



WISCASSET AIRPORT

Wiscasset Airport (IWI) is located Lincoln County in the Midcoast Region of Maine. Wiscasset – with many early architecture buildings – is often referred to as "The Prettiest Village in Maine" and offers a mix of historic charm and natural beauty. Although open year-round, IWI is unattended from January to March. The Airport offers regular hours of attendance throughout the rest of the year. IWI features a single asphalt runway, 07/25, which is 3,397' by 75', with medium intensity edge lights. IWI offers 24-hour credit card fuel operations for 100LL and Jet-A fuel types and provides hangars and tiedowns for aircraft parking.

In 2022, IWI had 31 aircraft, including 28 single-engine planes, 2 multi-engine airplanes, and a helicopter. Estimated aircraft operations totaled 7,200, with 3,800 local, 3,100 itinerant, 25 military, and 275 air taxi operations. The Airport serves as an access point for the Midcoast Region and its popular destinations for tourists seeking maritime experiences, historical sites, scenic coastal views, and Maine's renowned seafood. The Airport accommodates aviation for tourism, business, emergency healthcare, and personal flying.

Economic Benefits

Wiscasset Airport brings economic value to the region through its air transportation function. In 2022, the total economic impact was found to be \$1.61 million, supporting a total of 11 jobs, and contributing \$56,800 in State and local taxes.

Economic Impact for Wiscasset Airport	
Item	2022
Grand Total Dollar Impacts	\$1,611,700
Grand Total Income Impacts	\$501,800
Grand Total Employment Impacts	11 Jobs
Estimated State and Local Taxes	\$56,800

STATEWIDE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF AVIATION

Aviation is a vital cornerstone in shaping Maine's economy. Our state's diverse range of airports, both commercial and general aviation, not only facilitate business operations, tourism, and general transportation needs but also substantially fuel our economic engine. Broadly, the economic impact of aviation can be categorized into Direct, Indirect (or Induced), and Total output.

DIRECT IMPACTS



Direct impacts include the tangible effects directly rooted in aviation: jobs at our airports, associated payrolls, and output stemming from airport operations, capital spending, airport-based businesses, airline services, and off-airport spending of visitors arriving by air.

+ INDUCED IMPACTS

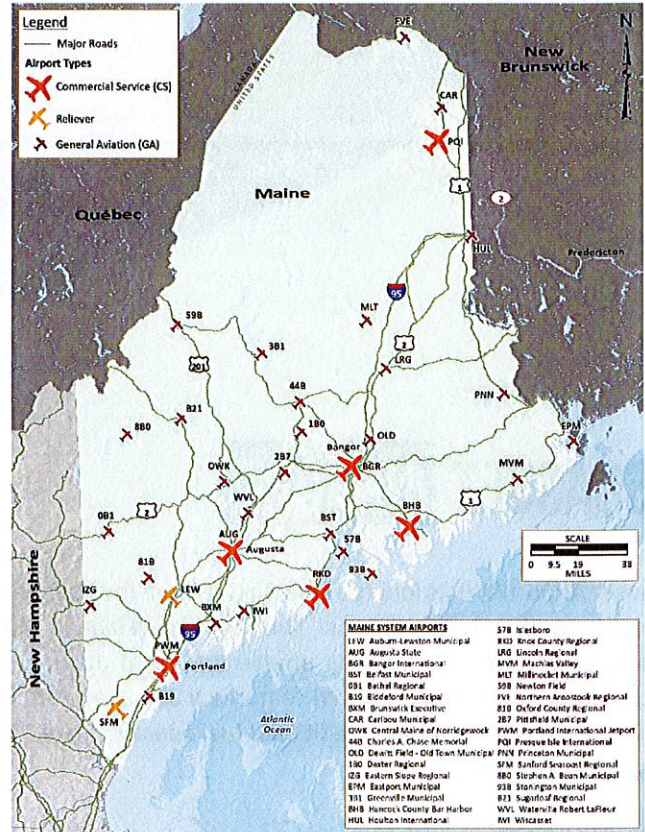


Induced impacts represent the ripple effects or respending of these direct economic impacts as they flow through the wider economy.

= TOTAL OUTPUT



Total output marries these Direct and Induced impacts, giving a total picture of the value generated by the aviation industry within Maine. Additionally, the tax impacts offer insights into the state and local taxes produced by aviation activities.



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In 2022, Maine's six Commercial Service airports were responsible for 13,640 jobs, contributing to an annual income of approximately \$676.4 million and an economic output of about \$1.67 billion. These airports also contribute roughly \$135.97 million in state and local taxes. Meanwhile, the state's 29 General Aviation airports supported 782 jobs, with a combined annual income of around \$45.4 million and a total economic output of about \$115.9 million, along with almost \$5.1 million in state and local taxes.

In total, aviation in Maine supports 14,422 jobs, generating an annual income of about \$721.8 million, an overall economic

output of nearly \$1.79 billion, and combined state and local tax impacts of approximately \$141.1 million.

The 2022 direct and induced impacts of aviation in Maine underscores the significance of our airports. They not only facilitate transportation and connectivity but are also powerful economic catalysts, creating thousands of jobs and pumping millions into our state treasury. As we appreciate these numbers, it's evident that supporting and nurturing our aviation infrastructure is not just about flights—it's about fueling Maine's prosperity.

2022 Statewide Impacts of Aviation in Maine

Airport Category	Employment	Income	Output
Commercial Service	13,640	\$676,389,500	\$1,674,238,500
General Aviation	782	\$45,395,500	\$115,909,900
Total	14,422	\$721,785,000	\$1,790,148,400

Airport Location

Wiscasset Airport is located 4.5 miles southwest of Wiscasset, Maine, in Lincoln County. In Wiscasset, visitors can shop for anything from antiques to organic food, dine on the waterfront, visit nationally significant historic sites, and choose from a wide variety of recreational activities. For a town of its size, Wiscasset has a remarkable infrastructure that benefits its local businesses.

Wiscasset has a population of approximately 3,603. Major employment sectors in the area include food service, other tourism-related sectors, professional services, and administrative services. The 196-acre airport's primary runway, Runway 07/25, measures 3,397 feet in length and 75 feet in width.

The airport, with 43 based aircraft, experiences approximately 7,000 aircraft operations annually.



Economic Impact

Economic impacts at an airport are expressed through employment, payroll, and output (spending). On-airport business and government activities (direct impacts) account for a significant portion of an airport's first round economic benefits. Additional first round benefits are also linked to visitors who arrive via the State's system of airports (indirect impacts). Spending by these visitors supports employment and associated annual payroll. First round impacts create additional spin-off benefits that ripple through the economy. These second round or induced benefits were measured with Maine-specific IMPLAN multipliers. When combined, first round and second round benefits equal the Annual total economic impact associated with each airport.

First Round Impact

There were two aviation-related tenants as well as construction activity on the airport which support 11 employees. These tenants' first round or direct employment, payroll, and output impacts were derived from survey data. Direct output from all on-airport aviation-related tenants and construction activity is estimated at \$811,800 annually. The estimated direct annual payroll of these tenants and activity is \$298,200. Operational data indicate that approximately 1,130 general aviation visitors use the airport annually. This visitor-related output (spending) supported an additional 9 full-time jobs with a total annual payroll of \$178,000. Output from general aviation visitors is estimated at \$390,000.

Second Round Impact

The first round impacts associated with on-airport tenants and general aviation visitors also create second round impacts. Second round impacts are induced impacts calculated using the Maine-specific IMPLAN multipliers. The accompanying table presents the 2005 first round, second round, and total impacts for output, payroll, and

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employment as they relate to on-airport tenants and general aviation visitors.

Total Impact

The total output (including first round and second round impacts) stemming from all on-airport tenants, construction activity and general aviation visitors to Wiscasset Airport is approximately \$2.1 million. Total full-time employment related to airport tenants and general aviation visitors, including all second round impacts, is estimated at approximately 31 persons, with a total annual payroll (first round and second round) of approximately \$756,600 associated with these jobs.

Other Benefits

In addition to the economic benefits described above, Wiscasset Airport provides several services to the local community. The airport is primarily a base for recreational uses and for flight instruction. The airport is also used extensively for corporate aviation, aerial inspections by utility companies, air ambulance activity, and for aerial photography. Several local pilots also volunteer for Angel Flight Patient Transport. The airport hosts an annual open house as well as Young Eagle Flights.

FAA data indicates the following businesses utilized the airport in 2006: Hartley Marine Services Inc., Iron Mountain Information Management Inc., Hughes Logistics Inc., Hutter Construction Corporation, Machinery Service Co Inc., Metro Publishers Services Inc., and Raytheon Aircraft Company. Airport survey data indicates Boothbay Regional Boatyard, Sprinkler Systems, and Teleflex use the airport on a regular basis.

The airport typically accommodates nonstop flights in private aircraft from New England and Mid-Atlantic states.

Summary

On an annual basis, Wiscasset Airport currently provides the following total benefits:

WISCASSET AIRPORT			
EMPLOYMENT			
	First Round	Second Round	Total
On-Airport Activity	11	9	20
GA Visitors	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>12</u>
Total	19	12	31
PAYROLL			
	First Round	Second Round	Total
On-Airport Activity	\$298,200	\$185,400	\$483,600
GA Visitors	<u>\$178,000</u>	<u>\$95,000</u>	<u>\$273,000</u>
Total	\$476,200	\$280,400	\$756,600
OUTPUT			
	First Round	Second Round	Total
On-Airport Activity	\$811,800	\$620,800	\$1,432,600
GA Visitors	<u>\$390,000</u>	<u>\$236,100</u>	<u>\$626,100</u>
Total	\$1,201,800	\$856,900	\$2,058,700

Source: Wilbur Smith Associates & IMPLAN multipliers
 Note: May not sum due to rounding
 GA = General Aviation