# EAST HAMPTON AIRPORT

2015 Mid-Summer Operations & Complaint Update

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# **HTO OPERATIONS & COMPLAINTS REPORT**

### **JANUARY-JUNE (YTD)**

While flight operations for the first six months of 2015 decreased slightly compared to 2014, complaints almost doubled for the same time period.

#### **Operations**

2015 Helicopter and Other Fixed Wing operations declined by 5% and 9% respectively. Jet flights declined by 15% the most compared to 2014. Seaplanes being the only category to rise through the end of June at 66%.

| <u>Operations (June YTD)</u> | <u>2013</u>  | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | 2015 %<br><u>Incr./(Decr.)</u><br><u>Over 2014</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| Helicopters                  | 1,850        | 2,442       | 2,308       | (5%)   |
| Jets                         | 1,042        | 1,072       | 910         | (15%)  |
| Seaplanes                    | 444          | 417         | 694         | 66%  |
| Other Fixed Wing             | <u>3,132</u> | <u>3839</u> | <u>3566</u> | <u>(7%)</u>  |
| Totals                       | 6,468        | 7,770       | 7,478       | (4%)   |

#### **Complaints**

Complaints for all categories of aircraft, except unknown and multiple types, increased substantially in 2015 compared to 2014, with seaplane complaints increasing the most (238%). The number of households complaining increased by 16% while average complaints per household increased by almost two-thirds (64%).

|                           |             |             | <u>%</u>      |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| Year-to-date              | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | Incr./(Decr.) |
| Helicopters               | 3,428       | 6,862       | 100%          |
| Jets                      | 422         | 787         | 86%           |
| Seaplanes                 | 124         | 419         | 238%          |
| Props                     | 433         | 1,166       | 169%          |
| Unknown/Multiple          | <u>716</u>  | <u>515</u>  | <u>(28%)</u>  |
| Totals                    | 5,123       | 9,749       | 90%           |
| Households                | 267         | 309         | 16%           |
| Avg. Complaints/Household | 19.2        | 31.6        | 64%           |

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## **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND 2015**

## May 21<sup>st</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> 2015

While 2015 holiday flight volumes grew by 28% (compared to 2014), complaints grew by 220%.

#### **Operations**

Jet and helicopter flights increased by 1% and 9% respectively for the 2015 Memorial Day weekend when compared to the 2014 holiday period (2013 to 2014 saw a much larger increase year to year). Seaplane and other fixed wing (non-jet) aircraft operations rose dramatically for the 2015 holiday weekend.

Overall operations for the 2015 holiday weekend grew by 28%. Turbine and piston fixed wing showed the largest increase in operations over the weekend. Jet ops were flat.

|                  |             |             |             | 2015 %<br><u>Incr./(Decr.)</u> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| MD Weekend Ops   | <u>2013</u> | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | <b>Over 2014</b>               |
| Helicopters      | 166         | 261         | 284         | 9%                             |
| Jets             | 87          | 146         | 147         | < 1%                           |
| Seaplanes        | 50          | 64          | 118         | 84%                            |
| Other Fixed Wing | <u>162</u>  | <u>334</u>  | <u>486</u>  | <u>45%</u>                     |
| Totals           | 465         | 805         | 1,035       | Up 28%                         |

#### **Complaints**

Complaints increased by 220% above last year with the highest percentage increase and total for helicopters. Distinct households complaining rose nearly 60% while complaints per household nearly doubled.

|                           |             |             | %             |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| MD Weekend Complaints     | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | Incr./(Decr.) |
| Helicopters               | 222         | 889         | 300%          |
| Jets                      | 31          | 95          | 206%          |
| Seaplanes                 | 15          | 38          | 153%          |
| Props                     | 42          | 123         | 192%          |
| <u>Unknown/Multiple</u>   | 58          | 32          | <u>(44%)</u>  |
| Totals                    | 368         | 1177        | 220%          |
| Households                | 77          | 123         | 59%           |
| Avg. Complaints/Household | 4.8         | 9.5         | 98%           |

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## JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> WEEKEND 2015

# JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>- 6<sup>TH</sup> 2015

While total operations rose by 52% for July 4 weekend, complaints rose by twice as much despite an insignificant increase in the number of households complaining.

#### **Operations**

Despite Jet operations being slightly down by 3% over the weekend, overall operations were up 52%.

| July 4 <sup>th</sup> Wknd | 2013               | 2014 | 2015  | 2015 %<br><u>Incr./(Decr.)</u><br>Over 2014 |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------|-------|---|
| Helicopters               | <u>2015</u><br>181 | 235  | 277   | 18%   |
| Jets                      | 161                | 140  | 136   | (3%)  |
| Seaplanes                 | 82                 | 77   | 159   | 106%  |
| Other Fixed Wing          | 288                | 347  | 645   | 86%   |
| Totals                    | 712                | 799  | 1,217 | Up 52%                                      |

#### **Complaints**

Complaints increased 42% above last year for the holiday weekend, with the highest increase for seaplanes, but the highest total for helicopters. The number of distinct households complaining barely rose while the average number of complaints per household rose 40%.

|                                      |             |             | %             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| July 4 <sup>th</sup> Wknd Complaints | <u>2014</u> | <u>2015</u> | Incr./(Decr.) |
| Helicopters                          | 535         | 761         | 42%           |
| Jets                                 | 123         | 122         | (1%)          |
| Seaplanes                            | 44          | 112         | 155%          |
| Props                                | 101         | 152         | 50%           |
| Unknown/Multiple                     | <u>30</u>   | <u>37</u>   | <u>23%</u>    |
| Totals                               | 833         | 1184        | 42%           |
| Households                           | 118         | 121         | 3%            |
| Avg. Complaints/Household            | 7.0         | 9.8         | 40%           |