



# SHREVEPORT AIRPORT AUTHORITY

City of Shreveport



## ***Shreveport Regional Airport ends 2012 up with more than 580,000 total passengers***

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Enplanements, or the number of people flying out of SHV, in 2012 were 291,218, an increase compared to 2010, when 282,747 passengers flew out of SHV. There were a total of 582,803 passengers that used Shreveport Regional Airport, an increase of 53,894 passengers in 2012, compared to 562,530 people in 2011.

"Shreveport Regional Airport is headed in the right direction, and these numbers show more people trust the airport for their travel needs," said Bishop Larry Brandon, Chairman of the Shreveport Airport Authority. "We're working hard to provide more flights and larger planes to improve the travel experience at Shreveport Regional."

In 2012, new non-stop service from Shreveport to Denver was launched by United Airlines. Non-stop service from Shreveport to Orlando/Sanford by Allegiant was offered from May until January 2013, which is typically only a May through August offering. The non-stop flights to Orlando resume seasonally on May 16<sup>th</sup> of this year. The airport also celebrated it's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in July.

"We're thrilled with the 2012 passenger numbers, which increased year-over-year," said Bryant L. Francis, C.M., Director of Airports for the Shreveport Airport Authority. "More people are viewing the airport, with its centralized and easily accessible location within the region, as a convenient center for air travel. We are presently seeking further air service enhancements so that the trend of increased passenger activity continues in 2013 and beyond."

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Shreveport Regional Airport is the commercial carrier airport in Shreveport, Louisiana and serves residents in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. Opened on July 6, 1952, Shreveport is served by four airlines: Allegiant with non-stop service to Las Vegas and Orlando, American Airlines with non-stop service to Dallas, Delta Air Lines with non-stop service to Memphis and Atlanta and United Airlines with non-stop service to Denver and Houston.