



Three of the USA's largest regional airlines are about to get even bigger, courtesy of Delta Air Lines.

The Atlanta-based behemoth is overhauling its **Delta Connection** operation, with plans to slash ties with two regional airlines and hand that flying to three remaining carriers.

Delta will also assign its partners a more-specific geographic focus, all as part of a drive for simplicity.

Industry observers describe Delta's move as perfectly sensible. But they also say it consolidates more regional flying with larger regional carriers and reflects the market power held by network airlines such as Delta.

"For Delta, fewer vendors mean better economies of scale – meaning lower costs, ideally," says Addison Schonland, partner at consultancy AirInsight Group. "Delta, like the others, is going to squeeze their vendors."



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Republic to fly 30 more E175s as Delta overhauls regional set-up

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Delta to terminate Compass and GoJet partnerships

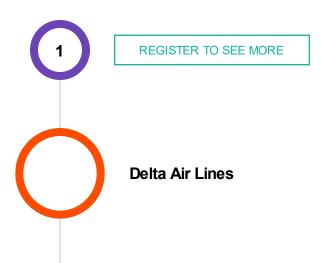
Delta Air Lines Data Snapshot

\$44438M Total Revenue (2018)

910 In Service Fleet

DATA SOURCE: CIRIUM

Delta Air Lines Ownership







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What's Happening Around "Delta Air Lines"

Delta plans to add Boston- Rome route in 2020 20 HOURS AGO	Delta spends \$2m on biofuel study as sector eyes 2050 carbon goal 17 SEP 2019	Delta ups stake in Korean Air parent company 10 SEP 2019	ANALYSIS: Delta regional overhaul consolidates industry further 03 SEP 2019
Delta to end all Tokyo Narita flights with shift to Haneda 12 AUG 2019	Delta to terminate Compass and GoJet partnerships 06 AUG 2019		



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	Adria Airways	Cook's Condor	France
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	suspends	seeks bridge	KC-130J tanker
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Thomas Cook failure	to delay A340 retirement 20 SEP 2019	collision by 'narrowest' 22 SEP 2019 margin	Alice Springs 15 HOURS AGO
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