



Monthly Statistical Report

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Airport Recovery Continues into 2023

SUMMARY

San Antonio International Airport (SAT) continues to see passenger numbers rebound from the COVID-19 pandemic. In January 2023, the airport's passenger numbers reached 741,128. This represents an increase of 31% compared to the same month in 2022.

The airport continues to compare its numbers to those in 2019 to better understand its recovery. 2019 was a record year for the airport with more than 10 million passengers flying through the terminals. During January 2023, passenger levels were just shy of those seen during the same month in 2019. The airport saw 98% of January 2019's passenger levels.

Almost all airlines increased their operations from SAT significantly during the month compared to the same month in 2022. The airlines with the largest increases in service included Frontier Airlines (F9), United Airlines (UA), Southwest Airlines (WN), JetBlue Airways (B6), American Airlines (AA), and Delta Air Lines (DL). Additionally, Spirit Airlines (NK) also offered new, nonstop service during the month which was not available in January 2022.

Additionally, a total of 19,403,972 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT during the month of January 2023. This is slightly below levels seen during the same month in both 2022 and 2019. For more detailed information see the included charts.



Upcoming Changes

Spirit Airlines **will continue to expand** from SAT with new, daily nonstop service to Baltimore/Washington (BWI) launching on March 8th, Ft. Lauderdale (FLL) on March 9th, and Los Angeles (LAX) on May 5th.

Southwest Airlines (WN) will resume seasonal, once-weekly service to Ft. Lauderdale (FLL) on March 11th.

Delta Air Lines (DL) will resume daily nonstop service to New York (JFK) on May 8th. The airline will join existing nonstop service to the New York Metro that is currently operated by JetBlue Airways (B6) to New York (JFK) and United Airlines (UA) to Newark (EWR).

Delta Air Lines (DL) will add a third daily flight to Detroit (DTW) on May 8th. This not only will provide more options to the city of Detroit but open additional connections throughout the world via Delta's hub.

Currently served less than daily seasonally, Southwest (WN) will resume daily nonstop service to Kansas City (MCI) on July 11th.



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 99% of what was flown in January 2023 while domestic passenger numbers were down 4% compared to January 2019.

Several airlines flew more passengers during January 2023 than the same month in 2019 showing not only recovery but significant growth in our market. These include Delta Air Lines (DL), Frontier Airlines (F9), and United Airlines (UA). United has consistently been flying both more capacity and total number of passengers from San Antonio (SAT) for several months now.

While not above 2019 levels, Alaska Airlines (AS) reached 98% of passenger levels seen pre-pandemic.

New airlines have contributed to these numbers including both JetBlue Airways (B6) and Spirit Airlines (NK) which both have launched nonstop service from SAT to various cities since the pandemic.

While domestic service levels were still slightly down at SAT in January, the following routes had more capacity this month than in January 2019:

- American Airlines (AA) to Miami (MIA) and Phoenix (PHX).
- Delta Air Lines (DL) to Detroit (DTW), Los Angeles (LAX), Minneapolis-St. Paul (MSP), and Salt Lake City (SLC).
- Frontier Airlines (F9) to Las Vegas (LAS) and Orlando (MCO).
- Southwest (WN) to Atlanta (ATL), Denver (DEN), Houston (HOU), Nashville (BNA), New Orleans (MSY), Orlando (MCO), and Phoenix (PHX).
- United Airlines (UA) to Denver (DEN), Houston (IAH), Newark (EWR), San Francisco (SFO), and Washington (IAD).

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Domestic Traffic

		Passengers		Capacity	
Airline	Airline Code	Vs 2019	Vs 2022	Vs 2019	Vs 2022
Alaska Airlines	AS	-2%	10%	-3%	-2%
Allegiant Air	G4	-6%	-11%	9%	0%
American Airlines	AA	-19%	20%	-20%	10%
Breeze Airways	MX	0%	-100%	0%	-100%
Delta Air Lines	DL	4%	21%	8%	10%
Frontier Airlines	F9	5%	108%	35%	118%
JetBlue Airways	B6	100%	80%	100%	100%
Southwest Airlines	WN	-11%	31%	-8%	22%
Spirit Airlines	NK	100%	100%	100%	100%
Sun Country Airlines	SY	0%	100%	100%	100%
United Airlines	UA	13%	47%	11%	32%

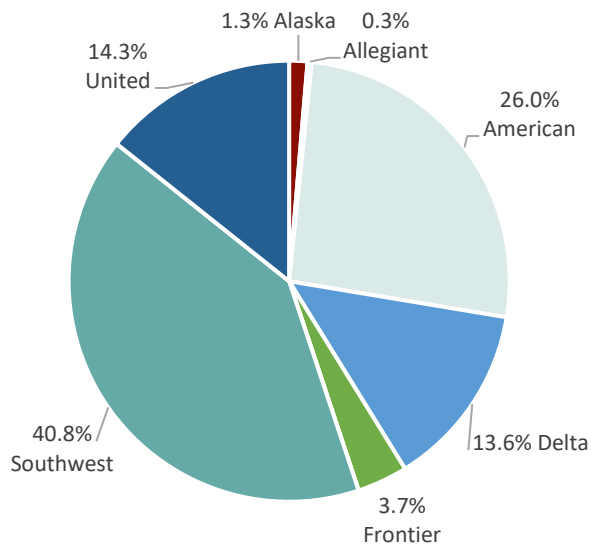
32 Domestic Destinations in January 2023

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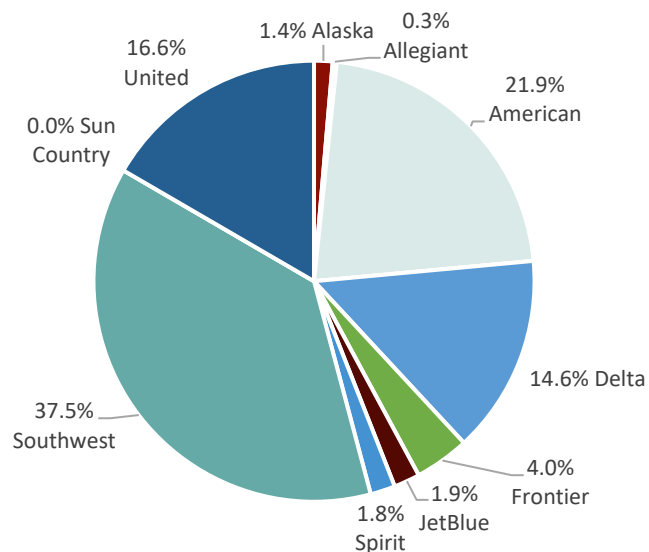
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Domestic Market Share

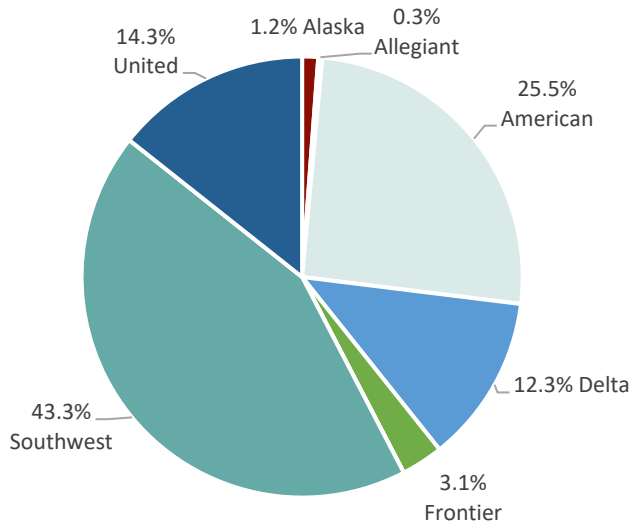
Passengers Carried Jan 2019



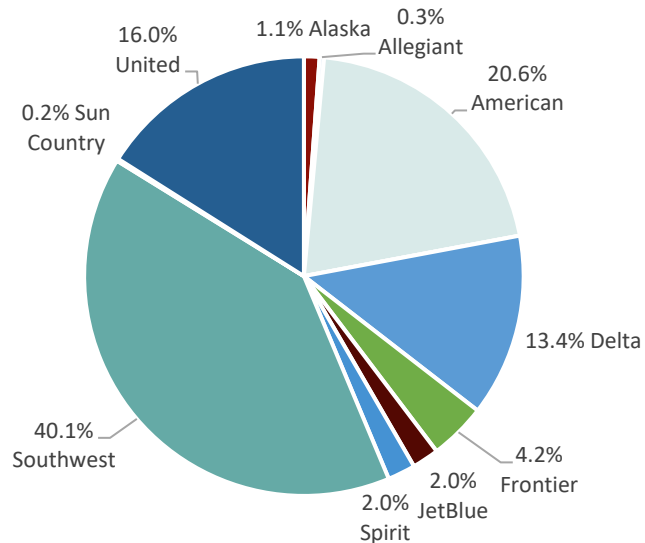
Passengers Carried Jan 2023



Total Scheduled Seats Jan 2019



Total Scheduled Seats Jan 2023





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 41% when compared to January 2019 while international passenger numbers increased by 38%.

All the airlines that operate international service from SAT added more seats to the market than in January 2019. Much of this increase in capacity was a result of pandemic closures to the land border. Since its reopening last fall, demand and capacity has remained higher than pre-pandemic levels at SAT indicating that many travelers have decided to fly rather than drive to and from Mexico.

SAT ranked #1 among all U.S. medium-hub airports in terms of total seats to Mexico for January 2023. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #17 between Las Vegas (LAS) and Charlotte (CLT). In terms of total international seats, SAT ranked #35 out of all 73 U.S. airports that had international service during January.

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

- Aeromexico (AM) increasing frequency from daily to two/three times daily to Mexico City (MEX).
- Southwest (WN) increasing capacity on Cancun (CUN) nonstops and expanding the service year-round.
- Sun Country (SY) beginning nonstop service to Cancun (CUN) in 2021 and increasing frequencies in 2022.
- VivaAerobus (VB) entering the market with nonstop service to Leon/Guanajuato (BJX), Mexico City (MEX), and Monterrey (MTY).
- Volaris (Y4) nearly doubling their frequencies to both Guadalajara (GDL) and Mexico City (MEX).

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International Traffic

		Passengers		Capacity	
Airline	Airline Code	Vs 2019	Vs 2022	Vs 2019	Vs 2022
Interjet	40	-100%	0%	-100%	0%
Aeromexico	AM	138%	0%	148%	8%
Southwest Airlines	WN	100%	470%	300%	300%
Sun Country Airlines	SY	100%	0%	0%	0%
United Airlines	UA	0%	0%	0%	0%
VivaAerobus	VB	100%	14%	100%	-31%
Volaris	Y4	105%	-14%	50%	-24%

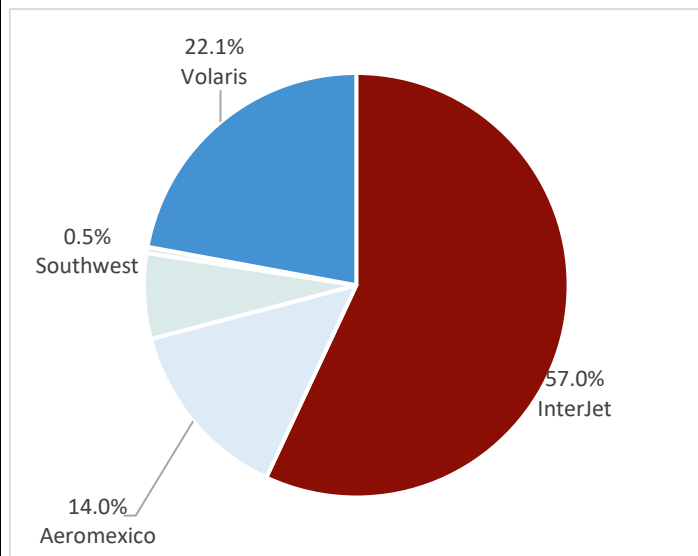
5 International Destinations in January 2023

Destination	Airport Code	AM	WN	SY	VB	Y4
Cancun, Mexico	CUN		X			
Guadalajara, Mexico	GDL					X
Leon/Guanajuato, Mexico	BJX				X	
Mexico City, Mexico	MEX	X			X	X
Monterrey, Mexico	MTY				X	

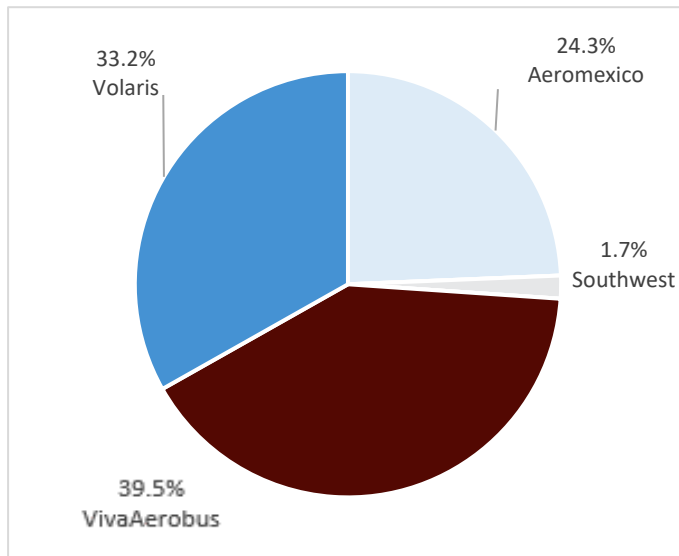
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International Market Share

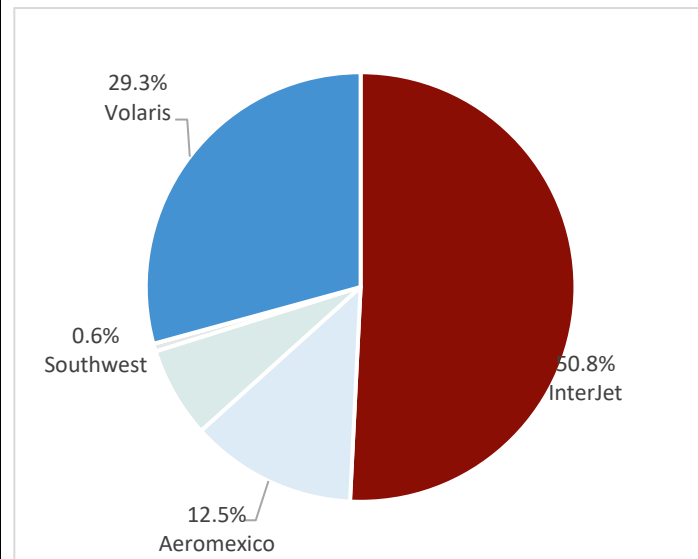
Passengers Carried Jan 2019



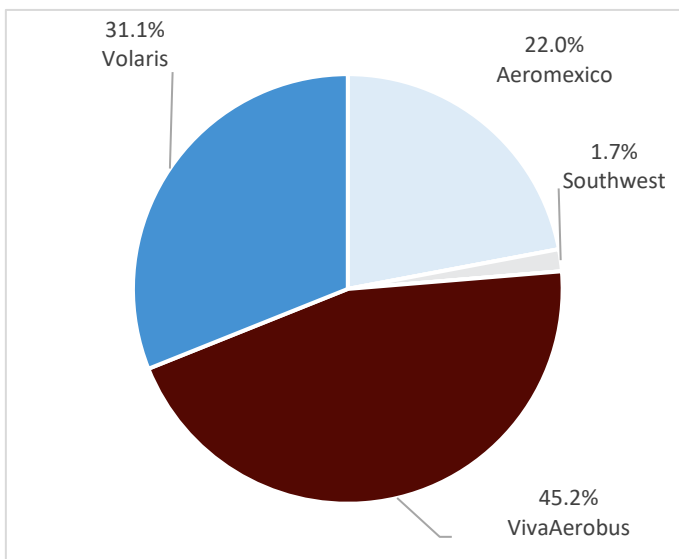
Passengers Carried Jan 2023



Total Scheduled Jan 2019



Total Scheduled Jan 2023



January 2023 Statistics Report						
Compared to 2022						
	December			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	351,985	266,208	32.2%	351,985	266,208	32.2%
Domestic Deplanements	343,279	254,678	34.8%	343,279	254,678	34.8%
Total Domestic Passengers	695,264	520,886	33.5%	695,264	520,886	33.5%
International Enplanements	21,156	21,654	-2.3%	21,156	21,654	-2.3%
International Deplanements	24,708	23,765	4.0%	24,708	23,765	4.0%
Total International Passengers	45,864	45,419	1.0%	45,864	45,419	1.0%
Total All Passengers	741,128	566,305	30.9%	741,128	566,305	30.9%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	5,850,349	5,865,563	-0.3%	5,850,349	5,865,563	-0.3%
Domestic Fright Deplaned	7,952,860	8,437,042	-5.7%	7,952,860	8,437,042	-5.7%
Total Domestic Freight	13,803,209	14,302,605	-3.5%	13,803,209	14,302,605	-3.5%
International Freight Enplaned	633,397	715,570	-11.5%	633,397	715,570	-11.5%
International Freight Deplaned	388,621	278,288	39.6%	388,621	278,288	39.6%
Total International Frieght	1,022,018	993,858	2.8%	1,022,018	993,858	2.8%
Total Freight	14,825,227	15,296,463	-3.1%	14,825,227	15,296,463	-3.1%
Mail Enplaned	1,701,611	1,731,299	-1.7%	1,701,611	1,731,299	-1.7%
Mail Deplaned	2,877,134	3,030,199	-5.1%	2,877,134	3,030,199	-5.1%
Total Mail	4,578,745	4,761,498	-3.8%	4,578,745	4,761,498	-3.8%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	19,403,972	20,057,961	-3.3%	19,403,972	20,057,961	-3.3%

January 2023 Statistics Report						
Compared to 2019						
	December			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2019	% Change	2023	2019	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	351,985	357,115	-1.4%	351,985	357,115	-1.4%
Domestic Deplanements	343,279	364,686	-5.9%	343,279	364,686	-5.9%
Total Domestic Passengers	695,264	721,801	-3.7%	695,264	721,801	-3.7%
International Enplanements	21,156	15,813	33.8%	21,156	15,813	33.8%
International Deplanements	24,708	17,543	40.8%	24,708	17,543	40.8%
Total International Passengers	45,864	33,356	37.5%	45,864	33,356	37.5%
Total All Passengers	741,128	755,157	-1.9%	741,128	755,157	-1.9%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	5,850,349	6,378,713	-8.3%	5,850,349	6,378,713	-8.3%
Domestic Fright Deplaned	7,952,860	8,906,037	-10.7%	7,952,860	8,906,037	-10.7%
Total Domestic Freight	13,803,209	15,284,750	-9.7%	13,803,209	15,284,750	-9.7%
International Freight Enplaned	633,397	723,148	-12.4%	633,397	723,148	-12.4%
International Freight Deplaned	388,621	291,691	33.2%	388,621	291,691	33.2%
Total International Frieght	1,022,018	1,014,839	0.7%	1,022,018	1,014,839	0.7%
Total Freight	14,825,227	16,299,589	-9.0%	14,825,227	16,299,589	-9.0%
Mail Enplaned	1,701,611	2,279,514	-25.4%	1,701,611	2,279,514	-25.4%
Mail Deplaned	2,877,134	4,312,302	-33.3%	2,877,134	4,312,302	-33.3%
Total Mail	4,578,745	6,591,816	-30.5%	4,578,745	6,591,816	-30.5%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	19,403,972	22,891,405	-15.2%	19,403,972	22,891,405	-15.2%