VLA

ILLINOIS AVIATION ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

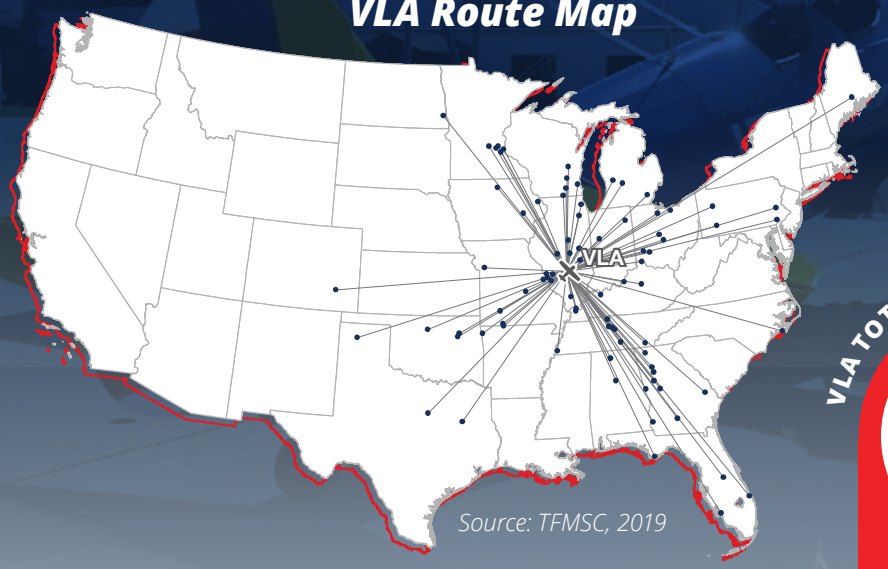
VANDALIA MUNICIPAL

ABOUT THE AIRPORT

Vandalia Municipal Airport (VLA) is a general aviation airport in south-central Illinois in Fayette County, located approximately 3 miles northwest of the City of Vandalia. The Airport is owned and operated by the Vandalia Park District. Vandalia is home to over 60 acres of parks and is situated just south of Vandalia Lake. As a result, VLA acts as a gateway for outdoor tourism in the area. Additionally, VLA supports daily recreational flying and frequent corporate flying, aerial inspection, and aircraft flight testing. Other activities supported by the Airport include medical transport, aerial agriculture application, law enforcement operations, news reporting, and glider flying.

To understand the geographic reach of VLA, the map below illustrates the domestic origin and destination flights into and out of the Airport in 2019.

VLA Route Map



Source: TFMSC, 2019

On-Airport
$5.0 MILLION

Visitor Spending
$51.0 THOUSAND

Employment
18 JOBS

Labor Income
$1.2 MILLION

Value Added
$1.8 MILLION

VLA TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT
$5.0 MILLION

WHAT IS ECONOMIC IMPACT?

On-Airport Activity
The impacts generated by airports including airport management and administration, airport tenants, as well as on-airport construction.

Visitor Spending
The impacts generated by out-of-state visitors to Illinois, for personal or business reasons, who spend money on accommodations, food and beverage, local ground transportation, retail, and entertainment.

Employment
Number of people employed, including part-time and full-time.

Labor Income
Also known as "payroll"; total employment compensation, including wages and other benefits (e.g., healthcare insurance payments, retirement).

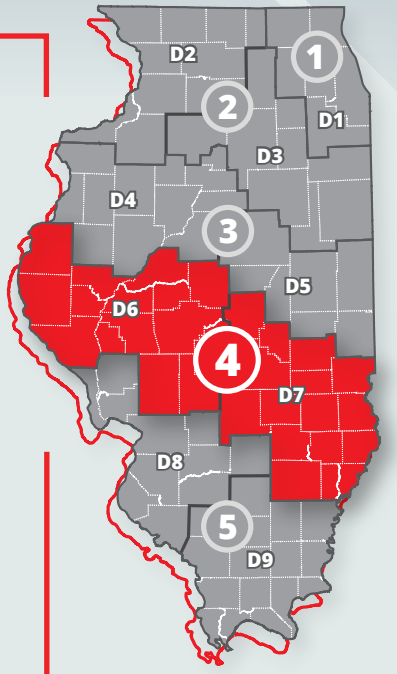
Air Cargo
Economic contributions from industries in Illinois that receive or ship air cargo through Illinois airport. Air Cargo impacts are quantified at the District and Statewide levels only.

Value Added
The economic productivity of each aviation-related business establishment, calculated as business revenue earned minus the cost of purchasing goods and services from other businesses. It includes all labor compensation, profits, and business taxes paid.

REGION 4

IDOT Districts 6 & 7

Region 4 is located in south central Illinois and spans the width of the state, bordering Missouri and Indiana, and is home to the state capital, Springfield. Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport (SPI), serves as a gateway to the Greater Springfield area which encompasses historic tourism destinations, a 150-acre Airport Commerce Park, and the IDOT Division of Aeronautics office. Decatur Airport (DEC) also serves as a gateway to central Illinois for visitors and is supported by nine on-site tenants employing 355 people. Airports in Region 4 generated 18,851 jobs, $900.7 million in labor income, $1.5 billion in value added, and $3.4 billion in total economic impact.



On-Airport
$1.1 BILLION

Visitor Spending
$222.6 MILLION

Employment
18,851 JOBS

Air Cargo
$2.1 BILLION

Labor Income
$900.7 MILLION

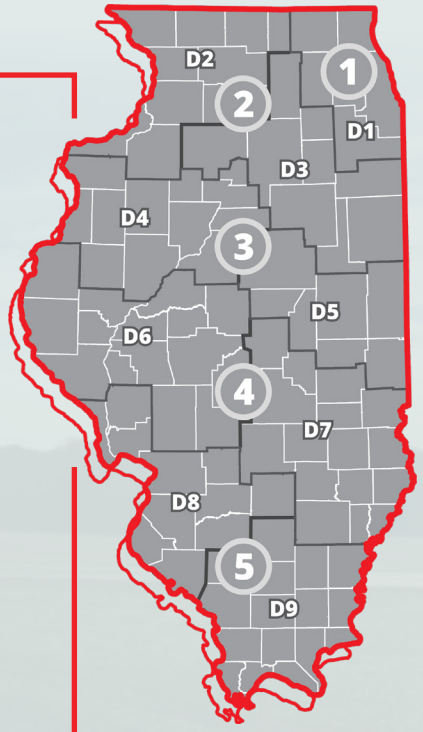
Value Added
$1.5 BILLION

REGION 4 TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

$3.4 BILLION

STATEWIDE

Illinois boasts a robust aviation system of over 80 airports, including some of the busiest facilities on the globe. To support this robust system, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) initiated the development of the Illinois Aviation Economic Impact Analysis (EIA) to quantify each airport's annual monetary contribution to their local, regional, and statewide economies. The EIA determined that Illinois' airports generated 492,768 jobs and contributed $95.5 billion to the state's economy in 2019.



On-Airport
$38.4 BILLION

Visitor Spending
$21.2 BILLION

Employment
492,768 JOBS

Air Cargo
$35.9 BILLION

Labor Income
$32.6 BILLION

Value Added
$53.8 BILLION

STATEWIDE TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

$95.5 BILLION

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