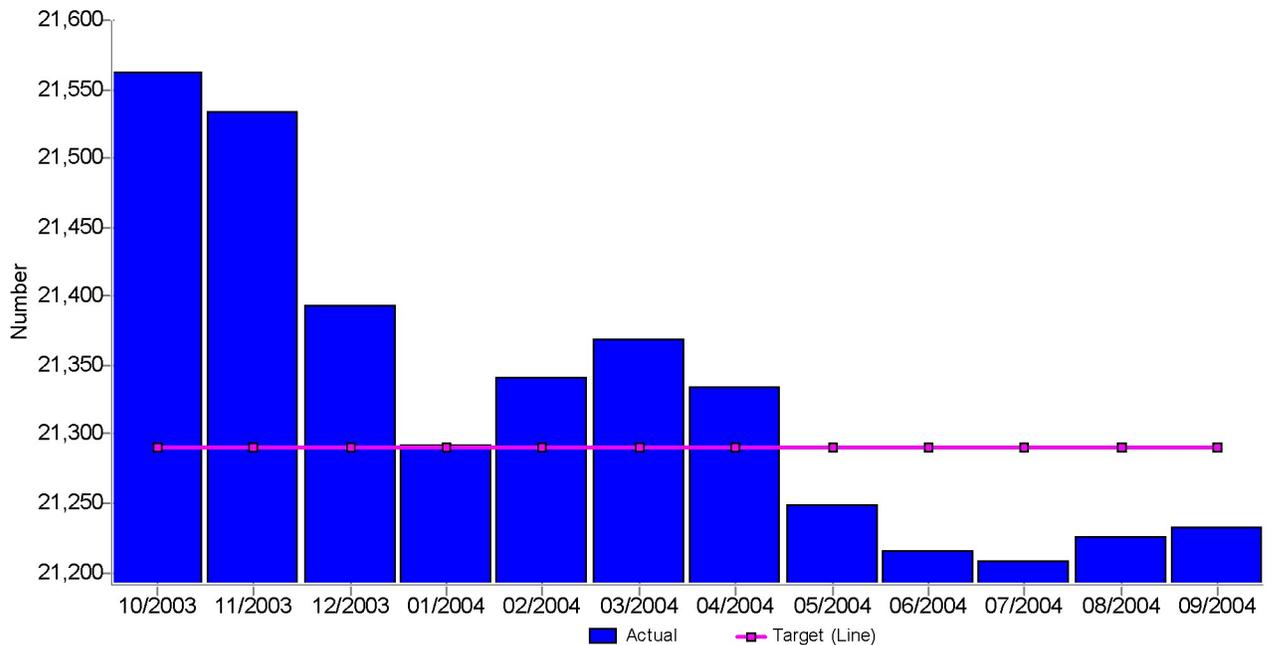


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TGT: Capacity in Metro Areas (FAA) This Year to Date (Average)



Description

TGT: Achieve an increase in the Airport Arrival Capacity for the eight major metropolitan areas from 21,290 arrivals per day (the 2000-2002 baseline) to at least 22,000 per day by 2008. (FY 2004 target is 21,290 per day.)

Period Table

	Actual	Target (Line)	Target (Line) - Index Range
10/2003	21,563	21,290	Green
11/2003	21,534	21,290	Green
12/2003	21,393	21,290	Green
01/2004	21,292	21,290	Green
02/2004	21,341	21,290	Green
03/2004	21,369	21,290	Green
04/2004	21,333	21,290	Green
05/2004	21,248	21,290	Red
06/2004	21,216	21,290	Red
07/2004	21,209	21,290	Red
08/2004	21,225	21,290	Red
09/2004	21,233	21,290	Red

Commentary (09/2004)

September 2004: 21,323
 September 2003: 21,199
 FY 2004: 21,233
 FY 2003: 21,146

The yearly target of 21,290 was not met. While average daily capacity for the eight metro areas in September fell slightly from August's results, it was only the fifth month to be greater than the same period of the preceding year. Prior to September's year-over-year increase, there had been five consecutive monthly declines. Cumulatively, capacity increased 0.4% compared to FY 2003.

For the year, of the twenty reporting airports included in the eight metropolitan areas, ten reported increases in capacity, seven showed declines, and three were unchanged. As with the OEP 35 airports, weather conditions play an important part in determining metropolitan area airport capacity. The three airports with the largest reductions in capacity, Teterboro (-11.0%), LaGuardia (-7.3%), and San Francisco (-6.7%), had significant increases in adverse weather conditions, as reflected in increased weather delays of 70.0%, 40.8%, and 20.7%,

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respectively (OPSNET). The three airports with the largest increase in average arrival capacity, San Jose (15.6%), Oakland (15.6%), and San Diego (9.0%), had a combined reduction in weather delays of 66.9%.