



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

MODERN AIRPORTS FOR A STRONGER FLORIDA



21
Airports

1,744,700
Jobs Created and Sustained

\$79 Billion
Local Payroll Supported

\$260 Billion
Total Economic Output

Infrastructure Needs
of Florida Airports
2025 - 2029

\$18.3 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.

Florida Airports

PFC Constrained Until

Daytona Beach International.....	2031
Eglin AFB/Destin-Ft Walton Beach	2028
Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International	2035
Gainesville Regional	2025
Jacksonville International.....	2028
Key West International.....	2057
Melbourne Orlando International	2030
Miami International.....	2039
Northwest Florida Beaches International.....	2039
Orlando International.....	2046
Orlando Sanford International.....	2031
Palm Beach International	2028
Pensacola International.....	2031
Punta Gorda	2029
Sarasota/Bradenton International.....	2029
Southwest Florida International.....	2060
St Pete-Clearwater International	2029
Tallahassee International.....	2025
Tampa International	2038

Airports Drive Economic Growth

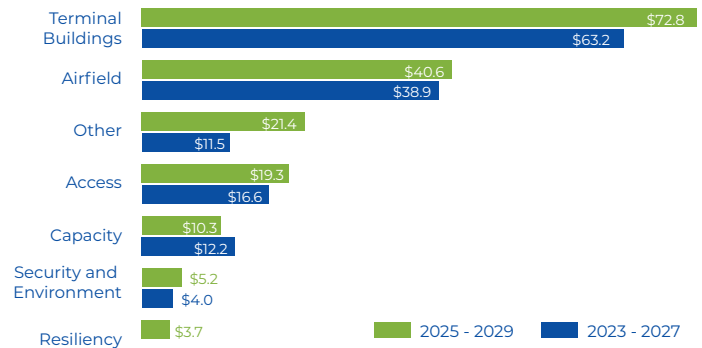
Airports play a critical role not only as transportation gateways but also as indispensable engines of economic growth, community connectivity, and job creation nationwide.

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.