



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 March 2023, the airport's passenger numbers reached 862,598. This represents an increase of 10% 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 March 2023, the airport saw 95% of March 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 22,415,296 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT during the month of March 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 Los Angeles (LAX) which launches on May 5th.

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.

Sun Country Airlines (SY) will resume seasonal service to both Cancun (CUN) and Minneapolis-St. Paul (MSP) before Memorial Day Weekend. Flights to Cancun (CUN) will operate 4x per week on Sundays, Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays through mid-August.

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

Delta Air Lines (DL) will add a third daily flight to Minneapolis-St. Paul (MSP) on June 20th 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 11th.

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

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



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 slightly below 2019 levels while domestic passenger numbers were down 6% compared to March 2019.

Several airlines flew more passengers during March 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.

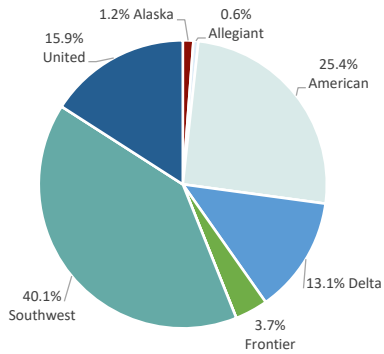
While domestic service levels were still slightly down at SAT in March, the following routes had more capacity this month than in March 2019:

- Alaska Airlines (AS) to Seattle (SEA)
- American Airlines (AA) to Miami (MIA)
- 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 Airlines (WN) to Atlanta (ATL), Denver (DEN), Houston (HOU), Nashville (BNA), New Orleans (MSY), Orlando (MCO), and Phoenix (PHX)
- United Airlines (UA) to Denver (DEN), San Francisco (SFO), and Washington (IAD)

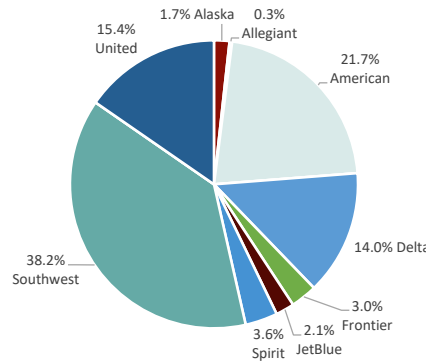
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Domestic Market Share

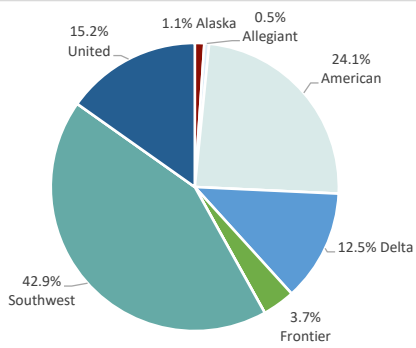
Passengers Carried Mar 2019



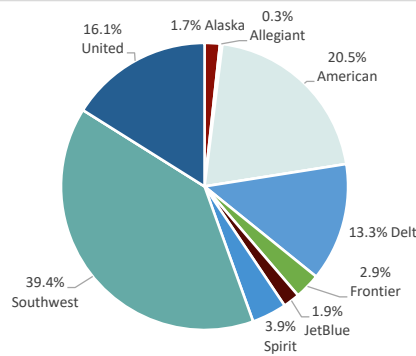
Passengers Carried Mar 2023



Total Scheduled Seats Mar 2019

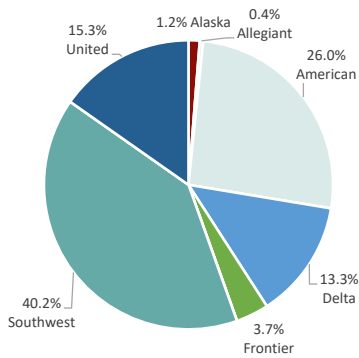


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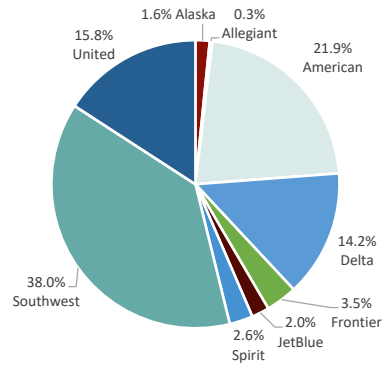


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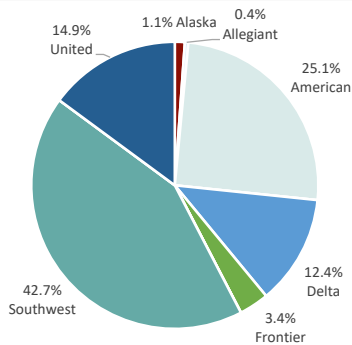
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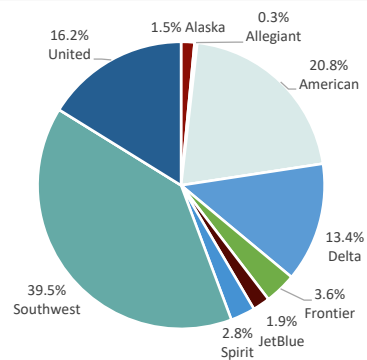
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Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2019



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 20% when compared to March 2019 while international passenger numbers increased by 15%.

All the airlines that operate international service from SAT added more seats to the market than in March 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 #2 among all U.S. medium-hub airports in terms of total seats to Mexico for March 2023. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #18 between Houston (HOU) and Salt Lake City (SLC). In terms of total international seats, SAT ranked #36 out of all 71 U.S. airports that had international service during March.

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	90%	-11%	100%	-11%
Southwest Airlines	WN	100%	111%	100%	100%
Sun Country Airlines	SY	100%	0%	0%	0%
United Airlines	UA	0%	0%	0%	0%
VivaAerobus	VB	100%	9%	100%	-20%
Volaris	Y4	78%	-7%	47%	-18%

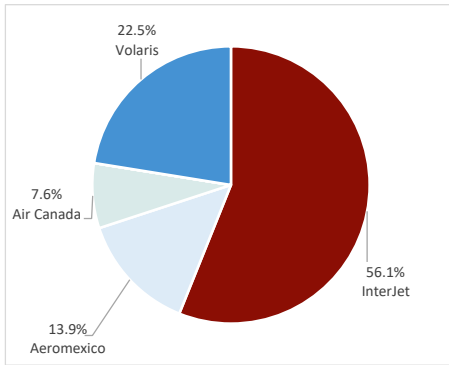
5 International Destinations in March 2023

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	

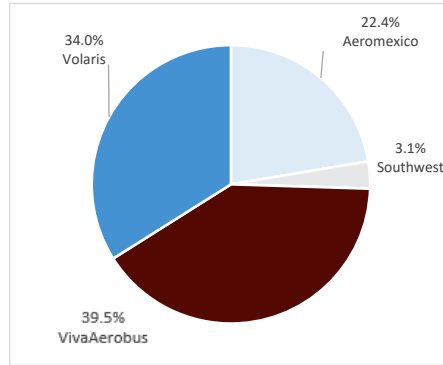
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International Market Share

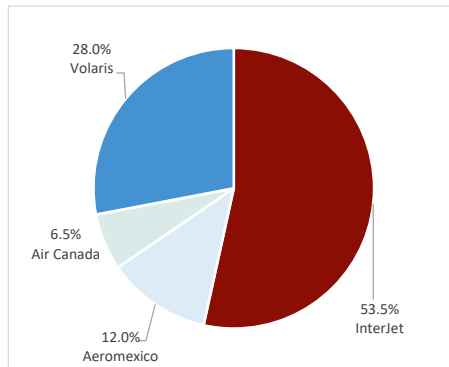
Passengers Carried Mar 2019



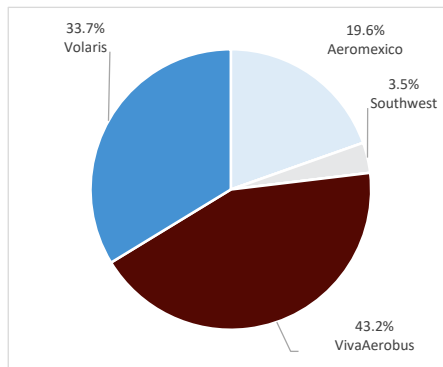
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Total Scheduled Mar 2019

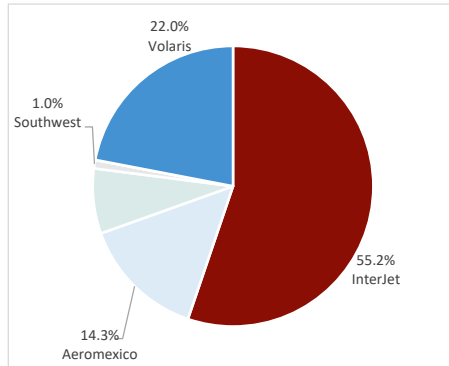


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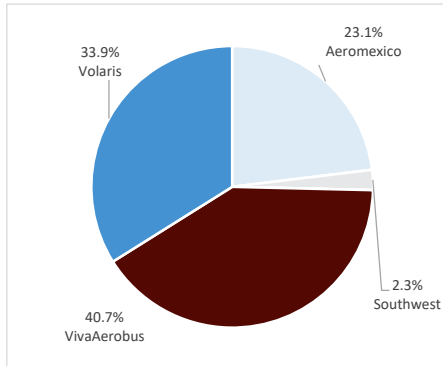


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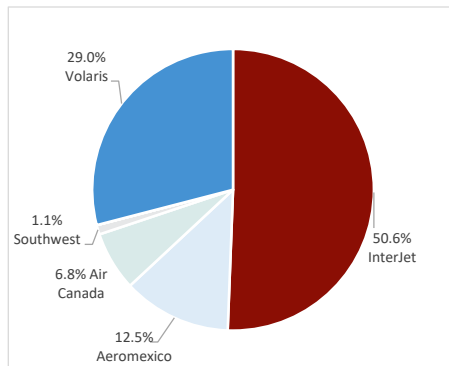
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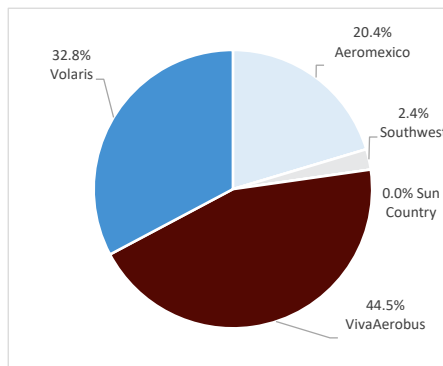
Passengers Carried YTD 2023



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2019



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2023



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Compared to 2022

	March			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	412,918	377,566	9.4%	1,098,118	921,910	19.1%
Domestic Deplanements	406,482	366,708	10.8%	1,081,317	896,486	20.6%
Total Domestic Passengers	819,400	744,274	10.1%	2,179,435	1,818,396	19.9%
International Enplanements	20,795	21,551	-3.5%	58,617	58,761	-0.2%
International Deplanements	22,403	21,786	2.8%	64,756	61,006	6.1%
Total International Passengers	43,198	43,337	-0.3%	123,373	119,767	3.0%
Total All Passengers	862,598	787,611	9.5%	2,302,808	1,938,163	18.8%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,898,158	7,795,304	-11.5%	18,473,896	19,982,313	-7.5%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,087,323	10,008,180	-9.2%	24,672,096	26,879,735	-8.2%
Total Domestic Freight	15,985,481	17,803,484	-10.2%	43,145,992	46,862,048	-7.9%
International Freight Enplaned	561,577	940,833	-40.3%	1,615,954	2,442,846	-33.8%
International Freight Deplaned	337,451	260,140	29.7%	992,107	767,930	29.2%
Total International Freight	899,028	1,200,973	-25.1%	2,608,061	3,210,776	-18.8%
Total Freight	16,884,509	19,004,457	-11.2%	45,754,053	50,072,824	-8.6%
Mail Enplaned	2,142,027	2,463,536	-13.1%	5,464,622	6,174,854	-11.5%
Mail Deplaned	3,388,760	3,896,345	-13.0%	9,250,426	10,106,613	-8.5%
Total Mail	5,530,787	6,359,881	-13.0%	14,715,048	16,281,467	-9.6%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	22,415,296	25,364,338	-11.6%	60,469,101	66,354,291	-8.9%

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Compared to 2019

	March			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2019	% Change	2023	2019	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	412,918	436,577	-5.4%	1,098,118	1,135,210	-3.3%
Domestic Deplanements	406,482	433,048	-6.1%	1,081,317	1,137,677	-5.0%
Total Domestic Passengers	819,400	869,625	-5.8%	2,179,435	2,272,887	-4.1%
International Enplanements	20,795	18,594	11.8%	58,617	46,573	25.9%
International Deplanements	22,403	19,130	17.1%	64,756	49,496	30.8%
Total International Passengers	43,198	37,724	14.5%	123,373	96,069	28.4%
Total All Passengers	862,598	907,349	-4.9%	2,302,808	2,368,956	-2.8%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,898,158	7,576,041	-8.9%	18,473,896	19,831,838	-6.8%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,087,323	9,479,765	-4.1%	24,672,096	26,243,523	-6.0%
Total Domestic Freight	15,985,481	17,055,806	-6.3%	43,145,992	46,075,361	-6.4%
International Freight Enplaned	561,577	54,322	933.8%	1,615,954	1,339,242	20.7%
International Freight Deplaned	337,451	4,262	7817.7%	992,107	513,318	93.3%
Total International Freight	899,028	58,584	1434.6%	2,608,061	1,852,560	40.8%
Total Freight	16,884,509	17,114,390	-1.3%	45,754,053	47,927,921	-4.5%
Mail Enplaned	2,142,027	2,227,150	-3.8%	5,464,622	6,673,220	-18.1%
Mail Deplaned	3,388,760	4,087,546	-17.1%	9,250,426	12,325,945	-25.0%
Total Mail	5,530,787	6,314,696	-12.4%	14,715,048	18,999,165	-22.5%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	22,415,296	23,429,086	-4.3%	60,469,101	66,927,086	-9.6%