

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO  
Form 8-K  
October 11, 2016  
UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 11, 2016  
Southwest Airlines Co.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas                                      1-7259                                      74-1563240

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)      (Commission File Number)      (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

P. O. Box 36611, Dallas, Texas                                      75235-1611

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(Address of principal executive offices)      (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 792-4000

Not Applicable

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Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 11, 2016, the Registrant issued a press release announcing its traffic results for September 2016. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Item 2.02.

The information furnished in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 Registrant's September 2016 Traffic Release.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO.

October 11, 2016 By/s/ Tammy Romo

Tammy Romo  
Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

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