

U.S. Airport Infrastructure Needs // 2025 - 2029

MODERN AIRPORTS FOR A STRONGER CALIFORNIA



Infrastructure Needs of California Airports 2025 - 2029

\$24.3 Billion

Maxed Out Airports

Regulatory burdens, inflation, and increased costs have hamstrung airports for decades and continue to constrain the industry's ability to invest in infrastructure. When the Passenger Facility Charge user fee is maxed out, airports aren't able to fund needed infrastructure projects that help the airport keep pace with growth in passenger and cargo volume.

California Airports	PFC Constrained Until
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Bob Hope	2029
Charles M Schulz/Sonoma County	
Fresno Yosemite International	
Imperial County	2030
Jack McNamara Field	
John Wayne/Orange County	
Long Beach (Daugherty Field)	2039
Los Angeles International	2055
McClellan-Palomar	2043
Meadows Field	2026
San Francisco Bay Oakland International	2035
Monterey Regional	2040
Norman Y Mineta San Jose International	2030
Ontario International	2038
Palm Springs International	2037
Redding Regional	2029
Sacramento International	2037
San Diego International	2040
San Francisco International	
San Luis Obispo County Regional	
Santa Barbara Municipal	
Santa Maria Public/Capt G Allan Hancock Field	2028
Stockton Metro	2025

Airports Drive Economic Growth

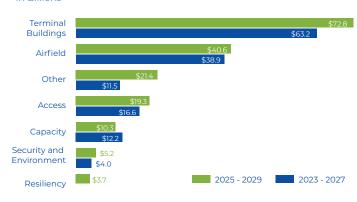
Airports play a critical role not only as transportation gateways but also as indispensable engines of economic growth, community connectivity, and job creation nationwide.

Airports are at the very heart of our nation's economic success, supporting 12.8 million jobs, generating \$619 billion in annual payroll, and producing an annual economic output of \$1.8 trillion. With nearly one billion enplanements expected in 2025 and forecasts rising to 1.4 billion by 2040 and 1.7 billion by 2050, the demand for modern, resilient airport facilities has never been more pressing.

Airport Funding Crisis: Unable to Meet Infrastructure Demands

To meet these growing demands, our report estimates that U.S. airports will require \$173.9 billion in infrastructure investments over the next five years. This marks a 15.1 percent increase from 2023 and reflects rising construction costs, emerging facility requirements, and the complexity of projects, particularly in our major metropolitan areas.

U.S. Airport Infrastructure Needs by Project Type In Billions



Unlocking Opportunities to Meet Soaring Demand

Federal grant initiatives have been invaluable in helping America's airports construct and maintain essential safety and capacity projects. But federal funding alone cannot address all the many airport needs across the country. Instead, we need to allow airports more flexibility to self-fund their projects. Modernizing the Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) cap – and indexing it for inflation – is the best way to align user-fee revenue with the true cost of delivering the state-of-the-art airports our passengers need and deserve.