

Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport December and 2012 Traffic Recap

Total passenger traffic for December 2012 was 2,147,564, up 2.3% over last year. Domestic traffic was up 2.2% and international traffic was up 2.5%.

December marked the 7th consecutive month of positive growth in total traffic and was the busiest December on record.

December commercial operations totaled 20,542, down 1.8% over last year. General Aviation totaled 3,186, down 5.5%. Total aircraft movements for the period were 23,728, down 1.6%.

2012 Recap

The negative traffic growth in the first half of the year was offset by positive gains from June to December. Total traffic for 2012 was 23,569,103, up .9% over 2011. Domestic traffic totaled 19,971,534, up 1.2%. International traffic was 3,597,569, down .3% for the year.

Despite a significant decline by two of our largest carriers (Spirit, down 6.7% for the year and Southwest down 3.4%), several carriers added capacity and new service that contributed to the year-end growth. Leading the way was:

- JetBlue, + 11.4%
- United + 7.3%
- AirTran + 6.3%
- American,+ 6.2%

On the international side, 2012 saw new service by:

- JetBlue to Kingston, Jamaica in April and Bogota, Colombia in May
- In November, Tiara Air Aruba began service to Aruba and Venezuela

New domestic service for the year included:

- AirTran to San Juan in May
- Alaska Airlines to Seattle in July
- Spirit to Baltimore in September and Minneapolis in November
- United to Washington Dulles in November
- Allegiant to Ashville in November
- JetBlue to Providence

2013 New Flights

2013 is off to a great start. Silver Airways started service to Orlando in January and Frontier will begin service to Trenton, NJ in February. New international service by JetBlue to Medellin, Colombia and San Jose, Costa Rica will begin in June.

FLL continues to be the domestic airport of choice in South Florida. In 2012, FLL had over one million more available domestic seats than MIA, 28% more domestic destinations, twice the origin and destination domestic passengers, and 20% lower domestic fares.