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Passport Requirement for Air Travel

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and U.S. Department of State are issuing a reminder that beginning Jan. 23, 2007, citizens of the United States, Canada, Mexico and Bermuda are required to present a passport to enter the United States when arriving by air from any part of the Western Hemisphere.

The public awareness of the air travel requirement continues to grow and current data shows that 88 percent of affected passengers are already traveling to the United States with passports. Since the week of Thanksgiving 2006, 83 percent of U.S. citizens, 94 percent of Canadians, 88 percent of Mexicans and 99 percent of Bermudans have arrived at U.S. airports with passports.