## 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 Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): June 7, 2013



Southwest Airlines Co.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas	1-7259	74-1563240	
(State or other jurisdiction	(Commission	(I.R.S. Employer	
of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)	
P. O. Box 36611, Dallas, Texas		75235-1611	
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)	

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 792-4000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

[] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 7, 2013, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its traffic results for May 2013. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01.

The information furnished in this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits:
- 99.1 Registrant's May 2013 Traffic Release.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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.

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.

June 7, 2013

By /s/ Tammy Romo

Tammy Romo
Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and
Accounting Officer)

# Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Registrant's May 2013 Traffic Release.

# **CONTACT**: Investor Relations (214) 792-4415

## SOUTHWEST AIRLINES REPORTS MAY TRAFFIC

DALLAS, TEXAS – June 7, 2013 – Southwest Airlines Co. (NYSE: LUV) announced today that the Company flew 9.3 billion revenue passenger miles (RPMs) in May 2013, a 4.2 percent increase from the 9.0 billion RPMs flown in May 2012. Available seat miles (ASMs) increased 3.4 percent to 11.4 billion from the May 2012 level of 11.0 billion. The May 2013 load factor was 81.9 percent, compared to 81.3 percent in May 2012. For May 2013, passenger revenue per ASM (PRASM) is estimated to have decreased approximately two percent compared to May 2012.

For the first five months of 2013, the Company flew 41.8 billion RPMs, compared to 41.3 billion RPMs flown for the same period in 2012, an increase of 1.4 percent. Year-to-date ASMs increased 1.9 percent to 53.4 billion from the 2012 level of 52.5 billion. The year-to-date load factor was 78.3 percent, compared to 78.7 percent for the same period in 2012.

This release, as well as past news releases about Southwest Airlines Co., is available online at southwest.com.

/more

# SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. PRELIMINARY COMPARATIVE TRAFFIC STATISTICS

MAY		
2013	2012	CHANGE
9,938,557	9,592,865	3.6 %
12,043,070	11,719,287	2.8 %
9,347,628	8,974,274	4.2 %
11,410,284	11,036,776	3.4 %
81.9%	81.3%	0.6 pts
941	936	0.5 %
115,713	118,403	(2.3) %
	9,938,557 12,043,070 9,347,628 11,410,284 81.9%	2013     2012       9,938,557     9,592,865       12,043,070     11,719,287       9,347,628     8,974,274       11,410,284     11,036,776       81.9%     81.3%       941     936

	YEAR-TO-DATE		
	2013	2012	CHANGE
Revenue passengers carried	44,416,375	44,449,719	(0.1) %
Enplaned passengers	54,004,457	54,120,070	(0.2) %
Revenue passenger miles (000)	41,840,267	41,269,623	1.4 %
Available seat miles (000)	53,444,839	52,464,179	1.9 %
Load factor	78.3%	78.7%	(0.4) pts
Average length of haul	942	928	1.5 %
Trips flown	548,119	567,879	(3.5) %
Available seat miles (000)  Load factor  Average length of haul	53,444,839 78.3% 942	52,464,179 78.7% 928	1.9 (0.4) pts 1.5