

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of earliest event
reported: September 3, 2009

American Airlines, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-2691 13-1502798
(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer
Identification No.)

4333 Amon Carter Blvd. Fort Worth, Texas 76155
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(817) 963-1234
(Registrant's telephone number)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on September 3, 2009 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included herein. This press release was issued to report August traffic for American Airlines, Inc.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/ Kenneth W. Wimberly
Kenneth W. Wimberly
Corporate Secretary

Dated: September 4, 2009

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description
99.1 Press Release

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FOR RELEASE: Thursday, Sept. 3, 2009

AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS AUGUST TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas - American Airlines reported an August load factor of 84.7 percent, an increase of 1.2 points versus the same period last year. Traffic decreased 8.1 percent and capacity decreased 9.4 percent year over year.

Domestic traffic decreased 9.1 percent year over year on 11 percent less capacity. International traffic decreased by 6.4 percent relative to last year on a capacity decrease of 6.7 percent.

American boarded 7.7 million passengers in August.

Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages.

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

	August		
	2009	2008	CHANGE
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	11,173,198	12,161,916	-8.1%
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	6,929,861	7,627,650	-9.1
INTERNATIONAL	4,243,337	4,534,265	-6.4
ATLANTIC	1,867,201	1,893,726	-1.4
LATIN AMERICA	1,909,752	2,155,360	-11.4
PACIFIC	466,384	485,179	-3.9
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	13,194,493	14,561,957	-9.4%
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	8,046,446	9,045,198	-11.0
INTERNATIONAL	5,148,047	5,516,759	-6.7
ATLANTIC	2,246,657	2,284,539	-1.7
LATIN AMERICA	2,321,079	2,649,631	-12.4
PACIFIC	580,311	582,589	-0.4

LOAD FACTOR SYSTEM		84.7%	83.5%	1.2Pts
	D.O.T. DOMESTIC	86.1	84.3	1.8
	INTERNATIONAL	82.4	82.2	0.2
	ATLANTIC	83.1	82.9	0.2
	LATIN AMERICA	82.3	81.3	0.9
	PACIFIC	80.4	83.3	-2.9
PASSENGERS BOARDED		7,723,121	8,439,285	-8.5%
SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)		137,724	170,638	-19.3%

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

		YTD August		
		2009	2008	CHANGE
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)				
SYSTEM		82,975,419	91,505,302	-9.3%
	D.O.T. DOMESTIC	52,104,200	58,250,891	-10.6
	INTERNATIONAL	30,871,220	33,254,411	-7.2
	ATLANTIC	12,540,574	13,086,440	-4.2
	LATIN AMERICA	14,730,463	16,458,250	-10.5
	PACIFIC	3,600,183	3,709,721	-3.0
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)				
SYSTEM		102,878,534	111,843,612	-8.0%
	D.O.T. DOMESTIC	62,580,618	70,016,305	-10.6
	INTERNATIONAL	40,297,916	41,827,307	-3.7
	ATLANTIC	16,253,616	16,525,248	-1.6
	LATIN AMERICA	19,495,146	20,841,598	-6.5
	PACIFIC	4,549,154	4,460,461	2.0
LOAD FACTOR SYSTEM		80.7%	81.8%	-1.2Pts
	D.O.T. DOMESTIC	83.3	83.2	0.1
	INTERNATIONAL	76.6	79.5	-2.9
	ATLANTIC	77.2	79.2	-2.0
	LATIN AMERICA	75.6	79.0	-3.4
	PACIFIC	79.1	83.2	-4.0
PASSENGERS BOARDED		58,313,552	64,572,897	-9.7%
SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)		1,043,894	1,388,321	-24.8%

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