

Trends in Airport Passengers and Freight -- Loudoun County

Washington Dulles International Airport continues to be a driving force in the regional economy. As the region's economic engine, the airport employs more than 18,800 people and generates \$6.2 billion in business revenue. In 2008, Dulles opened a fourth runway, the first new runway since the airport opened in 1962. International passengers served in 2008 grew 5 percent, to a new record of over 6 million passengers.

Table E-3a
Decennial Trends in Airport Passengers and Freight, 1962-2000
Washington Dulles International Airport

Year	1962*	1970	1980	1990	2000
Domestic Passengers	52,846	1,869,194	2,086,214	9,042,829	15,872,660
International Passengers	0	288,269	538,184	1,395,260	4,232,033
Total Passengers	52,846	2,157,463	2,624,398	10,438,089	20,104,693
Freight Total (000 lbs)	961	38,931	54,738	295,892	709,319

Table E-3b
Annual Trends in Airport Passengers and Freight, 1997-2008
Washington Dulles International Airport

Year	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Domestic Passengers	10,697,389	12,444,662	16,054,958	15,872,660	14,020,710	13,145,607
International Passengers	3,060,472	3,301,680	3,742,371	4,232,033	3,981,609	4,089,556
Total Passengers	13,757,861	15,746,342	19,797,329	20,104,693	18,002,319	17,235,163
Freight Total (000 lbs)	644,937	651,821	647,404	709,319	635,469	670,327

Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Domestic Passengers	12,928,047	18,213,886	22,128,747	17,787,488	18,792,173	17,638,090
International Passengers	4,022,334	4,654,996	4,923,371	5,232,874	5,945,355	6,238,690
Total Passengers	16,950,381	22,868,882	27,052,118	23,020,362	24,737,528	23,876,780
Freight Total (000 lbs)	589,876	653,338	636,979	746,152	767,637	706,933

Source: Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority.

* Washington Dulles International Airport opened in 1962.