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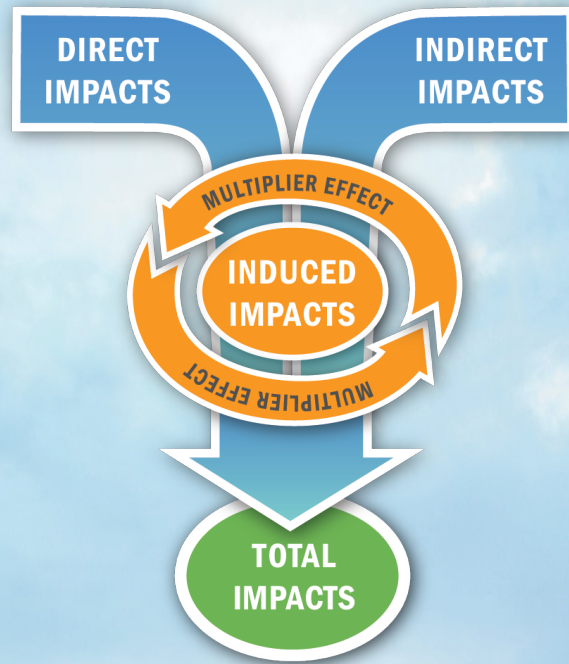
## Missouri Statewide Airports Economic Impact Study

- 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**



## Rosecrans Memorial Airport

TOTAL JOBS  
**1,437**

TOTAL PAYROLL  
**\$92,284,000**

TOTAL OUTPUT  
**\$162,318,000**

### BENEFITS OF THE AIRPORT

Rosecrans Memorial Airport is located 55 miles north of Kansas City and three miles northwest of St. Joseph. The airport is owned and operated by the City of St. Joseph. The airport has two active runways, Runway 13/31 which is 4,797 feet long, and Runway 17/35 which is 8,061 feet long. Through a commitment to serve and attract general aviation, commercial, and military aircraft, 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 consist of corporate flying, military exercises, air cargo operations, flight training, and recreational flying. Based at Rosecrans Memorial Airport, the 139th Airlift Wing flies C-130H model aircraft. The Advanced Airlift Tactics Training Center at Rosecrans trains crews from all components and allies around the world. St. Joseph's 139th Airlift Wing provides the state and nation with immediately deployable, combat-ready C-130H-model aircraft. The Wing's pilots and crews have flown missions in operations Just Cause, Volant Oak, Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

Seasonal airport activities include aerial agricultural spraying, aerial inspections, aerial photography, and aerial advertising. The airport serves as a staging area for community events and meetings, including the biannual Sound of Speed Air Show which brings in more than 1,000 visitors to the airport, and hosts seasonal fly-in breakfasts. The airport also works with the Civil Air Patrol (CAP), Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), Missouri Pilot's Association, and other local organizations to develop community relations and education programs for youth. The airport enhances the quality of life in the area by supporting emergency medical transports, medical doctor transports, and law enforcement operations in addition to its military contributions.

The airport is home to several robust aviation businesses in addition to the 139th Airlift Wing. Express Flight provides typical FBO services that include fuel, hangar storage, charter operations, aircraft rental and sales, flight instruction, and pilot supplies. Rosecrans Aviation provides aircraft maintenance services. MGP Ag Spraying and Herzog McElwain Ag Spraying provide aerial agriculture applications services. Lifenet offers emergency and medical transport flights. Located in the terminal, Cindy's Airport Café offers breakfast, lunch and dinner. Several local businesses base their corporate flight departments and aircraft at the airport such as Biozyme, Conklin, NPG News Press, and Grace Company. Midwest Transport, Menards, Central Trust Bank, and Cottonwood Investment Group are companies who rely on the airport to transport staff, equipment, and goods in and out of the region.

