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Hitting a new post-pandemic daily record of 89,000 passengers and "weathering the storm of the pandemic," Miami International Airport welcomed more than one million travelers during the two-week stretch

Miami International Airport (MIA) served more than 1.1 million passengers during the 17-day winter holiday travel period from Monday, December 21, through Wednesday, January 6. On Sunday January 3, MIA welcomed close to 90,000 travelers, making it the airport's busiest travel day since the beginning of the pandemic.

Last month, followed by Delta Air Lines and United Airlines, MIA averaged 278 daily departures and 44,818 daily seats, with hub carrier American Airlines handling 68% of this capacity.

The upward trend toward pre-pandemic levels at MIA is expected to continue, thanks to several airlines launching Miami service and existing carriers expanding service.

On November 15, low-cost carrier <u>Southwest Airlines</u> launched its first-ever daily flights at MIA to four destinations: Baltimore, Chicago, Houston and Tampa Bay. Southwest Airlines' flights to Baltimore four times daily and Tampa three times daily have increased MIA's existing service to those cities, while its four daily flights to Houston and daily flight to Chicago provide new Miami service to those cities.

On December 15, low-fare carrier Frontier Airlines announced that it will be expanding its route

network at MIA to a total of 27 destinations in 2021, with six additional routes including its first flights from Miami to four international destinations: Cancun, Mexico (four per week starting in March), Guatemala City, Guatemala (three per week starting in April), San Salvador, El Salvador (four per week starting in April) and Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, which started three per week in December 2020. Frontier Airlines will also begin daily service to Orlando, FL, in February and four weekly flights to Ontario, Canada, in April – a new route for MIA.

Low-cost carrier <u>JetBlue Airways</u> will launch its first-ever flights at MIA on February 11, with service to four domestic destinations: Boston (up to four times daily), Los Angeles (up to twice times daily), New York City (up to four times daily) and Newark (up to four times daily).

"MIA's ongoing success in safely building back our passenger numbers has been a team effort between our airline partners, federal agencies and service providers. Passenger confidence in air travel continues to grow and the strength of the Miami travel market has weathered the storm of the pandemic," says Lester Sola, CEO & Director, Miami International Airport.