

THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF Apalachicola Regional-Cleve Randolph Field (AAF)

Aviation's Benefit for Florida

Florida's economic well-being is intrinsically entwined with its vibrant airport system and its robust aviation industry. The aviation system in Florida allows the state to capitalize on an increasingly global marketplace. Aviation in Florida both sustains and leads economic growth and development. Airports in Florida are important economic engines, and support vital health, welfare, emergency, and safety-related services.

Florida's system of commercial service and general aviation airports are important to businesses throughout the state. Air travel is essential to tourism, Florida's number one industry. Protecting and investing in airports throughout Florida will support the aviation industry and the economic benefits described in this report. With continued support, Florida's dynamic aviation system will continue to provide a significant economic return in the years to come.

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Florida's Statewide Benefits from Aviation

Florida realizes significant annual economic benefits from aviation. The Florida Department of Transportation completed a comprehensive economic impact analysis to measure these benefits. Benefits measured in the FDOT study considered direct and indirect economic impacts and induced impacts that result from the multiplier effect. A summary of Florida's annual economic benefits from aviation follows:

| Impact Category |  Total Employment |  Total Payroll (BILLIONS) |  Total Output (BILLIONS) |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| AIRPORTS | | | |
| VISITORS ARRIVING BY AIR | 170,107 | \$8.1 | \$36.3 |
| CONSTRUCTION AT AIRPORTS | 765,225 | \$20.7 | \$67.2 |
| MILITARY AVIATION | 17,388 | \$0.6 | \$2.2 |
| AIR CARGO | 137,482 | \$6.4 | \$12.8 |
| AVIATION EDUCATION | 129,587 | \$5.0 | \$10.3 |
| AVIATION BUSINESSES | 11,891 | \$0.5 | \$1.0 |
| FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION | 76,217 | \$2.8 | \$13.6 |
| TOTAL ANNUAL ECONOMIC BENEFITS | 4,534 | \$0.4 | \$0.6 |
| | 1,312,431 | \$44.5 | \$144.0 |

Apalachicola Regional-Cleve Randolph Field

Located approximately two miles west of Apalachicola in Franklin County, Apalachicola Regional - Cleve Randolph Field serves the general aviation needs of the region. The airport has three concrete runways, the longest of which is 5,271 feet, and accommodates multi-engine general aviation aircraft. The airport's terminal is ideal for serving both local users and those visiting the area.

The largest components of general aviation activity at the airport include recreational and business activity. Since 2013, Crystal Air has served as the airport's fixed base operator, offering maintenance services and aircraft charters upon request.

The annual economic impact of Apalachicola Regional - Cleve Randolph Field is associated with direct impacts that come from its tenant and construction projects that are undertaken by the airport and its tenant. Indirect impacts are associated with spending from visitors who arrive in the area via general aviation aircraft.

