



OKLAHOMA
Aerospace &
Aeronautics



Aerospace and Defense Industry

Economic Impact Study

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Driving Innovation and Fueling Prosperity in Oklahoma

Oklahoma – Your Home for Aerospace and Defense

Introduction

Oklahoma’s aerospace and defense sector is a cornerstone of the state’s economy, supported by a network of 107 public-use airports that provide essential infrastructure for commercial air travel and aerospace businesses, five military installations that create several of Oklahoma’s largest single-site employers, and numerous aerospace companies that support both military and commercial aviation operations.

The state is home to leading aerospace companies, advanced manufacturing firms, and major maintenance, repair, and overhaul (MRO) operations, creating high-quality jobs, and driving innovation. Oklahoma’s airports serve as critical hubs for passenger and freight movement, while the aerospace industry powers technological advancements and attracts significant investment.

World-class training centers, research institutions, and strong partnerships with military installations further reinforce Oklahoma’s leadership in aerospace and defense. With its strategic location, skilled workforce, and commitment to innovation, Oklahoma continues to strengthen its position as a premier destination for aerospace and defense enterprises. Together, these factors contribute to an impressive **\$52.5 billion in annual economic impacts**, underscoring the vital role this industry plays in Oklahoma’s economy.

AIRPORT

\$13.8 Billion

MILITARY

\$21.8 Billion

OFF-AIRPORT AIR CARGO

\$6.7 Billion*

INDUSTRY RELIANCE

\$16.8 Billion

**TOTAL
ANNUAL
ECONOMIC
IMPACT**

\$52.5 Billion

*Not included in Total Annual Economic Impact.
Totals may not sum due to rounding.

Built to Compete. Positioned to Lead.

Oklahoma's continued success in aerospace and defense is rooted in a combination of economic competitiveness, workforce strength, and quality of life that is difficult to replicate elsewhere. The state offers a business environment that supports both long-established firms and emerging innovators, allowing companies to scale operations while managing costs and maintaining access to specialized talent.

Our decision to establish roots in Oklahoma has proven to be a strategic win that only gets stronger with time. From our core operations in Oklahoma City to our newest expansion into , we continue to find the ideal environment for growth and success.

The state's unique combination of a highly skilled workforce, incentives, resources, and specialized infrastructure, like the Infinity One Oklahoma Spaceport, makes it the clear choice for any leader in the defense and aerospace sectors.

» Steve Fendley
President, Unmanned Systems Division Kratos Defense & Security Solutions Inc

Central location is one of Oklahoma's greatest strategic advantages. With efficient access to both coasts and major domestic markets, Oklahoma enables fast, reliable movement of people, goods, and components, an essential factor for manufacturers, MRO providers, logistics firms, and defense contractors. Extensive airport infrastructure, robust highway and rail connections, and growing air cargo capabilities reinforce this geographic advantage.

Oklahoma's aerospace workforce is another defining strength. The state benefits from a pipeline of engineers, technicians, pilots, and skilled trades supported by higher education, career technology centers, and military training programs. Close coordination among industry, universities, and military installations keeps workforce skills aligned with evolving industry needs, particularly in advanced manufacturing, avionics, unmanned systems, maintenance technologies, and commercial space activities. These emerging fields are increasingly central to Oklahoma's aerospace identity. The state has become a national leader in unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and advanced air mobility (AAM), earning a top ranking for state readiness in drone commerce and establishing a dedicated program office to guide testing, policy, and development statewide. Oklahoma is advancing its space ambitions as well at the Infinity One Oklahoma Spaceport in Burns Flat, the nation's first inland facility licensed for suborbital operations, which is preparing to host runway-based spaceplane flights in the coming years.

Beyond business fundamentals, Oklahoma offers a high quality of life that helps aerospace employers attract and retain talent. Affordable housing, reasonable commute times, strong local communities, and access to cultural and outdoor amenities contribute to a cost-of-living advantage that enhances employee satisfaction while supporting long-term workforce stability. For aerospace professionals and their families, Oklahoma combines meaningful career opportunities with an accessible and livable environment.

Together, these attributes position Oklahoma not only as a place where aerospace and defense businesses operate efficiently, but as a place where they can grow, innovate, and compete globally while contributing to strong local communities across the state.

Workforce Pipeline & Talent Alignment for Aerospace

#1 in the U.S. for
HIGH SCHOOLS TEACHING AVIATION CURRICULUM
for five consecutive years (2022-2026)

250,000+
JOB'S SUPPORTED BY AEROSPACE AND DEFENSE STATEWIDE

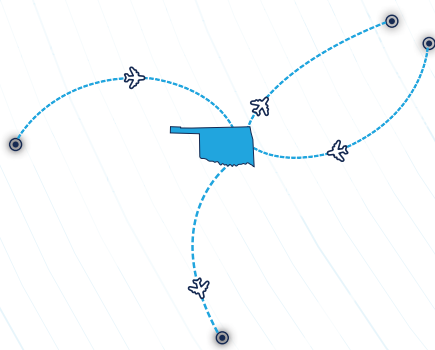
Economic Competitiveness & Business Environment

#1
LOWEST COST OF DOING BUSINESS
in the U.S.

20-30%
LOWER ENERGY COSTS than the national average

#4
LOWEST CORPORATE TAX BURDEN
in the U.S.
(Tax Foundation, 2024)

Space for Innovation



Oklahoma is equidistant from New York, Los Angeles, Mexico City, and Toronto

845,000 ACRES
OF UAS TEST SITES

1ST
UAS DESIGN PH.D. PROGRAM IN THE U.S.
OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

Infinity One is one of only **14 FAA-licensed spaceports** in the U.S. and the nation's first inland commercial spaceport, anchored by a **13,503-foot runway**.

Airport Impacts

Oklahoma's airports are powerful economic engines, supporting jobs, generating income, driving business activity, and producing tax revenues that ripple across nearly every industry in the state. The benefits created by Oklahoma's aviation system reach well beyond airport fences, extending through supplier purchases, employee spending, and the dollars visitors bring into local communities. Taken together, airport operations, business tenants, capital improvement projects, and air-arriving visitors form the foundation of a statewide economic contribution that touches communities large and small.

According to the 2026 Oklahoma Department of Aerospace and Aeronautics (ODAA) Economic Impact Study, Oklahoma's airports support a combined total of approximately 64,878 jobs, generate \$4.6 billion in payroll, produce \$9.3 billion in annual spending, and contribute nearly \$13.8 billion in total statewide economic impact. The largest portion of this activity occurs on airport property, where Oklahoma's airports directly employ 24,821 people and host 572

aviation and aerospace businesses, including airlines, fixed-base operators, maintenance and repair providers, manufacturers, flight schools, and agricultural aviation operators. On-airport activity alone supports 47,160 jobs and \$11.6 billion in economic impact, with airport business tenants generating roughly \$10.9 billion, capital improvement projects adding \$506 million, and airport administration contributing \$111 million.

Visitors arriving by air contribute meaningfully to this statewide total. In 2024, roughly 1.5 million travelers came through Oklahoma's commercial service airports and another 460,000 through its general aviation airports, spending money on lodging, dining, transportation, entertainment, and retail throughout the state. This out-of-state visitor spending supports an additional 17,718 jobs and \$2.3 billion in economic impact, including \$1.8 billion tied to commercial service airports, and \$509 million linked to general aviation airports activity that is captured within the combined totals above.

\$13.8B

TOTAL AIRPORT
ECONOMIC
IMPACT

24.8K

AIRPORT
EMPLOYEES

≈2M

OUT-OF-STATE
VISITORS
ANNUALLY

"The Guthrie-Edmond Regional Airport is a vital tool supporting Edmond's economic growth. It is more than just convenience as it connects businesses to markets and strengthens Edmond's foundation. The airport serves as a runway for increased opportunities."

» Phil Fraim, Edmond City Council Member and Board Member for the Edmond Economic Development Authority, City of Edmond

	DIRECT	MULTIPLIER	TOTAL
ON-AIRPORT IMPACTS			
EMPLOYMENT	24,821	22,338	47,160
PAYROLL	\$2.4 BILLION	\$1.3 BILLION	\$3.8 BILLION
SPENDING	\$4.7 BILLION	\$3.1 BILLION	\$7.8 BILLION
ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACT	\$7.1 BILLION	\$4.4 BILLION	\$11.6 BILLION

VISITOR SPENDING IMPACTS			
EMPLOYMENT	12,915	4,803	17,718
PAYROLL	\$483 MILLION	\$277 MILLION	\$760 MILLION
SPENDING	\$839 MILLION	\$678 MILLION	\$1.5 BILLION
ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACT	\$1.3 BILLION	\$955 MILLION	\$2.3 BILLION

Totals may not sum due to rounding.



Military Impacts

Oklahoma's five major military installations, Altus Air Force Base, Fort Sill Army Installation, McAlester Army Ammunition Plant, Tinker Air Force Base, and Vance Air Force Base, are critical to national security, and the state's aerospace and defense industry. The state also hosts two Air National Guard units at OKC Will Rogers International Airport and Tulsa International Airport, along with a significant Army National Guard presence throughout the state. Altus and Vance are critical to the mission of training future Air Force pilots. Tinker operates the world's largest military MRO facility, and hosts the Air Force Sustainment Center headquarters, aligning with Oklahoma's aerospace sector for advanced maintenance activities and

engineering excellence. Fort Sill supports joint Army operations and serves as the headquarters for the U.S. Army's Fires Center of Excellence, while the McAlester ammunition plant ensures critical munitions manufacturing capabilities are maintained for inventory stockpiles. Together, these installations drive innovation, create thousands of jobs, and generate significant economic impact through operations and capital investments. According to the ODAA study, their synergy with Oklahoma's aerospace industry ensures continued growth in aviation, technology, and workforce development. Overall, the military supports 133,296 jobs, \$7.3 billion in payroll, \$14.5 billion in spending, and generates \$21.8 billion in economic impact.

"Enid Woodring Regional Airport provides essential support for Vance Air Force Base's pilot training mission, accommodating over 3000 sorties a year. As a year-round alternate, it offers Vance more training opportunities and is used daily for training missions involving T-6 and T-38 aircraft. Joint-use hangars are available to house Vance aircraft during inclement weather and serve as alternate maintenance locations. Furthermore, a dedicated planning section in the airport's terminal building allows instructors and students to continue their missions. The collaboration is so integral that the airport is sometimes referred to as "Vance's fourth runway."

» **Ragan Bagenstos**, Chief of Community Engagement, 71 FTW Public Affairs, Vance Air Force Base

	EMPLOYMENT	PAYROLL	SPENDING	IMPACT
TOTAL MILITARY IMPACTS				
DIRECT	65,958	\$5.0 BILLION	\$8.9 BILLION	\$14.0 BILLION
INDIRECT	25,728	\$1.1 BILLION	\$2.6 BILLION	\$3.7 BILLION
INDUCED	41,610	\$1.2 BILLION	\$3.0 BILLION	\$4.2 BILLION
TOTAL	133,296	\$7.3 BILLION	\$14.5 BILLION	\$21.8 BILLION

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	EMPLOYMENT	PAYROLL	SPENDING	IMPACT
ALTUS AIR FORCE BASE				
DIRECT	2,841	\$178 MILLION	\$255 MILLION	\$433 MILLION
INDIRECT	1,173	\$55 MILLION	\$124 MILLION	\$179 MILLION
INDUCED	1,055	\$47 MILLION	\$113 MILLION	\$161 MILLION
TOTAL	5,070	\$280 MILLION	\$492 MILLION	\$772 MILLION
FORT SILL ARMY INSTALLATION				
DIRECT	31,099	\$2.0 BILLION	\$2.9 BILLION	\$4.9 BILLION
INDIRECT	10,783	\$625 MILLION	\$1.4 BILLION	\$2.0 BILLION
INDUCED	9,901	\$537 MILLION	\$1.3 BILLION	\$1.8 BILLION
TOTAL	51,783	\$3.2 BILLION	\$5.6 BILLION	\$8.8 BILLION
McALESTER ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT				
DIRECT	1,564	\$158 MILLION	\$265 MILLION	\$423 MILLION
INDIRECT	505	\$21 MILLION	\$54 MILLION	\$75 MILLION
INDUCED	893	\$37 MILLION	\$88 MILLION	\$124 MILLION
TOTAL	2,962	\$216 MILLION	\$407 MILLION	\$622 MILLION
TINKER AIR FORCE BASE				
DIRECT	27,857	\$2.4 BILLION	\$5.3 BILLION	\$7.8 BILLION
INDIRECT	12,194	\$337 MILLION	\$874 MILLION	\$1.2 BILLION
INDUCED	28,797	\$569 MILLION	\$1.4 BILLION	\$1.9 BILLION
TOTAL	68,848	\$3.3 BILLION	\$7.6 BILLION	\$10.9 BILLION
VANCE AIR FORCE BASE				
DIRECT	2,597	\$228 MILLION	\$199 MILLION	\$426 MILLION
INDIRECT	1,072	\$32 MILLION	\$144 MILLION	\$176 MILLION
INDUCED	965	\$16 MILLION	\$142 MILLION	\$158 MILLION
TOTAL	4,633	\$276 MILLION	\$485 MILLION	\$761 MILLION

Military installations generate \$2 billion in tax revenues for the state and federal government.

Off-Airport Industry Reliance Facts

Off-airport aerospace and defense businesses represent a major component of Oklahoma's aerospace and defense economy, extending aviation's economic benefits well beyond airport boundaries. These businesses include aircraft and component manufacturers, engineering and technology firms, logistics providers, and other aviation-dependent employers located throughout the state. Although they are not physically located on airport property, their operations rely heavily on access to aviation infrastructure and services, making them an essential part of Oklahoma's aerospace ecosystem.

Oklahoma is home to approximately 790 off-airport aerospace and defense companies that collectively support 61,109 total jobs statewide and generate \$4.8 billion in annual payroll. These businesses account for an estimated \$12 billion in annual spending and produce \$16.8 billion in total economic impact when direct activity, supplier purchases, and income re-spending effects are considered. These impacts highlight the scale and diversity of Oklahoma's off-airport aerospace sector, and underscore its role as a significant driver of employment and economic impact across both urban and rural communities.

Beyond their measurable economic contributions, off-airport aerospace businesses strengthen Oklahoma's competitive position in national and global aerospace markets. Their close integration with airports, military installations, and air cargo facilities supports innovation, workforce development, and long-term industry growth. The continued success of Oklahoma's aerospace ecosystem is closely tied to the performance of these off-airport employers, whose operations amplify the industry's statewide economic impact and reinforce the state's reputation as a leader in aerospace and defense.

790
OFF-AIRPORT
COMPANIES

61,109
JOBS
SUPPORTED

\$4.8B
LABOR INCOME

\$16.8B
TOTAL ECONOMIC
IMPACT

Air Cargo Impacts New to the 2026 Study

Oklahoma's airports are key drivers of economic growth, connecting businesses to national and global markets through efficient air cargo operations. Each year, nearly 50,000 tons of air cargo valued at over \$7 billion move through the state's airports, with most of this activity linked to international trade. Air cargo supports a diverse range of industries, including manufacturing, electronics, and transportation equipment, helping companies access global supply chains and reach new customers.

In 2026, air cargo activity supported about 27,600 jobs and generated \$6.7 billion in annual economic activity statewide. The Tulsa and Oklahoma City regions serve as major gateways for both domestic and international shipments, reinforcing Oklahoma's role as a logistics hub. The state's central location, strong infrastructure, and skilled workforce make it an attractive market for investment and expansion in aviation, logistics, and advanced manufacturing.

Oklahoma's air cargo sector is a cornerstone of the state's economy, fueling growth, supporting jobs, and positioning Oklahoma as a competitive player in the global marketplace.

\$6.7B
ECONOMIC
IMPACT

	EMPLOYMENT	PAYROLL	SPENDING	IMPACT
TOTAL CARGO IMPACTS				
DIRECT	14,510	\$1.1 BILLION	\$1.5 BILLION	\$4.2 BILLION
INDIRECT	6,790	\$430 MILLION	\$710 MILLION	\$1.4 BILLION
INDUCED	6,310	\$330 MILLION	\$640 MILLION	\$1.1 BILLION
TOTAL	27,610	\$1.9 BILLION	\$2.9 BILLION	\$6.7 BILLION

Totals may not sum due to rounding.

"Our pro-business environment and focus on economic diversification are attracting companies from around the country and world, helping Oklahoma quickly emerge as a national leader in defense manufacturing and aerospace innovation."

» **Barbra Coffee, Executive Director of EDGE**

Individual Airport Economic Impact					
Airport Name	FAA ID	Jobs	Payroll	Spending	Impact
Ada Municipal Airport	ADH	144	\$9,644,007	\$18,033,839	\$27,677,846
Altus/Quartz Mountain Regional Airport	AXS	150	\$9,663,349	\$17,995,565	\$27,658,913
Alva Regional Airport	AVK	60	\$4,302,829	\$9,059,984	\$13,362,812
Anadarko Municipal Airport	F68	4	\$100,556	\$111,546	\$212,102
Antlers Municipal Airport	80F	8	\$425,300	\$467,656	\$892,956
Ardmore Downtown Executive	1FO	50	\$2,858,232	\$4,132,232	\$6,990,464
Ardmore Municipal	ADM	503	\$35,300,821	\$75,859,849	\$111,160,669
Atoka Municipal Airport	AQR	5	\$266,618	\$354,938	\$621,556
Bartlesville Municipal Airport	BVO	121	\$6,083,931	\$8,510,445	\$14,594,377
Beaver Municipal Airport	K44	3	\$201,552	\$344,404	\$545,955
Blackwell-Tonkawa Municipal Airport	BKN	10	\$554,032	\$690,050	\$1,244,081
Boise City Airport	17K	12	\$679,824	\$1,020,325	\$1,700,149
Broken Bow Municipal Airport	90F	3	\$193,375	\$296,297	\$489,672
Buffalo Municipal Airport	BFK	1	\$42,171	\$37,624	\$79,795
Carlton Landing Field Airport	91F	2	\$93,124	\$94,910	\$188,034
Carnegie Municipal Airport	86F	4	\$216,897	\$233,078	\$449,974
Chandler Regional Airport	CQB	14	\$628,183	\$1,029,849	\$1,658,032
Chattanooga Sky Harbor Airport	92F	5	\$227,088	\$250,752	\$477,839
Cherokee Municipal Airport	405	4	\$194,281	\$244,244	\$438,525
Chickasha Municipal Airport	CHK	72	\$4,297,434	\$6,354,116	\$10,651,550
Christman Airfield	065	2	\$85,094	\$157,220	\$242,314
Claremore Regional Airport	GCM	70	\$3,947,778	\$5,972,836	\$9,920,614
Clarence E Page Municipal Airport	RCE	44	\$2,198,507	\$2,755,443	\$4,953,950
Cleveland Municipal Airport	95F	7	\$601,747	\$1,357,233	\$1,958,980
Clinton Regional Airport	CLK	29	\$1,825,430	\$2,699,864	\$4,525,294
Cordell Municipal Airport	F36	1	\$44,556	\$56,622	\$101,177
Cushing Municipal Airport	CUH	93	\$5,589,032	\$10,796,327	\$16,385,359
David Jay Perry Airport	1K4	17	\$860,878	\$1,515,729	\$2,376,608
Durant Regional Airport - Eaker Field	DUA	142	\$8,103,732	\$13,703,806	\$21,807,538
El Reno Regional Airport	RQO	65	\$4,792,527	\$10,841,851	\$15,634,378
Elk City Regional Business Airport	ELK	46	\$2,548,271	\$3,737,059	\$6,285,330
Enid Woodring Regional Airport	WDG	284	\$19,460,303	\$38,160,957	\$57,621,261
Eufaula Municipal Airport	F08	3	\$161,514	\$222,659	\$384,173
Fairview Municipal Airport	6K4	27	\$1,755,452	\$3,371,034	\$5,126,486
Fountainhead Lodge Airpark	0F7	0	\$5,742	\$12,856	\$18,598
Frederick Regional Airport	FDR	20	\$910,908	\$1,263,861	\$2,174,769
Gage Airport	GAG	1	\$85,380	\$107,953	\$193,334
Grandfield Municipal Airport	101	6	\$294,487	\$375,733	\$670,220
Grove Regional Airport	GMJ	72	\$4,588,754	\$12,004,714	\$16,593,469
Guthrie-Edmond Regional Airport	GOK	216	\$12,770,790	\$24,453,204	\$37,223,994
Guymon Municipal Airport	GUY	54	\$3,066,126	\$5,380,750	\$8,446,875
Halliburton Field Airport	DUC	71	\$3,636,159	\$4,908,876	\$8,545,035
Healdton Municipal Airport	F32	0	\$6,249	\$13,990	\$20,239
Hefner-Easley Airport	H68	6	\$329,279	\$452,766	\$782,045
Henryetta Municipal Airport	F10	1	\$58,216	\$73,544	\$131,760
Hinton Municipal Airport	208	6	\$264,546	\$450,933	\$715,479
Hobart Regional Airport	HBR	11	\$512,060	\$672,344	\$1,184,404
Holdenville Municipal Airport	F99	10	\$659,274	\$991,363	\$1,650,638
Hollis Municipal Airport	035	5	\$209,285	\$156,769	\$366,054

Airport Name	FAA ID	Jobs	Payroll	Spending	Impact
Hominy Municipal Airport	H92	4	\$226,565	\$243,217	\$469,783
Hooker Municipal Airport	045	6	\$346,808	\$491,203	\$838,011
Infinity One Spaceport	CSM	307	\$19,942,713	\$26,397,876	\$46,340,589
Jones Memorial Airport	3F7	113	\$9,166,974	\$19,926,931	\$29,093,905
Kingfisher Airport	F92	20	\$1,067,494	\$1,954,636	\$3,022,129
Lawton-Fort Sill Regional Airport	LAW	691	\$38,718,584	\$87,488,593	\$126,207,177
Lindsay Municipal Airport	1K2	2	\$109,174	\$100,557	\$209,731
Madill Municipal Airport	1F4	11	\$640,619	\$1,074,431	\$1,715,050
McAlester Regional Airport	MLC	62	\$3,265,258	\$5,045,796	\$8,311,054
McCurtain County Regional Airport	404	44	\$2,667,795	\$4,102,599	\$6,770,394
Medford Municipal Airport	053	2	\$73,482	\$133,061	\$206,544
Miami Regional Airport	MIO	35	\$1,664,498	\$2,007,379	\$3,671,877
Mid-America Industrial Airport	H71	28	\$1,694,136	\$2,517,465	\$4,211,601
Mignon Laird Municipal Airport	93F	2	\$52,695	\$117,969	\$170,664
Mooreland Municipal Airport	MDF	7	\$79,114	\$143,786	\$222,900
Muskogee-Davis Regional Airport	MKO	77	\$4,038,068	\$6,127,687	\$10,165,755
Okemah Flying Field Airport	F81	3	\$217,790	\$328,711	\$546,501
Okmulgee Regional Airport	OKM	162	\$8,495,983	\$7,868,457	\$16,364,440
Pauls Valley Municipal Airport	PVJ	78	\$4,788,338	\$7,002,992	\$11,791,330
Pawhuska Municipal Airport	H76	12	\$633,576	\$737,307	\$1,370,882
Perry Municipal Airport	F22	13	\$485,735	\$847,672	\$1,333,407
Ponca City Regional Airport	PNC	237	\$10,942,000	\$16,420,329	\$27,362,330
Prague Municipal Airport	047	9	\$474,160	\$692,166	\$1,166,327
Purcell Municipal Airport - Steven E. Shepard Field	303	8	\$408,821	\$625,380	\$1,034,201
Robert S Kerr Airport	RKR	29	\$1,503,979	\$2,055,999	\$3,559,978
Sallisaw Municipal Airport	JSV	41	\$2,730,470	\$4,042,347	\$6,772,818
Sayre Municipal Airport	304	4	\$159,502	\$226,162	\$385,665
Scott Field Airport	2K4	3	\$118,024	\$209,175	\$327,199
Seminole Municipal Airport	SRE	22	\$1,165,042	\$2,081,824	\$3,246,866
Shawnee Regional Airport	SNL	136	\$11,328,104	\$27,812,763	\$39,140,867
Skiatook Municipal Airport	2F6	13	\$794,489	\$1,411,861	\$2,206,349
South Grand Lake Regional Airport	1K8	42	\$2,411,005	\$3,689,364	\$6,100,369
Stan Stamper Municipal Airport	HHW	20	\$1,189,799	\$1,630,574	\$2,820,373
Stigler Regional Airport	GZL	24	\$1,435,176	\$3,717,805	\$5,152,981
Stillwater Regional Airport	SWO	664	\$34,081,997	\$63,489,388	\$97,571,385
Stroud Municipal Airport	SUD	116	\$9,960,119	\$22,312,276	\$32,272,395
Sulphur Municipal Airport	F30	16	\$1,020,298	\$1,957,320	\$2,977,617
Tahlequah Municipal Airport	TQH	17	\$681,986	\$1,264,762	\$1,946,748
Talihina Municipal Airport	GF1	1	\$36,569	\$62,478	\$99,047
Tenkiller Lake Airpark	44M	2	\$55,397	\$124,019	\$179,416
Texhoma Municipal Airport	K49	1	\$44,873	\$43,674	\$88,547
Thomas Municipal Airport	104	20	\$1,020,406	\$1,758,323	\$2,778,730
Tipton Municipal Airport	108	2	\$46,915	\$51,511	\$98,426
Tishomingo Airpark	0F9	1	\$49,145	\$42,366	\$91,512
Tulsa International Airport	TUL	24,542	\$1,850,875,090	\$4,168,838,334	\$6,019,713,424
Tulsa Riverside Airport	RVS	864	\$51,495,472	\$112,860,453	\$164,355,924
University of Oklahoma Westheimer Airport	OUN	1,227	\$78,743,760	\$133,326,182	\$212,069,942
Vinita Municipal Airport	H04	17	\$1,022,530	\$1,842,243	\$2,864,773
Walters Municipal Airport	305	2	\$71,370	\$48,918	\$120,288
Watonga Regional Airport	JWG	20	\$1,005,392	\$1,374,840	\$2,380,232
Waynoka Municipal Airport	1K5	1	\$92,724	\$95,097	\$187,821
Weatherford Stafford Airport	OJA	77	\$4,399,758	\$7,637,688	\$12,037,446
West Woodward Airport	WWR	40	\$2,054,632	\$3,429,094	\$5,483,726
Westport Airport	4F1	1	\$32,596	\$72,975	\$105,571
Wilburton Municipal Airport	H05	1	\$45,943	\$42,988	\$88,931
Wiley Post Airport	PWA	1,713	\$117,591,935	\$259,698,491	\$377,290,427
Will Rogers World Airport	OKC	30,692	\$2,068,923,610	\$3,997,504,530	\$6,066,428,140
William R. Pogue Municipal Airport	OWP	88	\$4,365,975	\$8,267,847	\$12,633,822

Economic Impact Measures

JOBS

The sum of full-time and part-time employees that accounts for the total number of people employed as a result of the airport or company within a defined geography or industry.

PAYROLL

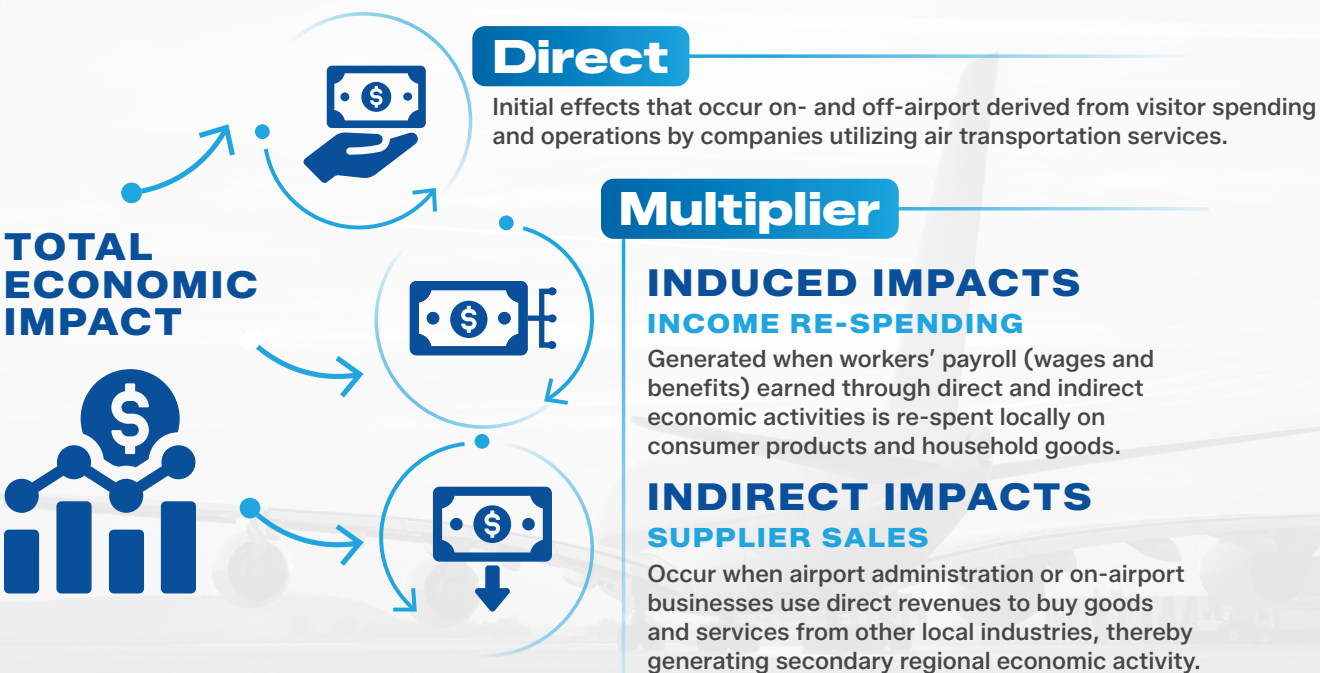
Total compensation for work, including gross wages, salaries, employer-provided benefits, and taxes paid to governments on behalf of employees.

SPENDING

Consists of compensation of employees, taxes paid on production and imports, and gross operating surplus. This equals the difference between an industry's gross output and the cost of its intermediate inputs.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The value of sales or receipts and other operating income, along with any inventory change (e.g., spoilage, breakage, or theft). It is the equivalent of value added, plus the cost of all intermediate inputs, including energy, raw materials, semi-finished goods, and services, that are purchased from all sources/locations.



IMPLAN

IMPLAN is a widely used economic impact modeling software and is approved by the FAA for use in statewide studies. It utilizes state and regional economic data to estimate how employee and business spending across various industries contributes to the local economy. IMPLAN was used in several ways to process the airport's data, including filling gaps where detailed information was unavailable. For example, while airports could report their capital expenditures, they often did not know how many construction jobs those projects supported. IMPLAN uses the size of reported expenditures to estimate the number of jobs those investments supported.

IMPLAN also provides retail margining. When a visitor spends money at a restaurant or store in Oklahoma, they pay the full sales price. Before the retailer can sell the good, it must first be purchased from a manufacturer. IMPLAN applies retail margin rates to capture only the revenue the retailer earns. This approach accounts for the retailer's services, such as selling, staffing, and operating the business without double counting the cost of goods originally purchased from the manufacturer.

IMPLAN estimates indirect impacts by measuring the economic activity generated when businesses purchase goods and services from their suppliers to support their operations. It produces induced impacts by estimating the additional spending that occurs when employees, whose jobs are supported directly or indirectly by the activity, spend their wages on household goods and services within the economy.

Growth

Findings from the most recent Oklahoma Aerospace and Defense Industry Economic Impact Study show that the aerospace and defense sector has expanded meaningfully since the 2017 analysis. Growth has occurred across every major segment of the industry, reflecting increased activity, sustained investment, and a broader statewide economic footprint. Together, these trends point to an industry that has not only recovered from recent disruptions but has emerged larger and more economically significant than in the prior study period.

Economic output tied directly to airport activity has increased as tenant operations, capital programs, and airport-supported services have continued to scale. At the same time, off-airport aerospace and defense businesses have played an increasingly prominent role in driving growth. Manufacturers, maintenance and repair firms, engineering companies, and other aerospace-dependent employers located beyond airport boundaries have expanded both employment and production, reinforcing the importance of aviation infrastructure to the state's wider business economy.

Military aviation has also contributed to the overall increase in industry output, supported by ongoing operations and capital investment at Oklahoma's major installations. When airport activity, off-airport aerospace businesses, military operations, and air cargo are viewed collectively, the aerospace and defense industry now represents a substantially larger share of Oklahoma's economic activity than in 2017. This growth underscores the sector's role as a long-term economic driver and highlights its continued importance to the state's workforce, competitiveness, and future development.

Direct Impact

Janitorial Company is Contracted by the Airport

Janitorial Company Pays Employees

Indirect Impact

Janitorial Company Purchases Supplies from a Regional Distributor

Distributor Provides Supplies to Janitorial Company

Induced Impact

Regional Distributor Pays Employees

Employees Spend Their Wages Locally

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For more information on the project and to access other project deliverables like the factsheet, individual airport brochures, or case studies that focus on the Infinity One Spaceport and aerospace education programs, visit the project website at: <https://okaeroimpact.com>.



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