



# ASSOCIATION OF FLIGHT ATTENDANTS

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## FACT SHEET

- Size:** The Association of Flight Attendants, AFA, is the collective bargaining agent for 28,000 flight attendants on 18 air carriers. AFA is the largest flight attendant union in the world.
- Carriers:** AFA represents all flight attendants from the following air carriers: United, USAir, Horizon, Braniff, Eastern Metro Express, Alaska, Hawaiian, Aloha, Airlift International, Air Wisconsin (United Express), Allegheny Commuter, CCAir, Atlantic Southeast, Pennsylvania, Henson, Midway, Tower Air, and WestAir (United Express). AFA represents every type of carrier, from regional to national and domestic to international.
- Officers:** AFA's national president, vice president and secretary-treasurer are elected flight attendants. These officers are elected every four years by the AFA Board of Directors, the highest governing body of the union.
- Founding:** The union which became AFA was founded in 1945 and later became part of the Air Line Pilots Association. In 1973, the flight attendant leadership voted to make AFA autonomous from ALPA. In 1975, AFA was first certified as a collective bargaining agent for flight attendants. The union was chartered by the AFL-CIO in February, 1984.
- Member Services:** As a labor union, AFA negotiates and enforces labor contracts. It also fights for flight attendant interests in Congress and in federal agencies. AFA maintains a collective bargaining staff of attorneys, national bargaining representatives, and fully staffed research, government affairs, organizing, public relations and publications departments. AFA is the only flight attendant union staffed with a full-time air safety and health department and employee assistance program.

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# FLIGHT ATTENDANT UNIONS

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BY AIR CARRIER

## → Association of Flight Attendants

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|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. United                | 10. Airlift International          |
| 2. USAir                 | 11. Air Wisconsin (United Express) |
| 3. Tower Air             | 12. Allegheny Commuter             |
| 4. Aloha                 | 13. Midway                         |
| 5. Horizon               | 14. Pennsylvania                   |
| 6. Hawaiian              | 15. Henson                         |
| 7. Alaska                | 16. WestAir (United Express)       |
| 8. Eastern Metro Express | 17. CCAir                          |
| 9. Braniff               | 18. Atlantic Southeast             |

## → Transport Workers Union

1. Eastern
2. Southwest

## → International Brotherhood of Teamsters

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| 1. Northwest     | 3. World   |
| 2. Flying Tigers | 4. Simmons |

## → Independents

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| 1. American | 3. Continental |
| 2. TWA      | 4. Pan Am      |

## → Non-Union

1. Delta

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