

## Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport Traffic Update February 2016

### Growth Continues

Total passenger traffic for February 2016 was 2,437,622 up 10.1 percent over February last year. Domestic traffic increased by 10.6 percent. International traffic was up 8.4 percent.

February was the 23<sup>rd</sup> consecutive month of positive growth in total passenger traffic.

### FLL 5<sup>th</sup> Fastest Growing Airport

Airports Council International data for the 12 months ending February showed that FLL is the 5<sup>th</sup> fastest growing airport. Traffic increased 9.1 percent. The chart below shows Florida airports are among the fastest growing in the nation.

CITY/COUNTRY	CODE	12-MONTHS ENDING FEB 2016/2015					
		INTERNATIONAL		DOMESTIC		TOTAL	
		(000s)	%CHG	(000s)	%CHG	(000s)	%CHG
SEATTLE WA, US	SEA	4 450.8	14.0	38 534.9	12.7	42 985.7	12.8
WASHINGTON DC, US	DCA	387.3	(2.5)	22 810.7	11.0	23 198.0	10.8
CHICAGO IL, US	ORD	11 099.4	3.0	66 508.2	10.6	77 676.0	9.5
ORLANDO FL, US	MCO	5 226.3	17.9	34 275.3	8.0	39 501.6	9.2
<b>FORT LAUDERDALE, FL, US</b>	<b>FLL</b>	<b>5 591.8</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>21 764.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>27 356.7</b>	<b>9.1</b>
MIAMI FL, US	MIA	21 249.4	5.0	23 416.2	11.4	44 665.7	8.3
BALTIMORE MD, US	BWI	1 178.3	31.9	22 930.1	6.7	24 108.4	7.7
BOSTON MA, US	BOS	5 680.7	11.9	28 359.9	6.4	34 040.6	7.3
SAN DIEGO CA, US	SAN	690.8	3.5	19 587.9	7.3	20 278.7	7.1
NEW YORK NY, US	JFK	30 387.5	7.0	27 081.3	6.7	57 468.9	6.9

### Operations

Air Carrier operations were 21,737, up 9.2 percent over last year. General Aviation was 3,237, down 3.2 percent. Total aircraft operations were 24,974, up 7.4 percent over February 2015.

## Top Carriers

The performance of FLL's top 10 carriers for February 2016 is listed below.

	2015	2016	% Change	Absolute	Share
<b>JetBlue</b>	<b>439,239</b>	<b>564,290</b>	<b>28.5%</b>	<b>125,051</b>	<b>23.1%</b>
<b>Southwest</b>	<b>396,811</b>	<b>437,556</b>	<b>10.3%</b>	<b>40,745</b>	<b>18.0%</b>
<b>Spirit</b>	<b>380,060</b>	<b>420,946</b>	<b>10.8%</b>	<b>40,886</b>	<b>17.3%</b>
<b>Delta</b>	<b>274,726</b>	<b>279,819</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>5,093</b>	<b>11.5%</b>
<b>American/US</b>	<b>227,630</b>	<b>212,724</b>	<b>-6.5%</b>	<b>-14,906</b>	<b>8.7%</b>
<b>United</b>	<b>140,066</b>	<b>154,266</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>14,200</b>	<b>8.7%</b>
<b>Air Canada</b>	<b>93,535</b>	<b>98,865</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>5,330</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Allegiant</b>	<b>20,674</b>	<b>45,735</b>	<b>121.2%</b>	<b>25,061</b>	<b>1.9%</b>
<b>Virgin America</b>	<b>36,529</b>	<b>36,861</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>1.5%</b>
<b>WestJet</b>	<b>29,572</b>	<b>25,668</b>	<b>-13.2%</b>	<b>-3,904</b>	<b>1.1%</b>

## Canadian Traffic Flat

Canadian currency vs. U.S. dollar has declined for the past few years. The current Canadian dollar is equal to .78 cents U.S. Last year at this time it was .81 cents. Two years ago, it was .91 cents. That coupled with the mild winter and impact of low oil prices on the Canadian economy, Canadian traffic has been flat this season.

Air Canada said bookings for February/March were about 2,000 per month below last year. Sunwing has cancelled and/or consolidated several flights so far this season. If you adjust February traffic for leap year, total Canadian traffic from November to February was flat (.7 percent) while seats were up 6 percent.

## New Service

New service for 2016 includes:

### JetBlue

- Barbados in April.
- Aguadilla (Puerto Rico) in May.
- Nashville in May. New service for JetBlue.
- San Diego in June.
- New Orleans in September.

### Spirit

- New flights to Philadelphia in April.

### Norwegian Air Shuttle

- Very exciting new service to Paris in July.

### Southwest

- The much anticipated entry into the international market at FLL with Nassau service starting in August.

## **Growth for 2016**

The outlook for 2016 is very bright. Based on published airline schedules and historical data, FY 16 should end with total traffic up 9 percent over last FY. FLL could reach 29 million passengers for CY 2016.