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### PUNTA GORDA AIRPORT PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP FOR 43RD CONSECUTIVE MONTH

**PUNTA GORDA, FL** (June 13, 2017) – The Charlotte County Airport Authority announces the total passenger count for the twelve months ending May 30, 2017 is 1,218,411. The Punta Gorda Airport passenger count for May 2017 was 97,304. This is a **11.39% increase** in passenger traffic for May 2017 compared with May 2016 (87,352) passengers.

In May, there were 69,601 boarding passengers and 47,693 arriving passengers. This is the 43rd consecutive month the Punta Gorda Airport has seen an increase in passenger traffic in year over year monthly traffic. There were a total of 365 Allegiant Airline flights that landed at the Punta Gorda Airport in May 2017.

Pam Seay, Charlotte County Airport Authority Commissioner stated, "The positive economic impact that this has on our community cannot be underestimated. Not only are our residents able to fly inexpensively to a number of different destinations, we are bringing people here who might otherwise never see Punta Gorda and Charlotte County. And now we are seeing them, not just passing through, but staying and spending money here. That's an impressive and positive impact."

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#### About the Punta Gorda Airport

The Charlotte County Airport Authority owns and operates the Punta Gorda Airport located at 28000 Airport Road in Punta Gorda, Florida.

#### About Allegiant Air

Allegiant Air has non-stop service to **Thirty-Four cities** including Allentown, PA; Asheville, NC; Belleville, IL; Cedar Rapids, IA; Cleveland, OH; Cincinnati, OH; Columbus, OH; Concord/Charlotte, NC; Dayton, OH; Des Moines, IA; Ft. Wayne, IN; Grand Rapids, MI; Greenville/Spartanburg, SC; Harrisburg, PA; Huntington, WV; Indianapolis, IN; Kansas City, MO; Knoxville, TN; Lexington, KY; Louisville, KY; Moline, IL; Niagara Falls, NY; Peoria, IL; Pittsburgh, PA; Plattsburgh, NY; Portsmouth, NH; Providence, RI; Raleigh, N.C.; Rockford, IL; South Bend, IN; Springfield, IL; Springfield/Branson, MO; Trenton, NJ; and Toledo, OH. Allegiant Air can be reached at [www.allegiantair.com](http://www.allegiantair.com) or call 702-505-8888. Please check their schedule as some of the cities are seasonal.

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