



Monthly Statistical Report

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STRIDES TOWARDS RECOVERY

SUMMARY

As the airport continues to rebound from the COVID-19 pandemic, San Antonio International Airport (SAT)'s passenger numbers reached 767,099 in April 2022 representing a 40.4% increase compared to the same month in 2021. With COVID-19 cases dropping during the month, travel patterns continued to rebound for both business and leisure to our region in addition to special events during the month including Fiesta, Holy Week, and the continuation of the Spring Break season.

Almost all airlines increased their operation from SAT during the month compared not only to the same month in 2021 but to the month prior, March 2022, as well. The airlines with the largest increases in service from March to April included Volaris (Y4), JetBlue (B6), Frontier Airlines (F9), and VivaAerobus (VB).

As we monitor our recovery, the airport continues to compare these monthly numbers to the same month pre-pandemic in 2019. That year was a record-breaking one for San Antonio International Airport serving over 10 million passengers including having the busiest April in the airport's history. April 2022 passenger numbers reached 89.0% of the levels seen during April 2019 while total capacity reached 86.4% seen during that month.

Additionally, a total of 22,909,213 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT during the month of April 2022, slightly below the levels seen during both April 2021 and 2019.

(Please see Exhibit A (April 2022 vs 2021) & Exhibit B (April 2022 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 82.7% of what was flown in April 2019 while domestic passenger numbers reached 87.7% of 2019 levels.

In April, Southwest Airlines (WN) started new, nonstop service to Oklahoma City (OKC) which was an unserved market from SAT. The service is currently operated six times a week. In addition to new nonstops on Southwest (WN), SAT's newest carrier, JetBlue (B6), increased flying to Boston (BOS) during the month of April. The route had been reduced to four times weekly due to crew constraints and aircraft availability but increased to daily during the month.

Some of the airlines serving SAT continued to experience operational difficulties during the month of March due to crew and aircraft constraints including American Airlines (AA). As result, service network-wide, including SAT, was reduced which can be seen in the chart below.

Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Alaska Airlines (AS)	(1.4%)	(6.2%)
Allegiant Air (G4)	(43.7%)	(38.3%)
American Airlines (AA)	(28.1)	(20.8%)
Breeze Airways (MX)*	-	-
Delta Air Lines (DL)	(1.8%)	(3.0%)
Frontier Airlines (F9)	(47.4%)	(49.5%)
JetBlue Airways (B6)*	-	-
Southwest Airlines (WN)	(21.4%)	(14.3%)
Sun Country Airlines (SY)**	-	-
United Airlines (UA)	(8.3%)	(3.2%)

*New airline in 2021

**Sun Country Airlines operates seasonal service from SAT and didn't operate flights during April

While domestic service levels were still down overall for the carriers operating at SAT in April, the following routes had more capacity than in April 2019:

- American Airlines (AA) to Miami (MIA).
- Delta Air Lines (DL) to Minneapolis/St. Paul (MSP), Detroit (DTW), Salt Lake City (SLC), and Los Angeles (LAX).
- Frontier Airlines (F9) to Orlando (MCO) and Las Vegas (LAS).
- United Airlines (UA) to Washington (IAD), Newark (EWR), and Denver (DEN).
- Southwest Airlines (WN) to El Paso (ELP), Atlanta (ATL), Chicago (MDW), New Orleans (MSY), and Denver (DEN).



INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS

An impressive increase in both international capacity and passengers to and from SAT has helped recovery at the airport. SAT's scheduled international capacity increased by 54.5% when compared to April 2019 while international passenger numbers increased by 17.3%.

All the airlines that operate international service from SAT added significantly more seats to the market than in April 2019. Historically, Holy Week is one of the busiest travel periods for demand between San Antonio and Mexico. In response to this demand, all Mexican carriers increased service significantly during the month compared to the month prior, March 2022.

SAT ranked #1 among all U.S. medium-hub airports in terms of total seats to Mexico for April. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #12 between Seattle (SEA) and Orlando (MCO). In terms of total international seats, SAT ranked #29 out of all 75 U.S. airports that had international service during March.

Airline	Seat Capacity Change	Passenger Change
Aeromexico (AM)	146.9%	131.9%
Southwest (WN)*	21.6%	176.3%
Sun Country (SY)**	-	-
VivaAerobus (VB)***	-	-
Volaris (Y4)	129.6%	109.1%

*Southwest offers seasonal service to Cancun, Mexico.

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

***VivaAerobus started service in July 2020.

When comparing year-over-two-year international capacity changes, the results were based on the following:

- Aeromexico (AM) increasing frequency from daily to three times daily to Mexico City (MEX).
- Southwest (WN) increasing capacity on weekly Cancun (CUN) nonstops.
- VivaAerobus (VB) entering the market with nonstop service to Leon/Guanajuato (BJX), Mexico City (MEX), and Monterrey (MTY).
- Volaris (Y4) increasing frequency from less than daily to daily to Guadalajara (GDL) and from daily to twice daily to Mexico City (MEX).



Upcoming Changes

Frontier Airlines (F9) will launch nonstop service twice weekly to Atlanta (ATL) on May 26th and 3x weekly service to Philadelphia (PHL) on June 10th. Also, currently operated less than daily, nonstops on the carrier to Las Vegas (LAS) will increase to once to twice daily depending on the day of week starting in June.

Starting in June, United Airlines (UA) will increase capacity on their popular San Francisco (SFO) route. Currently served on a regional E-175 with 76 seats, the daily flight will switch to a mix of A319 and B737-800 aircraft representing an increase of up to 118% more seats daily to the Bay Area.

Operated 5x weekly last summer, Southwest Airlines (WN) will increase service to daily on their Cancun (CUN) nonstops in June.

Previously operated around the holidays, Southwest Airlines (WN) will start **new** Saturday service to Albuquerque (ABQ) on June 11th operated through the summer. While service is less than daily, Southwest (WN) often tests the viability of new markets by offering a limited schedule. If initial performance is positive, additional frequency is likely.

Delta Air Lines (DL) is scheduled to resume nonstop service to New York (JFK) on September 13th. For those looking to fly to New York, nonstop service is currently being offered by JetBlue Airways (B6) and United Airlines (UA).



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

	April			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2022	2021	% Change	2022	2021	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	367,600	240,547	52.8%	1,289,510	687,706	87.5%
Domestic Deplanements	356,099	231,418	53.9%	1,252,585	692,419	80.9%
Total Domestic Passengers	723,699	471,965	53.3%	2,542,095	1,380,125	84.2%
Intl Enplanements	22,110	34,385	-35.7%	80,871	70,792	14.2%
Intl Deplanements	21,290	40,198	-47.0%	82,296	91,795	-10.3%
Total Intl Passengers	43,400	74,583	-41.8%	163,167	162,587	0.4%
Grand Total All Passengers	767,099	546,548	40.4%	2,705,262	1,542,712	75.4%

Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	7,231,247	7,341,874	-1.5%	27,213,560	25,745,854	5.7%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,067,589	9,772,947	-7.2%	35,947,324	35,570,067	1.1%
Total Domestic Freight	16,298,836	17,114,821	-4.8%	63,160,885	61,315,921	3.0%
Intl Freight Enplaned	747,858	676,837	10.5%	3,190,704	2,720,558	17.3%
Intl Freight Deplaned	222,661	267,199	-16.7%	990,591	958,677	3.3%
Total Intl Freight	970,519	944,036	2.8%	4,181,295	3,679,235	13.6%

Total Freight	17,269,355	18,058,857	-4.4%	67,342,180	64,995,156	3.6%
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Mail Enplaned	2,227,490	2,262,222	-1.5%	8,402,344	8,523,006	-1.4%
Mail Deplaned	3,412,368	3,954,464	-13.7%	13,518,981	14,311,530	-5.5%
Total Mail	5,639,858	6,216,686	-9.3%	21,921,324	22,834,536	-4.0%

Grand Total All Air Cargo	22,909,213	24,275,543	-5.6%	89,263,504	87,829,692	1.6%
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Exhibit B
San Antonio International Airport
Passenger & Air Cargo Activity Summary Report

	April			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2022	2019	% Change	2022	2019	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	367,600	417,997	-12.1%	1,289,510	1,553,207	-17.0%
Domestic Deplanements	356,099	406,892	-12.5%	1,252,585	1,544,569	-18.9%
Total Domestic Passengers	723,699	824,889	-12.3%	2,542,095	3,097,776	-17.9%
Intl Enplanements	22,110	17,861	23.8%	80,871	64,434	25.5%
Intl Deplanements	21,290	19,146	11.2%	82,296	68,642	19.9%
Total Intl Passengers*	43,400	37,007	17.3%	163,167	133,076	22.6%
Grand Total All Passengers	767,099	861,896	-11.0%	2,705,262	3,230,852	-16.3%

Air Cargo (in Pounds)						
	2022	2019	% Change	2022	2019	% Change
Domestic Freight Enplaned	7,231,247	7,473,533	-3.2%	27,213,560	27,305,370	-0.3%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,067,589	9,421,294	-3.8%	35,947,324	35,664,817	0.8%
Total Domestic Freight	16,298,836	16,894,827	-3.5%	63,160,885	62,970,188	0.3%
Intl Freight Enplaned	747,858	805,418	-7.1%	3,190,704	2,144,660	48.8%
Intl Freight Deplaned	222,661	266,816	-16.5%	990,591	780,134	27.0%
Total Intl Freight	970,519	1,072,234	-9.5%	4,181,295	2,924,794	43.0%

Total Freight	17,269,355	17,967,061	-3.9%	67,342,180	65,894,982	2.2%
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Mail Enplaned	2,227,490	2,146,322	3.8%	8,402,344	8,819,543	-4.7%
Mail Deplaned	3,412,368	3,848,597	-11.3%	13,518,981	16,174,542	-16.4%
Total Mail	5,639,858	5,994,919	-5.9%	21,921,324	24,994,084	-12.3%

Grand Total All Air Cargo	22,909,213	23,961,980	-4.4%	89,263,504	90,889,066	-1.8%
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