Aviation, Aerospace, and Defense Support Arizona

Arizona is home to 67 publicly owned, public-use airports that support the economic vitality and quality of life within the Grand Canyon State. Some of the world’s most cutting-edge 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.

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STATEWIDE ECONOMIC IMPACT

$121.4 Billion

- Aerospace Manufacturing¹
  - $51.5B
- Military Operations²
  - $10.5B
- Arizona Airports³
  - $59.4B

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.

For more details about the 2021 Arizona AEIS, including the full technical report, visit azdot.gov/planning/airport-development/links-and-resources-airport-development

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

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<td>Total Statewide Airport Tax Impacts</td>
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Source: IHS Markit using IMPLAN 2019

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Holbrook Municipal
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2021 Arizona Airports
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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 manufacturing and military operations.

Holbrook Municipal (P14)
Holbrook has a rich history as a wild west town that was once home to famous outlaws and lawmen including Commodore Perry Owens. Today, Holbrook is a popular stop along Historic Route 66 and is the nearest town to the Petrified Forest National Park and Painted Desert. Holbrook Municipal Airport (P14) is a GA airport located three miles northeast of the city of Holbrook. The airport has one paved runway (03/21) that is 6,698 feet long by 75 feet wide and one dirt runway (11/29) that is 3,202 feet long by 120 feet wide. P14 is frequently used by recreational flyers visiting local attractions. The airport offers AvGas for piston aircraft and hosts a flight instructor that offers pilot training. P14 is served by Ameriflight, which conducts daily flights carrying UPS air cargo from Phoenix. An air ambulance operator also conducts emergency medical transportation operations, improving the safety of the community.

Did You Know?
P14’s helipad, located on the south ramp, allows patients to be quickly and easily transferred from ambulances into a helicopters ready to transport to larger hospitals.