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# Delta Air Lines Reports December Traffic

**ATLANTA**, Jan. 7, 2010 – Delta Air Lines (NYSE: DAL) today reported traffic results for December 2009. System traffic in December 2009, including both Delta and Northwest operations, decreased 7.5 percent compared to December 2008 on an 8.0 percent decrease in capacity. Load factor increased 0.4 points to 81.2 percent.

Domestic traffic decreased 6.3 percent year over year on a 4.0 percent decrease in capacity. Domestic load factor decreased 2.0 points to 80.2 percent. International traffic decreased 9.3 percent year over year on a 13.9 percent decrease in capacity, and load factor increased 4.2 points to 82.9 percent.

Detailed traffic and capacity are attached.

Delta Air Lines, the world's No. 1 airline, serves more than 170 million passengers each year. With its unsurpassed global network, Delta and the Delta Connection carriers offer service to 368 destinations in 66 countries on six continents. Delta employs more than 70,000 employees worldwide and operates a mainline fleet of nearly 800 aircraft. A founding member of the SkyTeam global alliance, Delta participates in the industry's leading trans-Atlantic joint venture with Air France KLM. Including its worldwide alliance partners, Delta offers customers more than 16,000 daily flights, with hubs in Amsterdam, Atlanta, Cincinnati, Detroit, Memphis, Minneapolis-St. Paul, New York-JFK, Paris-Charles de Gaulle, Salt Lake City and Tokyo-Narita. The airline's service includes the SkyMiles frequent flier program, the world's largest airline loyalty program; the award-winning BusinessElite service; and more than 50 Delta Sky Clubs in airports worldwide. Customers can check in for flights, print boarding passes, check bags and flight status at delta.com.

**Delta Air Lines**
**Monthly Traffic Results [(a)]**

| | December 2009 | December 2008 | Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| **RPMs (000):** | | | |
| **Domestic** | 9,033,582 | 9,638,361 | (6.3%) |
| Mainline | 7,062,684 | 7,612,807 | (7.2%) |
| Regional | 1,970,899 | 2,025,554 | (2.7%) |
| **International** | 5,652,034 | 6,233,801 | (9.3%) |
| Latin America | 1,071,418 | 1,000,112 | 7.1% |
| Mainline | 1,051,397 | 974,407 | 7.9% |
| Regional | 20,021 | 25,705 | (22.1%) |
| Atlantic | 2,873,363 | 3,423,582 | (16.1%) |
| Pacific | 1,707,253 | 1,810,108 | (5.7%) |
| **System** | 14,685,616 | 15,872,162 | (7.5%) |
| | | | |
| **ASMs (000):** | | | |
| **Domestic** | 11,257,481 | 11,727,427 | (4.0%) |
| Mainline | 8,692,009 | 9,088,650 | (4.4%) |
| Regional | 2,565,472 | 2,638,777 | (2.8%) |
| **International** | 6,819,920 | 7,918,087 | (13.9%) |
| Latin America | 1,376,827 | 1,317,464 | 4.5% |
| Mainline | 1,348,948 | 1,280,294 | 5.4% |
| Regional | 27,879 | 37,170 | (25.0%) |
| Atlantic | 3,448,999 | 4,450,119 | (22.5%) |
| Pacific | 1,994,095 | 2,150,504 | (7.3%) |
| **System** | 18,077,401 | 19,645,515 | (8.0%) |
| | | | |
| **Load Factor** | | | |
| **Domestic** | 80.2% | 82.2% | (2.0) pts |
| Mainline | 81.3% | 83.8% | (2.5) pts |
| Regional | 76.8% | 76.8% | 0.0 pts |
| **International** | 82.9% | 78.7% | 4.2 pts |
| Latin America | 77.8% | 75.9% | 1.9 pts |
| Mainline | 77.9% | 76.1% | 1.8 pts |
| Regional | 71.8% | 69.2% | 2.6 pts |
| Atlantic | 83.3% | 76.9% | 6.4 pts |
| Pacific | 85.6% | 84.2% | 1.4 pts |
| **System** | 81.2% | 80.8% | 0.4 pts |
| | | | |
| **Passengers Boarded** | 12,494,158 | 13,505,490 | (7.5%) |
| | | | |
| **Mainline Completion Factor** | 98.0% | 98.4% | (0.4)pts |
| | | | |
| **Cargo Ton Miles (000):** | | | |
| Mail | 10,546 | 9,338 | 12.9% |
| Freight | 210,460 | 166,740 | 26.2% |
| **System** | 221,007 | 176,078 | 25.5% |

**Endnote:**
[a] Results include Delta and Northwest operations, as well as flights operated under contract carrier arrangements, for all periods presented.

**Delta Air Lines**
**Year to Date Traffic Results [(a)]**

| | December 2009 | December 2008 | Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| **RPMs (000):** | | | |
| **Domestic** | 115,936,234 | 123,043,854 | (5.8%) |
| Mainline | 90,893,683 | 98,185,365 | (7.4%) |
| Regional | 25,042,550 | 24,858,489 | 0.7% |
| **International** | 73,016,629 | 79,688,115 | (8.4%) |
| Latin America | 11,177,925 | 11,895,541 | (6.0%) |
| Mainline | 10,973,151 | 11,383,448 | (3.6%) |
| Regional | 204,773 | 512,094 | (60.0%) |
| Atlantic | 42,232,879 | 45,436,857 | (7.1%) |
| Pacific | 19,605,826 | 22,355,716 | (12.3%) |
| **System** | 188,952,863 | 202,731,968 | (6.8%) |
| | | | |
| **ASMs (000):** | | | |
| **Domestic** | 139,842,013 | 148,192,164 | (5.6%) |
| Mainline | 107,558,216 | 116,194,253 | (7.4%) |
| Regional | 32,283,798 | 31,997,911 | 0.9% |
| **International** | 90,455,265 | 97,933,295 | (7.6%) |
| Latin America | 14,386,049 | 15,031,297 | (4.3%) |
| Mainline | 14,095,509 | 14,351,010 | (1.8%) |
| Regional | 290,540 | 680,288 | (57.3%) |
| Atlantic | 52,071,808 | 56,645,186 | (8.1%) |
| Pacific | 23,997,408 | 26,256,812 | (8.6%) |
| **System** | 230,297,279 | 246,125,459 | (6.4%) |
| | | | |
| **Load Factor** | | | |
| **Domestic** | 82.9% | 83.0% | (0.1) pts |
| Mainline | 84.5% | 84.5% | 0.0 pts |
| Regional | 77.6% | 77.7% | (0.1) pts |
| **International** | 80.7% | 81.4% | (0.7) pts |
| Latin America | 77.7% | 79.1% | (1.4) pts |
| Mainline | 77.8% | 79.3% | (1.5) pts |
| Regional | 70.5% | 75.3% | (4.8) pts |
| Atlantic | 81.1% | 80.2% | 0.9 pts |
| Pacific | 81.7% | 85.1% | (3.4) pts |
| **System** | 82.0% | 82.4% | (0.4) pts |
| | | | |
| **Passengers Boarded** | 161,048,649 | 171,723,929 | (6.2%) |
| | | | |
| **Cargo Ton Miles (000):** | | | |
| Mail | 88,425 | 110,484 | (20.0%) |
| Freight | 2,200,014 | 2,752,180 | (20.1%) |
| **System** | 2,288,439 | 2,862,664 | (20.1%) |

**Endnote:**
[a] Results include Delta and Northwest operations, as well as flights operated under contract carrier arrangements, for all periods presented.

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