Origin—Destination Survey of Airline Passenger Traffic (O&D40)

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4. Outreach and training strategies for existing and new reporting carriers
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O&D PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Sample of tickets to estimate ticket prices and travel itineraries

- Data used in airport planning and commercial aviation policy

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O&D PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Original program collected 10% of tickets each quarter from largest carriers

- Small airports and activities of smaller airlines not adequately represented in data, and in policies and plans informed by the data

- New program expands coverage of carriers and size of sample to better represent small airports and smaller airlines

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O&D PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- New program is called "O&D40" because sample is expanded from 10% each quarter to 40% each month
- Most carriers that provide scheduled passenger service and currently file T-100 (Traffic data) will now also file O&D40 data
- Carriers will use the same eSubmit portal for O&D40 reporting as used for T-100. Options may include SFTP technology / 3rd party providers

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O&D PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Sample tickets are collected 45 days after the end of the month of first lift. The ticket must include all segments of the travel itinerary (full path of travel for the issued ticket) as well as the ticketing and operating carrier for each travel segment.

O&D PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The new rule creates two categories for determining which carrier is responsible for submission to the Department:

- **Category 1** ticket is submitted by the carrier that issued the ticket when that carrier appears on the published O&D reporting carrier list

- **Category 2** ticket is submitted by the first lifting operating carrier that is on the published O&D reporting carrier list when the issuing carrier does not appear on the list

O&D PROGRAM OVERVIEW

New Rule removes reporting exemption given to U.S.-based air carriers and commuter air carriers flying aircraft with fewer than 60 seats

- O&D40 required data items include:
  - *Reporting Carrier*
  - *Reporting Month and Reporting Year*
  - *Record Identification Number (RIN)*
  - *Issuing Carrier*
  - *Total Amount and Tax Amount*
  - *Airport Code*
  - *Operating Carrier Code and Marketing Carrier Code*
  - *Scheduled Flight Year and Scheduled Flight Month*
  - *Dwell Time, Via Airport, and Purchase Window Group*

TIMELINE

- Summer 2024 – existing data processing systems modified for O&D40

- October 2024 – Begin pilot testing

- January 2025 – Full dress rehearsal of reporting and processing

- August 2025 – Implement O&D40

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PILOT TESTING

- October 2024 – January 2025
  - Pilot test should include at least one new carrier that has never previously reported O&D data (volunteers?)
  - Testing will be used to debug / finetune eSubmit and overall data processing systems

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DRESS REHEARSAL

- January 2025
  - All carriers encouraged to submit O&D40 data to ensure understanding of data reporting requirements
  - Remaining data submission and processing issues for all reporting carriers are identified and resolved

SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

- O&D10 quarterly data end with 2Q CY 2025 (April-June)
  - Last O&D10 report due August 15
- O&D40 monthly data will begin with July 2025 data
  - All carriers begin monthly reporting with July data by September 2025
  - Due 45 days after reporting period ends
  - eSubmit portal will be open to accept July data in early August

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

- *Federal Register* notice: "Updates to the Origin-Destination Survey of Airline Passengers" A Rule by the Transportation Department on 01/31/2023:

  https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/01/31/2022-28535/updates-to-the-origin-destination-survey-of-airline-passengers

- The DOT/BTS O&D40 mailbox is active and being monitored:

  oai.od40.support@dot.gov

- Link for sample text file:

  https://esubmit.rita.dot.gov/OD-US-40.aspx

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DISCUSSION / QUESTIONS

- Training and Outreach
  - What format / forums work best (in-person, webinars, on-line documents)?

- Volunteers for October pilot test?

- Other questions?

Thank you

EXTRA

- Foreign air carriers covered by a grant of anti-trust immunity under 49U.S.C. 41308 and 41309 (Immunized carriers) will continue to report data similar to O&D data pursuant to the conditions of their immunity, but under new requirements identical to the requirements of this rule. ACI–NA's concern regarding loss of information associated with non-immunized foreign carriers issuing tickets where a U.S. code-share partner operates the flight is an example of a Category 2 ticket reporting event. In this case, the first U.S. carrier that is also an O&D reporting carrier in the ticket sequence would be responsible for reporting the ticket

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