



# 2025 Colorado Aviation ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY



## Individual Airport Economic Impact Report

### Brush Municipal (7V5)

Brush Municipal Airport (7V5) is a general aviation airport located in northeastern Colorado, approximately two miles east of the City of Brush and 90 miles northeast of Denver. Brush Municipal is owned by the City of Brush and has a long history of supporting general aviation activity for local, regional, and interstate travelers. The City designated the airport as a “regional aeronautical recreation center,” which is exemplified by the airport serving as a common stopping point for general aviation aircraft completing cross-country flights. From early spring to late fall, 7V5 is used by local pilots to provide sportsmen access to local hunting and fishing areas along the South Platte River. During the growing season 7V5 is used by aerial applicators as a staging area when treating cropland in the region. Additionally, local pilots often use the airport to conduct sightseeing and aerial photography activities, as the region is home to several state wildlife areas. Brush Municipal supports the economic and social needs of the local community by helping to stimulate the economy and promote general aviation activity in the region.

#### Top Activities



Aerial  
Photography/  
Survey



Agricultural  
Application



Recreational  
Flying



Corporate/  
Business  
Activity



#### Economic Impacts of

### Brush Municipal (7V5)

Brush Municipal is one of 66 public use airports that contribute to the State’s aviation economic impact. To understand how 7V5 and other airports support economic activity, the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Division of Aeronautics undertook the 2025 Colorado Aviation Economic Impact Study (CEIS). The study determined that 7V5 generated the below total economic activity in 2023. Of the \$63 thousand of total business revenues generated by 7V5, \$63 thousand were generated by on-airport activities and less than \$1,000 generated by visitor spending.<sup>1</sup>



3

total jobs



\$33K

total payroll



\$41K

total value  
added



\$63K

total business revenues

<sup>1</sup> Totals may not sum due to rounding







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## Direct Impacts



Airport  
Administration



Airport  
Tenants



Capital  
Improvements



Commercial Visitor  
Spending



General Aviation  
Visitor Spending



## Multiplier Effects

Supplier Sales and Income Re-spending



## Total Impacts



Jobs



Payroll



Value  
Added



Business  
Revenues

## Economic Impact Measures

Economic Impacts are communicated by the total jobs, payroll, value added, and business revenues generated by each airport. These are defined as:



### Jobs

Total number of people employed, both full-time and part-time.



### Payroll

Total employment compensation, including wages, benefits, and taxes paid on behalf of employees.



### Value Added

Total contribution to the Gross State Product. It includes all payroll, profits, and business taxes paid.



### Business Revenues

Total expenditures for airport administration, capital projects and tenant sales of goods and services, as well as visitor spending in Colorado's hospitality-related sectors. Also referred to as "output," "sales," or "economic activity/impact."

## What is Economic Impact?

Two types of economic impacts are generated as a result of airport activity: Direct Impacts and Multiplier Effects (supplier sales and income re-spending). Direct impacts come from the activities of the airport administration, on-airport tenants, capital improvement spending, and spending by visitors arriving on commercial and general aviation aircraft. Multiplier effects are generated when portions of direct revenues are used to purchase goods and services from Colorado businesses (supplier sales), and when income earned by workers in airport-supported jobs is spent at Colorado businesses (income re-spending). Total Impacts represent the summation of the direct impacts, supplier sales, and income re-spending effects for the state.

## Statewide Aviation Economic Impacts

Colorado's 66 public use airports range from small GA airports to a major international airline hub, all of which contribute to the state's economy. The impacts of on-airport activities and visitor spending associated with each airport, combined with the statewide impacts of off-airport air cargo operations, helped Colorado's aviation system generate \$68.9 billion in total economic activity (business revenues) in 2023.



**\$68.9B**

total business revenues

For more information on the Colorado Aviation Economic Impact Study, please visit our webpage at <https://www.coloradoaviationsystem.com/>



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