

August 2021 Statistical Report

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MAKING STRIDES TOWARDS RECOVERY

SUMMARY

San Antonio International Airport (SAT)'s passenger numbers reached 713,408 in August 2021 representing a 167% increase in passengers when compared to the same month in 2020.

SAT saw impressive numbers of passengers return to the airport this summer fueled by pent up leisure travel demand due to increased vaccination availability and relaxed restrictions across the country. Pre-pandemic, as children return to school and summer leisure demand begins to decline, business travel tends to increase. While SAT's number of business travelers continues to grow at a steady pace, case numbers increasing in Texas and the rest of the country in August due to the Delta variant resulted in some business travelers deciding not to return to the skies as soon as they had planned. This combined with leisure travel slowing down resulted in passenger numbers declining 12% compared to the month prior, July 2021.

As we monitor our recovery, we continue to compare our monthly numbers to the same month pre-pandemic in 2019. In August, passenger numbers reached 82% of the levels seen during August 2019.

Additionally, a total of 22,976,425 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT in August, up 15% compared to August 2020 and in line with air cargo levels from the previous month. (Please see Exhibit A (August 2021 vs 2020) & Exhibit B (August 2021 vs 2019) for a detailed breakdown of all passenger and cargo stats)



DOMESTIC PASSENGERS

SAT continues to compare passenger numbers to 2019 levels to better understand and monitor the recovery. Total scheduled domestic capacity, or seats, were at 80% of what was flown in August 2019. Total departure seats from SAT in August totaled 412,934 a 2% increase compared to July 2021.

This month, American Airlines (AA) continued to show their confidence in our market and flew 5% more capacity into our market than they did in August 2019. The carrier also resumed nonstop New York (JFK) service and increased capacity and frequency on several routes including Charlotte (CLT), Chicago (ORD), Dallas (DFW), and Los Angeles (LAX).

Other airlines continued to add back both capacity and frequencies to our market including Southwest to Las Vegas (LAS) and United Airlines (UA) to Houston (IAH).

	August 2021 vs. 2019	
Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Alaska Airlines	(29%)	(34%)
Allegiant Air	(22%)	(22%)
American Airlines	5%	(6%)
Delta Air Lines	(14%)	(19%)
Frontier Airlines	(60%)	(66%)
Southwest Airlines	(27%)	(27%)
Sun Country	(65%)	(63%)
United Airlines	(29%)	(24%)



INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS

An impressive increase in both international capacity and passengers to and from SAT have helped our recovery. SAT's scheduled international capacity increased by 83% when comparing August to August 2019 while passenger numbers increased 82%.

Due to many factors including the closed land border, demand to and from Mexico from SAT has recovered and increased quickly. In August, Volaris (Y4) added capacity on their nonstop service to Mexico City (MEX). SAT ranked #1 among all U.S. medium-hub airports in terms of total seats to Mexico for August. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #11 between Phoenix (PHX) and Newark (EWR).

In August, SAT offered more international seats than any other U.S. medium-hub airport. When comparing all U.S. airports in terms of total international seats offered, SAT ranked #20. Comparing this with the other large Texas airports, Houston (IAH) ranked at #5, Dallas (DFW) at #8, Houston (HOU) at #22, and Austin at #35 of the 67 U.S. airports that had international service in August 2021.

July 2021 vs. 2019							
Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change					
Aeromexico	181%	154%					
Southwest*	340%	278%					
Sun Country**	-	-					
VivaAerobus***	-	-					
Volaris	75%	166%					

*Southwest offers seasonal service to Cancún, Mexico.

**Sun Country started service to Cancún, Mexico in May 2021.

***VivaAerobus started service in July 2020



August SCHEDULE CHANGES

American Airlines (AA) became the first airline to bring back nonstop service to the New York City Metro Area. Nonstop service to New York (JFK) resumed on August 17th.

UPCOMING CHANGES

Highly anticipated new carrier *JetBlue Airways (B6)* will start <u>new</u> nonstop service to New York (JFK) and Boston (BOS), a city that has long been the largest unserved market from San Antonio. Service to BOS and JFK starts on October 31st.

Southwest (WN) will launch <u>new</u> seasonal nonstop service to Colorado Springs (COS) as well as resume holiday nonstop service to Albuquerque (ABQ) on November 20th.

Nonstop service to New Orleans (MSY) on Southwest (WN) which was originally supposed to resume on September 11th was pushed back to October 3rd due to Hurricane Ida.

Delta Air Lines (DL) is scheduled to resume their service to New York (JFK) on January 5th. American Airlines (AA) and United Airlines (UA) currently serve New York nonstop with JetBlue adding their new service in October.

United Airlines (UA) will relaunch their nonstop service to Los Angele (LAX) on February 11th. Those looking to fly to this West Coast destination can fly on American Airlines (AA), Delta Air Lines (DL), and Southwest (WN) who all currently fly from SAT to LAX.



Exhibit A San Antonio International Airport Passenger & Air Cargo Activity Summary Report

	August			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	/		%			%
	2021	2020	Change	2021	2020	Change
Passengers	0.40,000	405.000	455.404	0.001.000	4 000 400	FF 70/
Domestic Enplanements	319,883	125,382	155.1%	2,021,638	1,298,186	55.7%
Domestic Deplanements	316,837	129,358	144.9%	1,975,093	1,306,864	51.1%
Total Domestic Passengers	636,720	254,740	149.9%	3,996,731	2,605,050	53.4%
Intl Enplanements	34,469	5,027	585.7%	235,856	55,972	321.4%
Intl Deplanements	42,219	7,501	462.8%	274,311	60,480	353.6%
Total Intl Passengers*	76,688	12,528	512.1%	510,167	116,452	338.1%
Grand Total All Passengers	713,408	267,268	166.9%	4,506,898	2,721,502	65.6%
Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,628,322	5,811,596	14.1%	54,378,094	49,673,781	9.5%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,472,726	7,879,230	20.2%	73,539,877	69,533,878	5.8%
Total Domestic Freight	16,101,048	13,690,826	17.6%	127,917,971	119,207,659	7.3%
Intl Freight Enplaned	527,705	693,679	-23.9%	4,615,402	6,480,822	-28.8%
Intl Freight Deplaned	260,953	243,782	7.0%	1,827,284	2,273,787	-19.6%
Total Intl Freight	788,658	937,461	-15.9%	6,442,686	8,754,609	-26.4%
Total Freight	16,889,706	14,628,287	15.5%	134,360,657	127,962,268	5.0%
Mail Enplaned	2,212,214	1,894,624	16.8%	17,291,263	14,651,958	18.0%
Mail Deplaned	3,874,505	3,489,339	11.0%	29,380,442	26,711,674	10.0%
Total Mail	6,086,719	5,383,963	13.1%	46,671,705	41,363,631	12.8%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	22,976,425	20,012,250	14.8%	181,032,362	169,325,899	6.9%



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Domestic Deplanements	316,837	418,859	-24.4%	1,975,093	3,280,048	-39.8%
Total Domestic Passengers	636,720	832,062	-23.5%	3,996,731	6,592,129	-39.4%
Intl Enplanements	34,469	20,157	71.0%	235,856	153,243	53.9%
Intl Deplanements	42,219	21,902	92.8%	274,311	161,062	70.3%
Total Intl Passengers*	76,688	42,059	82.3%	510,167	314,305	62.3%
Grand Total All Passengers	713,408	874,121	-18.4%	4,506,898	6,906,434	-34.7%

Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,628,322	6,873,368	-3.6%	54,378,094	56,195,636	-3.2%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,472,726	9,956,199	-4.9%	73,539,877	74,074,044	-0.7%
Total Domestic Freight	16,101,048	16,829,567	-4.3%	127,917,971	130,269,680	-1.8%
Intl Freight Enplaned	527,705	1,232,397	-57.2%	4,615,402	6,145,628	-24.9%
Intl Freight Deplaned	260,953	129,062	102.2%	1,827,284	1,592,509	14.7%
Total Intl Freight	788,658	1,361,459	-42.1%	6,442,686	7,738,137	-16.7%

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Mail Enplaned	2,212,214	1,949,534	13.5%	17,291,263	16,641,302	3.9%
Mail Deplaned	3,874,505	3,725,769	4.0%	29,380,442	30,951,500	-5.1%
Total Mail	6,086,719	5,675,303	7.2%	46,671,705	47,592,802	-1.9%
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Grand Total All Air Cargo	22,976,425	23,866,329	-3.7%	181,032,362	185,600,619	-2.5%