Aviation, Aerospace, and Defense Support Arizona

Arizona is home to 67 publicly owned, publicuse airports that support the economic vitality and quality of life within the Grand Canyon State. Some of the world's most cuttingedge aerospace and defense companies and numerous United States (U.S.) military installations with a significant aviation-related component are also located across the state. The 2021 Arizona Aviation Economic Impact Study (AEIS) commissioned by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) Aeronautics Group examines the impacts of these three vital aspects of aviation and aerospace in Arizona.

Together these components contribute over \$121.4 billion to our economy every year—providing a foundation for Arizona's culture of growth, innovation, and economic prosperity.

\$121.4 Billion



Notes and Sources: (1) Impacts modeled by IHS Markit using IMPLAN [2019]. (2) Impacts obtained from the Economic Impacts of Arizona's Principal Military Operations commissioned by the Military Affairs Commission. Prepared by The Maguire Company [2017]. (3) Impacts modeled by IHS Markit using IMPLAN for 59 study airports. Eight airports requested that their independently conducted studies be incorporated into the ADOT AEIS study results [2019]. Please see the AEIS Technical Report for further details.

Tax Impacts

Airports' direct economic impacts result in local and state tax revenues. On-airport businesses pay business and operating (B&O) taxes. Visitor spending generates taxes and fees associated with sales; hotel stays; and use of transportation services including rental cars, Transportation Network Companies (TNCs), and taxis.

2019 Tax Impacts	
Airport-specific (E63)	\$47,000
All Airports in Maricopa County	\$2,821,418,000
Total Statewide Airport Tax Impacts	\$3,472,766,000

Source: IHS Markit using IMPLAN 2019

For more details about the 2021 Arizona AEIS, including the full technical report, visit

azdot.gov/planning/airport-development/ links-and-resources-airport-development



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ARIZONA AVIATION ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

Gila Bend Municipal

Gila Bend





What Does Economic Impact Measure?

The Arizona AEIS measured how economic activity at the state's airports stimulated the Arizona economy in 2019. Impacts are generated by airport administration and business tenant employees working on airport property, capital improvement spending, and the thousands of out-of-state and international visitors who fly to Arizona and bring new money into our economy.

In turn, airport administration and on-airport business tenants purchase goods from suppliers (indirect impacts) and airport workers spend the money they earn (induced impacts), generating successive waves of economic impacts in Arizona.

Arizona Airports are Vital to the Economy

Arizona's diverse airports support commercial passenger service; world-class general aviation (GA) activities such as flight training, skydiving, and aerial tours; and air cargo while serving as regional job centers and economic engines in their communities.

Statewide Economic Impact of Arizona Airports*

Arizona's airports contributed \$33.0B in value added to the state, equaling 10.2% of the total Gross State Product in 2019.

*This includes the economic impacts of Arizona's airports but excludes aerospace



Jobs 386,057



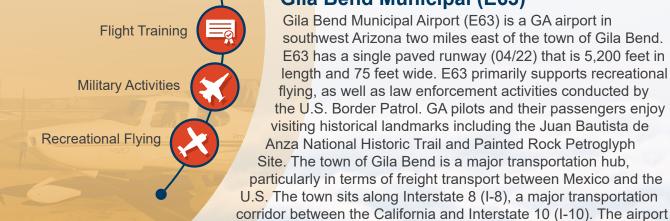
Earnings \$20.4B



Economic

Activity \$59.4B

Top Airport Activities at E63



Economic Impact of E63

\$279,000

On-airport Activities

\$193,000

Visitor Spending

Indirect/Induced \$351,000

Did You Know?

E63 is the nearest airport to the Sonoran Desert National Monument, an untouched area of desert landscape with miles of hiking and off-road trails

E63 Total Impacts



Jobs: 6

Number of full- and part-time persons employed



Earnings: \$267.000

Total compensation paid to workers including wages and benefits



Economic Activity (Output): \$823,000

Value of sales that occur in the Arizona economy that are ultimately attributable to airport activities



Gila Bend Municipal Airport (E63) is a GA airport in

southwest Arizona two miles east of the town of Gila Bend.

E63 has a single paved runway (04/22) that is 5,200 feet in

length and 75 feet wide. E63 primarily supports recreational

flying, as well as law enforcement activities conducted by

Anza National Historic Trail and Painted Rock Petroglyph

Site. The town of Gila Bend is a major transportation hub.

is located off the Phoenix Bypass Route 85 connecting the U.S./

Gila Bend is also home to numerous power plants including the Gila River Power Station and several of the largest solar energy

installations in the country. Gila Bend has received accolades

from the U.S. Department of Energy and the White House for its

leadership in solar energy generation. E63 offers these valuable

and expanding industries access to fast and reliable transportation

between this Gila Bend and more metropolitan areas of the state.

Mexico Port of Entry at Lukeville with I-10 in metropolitan Phoenix.

the U.S. Border Patrol. GA pilots and their passengers enjoy visiting historical landmarks including the Juan Bautista de

Gila Bend Municipal (E63)

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