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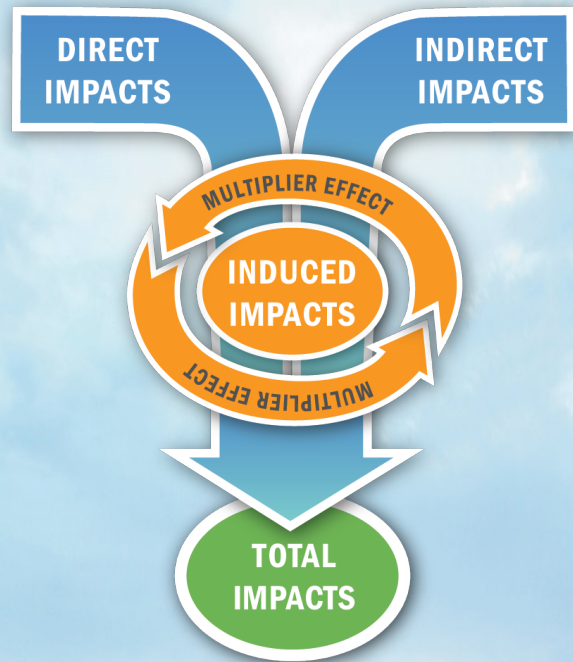
Missouri Statewide Airports Economic Impact Study

- 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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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



St. Charles County Smartt Airport

TOTAL JOBS
82

TOTAL PAYROLL
\$2,363,000

TOTAL OUTPUT
\$7,000,000

BENEFITS OF THE AIRPORT

St. Charles County Smartt Airport is located approximately 30 miles northwest of St. Louis in Portage Des Sioux, Missouri. The airport is owned and operated by the County of St. Charles. The airport has two runways, Runway 09/27 which is 2,000 feet long, and Runway 18/36, which is 3,800 feet long. The airport is home to the Missouri Wing of the Commemorative Air Force, which currently maintains three aircraft, as well as a museum dedicated to preserving history related to the U.S. Air Force during World War II. The airport recently constructed new T-hangers in 2012, with an additional waiting list of individuals looking to rent hangar space at the airport. In addition to full-service fuel, self-service fuel is also offered by the Commemorative Air Force, which generates revenue for the upkeep of aircraft and the local museum.

Common activities at the airport consist of corporate flying, air cargo operations, recreational flying, and flight training. Seasonal airport activities include aerial agricultural spraying, inspections, as well as aerial photography and advertising.

Additionally, the airport serves as a gateway to tourism in the area attracting people to visit Ameristar Casino, downtown historical district, and Missouri Bluffs Golf Course. The airport serves as a staging area for community events, actively participating in aviation youth and community outreach in conjunction with the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), Commemorative Air Force, and onsite FBO. The airport further enhances the quality of life in the area by supporting police and law enforcement operations.

The airport is home to several robust aviation businesses. Boeing operates its Antenna Test Range Facility at the airport. This facility checks the performance of antennas to be sure each one has the desired coverage, and that an antenna for one system doesn't adversely affect the antenna function of another system. St. Charles Flying Service provides FBO and other services that include flight instruction, aircraft rental, aircraft maintenances, fuel, air cargo operations, air taxi operations, and aerial advertising. Skylink Aviation provides full service flight training, aircraft rental, and aircraft maintenance. They also offer rides in a vintage C-47 aircraft, which is known to be one of the only C-47's left in the world that still flies. Skylink also participates in airshows throughout the country with this aircraft. Ceiling Center Inc., Fireside Homes Inc., Krause General Aviation LLC, MWS Project Management LLC, and the University of Central Missouri are companies who rely on the airport to transport staff, equipment, and goods in and out of the region.

