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**Hartsfield-Jackson Named Most Efficient Airport for 14<sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year**  
*ATL bests 200 other airports in international study*

**ATLANTA** – For the 14<sup>th</sup> straight year, Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) was honored with an Efficiency Excellence Award from the Air Transport Research Society (ATRS). Over the weekend, ATRS released its annual benchmarking study of commercial airports in North America, Europe, Asia and Oceania, assessing the productivity and efficiency of nearly 200 airports based on airport cost and revenue data.

“This award recognizes the efforts put forward by all involved at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport,” said Airport General Manager Roosevelt Council, Jr. “We are honored for the recognition and grateful to our airline partners and employees for their hard work as we continue to strive for excellence in all aspects of ATL’s operations.”

ATRS, the world’s leading academic society in the air transportation field, measures and compares the operational and managerial efficiency, cost competitiveness, and financial performance for airports and airport groups in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and Oceania. The ATRS Airport Benchmarking Task Force includes leading professors and researchers from around the world.

For more information on the Air Transport Research Society, visit <http://www.atrsworld.org>.

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**Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport**

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world’s busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 104 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and 70 international destinations in more than 50 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, sustainability, architectural engineering, and construction. ATL is now in the midst of a \$6 billion capital improvement program, ATLNext, that will modernize the Domestic Terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 440-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, visit [www.atl.com](http://www.atl.com).

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