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Holiday Travel Made Easier at PDX

Portland International Airport is expecting all-time record travel this holiday season. Here's what to expect, and some advice to help make the journey more enjoyable.

Holidays by the numbers

- What are PDX's busiest holiday days? Nov. 30, and Dec. 19, 21 and 28 with more than 51,000 travelers expected each day.
- How many travelers are expected to use the airport in the week surrounding Thanksgiving? An estimated 301,500 travelers.
- When is the busiest holiday travel period at PDX? Dec. 17-Jan. 1, serving an estimated 735,000 travelers.

Arrive early

PDX encourages travelers to check their schedule with their airlines or the [PDX arrivals and departures](#) website before leaving for the airport, and arrive at least two hours before scheduled departure. Travelers on international flights, or with children, or with disabilities or medical conditions that could impact travel, should arrive an additional 30 minutes before their flights. If special assistance is required, travelers should coordinate with their airline in advance, or use any white courtesy phone located throughout the terminal.

Be prepared

Have boarding pass and ID ready, and begin removing [3-1-1](#) items from carry-on bag, and all jewelry and contents in pockets before security screening. Beverages and water bottles filled with liquid are prohibited. Review the TSA's list of [prohibited items](#) and be sure to remove these from your carry-on bag before arriving to the airport. Qualifying travelers enrolled in [TSA Pre✓™](#), an expedited security process administered by the [Transportation Security Administration](#), can use both security checkpoints when traveling domestically. Just look for the words "pre-

check” printed on the boarding pass and go directly to the TSA Pre✓™ lines. International travelers can also expedite the screening process through U.S. Customs and Border Protection by enrolling in [Global Entry](#) at PDX. If traveling with pets, be sure to keep them in a kennel. A pet relief area is located outside the north end of the baggage claim area.

Park smart

Check [parking availability](#) online before coming to the airport. PDX offers a discounted rate for vehicles displaying a valid state-issued disabled permit, placard or license plate. Electric vehicle charging stations are available in the short-term parking garage. TriMet’s MAX [Red Line](#) provides direct service from Portland to PDX. If picking up a passenger, avoid curbside congestion by parking in the short-term parking garage and coming into the terminal to greet travelers. There is also a free [Cell Phone Waiting Area](#) located on Northeast Air Cargo Road, just west of Northeast 82nd Avenue.

Come hungry

Sample some of Portland’s finest food carts in town located pre-security in the Oregon Market. New food carts include Koi Fusion, a local Korean-style BBQ; Pok Pok, with authentic Thai cuisine; and Love & Whisky, offering gourmet burgers, pancakes and more.

Enter to win

As part of the [PDX Holidays Take Flight](#) campaign, Port of Portland is giving away a \$1,000 travel voucher redeemable on any airline operating at PDX and their respective destinations. Contest rules and entry forms are available online and in the airport. An assortment of food and beverage tastings will also take place throughout the terminal, along with live musical entertainment, art exhibits and holiday events.

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