

Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport Traffic Update February 2015

Total passenger traffic for February 2015 was 2,213,483, up 10.8 percent over February last year. Domestic traffic increased by 8 percent and international traffic was up 23.7 percent.

February marked the 15th consecutive month of double-digit growth in international passenger traffic. Eleven out of the last 15 months showed international growth exceeding 20 percent.

Airport's Council International (ACI) data for February ranked FLL 2nd among large hub airports in total passenger growth behind Seattle, which increased by 12.9 percent over last year.

Air Carrier Operations were 19,899, up 9.7 percent over February last year. General Aviation was 3,344, up 6.3 percent over last year. Total aircraft operations were 23,243, up 9.2 percent over February 2014.

For the month of February, international load factor remained constant at 79 percent compared to last year. However, while domestic seats were up 5.7 percent, domestic traffic was up 8 percent indicating a higher load factor of 83.4 percent vs 81.7 percent last year. This additional 1.7 percent illustrates the impact of load factor on overall passenger traffic.

The table below shows February's change in passenger activity and market share for FLL's major carriers.

	2015	2014	% Change	Abs	% Share
JetBlue	439,239	376,421	16.7%	62,818	19.8
Southwest	396,811	370,006	7.2%	26,805	17.9
Spirit	380,060	347,415	9.4%	32,645	17.2
Delta	274,726	254,237	8.1%	20,489	12.4
United	140,066	138,561	1.1%	1,505	6.3
US Airways	134,943	142,919	-5.6%	(7,976)	6.1
Air Canada	93,535	87,281	7.2%	6,254	4.2
American	92,687	96,332	-3.8%	(3,645)	4.2
Virgin America	36,529	30,393	20.2%	6,136	1.7
WestJet	29,572	29,177	1.4%	395	1.3

Total passenger traffic will continue to grow over the next few months. New service includes:

- Jetblue to Cleveland and Detroit in April, Baltimore in November, and Albany in December
- Southwest will begin new service to Washington National in August
- Allegiant will begin new service to Columbus (Ohio) in March, Indianapolis in April, Memphis and Concord, NC in May

The chart below illustrates the percent growth in total scheduled seats for the next six months. Passenger traffic should respond accordingly.

