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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

#### **FORM 11-K**

## FOR ANNUAL REPORTS OF EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE, SAVINGS AND SIMILAR PLANS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Mark One)

[  $\mathbf{x}$  ] ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2001

OR

[ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File No. 1-6033

- A. Employees' Stock Purchase Plan of UAL Corporation (Full title of the Plan)
- B. UAL Corporation

(Employer sponsoring the Plan, issuer of the participations in the Plan and issuer of the shares held pursuant to the Plan)

1200 Algonquin Road, Elk Grove Township, Illinois

Mailing Address: UAL Corporation, P.O. Box 66919, Chicago,

Illinois 60666

(Address of principal executive offices)

## **Signature**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the sponsor and issuer of the participants of the Plan, UAL Corporation has duly caused this Annual Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

<u>UAL</u> <u>Corporation</u> Administrator

Dated March 28, 2002

/s/ Frederic F. Brace

Frederic F. Brace Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

## To UAL Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of the Employees' Stock Purchase Plan of UAL Corporation (the "Plan") as of December 31, 2001 and 2000 and the related statements of changes in participants' equity for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2001. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's administrator. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements

based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Plan's administrator, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Plan as of December 31, 2001 and 2000 and the changes in its participants' equity for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2001, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

/s/ Arthur Andersen LLP

ARTHUR ANDERSEN LLP

Chicago, Illinois March 28, 2002

## EMPLOYEES' STOCK PURCHASE PLAN OF UAL CORPORATION

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

(In thousands, except number of shares)

	<u>December 31</u>			
ASSETS	2001	<u> </u>	2000	)
Participants' payroll deductions				
receivable from UAL Corporation	\$	160	\$	239

Investment in common stock of

UAL Corporation, at quoted market value

(2001 - 768,252 shares, cost \$30,958;

2000 - 610,277 shares, cost \$27,507) <u>10,371</u> <u>23,763</u>

\$ 10,531 \$ 24,002

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## LIABILITIES AND PARTICIPANTS' EQUITY

Participants' equity <u>10,531</u> <u>24,002</u>

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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## EMPLOYEES' STOCK PURCHASE PLAN OF UAL CORPORATION

## STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN PARTICIPANTS' EQUITY

(In thousands)

	Year Er	Year Ended December 31		
	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 24,002	<u>\$ 42,775</u>	\$ 31,523	
Increase (decrease) during year:				
Participants' payroll deductions	5,406	5,128	5,660	
Dividend income	430	-	_	

Dividend reinvestment	(128)	-	-
Distribution of cash dividends	(302)	-	-
Realized gain (loss) on stock distributed to participants	(700)	551	1,749
Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in value of investment	(16,843)	(22,024)	7,966
Stock and cash for fractional shares distributed or amounts payable to participants, at market value	_(1,334)	(2,428)	(4,123)
	<u>(13,471</u> )	<u>(18,773</u> )	11,252
Balance at end of year	\$ 10,531 =====	\$ 24,002 =====	\$ 42,775 =====

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# EMPLOYEES' STOCK PURCHASE PLAN OF UAL CORPORATION

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## (1) The Plan

The Employees' Stock Purchase Plan of UAL Corporation (the "Plan") is sponsored by UAL Corporation ("UAL"). UAL offers participation in the Plan to eligible employees of UAL and its subsidiaries.

## (2) Purchase and Distribution of Stock

Purchases are made by the Plan monthly, and the shares purchased are credited to the accounts of each participant on the basis of the ratio of the participant's contribution to total participants' contributions for the month. The cost of common stock purchased for the Plan includes all brokerage charges involved in the purchase.

When shares of stock are distributed to the individual participants pursuant to the terms of the Plan, the market value of such shares is removed from the investment account of the Plan.

Terminating participants receive a certificate for the full number of shares, plus cash for the fractional shares, held for their accounts. Partially withdrawing participants receive certificates for the full number of shares withdrawn. There are no forfeiture provisions under the Plan with respect to participants' contributions.

### (3) Investment in Common Stock of UAL

The investment in common stock of UAL is valued at year-end published market prices as reported by the New York Stock Exchange.

## (4) Realized Gain on Stock Distributed to Participants

Gains on stock distributed to participants are realized to the extent of the difference between the weighted average cost of shares distributed and the market value at the date of distribution.

## (5) Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) in Value of Investment

The unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in the value of investment is the change from the prior year-end to the current year-end in the difference between the market value and the cost of the investment. The following is a summary of unrealized appreciation (depreciation):

	=====	======	=====
Balance at end of year	\$ (20,587)	\$ (3,744)	\$ 18,280
Increase (decrease) during the year	<u>(16,843</u> )	<u>(22,024</u> )	<u>7,966</u>
Balance at beginning of year	\$ (3,744)	\$ 18,280	\$ 10,314
	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>

## (6) Administrative Expenses of the Plan

All administrative expenses of the Plan are paid by UAL.

#### (7) Dividends

In the event UAL pays dividends on its common stock, participants can direct those dividends related to stock in the Plan to be paid out to the individual participant or reinvested in UAL common stock on their behalf.

## (8) Federal Income Tax

Under existing federal income tax laws, the Plan is not subject to federal income tax. Any dividend income is taxable to the participants upon distribution and receipt. When any shares of stock or rights acquired under the Plan are sold by or for a participant, any gain or loss must be recognized by that participant.