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Palm Springs International Airport Among USA's Fastest Growing Airports; Continues to Soar Past Pre-COVID Numbers

Palm Springs, California – Palm Springs International Airport (PSP) was named one of the fastest growing airports in the country last month, and PSP will be among the top 3 most recovered airports in the country this fall. As for PSP's passengers, the airport has announced its 12th passenger record!

Last month Simple Flying, a leading aviation news and insight organization, named PSP one of the fastest growing airports in the country. Looking ahead, Simple Flying said that PSP is the 62nd-busiest airport in the country, moving up 14 spots, with 16% more seats for sale this winter compared to 2019 as recovery around the US remains at 90%.

"Palm Springs will have 2.1 million winter seats this year... That's up by 16% over Winter 2019 and 6% over its previous peak, Winter 2018," said Simple Flying in [their article on July 22, 2022](#). "It will be the second winter that it [PSP] has had more than two million seats. It means Palm Springs is the USA's 62nd-busiest airport, one place behind Memphis and only seven places behind Burbank."

An analysis of airline schedule data from Cirium via Diio Mi by [Ailevon-Pacific Aviation Consulting](#) concluded that Palm Springs is also one of the Nation's top 3 most-recovered airports. In September, PSP is scheduled to be the Topmost-recovered airport in the US, with Sarasota, FL at #2 and Myrtle Beach, SC at #3. For the months of October and November, PSP comes in at #3 behind Sarasota and Myrtle Beach and outpacing all other California airports in these months.

"The competitive playing field for airlines operating at PSP is dynamic right now," said Harry Barrett, Executive Director of Aviation. "While we recently lost a smaller airline due to their bankruptcy, we're excited to welcome Avelo Airlines and additional service from Southwest Airlines this fall. This additional capacity to four cities will exceed anything recently lost, and we're confident that 2022 will end as our busiest year on record."





The airport also reported setting its 12th passenger record since last summer. July 2022 is now the busiest on record, beating its 2021 record by more than 3% with 133,664 passengers passing through PSP. Looking at pre-COVID levels, PSP served 97,834 passengers in July 2019, or 26.8% less than this year.

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ABOUT PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Palm Springs International Airport (PSP) is owned and operated by the City of Palm Springs and is the only commercial service airport in the Coachella Valley. The airport's 12 air carriers provide nonstop service to more than 30 airports in season, including 5 in Canada, and 13 airports year-round. US nonstop routes include Atlanta, Austin, Bellingham, Bend/Redmond, Boise, Boston, Chicago O'Hare, Dallas Love, Dallas/Fort Worth, Denver, Des Moines, Eugene, Everett, Houston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Nashville, New York City-JFK, Oakland, Phoenix, Portland, Sacramento, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, San Jose, Santa Rosa, and Seattle. Canadian nonstop routes include Calgary, Edmonton, Toronto, Vancouver, and Winnipeg. PSP is served by Air Canada, Alaska, Allegiant, Avelo, American, Delta, Flair, JetBlue, Southwest, Sun Country, United, and WestJet. Some airlines and routes operate only on a seasonal basis. For additional information, please refer to flyPSP.com or get social with PSP on Facebook (www.facebook.com/flyPSP), Twitter ([@flyPSP](https://twitter.com/flyPSP)), or Instagram ([@flyPSP](https://www.instagram.com/flyPSP)) to stay informed about the airport and the airlines that serve the Coachella Valley.