 6 85. 6 85. 3 83. 3 83. 3 83. 6 81. 8 84. 5 87. 5
1100 - 559 AM TOTAL, ALL DEPARTURE	J/ ES,	J/	94. 4	J/	90. 3	95. 2	93. 4	97. 2	96. 7	94. 7	96. 1	100. 0	J/	100. 0	91. 3
BY ALRPORT	78. 9	90.7	88. 7	88. 4	89. 1	87. 7	81. 9	91. 5	86. 3	85. 5	90.4	91. 3	91. 9	89. 7	87.8

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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	OPERATI ONS	PERCENTAGE OF FLIGHT OPERATIONS ARRIVING 5 MINUTES LATE OR MORE D/	NO. OF M AVERAGE	IN. LATE MEDIAN
WN	2452	MDW-MCI	1855	22	90. 91	52	39
MQ	4457	LGA-RDU	830	23	86. 96	46	35
WN	2452	DTW-MDW	1830	22	86. 36	44	32
MQ	4449	LGA-DTW	1810	27	81. 48	36	25
DL	175	ATL-DFW	1910	31	80. 65	35	22

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

	NUMBER OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED FLIGHTS FOR WHICH	LATE 70% OF T	SCHEDULED FLIGHTS THE TIME OR MORE D/
CARRI ER	CARRI ER REPORTED DATA		PERCENTAGE
CONTI NENTAL	924	3	0. 3
SOUTHWEST	2, 776	5	0. 2
AMERICAN EAGLE	1, 289	3	0. 2
AMERICA WEST	564	1	0. 2
DELTA	1, 982	2	0. 1
NORTHWEST	1, 436	2	0. 1
US AIRWAYS	1, 277	1	0. 1
AMERI CAN	2, 367	0	0.0
UNI TED	1, 709	0	0.0
ALASKA	434	0	0.0
TOTAL	14, 758	17	0. 1

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-TIME ARR. DEP.	REPORTED OPERATI ONS ARR. DEP.
CITY (AIRPORT)	ARR. DEP.  82. 2 92. 9 94. 1 83. 3 90. 3 77. 4 86. 8 90. 5 81. 8 86. 7 90. 2 96. 6 73. 7 80. 4 70. 5 81. 1 73. 6 82. 0 80. 2 87. 0 81. 7 70. 7 88. 7 72. 1 77. 9 73. 3 73. 3 86. 0 95. 0 81. 4 84. 9 83. 3 94. 2 91. 4 81. 4 83. 8 90. 8 88. 0 88. 2 91. 4 91. 4 83. 8 90. 8 88. 0 95. 0 81. 4 84. 9 83. 3 94. 2 91. 4 81. 4 83. 8 90. 8 88. 0 95. 0 81. 4 84. 9 83. 3 94. 6 85. 7 98. 4 86. 7 90. 7 81. 8 83. 4 85. 7 90. 7 81. 8 83. 4 86. 7 90. 7 81. 8 83. 4 86. 7 90. 7 81. 8 83. 4 86. 7 90. 7 81. 8 83. 4 85. 7 90. 6 80. 1 91. 4 80. 6 87. 1 85. 8 88. 4 86. 7 94. 6 87. 90. 6 88. 90. 6 88. 90. 7 89. 7	ARR. DEP.  213 212 17 18 31 31 1,192 1,193 3,036 3,036 173 174 572 1,560 1,560 19,432 19,434 3,396 3,397 7,337 7,336 260 263 62 62 298 298 120 120 222 221 1,482 1,483 120 120 222 221 1,482 1,483 120 120 222 221 1,482 1,483 120 120 222 221 1,482 1,483 120 120 222 27 1,482 1,483 120 120 222 27 1,482 1,483 120 120 222 298 298 298 298 298 298 298 298 299 298 298	CITY (AIRPORT)	ARK. DEP.  80.0 85.0 91.9 86.2 82.1 87.4 79.2 84.0 77.0 94.8 73.7 79.4 84.9 94.1 84.1 92.6 85.3 89.6 82.0 90.8 88.3 92.1 84.8 89.1 84.8 89.1 84.8 89.6 83.7 92.7 83.8 92.5 81.0 87.8 76.9 86.5 73.1 74.4 90.5 93.2 90.9 92.5 81.0 87.8 76.9 86.5 73.1 74.4 90.5 93.2 90.9 92.5 81.0 87.8 76.9 86.6 86.6 90.6 88.4 88.9 71.4 60.0 74.7 78.2 83.9 90.6 88.4 88.9 71.4 60.0 74.7 78.2 83.9 92.5 89.1 85.5 90.1 73.7 73.7 76.2 83.9 80.6 92.9 80.6 92.9 80.6 92.9 80.6 92.9 80.6 92.9 80.6 92.9 80.6 92.9 80.7 83.7 73.7 76.2 83.9 85.5 90.1 73.7 73.7 76.2 83.9 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 89.7 96.6 92.3 93.5 80.0 75.0 81.7 96.6 81.7 96.6	1, 821
DULUTH MN (DLH) DUTCH HARBOR AK. (DUT)	78. 7 86. 5 86. 4 92. 7 54. 8 37. 1	220 219 62 62	LAWTON OK. (LAW) LEXINGTON/FRKFT KY. (LEX)	89. 0 96. 7 85. 0 86. 7	182 182 120 120

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

CITY (AIRPORT)	PERCENT ON-TI ME ARR. D	REPORTED OPERATI ONS EP. ARR. DEP.	CITY (AIRPORT)	PERCEN ON-TIM ARR.	NT ME C DEP. AF	REPORTED DPERATI ONS RR. DEP.
CITY (AIRPORT)  LIHUE KAUAI HI. (LIH) LITTLE ROCK AR. (LIT) LONG BEACH CA. (LGB) LONGVIEW TX. (GGG) LOS ANGELES CA. (LAX) LOUISVILLE KY (SDF) LUBBOCK TX. (LBB) MADISON 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 LWAUKEE WI (MKE) MI NNEAPLS/ST. P MN(MSP) MI NNEAPLS/ST. P MN(MSP) MI NOT N. D (MOT) MI SSION/MCALLEN TX. (MFE) MI SSOULA MT (MSO) MOBILE AL. /PASCAGOULA MS. MOLINE IL. (MLI) MONTEREY CA. (MRY) MYRTLE BEACH S. C (MYR) NASHVILLE TN. (BNA) NEW ORLEANS LA (MSY) NEW YORK N. Y. (LGA) NEWARK N. J. (EWR) NEWBURGH N. Y. (SWF) 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 (PNS) PEORIA IL. (PIA) PETERSBURG AK (PSG) PHILADELPHIA PA (PHL) PHOENIX AZ (PHX) PITTSBURGH PA (PIT) PORTLAND OM (PDX) PROVIDENCE R. I. (PVD) RALEIGH/DURHAM N. C. (RDU) RENO NV. (RNO) RICHMOND VA (RIC) ROCHESTER MN. (RST)	87. 1 9.788.7 88.79.7 88.8 99.89.5 99.	8. 1         101         101         101           100         1,168         1,168         385         385           5         120         118         15,590         15	CITY (AIRPORT)  ROCHESTER N. Y (ROC) SACRAMENTO CA (SMF) SAGINAW MI. (MBS) SALT LAKE CITY UT (SLC) SAN ANGELO TX. (SJT) SAN ANTONIO TX. (SAT) SAN DI EGO CA (SAN) SAN FRANCI SCO CA (SFO) SAN FRANCI SCO CA. (OAK) SAN JOSE CA. (SJC) SAN JUAN P. R (SJU) SAN LUIS OBI SPO CA. (SBP) SANTA BARBARA CA. (SBA) SARASOTA/BRAD. FL (SRO) SAVANNAH GA. (SAV) SCRANTON/WILKES-BARRE PA. (AVP) SEATTLE WA (SEA) SHREVEPORT LA (SHV) SI OUX FALLS S.D. (FSD) SI TKA AK. (SIT) SOUTH BEND IN (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. (TYR) VALPARAI SO FL. (VPS) WACO TX. (ACT) WASHINGTON D. C (IAD) WASHINGTON D. C (ICAD) WASHINGTON D. C (ICAD) WASHINGTON D. C (ILM) WICHITA KS. (ICT) WILMINGTON N. C (ILM) WRANGELL AK. (WRG) YAKUTAT AK. (YAK)	88. 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	93. 1 79 84. 7 3, 31 991. 3 1 991. 4 5, 8 86. 5 3, 20 886. 3 6, 66 882. 5 5, 3 886. 3 5, 20 992. 6 20 887. 7 20 887. 7 20 888. 5 4 40 992. 7 80 993. 2 1 894. 6 1 994. 6 1 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 995. 9 10, 70 996. 1 1, 70 996. 1 1, 70 997. 1	92 792 55 3, 354 117 117 48 5, 850 82 182 05 3, 203 22 6, 622 69 8, 542 46 5, 347 59 5, 260 77 1, 672 13 213 96 295 44 244 426 19 120 8, 475 10 10, 798 65 11, 111 66 1, 066 93 394 62 420 10, 798 65 10, 798 65 11, 111 155 155 63 5, 066 11 1155 63 5, 066 11 1155 63 1, 369 17 217 13 213 14 244 15 394 16 394 17 217 18 217 18 217 19 148 19 120 10 1798 10 1798 10 1798 10 1798 10 1798 10 1798 10 1798 10 1798 11 11 155 11 11 155 12 212 12 12 12 12 13 13 3, 667 14 244 15 32 14 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15

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

AT 32 REPORTABLE AIRPORTS B/ AT ALL REPORTED AIRPORTS C/ NUMBER OF PERCENT OF NUMBER OF FLI GHT **FLI GHT** PERCENT OF FLI GHT FLI GHT AI RPORTS OPERATIONS OPERATIONS OPERATIONS AI RPORTS OPERATI ONS OPERATI ONS OPERATI ONS SCHEDULED CANCELLED CANCELLED REPORTED CARRIER A/ REPORTED SCHEDULED CANCELLED CANCELLED ALASKA 7407 148 2.0 13263 406 3. 1 13 41 AMERICAN EAGLE 19 23030 488 2. 1 101 38665 885 2.3 SOUTHWEST 15 35576 511 59 83075 1263 1.5 1.4 AMERICA WEST 27 13605 132 1.0 52 17258 176 1.0 NORTHWEST 32 29514 200 0.7 43536 290 0.7 111 DELTA 32 46761 319 0.7 108 60814 435 0.7 CONTI NENTAL 30 21044 151 0.7 76 27166 214 0.8 AMERI CAN 32 55752 393 0.7 93 71803 466 0.6 US AIRWAYS 27 30725 159 0.5 67 39338 203 0.5 UNI TED 31 43014 175 0.4 83 51672 211 0.4 TOTAL306, 428 2,676 0.9 446, 590 4, 549 1.0

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.

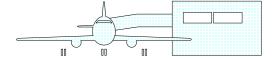
## **APPENDIX**

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 I	DART 23/1
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. International	<b>EWR</b>
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

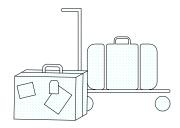
# Air Carriers Required to Report Data to DOT and to CRS Vendors

AS Alaska Airlines HP **America West Airlines** AA**American Airlines** MQ American Eagle Airlines CO **Continental Airlines** 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\*

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RANK	AIRLINE	TOTAL BAGGAGE REPORTS	ENPLANED PASSENGERS	REPORTS PER 1,000 PASSENGERS	TOTAL BAGGAG REPORT	E ENPLANED	REPORTS PER 1,000 PASSENGERS				
1	US AIRWAYS	8,671	3,510,429	2.47	13,630	3,394,115	4.02				
2	ALASKA AIRLINES	2,334	929,836	2.51	2,268	882,210	2.57				
3	CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	7,345	2,726,485	2.69	9,587	2,657,739	3.61				
4	UNITED AIRLINES	14,394	5,255,540	2.74	24,047	5,002,954	4.81				
5	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	11,317	3,669,441	3.08	10,648	3,231,228	3.30				
6	DELTA AIR LINES	22,638	7,335,894	3.09	20,206	6,333,228	3.19				
7	SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	19,446	6,269,199	3.10	24,480	6,050,079	4.05				
8	AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	5,348	1,709,754	3.13	5,161	1,462,327	3.53				
9	AMERICAN AIRLINES	21,217	6,773,549	3.13	21,975	4,463,678	4.92				
10	AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	8,596	1,021,428	8.42	9,196	878,745	10.46				
	TOTALS**	121,306	39,201,555	3.09	141,198	34,356,303	4.11				

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.

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 October 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.



# JULY-SEPTEMBER PASSENGERS DENIED BOARDING BY U.S. AIRLINES\*

		JULY-SEPTEMBER 2002				JULY-SEPTEMBER 2001					
RANK	AIRLINE	DENIED BOAR	DINGS (DB'S) Involuntary	Enplaned Passengers	Involuntary DB's per 10,000 psgrs	DENIED BOARDING Voluntary	GS (DB'S) Involuntary	Enplaned Passengers	Involuntary DB's per 10,000 psgrs		
1	AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	145		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		

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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.

# JANUARY-SEPTEMBER PASSENGERS DENIED BOARDING BY U.S. AIRLINES\*

		JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 2002					ANIIADV_QEE	PTEMBER 2001	
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		DENIED BOAR	DINGS (DB'S)	Enplaned	Involuntary DB's per	DENIED BOARDING	GS (DB'S)	Enplaned	Involuntary DB's per
RANK	AIRLINE	Voluntary	Involuntary	Passengers	10,000 psgrs	Voluntary	Involuntary	Passengers	10,000 psgrs
1	** AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	1,028	10	805,904	0.12	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
3	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	00,034	1,090	33,030,290	0.33	30,034	1,557	30,493,410	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
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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 ***	589,174	22,714	352,960,881	0.64	668,463	28,948	375,510,382	0.77

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

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.

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.

TABLE 1

# AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT CONSUMER COMPLAINTS SUMMARY

		ОСТОЕ	BER 2002		OCTOBER 2001						
	COMPLAI NTS	OPI NI ONS	COMPLI MENTS	INFO REQUESTS	COMPLAI NTS	OPI NI ONS	COMPLI MENTS	INFO REQUESTS			
U. S. AIRLINES	411	54	6	50	630	59	6	79			
FOREIGN AIRLINES	83	0	0	3	100	1	0	14			
TRAVEL AGENTS	14	2	0	2	57	1	0	4			
TOUR OPERATORS	3	0	0	0	9	0	0	1			
MI SCELLANEOUS	7	5	0	25	26	24	0	22			
INDUSTRY TOTALS	518	61	6	80	822	85	6	120			

TABLE 2

AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT COMPLAINT CATEGORIES\*

		OCTOBER 2002	2		OCTOBER 2001	
COMPLAINT CATEGORY	RANKI NG	COMPLAI NTS**	SUB-CATEGORY	RANKI NG	COMPLAINTS**	SUB-CATEGORY
FLIGHT PROBLEMS CANCELLATIONS DELAYS MISCONNECTIONS	1	84	38 17 16	2	155	72 27 21
BAGGAGE	2	79		4	88	
CUSTOMER SERVICE	3	76		5	78	
RES/TKTG/BOARDI NG	4	72		3	97	
DI SABI LI TY	5	54		9	25	
REFUNDS	5	54		1	264	
FARES	7	40		6	45	
OVERSALES	8	25		10	7	
OTHER FREQUENT FLYER	9	22	15	7	30	11
ADVERTI SI NG	10	7		11	4	
DI SCRIMINATION	11	5		8	29	
ANI MALS	12	0		12	0	
COMPLAINT TOTAL		518			822	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE COMPLAINT CATEGORIES FOLLOWS THIS SECTION.  $^{\star\star}$  INCLUDES FIGURES FOR SUB-CATEGORIES.

TABLE 3

## AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

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

## OCTOBER 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	TISING	I NATI ON	ANI MALS	OTHER	TOTAL
AIRTRAN AIRWAYS	4	1	1	0	0	2	4	1	0	0	0	0	13
AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	3	1	2	0	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	13
AMERICAN AIRLINES	11	2	16	5	5	8	12	9	0	0	0	2	70
AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	1	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	8
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	7	0	3	5	1	4	5	0	1	1	0	3	30
DELTA AIR LINES	11	4	10	8	7	9	8	7	1	0	0	3	68
NORTHWEST AIRLINES	9	2	12	3	5	2	6	5	1	1	0	1	47
SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	2	0	0	2	1	2	7	3	1	0	0	0	18
UNITED AIRLINES	10	6	11	2	7	11	14	8	1	2	0	4	76
US AIRWAYS	3	0	3	8	3	1	3	1	0	0	0	1	23
OTHER U.S. AIRLINES	12	2	3	0	9	6	3	8	0	1	0	1	45
TOTAL OCTOBER 2002	73	22	61	33	39	48	65	44	5	5	0	16	411
% OF TOTAL COMPLAINTS	17. 8	5. 4	14. 8	8.0	9. 5	11. 7	15. 8	10. 7	1. 2	1. 2	0	3. 9	
TOTAL OCTOBER 2001	138	7	69	35	183	63	65	21	3_	24	0	22	630
% OF TOTAL COMPLAINTS	21. 9	1. 1	11. 0	5. 6	29	10. 0	10. 3	3. 3	0. 5	3. 8	0	3. 5	

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

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

## ALR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

# COMPLAINTS AGAINST U.S. AIRLINES BY INCIDENT DATE

## OCTOBER 2002

U.S. AIRLINES* ALPHABETICAL	COMPS RECD IN OCT.	I NCI - DENTS I N OCT.	PERCENT	I NCI - DENTS I N SEPT.	PERCENT	I NCI - DENTS I N ALL PRI OR MONTHS	PERCENT	UN- KNOWN I NCI - DENT DATE	PERCENT
AIRTRAN AIRWAYS	13	3	23. 1	4	30. 8	3	23. 1	3	23. 1
AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	13	4	30. 8	4	30.8	3	23. 1	2	15. 4
AMERICAN AIRLINES	70	28	40. 0	16	22. 9	20	28. 6	6	8. 6
AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINES	8	5	62.5	2	25. 0	1	12. 5	0	0. 0
CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	30	10	33. 3	5	16. 7	9	30. 0	6	20. 0
DELTA AIR LINES	68	21	30. 9	18	26. 5	18	26. 5	11	16. 2
NORTHWEST AIRLINES	47	13	27. 7	10	21. 3	16	34.0	8	17. 0
SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	18	8	44.4	5	27.8	4	22. 2	1	5. 6
UNITED AIRLINES	76	16	21. 1	21	27.6	24	31. 6	15	19. 7
US AIRWAYS	23	10	43. 5	4	17. 4	6	26. 1	3	13. 0
OTHER U.S. AIRLINES	45	11	24.4	14	31. 1	15	33. 3	5	11. 1
TOTALS	411	129	31. 4	103	25. 1	119	29. 0	60	14. 6
		,							0
PREVIOUS YEAR'S TOTALS	630	245	38. 9	145	23. 0	142	22. 5	98	15. 6

<sup>&#</sup>x27;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.'

TABLE 5

## AIR TRAVEL CONSUMER REPORT

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

## OCTOBER 2002

	FLI GHT PROBLEMS	OVER- SALES	RES/TKTG/ BOARDI NG	FARES	REFUNDS	BAGGAGE	CUSTOMER SERVI CE	DIS- ABILITY	ADVER- TISING	DISCRIM- INATION	ANI MALS	OTHER	TOTAL
FOREIGN AIRLINES													
AIR FRANCE	1	1	1	0	2	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	14
ALITALIA AIRLINES	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
BRITISH AIRWAYS	0	0	1	1	3	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	15
OTHER FOREIGN AIRLINES	8	2	5	1	4	14	7	3	0	0	0	5	49
TOTALS	9	3	7	2	10	28	10	9	0	0	0	5	83
TRAVEL AGENTS													
TRAVELOCITY. COM	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	6
OTHER TRAVEL AGENTS	0	0	2	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
TOTALS	2	0	3	2	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	14
TOUR OPERATORS													
OTHER TOUR OPERATORS	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
MI SCELLANEOUS													
OTHER MI SCELLANEOUS	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	7
TOTALS	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	7

<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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TABLE 6

## OCTOBER

## CONSUMER COMPLAINTS: RANKINGS

U.S. AIRLINES \*

		(	OCTOBER 2002			OCTOBER 2001	
RAN	IK AIRLINE	COMPLAINTS	SYSTEMWIDE ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS PER 100,000 ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS	SYSTEMWIDE ENPLANEMENTS	COMPLAINTS PER 100,000 ENPLANEMENTS
1	SOUTHWEST AIRLINES	18	6,065,874	0.30	21	5,882,440	0.36
2	ALASKA AIRLINES	4	1,054,538	0.38	7	923,418	0.76
3	US AIRWAYS	23	3,510,429	0.66	54	3,544,029	1.52
4	AMERICA WEST AIRLINES	13	1,686,937	0.77	44	1,429,234	3.08
5	AMERICAN EAGLE AIRLINE	es 8	989,180	0.81	2	889,513	0.22
6	DELTA AIR LINES	68	7,659,242	0.89	105	6,511,418	1.61
7	AMERICAN AIRLINES	70	7,756,269	0.90	75	5,218,041	1.44
8	CONTINENTAL AIRLINES	30	3,153,804	0.95	57	2,949,043	1.93
9	NORTHWEST AIRLINES	47	4,322,634	1.09	65	3,657,968	1.78
10	UNITED AIRLINES	76	5,736,876	1.32	94	5,368,082	1.75
	TOTAL **	357	41,935,783	.85	524	36,373,186	1.44

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

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## **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.

