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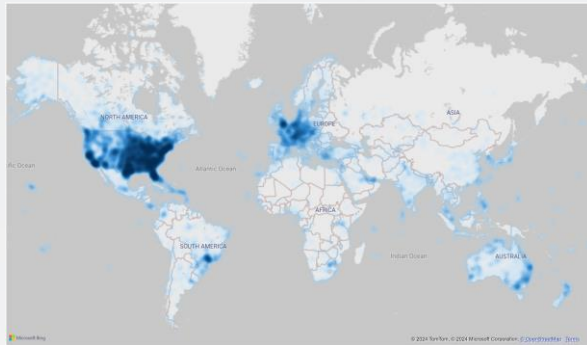
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NORTH AMERICAN FLIGHT ACTIVITY BRINGS AN OCTOBER SUPRISE

Global flight activity recorded an activity increase of 2.3% from October 2023, while monthly activity was up 6.4% from September 2024. The North American market reported a surprising activity increase after Charter activity turned positive, moving the whole industry up 0.5% from October 2023. The European market finished down 4.3% for the month.



October 2024 Global Activity Heat Map

NEXT MONTH'S FORECAST

Looking ahead... TRAQPak analysts estimate there will be a 1.1% decrease in overall North American flight activity year over year in November 2024. European activity is estimated to increase 1.8% year over year.

YEAR-OVER-YEAR FLIGHT ACTIVITY FOR NORTH AMERICA

TRAQPak's review of year over year flight activity (Oct 2024 vs. Oct 2023) shows that October 2024 finished up 0.5% from the prior year, exceeding our forecast which estimated a decline of 2.7%. The results by operational category remained mixed for October with Part 135 activity managing to produce a slight year over year gain, up 0.2%. Fractional activity produced gains in all 4 aircraft segments and showed an overall gain of 8.4%. Part 91 activity declined 2.3%, with gains in smaller aircraft and declines in larger aircraft. The overall aircraft categories were mostly positive for the month with large cabin jets posting the only monthly decline, down 8.4% from October 2023. Small cabin jets recorded the biggest increase, up 2.5% from October 2023. Mid-size cabin jets followed with a gain of 2.0%, and turboprops grew 1.8% for the month. There were 9 individual segments that reported year over year increases with increases recorded in all 3 operational segments. The largest increase was recorded in the Fractional large cabin market, up 13.2% year over year.

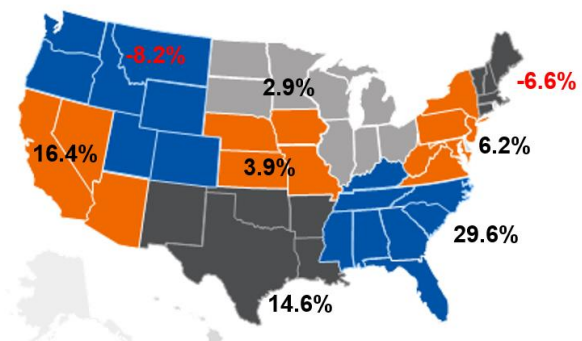
Acft Type	Part 91	Part 135	Fractional	Total
Turbo Prop	1.0%	2.9%	2.3%	1.8%
Small Cabin Jet	0.0%	1.5%	11.5%	2.5%
Mid Size Cabin Jet	-5.4%	4.3%	7.0%	2.0%
Large Cabin Jet	-8.5%	-13.1%	13.2%	-8.4%
Total	-2.3%	0.2%	8.4%	0.5%

Oct 2024 vs Oct 2023

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MONTH-OVER-MONTH FLIGHT ACTIVITY FOR NORTH AMERICA

October business aviation flight activity showed an expected increase in activity from September, gaining 10.7% for the month; October averaged almost 1,000 more flights per day compared to September. Results by operational category were all positive for the month, with Fractional activity posting the largest monthly increase, up 11.5% from September. Part 135 activity increased 10.7% for the month and Part 91 activity finished up 10.4%. Reviewing the FAA regional activity, 6 of the 8 regions reported a monthly increase in flight activity, with the only declines occurring in the Northeast and Northwest. The largest increase occurred in the Southern region, with activity surging 29.6% from September. The largest monthly decline occurred in the Northwest region, down 8.2%. Activity in Canada and the Caribbean combined to increase 7.6% month over month from September after Caribbean traffic rebounded to gain 23.6% for the month. Activity in Canada also gained 4.4% from September.



TRAQPAK AIRCRAFT CATEGORIES

TURBO PROP

Single Engine Turboprop Aircraft and Multi-Engine Turboprop Aircraft.

SMALL CABIN JET

Very Light Jets (VLJ) and Light Jets (LJ)-Jet aircraft with a maximum takeoff weight of less than 20,000 lbs.

MID-SIZE CABIN JET

Mid-size Jets (MJ) and Super Mid-size Jets (SMJ) - Jet aircraft with maximum takeoff weight of over 20,000 to 41,000 lbs

LARGE CABIN JET

Large Jets, Ultra-Long Range and Heavy Jets – Jet aircraft with maximum takeoff weight of over 41,000 lbs. For weight over 41,000 lbs and Ultra-Long Range and Heavy Jets having an NBAA IFR Range above 6,000NM.

ARGUS TRAQPak data is aircraft flight number specific arrival and departure information on all IFR flights in the US (including Alaska and Hawaii), the Caribbean, Canada, Europe and remaining regions.

Note: for purposes of this report, FAR Part 135 flight data represents all flight activity of aircraft on a Part 135 charter certificate regardless of individual flight mission (excluding cargo, scheduled Part 135, and fractional operators).

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EUROPEAN ACTIVITY REVIEW

European activity remains in a similar state of yearly declines across the continent. Overall activity declined 4.3% from October 2023. Declines in turboprops remained in double digit territory, declining 11.3% year over year.

Acft Type	Oct 24 vs Oct 23	Oct 24 vs Sep 24
Turbo Prop	-11.3%	-7.0%
Small Cabin Jet	-2.0%	-13.1%
Mid Size Cabin Jet	0.4%	-11.4%
Large Cabin Jet	-4.1%	-14.4%
Total	-4.3%	-11.8%

AFRICA, ASIA, AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AMERICA ACTIVITY REVIEW

Activity across the remaining regions continues to be strong, posting a significant yearly increase of 20.8%. Overall monthly activity increased from September as well, finishing up 10.4%.

Acft Type	Oct 24 vs Oct 23	Oct 24 vs Sep 24
Turbo Prop	28.7%	7.0%
Small Cabin Jet	23.5%	11.3%
Mid Size Cabin Jet	24.2%	19.1%
Large Cabin Jet	-39.6%	11.7%
Total	20.8%	10.4%

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Global Flight Activity Heat Map

