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LRY | Lawrence Smith Memorial Airport
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Missouri Statewide Airports Economic Impact Study

- Missouri is served by **nine** commercial service airports in the state and **99** publicly owned, public use general aviation airports.
- 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.

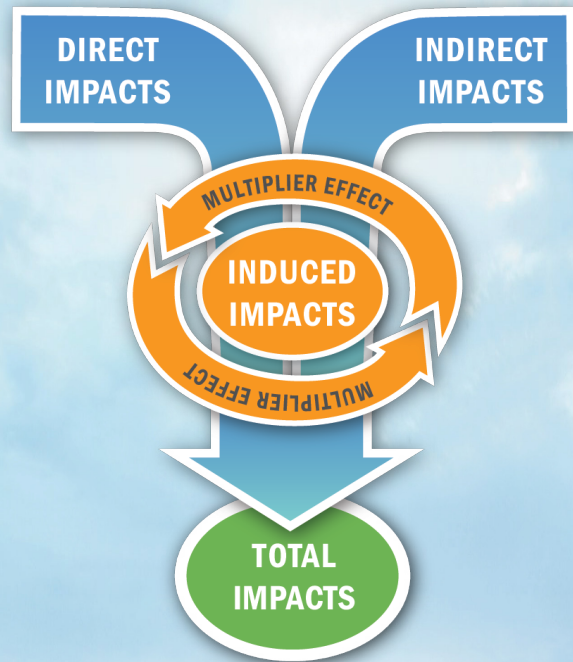


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Statewide
Economic Impacts



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



Lawrence Smith Memorial Airport

TOTAL JOBS
22

TOTAL PAYROLL
\$701,000

TOTAL OUTPUT
\$2,251,000

BENEFITS OF THE AIRPORT

Lawrence Smith Memorial Airport is located approximately 40 miles south of Kansas City, Missouri. The airport is owned and operated by the City of Harrisonville. The airport has one asphalt paved runway, Runway 17/35 which is 4,000 feet long. The airport offers 100LL fuel to airport users. Through a commitment to serve and attract general aviation users, the airport contributes to meeting the needs of individuals, the general public, the armed forces, and the business community it serves.

Common activities at the airport include corporate flying, flight training, and recreational flying. Seasonally, aerial agricultural sprayers, aerial inspectors, and aerial photographers utilize the airport for day-to-day operations. In addition, the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) utilizes the airport for search and rescue training and missions throughout the year. The airport further enhances the quality of life in the area by supporting emergency medical transports, medical doctor transports, and law enforcement operations. The Missouri State Highway Patrol relies on the airport for aviation related services, as do other law enforcement entities for transporting prisoners throughout the region.

The airport serves as a staging area for community events and meetings, hosting a biannual airport open house featuring educational booths, static aircraft displays, airport tours, and aircraft rides. The airport also serves as a gateway to hunting preserves and sporting clubs, which are just a few of the many outdoor attractions in the region.

The airport provides FBO services that include fuel, hangar and tie-down rentals, rental and crew car services, and flight crew facilities. In addition to these services, Precision Aircraft Services offers aircraft maintenance and repair. LifeFlight Eagle, an emergency medical transport, and 1 Low Flyer, an aerial agricultural sprayer, also base their operations at Lawrence Smith Memorial.

