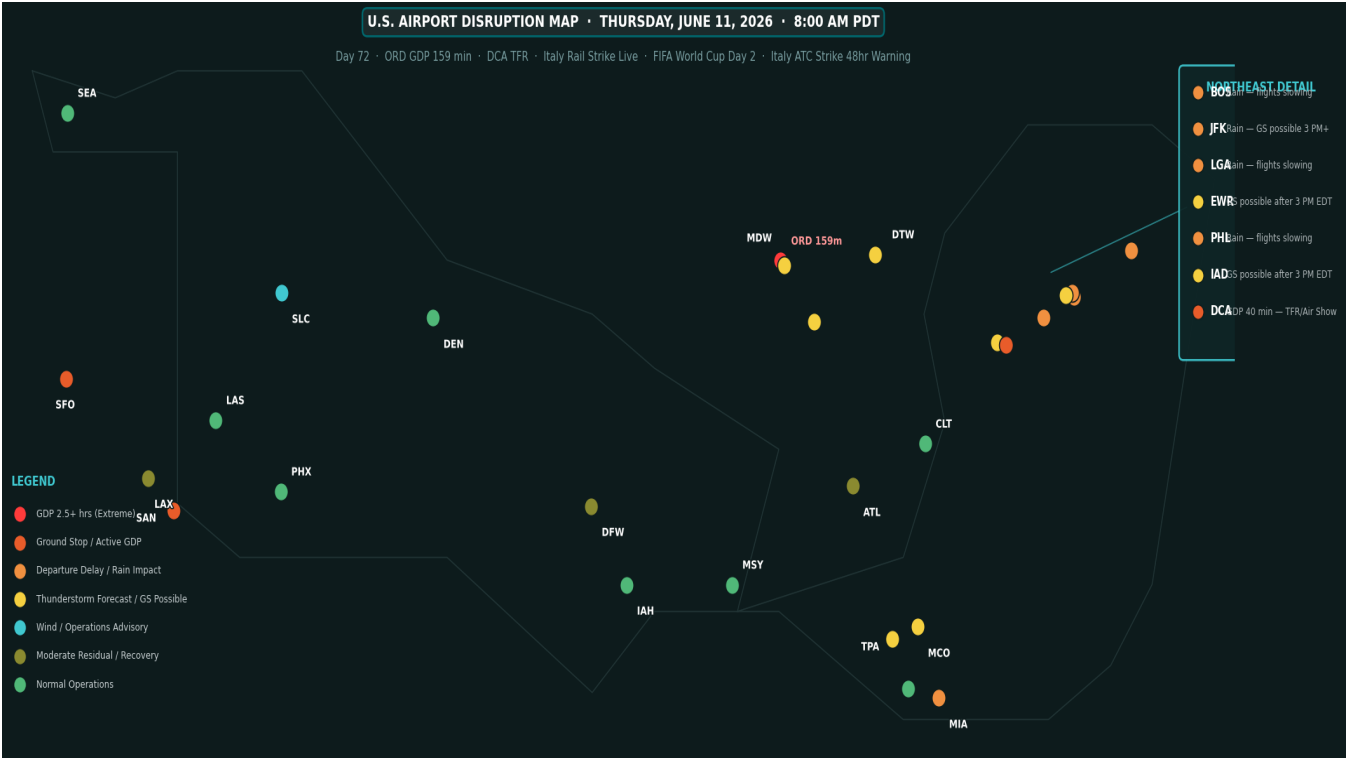


Daily Air Travel Disruption Briefing

Thursday, June 11, 2026 · Day 72 of Post-Easter Disruption Sequence · ORD GDP 159 Minutes · DCA TFR / Air Show · Italy Rail Strike Live · FIFA World Cup Day 2 · Italy ATC Strike 48-Hour Warning



Active FAA Ground Programs

Airport	Program	Window (EDT)	Avg Delay	Cause
ORD	Ground Delay Program	11/1:00 PM – 11/11:59 PM EDT	159 min	Thunderstorms (ZAU/C90 impacts starting 18Z; peak arrivals)
DCA	Ground Delay Program	11/12:15 PM – 11/7:59 PM EDT	40 min (increasing)	TFR / Air Show; wind terminal active
DCA	Advisory Dep Delay	Updated 9:21 AM EDT	30 min (increasing)	TM Initiatives: ESP/VOL
SFO	Ground Delay Program	11/11:15 AM – 12/2:59 AM EDT	53 min	Other (marine layer/ops); Rwy 01R closed structural thru Nov 15
SAN	Ground Delay Program	11/11:30 AM – 12/8:59 AM EDT	25 min	Airport volume
JFK / LGA	Rain Impact / GS Possible	Afternoon / Evening	TBD	Rain slowing flights; GS possible after 3:00 PM EDT
EWR / PHL / TEB	GS Possible	After 3:00 PM EDT	TBD	Thunderstorm / rain approaching NY–Philly corridor
BWI / IAD	GS Possible	After 3:00 PM EDT	TBD	Thunderstorm; DCA TFR may spill into corridor
BOS	Rain Impact	Morning / Afternoon	TBD	Rain could slow flights
MCO / TPA	GS Possible	After 6:00 PM EDT	TBD	Thunderstorm — Central / West Florida
DTW / IND / MDW	Dep Delay Forecast	Afternoon	TBD	Thunderstorm delays possible
SLC	Wind Advisory	All day	N/A	Wind; no GDP as of 8:00 AM PDT
MIA	Departure Delay	Updated 11:01 AM EDT	15 min (increasing)	VOL / Multi-Taxi

Yesterday's System Context — June 10, 2026 (Day 71)

June 10 was SNCF national strike day and FIFA World Cup Day 1. Chicago O'Hare was the worst US airport for the second consecutive day with 430 disruptions (409 delays + 21 cancellations). Denver was in full ground stop due to airport volume (192 disruptions). The SNCF strike ran 19:00 June 9 through 06:00 June 11, with RER B running at 50% frequency to CDG. National total of 3,986 disruptions — SW led all carriers with 911 delays. LAX logged 198 disruptions (192 del + 6 cx) as a secondary hub.

Airport	Delays	Cancels	Total	Notes
ORD	409	21	430	Worst US airport Day 71. UA 7cx+38del; Republic 8cx; SkyWest 4cx+32del; AA 36del
DFW	311	6	317	Day 3 recovery from Jun 8 meltdown. AA no clean day since Jun 7
ATL	213	3	216	Delta global hub; thunderstorm cascade
BOS	127	4	131	JetBlue/Delta hub residual
JFK	100	5	105	Third consecutive elevated day

Airport	Delays	Cancels	Total	Notes
LGA	79	6	85	Endeavor Air led; 3rd elevated day
LAX	192	6	198	Southwest residual + AA network pressure
DEN	190	2	192	Full Ground Stop — airport volume
SAN	66	6	72	SW 33del; SkyWest 4cx+7del; Jazz 2cx (SAN–YVR severed)
National	3,895	91	3,986	Day 71. SW 911del; AA 528del; UA 434del. Thunderstorm + ORD volume collapse.

Active Airline Travel Waivers

Carrier(s)	Affected Hub(s)	Window	Policy
United Airlines	ORD, DEN, SFO	Jun 11–12	Waiver for ORD GDP (thunderstorm) and SFO GDP. One free rebooking; travel must be completed within 14 days. Check united.com/travel-waiver .
American / Southwest	DFW, ORD, BOS, LAX, PHX	Jun 9–12	Continued: same-day rebooking fee waived; DOT cash comp up to \$775 for controllable positioning failures from Jun 8–9 DFW meltdown.
Eurostar	London–Paris	Through Jun 13	Reduced timetable continues. Trains at Paris Gare du Nord cancelled Jun 8–13. Free exchange or full refund at eurostar.com → Manage Booking.
SNCF	All French rail	Jun 9–11	Waiver covers travel Jun 9–11. Free exchange for any later date at same fare; full refund up to 30 min after scheduled departure. sncf-connect.com → My Trips.
easyJet	All Italian routes	Jun 13	Cancellation notices due TODAY by Italian law. Check email and easyJet app now for June 13 flights. EU261/UK261 compensation (up to €600/£520) for carrier-controlled action.
SW Exits (ORD/IAD/DEN)	ORD, IAD, DEN	Ongoing	Full refund at southwest.com . Rebook to MDW/DCA/BWI.

International / Transatlantic Context

Italy is running a 23-hour national rail strike today (03:00 June 11 – 02:00 June 12), called by six unions: Filt-Cgil, Fit-Cisl, Uiltrasporti, Ugl Ferrovieri, Fast Confsal, and Orsa Trasporti. All Trenitalia, Italo, and Trenord services are disrupted. The core risk window is 09:01–17:00 when guaranteed minimum service floors do not apply. The Milan–Malpensa Express (Trenord) and Rome Fiumicino Leonardo Express (Trenitalia) are both disrupted during the core window. A separate easyJet cancellation notification deadline falls TODAY under Italian law for Saturday June 13 flights — passengers should check email and the easyJet app now.

SNCF ended its 24-hour strike at 06:00 this morning. Today is a recovery day: rolling stock and crews are being repositioned, causing residual disruptions on morning TGV services. June 11 and 12 are the two highest-demand rebooking days following any SNCF strike; trains that should have seats are oversubscribed. The SNCF waiver covers travel June 9–11 and allows free exchange or full refund up to 30 minutes after the scheduled departure. RER B to CDG is running but at reduced frequency in the morning peak — allow an additional 40–60 minutes on top of normal connection time. Eurostar continues operating on a reduced timetable through June 13.

EES biometric queues at Paris CDG have reached 3 hours for non-EU arrivals; allow 3–4 hours for immigration processing if arriving from outside the EU today. UK ETA portal has been experiencing high traffic since June 3 with queue times over 1 hour. FIFA visa denials and entry refusals are generating political friction: several national teams and officials were denied US entry or subjected to extended screening on June 10–11. Canada posted 352 disruptions (285 del + 67 cx) yesterday — Jazz Aviation led with 29 cancellations out of Toronto Pearson; transborder US–Canada routes are elevated.

Fleet and Program Tracker

Program	Status	Current Milestone	Timeline	Notes
737 MAX 8/9	Revenue ops	Engine anti-ice fix delivering; deliveries normal	FAA waiver active; fix due 2026	No impact today
737 MAX 7	Final cert	~80% flight test; Aug 2026 cert est.	EIS Q1 2027 (SW 270 orders)	No new milestone this week
737 MAX 10	TIA Phase 2	Avionics/propulsion/autopilot/anti-ice eval	Year-end 2026 cert; EIS 2027	No new milestone this week
737 MAX North Line	Tooling complete	SOJT crew training underway	Summer 2026 first build	Everett ramp on track
787 Dreamliner	Production normalizing	Post-2024 quality hold cleared	Deliveries resuming	No disruption
A320/A321neo	Ramping	2,500+ delivered; Delta 189 A321neo on order	Rate increasing	No disruption
A321XLR	EIS underway	2025–26 entry into service	On schedule	No disruption
Skywise Digital (Airbus)	Launched	Navblue + Skywise merged Apr 1 2026	CDM with FAA NextGen	New subsidiary

Canada Transborder

Canada posted 352 disruptions on June 10 (Day 71): 285 delays and 67 cancellations (Day 72 designation). Jazz Aviation led with 29 cancellations out of Toronto Pearson (YYZ), affecting Air Canada Express feeder routes to US hubs including ORD, JFK, and BOS. San Diego International's GDP included a note that the SAN-YVR (Vancouver) route was severed by Jazz Aviation actions on June 10. Air Canada: 77 del + 19 cx on June 8, with cascading YYZ positioning debt carrying forward.

The 3 Stories

Story 1: ORD GDP 159 Minutes — Worst Single-Airport Delay Program of the Entire Crisis

Chicago O'Hare is operating under a Ground Delay Program with an average delay of 159 minutes — the longest single-airport delay program of the 72-day post-Easter disruption sequence. The FAA Air Traffic Control System Command Center issued the GDP at 13:00 UTC (9:00 AM EDT) citing thunderstorms expected to affect ZAU (Chicago ARTCC) and C90 (Chicago TRACON) airspace starting after 18:00 UTC, with impacts to ORD during peak arrival times. A route constraint (FCA001: West-to-ORD) has been published.

ORD is simultaneously at or above the FAA Summer Cap (2,708 ops/day through October 24). This means the thunderstorm delay is compounding on a hub that has no slack capacity to absorb it. United is the dominant carrier at ORD with roughly 45% of daily operations; American controls another 30%. Republic, SkyWest, GoJet, and Envoy regional feeders are all exposed. Afternoon thunderstorm windows (2:00–8:00 PM CDT) overlap peak departure banks, meaning today's GDP could extend or intensify as the weather system moves through the Chicago–Milwaukee corridor.

Action: If your itinerary touches ORD today, add 2.5–3 hours of buffer and check the [united.com](https://www.united.com) or [aa.com](https://www.aa.com) travel waiver before rebooking. If connecting through ORD on a regional feeder to an international departure at another hub, call your carrier now — a missed ORD connection in this environment means overnight accommodation. Ground stops at ORD/MDW are additionally possible after 6:00 PM EDT — check [faa.gov/atcsc](https://www.faa.gov/atcsc) for updates before leaving for the airport.

Story 2: Italy Rail Strike Live + easyJet June 13 Cancellation Notices Due Today

Italy's 23-hour national rail strike is fully in force (03:00 June 11 – 02:00 June 12), called by six unions. All Trenitalia, Italo, and Trenord high-speed and regional services are disrupted, with the core risk window from 09:01–17:00. The Rome Fiumicino Leonardo Express (Roma Termini → FCO) and Milan Malpensa Express (Milano Centrale → MXP) are both disrupted in the core window. Passengers with flights from FCO or MXP departing 09:00–17:00 must arrive at their airport by taxi, bus, or private transfer, allowing 3–4 hours for the ground journey. Milan Linate (LIN) has no direct rail link and is unaffected; bus services run normally.

Separately and critically: easyJet is legally required to issue cancellation notices TODAY (June 11) for all affected June 13 flights under Italian aviation consumer law. The June 13 four-layer Italy strike (easyJet national pilots/crew walkout + ENAV Verona ATC + SOGAER Cagliari ground staff + Sky Service Milan Linate ground staff) runs 06:00–24:00. If you have a June 13 flight on easyJet or through Verona Airport, Cagliari, or Milan Linate — check your email and the easyJet app right now. Protected windows are 07:00–10:00 and 18:00–21:00 (expect 60–90 min delays even within protected slots). easyJet compensation: up to €600 / £520 for carrier-controlled action. ENAV ATC action: duty of care applies but no compensation.

Action: FCO/MXP flights departing 09:00–17:00 today: take a taxi (Roma Termini to FCO €50–60; Atral SIT bus €6) or Malpensa Shuttle bus (Milan to MXP €13). June 13 easyJet passengers: check email NOW for cancellation notice. Rebook inside the 07:00–10:00 or 18:00–21:00 windows. VRN/CAG/LIN passengers: check airline app today. If easyJet cannot reroute you within a reasonable time, they must rebook you on another airline at no extra cost.

Story 3: FIFA World Cup Day 2 — DCA TFR + Visa Denials Creating Entry Friction at New York, Miami, and Dallas Gateways

FIFA World Cup 2026 is now in Day 2 of the 39-day tournament (through July 19). The opening match (Mexico vs South Africa, Estadio Azteca, 3:00 PM ET June 11) drove the first wave of fan travel pressure at DFW, MIA, JFK, and LAX. Washington Reagan National Airport (DCA) has a Ground Delay Program (40 minutes, increasing) due to a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) associated with a local air show combined with FAA volume management, creating a spillover effect on connecting flow through the DC corridor (BWI/IAD potential ground stops after 3:00 PM EDT).

FIFA visa denials and US Customs and Border Protection enhanced vetting are generating operational friction at entry ports. Multiple national team members and officials were denied entry or subjected to extended secondary screening at JFK, MIA, and LAX on June 10–11. USCBP is running enhanced biometric checks at all international arrival ports; allow 3+ hours for international connection at any US gateway. EES biometric queues at Paris CDG are simultaneously running 3+ hours for non-EU arrivals, creating compound delays for European fans connecting through Paris before flying to US World Cup cities.

Action: DC corridor travelers (DCA/IAD/BWI): depart for airport by 11:00 AM to avoid the TFR and afternoon thunderstorm window. Connecting international passengers at JFK, MIA, IAH, LAX: allow 3+ hours for USCBP processing. FIFA World Cup fans from non-VWP countries must have their B1/B2 visa or FIFA PASS confirmation — check uscbbp.gov for entry requirements. TSA Spot Saver at SEA is unavailable 6–10 AM on surge day June 12.

TSA Checkpoint Reminders

- REAL ID enforcement active: \$45 Confirm.ID fee if your ID does not comply (since Feb 1, 2026)
 - Shoes stay on at all US checkpoints (since July 8, 2025)
 - Power bank Wh limits tightened April 2026 — check airline policy before packing
 - Clear carry-on bag pilot active at ATL, BOS, ORD, DFW, and IAH this summer
 - TSA shutdown Day 110: 458+ officers resigned, 11%+ callout. Add 90 min buffer at FIFA host cities; 2 hr at DFW/IAH. SEA Spot Saver unavailable 6–10 AM on surge days (June 12, 14, 15, 17–22, 25, 26, 28, 29)
 - FIFA World Cup TSA Playbook: tsa.gov/worldcup — TFRs active on match days; enhanced screening at host city airports
 - USCBP enhanced vetting at US entry ports: allow 3+ hours for international arrivals at JFK, EWR, MIA, LAX, IAH
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Recovery Outlook

Day 72 carries four simultaneous stress events: ORD GDP 159 minutes, DCA TFR, Italy national rail strike, and FIFA Day 2. The ORD GDP at 159 minutes is the worst single delay program of the post-Easter sequence and will generate fresh positioning debt for United and American networks through Friday June 12. SNCF is in recovery mode but morning trains remain oversubscribed — normal service expected by afternoon.

Looking ahead: Italy ATC four-layer strike SATURDAY June 13 (easyJet national + ENAV Verona + SOGAER Cagliari + Sky Service Linate, 06:00–24:00; protected 07:00–10:00 and 18:00–21:00). Separate Italian grassroots rail strike ends 02:00 Friday June 12. Eurostar reduced timetable continues through June 13. FAA ATC quarterly review June 17. Paris CDG/Orly/Le Bourget airport worker strike June 18 (baggage/ramp/security/check-in; runways remain open). Italy ATC second full walkout June 26 (nationwide ground handling). The system is now on Day 72 with no structural recovery window before mid-July and a 39-day FIFA overlay through July 19.

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