

Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport Traffic Update December and Year End 2015

Passenger Traffic

Total passenger traffic for December 2015 was 2,599,525, up 7.8 percent over December last year. Domestic traffic increased by 8.1 percent. International traffic was 7.8 percent.

It was also the 21st consecutive month of growth in total passengers.

Year End Up 9.3 Percent

2015 total passenger traffic was 26,941,511 up 9.3 percent over 2014. Domestic traffic was up 7.3 percent and international traffic increased by 18 percent.

4th Fastest Growing Airport

Airports Council International data for the 12 months ending November 2015 listed FLL as the 4th fastest growing airport with total traffic up 9.4 percent (behind Seattle, Washington Reagan, and Chicago O'Hare, respectively).

Operations

Air Carrier operations were 22,900, up 5.8 percent over last year. General Aviation was 3,296 down 4.6 percent. Total aircraft operations were 26,196, up 4.7% over December 2014.

Air carrier operations for the year were 239,940 up 7.9 percent over 2014. General Aviation was 38,062, up 5.7 percent. Total aircraft operations were 278,000, up 7.6 percent.

Top Ten Carriers

The performance of FLL's top 10 carriers for calendar year 2015 is listed below.

	2014	2015	% Change	Abs Change	% Share
JetBlue	5,193,371	6,033,292	16.2%	839,921	22.4%
Spirit	4,612,074	4,978,659	7.9%	366,585	18.5%
Southwest	4,373,014	4,677,221	7.0%	304,207	17.4%
Delta	3,079,227	3,280,468	6.5%	201,241	12.2%
American	2,715,645	2,669,938	-1.7%	-45,707	9.9%
United	1,500,990	1,584,799	5.6%	83,809	5.9%
Air Canada	668,176	715,906	7.1%	47,730	2.7%
Allegiant	231,408	411,891	78.0%	180,483	1.5%
Virgin America	342,216	334,068	-2.4%	-8,148	1.2%
Silver	240,623	317,375	31.9%	76,752	1.2%

2015 vs. 2014 Flight and Destination Comparison

- Six more daily international departures in 2015 – now at 66.
- Three more international destinations – now at 50.
- Sixteen more daily domestic departures – now at 236.
- Nine more domestic destinations – now at 75.
- Twenty two more daily total departures – now at 302.
- Twelve more destinations – now at 125.

New airlines serving FLL for 2015 included Dynamic Airways to Caracas, Venezuela and Cape Air to Bimini.

2016 New International and Domestic Caribbean Service

JetBlue

- Quito, Ecuador in February.
- Barbados in April.
- Aguadilla (Puerto Rico) in May.

2016 Upcoming Domestic Service

JetBlue

- Seasonal service to Syracuse in January.
- Nashville in May.
- San Diego in June.

Spirit

- New service to Philadelphia in April.

Traffic Should Reach 29 Million in 2016

Based on published airline schedules and historical data, the first six months of the year should show an average passenger growth rate of about 9 percent. We estimate a conservative 5 percent growth rate for the second half of the year. Based on these assumptions, FLL total passenger traffic should reach 29 million.