



October 2021 Statistical Report

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MAKING STRIDES TOWARDS RECOVERY

SUMMARY

San Antonio International Airport (SAT)'s passenger numbers reached 755,051 in October 2021 representing a 126% increase in passengers when compared to the same month in 2020.

Factors such as the increase in cases due to the Delta variant slowed the return of business travelers who usually account for a large percentage of those traveling during this month. However, passenger numbers at SAT continued to see a healthy increase in October. Total passengers were up 13% compared to September as people continue to return to the skies. Our airline partners continue to add back capacity to our market in response to the increase in demand. American Airlines (AA) this month continued to add more capacity and fly more passengers than they did in the same month pre-pandemic which is a positive indicator for our region.

As we monitor our recovery, we continue to compare our monthly numbers to the same month pre-pandemic in 2019. In October, total passenger numbers reached 84% of the levels seen during October 2019 while total seats offered were at 86%.

Additionally, a total of 23,924,006 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT in October, up 3% compared to the month prior and in line with air cargo levels from 2019.

(Please see Exhibit A (October 2021 vs 2020) & Exhibit B (October 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. Domestic passenger numbers reached 80% of 2019 levels in October while total scheduled domestic capacity, or seats, were at 81% of what was flown in October 2019. Total domestic seats from SAT in October totaled 849,353 a 6% increase compared to September 2021.

This month, American Airlines (AA) continued to show their confidence in our market and flew 4% more capacity into our market than they did pre-pandemic. Delta Air Lines (DL) almost reached 2019 levels of capacity down only 2% compared to October 2019.

In October, airlines continued to recover their operations from SAT. Southwest (WN) resumed their nonstop service to New Orleans (MSY) reconnecting the two cities for the first time in over 18 months. Allegiant (G4) also resumed seasonal service to Las Vegas (LAS) after not operating in September.

Several airlines added additional frequencies on important routes including Los Angeles (LAX) on American Airlines (AA), Dallas (DAL) on Southwest (WN), and Houston (IAH) on United Airlines (UA).

Larger aircraft were added on service to Minneapolis-St. Paul (MSP) on Delta Air Lines (DL), Denver (DEN) on Frontier Airlines (F9), and both Orlando (MCO) and Phoenix (PHX) on Southwest (WN) resulting in an increase of total capacity to these markets compared to the month prior.

October 2021 vs. 2019		
Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Alaska Airlines	(49%)	(43%)
Allegiant Air	(20%)	(11%)
American Airlines	4%	3%
Delta Air Lines	(2%)	(12%)
Frontier Airlines	(64%)	(63%)
Southwest Airlines	(29%)	(28%)
Sun Country	(28%)	(37%)
United Airlines	(18%)	(14%)



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 78% when compared to October 2019 while passenger numbers increased by 79%.

Due to many factors including the closed land border, demand to and from Mexico from SAT has recovered and increased quickly. Pre-pandemic, nonstop service to Cancun (CUN) on Southwest (WN) would run seasonally from Spring Break through the summer. Due to increased demand this year, the airline extended their service to Cancun (CUN) which included offering the route in the month of October. VivaAerobus also increased frequencies on their nonstop service to Monterrey (MTY).

SAT ranked #1 among all U.S. medium-hub airports in terms of total seats to Mexico for October. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #11 between San Francisco (SFO) and Newark (EWR).

In October, 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 #21. Comparing this with the other large Texas airports, Houston (IAH) ranked at #6, Dallas (DFW) at #8, Houston (HOU) at #28, and Austin at #32 of the 64 U.S. airports that had international service in October 2021.

October 2021 vs. 2019		
Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Aeromexico	100%	108%
Southwest	100%	100%
Sun Country*	-	-
VivaAerobus**	-	-
Volaris	95%	185%

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

**VivaAerobus started service in July 2020



OCTOBER SCHEDULE CHANGES

Southwest Airlines (WN) resumed nonstop service to New Orleans (MSY).

Seasonal service to Las Vegas (LAS) on Allegiant (G4) resumed after not operating in the month of September.

UPCOMING CHANGES

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

Southwest (WN) launched **new** seasonal nonstop service to Colorado Springs (COS) as well as resumed holiday nonstop service to Albuquerque (ABQ) on November 20th.

Delta Air Lines (DL) is scheduled to resume their service to New York (JFK) on March 7th. In the meantime, for those looking to fly nonstop to New York, SAT has multiple options. JetBlue Airways and United Airlines (UA) currently serve the New York metro area.



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

	October			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2021	2020	% Change	2021	2020	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	349,006	155,431	124.5%	2,673,680	1,584,458	68.7%
Domestic Deplanements	343,794	157,452	118.3%	2,628,224	1,595,695	64.7%
Total Domestic Passengers	692,800	312,883	121.4%	5,301,904	3,180,153	66.7%
Intl Enplanements	28,132	8,709	223.0%	289,106	71,165	306.2%
Intl Deplanements	34,119	11,961	185.3%	339,286	81,199	317.8%
Total Intl Passengers	62,251	20,670	201.2%	628,392	152,364	312.4%
Grand Total All Passengers	755,051	333,553	126.4%	5,930,296	3,332,517	78.0%
Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	7,059,176	7,167,466	-1.5%	67,685,266	63,729,686	6.2%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,658,602	8,778,068	10.0%	91,889,598	87,712,058	4.8%
Total Domestic Freight	16,717,778	15,666,507	6.7%	159,574,864	151,441,744	5.4%
Intl Freight Enplaned	778,164	1,224,309	-36.4%	5,955,958	8,594,197	-30.7%
Intl Freight Deplaned	188,516	288,230	-34.6%	2,195,251	2,873,503	-23.6%
Total Intl Freight	966,680	1,177,296	-17.9%	8,151,209	11,467,700	-28.9%
Total Freight	17,684,458	18,103,373	-2.3%	167,726,073	162,909,444	3.0%
Mail Enplaned	2,356,325	2,256,250	4.4%	22,446,039	19,143,450	17.3%
Mail Deplaned	3,883,223	4,107,417	-5.5%	38,108,385	34,712,640	9.8%
Total Mail	6,239,548	6,363,667	-1.9%	60,554,424	53,856,089	12.4%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	23,924,006	24,467,040	-2.2%	228,280,497	216,765,533	5.3%



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

	October			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2021	2019	% Change	2021	2019	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	349,006	427,640	-18.4%	2,673,680	4,133,911	-35.3%
Domestic Deplanements	343,794	433,489	-20.7%	2,628,224	4,105,358	-35.9%
Total Domestic Passengers	692,800	861,129	-19.5%	5,301,904	8,239,269	-35.7%
Intl Enplanements	28,132	17,416	61.5%	289,106	186,649	54.9%
Intl Deplanements	34,119	17,403	96.1%	339,286	194,884	74.1%
Total Intl Passengers*	62,251	34,819		628,392	381,533	64.7%
Grand Total All Passengers	755,051	899,956	-16.1%	5,930,296	8,620,802	-31.2%
Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	7,059,176	6,912,955	2.1%	67,685,266	69,205,019	-2.2%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,658,602	10,088,978	-4.3%	91,889,598	93,210,559	-1.4%
Total Domestic Freight	16,717,778	17,001,933	-1.7%	159,574,864	162,415,577	-1.7%
Intl Freight Enplaned	778,164	1,162,319	-33.1%	5,955,958	8,365,551	-28.8%
Intl Freight Deplaned	188,516	353,614	-46.7%	2,195,251	2,245,983	-2.3%
Total Intl Freight	966,680	1,515,933	-36.2%	8,151,209	10,611,534	-23.2%
Total Freight	17,684,458	18,517,866	-4.5%	167,726,073	173,027,111	-3.1%
Mail Enplaned	2,356,325	1,992,094	18.3%	22,446,039	20,399,943	10.0%
Mail Deplaned	3,883,223	4,033,234	-3.7%	38,108,385	38,400,629	-0.8%
Total Mail	6,239,548	6,025,328	3.6%	60,554,424	58,800,573	2.9%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	23,924,006	24,543,194	-2.5%	228,280,497	231,827,684	-1.5%