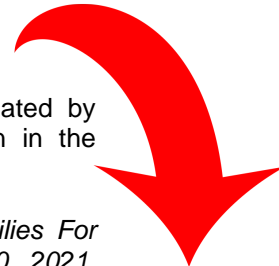




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Porter Airlines restarts operations in Halifax and Quebec City

Porter Airlines officially returns to Halifax Stanfield International Airport (YHZ) on September 13, 2021 with service to Ottawa, Montreal and Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. Quebec City Jean Lesage International Airport (YQB) also returns with service to Billy Bishop. This takes place almost 18 months after suspending flights due to COVID-19 public health and travel restrictions. Porter flights initially restarted on Sept. 8, 2021 with destinations being progressively added over the next month. The initial flight schedule, including flight frequency, can be found at www.flyporter.com.

Porter Airlines restarts operations in Halifax and Quebec City, September 13, 2021, www.flyporter.com

Weekly aircraft movements, August 28 to September 3, 2021

Weekly data on aircraft itinerant movements are now available for August 28 to September 3, 2021 on Statistics Canada website. For the week ending August 28, 2021 domestic movements were 46,508 compared to 46,606 for the week ending August 21, 2021.

Weekly aircraft movements, August 28 to September 3, 2021, September 15, 2021, www.statcan.gc.ca

USDOT Details Efforts to Secure Refunds for American Families For Flights Cancelled Due to COVID-19 Pandemic

On September 10, 2021, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) is releasing a report on its work to address failures of airlines to provide timely refunds for flights cancelled or significantly changed as

a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This report was mandated by President Biden's Executive Order on Promoting Competition in the American Economy that he issued in July 2021.

USDOT Details Efforts to Secure Refunds for American Families For Flights Cancelled Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, September 10, 2021, www.dot.gov

U.S. Airlines Show First Profit Since COVID-19 in 2nd Quarter 2021

U.S. scheduled passenger airlines reported a second-quarter 2021 after-tax net profit of \$1.0 billion despite a pre-tax operating loss of \$3.6 billion. The second-quarter results represent the first quarterly profit since the fourth quarter of 2019, the last quarter before the COVID-19 pandemic began.

U.S. Airlines Show First Profit Since COVID-19 in 2nd Quarter 2021, September 15, 2021, www.bts.gov

Flying-taxi hubs planned for 65 cities spanning London to LA

A network of flying-taxi hubs is planned for 65 cities in a tie-up between infrastructure firm Urban-Air Port and South Korean automaker Hyundai Motor Co., which is developing a vertical take-off and landing craft. Bases are planned in the U.K., the U.S., France, Germany, Scandinavia, Australia, South Korea and Southeast Asia, the companies said in a statement Thursday. A first site in Coventry, England, is due to open in early 2022. Urban-Air Port says it's the only company focused solely on building networks for operating flying taxis and cargo drones. Just \$150 million has been spent on physical infrastructure this year, compared with \$5 billion invested in eVTOLs themselves by startups such as Joby Aviation and Lilium GmbH.

Flying-taxi hubs planned for 65 cities spanning London to LA, September 15, 2021, www.ajot.com

To Promote Competition, USDOT Proposes New Opportunity for Low- or Ultra-Low Cost Carrier to Serve Newark- Liberty International Airport

On September 16, 2021, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) issued a notice to the Federal Register of its intention to identify a single low-cost or ultra-low cost carrier to operate 16 peak afternoon and evening runway timings at Newark-Liberty International Airport (EWR). The action comes on the heels of a DC Circuit Court ruling and President Biden's Executive Order *Promoting Competition in the American Economy* that instructs federal agencies to take action to lower prices for families, increase wages for workers, and promote innovation and faster economic growth. "Opening up more slots at Newark to lower cost carriers will provide air travelers with more choices and lower prices," Deputy Secretary Polly Trottenberg said. "DOT's action today is part of the Biden-Harris administration's broader effort to create a more competitive economy that benefits the American consumer."

To Promote Competition, USDOT Proposes New Opportunity for Low- or Ultra-Low Cost Carrier to Serve Newark- Liberty International Airport, September 16, 2021, www.dot.gov

U.S. Airlines July 2021 Passengers (Preliminary) Increase 207% from July 2020, but Remain 15% Below Pre-Pandemic July 2019

U.S. airlines carried 207% more scheduled service passengers in July 2021 than in July 2020 (preliminary) but 15% fewer passengers than in pre-pandemic July 2019, according to data filed with the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) by 24 airlines that carry more than 90% of passengers.

U.S. Airlines July 2021 Passengers (Preliminary) Increase 207% from July 2020, but Remain 15% Below Pre-Pandemic July 2019, September 16, 2021, www.bts.gov

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