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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of earliest event
reported: April 18, 2001

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)

Item 5. Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on April 18, 2001 by its parent company, AMR Corporation, as Exhibit 99.1 which is included herein. This press release was issued to report AMR's first quarter earnings.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit is included herein:

99.1 Press Release

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: April 19, 2001

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release

Exhibit 99.1

Contact: Corporate Communications
Fort Worth, Texas
817-967-1577

FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, April 18, 2001

Editor's Note: A live Webcast reporting first quarter earnings will be broadcast on the Internet today at 2 p.m. EDT.
(Windows Media Player required for viewing.)

AMR POSTS \$43 MILLION FIRST QUARTER LOSS AS ECONOMY WEAKENS

FORT WORTH, Texas ' Feeling the effects of a slowing U.S. economy, AMR Corp., the parent company of American Airlines, Inc., today reported a first quarter net loss of \$43 million, or a \$0.28 loss per share. This compares with net earnings of \$89 million, or \$0.57 per share diluted, from continuing operations recorded in the first quarter of 2000.

"Without a doubt, the weakening U.S. economy caused a reduction in business travel that affected our performance in the first quarter," said Don Carty, AMR's chairman and chief executive officer. "Bad weather also played a role, forcing the cancellation of hundreds of flights, which diminished both capacity and traffic. Fuel prices also remained stubbornly high, however, we continued to offset some of those costs through our fuel hedging program."

Carty noted that the company's international system produced stronger first quarter revenue results than its domestic system. "While our domestic revenue performance reflects a sluggish U.S. economy, in the first quarter we did not see a similar weakening in our international revenue performance," Carty said.

Carty also noted that the first quarter is typically the weakest for airlines. "Historically, first quarter earnings tend to be relatively modest due to lower demand," Carty said. "But there are many factors that will work in our favor as the year unfolds, the main one being our recent acquisition of TWA. That transaction positions us as the leading U.S. carrier with a stronger route network and a fleet that is second to none."

With the TWA acquisition accomplished, the company is now looking carefully at every opportunity to drive revenue and cost synergies. "We have a golden opportunity to scrutinize

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every aspect of how we do business, from scheduling and selling to staffing and cost control, and ensure that we are spending wisely," Carty said.

AMR posted first quarter operating revenues of \$4.8 billion, including \$176 million from its cargo division and \$354 million from American Eagle, its regional affiliate. American Eagle now operates 90 regional jets - one third of the regional carrier's fleet - with more RJs being delivered every month.

In recent weeks, American continued to strengthen its international network by adding new service between San Jose, Calif., and both Taipei and Paris, and it is now converting its three-class international fleet to the customer-friendly "More Room Throughout Coach" seating configuration - something that no other airline offers.

During the first quarter, American also extended the "More Room" concept from seats to overhead bins and is now installing larger bins on its narrowbody fleet, a project that will be complete later this year.

American announced a number of initiatives during the first quarter that demonstrate the airline's continued industry leadership, including the SKYCAARE program, which provides skilled medical companions for travelers who are stable enough to travel but may need limited in-flight medical care or assistance. During the first quarter, American also became the first airline in North America to introduce connecting gate information displays on cabin video monitors during flight.

Editor's Note: AMR's Chief Financial Officer, Tom Horton, will make a presentation to analysts during a teleconference on Wednesday, April 18, from 2 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. EDT. Following the analyst call, he will hold a question and answer conference call for media from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Reporters interested in listening to Mr. Horton's presentation or participating in the media Q & A conference call should call 817-967-1577 for details.

Statements in this news release contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Act of 1934, as amended, which represent the Company's expectations or beliefs concerning future events. When used in this release, the word "expects" and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements in this release are based upon information available to the Company on the date of this release. The company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Forward-looking statements are subject to a number of factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations. Additional information concerning these and other factors is contained in the Company's Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including but not limited to the Form 10-K for the year ended Dec. 31, 2000.

Detailed financial information follows.

AMR CORPORATION
 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
 (in millions, except per share amounts)
 (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2001	2000	Percent Change
Revenues			
Passenger - American Airlines	\$3,935	\$ 3,774	4.3
- AMR Eagle	354	338	4.7
Cargo	176	167	5.4
Other revenues	295	298	(1.0)
Total operating revenues	4,760	4,577	4.0
Expenses			
Wages, salaries and benefits	1,746	1,617	8.0
Aircraft fuel	686	553	24.1
Depreciation and amortization	313	288	8.7
Maintenance, materials and repairs	280	271	3.3
Other rentals and landing fees	257	237	8.4
Commissions to agents	224	257	(12.8)
Food service	184	185	(0.5)
Aircraft rentals	148	153	(3.3)
Other operating expenses	905	804	12.6
Total operating expenses	4,743	4,365	8.7
Operating Income	17	212	(92.0)
Other Income (Expense)			
Interest income	40	32	25.0
Interest expense	(119)	(119)	-
Interest capitalized	41	38	7.9
SFAS 133 adjustments	(21)	-	-
Miscellaneous - net	(15)	(6)	*
	(74)	(55)	34.5
Income (Loss) From Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes	(57)	157	*
Income tax provision (benefit)	(14)	68	*
Income (Loss) From Continuing Operations	(43)	89	*
Income From Discontinued Operations (net of applicable income taxes and minority interest)	-	43	-
Net Earnings (Loss)	\$ (43)	\$ 132	*

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AMR CORPORATION
 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (CONTINUED)
 (in millions, except per share amounts)
 (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2001	2000
Earnings Per Share		
Basic		
Income (Loss) from Continuing Operations	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.60
Discontinued Operations	-	0.29
Net Earnings (Loss)	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.89
Diluted		
Income (Loss) from Continuing Operations	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.57
Discontinued Operations	-	0.29
Net Earnings (Loss)	\$ (0.28)	\$ 0.86
Number of Shares Used in Computation		
Basic	154	149
Diluted	154	154

* Greater than 100%

Note: Certain amounts from 2000 have been reclassified to conform with 2001 presentation.

AMR CORPORATION
OPERATING STATISTICS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended 2001	March 31, 2000	Percent Change
American Airlines			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	26,452	27,022	(2.1)
Available seat miles (millions)	38,977	40,020	(2.6)
Cargo ton miles (millions)	549	546	0.5
Passenger load factor	67.9%	67.5%	0.4 pts.
Breakeven load factor	67.7%	63.7%	4.0 pts.
Passenger revenue yield per passenger mile (cents)	14.88	13.95	6.7
Passenger revenue per available seat mile (cents)	10.10	9.42	7.2
Cargo revenue yield per ton mile (cents)	31.68	30.32	4.5
Operating expenses per available seat miles (cents)	11.21	10.04	11.7
Fuel consumption (gallons, in (millions))	743	730	1.8
Fuel price per gallon (cents)	87.6	72.1	21.5
Fuel price per gallon, excluding fuel taxes (cents)	82.0	66.6	23.1
Operating aircraft at period-end	719	703	2.3
AMR Eagle			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	860	861	(0.1)
Available seat miles (millions)	1,588	1,514	4.9
Passenger load factor	54.2%	56.9%	(2.7) pts.
Operating aircraft at period-end	267	271	(1.5)
AMR Corporation			
Average Equivalent Number of Employees			
American Airlines	95,900	91,500	
Other	13,000	13,000	
Total	108,900	104,500	

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