



# UTAH | AVIATION DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

## ST GEORGE REGIONAL AIRPORT (SGU)

ST GEORGE, UTAH



 **1,936**  
JOBS

 **\$63.9M**  
ANNUAL PAYROLL

 **\$113.9M**  
ANNUAL SPENDING

 **\$177.8M**  
ANNUAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

 **\$9.5M**  
STATE AND LOCAL TAX REVENUE

 **\$43.0M**  
10-YEAR DEVELOPMENT COST

**EACH UTAH  
AIRPORT HAS A  
UNIQUE STORY  
TO TELL...**

St. George Regional Airport is the major commercial service airport in southwestern Utah. SkyWest Airlines is headquartered in downtown St. George and operates at the airport as American Eagle, Delta Connection, and United Express with connecting flights to hubs in Dallas and Phoenix, Salt Lake City, and Denver and Los Angeles respectively. St. George is also an important airport for cargo, with two feeder routes operated by Westair and Alpine Air with service to Las Vegas and Salt Lake City.



THE AIRPORT'S ANNUAL BENEFITS ARE SIGNIFICANT

The airport's benefit far exceeds its annual needs

- **\$43.0 million** estimated to maintain/improve the airport over the next ten years
- **\$4.3 million** average annual investment need
- **\$177.8 million** in annual economic benefit



DID YOU KNOW ST. GEORGE REGIONAL AIRPORT CREATES...



ALL ECONOMIC IMPACTS BY MEASURE AND CATEGORY FOR ST. GEORGE REGIONAL AIRPORT

	EMPLOYMENT			PAYROLL			SPENDING			ANNUAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY		
	DIRECT	INDIRECT/INDUCED	TOTAL	DIRECT	INDIRECT/INDUCED	TOTAL	DIRECT	INDIRECT/INDUCED	TOTAL	DIRECT	INDIRECT/INDUCED	TOTAL
Airport Management and Tenants	150	182	332	\$8,843,800	\$8,792,100	\$17,635,900	\$16,886,300	\$12,503,500	\$29,389,800	\$25,730,100	\$21,295,600	\$47,025,700
Capital Investment	46	58	104	\$1,711,200	\$1,429,200	\$3,140,400	\$6,849,300	\$6,419,300	\$13,268,600	\$8,560,500	\$7,848,500	\$16,409,000
General Aviation Visitor Spending	19	9	28	\$483,200	\$322,800	\$806,000	\$555,200	\$526,200	\$1,081,400	\$1,038,400	\$849,000	\$1,887,400
Commercial Visitor Spending	974	498	1,472	\$24,647,100	\$17,674,400	\$42,321,500	\$36,792,500	\$33,343,600	\$70,136,100	\$61,439,600	\$51,018,000	\$112,457,600
<b>Total Impacts</b>	<b>1,189</b>	<b>747</b>	<b>1,936</b>	<b>\$35,685,300</b>	<b>\$28,218,500</b>	<b>\$63,903,800</b>	<b>\$61,083,300</b>	<b>\$52,792,600</b>	<b>\$113,875,900</b>	<b>\$96,768,600</b>	<b>\$81,011,100</b>	<b>\$177,779,700</b>

Note: Impacts reported reflect pre-COVID airport activity



BENEFITS ALSO COME IN THE FORM OF

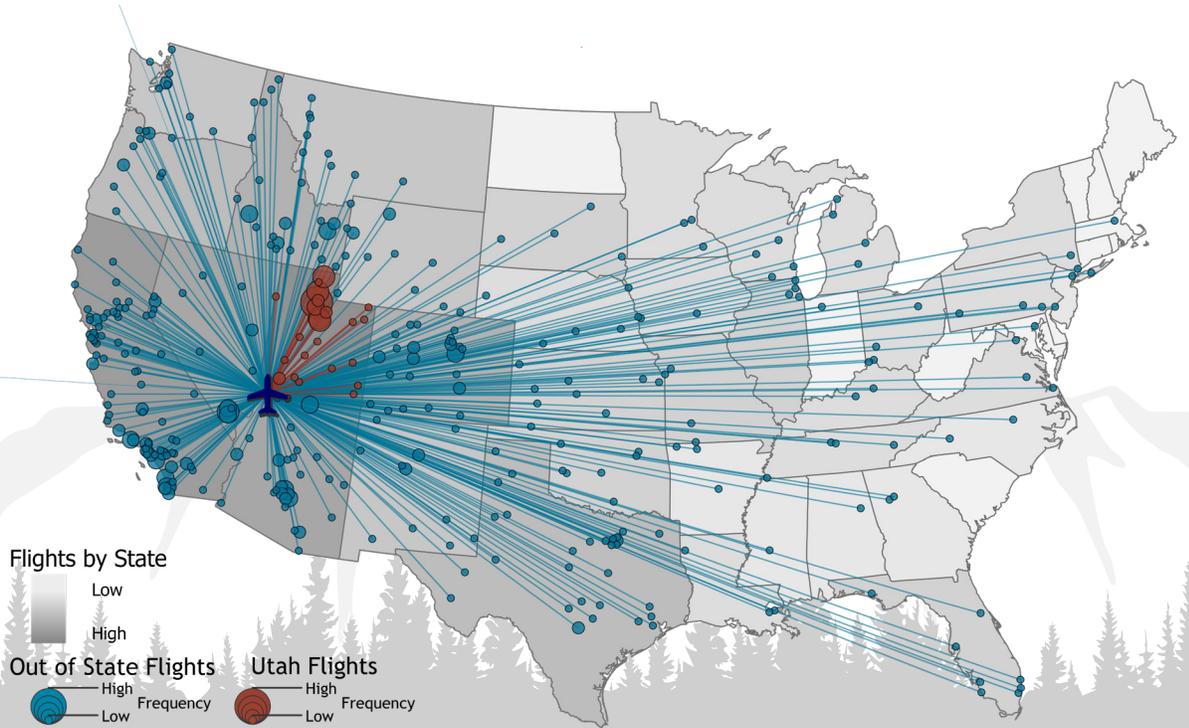


DID YOU KNOW...



SGU'S NATIONAL CONNECTIONS

The airport supports general aviation connectivity to numerous destinations throughout the United States. This FAA flight data map displays a variety of 2018 destinations to and from the airport. The airport supports connections to major entertainment industry locations, including Los Angeles and Las Vegas.





# AIRPORT SYSTEM ROLE

This airport plays an important role in the functionality and capacity of the Utah system. The role established is based on measurable factors such as:

- **Regional Economic Characteristics:** agricultural land, oil/gas fields, mining districts, tourism/recreation, etc.
- **Strategic Aviation Niche:** air cargo, aerial firefighting, air ambulance, based aircraft
- **Modal Connectivity:** federal freight networks, critical freight routes, rail yards, etc
- **Airport Services:** runway length, approach type, weather reporting, fuel service, aircraft storage, etc.



**UT-I: COMMERCIAL SERVICE**  
8 AIRPORTS



**UT-II: CORPORATE / TOURISM / FREIGHT**  
16 AIRPORTS



**UT-III: RECREATION AND COMMUNITY ACCESS**  
9 AIRPORTS



**UT-IV: ESSENTIAL ACCESS**  
13 AIRPORTS

## ST. GEORGE REGIONAL AIRPORT ROLE: UT-I: COMMERCIAL SERVICE

FACILITY AND SERVICE OBJECTIVES	
Airside Facilities	Airport Compliance
Instrument Approach	✓
Navigational and Visual Aids	✗
Weather Reporting	✓
Primary Runway Dimensions	✓
Taxiway Layout	✓
Primary Runway Pavement Condition	✓
Primary Runway Strength	✓
Airfield Lighting	✗
Airfield Security and Fencing	✓
Services	
Fixed Based Operator	✓
Fueling Services	✓
Aircraft Maintenance	✓
Ground Transportation	✓
Other Facilities	
Restrooms	✓
Hangar/Aircraft Storage	✓
Tie-downs	✓
Terminal and Administration Building	✓
Paved Automobile Parking	✓
Other	
Recent Master Plan/Airport Layout Plan	✓

✓ Meets Recommendation ✗ Improvement Recommended

— Not an Objective





## TOTAL ANNUAL STATEWIDE ECONOMIC IMPACTS FOR ALL UTAH AIRPORTS

EXCLUDING SLC	11,567	\$476.5 MILLION	\$786.8 MILLION	\$1.3 BILLION	\$49.8 MILLION
INCLUDING SLC	135,974	\$4.8 BILLION	\$8.0 BILLION	\$12.7 BILLION	\$635.3 MILLION
	STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT	STATEWIDE PAYROLL	STATEWIDE SPENDING	STATEWIDE ANNUAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY	STATEWIDE TAX REVENUE

## ECONOMIC IMPACTS

**15 AIRPORTS**  
HAVE ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACTS UP TO **\$1 MILLION**

**12 AIRPORTS**  
HAVE ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF **\$1 MILLION TO \$5 MILLION**

**5 AIRPORTS**  
HAVE ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF **\$5 MILLION TO \$10 MILLION**

**14 AIRPORTS**  
HAVE ANNUAL ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF **\$10 MILLION OR MORE**

**ANNUAL VISITORS**  
ARRIVING BY AIR

**6.6 MILLION**

**COMMERCIAL AIRLINE VISITORS**

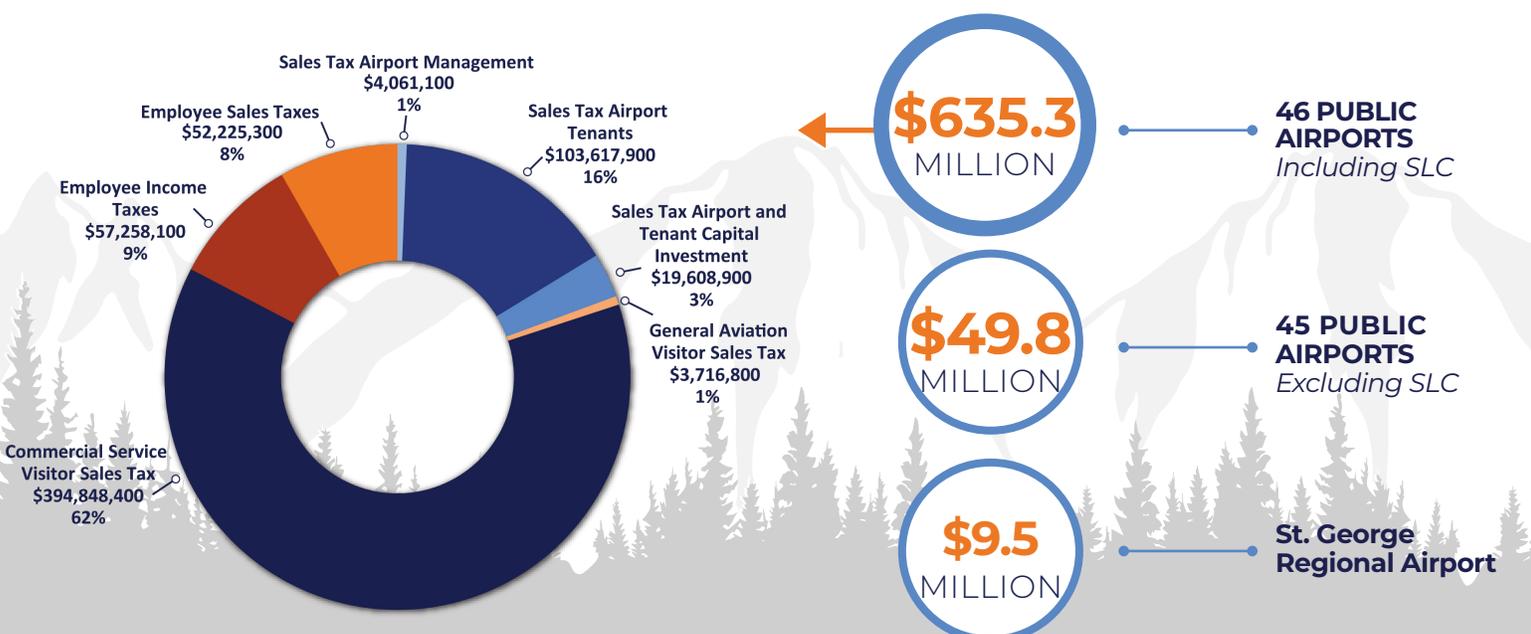
204,000 Excluding SLC

**180,000**

**GENERAL AVIATION VISITORS**

137,000 Excluding SLC

## ANNUAL STATE AND LOCAL TAX REVENUES GENERATED BY AIRPORT ACTIVITY





## METHODOLOGY FOLLOWS FAA GUIDANCE

### HOW DO WE FIND ECONOMIC IMPACTS ON AIRPORTS?

Each airport was investigated to identify potential economic impacts from these activity categories:



### WHAT DO WE MEASURE?

For all categories, these measures were used to identify the airport's annual economic impact:



EMPLOYMENT



ANNUAL PAYROLL



ANNUAL SPENDING



ANNUAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY



### WHAT IS ANNUAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITY?

Annual economic activity represents dollars flowing into the economy from payroll and spending.

### HOW DO WE GET TOTAL IMPACTS?

Economic impacts reflect not only direct impacts, but also indirect/induced impacts associated with multiplier effects. Using Utah-specific inputs, the IMPLAN model was used to estimate indirect/induced impacts.



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