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# News Release

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## **Airport Passenger Traffic Continues to Soar** *--On Pace for Record in 2005*

Total passenger traffic at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) jumped 9.5% in June compared to June 2003, according to preliminary figures released by the airport's business office.

Detroit Metro finishes the first half of CY 2004 with 16,956,735 total passengers through June, a 6.6% increase, including 1,410,291 international passengers, an increase of 8% in that category, over the first six months of 2003.

June's total of 3,176,271 passengers is only 35,535 passengers short of DTW's best June ever, in 2000.

"If passenger traffic at Detroit Metro Airport continues to increase at its current pace, we will begin breaking all-time passenger records again in 2005," said Lester Robinson, Wayne County Airport Authority CEO.

Aircraft landings and take-offs (operations) increased 8.3% in June and were up 6.23% for the first six months of 2004 over 2003. A total of 256,411 aircraft have arrived or departed DTW in the first half of 2004.

Airlines showing gains at DTW include: British Airways, Delta, Lufthansa, Northwest, Pinnacle (Northwest Airlink), Southwest, Air Canada, and USA 3000.

Operations also increased at Willow Run Airport (YIP) almost 2%.

NOTE: These figures are preliminary and are subject to subsequent adjustments.

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