

# Largest airline formed

The boards of rival U.S. companies *Delta Air Lines* and *Northwest Airlines* have agreed to merge in a \$3bn-plus deal that would create the world's biggest carrier



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## BIGGEST AIRLINES

*By passengers carried, 000s\**

1	American Airlines	99,835
2	Southwest Airlines	96,277
3	<b>Delta Air Lines</b>	73,584
4	United Airlines	69,265
5	<b>Northwest Airlines</b>	55,925
6	Lufthansa	51,213
7	Air France	49,411
8	All Nippon Airways	49,226
9	Japan Airlines International	48,911
10	China Southern Airlines	48,512

*\*International + Domestic, 2006*

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