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## LAS Served 22.2 Million Passengers in 2020

LAS VEGAS – During a year disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, which caused a historic decline in air travel, McCarran International Airport served 22.2 million passengers. This was the airport's first year-over-year decline in passengers since 2010.

“Our community, as well as the aviation industry, has never experienced a crisis quite like COVID-19 and I am so proud of our dedicated employees who stepped up during this time,” said Rosemary Vassiliadis, Clark County Director of Aviation. “As a provider of essential transportation, LAS stayed open for those needing to fly and to help facilitate the shipment and delivery of vital cargo, such as critical PPE for our community. We remain committed to doubling down on our efforts to ensure the airport is a safe and healthy environment for those choosing to travel as we begin our comeback in 2021. I have confidence that the vaccine will be a stimulus to air travel.”

Increased year-over-year volume in January and February indicated 2020 was on pace to surpass the record total of 51.5 million passengers set in 2019. Passenger volume dropped in March as statewide closures went into effect in an effort to slow the spread of the virus. McCarran reached the nadir of passenger volume in April, when just 152,716 traveled through the airport. But in the following months, there was a steady rise in domestic leisure travel coinciding with the reopening of many Strip resort-casino properties.

“We know that there is pent-up demand for this destination, and the airport will be at the forefront of the Las Vegas recovery effort,” Vassiliadis said.

Airlines temporarily ceased international operations at McCarran due to a combination of severe international travel restrictions and a lack of demand as many chose not to fly. These large-scale suspensions resulted in a 79.5 percent year-over-year decline in international travel from 2019. As the year progressed, some North American international service returned. While many of the challenges of the past year continue into 2021, there is hope that conventions, along with the business travel they bring, will soon return, as well as live entertainment and sporting events as more vaccines are administered. Robust international and business travel are keys to restoring pre-pandemic passenger volumes.

As has been the case since March, LAS will continue to be “All In” in its efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 at the airport. McCarran will ensure its protocols are in line with the best practices and guidelines of local and national health officials.

A 2019 Oxford Economics study found that the Clark County aviation system generated nearly \$35 billion in annual economic output, and helped support nearly 250,000 jobs in Southern Nevada.

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## Year Ends with 1.6 Million Passengers in December

### ARRIVING & DEPARTING PASSENGERS MONTHLY TOTAL

DECEMBER 2020	DECEMBER 2019	PERCENT CHANGE
1,669,768	4,248,466	-60.7%

### ARRIVING & DEPARTING PASSENGERS YEAR-TO-DATE (YTD) TOTAL

2020 YTD	2019 YTD	PERCENT CHANGE
22,201,479	51,528,524	-56.9%

### ARRIVING & DEPARTING PASSENGERS BY CARRIER TYPE

CARRIER TYPE	DEC 2020	DEC 2019	% CHANGE	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	% CHANGE
DOMESTIC	1,612,266	3,862,572	-58.3%	20,941,301	46,600,122	-55.1%
INTERNATIONAL	27,050	298,922	-91.0%	781,280	3,806,241	-79.5%
WEST SIDE/ HELICOPTERS	30,452	86,972	-65.0%	478,898	1,122,161	-57.3%

### ARRIVING & DEPARTING PASSENGERS TOP FIVE SCHEDULED AIRLINES SERVING McCARRAN

AIRLINE	DEC 2020	DEC 2019	% CHANGE	YTD 2020	YTD 2019	% CHANGE
SOUTHWEST	588,752	1,318,355	-55.3%	7,721,721	17,336,229	-55.5%
SPIRIT	257,313	430,447	-40.2%	2,852,409	5,256,762	-45.7%
AMERICAN	165,433	397,551	-58.4%	2,231,493	4,554,467	-51.0%
FRONTIER	157,367	355,080	-55.7%	1,928,556	3,147,384	-38.7%
DELTA	139,935	429,507	-67.4%	1,928,013	5,254,159	-63.3%

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	Current Month Pax	Prior Month Pax	% M/M Change	Same Month Last Year Pax	% Y/Y Pa Change	YTD Pax	PYTD Pax	% YTD Change
Domestic	1,612,266	1,742,865	-7.5%	3,862,572	-58.3%	20,941,304	16,600,122	-55.1%
International	27,050	19,603	38.0%	298,922	-91.0%	781,280	3,806,241	-79.5%
Other Terminals	30,452	44,441	-31.5%	86,972	-65.0%	478,898	1,122,161	-57.3%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,669,768</b>	<b>1,806,909</b>	<b>-7.6%</b>	<b>4,248,466</b>	<b>-60.7%</b>	<b>22,201,479</b>	<b>15,528,524</b>	<b>-56.9%</b>

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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,639,316</b>	<b>1,762,468</b>	<b>-7.0%</b>	<b>4,161,494</b>	<b>-60.6%</b>	<b>21,722,583</b>	<b>10,406,363</b>	<b>-56.9%</b>

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Terminal 1	1,234,857	1,305,524	-5.4%	2,797,734	-55.9%	15,916,598	14,834,934	-54.3%
Terminal 3	404,459	456,944	-11.5%	1,363,760	-70.3%	5,805,983	5,571,379	-62.7%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,639,316</b>	<b>1,762,468</b>	<b>-7.0%</b>	<b>4,161,494</b>	<b>-60.6%</b>	<b>21,722,583</b>	<b>10,406,363</b>	<b>-56.9%</b>

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A Gates	340,704	397,429	-14.3%	649,968	-47.6%	4,015,568	5,232,774	-23.3%
B Gates	588,752	586,134	0.4%			1,839,627	2,423,564	-24.1%
C Gates				1,318,355	-100.0%	5,882,094	7,336,819	-66.1%
D Gates	709,860	778,905	-8.9%	1,683,451	-57.8%	8,795,081	9,187,862	-54.2%
E Gates				509,720	-100.0%	1,190,211	6,225,344	-80.9%
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NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> The Department does not currently track the number of passengers for Southwest in the C-Gate. Southwest operates approximately 20% of flights operate at C Gates

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<b>Domestic</b>	1,612,266	1,742,865	-7.5%	3,862,572	-58.3%	20,941,301	46,600,122	-55.1%	10,194,895	23,758,416	-57.1%
<b>Scheduled</b>	1,610,426	1,741,882	-7.5%	3,854,421	-58.2%	20,918,514	46,507,299	-55.0%	10,191,470	23,712,601	-57.0%
Alaska	51,446	58,108	-11.5%	190,458	-73.0%	821,850	2,149,907	-61.8%	324,831	1,082,953	-70.0%
Allegiant	82,435	99,878	-17.5%	219,219	-62.4%	1,159,934	2,397,024	-51.6%	594,660	1,211,199	-50.9%
American	165,433	181,195	-8.7%	397,551	-58.4%	2,231,493	4,554,467	-51.0%	1,144,893	2,306,896	-50.4%
Contour	-	-	0.0%	2,353	-100.0%	5,934	26,539	-77.6%	-	15,649	-100.0%
Delta	139,935	140,766	-0.6%	429,507	-67.4%	1,928,013	5,254,159	-63.3%	796,772	2,685,248	-70.3%
Frontier	157,367	182,627	-13.8%	355,080	-55.7%	1,928,556	3,147,384	-38.7%	1,002,711	1,885,814	-46.8%
Hawaiian	12,387	7,921	56.4%	46,974	-73.6%	141,906	519,918	-72.7%	24,289	265,291	-90.8%
JetBlue	21,258	28,700	-25.9%	94,165	-77.4%	393,450	1,145,384	-65.6%	159,283	581,623	-72.6%
Southwest	588,752	586,134	0.4%	1,318,355	-55.3%	7,721,721	17,336,229	-55.5%	3,745,410	8,454,612	-55.7%
Spirit	257,313	297,027	-13.4%	430,447	-40.2%	2,852,409	5,256,762	-45.7%	1,646,903	2,833,198	-41.9%
Sun Country	14,158	23,909	-40.8%	49,066	-71.1%	236,183	556,464	-57.6%	125,547	302,786	-58.5%
United	119,942	135,617	-11.6%	321,246	-62.7%	1,497,065	4,163,062	-64.0%	626,171	2,087,332	-70.0%
<b>Charter</b>	1,840	983	87.2%	8,151	-77.4%	22,787	92,823	-75.5%	3,425	45,815	-92.5%
Air Canada	-	-	0.0%	142	-100.0%	96	1,254	-92.3%	-	773	-100.0%
Allegiant	956	524	82.4%	302	216.6%	3,225	2,552	26.4%	1,961	1,296	51.3%
Omni	-	-	0.0%	7,707	-100.0%	17,436	87,004	-80.0%	-	43,402	-100.0%
Southwest	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	590	-100.0%	-	254	-100.0%
Sun Country	884	459	92.6%	-	0.0%	2,030	1,423	42.7%	1,464	90	1526.7%
<b>International</b>	27,050	19,603	38.0%	298,922	-91.0%	781,280	3,806,241	-79.5%	91,307	1,945,771	-95.3%
<b>Scheduled</b>	27,050	19,603	38.0%	298,922	-91.0%	778,634	3,802,790	-79.5%	90,600	1,944,226	-95.3%
Aeromexico	4,253	2,414	76.2%	17,232	-75.3%	40,134	145,250	-72.4%	12,068	77,242	-84.4%
Air Canada	-	-	0.0%	68,363	-100.0%	139,249	859,208	-83.8%	172	422,583	-100.0%
Air France	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	1,882	2,368	-20.5%	-	-	0.0%
American	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	4,896	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%
British Airways	-	-	0.0%	21,652	-100.0%	58,889	326,112	-81.9%	-	165,648	-100.0%
Condor	-	-	0.0%	6,179	-100.0%	14,092	90,933	-84.5%	-	50,746	-100.0%
COPA	-	-	0.0%	8,510	-100.0%	15,901	88,382	-82.0%	-	45,558	-100.0%
Delta	33	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	8,939	6,662	34.2%	33	-	0.0%
Dreamjet	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	115	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%
Edelweiss	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	41,959	-100.0%	-	26,623	-100.0%
El Al	-	-	0.0%	1,464	-100.0%	4,051	11,173	-63.7%	-	9,630	-100.0%

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Eurowings	-	-	0.0%	5,437	-100.0%	8,828	33,316	-73.5%	-	33,316	-100.0%
Flair	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	12,495	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Frontier	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	25,290	-100.0%	-	4,989	-100.0%
Hainan	-	-	0.0%	2,049	-100.0%	2,180	42,539	-94.9%	-	19,285	-100.0%
Interjet	-	-	0.0%	19,908	-100.0%	43,387	232,077	-81.3%	-	119,171	-100.0%
KLM	-	-	0.0%	7,227	-100.0%	12,553	47,454	-73.5%	-	42,880	-100.0%
Korean Airlines	-	-	0.0%	11,551	-100.0%	24,037	128,571	-81.3%	-	63,956	-100.0%
LATAM	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	8,922	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
LEVEL	-	-	0.0%	3,840	-100.0%	7,928	7,358	7.7%	-	7,358	-100.0%
Norwegian	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	30,186	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Sun Country	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	9,636	-100.0%	-	6,000	-100.0%
Swissport USA	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	1,224	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Swoop	-	-	0.0%	22,781	-100.0%	60,973	200,119	-69.5%	-	115,521	-100.0%
Thomas Cook	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	74,942	-100.0%	-	36,423	-100.0%
Virgin Atlantic	-	-	0.0%	13,169	-100.0%	34,250	227,299	-84.9%	-	118,413	-100.0%
Vivaaerobus	7,329	4,643	57.9%	12,914	-43.2%	49,297	125,750	-60.8%	18,457	75,598	-75.6%
Volaris	14,642	12,546	16.7%	19,095	-23.3%	103,374	197,205	-47.6%	58,501	104,085	-43.8%
WestJet	793	-	0.0%	57,551	-98.6%	143,679	826,360	-82.6%	1,369	399,201	-99.7%
Charter	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	2,646	3,451	-23.3%	707	1,545	-54.2%
Air Canada	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	148	-100.0%	-	98	-100.0%
Air New Zealand	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	678	-100.0%	-	678	-100.0%
Air North	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	85	-100.0%	-	85	-100.0%
Air Tahiti Nui	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	588	592	-0.7%	-	-	0.0%
Delta	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	34	-	0.0%	34	-	0.0%
Emirates	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	354	-100.0%	-	-	0.0%
Miami Air	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	168	-	0.0%	-	-	0.0%
Swissport USA	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	1,749	877	99.4%	638	-	0.0%
Universal Weather	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	107	33	224.2%	35	-	0.0%
Virgin Australia	-	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	684	-100.0%	-	684	-100.0%
Other Terminals	30,452	44,441	-31.5%	86,972	-65.0%	478,898	1,122,161	-57.3%	239,140	586,254	-59.2%
GA	30,452	44,441	-31.5%	86,972	-65.0%	478,898	1,122,161	-57.3%	239,140	586,254	-59.2%
Atlantic Aviation	13,964	19,004	-26.5%	37,876	-63.1%	214,310	455,288	-52.9%	100,258	229,886	-56.4%
Maverick Helicopters	13,942	17,265	-19.2%	17,560	-20.6%	143,148	201,503	-29.0%	98,510	116,106	-15.2%

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Papillon Helicopters	440	1,992	-77.9%	1,792	-75.4%	12,096	31,616	-61.7%	7,816	17,152	-54.4%
Signature	2,106	6,180	-65.9%	14,322	-85.3%	73,908	204,996	-63.9%	32,454	102,420	-68.3%
Sundance Helicopters	-	-	0.0%	15,422	-100.0%	35,436	228,758	-84.5%	102	120,690	-99.9%
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,669,768</b>	<b>1,806,909</b>	<b>-7.6%</b>	<b>4,248,466</b>	<b>-60.7%</b>	<b>22,201,479</b>	<b>51,528,524</b>	<b>-56.9%</b>	<b>10,525,342</b>	<b>26,290,441</b>	<b>-60.0%</b>