

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: May 4, 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.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on May 4, 2009 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included herein. This press release was issued to report April 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: May 5, 2009

EXHIBIT INDEX

| <u>Exhibit</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 99.1 | Press Release |

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FOR RELEASE: Monday, May 4, 2009

AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS APRIL TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas – American Airlines reported an April load factor of 81.3 percent, an increase of 1.2 points versus the same period last year. Traffic decreased 4.7 percent and capacity decreased 6.1 percent year over year.

Domestic traffic decreased 6.1 percent year over year on 8.2 percent less capacity. International traffic decreased by 2.1 percent relative to last year on a capacity decrease of 2.5 percent.

American boarded 7.2 million passengers in April.

Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages.

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

| | | April | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|--------|
| | | 2009 | 2008 | CHANGE |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 10,283,688 | 10,788,313 | -4.7% |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 6,500,131 | 6,922,219 | -6.1 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 3,783,557 | 3,866,094 | -2.1 |
| | ATLANTIC | 1,570,895 | 1,588,257 | -1.1 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 1,775,714 | 1,850,307 | -4.0 |
| | PACIFIC | 436,948 | 427,530 | 2.2 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000) | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 12,644,101 | 13,459,881 | -6.1% |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 7,735,876 | 8,425,465 | -8.2 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 4,908,225 | 5,034,416 | -2.5 |
| | ATLANTIC | 1,965,913 | 1,982,188 | -0.8 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 2,377,825 | 2,506,300 | -5.1 |
| | PACIFIC | 564,487 | 545,928 | 3.4 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 81.3% | 80.2% | 1.2Pts |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 84.0 | 82.2 | 1.9 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 77.1 | 76.8 | 0.3 |
| | ATLANTIC | 79.9 | 80.1 | -0.2 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 74.7 | 73.8 | 0.9 |
| | PACIFIC | 77.4 | 78.3 | -0.9 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | | 7,239,161 | 7,546,103 | -4.1% |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | | 128,097 | 175,227 | -26.9% |

AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

| | | YTD April | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------|------------|---------|
| | | 2009 | 2008 | CHANGE |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 38,871,413 | 43,270,875 | -10.2% |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 24,567,868 | 27,609,786 | -11.0 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 14,303,544 | 15,661,089 | -8.7 |
| | ATLANTIC | 5,151,768 | 5,639,650 | -8.7 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 7,435,490 | 8,274,432 | -10.1 |
| | PACIFIC | 1,716,287 | 1,747,007 | -1.8 |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000) | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 50,418,790 | 54,504,669 | -7.5% |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 30,791,015 | 34,244,929 | -10.1 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 19,627,775 | 20,259,741 | -3.1 |
| | ATLANTIC | 7,258,799 | 7,479,733 | -3.0 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 10,125,322 | 10,623,209 | -4.7 |
| | PACIFIC | 2,243,654 | 2,156,799 | 4.0 |
| LOAD FACTOR | | | | |
| SYSTEM | | 77.1% | 79.4% | -2.3Pts |
| | D.O.T. DOMESTIC | 79.8 | 80.6 | -0.8 |
| | INTERNATIONAL | 72.9 | 77.3 | -4.4 |
| | ATLANTIC | 71.0 | 75.4 | -4.4 |
| | LATIN AMERICA | 73.4 | 77.9 | -4.5 |
| | PACIFIC | 76.5 | 81.0 | -4.5 |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED | | 27,572,130 | 30,596,632 | -9.9% |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) | | 498,733 | 680,148 | -26.7% |

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