

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 1934Date of earliest event
reported: October 18, 2000American 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 October 18, 2000 by its parent company, AMR Corporation, as Exhibit 99.1 which is included herein. This press release was issued to report AMR's third quarter 2000 earnings.

In other matters, on October 24, 2000, American will host its biennial Analyst & Investor Conference. This conference will be accessible by the general public via a live webcast. To access this webcast, go to the Investor Information section of AMR's web site, www.amrcorp.com and click on the webcast icon (please note that the live webcast will occur between 8:30 AM, Central Daylight Time, and 3:00 PM, Central Daylight Time, on October 24, 2000). Materials related to the Analyst & Investor Conference will be posted on the Investor Information section of AMR's web site for several days following the Conference.

On the third Wednesday of January, April, July and October, AMR issues its earnings report for the preceding quarter. On that date, AMR's Chief Financial Officer conducts a telephone news conference with analysts and investors to discuss this earnings report. The conference call is accessible by the general public via a live webcast. To access this webcast, go to the Investor Information section of AMR's web site, www.amrcorp.com and click on the webcast icon (please note that the live webcast will occur at 1:00 PM, Central Time, on the dates referenced above, and will generally last one hour).

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: October 18, 2000

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release

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

FOR RELEASE: Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2000

Editor's Note: A Live Webcast reporting third quarter earnings
will

Be broadcast on the Internet at 1 p.m. (CDT) 10/18/00.
(Windows Media Player required for viewing.)

AMR CORPORATION REPORTS THIRD QUARTER EARNINGS

FORT WORTH, Texas - AMR Corporation, parent company of American Airlines, Inc., today reported third-quarter earnings of \$322 million or \$1.96 per common share diluted, before an extraordinary loss. This compares to net earnings of \$213 million, or \$1.38 per common share diluted, in the same period in 1999. After accounting for the extraordinary loss, a \$9 million after-tax loss on the repurchase of \$167 million of unsecured debt, AMR reported net earnings of \$313 million, or \$1.91 per common share diluted.

"We're very pleased with our third-quarter performance - the second-best third quarter in our company's history and our third-best quarter ever," said Donald J. Carty, American's chairman and CEO. "The underlying fundamentals of our business - both traffic and pricing - remained solid and combined to generate double-digit revenue growth, which more than offset the effect of the sharp increases in fuel prices."

Carty said American has finished reconfiguring the full coach cabins on its entire domestic fleet as part of its "More Room Throughout Coach" program.

"While difficult to yet quantify, from the reaction we're getting, it's been a big hit with customers."

Carty also said American benefited, perhaps disproportionately, from the difficulties of a major competitor this summer.

Carty applauded the hard work of AA's employees, who during the quarter handled record numbers of passengers in the face of ongoing air traffic control problems and weather delays.

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He said the continuing strong economy helped generate AA's top 10 busiest traffic days ever during the quarter, with a July load factor of 80.3 percent, August at 78.4 percent -- up almost six points from August 1999 -- and September, when traffic traditionally declines, at almost 70 percent.

"Our people worked under difficult conditions - and we're proud of the many caring and creative ways they served our customers," Carty said.

Carty said the strong economy also benefited AMR's cargo operations, which had third-quarter revenue results of \$183 million, the best quarterly results in the company's history. This figure represents a year-over-year growth of 14.4 percent.

On the cost side, Carty said American has continued to be aggressive in its fuel hedging program, which reduced the airline's costs by more than \$150 million and provided a cushion against sharp price increases during the quarter. He also noted that American's continuing online sales success has reduced distribution costs and will do so further as the popularity of AA.com and other Internet-based travel sites grows.

American's international traffic was up about 5 percent during the quarter, a reflection of the continuing strength of oneworld and the particular success of AA's immunized bilateral agreements with Swissair and Sabena over the Atlantic, as well as its alliances with Cathay Pacific, Japan Air Lines and EVA over the Pacific.

"Our newly announced San Jose-Taipei and San Jose-Paris service will enhance our international route network and further solidify our position on the West Coast, which has improved markedly over even a year ago," Carty said. "We think linking Silicon Valley with the very important technology industries of Taiwan and opening a new European gateway for the Bay Area both represent smart strategic moves."

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On the domestic front, American expanded its network by adding service to focus business travel cities like Boston, New York, the Los Angeles basin, San Jose and Austin - all locations where AA already has a strong presence. The company also announced realignments of its major hubs in Dallas/Fort Worth and Chicago aimed at improving dependability and customer service.

American's regional partner, American Eagle, has been aggressively deploying regional jets throughout its network to strengthen American's hubs and will have an all-jet operation in Chicago O'Hare by November.

"We clearly have strengthened both our domestic and international networks more than any other U.S. carrier this year, improving our competitive position and offering our customers broader and better choices," Carty said.

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Editor's Note: AMR's Chief Financial Officer, Tom Horton, will be available to answer questions during a telephone news conference on Wednesday, Oct. 18, from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. EDT. Reporters interested in joining the conference 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, 1999.

Detailed financial information follows.

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

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Percent
	2000	1999	Change
Revenues			
Passenger - American Airlines	\$4,385	\$ 3,900	12.4
- AMR Eagle	390	352	10.8
Cargo	183	160	14.4
Other revenues	298	283	5.3
Total operating revenues	5,256	4,695	11.9
Expenses			
Wages, salaries and benefits	1,721	1,533	12.3
Aircraft fuel	648	456	42.1
Depreciation and amortization	307	276	11.2
Maintenance, materials and repairs	278	263	5.7
Commissions to agents	266	314	(15.3)
Other rentals and landing fees	250	248	0.8
Food service	204	196	4.1
Aircraft rentals	151	161	(6.2)
Other operating expenses	859	822	4.5
Total operating expenses	4,684	4,269	9.7
Operating Income	572	426	34.3
Other Income (Expense)			
Interest income	42	21	*
Interest expense	(119)	(108)	10.2
Interest capitalized	36	27	33.3
Miscellaneous - net	(6)	(9)	(33.3)
	(47)	(69)	(31.9)
Income From Continuing Operations			
Before Income Taxes and			
Extraordinary Loss	525	357	47.1
Income tax provision	203	144	41.0
Income From Continuing Operations			
Before Extraordinary Loss	322	213	51.2
Income From Discontinued Operations			
(net of applicable income taxes			
and minority interest)	-	66	-
Income Before Extraordinary Loss	322	279	15.4
Extraordinary Loss (net of			
applicable income taxes)	(9)	-	-
Net Earnings	\$ 313	\$ 279	12.2

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AMR CORPORATION
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 (in millions, except per share amounts)
 (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2000	1999
Earnings Per Common Share		
Basic		
Income from Continuing Operations	\$ 2.14	\$ 1.42
Discontinued Operations	-	0.44
Extraordinary Loss	(0.06)	-
Net Earnings	\$ 2.08	\$ 1.86
Diluted		
Income from Continuing Operations	\$ 1.96	\$ 1.38
Discontinued Operations	-	0.38
Extraordinary Loss	(0.05)	-
Net Earnings	\$ 1.91	\$ 1.76
Number of Shares Used in		
Computation		
Basic	150	150
Diluted	164	155

* Greater than 100%

AMR CORPORATION
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	Nine Months Ended September 30,	Percent	
	2000	1999	Change
Revenues			
Passenger - American Airlines	\$12,341	\$10,971	12.5
- AMR Eagle	1,096	963	13.8
Cargo	530	469	13.0
Other revenues	877	840	4.4
Total operating revenues	14,844	13,243	12.1
Expenses			
Wages, salaries and benefits	5,012	4,561	9.9
Aircraft fuel	1,768	1,219	45.0
Depreciation and amortization	889	797	11.5
Maintenance, materials and repairs	821	743	10.5
Commissions to agents	796	900	(11.6)
Other rentals and landing fees	743	718	3.5
Food service	587	548	7.1
Aircraft rentals	455	483	(5.8)
Other operating expenses	2,472	2,388	3.5
Total operating expenses	13,543	12,357	9.6
Operating Income	1,301	886	46.8
Other Income (Expense)			
Interest income	108	62	74.2
Interest expense	(353)	(295)	19.7
Interest capitalized	110	89	23.6
Miscellaneous - net	38	15	*
	(97)	(129)	(24.8)
Income From Continuing Operations			
Before Income Taxes and			
Extraordinary Loss	1,204	757	59.0
Income tax provision	472	311	51.8
Income From Continuing Operations			
Before Extraordinary Loss	732	446	64.1
Income From Discontinued Operations			
(net of applicable income taxes			
and minority interest)	43	195	(77.9)
Gain on Sale of Discontinued			
Operations (net of applicable			
income taxes)	-	64	-
Income Before Extraordinary Loss	775	705	9.9
Extraordinary Loss (net of			
applicable income taxes)	(9)	-	-
Net Earnings	\$ 766	\$ 705	8.7

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

Nine Months Ended September 30,
 2000 1999

Earnings Per Common Share

Basic

Income from Continuing Operations	\$ 4.89	\$ 2.90
Discontinued Operations	0.30	1.68
Extraordinary Loss	(0.06)	-
Net Earnings	\$ 5.13	\$ 4.58

Diluted

Income from Continuing operations	\$ 4.55	\$ 2.81
Discontinued Operations	0.27	1.63
Extraordinary Loss	(0.05)	-
Net Earnings	\$ 4.77	\$ 4.44

Number of Shares Used in
 Computation

Basic	149	154
Diluted	161	159

* Greater than 100%

AMR CORPORATION
OPERATING STATISTICS
(Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended		Percent Change
	September 2000	September 30, 1999	
American Airlines			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	31,584	30,325	4.2
Available seat miles (millions)	41,418	42,245	(2.0)
Cargo ton miles (millions)	576	541	6.5
Passenger load factor	76.3%	71.8%	4.5 pts.
Breakeven load factor	65.4%	63.3%	2.1 pts.
Passenger revenue yield per passenger mile (cents)	13.88	12.86	7.9
Passenger revenue per available seat mile (cents)	10.59	9.23	14.7
Cargo revenue yield per ton mile (cents)	31.60	29.22	8.1
Operating expenses per available seat mile (cents)	10.31	9.21	11.9
Fuel consumption (gallons, in millions)	796	780	2.1
Fuel price per gallon (cents)	77.3	55.9	38.3
Fuel price per gallon, excluding fuel taxes (cents)	71.7	51.0	40.6
Operating aircraft at period-end	720	701	2.7
AMR Eagle			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	998	905	10.3
Available seat miles (millions)	1,631	1,502	8.6
Passenger load factor	61.2%	60.2%	1.0 pts.
Operating aircraft at period-end	270	268	0.7
AMR Corporation			
Average Equivalent Number of Employees			
AA Jet Operations	92,700	89,100	
Other	14,800	14,800	
Total	107,500	103,900	

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OPERATING STATISTICS
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	Nine Months Ended		
	September 30,		Percent
	2000	1999	Change
American Airlines			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	89,055	84,522	5.4
Available seat miles (millions)	121,533	120,354	1.0
Cargo ton miles (millions)	1,693	1,483	14.2
Passenger load factor	73.3%	70.2%	3.1 pts.
Breakeven load factor	64.9%	64.3%	0.6 pts.
Passenger revenue yield per passenger mile (cents)	13.86	12.98	6.8
Passenger revenue per available seat mile (cents)	10.15	9.12	11.3
Cargo revenue yield per ton mile (cents)	31.00	31.21	(0.7)
Operating expenses per available seat mile (cents)	10.17	9.38	8.4
Fuel consumption (gallons, in millions)	2,285	2,212	3.3
Fuel price per gallon (cents)	73.6	52.7	39.7
Fuel price per gallon, excluding fuel taxes (cents)	68.2	48.1	41.7
Operating aircraft at period-end	720	701	2.7
AMR Eagle			
Revenue passenger miles (millions)	2,822	2,496	13.1
Available seat miles (millions)	4,691	4,135	13.4
Passenger load factor	60.1%	60.4%	(0.3) pts.
Operating aircraft at period-end	270	268	0.7