



Monthly Statistical Report

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SAT Continues to Break Monthly Passenger Records

SUMMARY

In October 2023, the airport's passenger numbers reached 989,810. SAT once again broke a monthly passenger record with this October being the busiest in the airport's history and the first October passenger numbers reached above 900,000. The previous record was set in October 2019. Compared to the year prior, 2022, passenger numbers for October were up nearly 11%.

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 October 2023 were more than 10% higher than the same month 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), American Airlines (AA), 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 18,871,846 pounds of air cargo moved through SAT during the month of October 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

VivaAerobus (VB) will start new, nonstop service to Queretaro (QRO) on December 1st with two weekly frequencies operating on Mondays and Fridays.

Spirit Airlines (NK) will launch new, seasonal nonstop service to Tampa (TPA) starting on January 11th. They will also launch daily nonstop service to Newark (EWR) beginning on April 5th.

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.

VivaAerobus (VB) will launch nonstop service to Torreon (TRC) starting on June 1st with two weekly frequencies on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

New nonstop service to Burbank (BUR) on Southwest Airlines (WN) begins on June 4th.

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 12% compared to 2019 levels while domestic passenger numbers were also up 9% compared to October 2019.

Several airlines flew more passengers during October 2023 than the same month in 2019 showing not only recovery but significant growth in our market. These include American Airlines (AA) up 10%, Delta Air Lines (DL) up 15%, and United Airlines (UA) up 9%. Additionally, Southwest Airlines met the levels seen during 2019.

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.

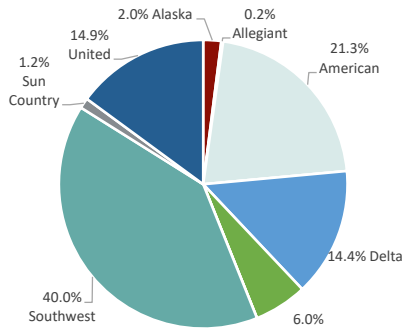
The following routes had more capacity this month than in October 2019:

- American Airlines (AA) to Charlotte (CLT), Chicago (ORD), Dallas-Ft. Worth (DFW), 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 Atlanta (ATL), Las Vegas (LAS), and Orlando (MCO)
- Southwest Airlines (WN) to Baltimore (BWI), Denver (DEN), El Paso (ELP), Kansas City (MCI), Las Vegas (LAS), Nashville (BNA), Orlando (MCO), Phoenix (PHX), San Diego (SAN), and Tampa (TPA)
- United Airlines (UA) to Denver (DEN), Newark (EWR), San Francisco (SFO), and Washington (IAD)

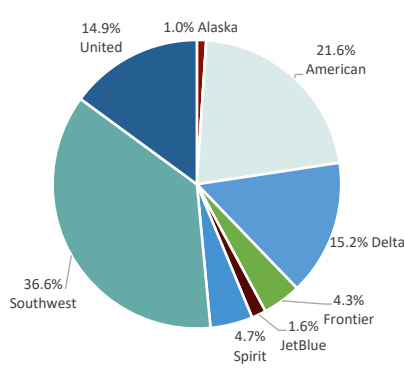
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Domestic Market Share

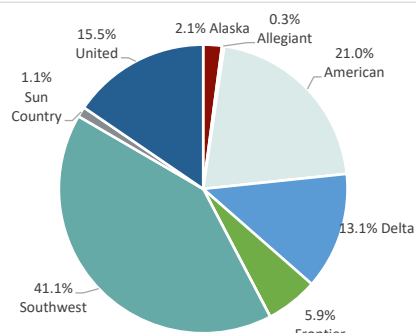
Passengers Carried **October 2019**



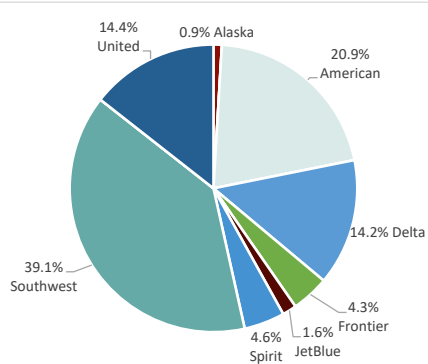
Passengers Carried **October 2023**



Total Scheduled Seats **October 2019**

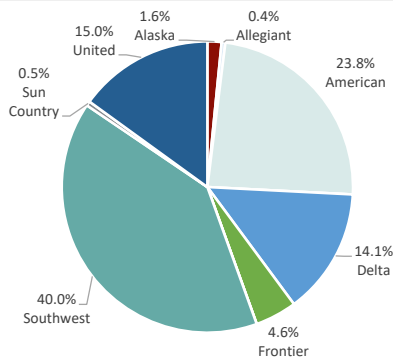


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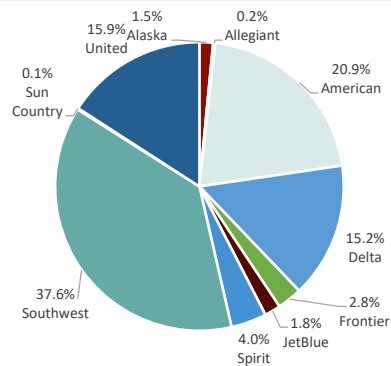


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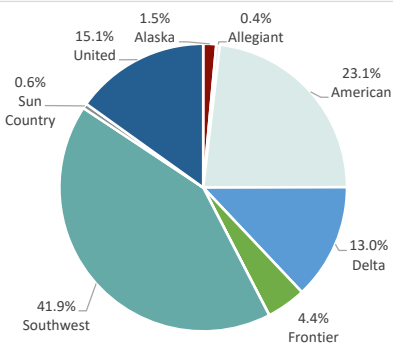
Passengers Carried **YTD 2019**



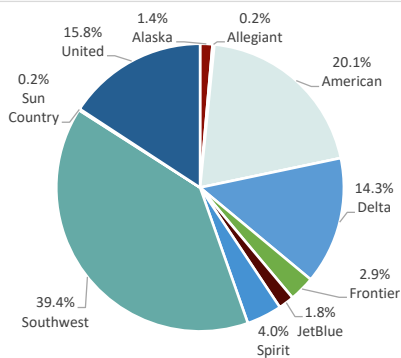
Passengers Carried **YTD 2023**



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 59% when compared to October 2019 while international passenger numbers increased by 53%.

All the airlines that operate international service from SAT added more seats to the market than in October 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 October 2023. When looking at all U.S. airports, SAT ranked #12 between Orlando (MCO) and Chicago (MDW). In terms of total international seats, SAT ranked #32 out of all 67 U.S. airports that had international service during October.

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

Airline	Airline Code	Passengers		Capacity	
		Vs 2019	Vs 2022	Vs 2019	Vs 2022
Interjet	40	-100%	0%	-100%	0%
Aeromexico	AM	118%	24%	110%	19%
Southwest Airlines	WN	0%	-24%	0%	-20%
Sun Country Airlines	SY	100%	0%	100%	0%
United Airlines	UA	0%	0%	0%	0%
VivaAerobus	VB	100%	47%	100%	83%
Volaris	Y4	172%	26%	105%	43%

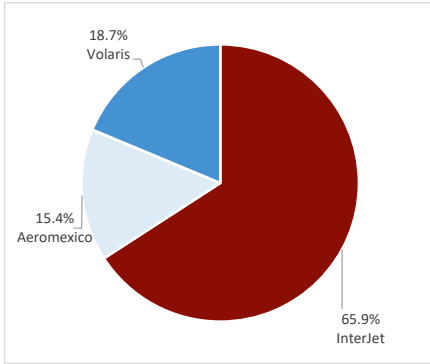
5 International Destinations in October 2023

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	

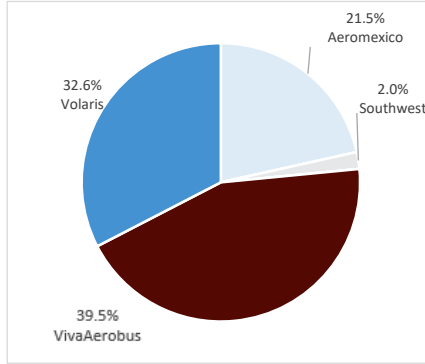
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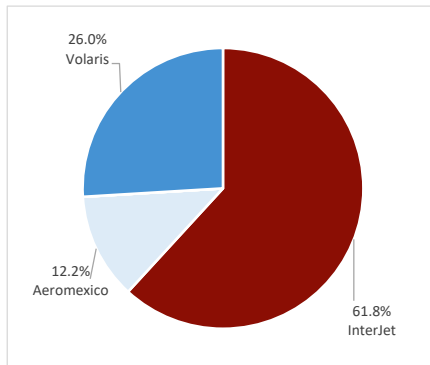
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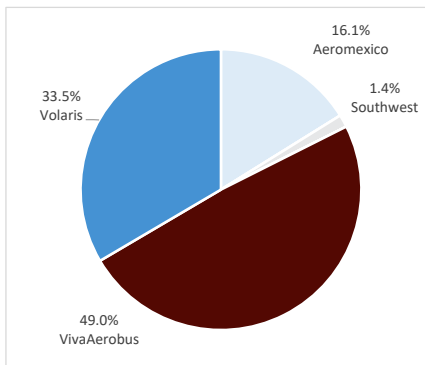
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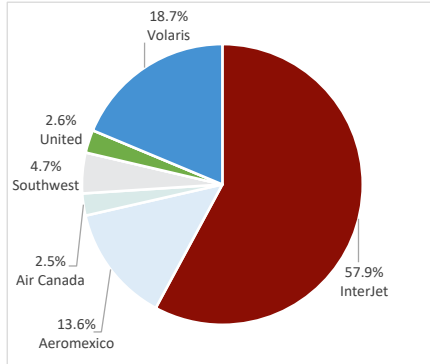


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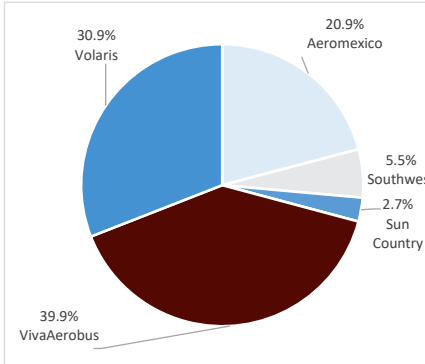


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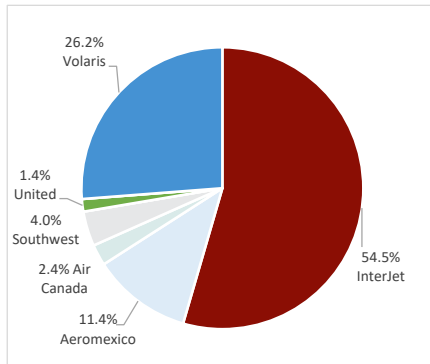
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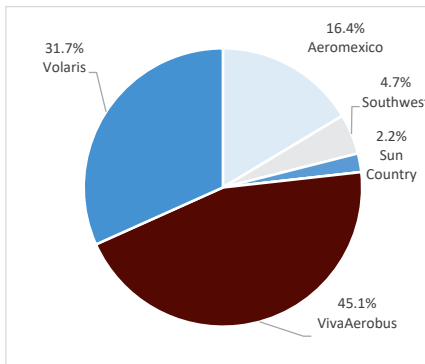
Passengers Carried **YTD 2023**



Total Scheduled Seats **YTD 2019**



Total Scheduled Seats **YTD 2023**



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Compared to 2022

	October			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2022	% Change	2023	2022	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	469,842	430,430	9.2%	4,203,350	3,727,383	12.8%
Domestic Deplanements	466,809	421,787	10.7%	4,063,895	3,576,685	13.6%
Total Domestic Passengers	936,651	852,217	9.9%	8,267,245	7,304,068	13.2%
International Enplanements	26,819	20,179	16.9%	242,135	228,486	6.0%
International Deplanements	26,340	20,002	22.3%	255,295	229,023	11.5%
Total International Passengers	53,159	40,181	32.3%	497,430	457,509	8.7%
Total All Passengers	989,810	892,398	10.9%	8,764,675	7,761,577	12.9%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	5,629,015	6,933,070	-18.8%	62,566,188	69,045,616	-9.4%
Domestic Fright Deplaned	8,450,925	8,986,094	-6.0%	83,859,036	88,684,035	-5.4%
Total Domestic Freight	14,079,940	15,919,164	-11.6%	146,425,224	157,729,651	-7.2%
International Freight Enplaned	502,025	627,898	-20.0%	4,754,017	7,036,264	-32.4%
International Freight Deplaned	292,328	387,600	-24.6%	2,887,325	2,843,841	1.5%
Total International Frieght	794,353	1,015,498	-21.8%	7,641,342	9,880,105	-22.7%
Total Freight	14,874,293	16,934,662	-12.2%	154,066,566	167,609,756	-8.1%
Mail Enplaned	1,743,331	1,958,403	-11.0%	18,785,094	21,105,391	-11.0%
Mail Deplaned	2,254,222	3,029,602	-25.6%	27,283,590	33,083,818	-17.5%
Total Mail	3,997,553	4,988,005	-19.9%	46,068,684	54,189,209	-15.0%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	18,871,846	21,922,667	-13.9%	200,135,250	221,798,965	-9.8%

October 2023 Statistics Report

Compared to 2019

	October			Calendar Year-to-Date		
	2023	2019	% Change	2023	2019	% Change
Passengers						
Domestic Enplanements	469,842	427,640	9.9%	4,203,350	4,133,911	1.7%
Domestic Deplanements	466,809	433,489	7.7%	4,063,895	4,105,358	-1.0%
Total Domestic Passengers	936,651	861,129	8.8%	8,267,245	8,239,269	0.3%
International Enplanements	26,819	17,416	54.0%	242,135	186,649	29.7%
International Deplanements	26,340	17,403	51.4%	255,295	194,884	31.0%
Total International Passengers	53,159	34,819	52.7%	497,430	381,533	30.4%
Total All Passengers	989,810	895,948	10.5%	8,764,675	8,620,802	1.7%
Air Cargo (in pounds)						
Domestic Freight Enplaned	5,629,015	6,912,955	-18.6%	62,566,188	69,205,019	-9.6%
Domestic Fright Deplaned	8,450,925	10,088,978	-16.2%	83,859,036	93,210,559	-10.0%
Total Domestic Freight	14,079,940	17,001,933	-17.2%	146,425,224	162,415,577	-9.8%
International Freight Enplaned	502,025	1,162,319	-56.8%	4,754,017	8,365,551	-43.2%
International Freight Deplaned	292,328	353,614	-17.3%	2,887,325	2,245,983	28.6%
Total International Frieght	794,353	1,515,933	-47.6%	7,641,342	10,611,534	-28.0%
Total Freight	14,874,293	18,517,866	-19.7%	154,066,566	173,027,111	-11.0%
Mail Enplaned	1,743,331	1,992,094	-12.5%	18,785,094	20,399,943	-7.9%
Mail Deplaned	2,254,222	4,033,234	-44.1%	27,283,590	38,400,629	-29.0%
Total Mail	3,997,553	6,025,328	-33.7%	46,068,684	58,800,573	-21.7%
Grand Total All Air Cargo	18,871,846	24,543,194	-23.1%	200,135,250	231,827,684	-13.7%