

# Will Rogers World Airport

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## **United Airlines Adds Chicago Routes at Will Rogers World Airport**

OKLAHOMA CITY - United Airlines and United Express has announced that beginning July 15, 2000, three daily departures to Chicago O'Hare Airport will be added to the Oklahoma City schedule.

These new flights will bring the total number of daily jet departures from Will Rogers World Airport to 65 and the total number of daily departures to 80.

"This is a great addition to air service in the Oklahoma City market," says airport director Luther Trent. "One very important criteria for travelers, particularly business travelers, is having many options for scheduling flights. These three new flights certainly enhance the choices available to flyers to and from Oklahoma City."

United Express, under the umbrella of United Airlines, will operate the new Chicago schedule. The carrier will utilize Bombardier regional jets for the early morning, mid-morning and late afternoon departures.

United currently has five daily departures to Denver. The addition of the three daily Chicago flights will bring the total number of United daily departures to eight. It also increases the number of daily non-stop flights to Chicago O'Hare from three to six. Chicago Midway Airport is currently served with three daily direct (same plane, one stop) from Will Rogers.

The introduction of regional jets (RJ's) into the airlines' fleets over the last few years has proven to be a real positive for the consumer. Not only do travelers like the RJ's, but it enable airlines to provide new or additional service to cities where a large jet is not viable.

"The regional jets really supplement the big jet service here at Will Rogers." says Trent. "For example, it is difficult for a carrier to justify a full-size jet for a mid-morning or mid-afternoon departure, normally slow times of the day for air travel. The regionals make it possible. The benefit of course, is that the traveler has more options."

Will Rogers World Airport is currently served by American, American Eagle, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest, Southwest, United and TWA.