

San Diego International Airport

Lindbergh Field

Air Traffic Report

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Air Service Development Department

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Report Summary

Passengers

Passengers declined 7.7% for the month vs. December 2007. For the year, total passengers have declined 1.1% compared with 2007.

Operations

Operations declined 15% for the month vs. December 2007. For the year, operations have declined 3.5% compared with 2007. Air Carrier Operations are up 1.5% for the year, Air Taxi Operations declined 15.6%, General Aviation Operations declined 12.9% and Military Operations increased 1.6% for the year.

Air Cargo

Air Cargo declined 14.5% for the month vs. December of 2007. For the year, Air Cargo declined of 14.8% compared with 2007.

US Mail

US Mail increased 4.5% for the month vs. December of 2007. For the year, US Mail declined of 1.9% compared with 2007.

Air Service Notes

Summary Data

	December				Calendar Year-to-Date			
	2008	2007	Change	% Change	2008	2007	Change	% Change
<u>Domestic Passengers</u>								
Enplaned Passengers	663,649	722,439	(58,790)	-8.1%	8,955,478	9,040,253	(84,775)	-0.9%
Deplaned Passengers	<u>660,353</u>	<u>702,034</u>	<u>(41,681)</u>	<u>-5.9%</u>	<u>8,954,020</u>	<u>9,016,691</u>	<u>(62,671)</u>	<u>-0.7%</u>
Total	1,324,002	1,424,473	(100,471)	-7.1%	17,909,498	18,056,944	(147,446)	-0.8%
<u>International Passengers</u>								
Enplaned Passengers	6,287	11,512	(5,225)	-45.4%	105,677	132,686	(27,009)	-20.4%
Deplaned Passengers	<u>5,849</u>	<u>11,146</u>	<u>(5,297)</u>	<u>-47.5%</u>	<u>110,458</u>	<u>137,104</u>	<u>(26,646)</u>	<u>-19.4%</u>
Total	12,136	22,658	(10,522)	-46.4%	216,135	269,790	(53,655)	-19.9%
<u>Total Passengers</u>								
Enplaned Passengers	669,936	733,951	(64,015)	-8.7%	9,061,155	9,172,939	(111,784)	-1.2%
Deplaned Passengers	<u>666,202</u>	<u>713,180</u>	<u>(46,978)</u>	<u>-6.6%</u>	<u>9,064,478</u>	<u>9,153,795</u>	<u>(89,317)</u>	<u>-1.0%</u>
Total	1,336,138	1,447,131	(110,993)	-7.7%	18,125,633	18,326,734	(201,101)	-1.1%
<u>Domestic Air Cargo Tons</u>								
Enplaned Cargo Tons	4,498.6	5,183.3	(684.7)	-13.2%	61,593.3	72,044.2	(10,450.9)	-14.5%
Deplaned Cargo Tons	<u>4,148.2</u>	<u>4,924.9</u>	<u>(776.7)</u>	<u>-15.8%</u>	<u>55,913.5</u>	<u>65,903.4</u>	<u>(9,989.9)</u>	<u>-15.2%</u>
Total	8,646.8	10,108.2	(1,461.4)	-14.5%	117,506.8	137,947.6	(20,440.8)	-14.8%
<u>International Cargo Tons</u>								
Enplaned Cargo Tons	5.4	4.1	1.3	31.7%	49.6	47.3	2.3	4.9%
Deplaned Cargo Tons	<u>0.2</u>	<u>2.8</u>	<u>(2.6)</u>	<u>-92.9%</u>	<u>23.0</u>	<u>41.1</u>	<u>(18.1)</u>	<u>-44.0%</u>
Total	5.6	6.9	(1.3)	-18.8%	72.6	88.4	(15.8)	-17.9%
<u>Total Cargo Tons</u>								
Enplaned Cargo Tons	4,504.0	5,187.4	(683.4)	-13.2%	61,642.9	72,091.5	(10,448.6)	-14.5%
Deplaned Cargo Tons	<u>4,148.4</u>	<u>4,927.7</u>	<u>(779.3)</u>	<u>-15.8%</u>	<u>55,936.5</u>	<u>65,944.5</u>	<u>(10,008.0)</u>	<u>-15.2%</u>
Total	8,652.4	10,115.1	(1,462.7)	-14.5%	117,579.4	138,036.0	(20,456.6)	-14.8%
<u>US Mail Tons</u>								
Enplaned US Mail Tons	1,281.3	1,369.8	(88.5)	-6.5%	12,949.7	13,368.9	(419.2)	-3.1%
Deplaned US Mail Tons	<u>297.3</u>	<u>146.8</u>	<u>150.5</u>	<u>102.5%</u>	<u>3,387.0</u>	<u>3,284.2</u>	<u>102.8</u>	<u>3.1%</u>
Total	1,578.6	1,516.6	62.0	4.1%	16,336.7	16,653.1	(316.4)	-1.9%
<u>FAA Air Traffic Activity*</u>								
Air Carrier	12,690	13,495	(805)	-6.0%	164,382	161,896	2,486	1.5%
Air Taxi	3,042	5,006	(1,964)	-39.2%	46,215	54,788	(8,573)	-15.6%
General Aviation	912	1,118	(206)	-18.4%	14,501	16,644	(2,143)	-12.9%
Military	<u>88</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>18.9%</u>	<u>1,059</u>	<u>1,042</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1.6%</u>
Total	16,732	19,693	(2,961)	-15.0%	226,157	234,370	(8,213)	-3.5%
* FAA Aircraft Activity includes "Itinerant Operations" at the airport and will differ from other operational data reported by the airlines. Source: http://aspm.faa.gov/opsnet/sys/Airport.asp								

Detailed Operations Summary

	December				Calendar Year-to-Date			
	2008	2007	% Change	% Share	2008	2007	% Change	% Share
<u>Operations by Type of Carrier</u>								
Mainline Carrier	12,036	13,058	-7.8%	83.6%	158,272	155,316	1.9%	78.7%
Regional Carrier	610	1,868	-67.3%	4.2%	14,670	18,624	-21.2%	7.3%
Regional Carrier (LAX Only)	1,690	2,088	-19.1%	11.7%	21,650	25,482	-15.0%	10.8%
All Cargo Carrier	530	558	-5.0%	3.7%	6,892	7,148	-3.6%	3.4%
Total	<u>14,402</u>	<u>17,572</u>	-18.0%	100.0%	<u>201,484</u>	<u>206,570</u>	-2.5%	100.0%
<u>Operations by Terminal Area</u>								
Commuter Terminal	2,000	3,632	-44.9%	14.0%	33,722	39,390	-14.4%	17.3%
Terminal 1 East	5,876	5,908	-0.5%	41.0%	73,668	68,406	7.7%	37.9%
Terminal 1 West	1,850	2,331	-20.6%	12.9%	25,358	29,742	-14.7%	13.0%
Terminal 2 (International)	90	141	-36.2%	0.6%	1,220	1,429	-14.6%	0.6%
Terminal 2 East	2,194	2,320	-5.4%	15.3%	30,650	27,823	10.2%	15.8%
Terminal 2 West	2,326	2,682	-13.3%	16.2%	29,974	32,632	-8.1%	15.4%
Total	<u>14,336</u>	<u>17,014</u>	-15.7%	100.0%	<u>194,592</u>	<u>199,422</u>	-2.4%	100.0%
<u>Gate Utilization Rate (Operations)</u>								
Commuter Terminal	8.1	14.6	-44.9%		11.5	13.5	-14.6%	
Terminal 1 East	8.6	9.5	-9.6%		9.1	9.4	-2.4%	
Terminal 1 West	3.3	4.2	-20.6%		3.8	4.5	-15.0%	
Terminal 2 (International)	0.5	0.8	-36.2%		0.6	0.7	-14.9%	
Terminal 2 East	3.5	3.7	-5.4%		4.2	3.8	9.9%	
Terminal 2 West	4.2	4.8	-13.3%		4.5	5.0	-8.4%	
Net Gate Utilization Rate	<u>5.1</u>	<u>6.1</u>	-15.7%		<u>5.9</u>	<u>6.1</u>	-2.7%	
<u>Passenger Operations Schedule Reliability</u>								
Scheduled Passenger Operations	14,698	17,326	-15.2%		196,324	201,267	-2.5%	
Actual Passenger Operations	<u>14,336</u>	<u>17,014</u>	-15.7%		<u>194,592</u>	<u>199,422</u>	-2.4%	
Net Schedule Reliability	97.5%	98.2%	-0.7%		99.1%	99.1%	0.0%	

Detailed Passenger Summary

	December				Calendar Year-to-Date			
	2008	2007	% Change	% Share	2008	2007	Change	% Share
<u>Passengers by Type of Carrier</u>								
Mainline Carrier	1,264,142	1,336,911	-5.4%	94.6%	17,028,261	17,045,809	-0.1%	93.9%
Regional Carrier	23,933	64,520	-62.9%	1.8%	594,928	680,032	-12.5%	3.3%
Regional Carrier (LAX Only)	48,063	45,700	5.2%	3.6%	502,444	600,893	-16.4%	2.8%
Total	1,336,138	1,447,131	-7.7%	100.0%	18,125,633	18,326,734	-1.1%	100.0%
<u>Passengers by Terminal Area</u>								
Commuter Terminal	56,470	92,972	-39.3%	4.2%	954,686	1,039,505	-8.2%	5.3%
Terminal 1 East	492,589	507,981	-3.0%	36.9%	6,491,742	6,383,911	1.7%	35.8%
Terminal 1 West	220,476	237,879	-7.3%	16.5%	2,919,503	3,216,102	-9.2%	16.1%
Terminal 2 (International)	6,280	10,139	-38.1%	0.5%	99,159	117,754	-15.8%	0.5%
Terminal 2 East	266,331	264,172	0.8%	19.9%	3,645,340	3,419,453	6.6%	20.1%
Terminal 2 West	293,992	333,988	-12.0%	22.0%	4,015,203	4,150,009	-3.2%	22.2%
Total	1,336,138	1,447,131	-7.7%	100.0%	18,125,633	18,326,734	-1.1%	100.0%
<u>Gate Utilization Rate (Passengers)</u>								
Commuter Terminal	14,118	23,243	-39.3%		238,672	259,876	-8.2%	
Terminal 1 East	44,781	46,180	-3.0%		590,158	580,356	1.7%	
Terminal 1 West	24,497	26,431	-7.3%		324,389	357,345	-9.2%	
Terminal 2 (International)	2,093	3,380	-38.1%		33,053	39,251	-15.8%	
Terminal 2 East	26,633	26,417	0.8%		364,534	341,945	6.6%	
Terminal 2 West	32,666	37,110	-12.0%		446,134	461,112	-3.2%	
Net Gate Utilization Rate	29,692	32,158	-7.7%		402,792	407,261	-1.1%	
<u>Passengers versus Capacity</u>								
Passengers per Departure	93.2	85.1	9.6%		93.1	91.9	1.4%	
Available Seats per Departure	128.4	119.3	7.6%		124.2	121.0	2.6%	
Average Load Factor	72.6%	71.3%	1.8%		75.0%	75.9%	-1.3%	

Terms and Definitions

Air Carrier	An aircraft with seating capacity of more than 60 seats or a maximum payload capacity of more than 18,000 pounds carrying passengers or cargo for hire or compensation. This includes US and foreign flagged carriers.	General Aviation	Takeoffs and landings of all civil aircraft, except those classified as air carriers, air taxis or military.
Air Taxi	An aircraft designed to have a maximum seating capacity of 60 seats or less or a maximum payload capacity of 18,000 pounds or less carrying passengers or cargo for hire or compensation.	Itinerant Operation	Itinerant operations are operations performed by an aircraft, either IFR, SVFR, or VFR, that lands at an airport, arriving from outside the airport area, or departs an airport and leaves the airport area.
All Cargo	Air Carrier and Air Taxi Operations devoted specifically to the carriage of air cargo.	Mainline	Operations by Major, National and All Cargo Carriers. This includes US and foreign flagged carriers.
FAA Air Traffic Activity	The number of "Itinerant" arrivals and departures from the airport at which the airport traffic control tower is located.	Military	All classes of military takeoffs and landings at FAA facilities.
Gate Utilization Rate (Operations)	The average number of airline departures per gate, per day.	Regional	Operations conducted by the contracted partners or wholly owned subsidiaries of mainline carriers utilizing Regional Jets and Turboprops.
Gate Utilization Rate (Passengers)	The average number of passengers per gate, per month or per year.	Schedule Reliability	The number of Scheduled Passenger flights completed versus the number of flights scheduled expressed a percentage.