

OMA reports March 2009 passenger traffic

Monterrey, Mexico, April 8, 2009—Mexican airport operator Grupo Aeroportuario del Centro Norte, S.A.B. de C.V., known as OMA (NASDAQ: OMAB; BMV: OMA), reports that total passenger traffic (terminal passengers) at its 13 airports decreased 22.5% in March 2009, as compared to March 2008.

For comparative purposes, it should be noted that during 2008 the Holy Week and Easter holiday travel period took place in March, while in 2009 it occurs in April.

Total Passengers*									
(Thousands)	Mar-08	Mar-09	Change %	Jan-Mar 2008	Jan-Mar 2009	Change %			
Domestic	1,089.9	862.8	(20.8)	2,952.4	2,416.3	(18.2)			
International	304.2	217.0	(28.7)	793.9	630.3	(20.6)			
OMA Total	1,394.1	1,079.8	(22.5)	3,746.3	3,046.6	(18.7)			

* * Terminal passengers: includes passengers on the three types of aviation (commercial, charter, and general aviation), and excludes passengers in transit.

Domestic traffic in March 2009 decreased 20.8% (-227,096 pax), compared to the same month of 2008. With the exception of San Luis Potosi, the other airports recorded reductions in domestic traffic. The most affected airports were Monterrey, Ciudad Juárez, and Culiacán. The departure from the market of Aerocalifornia, Avolar, Aladia, and Alma in the second half of 2008 and the reduction in frequencies or cancellation of routes by Aviacsa, VivaAerobus, and Magnicharter were the common factors that affected domestic traffic. The opening of the Monterrey-Guadalajara route by Mexicana Link and the Monterrey-Morelia and San Luis Potosi-Mexico City routes by Aeromexico Connect were noteworthy.

International traffic decreased 28.7% (-87,242 pax) in March 2009 compared to March 2008. Traffic was most affected by the reduction of routes and frequencies principally by U.S. carriers. The airports of Monterrey, Acapulco, Zihuatanejo, and Mazatlán were the most affected.

By airport

Monterrey, OMA's principal airport, served 457,077 passengers in March 2009, a reduction of 24.4% (-147,390 pax) compared to the same month of the prior year. Domestic passenger traffic decreased 22.6%, and international passenger traffic decreased 34.9% as the result of the end of operations by several domestic airlines last year and the reduction in frequencies or cancellation of routes by U.S. and domestic carriers.















Total Passengers*							
(Thousand)	Mar-08	Mar-09	Change %	Jan-Mar 2008	Jan-Mar 2009	Change %	
Acapulco	139.3	103.9	(25.4)	359.4	305.7	(14.9)	
Ciudad Juárez	95.2	58.4	(38.7)	260.9	161.3	(38.2)	
Culiacán	116.6	90.6	(22.3)	311.2	247.5	(20.5)	
Chihuahua	74.3	67.9	(8.6)	201.5	179.2	(11.1)	
Durango	21.8	17.3	(20.9)	64.2	47.4	(26.3)	
Mazatlán	101.4	80.9	(20.2)	269.7	232.3	(13.8)	
Monterrey	604.5	457.1	(24.4)	1,605.4	1,276.6	(20.5)	
Reynosa	19.5	17.2	(11.7)	55.6	50.2	(9.8)	
San Luis Potosí	21.2	19.2	(9.4)	63.6	48.8	(23.2)	
Tampico	47.8	44.7	(6.4)	137.9	130.4	(5.5)	
Torreón	39.6	33.7	(14.8)	115.5	98.6	(14.6)	
Zacatecas	25.1	20.7	(17.9)	62.1	57.1	(8.0)	
Zihuatanejo	87.8	68.3	(22.2)	239.4	211.5	(11.6)	
OMA Total	1,394	1,080	(22.5)	3,746.3	3,046.6	(18.7)	

Domestic	Passeng	ers*		
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(Thousand)	Mar-08	Mar-09	Change %	Jan-Mar 2008	Jan-Mar 2009	Change %
Acapulco	75.0	63.8	(15.0)	211.3	189.8	(10.1)
Ciudad Juárez	94.9	58.1	(38.8)	260.4	160.9	(38.2)
Culiacán	112.3	89.4	(20.4)	300.3	243.8	(18.8)
Chihuahua	66.2	62.2	(6.1)	179.8	163.3	(9.2)
Durango	20.1	16.5	(17.9)	58.6	44.6	(23.9)
Mazatlán	41.2	28.7	(30.4)	110.5	85.8	(22.4)
Monterrey	516.6	399.9	(22.6)	1,370.5	1,109.7	(19.0)
Reynosa	19.4	17.1	(11.9)	55.4	49.8	(10.2)
San Luis Potosí	13.3	14.6	9.9	42.2	34.5	(18.1)
Tampico	43.9	41.6	(5.3)	126.9	121.0	(4.6)
Torreón	32.5	29.9	(8.0)	95.8	86.8	(9.4)
Zacatecas	17.7	13.5	(23.6)	44.2	37.1	(16.0)
Zihuatanejo	36.8	27.6	(25.0)	96.5	89.1	(7.7)
OMA Total	1,089.9	862.8	(20.8)	2,952.4	2,416.3	(18.2)

International Passengers*

(Thousand)	Mar-08	Mar-09	Change %	Jan-Mar 2008	Jan-Mar 2009	Change %	
Acapulco	64.3	40.1	(37.6)	148.1	115.8	(21.8)	
Ciudad Juárez	0.3	0.2	(13.6)	0.5	0.4	(26.2)	
Culiacán	4.3	1.3	(71.2)	10.9	3.7	(66.0)	
Chihuahua	8.1	5.7	(29.4)	21.7	15.9	(26.6)	
Durango	1.7	0.8	(55.3)	5.6	2.7	(51.6)	
Mazatlán	60.2	52.2	(13.3)	159.2	146.5	(7.9)	
Monterrey	87.9	57.2	(34.9)	234.8	166.8	(29.0)	
Reynosa	0.1	0.1	32.5	0.2	0.4	65.0	
San Luis Potosí	7.9	4.6	(41.9)	21.4	14.3	(33.1)	
Tampico	3.8	3.1	(18.2)	11.0	9.4	(15.0)	
Torreón	7.1	3.8	(46.1)	19.7	11.8	(40.0)	
Zacatecas	7.4	7.1	(4.3)	17.9	20.0	11.7	
Zihuatanejo	51.0	40.7	(20.3)	142.9	122.5	(14.3)	
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About OMA

Grupo Aeroportuario del Centro Norte, S.A.B. de C.V., known as OMA, operates 13 international airports in nine states of central and northern Mexico. OMA's airports serve Monterrey, Mexico's third largest metropolitan area, the tourist destinations of Acapulco, Mazatlán, and Zihuatanejo, and nine other regional centers and border cities. OMA employs over 950 persons in order to offer passengers and clients, airport and commercial services in facilities that comply with all applicable international safety, security standards, and ISO 9001:2000. OMA's strategic shareholder members are ICA, Mexico's largest engineering, procurement, and construction company, and Aéroports de Paris Management, subsidiary of Aéroports de Paris, the second largest European airports operator. OMA is listed on the Mexican Stock Exchange (OMA) and on the NASDAQ Global Select Market (OMAB). Please visit our website, <u>www.oma.aero</u>.

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