

## Sarasota/Bradenton International Airport (SRQ)

## 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.

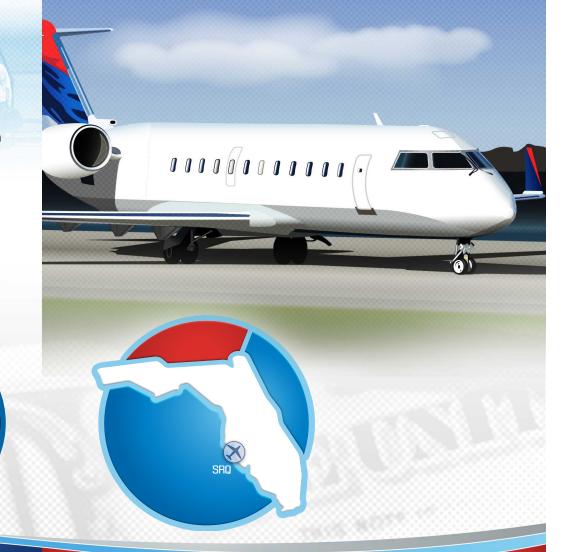
Florida's system of commercial service and general aviation airports are important to businesses throughout the state. Air travel is essential to tourism, Florida's number one industry. Protecting and investing in airports throughout Florida will support the aviation industry and the economic benefits 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:

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AIRPORTS		Total Employment	Total Payroll (BILLIONS)	Total Output (BILLIONS)
VISITORS ARRIVING BY AIR	X	170,107	\$8.1	\$36.3
CONSTRUCTION AT AIRPORTS		765,225	\$20.7	\$67.2
MILITARY AVIATION	Z	17,388	\$0.6	\$2.2
AIR CARGO		137,482	\$6.4	\$12.8
AVIATION EDUCATION	Z	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	1,312,431	\$44.5	\$144.0

## Sarasota/Bradenton In'tl Airport

Located in South Florida along the Gulf Coast, Sarasota Bradenton International Airport has two active runways, the longest of which is 9,500 feet. Facilities at the airport are capable of supporting a full range of commercial and general aviation aircraft.

Sarasota Bradenton International Airport serves a mix of personal, leisure, and business-related travel. Annually, approximately 600,000 enplaning commercial passengers flow through the airport each year; nearly 63 percent of these enplanements are visitors to Florida whose spending helps to contribute to the airport's economic impact. The airport's easy access from Interstate 75 and low-cost carrier service help to fuel demand for the airport and its facilities.

Many of the airport's on-site tenants are dedicated to supporting general aviation activity, with the remainder supporting the airlines and commercial passenger travel. The annual economic impact of Sarasota Bradenton International Airport is associated with direct impacts that come from tenants/businesses located at the airport and on-airport construction projects. Indirect impacts are associated with spending from visitors who arrive in the area via commercial and general aviation aircraft.

