

## Re: Why Mars?

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Scott Lowther <[scottlowther@ix.netcomSPAMBLOK.com](mailto:scottlowther@ix.netcomSPAMBLOK.com)> wrote:

> *Miguel Cruz wrote:*

>> *Stuart Warren <[email@somewhere.com](mailto:email@somewhere.com)> wrote:*

>>> *Bullshit, man. I can't fly from Chicago to California and back (a*

>>> *common route for me) without at least an hour and a half at*

>>> *O'Hare/Midway/Lindbergh dealing with security, waiting for the plane*

>>> *(which is always delayed), waiting in line for the one skycap on duty,*

>>> *etc.*

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>> *Try it, you could. I don't know anything about skycaps, but as for the*

>> *plane, choose airlines that historically have fewer delays. As for security,*

>> *the best tactics are airport-specific, but with careful queue selection*

>> *(can depend on time of day, but if you do it a lot you get used to it) at*

>> *most airports you can wait a lot less than the typical passenger.*

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> *So... you're saying to carefully schedule your day around the perfect*

> *flight for minimum wait time. Of course, while you're waiting for your*

> *red-eye HST, your business partner is already unloading his baggage at*

> *the other end, because he left 12 hours earlier than you did on a more*

> *convenient flight.*

I'm having trouble keeping up with the ever-changing scenario here. There are flights from Chicago to Los Angeles and San Francisco all the time. Is the trip now between Topeka and Muncie, so there's only two flights a day to choose from?

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