



Monthly Statistical Report

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SAT Continues to Break Monthly Passenger Records

SUMMARY

In August 2023, the airport's passenger numbers reached 883,660. SAT once again broke a monthly passenger record with this August being the busiest in the airport's history. The previous record was set in August 2018. Compared to the year prior, 2022, passenger numbers for August were up nearly 9%.

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. Passenger levels seen during August 2023 were 1% higher than the same month in 2019. When looking at the total traffic seen during the summer months (May through August), SAT's passenger numbers reached 3,765,721 which represented an increase of 2.5% compared to the same period in 2019.

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), Delta Air Lines (DL), Southwest Airlines (WN), United Airlines (UA), 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 21,241,975 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT during the month of August 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

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

American Airlines (AA) will increase nonstop service to Dallas-Ft. Worth (DFW) to 13x daily on October 5th. Not only does this give passengers more options to the Dallas-Ft. Worth region, but easier one-stop options to destinations throughout the world via American's hub at DFW.

American Airlines (AA) will add a 4th daily flight to Phoenix (PHX) beginning October 5th. This increase will bring the total daily flights to Phoenix (PHX) to 8 including 4 daily flights on Southwest Airlines (WN).

Southwest Airlines (WN) seasonal service to Colorado Springs (COS) will resume on November 21st. Service will operate on Saturdays through December and daily on days around the holidays.

History will be made on May 17, 2024, as Condor Airlines (DE) launches San Antonio's first-ever trans-Atlantic service to Frankfurt (FRA). Service will operate seasonally until September 6, 2024 during this first season, and will operate on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

American Airlines (AA) will launch daily, nonstop service to Philadelphia (PHL) starting June 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 up 7% compared to 2019 levels while domestic passenger numbers were down slightly by less than a percentage point compared to August 2019.

Several airlines flew more passengers during August 2023 than the same month in 2019 showing not only recovery but significant growth in our market. These include Delta Air Lines (DL) and United Airlines (UA) who both experienced passenger growth compared to August 2019. While not exceeding 2019 levels, Southwest Airlines (WN) flew 94% of their 2019 levels.

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.

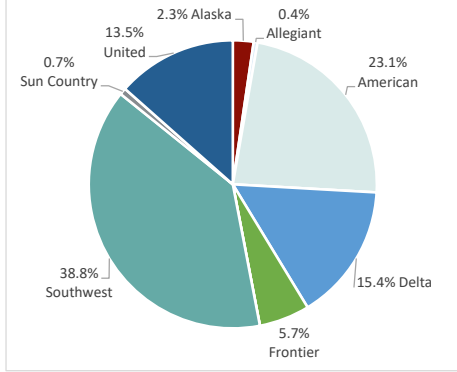
The following routes had more capacity this month than in August 2019:

- American Airlines (AA) to Charlotte (CLT) and Miami (MIA).
- Delta Air Lines (DL) to Detroit (DTW), Los Angeles (LAX), Minneapolis-St. Paul (MSP), and Salt Lake City (SLC).
- Southwest Airlines (WN) to Baltimore (BWI), Denver (DEN), El Paso (ELP), Kansas City (MCI), Nashville (BNA), Orlando (MCO), Phoenix (PHX), and Tampa (TPA).
- United Airlines (UA) to Denver (DEN), Houston (IAH), Newark (EWR), San Francisco (SFO), and Washington (IAD).

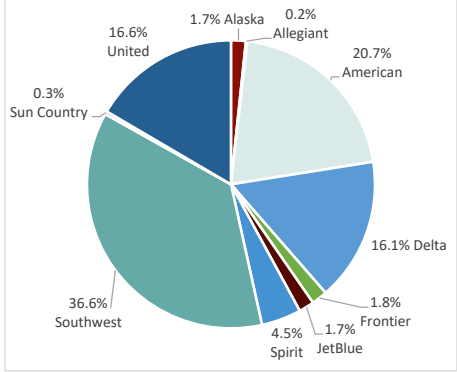
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Domestic Market Share

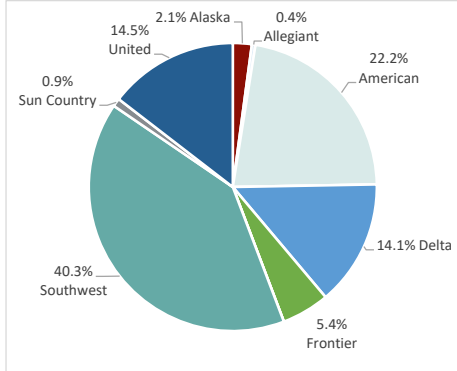
Passengers Carried August 2019



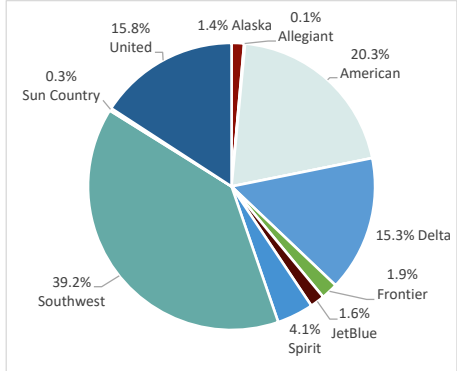
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Total Scheduled Seats August 2019

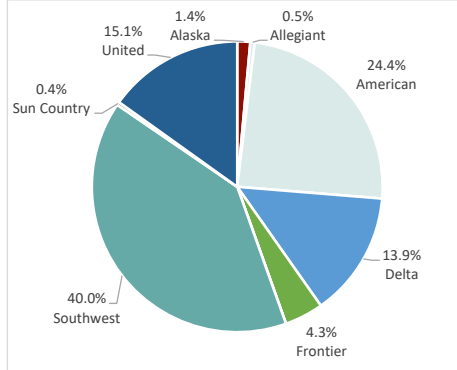


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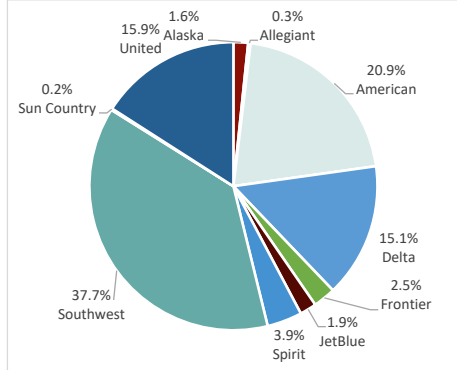


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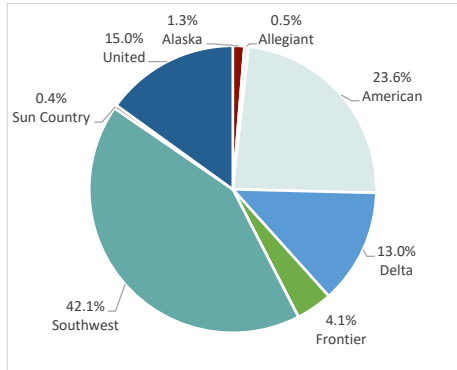
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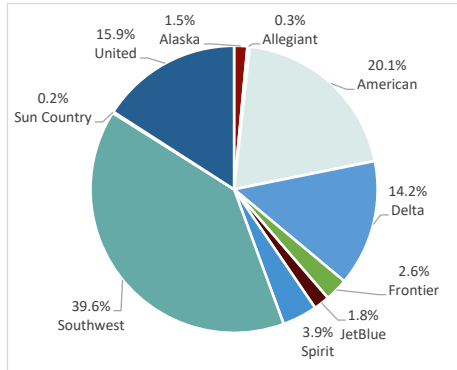
Passengers Carried YTD 2023



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2019



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2023





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 46% when compared to August 2019 while international passenger numbers increased by 28%.

All the airlines that operate international service from SAT added more seats to the market than in August 2019. Much of this increase in capacity was a result of pandemic closures to the land border. Since its reopening, 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 August 2023. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #12 between Orlando (MCO) and Newark (EWR). In terms of total international seats, SAT ranked #34 out of all 69 U.S. airports that had international service during August.

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	94%	-28%	100%	-33%
Southwest Airlines	WN	222%	-53%	292%	-37%
Sun Country Airlines	SY	100%	-54%	100%	-54%
United Airlines	UA	-100%	0%	-100%	0%
VivaAerobus	VB	100%	34%	100%	8%
Volaris	Y4	144%	34%	73%	33%

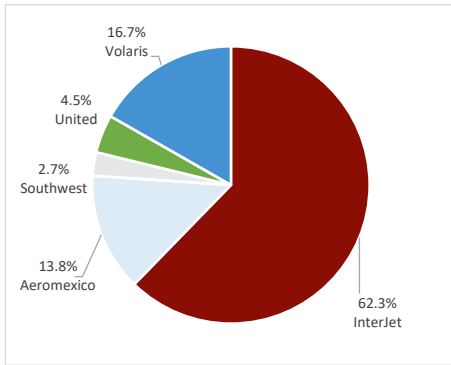
5 International Destinations in August 2023

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

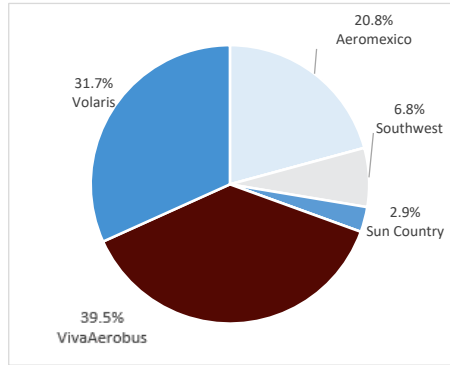
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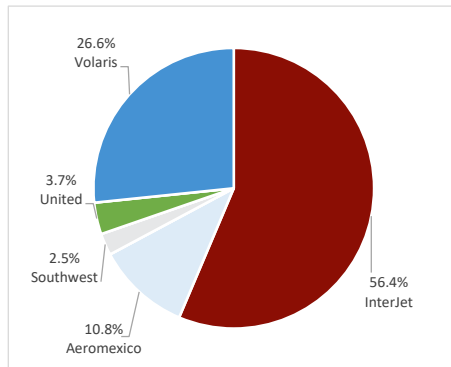
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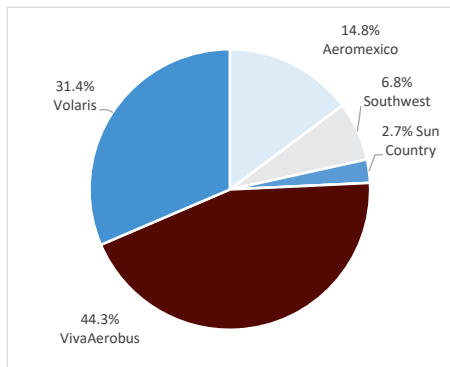
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Total Scheduled August 2019

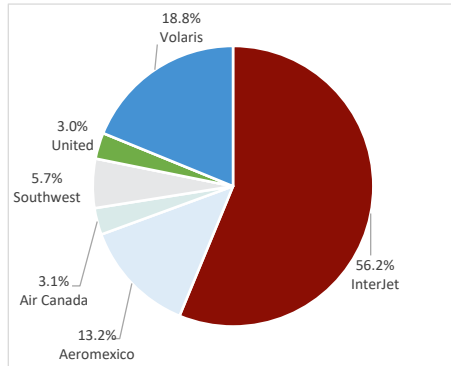


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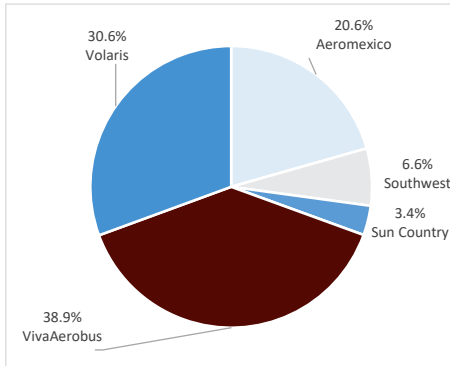


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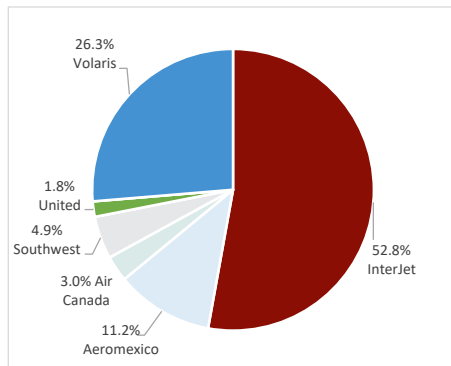
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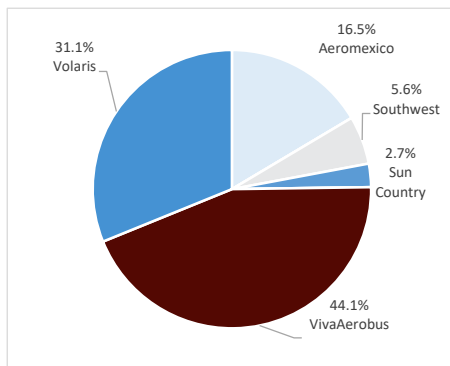
Passengers Carried YTD 2023



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2019



Total Scheduled Seats YTD 2023



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Compared to 2022

	August			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	417,688	381,559	9.5%	3,318,191	2,903,320	14.3%
Domestic Deplanements	412,161	375,115	9.9%	3,204,654	2,785,070	15.1%
Total Domestic Passengers	829,849	756,674	9.7%	6,522,845	5,688,390	14.7%
International Enplanements	25,264	26,322	-4.0%	194,186	190,231	2.1%
International Deplanements	28,547	29,773	-4.1%	206,902	190,993	8.3%
Total International Passengers	53,811	56,095	-4.1%	401,088	381,224	5.2%
Total All Passengers	883,660	812,769	8.7%	6,923,933	6,069,614	14.1%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,512,946	7,034,771	-7.4%	51,149,810	54,845,340	-6.7%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,145,702	8,998,966	1.6%	67,022,058	70,866,106	-5.4%
Total Domestic Freight	15,658,648	16,033,736	-2.3%	118,171,868	125,711,446	-6.0%
International Freight Enplaned	490,794	567,722	-13.6%	3,828,037	5,837,182	-34.4%
International Freight Deplaned	286,612	314,936	-9.0%	2,337,917	2,129,122	9.8%
Total International Freight	777,406	882,658	-11.9%	6,165,954	7,966,304	-22.6%
Total Freight	16,436,054	16,916,394	-2.8%	124,337,822	133,677,750	-7.0%
Mail Enplaned	2,095,948	2,059,703	1.8%	15,196,424	17,079,094	-11.0%
Mail Deplaned	2,709,973	3,337,870	-18.8%	22,548,607	26,788,425	-15.8%
Total Mail	4,805,921	5,397,574	-11.0%	37,745,031	43,867,519	-14.0%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	21,241,975	22,313,968	-4.8%	162,082,853	177,545,269	-8.7%

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Compared to 2019

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Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	417,688	413,203	1.1%	3,318,191	3,312,081	0.2%
Domestic Deplanements	412,161	418,859	-1.6%	3,204,654	3,280,048	-2.3%
Total Domestic Passengers	829,849	832,062	-0.3%	6,522,845	6,592,129	-1.1%
International Enplanements	25,264	20,157	25.3%	194,186	153,243	26.7%
International Deplanements	28,547	21,902	30.3%	206,902	161,062	28.5%
Total International Passengers	53,811	42,059	27.9%	401,088	314,305	27.6%
Total All Passengers	883,660	874,121	1.1%	6,923,933	6,906,434	0.3%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	6,512,946	6,873,368	-5.2%	51,149,810	56,195,636	-9.0%
Domestic Freight Deplaned	9,145,702	9,956,199	-8.1%	67,022,058	74,074,044	-9.5%
Total Domestic Freight	15,658,648	16,829,567	-7.0%	118,171,868	130,269,680	-9.3%
International Freight Enplaned	490,794	1,232,397	-60.2%	3,828,037	6,145,628	-37.7%
International Freight Deplaned	286,612	129,062	122.1%	2,337,917	1,592,509	46.8%
Total International Freight	777,406	1,361,459	-42.9%	6,165,954	7,738,137	-20.3%
Total Freight	16,436,054	18,191,026	-9.6%	124,337,822	138,007,817	-9.9%
Mail Enplaned	2,095,948	1,949,534	7.5%	15,196,424	16,641,302	-8.7%
Mail Deplaned	2,709,973	3,725,769	-27.3%	22,548,607	30,951,500	-27.1%
Total Mail	4,805,921	5,675,303	-15.3%	37,745,031	47,592,802	-20.7%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	21,241,975	23,866,329	-11.0%	162,082,853	185,600,619	-12.7%