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NEW YORK, May 10, 2012 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ --JetBlue Airways Corporation [NASDAQ: JBLU] reported its preliminary traffic results for April 2012. Traffic in April increased 14.5 percent from April 2011, on a capacity increase of 7.1 percent.

Load factor for April 2012 was 85.2 percent, an increase of 5.5 points from April 2011. JetBlue's preliminary completion factor was 99.9 percent and its on-time (1) performance was 86.7 percent. JetBlue's preliminary passenger revenue per available seat mile (PRASM) for the month of April increased nine percent year over year. For the month of May, PRASM is expected to increase between three and four percent year over year.

JETBLUE AIRWAYS TRAFFIC RESULTS

	April 2012	April 2011	% Change
Revenue passenger miles (000)	2,860,397	2,499,149	14.5%
Available seat miles (000)	3,357,383	3,134,877	7.1%
Load factor	85.2%	79.7%	5.5 pts.
Revenue passengers	2,475,489	2,184,954	13.3%
Departures	22,262	20,626	7.9%
Average stage length	1,084	1,086	(0.2)%

	Y-T-D 2012	Y-T-D 2011	% Change
Revenue passenger miles (000)	10,768,570	9,422,849	14.3%
Available seat miles (000)	12,893,618	11,645,688	10.7%
Load factor	83.5%	80.9%	2.6 pts.
Revenue passengers	9,328,170	8,223,647	13.4%
Departures	85,808	77,332	11.0%
Average stage length	1,079	1,078	0.1%

(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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