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- Missouri's commercial service airports enplaned nearly 12 million passengers in 2012.
- Missouri supported approximately **264,000** general aviation visitors at airports in 2012.
- Airports in Missouri support more than **420** on-airport aviation related businesses.
- More than **\$130 million** was invested in the state's airports in 2012 through updates and renovations.
- Missouri airports support **11** scheduled commercial airlines throughout the state.
- More than **195,000** tons of cargo are transported by air in Missouri each year.





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# Missouri Statewide Airports Economic Impact Study









### **Economic Impact Study**

Missouri's airport system is not only a means of safe and efficient transportation, but also provides over 100,000 jobs and accounts for more than \$11 billion in total economic activity. Each of the airports in Missouri has a specific impact on its local community that goes far beyond the local level to serve as a catalyst for economic growth.

#### **STUDY PROCESS**

Similar to the 2002 Missouri economic analysis, the economic impact generated by Missouri's airports is quantified in terms of direct, indirect, and induced economic activity and spending.

**Direct** impacts are based on the employment, wages, and sales generated by on-airport business activity. Common direct impacts stem from tenants like fixed-base operators (FBOs) or aircraft maintenance operations.

**Indirect** impacts arise from visitors arriving by aircraft and their spending on food, hotels, entertainment, transportation, and other activities. These expenditures support additional jobs, wages, and output.

Induced impacts, also referred to as multiplier impacts, are created through the "spin-off" effect of users purchasing goods and services from other local businesses and through workers spending wages and other income for household goods and services. For example, when an airport employee is paid, he or she uses their salary to purchase local goods and services at businesses in the area, which in turn spend their revenue locally, thus generating additional economic activity in the region.

Combined, the direct, indirect and induced impacts determine the total economic impacts for each airport and the statewide airport system.

#### **IMPACT MEASURES**

**Jobs** represent the number of people who are employed and are presented as full-time equivalent jobs.

**Payroll** represents the total annual wages, salaries, and benefits paid to all workers.

**Output** measures the value of goods, services and capital expenditures.

TOTAL JOBS **100,621** 

TOTAL PAYROLL \$3,128,646,000

TOTAL OUTPUT **\$11.101.699.000** 





## Lee's Summit Municipal Airport

TOTAL JOBS **63** 



TOTAL OUTPUT **\$9,204,000** 



Lee's Summit Municipal Airport is located approximately 20 miles east of Kansas City, Missouri. The airport is owned and operated by the City of Lee's Summit. The airport has two runways, Runway 11/29 which is 3,800 feet long and Runway 18/36, which is 4,016 feet long. Lee's Summit Municipal Airport is designated a general aviation reliever airport to Kansas City International Airport and provides convenient and efficient access for business and leisure travel in the Kansas City metropolitan area.

Common activities at the airport consist of corporate flying, flight training, recreational flying, and aerial inspections. The terminal building provides users with amenities such as a pilot's lounge, flight planning room, conference room, and weather reporting. There is also office space adjacent to the terminal which is used for meetings by various local organizations.

The airport serves as a gateway to visitors of Kansas City and the surrounding area accommodating those flying in to attend Kansas City sporting events, city festivals, and visit other area attractions. Often, the airport serves as a staging area for community events and meetings, actively participating in aviation youth and community outreach. The airport also supports law enforcement operations, search and rescue operations and training, along with both emergency medical and doctor transports.

The airport is home to several robust aviation businesses. R&D American Aviation provides aircraft repair and maintenance services. Air Charter Inc. and Midwest Air Charter offer charter services. Several local businesses base their corporate flight departments and aircraft at the airport including Data Systems International (DSI) and H&H Color Lab. Wal-Mart, Bass Pro, Clarkson Construction, Continental Resources Inc., Hy-Vee, and Dick's Sporting Goods are companies who rely on the airport to transport staff, equipment, and goods in and out of the region. Emergency medical evacuation and transportation companies that utilize the airport include Angel Flight and Life Flight.

