



## HTA Airline Seat Capacity Outlook for Fourth Quarter 2016

The Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA), the state's tourism agency, forecasts that total scheduled nonstop air seats to Hawai'i in the fourth quarter of 2016 will be comparable to the fourth quarter of 2015. The projection is based on flights appearing in Diio Mi airline schedules as of September 2016.

Growth in scheduled air seats for this quarter 2016 (October-December) is expected to increase slightly (+0.3%) compared to the same quarter last year. Growth in this quarter is expected from Other Asia (+19.4%) and U.S. East (+3.8%), offsetting declines from Oceania (-8%), Japan (-2.6%) and Canada (-1%). For annual 2016, a modest increase (+0.9%) in the scheduled air seats is expected to set a new record of more than 11.9 million air seats into Hawai'i.

**Scheduled Nonstop Air Seats to Hawai'i**

	2016 Q4 Forecast	2015 Q4	% Chge	2016 Annual Forecast	2015 Annual	% Chge
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,908,687</b>	<b>2,900,671</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>11,939,033</b>	<b>11,833,440</b>	<b>0.9%</b>
<b>US TOTAL</b>	<b>1,994,289</b>	<b>1,985,760</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>8,254,882</b>	<b>8,145,436</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
US WEST	1,758,061	1,758,098	0.0%	7,330,175	7,217,348	1.6%
US EAST	236,228	227,662	3.8%	924,707	928,088	-0.4%
<b>INTERNATIONAL</b>	<b>914,398</b>	<b>914,911</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>3,684,151</b>	<b>3,688,004</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>
JAPAN	460,412	472,707	-2.6%	1,862,943	1,949,420	-4.4%
CANADA	116,276	117,460	-1.0%	465,114	459,636	1.2%
OTHER ASIA	145,504	121,829	19.4%	551,070	479,662	14.9%
OCEANIA	120,586	131,073	-8.0%	514,393	503,300	2.2%
OTHER	71,620	71,842	-0.3%	290,631	295,986	-1.8%

Source: Doii Mi

### U.S. West

Compared to the same quarter last year, U.S. West scheduled seats from October to December 2016 are expected to end up with no changes. This is because the growth in seats mainly from Denver (+29.3%), Salt Lake City (+8.7%) and Los Angeles (+2.2) will

be offset by the declines from Bellingham (-44.1%), Anchorage (-17.4%), Oakland (-4.8%), Portland (-4.5%), San Jose (-3.3%) and Las Vegas (-2.6%). However, the total scheduled air seats for 2016 is expected to be up +1.6 percent more than that of 2015.

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### U.S. East

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The fourth quarter seat capacity 2016 from the U.S. East market is expected to rise +3.8 percent, driven the most from Minneapolis (+43.4%), followed by Washington D. C. (+22.7), New York JFK (+6.7%) and Chicago (+6.5%) with only a decline from Newark (-5.9%). However, the seat capacity in 2016 only slightly decreased by 0.4 percent from 2015.

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### Japan

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Scheduled nonstop air seats from Japan are expected to be down from October to December of 2016 (-2.6%) because of the largest decline from Nagoya (-19.7%), followed by Osaka (-7.9%), Tokyo HND (-7%) and Fukuoka (-4.4%) although there will be an increased air seats from Tokyo NRT (+3.8%). In general, the total seat capacity for the year of 2016 declined 4.4 percent from 2015.

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### Canada

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Nonstop air seats from Canada to Hawai'i are expected to decrease 1 percent in the fourth quarter of 2016 because Toronto (-49.6%), Edmonton (-29.6%), and the canceled services from Victoria will offset the increase from Calgary (+10.1%). Therefore, the total air seats 2016 are expected to decrease by 1 percent from last year 2015.

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### Other Asia

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This market is expected to grow strongly in scheduled air seats for this quarter of 2016 (+19.4%). The scheduled air seats are expected to increase the most from Shanghai (+32.1%), followed by Taipei (+25%) and Seoul (+21.5%). The scheduled air seats for 2016 are expected to grow +14.9 percent from that of 2015.

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### Oceania

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Oceania is expected to decrease 8 percent of the air seat capacity for the fourth quarter 2016, compared to the same quarter 2015, because of the big decline in scheduled air seats from Brisbane (-40.7%) as well as from Sydney (-2.1%). However, the seat capacity is expected to increase from Auckland (+6.9%) for the same quarter 2015. In addition, the total air seats 2016 are expected to increase 2.2 percent from last year 2015.

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