



Airborne Express

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Airborne Express was a cargo airline that began operations in 1946. The carrier was headquartered in Seattle, Washington and operated an all cargo hub in Wilmington, Ohio. Airborne Express operated under the name **Airbourne Freight Company** until 1980. Airborne had served Albuquerque since the 1970's initially with Aerospatiale SN-600 Corvette aircraft and later introduced several variants of Douglas DC-9 jets including the DC-9-31 and DC-9-41. The company name was changed again to **ABX Air** in 1989 however the aircraft continued to operate with the titles of Airborne Express. The carrier was purchased by **DHL** of Bonn, Germany in 2003 but continued to operate ABX Air separately. The DC-9 aircraft fleet was repainted in the bright yellow colors of DHL and continued to serve Albuquerque through 2008. At that time DHL ended all of its domestic service within the United States and contracted with **Ameriflight** to provide feeder service from Albuquerque to Phoenix where service is then provided by ABX Air, operating on behalf of DHL, with international air cargo service. Complete information on Ameriflight can be found in a separate link for that carrier.



An Airborne Express Aerospatiale SN-600 Corvette that provided early service to Albuquerque.



An Airborne Express Douglas DC-9-41 departing Albuquerque.



An ABX Air Douglas DC-9-41 painted in the colors of DHL that served Albuquerque in the 2000's.



ABX Air Boeing 767-200 providing international air cargo service for DHL from Phoenix to Baltimore.



ABX Air Boeing 767-300 in the colors of DHL.

