



Federal Express “FedEx”

Federal Express is a cargo airline based in Memphis, Tennessee which first commenced operations in 1973. The carrier operates a “super hub” for cargo at its home base of Memphis. Federal Express began serving Albuquerque from Memphis later in the 1970’s using small Dassault Falcon 20 jet aircraft. Federal Express adopted the nickname “FedEx” and officially took on that name in 1994. The airline division would be called FedEx Express while the ground network as FedEx Ground. The company grew quickly specializing in overnight package delivery and obtained larger aircraft including Boeing 727’s and 737’s and later acquired larger widebody aircraft. FedEx now serves Albuquerque with morning and evening flights each day to Memphis using Airbus A300 and Boeing 767-300 widebody aircraft. On most days the morning flight will stop in Lubbock, Texas on the way to Memphis. During busier holiday seasons, FedEx will operate extra flights, some with Boeing 757 narrowbody aircraft. The company has also flown the larger McDonnell Douglas DC-10 and MD-11 widebody aircraft to Albuquerque.

FedEx also developed a feeder network in which many contract carriers, using primarily Cessna 208B Super Cargomaster aircraft, connect smaller cities with the larger cities that FedEx serves. Reliable Airlines, formerly AirDialog, now provides the FedEx Feeder service in New Mexico with flights to Farmington and Gallup as well as to Durango, Colorado. Reliable was established in 2004 and became a FedEx Feeder carrier in 2022 while creating a new base in Albuquerque. Reliable replaced the former provider, Empire Airlines, based in Hayden, Idaho, which had flown the FedEx Feeder operation at Albuquerque since 1988. Roswell, New Mexico had also received FedEx Feeder service for many years by Baron Aviation, based in Vichy, Mississippi. Baron flew FedEx Feeder flights from Roswell to Lubbock, Texas but that service was cancelled as of December 31, 2022 as a cost cutting measure by FedEx. The airline also served Las Cruces, New Mexico at one time. Baron briefly provided FedEx Feeder backup

service on the Albuquerque – Durango route during the fall of 2023 while Reliable Airlines had aircraft undergoing maintenance.



Federal Express original aircraft, the Dassault Falcon 20.



Federal Express Boeing 727-100 used during the 1980's



FedEx Boeing 757 at the Albuquerque Sunport displaying the new name and livery in 1994.



FedEx Boeing 767-300 landing at the Albuquerque Sunport.



FedEx Airbus A300-600 landing at the Albuquerque Sunport.



FedEx Douglas DC-10 landing at the Albuquerque Sunport. DC-10's had been flown regularly to Albuquerque until 2021.



FedEx McDonnell Douglas MD-11 at the Albuquerque Sunport in 2017.



FedEx Feeder Cessna 208B Super Cargomaster operated by Empire Airlines at the Albuquerque Sunport.



FedEx Feeder Cessna 208B Super Cargomaster operated by Reliable Airlines, formerly AirDialog, at the Albuquerque Sunport.



CURRENT ROUTE SYSTEM

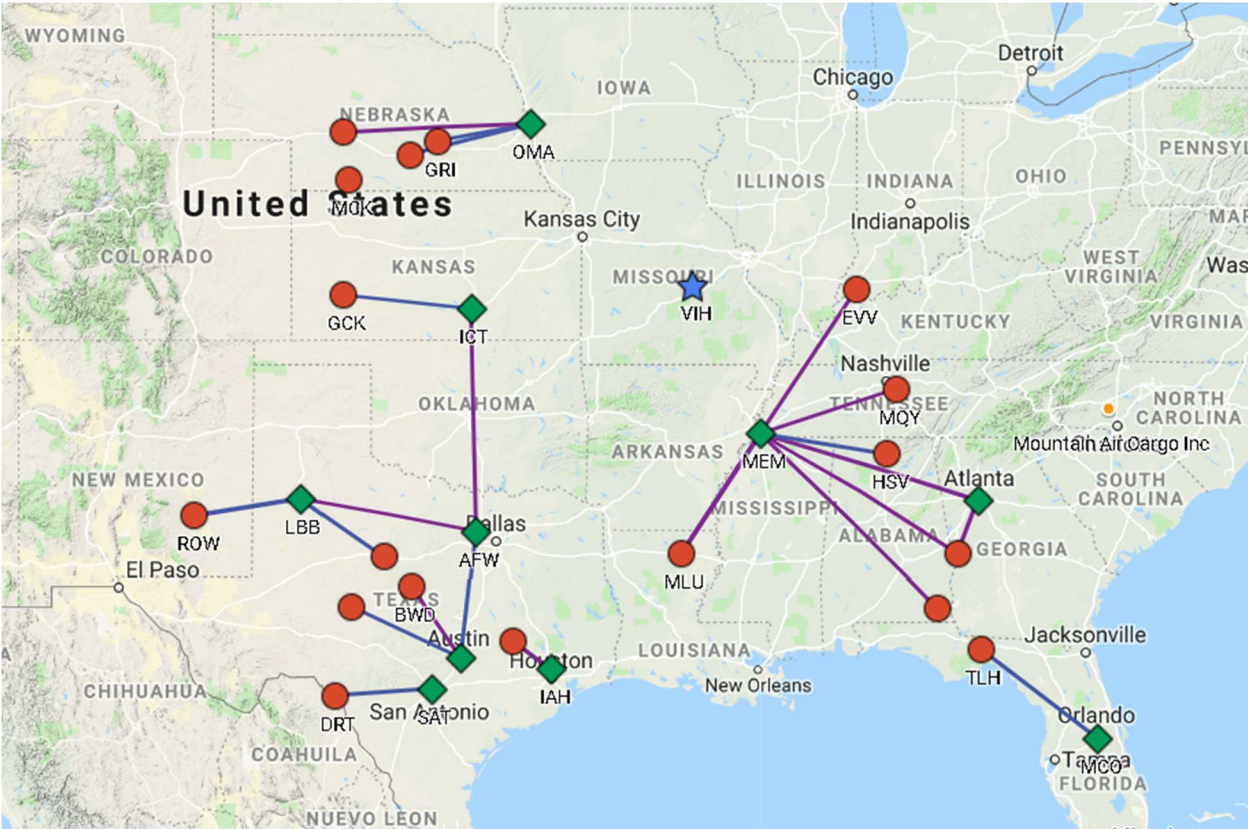


as of January 2022

FedEx Feeder routes flown by Empire Airlines before the New Mexico operations were transferred to Reliable Airlines, formerly AirDialog, in 2022. Reliable only flies the routes from Albuquerque.



FedEx Feeder Cessna 208B Super Cargomaster operated by Baron Aviation at the Roswell International Air Center prior to discontinuing service in 2022.



Baron Aviation route map showing the Roswell to Lubbock service.