

News Release

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International Passengers Increase at Detroit Metropolitan Airport

Detroit, Mich., (April 30, 2013)-- International passenger traffic increased 8.6% at **Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW)** in March 2013 compared to March of the previous year according to preliminary data released today by the **Department of Financial Planning and Analysis at Wayne County Airport Authority (WCAA)**. For the first quarter of CY 2013, international passenger traffic rose 5.8%.

“International passengers, in particular, provide an enormous beneficial impact to our economy because they tend to stay longer and spend more in their destinations,” said **WCAA CEO Tom Naughton**. “Last year, foreign visitors spent a record-breaking \$168 billion during their U.S. travel.”

Total passenger traffic at Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW) increased 0.7% in March but declined 0.9% for the first quarter of 2013. A total of 7,326,055 passengers have arrived or departed DTW in the first three months of 2013.

Total cargo continued to show strength at DTW increasing 3.2% for the month and 2.3% for the quarter. Aircraft landings and take-offs fell 1% in March and declined 3.5% year-to-date.

Click <http://www.metroairport.com/about/AviStatsProclaim.asp> for more detailed data. Please note that these preliminary numbers are subject to revision.

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Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) welcomed more than 32 million passengers in 2012 and is one of the world's leading air transportation hubs. With service from 13 scheduled passenger airlines, Michigan's largest airport offers more than 1,200 flights per day to and from nearly 150 non-stop destinations on four continents. In 2010, DTW ranked highest in overall customer satisfaction among large airports in the J.D. Power and Associates North America Airport Satisfaction Study. With two new state-of-the-art passenger terminals, six jet runways, and an onsite AAA Four-Diamond Westin Hotel, DTW is among the world's most efficient, customer friendly and operationally capable airports in North America. DTW is operated by Wayne County Airport Authority, which also operates nearby Willow Run Airport—an important corporate, cargo and general aviation facility. The Airport Authority is entirely self-sustaining and does not receive any tax dollars to support airport operations. Visit www.metroairport.com for more information.