



## 2017 ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

A summary of the Allegheny County Airport Authority, its airports and the extraordinary impact on the region

The study was completed by the Economic Development Research Group in association with John J. Clark and Associates. View the full report by visiting [FlyPittsburgh.com/EconomicImpact](http://FlyPittsburgh.com/EconomicImpact).

# DRIVING THE ECONOMY

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The Allegheny County Airport Authority, which operates and maintains Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT) and Allegheny Country Airport (AGC), is the region's key economic generator.

Creating jobs for nearly every industry from tourism to cargo, and welcoming millions of business and leisure passengers each year, the Airport Authority plays an important role within Southwestern Pennsylvania. The economic impact on the region totals 148,000 jobs and \$29 billion in business revenues.

Beyond its direct effect on jobs and business revenues, visitor and worker spending – along with the ensuing spin-off of additional goods and services – propels economic growth. No local tax dollars are used at the airports.



**When referencing Southwestern Pennsylvania,  
the region includes the following counties:**

**ALLEGHENY**

**ARMSTRONG**

**BEAVER**

**BUTLER**

**FAYETTE**

**GREENE**

**INDIANA**

**LAWRENCE**

**WASHINGTON**

**WESTMORELAND**

# JOB CENTERS

The Airport Authority and its facilities are massive economic generators.

## TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT:



148,000 JOBS + \$29 BILLION IN BUSINESS REVENUES

## THE DIRECT EFFECT:



71,000 JOBS + \$16.6 BILLION IN BUSINESS REVENUES

## AIRPORT ONLY:



10,700 JOBS + \$2 BILLION IN BUSINESS REVENUES

## ENSUING SPIN-OFF EFFECT:



77,000 JOBS + \$12.6 BILLION IN BUSINESS REVENUES

# PITTSBURGH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT *AIR TRANSPORT WORLD* 2017 AIRPORT OF THE YEAR

**90%** NONSTOP INCREASE OVER THE  
DESTINATIONS PAST 3 YEARS

NATIONAL + INTERNATIONAL GATEWAY  
FOR SOUTHWESTERN PA



**8% INCREASE IN**  
PASSENGER TRAFFIC OVER THE LAST YEAR

**EIGHT**  
ADDITIONAL  
CARRIERS TO



- UNITED STATES
- CANADA
- EUROPE
- CARIBBEAN

## ALLEGHENY COUNTY AIRPORT

**10** MILES FROM DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH

LARGEST GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORT IN WESTERN PA



**60,000**  
OPERATIONS A YEAR



**SIXTH BUSIEST  
AIRPORT IN PA**

# GATEWAYS TO PITTSBURGH

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Through domestic and international travel, the two airports are utilized by a large share of the region's visitors. When visitors arrive to the region, they have a strong impact on the economy.

INTERNATIONAL VISITORS SPEND **2X**  
THE AMOUNT DOMESTIC VISITORS SPEND



**\$475**

Domestic  
Visitors



**\$929**

International  
Visitors



**\$984**

Direct from  
Paris Visitors

Overall, this visitor spending results in:

**\$800 MILLION**  
TO THE GRP

+

**MORE THAN**  
**11,000 JOBS**

# REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

**OWNED BY  
AIRPORT  
AUTHORITY**



**8,800 ACRES**

IN MOON + FINDLAY TOWNSHIPS

**PRIVATE  
COMPANIES**



**INVESTED \$350 MILLION**  
IN 3 MILLION SQ FT OF OFFICE SPACE

**BUSINESS  
DEVELOPMENT**



**GENERATES \$1.3 BILLION**  
IN BUSINESS ACTIVITY  
& CREATES 5,700 JOBS

THESE JOBS ARE BROKEN DOWN ACROSS MULTIPLE INDUSTRIES:



MANAGEMENT &  
ADMINISTRATION



FINANCE &  
REAL ESTATE



WHOLESALE &  
DISTRIBUTION



PROFESSIONAL  
& SCIENTIFIC



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## TAX REVENUE

Tax revenue linked to operations at both airports totaled approximately  
**\$98 million** from direct activities.

Airport Operations	Tax Revenue
Activities supported by PIT and AGC	\$26 mil in state tax
Via the three townships where the airports are located	\$10 mil in local tax
Fuel sold at both airports	\$1.4 mil in state fuel tax
Visitors arriving via commercial service at PIT	\$59 mil in sales tax
Visitor arriving via general aviation at PIT	\$558,000 in sales tax

# CARGO

8,000  
METRIC TONS  
OF CARGO

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\$700  
MILLION

SHIPPED FROM PITTSBURGH  
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO

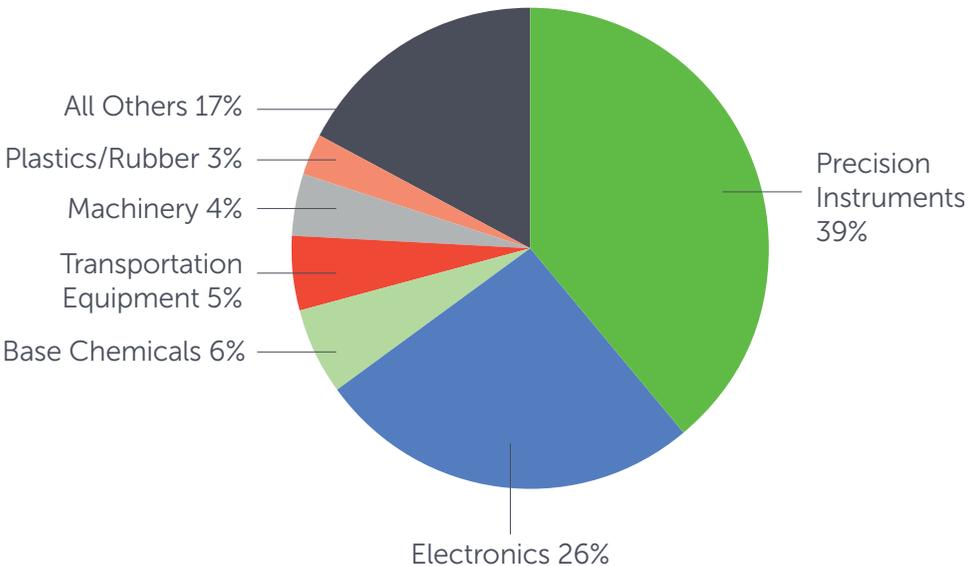
DOMESTIC  
MARKETS

INTERNATIONAL  
MARKETS

5,000 JOBS

1,700 DIRECT PRODUCTION JOBS

The types of cargo being shipped from  
Pittsburgh International Airport include:



# FUTURE IMPACT

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AIR SERVICE



+ EXPANSION OF BUSINESS PARKS



+ NATURAL GAS DEVELOPMENT

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SUCCESS FOR THE AIRPORT  
AUTHORITY AND REGION

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**Please note:** While the study took place in 2016 and carried over into 2017, the majority of the findings and data are from 2015. The full study can be found out [FlyPittsburgh.com/EconomicImpact](https://www.flypittsburgh.com/EconomicImpact).



ALLEGHENY COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY

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