

AMERICAN AIRLINES INC  
Form 8-K  
January 03, 2008

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of earliest event  
reported: January 3, 2008

**American Airlines, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware                 | 1-2691                   | 13-1502798                        |
| (State of Incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

|  |                   |            |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| 4333 Amon Carter Blvd.                   | Fort Worth, Texas | 76155      |
| (Address of principal executive offices) |                   | (Zip code) |

(817) 963-1234  
(Registrant's telephone number)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events

American Airlines, Inc. is filing herewith a press release issued on January 3, 2008 as Exhibit 99.1, which is included herein. This press release was issued to report December traffic for American Airlines, Inc.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

American Airlines, Inc.

/s/ Kenneth W. Wimberly  
Kenneth W. Wimberly  
Corporate Secretary

Dated: January 3, 2008

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit</b> | <b>Description</b> |
|----------------|--------------------|
| 99.1           | Press Release      |

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**Exhibit 99.1**

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FOR RELEASE: Thursday, Jan. 3, 2008

**AMERICAN AIRLINES REPORTS DECEMBER TRAFFIC**

FORT WORTH, Texas – American Airlines, the world’s largest airline, reported a December load factor of 78.8 percent – a decrease of 0.3 points compared to the same period last year. Traffic decreased 1.0 percent year over year as capacity decreased 0.7 percent.

Domestic traffic decreased 4.1 percent year over year on 2.6 percent less capacity. International traffic increased by 4.8 percent relative to last year on a capacity increase of 2.9 percent.

American boarded 7.9 million passengers in December.

**About American Airlines**

American Airlines is the world's largest airline. American, American Eagle and the American Connection® airlines serve 250 cities in over 40 countries with more than 4,000 daily flights. The combined network fleet numbers more than 1,000 aircraft. American's award-winning Web site, AA.com, provides users with easy access to check and book fares, plus personalized news, information and travel offers. American Airlines is a founding member of the oneworld® Alliance, which brings together some of the best and biggest names in the airline business, enabling them to offer their customers more services and benefits than any airline can provide on its own. Together, its members serve nearly 700 destinations in over 140 countries and territories. American Airlines, Inc. and American Eagle Airlines, Inc. are subsidiaries of AMR Corporation. American Airlines, American Eagle, the American Connection® airlines, AA.com and AAdvantage are registered trademarks of American Airlines, Inc. (NYSE: AMR)

**Detailed traffic and capacity data are on the following pages.**

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION  
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY  
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

|                               | December   |            |         |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|---------|
|                               | 2007       | 2006       | CHANGE  |
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) |            |            |         |
| SYSTEM                        | 11,237,884 | 11,354,022 | -1.0%   |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC               | 7,096,183  | 7,403,318  | -4.1    |
| INTERNATIONAL                 | 4,141,701  | 3,950,704  | 4.8     |
| ATLANTIC                      | 1,595,641  | 1,471,096  | 8.5     |
| LATIN AMERICA                 | 2,090,735  | 2,012,844  | 3.9     |
| PACIFIC                       | 455,325    | 466,764    | -2.5    |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)    |            |            |         |
| SYSTEM                        | 14,253,852 | 14,349,177 | -0.7%   |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC               | 8,982,334  | 9,224,895  | -2.6    |
| INTERNATIONAL                 | 5,271,518  | 5,124,282  | 2.9     |
| ATLANTIC                      | 1,960,064  | 1,894,582  | 3.5     |
| LATIN AMERICA                 | 2,733,210  | 2,655,387  | 2.9     |
| PACIFIC                       | 578,244    | 574,312    | 0.7     |
| LOAD FACTOR                   |            |            |         |
| SYSTEM                        | 78.8%      | 79.1%      | -0.3pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC               | 79         | 80.3       | -1.3    |
| INTERNATIONAL                 | 78.6       | 77.1       | 1.5     |
| ATLANTIC                      | 81.4       | 77.6       | 3.8     |
| LATIN AMERICA                 | 76.5       | 75.8       | 0.7     |
| PACIFIC                       | 78.7       | 81.3       | -2.6    |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED            | 7,920,465  | 8,065,602  | -1.8%   |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)  | 179,648    | 190,714    | -5.8%   |

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AMERICAN AIRLINES PASSENGER DIVISION  
COMPARATIVE PRELIMINARY TRAFFIC SUMMARY  
EXCLUDES CHARTER SERVICES

YEAR-TO-DATE December

|                               | 2007        | 2006        | CHANGE |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------|
| REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000) |             |             |        |
| SYSTEM                        | 138,420,831 | 139,395,899 | -0.7%  |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC               | 89,862,509  | 91,018,267  | -1.3   |
| INTERNATIONAL                 | 48,558,322  | 48,377,632  | 0.4    |
| ATLANTIC                      | 20,009,894  | 19,980,881  | 0.1    |
| LATIN AMERICA                 | 22,941,378  | 22,040,323  | 4.1    |
| PACIFIC                       | 5,607,050   | 6,356,428   | -11.8  |
| AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)    |             |             |        |
| SYSTEM                        | 169,861,684 | 173,945,252 | -2.3%  |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC               | 108,524,445 | 111,375,527 | -2.6   |
| INTERNATIONAL                 | 61,337,238  | 62,569,725  | -2.0   |
| ATLANTIC                      | 24,948,749  | 25,066,238  | -0.5   |
| LATIN AMERICA                 | 29,623,043  | 29,341,272  | 1.0    |
| PACIFIC                       | 6,765,447   | 8,162,216   | -17.1  |
| LOAD FACTOR                   |             |             |        |
| SYSTEM                        | 81.5%       | 80.1%       | 1.4pts |
| D.O.T. DOMESTIC               | 82.8        | 81.7        | 1.1    |
| INTERNATIONAL                 | 79.2        | 77.3        | 1.9    |
| ATLANTIC                      | 80.2        | 79.7        | 0.5    |
| LATIN AMERICA                 | 77.4        | 75.1        | 2.3    |
| PACIFIC                       | 82.9        | 77.9        | 5.0    |
| PASSENGERS BOARDED            | 98,161,822  | 98,142,466  | 0.0%   |
| SYSTEM CARGO TON MILES (000)  | 2,121,710   | 2,224,089   | -4.6%  |



