2025 Colorado Aviation ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

Individual Airport Economic Impact Report

Fort Morgan Municipal (FMM)

Fort Morgan Municipal Airport (FMM) has served the City of Fort Morgan and northeastern Colorado's general aviation needs since 1933. In the 1940s, the airport was used as part of the military buildup prior to World War II, where it housed a glider pilot training school that produced pilots for the United States Army Air Corps. FMM has a single asphalt runway (14/32) with a length of 5,731 feet and width of 75 feet as well as two additional turf runways (17/35 & 08/26). As a result of the rural community that the airport serves, the airport is proud to host a high level of crop spraying operations and other general aviation services. Additionally, the airport is the home of CO Fire Aviation which maintains a fleet of single engine air tanker (SEAT) aircraft that conduct aerial/wildland firefighting operations across the state. The airport is also used for recreational flying and aerial inspection.

Top Activities

- Agricultural Application
- Sky Diving
- Flight Training
- Recreational Flying
- Aerial Medical Operations



Economic Impacts of

Fort Morgan Municipal (FMM)

Fort Morgan Municipal is one of 66 public use airports that contribute to the State's aviation economic impact. To understand how FMM 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 FMM generated the below total economic activity in 2023. Of the $17.9 million of total business revenues generated by FMM, $16.0 million were generated by on-airport activities and $1.9 million generated by visitor spending.[1]

118 total jobs

$8.1M total payroll

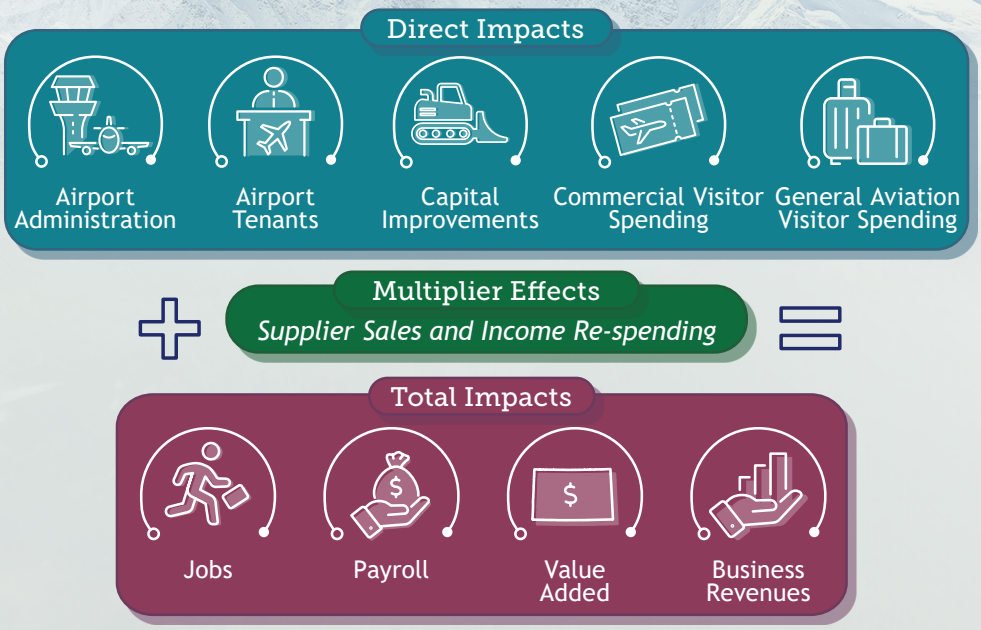
$10.9M total value added

$17.9M 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/*