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NEW YORK, Oct. 6 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- JetBlue Airways Corporation (Nasdaq: JBLU) reported today that its traffic in September increased 9.8 percent compared to September 2008, on a capacity increase of 8.6 percent.

Load factor for September 2009 was 77.6 percent, an increase of 0.9 points from September 2008. JetBlue's preliminary completion factor was 99.9 percent and its on-time (1) performance was 88.7 percent. JetBlue's preliminary passenger revenue per available seat mile for the month of September decreased nine percent year over year.

JETBLUE AIRWAYS TRAFFIC RESULTS

	September 2009	September 2008	% Change
Revenue passenger miles (000)	1,919,917	1,748,493	9.8%
Available seat miles (000)	2,474,492	2,279,035	8.6%
Load factor	77.6%	76.7%	0.9 pts.
Revenue passengers	1,624,259	1,446,584	12.3%
Departures	16,321	14,823	10.1%
Average stage length	1,083	1,093	(0.9)%

	Y-T-D 2009	Y-T-D 2008	% Change
Revenue passenger miles (000)	19,612,405	20,167,440	(2.8)%
Available seat miles (000)	24,570,347	24,931,580	(1.4)%
Load factor	79.8%	80.9%	(1.1) pts.
Revenue passengers	16,993,103	16,812,158	1.1%
Departures	163,319	155,626	4.9%
Average stage length	1,071	1,134	(5.6)%

(1) The U.S. Department of Transportation considers on-time arrivals to be those domestic flights arriving within 14 minutes of schedule.

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