

Data glitch delays flights at several US carriers

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Major US airlines experienced delays on Monday following a glitch to a data system used in flight planning.



The program, Aerodata, takes data on the weight and balance of the plane.

Airlines affected included Delta, United, JetBlue, Southwest and Alaska, said a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration, adding that mainline operations and regional service were affected to "varying degrees."

Passengers were encouraged to contact the carriers, the FAA spokesman said. The glitch was resolved this morning, he added.

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"Scattered <u>flight delays</u> are expected and customers should check Southwest.com for the latest updates on specific flights," the Southwest spokesman said.

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