

THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF Gainesville Regional Airport (GNV)

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



Gainesville Regional Airport

Gainesville Regional Airport (GNV) is located in North Central Florida on the northeast side of Gainesville in Alachua County at State Roads 222 and 24. It is positioned five miles from the heart of downtown and 15 minutes away from the University of Florida and UF Health. The primary access to the Airport from the north and south is Interstate 75, along with US Routes 441 and 301. Facilities at the airport are capable of supporting most commercial and all general aviation aircraft. These facilities include a 57,000-square-foot terminal with three passenger boarding bridges; Runway 7/25, which measures 4,147 feet long by 100 feet wide; and Runway 11/29, which measures 7,501 feet long by 150 feet wide.

Approximately 205,000 enplaning commercial passengers flow through the airport each year. GNV serves a mix of travel needs, including business, visiting faculty and students for one of Florida's top research universities, as well as life-saving medical transport to one of the many state of the art health care entities located in the region. Annual operations at GNV include flights made by commercial airlines, general aviation business aircraft, flight training providers, and emergency medical transport of patients or bio-medical cargo. An estimated 42 percent of the enplanements are visitors to the area whose spending helps contribute to the airport's economic impact.

There are approximately 30 on-site aviation-related tenants that contribute to the airport's annual economic impact. Many of the airport's tenants help to support health, welfare, and safety-related services. Other tenants include airlines, air taxi/charter operators, aircraft maintenance businesses, and flight training centers, among others. The annual economic impact of GNV 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.

