

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: January 3, 2006

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.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is  
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the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the  
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2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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 January 3, 2006 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included  
herein. This press release was issued to report December  
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/ Charles D. MarLett  
Charles D. MarLett  
Corporate Secretary

Dated: January 4, 2006

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release

Exhibit 99.1

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FOR RELEASE: Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2006

#### AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS DECEMBER TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas - American Airlines, the world's largest airline, reported a December load factor of 78.9 percent - an increase of 4.3 points compared to the same period in 2004. Traffic grew by 4.6 percent year over year, on a 1.1 percent decline in capacity.

Domestic traffic increased by 2.6 percent compared to December 2004, while capacity declined by 4.5 percent. International traffic increased by 8.8 percent relative to December 2004, on a capacity increase of 5.7 percent.

American boarded 8.2 million passengers in December.

Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages:

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION  
 COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY  
 EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES  
 DECEMBER

	2005	2004	CHANGE
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	11,490,612	10,981,758	4.6 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	7,545,978	7,356,721	2.6
INTERNATIONAL	3,944,634	3,625,037	8.8
ATLANTIC	1,491,789	1,392,245	7.1
LATIN AMERICA	1,953,095	1,843,683	5.9
PACIFIC	499,750	389,109	28.4
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	14,545,622	14,712,949	(1.1) %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	9,420,283	9,865,464	(4.5)
INTERNATIONAL	5,125,339	4,847,485	5.7
ATLANTIC	1,879,819	1,715,368	9.6
LATIN AMERICA	2,603,933	2,651,724	(1.8)
PACIFIC	641,587	480,393	33.6
LOAD FACTOR			
SYSTEM	78.9 %	74.6 %	4.3 Pts
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	80.1	74.5	5.6
INTERNATIONAL	76.9	74.7	2.2
ATLANTIC	79.3	81.1	(1.8)
LATIN AMERICA	75	69.5	5.5
PACIFIC	77.8	80.9	(3.1)
PASSENGERS BOARDED	8,171,967	7,801,147	4.8 %
SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)	185,946	191,936	(3.1) %

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION  
 COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY  
 EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES  
 YEAR-TO-DATE DECEMBER

	2005	2004	CHANGE
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	138,229,705	130,028,940	6.3 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	91,871,798	88,436,206	3.9
INTERNATIONAL	46,357,907	41,592,733	11.5
ATLANTIC	19,524,981	18,177,652	7.4
LATIN AMERICA	21,415,230	19,090,290	12.2
PACIFIC	5,417,696	4,324,792	25.3
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	175,924,436	173,836,020	1.2 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	115,069,074	117,747,070	(2.3)
INTERNATIONAL	60,855,362	56,088,950	8.5
ATLANTIC	23,850,669	22,350,735	6.7
LATIN AMERICA	30,007,595	28,360,930	5.8
PACIFIC	6,997,098	5,377,285	30.1
LOAD FACTOR			
SYSTEM	78.5 %	74.7 %	3.8 Pts
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	79.8	75.1	4.7
INTERNATIONAL	76.1	74.1	2.0
ATLANTIC	81.8	81.3	0.5
LATIN AMERICA	71.3	67.3	4.0
PACIFIC	77.4	80.4	(3.0)
PASSENGERS BOARDED	98,034,785	91,570,003	7.1 %
SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)	2,209,288	2,203,125	0.3 %

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