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Gerald R. Ford International Airport Sets New Passenger Record Before Year End



Grand Rapids, Mich. – The Gerald R. Ford International (GFIA) Airport has set a new passenger record for 2015, and there’s still one more month of travel left to tally.

Through November 2015, year-to-date passenger numbers totaled 2,347,424, surpassing the previous year’s total passenger count of 2,335,105 in 2014. Currently, passenger numbers are up 9.57% from 2014.

The record breaking month also marks the first year that GFIA has served more than 200,000 passengers in November with 205,088 passengers enplaned and deplaned, a 14.16% increase.

“2015 has been another tremendous year for passenger growth, and we could not be more thrilled by the support from our area passengers,” said GFIA Executive Director Brian Ryks.

“As a result of this growth, our airline partners are taking interest by investing in more seats through the introduction of larger aircraft and additional nonstop routes to and from Grand Rapids, which is good for our entire region.”



2014 was a banner year for GFIA as it hit an all-time passenger record total of 2,335,105. The more than 2.3 million people that flew in and out of GFIA in 2014 broke the Airport's previous record of 2,275,332 set in 2011.

In July 2015, 234,282 total passengers passed through GFIA, the best month in airport history. GFIA monthly passenger statistics are available on our website: <http://www.grr.org/History.php>

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