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**TKX** | Kennett Memorial Airport  
Kennett, MO



## 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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## 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**



## Kennett Memorial Airport

TOTAL JOBS  
**48**

TOTAL PAYROLL  
**\$1,257,000**

TOTAL OUTPUT  
**\$3,328,000**

### BENEFITS OF THE AIRPORT

Kennett Memorial Airport is located in the bootheel of southern Missouri within the City of Kennett. The airport is owned and operated by the City of Kennett. The airport has two runways, Runway 02/20 which is 5,000 long, and Runway 18/36 which is 3,012 feet long. In addition to new T-hangers, a new terminal building, and apron expansion; the airport recently installed a new 100LL fuel storage tank, Jet A fuel system, and made pavement upgrades to Runway 18/36.

Common activities at the airport consist of corporate flying, flight training, recreational flying, and emergency medical transports. Seasonal activities include aerial agricultural spraying, aerial inspections, and aerial photography. Additionally, the airport serves as a gateway to tourism in the area attracting people to visit the local farm auctions and fairs, hunting reservations, and the Kennett Country Club golf course. The airport serves as a staging area for community events and meetings, actively participating in aviation youth and community outreach in conjunction with the local pilots association. The airport enhances the quality of life in the area by supporting environmental patrols, medical doctor transports, and search and rescue training performed by the Civil Air Patrol.

The airport serves as the FBO, providing fuel, hangar and tie-down rentals, and flight crew and passenger facilities. Jewell Aviation specializes in aircraft maintenance and engine overhauls at the airport. The company also provides aircraft parts sales, aircraft rental, and flight training. Twin Rivers Hospital, Arch Ambulance, and Medic One rely on the airport for medical and patient transports. Advantage Health Services, REMC Leasing LLC, S&D Equipment Leasing LLC, and Small Inc., are companies who rely on the airport to transport staff, equipment, and goods in and out of the region.

