2025 Colorado Aviation ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

Individual Airport Economic Impact Report

Fremont County (1V6)

Fremont County Airport (1V6) is a vital general aviation facility located six miles east of Canon City. Owned and operated by Fremont County, the airport serves as a key transportation hub for the surrounding region. The airport features one asphalt runway (11/29) measuring 5,399 feet in length and 75 feet in width, accommodating various types of general aviation aircraft. Additionally, there is a turf runway (17/35) that is 1,500 feet long and 30 feet wide, providing flexibility for lighter aircraft operations. Situated adjacent to U.S. Highway 50, Fremont County Airport serves as a gateway to popular destinations including Canon City, Florence, and the Arkansas River Valley. The airport is actively used for a range of activities including skydiving, flight training, and aerial surveying. Fremont County Airport also provides logistics support for several federal and state correctional facilities in the area. The airport is surrounded by destination parks and structures including the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park, Royal Gorge Route Railroad, and Garden Park Fossil Area. 1V6 serves as an important hub for both aviation and outdoor enthusiasts, providing essential services and access to the scenic and recreational attractions of southern Colorado.

Top Activities

- Aerial/ Wildland Firefighting
- Sky Diving
- Military Activities
- Flight Training
- Recreational Flying



Economic Impacts of

Fremont County (1V6)

Fremont County is one of 66 public use airports that contribute to the State's aviation economic impact. To understand how 1V6 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 1V6 generated the below total economic activity in 2023. Of the $11.1 million of total business revenues generated by 1V6, $9.6 million were generated by on-airport activities and $1.6 million generated by visitor spending.[1]

81 total jobs

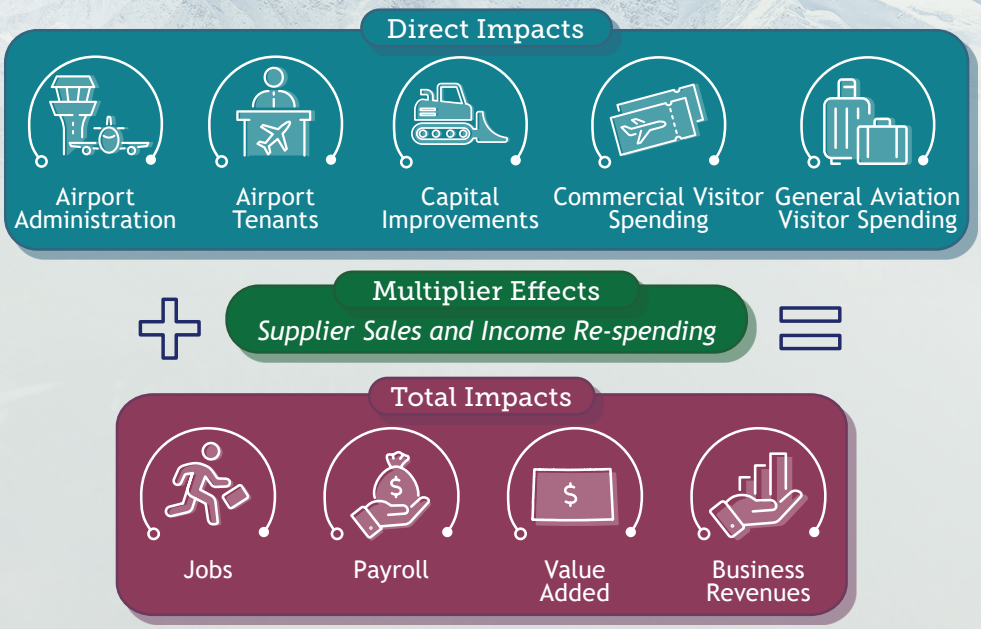
$4.9M total payroll

$6.9M total value added

$11.1M total business revenues

[1] *Totals may not sum due to rounding*

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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.

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."

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.

348,466 total jobs

$23.5B total payroll

$40.3B total value added

$68.9B total business revenues

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