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: November 2, 2004

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))

Item 8.01 Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on November 2, 2004 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included herein. This press release was issued to report October 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.

/s/ Charles D. MarLett Charles D. MarLett Corporate Secretary

Dated: November 3, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release

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FOR RELEASE: Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2004

AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS OCTOBER TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas - American Airlines, the world's largest carrier, reported an October load factor of 74.9 percent, the company's highest October load factor on record. The prior record of 70.2 percent was set in October of last year. October traffic grew by 9.1 percent, while capacity increased only 2.3 percent year over year.

International traffic increased 20.1 percent relative to last year on 13.9 percent more capacity. Domestic traffic grew by 4.6 percent compared to last year on a 2.6 percent reduction in capacity.

American boarded 7.5 million passengers in October.

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
October 2004
 2003 CHANGE
   REVENUE
 PASSENGER
 MILES (000)
   SYSTEM
 10,716,859
 9,818,770
9.1 % D.O.T.
  DOMESTIC
  7,275,273
  6,952,864
     4.6
INTERNATIONAL
  3,441,586
  2,865,906
    <del>20.1</del>
  ATLANTIC
  1,629,836
  1,378,190
 18.3 LATIN
   AMERICA
  1,414,027
 1,187,637
19.1 PACIFIC
   <del>397,723</del>
300,078 32.5
 AVAILABLE
 SEAT MILES
(000) SYSTEM
 14,305,235
 13,984,916
2.3 % D.O.T.
  DOMESTIC
  9,569,212
  9,825,122
    <del>(2.6)</del>
INTERNATIONAL
  4,736,023
  4,159,794
    <del>13.9</del>
  ATLANTIC
  2,031,134
  1,851,669
  9.7 LATIN
   AMERICA
  2,231,515
 1,927,024
15.8 PACIFIC
   473,374
381,101 24.2
LOAD FACTOR
SYSTEM 74.9
<del>% 70.2 % 4.7</del>
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Pts D.O.T. DOMESTIC

76.0 70.7 5.3 **INTERNATIONAL** 72.6 68.8 3.8 ATLANTIC 80.2 74.4 5.8 LATIN AMERICA 63.3 61.6 1.7 PACIFIC 84.0 78.7 5.3 **PASSENGERS BOARDED** 7,499,862 7,279,879 3.0 % SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) 201,543 182,019 10.7

%

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION COMPARATIVE **PRELIMINARY** TRAFFIC SUMMARY **EXCLUDES** CHARTER **SERVICES** YEAR-TO-DATE October 2004 2003 CHANGE **REVENUE PASSENGER** MILES (000) SYSTEM 108,888,854 100, 275, 737 8.6 % D.O.T. **DOMESTIC** 74, 128, 617 71, 187, 565 4.1 **INTERNATIONAL** 34,760,237 29,088,172 19.5 **ATLANTIC** 15,438,569 13, 198, 167 **17.0 LATIN AMERICA** 15,741,216 13,350,348 17.9 PACIFIC 3,580,453 2,539,658 41.0 **AVAILABLE**

SEAT MILES (000) SYSTEM 145,283,996 137,475,607 5.7 % D.O.T. DOMESTIC 98,527,585 97,489,513 1.1 INTERNATIONAL 46,756,411 39,986,094

16.9 **ATLANTIC** 18,971,131 17,049,052 11.3 LATIN **AMERICA** 23,348,524 19,504,999 19.7 PACIFIC 4,436,755 3,432,044 29.3 LOAD **FACTOR** SYSTEM 74.9 % 72.9 % 2.0 Pts D.O.T. **DOMESTIC** 75.2 73.0 2.2 **INTERNATIONAL** 74.3 72.7 1.6 ATLANTIC 81.3 77.4 3.9 LATIN AMERICA 67.4 68.4 (1.0) PACIFIC 80.6 73.9 6.7 **PASSENGERS BOARDED** 76,502,930 74,575,132 2.6 % SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000) 1,818,728 1,650,084 10.2 %

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