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**DES MOINES, Iowa** -- Airport body scans are the holiday travel buzz, but passengers don't have to worry about them at Des Moines International Airport.

Officials said there are no plans to add body scanners at this time.

If you are planning to travel by air from Des Moines this holiday season, you will be surrounded by lots of other not-so-frequent fliers.

Here are some tips to alleviate some of the hassles:

[Photos: Airport Security Tips](#)

Check with your airline on baggage costs, weights and allowed sizes because each airline is different.

Check with your airline before you leave the house to see if the flight is on time or even canceled. The airline has the most up to date info.

If you're traveling with gifts, do not wrap them. Security may need to have a look and you may end up wrapping your gifts again.

Carry-on liquids and gels must be in a 3-ounce container, placed in one-quart zip top bag. One bag per person is allowed.

The Des Moines airport will be busy next week, but the day you really have to be patient might surprise you.

"The outbound bump is spread out between Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Coming back, the Sunday following Thanksgiving is going to

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be a zoo around here, so if you've coming back in again, have your patience with you and plan ahead," said Roy Criss, spokesperson for the Des Moines International Airport.

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ever wanted to know about you and that my friend is curtis of capitalism. As far as loving the government, well that is also inaccurate. We are so close to being the lawless nation of 150 yrs ago right now and they are equally guilty. Another point you made is being able to defend yourself in the event of an attack--GOOD FOR YOU!! I need help as do many!!

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Do the research. These extra security measures don't actually make it any safer. All it does is give the passengers a false sense of security and dig deeper into their pockets.

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I find it to be an essential liberty to not be frisked as a condition of my travel choices. This is just crazy.

The Ben Franklin quote comes to mind. To paraphrase...Those who would give up their liberty for safety deserve neither.

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