

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 RIDLEY DAVIS S /TX

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO
 [LUV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/20/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP-People & Leadership Develop

C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES
 CO, 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE PO
 BOX 36611

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

DALLAS, TX 75235

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	3,498 (1)	01/20/2005	01/20/2015	Common Stock	3,498
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	2,482 (2)	01/20/2006	01/20/2015	Common Stock	2,482
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	4,460 (2)	01/20/2007	01/20/2015	Common Stock	4,460
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	4,460 (2)	01/20/2005	01/20/2015	Common Stock	4,460
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	1,978 (2)	01/20/2006	01/20/2015	Common Stock	1,978

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RIDLEY DAVIS S /TX
C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO
2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE PO BOX 36611
DALLAS, TX 75235

VP-People &
Leadership
Develop

Signatures

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact for Davis S. Ridley /s/Deborah Ackerman

01/24/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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(1) Options granted under 1996 NQ Plan.

(2) Options granted under 1996 ISO.

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