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AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS SEPTEMBER TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas - American Airlines, the world's largest carrier, reported a record high September load factor of 73.4 percent -- an increase of 6.7 points compared to the same period last year. Traffic grew by 9.4 percent year over year on a slight reduction in capacity.

Both international and domestic entities posted traffic gains. International traffic increased 17.4 percent relative to last year on 9.0 percent more capacity. Domestic traffic increased 5.7 percent with a 4.6 percent reduction in capacity year over year. American boarded 6.7 million passengers in September.

Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages:

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

| | SEPTEMBER | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|---------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | CHANGE |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 9,849,548 | 9,002,592 | 9.4 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 6,524,713 | 6,170,454 | 5.7 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 3,324,835 | 2,832,138 | 17.4 |
| ATLANTIC | 1,671,609 | 1,426,841 | 17.2 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 1,275,029 | 1,126,222 | 13.2 |
| PACIFIC | 378,197 | 279,076 | 35.5 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 13,417,230 | 13,480,251 | (0.5)% |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 8,967,837 | 9,398,571 | (4.6) |
| INTERNATIONAL | 4,449,393 | 4,081,681 | 9.0 |
| ATLANTIC | 2,002,871 | 1,874,778 | 6.8 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 1,989,501 | 1,861,683 | 6.9 |
| PACIFIC | 457,021 | 345,219 | 32.4 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | |
| SYSTEM | 73.4 % | 66.7 % | 6.7 Pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 72.7 | 65.6 | 7.1 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 74.7 | 69.3 | 5.4 |
| ATLANTIC | 83.4 | 76.1 | 7.3 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 64.0 | 60.4 | 3.6 |
| PACIFIC | 82.7 | 80.8 | 1.9 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | 6,715,522 | 6,519,420 | 3.0 % |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | 173,422 | 161,940 | 7.1 % |

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| | YEAR-TO-DATE September | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|---------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | CHANGE |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 98,171,542 | 90,456,967 | 8.5 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 66,852,761 | 64,234,701 | 4.1 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 31,318,780 | 26,222,267 | 19.4 |
| ATLANTIC | 13,808,725 | 11,819,976 | 16.8 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 14,327,319 | 12,162,711 | 17.8 |
| PACIFIC | 3,182,737 | 2,239,580 | 42.1 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000) | | | |
| SYSTEM | 130,977,149 | 123,490,691 | 6.1 % |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 88,956,374 | 87,664,391 | 1.5 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 42,020,774 | 35,826,300 | 17.3 |
| ATLANTIC | 16,940,100 | 15,197,383 | 11.5 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 21,117,292 | 17,577,975 | 20.1 |
| PACIFIC | 3,963,382 | 3,050,943 | 29.9 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | |
| SYSTEM | 74.9 % | 73.2 % | 1.7 Pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 75.1 | 73.2 | 1.9 |
| INTERNATIONAL | 74.5 | 73.1 | 1.4 |
| ATLANTIC | 81.5 | 77.7 | 3.8 |
| LATIN AMERICA | 67.8 | 69.1 | (1.3) |

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| PACIFIC | 80.3 | 73.4 | 6.9 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | 69,000,092 | 67,295,253 | 2.5 % |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | 1,617,194 | 1,468,066 | 10.2 % |

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