AMERICAN AIRLINES INC Form 8-K August 03, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of earliest event reported: August 2, 2004

American Airlines, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-2691 13-1502798 (State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4333 Amon Carter Blvd. Fort Worth, Texas 76155 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(817) 963-1234 (Registrant's telephone number)

Item 5. Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on August 2, 2004 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included herein. This press release was issued to report July traffic for American Airlines, Inc.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange

Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/Charles D. MarLett Charles D. MarLett Corporate Secretary

Dated: August 3, 2004

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release

Exhibit 99.1

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FOR RELEASE: Monday, August 2, 2004

AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS JULY TRAFFIC

FORT WORTH, Texas - American Airlines, the world's largest carrier, reported a July load factor of 81 percent, tying the company's highest July load factor on record. For the month, traffic increased 5.3 percent year over year, while capacity increased 5.1 percent.

International traffic increased 18.1 percent relative to last year on 18 percent more capacity. Domestic traffic and capacity were essentially in line with last year.

American boarded 8.7 million passengers in July.

Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages:

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES JULY

	2004	2003	CHANGE
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	12,599,219	11,969,360	5.3 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC		8,412,456	(0.2)
INTERNATIONAL		3,556,904	
ATLANTIC	1,867,103	1,597,218	16.9
LATIN AMERICA	1,947,981		
PACIFIC	385,413		
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	15,535,722	14,778,730	5.1 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	10,289,359		
INTERNATIONAL	5,246,363	4,447,048	18.0
ATLANTIC	2,149,361	1,931,589	11.3
LATIN AMERICA	2,622,860	2,166,042	21.1
PACIFIC	474,142	349,417	35.7
LOAD FACTOR			
SYSTEM	81.0	% 80.9	% 0.1 Pts
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	81.6	81.4	0.2
INTERNATIONAL	80.0	79.9	0.1
ATLANTIC	86.8	82.6	4.2
LATIN AMERICA	74.2	77.3	(3.1)
PACIFIC	81.2	81.5	(0.3)
PASSENGERS BOARDED	8,698,559	8,752,496	(0.6)%
SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)	181,671	161,706	12.3 %

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES YEAR-TO-DATE JULY

	2004	2003	CHANGE
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	76,130,709	69,768,653	9.1 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	52,188,772	49,921,003	4.5
INTERNATIONAL	23,941,937	19,847,650	20.6
ATLANTIC	10,354,436	8,827,940	17.3
LATIN AMERICA	11,160,245	9,367,811	19.1
PACIFIC	2,427,256	1,651,900	46.9
AVAILABE SEAT MILES (000)			
SYSTEM	102,025,451	95,325,075	7.0 %
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	69,663,898	68,027,176	2.4
INTERNATIONAL	32,361,554	27,297,899	18.5
ATLANTIC	12,830,067	11,415,858	12.4
LATIN AMERICA	16,498,825	13,540,257	21.9
PACIFIC	3,032,661	2,341,784	29.5
LOAD FACTOR			
SYSTEM	74.6 %	73.1 %	1.5 Pts
D.O.T. DOMESTIC	74.9	73.3	1.6
INTERNATIONAL	73.9	72.7	1.2
ATLANTIC	80.7	77.3	3.4
LATIN AMERICA	67.6	69.1	(1.5)
PACIFIC	80.0	70.5	9.5
PASSENGERS BOARDED	53,946,704	52,342,493	3.1 %
SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)	1,269,476	1,144,683	10.9 %

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