



## 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 April 2023, the airport's passenger numbers reached 855,404. This represents an increase of 12% 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 April 2023, the airport saw 99% of April 2019's passenger levels.

Airlines continue to add capacity to the San Antonio market. Several airlines flew more seats to San Antonio this month than the same month in 2019. The airlines with the largest increases in service included Aeromexico (AM), Alaska Airlines (AS), Delta Air Lines (DL), and Volaris (Y4). Additionally, new airlines began flying from San Antonio since 2019 including JetBlue Airways (B6), Spirit Airlines (NK), and VivaAerobus (VB).

Additionally, a total of 19,876,148 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT during the month of April 2023. This is below levels seen during the same month in both 2022 and 2019. For more detailed information see the included charts.



## Upcoming Changes

Southwest Airlines (WN) will increase nonstops to Cancun (CUN) to daily beginning on June 3<sup>rd</sup> for the summer season.

Delta Air Lines (DL) will add a third daily flight to Minneapolis-St. Paul (MSP) on June 20<sup>th</sup> providing more options to the Twin Cities and additional connecting opportunities throughout the world.

Southwest Airlines (WN) will increase nonstops to Baltimore/Washington (BWI) to 3x daily (weekend service will remain at 2x daily) beginning on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

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

Nonstop service to San Diego (SAN) on Southwest Airlines (WN) will increase to 2x daily beginning on October 5<sup>th</sup>.



## **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 in line with 2019 levels while domestic passenger numbers were slightly below April 2019 levels by 2%.

Several airlines flew more passengers during April 2023 than the same month in 2019 showing not only recovery but significant growth in our market. These include Alaska Airlines (AS) and Delta Air Lines (DL).

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 April, the following routes had more capacity this month than in April 2019:

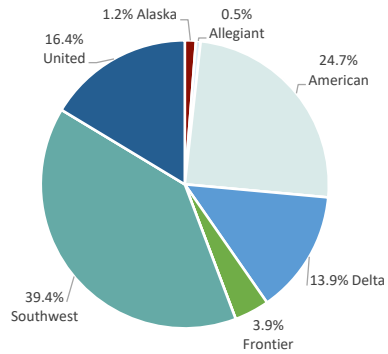
- Alaska Airlines (AS) to Seattle (SEA)
- Allegiant Airlines (G4) to Las Vegas (LAS)
- American Airlines (AA) to Miami (MIA)
- Delta Air Lines (DL) to Atlanta (ATL), Detroit (DTW), Los Angeles (LAX), and Salt Lake City (SLC)
- Frontier Airlines (F9) to Atlanta (ATL), Orlando (MCO), and Las Vegas (LAS)
- United Airlines (UA) to Denver (DEN)
- Southwest Airlines (WN) to Atlanta (ATL), Chicago (MDW), Denver (DEN), El Paso (ELP), Nashville (BNA), New Orleans (MSY), Orlando (MCO), and Phoenix (PHX)



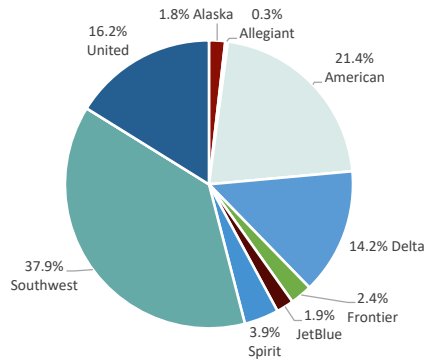
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## Domestic Market Share

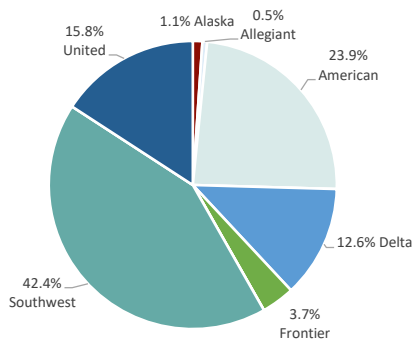
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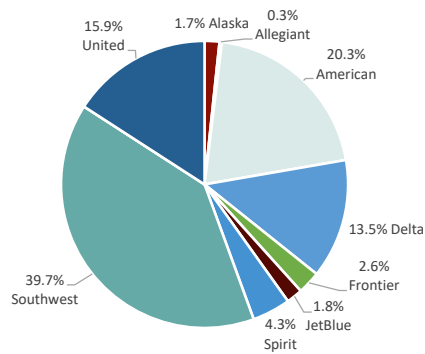
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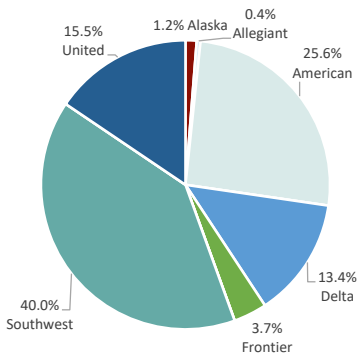


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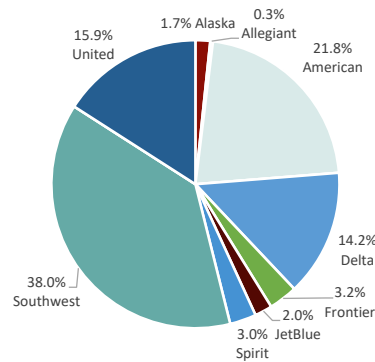


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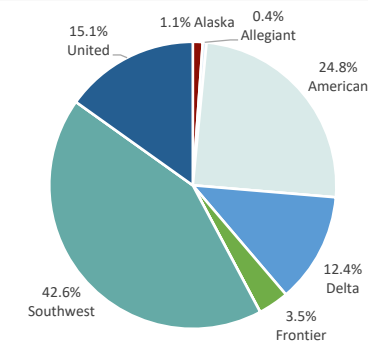
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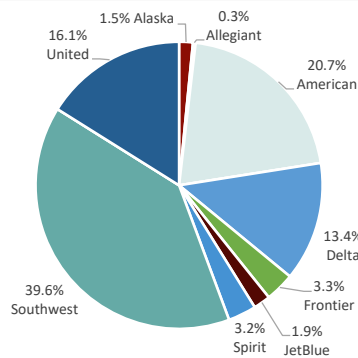
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Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2019



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 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 35% when compared to April 2019 while international passenger numbers increased by 21%.

All the airlines that operate international service from SAT added more seats to the market than in April 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 April 2023. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #14 between Orlando (MCO) and Chicago (MDW). In terms of total international seats, SAT ranked #34 out of all 67 U.S. airports that had international service during April.

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	111%	-9%	102%	-18%
Southwest Airlines	WN	100%	11%	81%	49%
Sun Country Airlines	SY	100%	0%	0%	0%
United Airlines	UA	0%	0%	0%	0%
VivaAerobus	VB	100%	31%	100%	-5%
Volaris	Y4	95%	-7%	79%	-22%

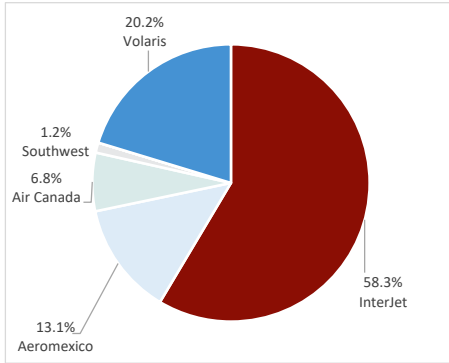
### 5 International Destinations in April 2023

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	

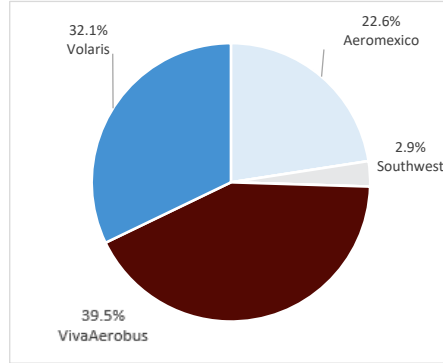
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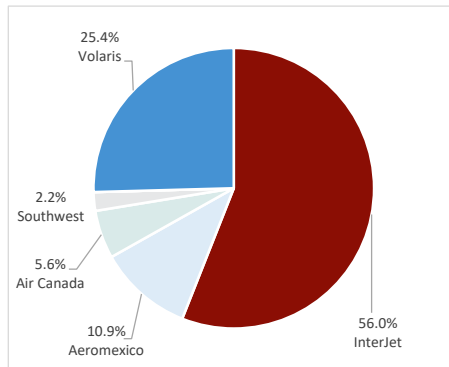
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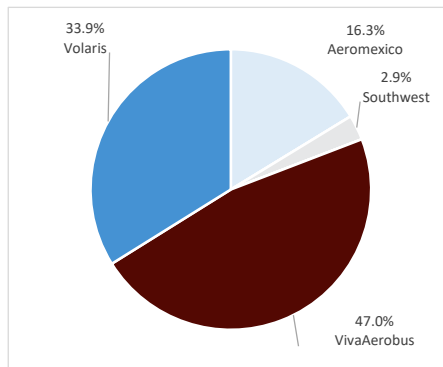
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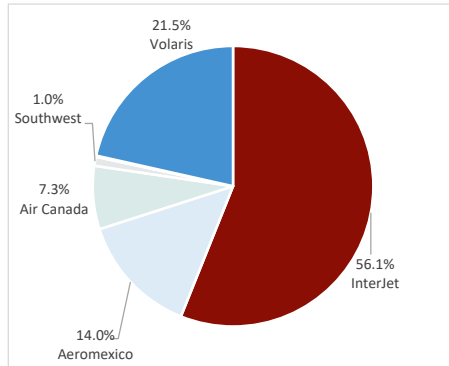


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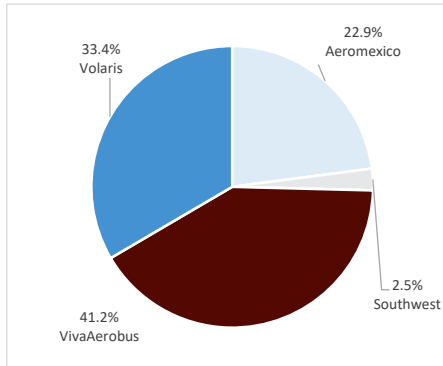


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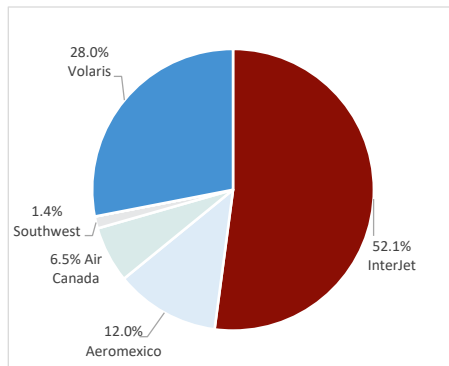
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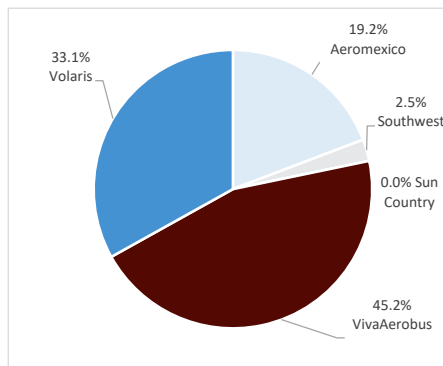
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Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2019



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2023





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Compared to 2022

	April			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change
<b>Passengers</b>						
Domestic Enplanements	416,453	367,600	13.3%	1,514,571	1,289,510	17.5%
Domestic Deplanements	394,026	356,099	10.7%	1,475,343	1,252,585	17.8%
<b>Total Domestic Passengers</b>	<b>810,479</b>	<b>723,699</b>	<b>12.0%</b>	<b>2,989,914</b>	<b>2,542,095</b>	<b>17.6%</b>
International Enplanements	22,029	22,110	-0.4%	80,646	80,871	-0.3%
International Deplanements	22,896	21,290	7.5%	87,652	82,296	6.5%
<b>Total International Passengers</b>	<b>44,925</b>	<b>43,400</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>168,298</b>	<b>163,167</b>	<b>3.1%</b>
<b>Total All Passengers</b>	<b>855,404</b>	<b>767,099</b>	<b>11.5%</b>	<b>3,158,212</b>	<b>2,705,262</b>	<b>16.7%</b>
<b>Air Cargo (in pounds)</b>						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,291,107	7,231,247	-13.0%	24,765,003	27,213,560	-9.0%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	8,131,867	9,067,589	-10.3%	32,803,964	35,947,324	-8.7%
<b>Total Domestic Freight</b>	<b>14,422,974</b>	<b>16,298,836</b>	<b>-11.5%</b>	<b>57,568,967</b>	<b>63,160,885</b>	<b>-8.9%</b>
International Freight Enplaned	427,490	747,858	-42.8%	2,043,444	3,190,704	-36.0%
International Freight Deplaned	268,946	222,661	20.8%	1,261,053	990,591	27.3%
<b>Total International Freight</b>	<b>696,436</b>	<b>970,519</b>	<b>-28.2%</b>	<b>3,304,497</b>	<b>4,181,295</b>	<b>-21.0%</b>
<b>Total Freight</b>	<b>15,119,410</b>	<b>17,269,355</b>	<b>-12.4%</b>	<b>60,873,464</b>	<b>67,342,180</b>	<b>-9.6%</b>
Mail Enplaned	1,974,290	2,227,490	-11.4%	7,438,912	8,402,344	-11.5%
Mail Deplaned	2,782,448	3,412,368	-18.5%	12,032,873	13,518,981	-11.0%
<b>Total Mail</b>	<b>4,756,738</b>	<b>5,639,858</b>	<b>-15.7%</b>	<b>19,471,785</b>	<b>21,921,324</b>	<b>-11.2%</b>
<b>Grand Total All Air Cargo</b>	<b>19,876,148</b>	<b>22,909,213</b>	<b>-13.2%</b>	<b>80,345,249</b>	<b>89,263,504</b>	<b>-10.0%</b>

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<b>Passengers</b>						
Domestic Enplanements	416,453	417,997	-0.4%	1,514,571	1,553,207	-2.5%
Domestic Deplanements	394,026	406,892	-3.2%	1,475,343	1,544,569	-4.5%
<b>Total Domestic Passengers</b>	<b>810,479</b>	<b>824,889</b>	<b>-1.7%</b>	<b>2,989,914</b>	<b>3,097,776</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>
International Enplanements	22,029	17,861	23.3%	80,646	64,434	25.2%
International Deplanements	22,896	19,146	19.6%	87,652	68,642	27.7%
<b>Total International Passengers</b>	<b>44,925</b>	<b>37,007</b>	<b>21.4%</b>	<b>168,298</b>	<b>133,076</b>	<b>26.5%</b>
<b>Total All Passengers</b>	<b>855,404</b>	<b>861,896</b>	<b>-0.8%</b>	<b>3,158,212</b>	<b>3,230,852</b>	<b>-2.2%</b>
<b>Air Cargo (in pounds)</b>						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,291,107	7,473,533	-15.8%	24,765,003	27,305,370	-9.3%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	8,131,867	9,421,294	-13.7%	32,803,964	35,664,817	-8.0%
<b>Total Domestic Freight</b>	<b>14,422,974</b>	<b>16,894,827</b>	<b>-14.6%</b>	<b>57,568,967</b>	<b>62,970,188</b>	<b>-8.6%</b>
International Freight Enplaned	427,490	805,418	-46.9%	2,043,444	2,144,660	-4.7%
International Freight Deplaned	268,946	266,816	0.8%	1,261,053	780,134	61.6%
<b>Total International Freight</b>	<b>696,436</b>	<b>1,072,234</b>	<b>-35.0%</b>	<b>3,304,497</b>	<b>2,924,794</b>	<b>13.0%</b>
<b>Total Freight</b>	<b>15,119,410</b>	<b>17,967,061</b>	<b>-15.8%</b>	<b>60,873,464</b>	<b>65,894,982</b>	<b>-7.6%</b>
Mail Enplaned	1,974,290	2,146,322	-8.0%	7,438,912	8,819,543	-15.7%
Mail Deplaned	2,782,448	3,848,597	-27.7%	12,032,873	16,174,542	-25.6%
<b>Total Mail</b>	<b>4,756,738</b>	<b>5,994,919</b>	<b>-20.7%</b>	<b>19,471,785</b>	<b>24,994,084</b>	<b>-22.1%</b>
<b>Grand Total All Air Cargo</b>	<b>19,876,148</b>	<b>23,961,980</b>	<b>-17.1%</b>	<b>80,345,249</b>	<b>90,889,066</b>	<b>-11.6%</b>