

THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF
**Tallahassee Regional Airport
(TLH)**

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



Tallahassee Regional Airport

Tallahassee Regional Airport, located approximately six miles southwest of the Tallahassee central business district in Florida's Panhandle, serves the state's capital. The airport has two active runways, the longest of which is 8,000 feet. Facilities at the airport are capable of supporting a full range of general aviation aircraft and most commercial aircraft.

Tallahassee Regional Airport serves a mix of personal, leisure, military, and business-related travel. Approximately 350,000 enplaning commercial passengers flow through the airport each year; nearly 44 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 10 helps to fuel demand for the airport and its facilities.

The airport has approximately 35 on-site aviation-related tenants that contribute to its annual economic impact. Some of the airport's on-site tenants are dedicated to supporting the airlines and commercial passenger travel, while others support general aviation and air cargo activity. The annual economic impact of Tallahassee Regional 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.

