

Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport April Traffic Recap

Total traffic for April 2012 was 2,109,766, down 2.1% over April last year. Year to date total traffic is up .2%.

April marked the 2nd consecutive month where JetBlue was FLL's largest carrier surpassing Spirit by 2,717 passengers for the month.

April commercial operations totaled 20,233, down 3.3% over last year. General Aviation totaled 3,313, down 22.3%. Total aircraft movements for the period were 23,546, down 6.5% over last year.

Major carriers with positive growth for the month:

- Virgin +40%
- JetBlue +8%
- Delta +3.1%
- Continental +2%
- US Airways +.6%

Carriers on the negative side include:

- AirTran - 13.5%
- Spirit - 11.8%
- Southwest - 6.2%

Increased capacity by Spirit and new service by several other carriers should begin to significantly improve total traffic starting May. The arrival of Alaska Air in July and increases in available seats by most carriers in the 3rd quarter (CY) should offset the first six months of the calendar year. The chart below depicts scheduled available seats (directional) for the next few months and percent change over last year. Since load factors have remained stable, increases in traffic should equal the percent changes in available seats.

Seats	% Change
1,135,203	-0.9%
1,119,795	0.9%
1,187,113	1.4%
1,152,300	2.3%
1,001,501	5.0%

Airports Council International (ACI) has just released 2011 passenger rankings. ACI ranked FLL 21st in the US for total passenger traffic, up from 22nd in 2010.

Below is the YTD airline traffic and market share.

Spirit	1,439,810	16.9%
JetBlue	1,435,964	16.9%
Southwest	1,290,044	15.1%
Delta	1,108,148	13.0%
US Airways	646,232	7.6%
American	476,868	5.6%
AirTran	375,318	4.4%
Air Canada	266,617	3.1%
Virgin	164,647	1.9%