

Governor O'Malley Announces Record May Passenger Traffic for BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport

Airport Reaches Another Milestone with Record 2.08 Million Passengers In May 2011

Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley announced today that 2,078,548 passengers traveled through Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport in May. That figure, an increase of 6.8 percent over May 2010, was an all-time May record for passenger traffic at BWI Marshall. The previous record for May was set last year.

BWI Marshall Airport has set monthly passenger records in 12 of the past 13 months. Passenger traffic at the Airport has grown for 15 straight months, and for 23 of the past 24 months. Over the past 12 months, total passenger traffic at BWI Marshall has increased 6.2 percent to 22,447,355—a new record for any 12-month period at the Airport.

“The consistent, strong performance of BWI Marshall Airport reflects the strength and the vitality of Maryland,” said Governor Martin O'Malley. “BWI Marshall remains one of Maryland’s primary economic engines, and an important transportation resource for the entire region.”

Southwest Airlines, the largest airline at BWI Marshall Airport, served 1,171,942 passengers in May, a 12.5 percent increase over May 2010. Other airlines that posted significant increases at BWI Marshall Airport for May 2011 included Delta Air Lines, AirTran Airways, US Airways, British Airways, and Cape Air. Cargo shipments also grew in May, to 18,950,738 pounds—an increase of 1.8 percent.

“BWI Marshall Airport continues to attract record passenger traffic because of our commitment to customer service, convenience, and affordable air service,” said Paul J. Wiedefeld, Executive Director of BWI Marshall Airport. “The continued success and growth is good news for residents, businesses, and travelers throughout the region.”

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