2025 Colorado Aviation ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

Individual Airport Economic Impact Report

Springfield Municipal (8V7)

Springfield Municipal Airport (8V7) is located on the High Plains of southeastern Colorado, approximately three miles north of the Town of Springfield. 8V7 is owned and operated by the town and supports general aviation activity for local, regional, and interstate travelers. 8V7 has a single concrete runway (17/35) with a length of 5,000 feet and width of 60 feet. The airport is positioned along a popular route used by cross-country pilots traveling from various Midwest states to destinations in the Southwest. 8V7 is also used to access popular recreation sites in the region such as Two Buttes State Wildlife Area, Picture Canyon, and Carrizo Canyon. Additionally, seasonal sportsmen use the airport to access hunting areas in the local grasslands. Colorado Parks and Wildlife periodically operates out of 8V7 conducting herd management and wildlife counting operations. Flight for Life, an air ambulance operator, also uses the airport to transport medical professionals from the Denver area to provide medical services otherwise unavailable in the community.

Top Activities

- Aerial Medical Operations
- Recreational Flying
- Flight Training
- Recreational Activities
- Agricultural Application



Economic Impacts of

Springfield Municipal (8V7)

Springfield Municipal is one of 66 public use airports that contribute to the State's aviation economic impact. To understand how 8V7 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 8V7 generated the below total economic activity in 2023. Of the $371 thousand of total business revenues generated by 8V7, $303 thousand were generated by on-airport activities and $67 thousand generated by visitor spending.[1]

5 total jobs

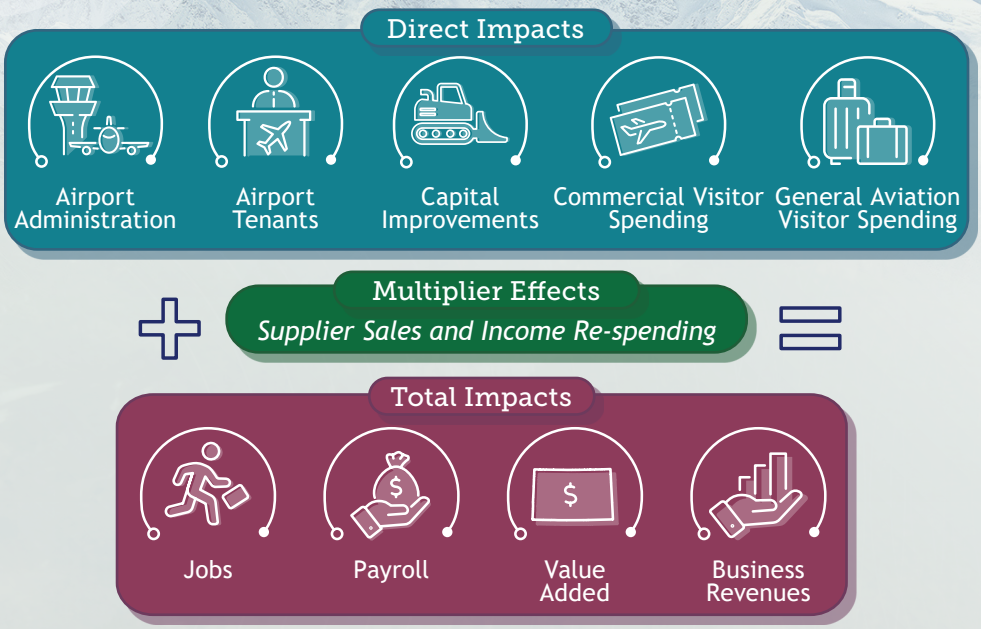
$133K total payroll

$195K total value added

$371K 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

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