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## May 2012 Brings Slight Decrease in Passenger Traffic for Denver International Airport

**DENVER, CO — August 28, 2012 —** May 2012 brought a slight decrease in passenger traffic at Denver International Airport (DIA) with a reported total of 4,534,029 passengers traveling through the facility. The figure represents a 0.1 percent decline from the 4,536,566 travelers who used the airport during the same month last year, or a decrease of just 2,537 passengers. DIA's year-to-date traffic total is up slightly with 20,793,989 passengers traveling through Denver so far this year, a 0.2 percent increase over the same timeframe in 2011.

"We've seen a small fluctuation in monthly passenger traffic during the first several months of 2012, but our year-to-date figures have remained positive," said Aviation Manager Kim Day. "June, July and August typically bring our busiest travel days and we're hopeful that the figures we see over the next few months will reflect strong travel demand in our region."

May brought a 4.1 percent decrease in flight operations, which fell from 53,671 in 2011, to 51,468 in 2012. Cargo saw a decrease of 1.0 percent with 41,731,291 pounds of total cargo handled in May 2012, compared to 42,138,170 pounds during the same month last year.

The complete May 2012 traffic report will be available at: <a href="http://business.flydenver.com/stats/traffic/index.asp">http://business.flydenver.com/stats/traffic/index.asp</a>.

Denver International Airport is the 11<sup>th</sup>-busiest airport in the world and the fifth-busiest airport in the United States. With more than 50 million passengers traveling through the airport each year, DIA is one of the busiest airline hubs in the world's largest aviation market. DIA is the primary economic engine for the state of Colorado, generating more than \$22 billion for the region annually. For more information visit <a href="www.flydenver.com">www.flydenver.com</a>, check us out on <a href="YouTube">YouTube</a>, like us on Facebook and follow us on <a href="Twitter">Twitter</a>.

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