

News Release

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Traffic Continues to Take-Off at Detroit Metropolitan Airport

--YTD climb in passengers, cargo and operations through Sept.

Passenger traffic at **Detroit Metropolitan Airport** (DTW) increased nearly 2 percent during the first nine months of 2010 compared to the same period last year, according to data released today by **Wayne County Airport Authority's** (WCAA) Division of Financial Planning and Analysis. More than 24.3 million passengers flew through DTW during the first three quarters—up from 23.9 million during the same period in 2009—cementing a pattern of growth in traffic for Michigan's busiest airport.

In September alone, the total number of passengers using DTW jumped from 2,435,807 in 2009 to 2,627,326 this year—a nearly 8 percent increase.

“The continued climb in traffic at Detroit Metro Airport is encouraging for the entire airport service region,” said **WCAA Interim CEO Genelle Allen**. “The addition of new destinations ranging from Chattanooga to Sao Paulo, largely to credit for this growth, has also significantly enhanced our region's attractiveness to new and expanding business activity.”

International passenger traffic led the growth, increasing at more than double the rate of domestic passenger growth. International traffic through the Airport was up 4.9 percent year-to-date (YTD) through September over the same period last year, while domestic growth jumped about 1.7 percent.

Meanwhile, air cargo traffic at DTW surged in the first three quarters as well—up by more than 50.8 million pounds—or nearly 20%—over 2009. Aircraft landings and take-offs increased as well—up 11.5 percent in September alone and up 3.9 percent YTD.

“The growth we're seeing across the board at Detroit Metro Airport this year—in particular international and cargo traffic—is further evidence that our two, world-class airports are central to the future development of Wayne County,” said **Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano**.

See the attached monthly and YTD summary for more details, or visit www.metroairport.com for a complete archive of DTW aviation statistics.

Please note that airport statistics are subject to change as airlines report updates to WCAA.



September Calendar Year Monthly Summary

Preliminary as of October 21, 2010

	Calendar Year 2010		Calendar Year 2009		CY 2010/2009 % Change	
	September	YTD	September	YTD	September	YTD
Total Passengers ⁽¹⁾	2,627,326	24,378,776	2,435,807	23,917,807	7.9%	1.9%
<i>Domestic Passengers ⁽²⁾</i>	2,415,623	22,382,204	2,251,040	22,014,132	7.3%	1.7%
<i>International Passengers</i>	211,703	1,996,572	184,767	1,903,675	14.6%	4.9%
<i>Total Passengers</i>	<u>2,627,326</u>	<u>24,378,776</u>	<u>2,435,807</u>	<u>23,917,807</u>	<u>7.9%</u>	<u>1.9%</u>
<i>Enplaned Passengers</i>	1,314,396	12,196,653	1,210,203	11,913,347	8.6%	2.4%
<i>Deplaned Passengers</i>	1,312,930	12,182,123	1,225,604	12,004,460	7.1%	1.5%
<i>Total Passengers</i>	<u>2,627,326</u>	<u>24,378,776</u>	<u>2,435,807</u>	<u>23,917,807</u>	<u>7.9%</u>	<u>1.9%</u>
Landed Weights (in thousands)	1,729,503	15,363,920	1,576,345	15,638,749	9.7%	-1.8%
Operations	38,164	340,773	34,213	327,862	11.5%	3.9%

(1) Total Passengers is defined as the number of passengers traveling outbound (enplaned) and inbound (deplaned) as reported to the Wayne County Airport Authority by the airlines operating at Detroit Metropolitan Airport

(2) Canadian passengers pre-cleared, before entering the U.S., are reported as domestic arrivals and recorded as such by the Authority

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