

U.S. Legacy Carriers Are Thriving

No harm from Gulf carrier competition

**700,179
Jobs**

The number of employees in the U.S. airline industry as of October, 2017. This marks the highest level since September 2001.

Source: [U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics](#), 2017

**\$16.4
Billion**

The expected net profit for North American airlines in 2018. In the last three years, North American airlines have generated more than half of the global industry's profits.

Source: [International Air Transport Association](#), 12/5/17