



## ECONOMIC IMPACTS • 2011

**Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport**  
Amarillo, TX





**Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport** is a thriving example of balanced general aviation operations, with corporate/business activity and military training being the predominant uses. Airport staff engages with civic organizations to educate groups on projects at the airport. An airport advisory board also actively works with community partners. An important community-focused service of the airport's growing operations is the rise in medical transports provided. Airport management notes that increased medevac use is due, in part, to the area's aging population and to those who require medical services unavailable in nearby communities.



**Runways:**

**4/22 - 13,502 ft. x 200 ft.**

**13/31 - 7,901 ft. x 150 ft.**



*The on-site air ambulance company has a contract with the Veteran's Administration.*

## 2010 ECONOMIC IMPACTS

Description		Impacts
<b>General Aviation Activities:</b>		
Economic Activity		\$ 101,863,472
Salary, Wages, and Benefits		\$ 48,289,096
Employment		1,238
<b>Commercial &amp; General Aviation Activities:</b>		
Economic Activity		\$ 333,484,093
Salary, Wages, and Benefits		\$ 151,537,855
Employment		4,875
<i>Sources: Survey responses, IMPLAN, and Authors' estimates</i>		

- Capital Expenditures for infrastructure and other airport improvements from 2006-2010 generated \$15.1 million in economic activity that created 142 job-years of employment. (A job-year equals one job lasting one year.)

## GENERAL AVIATION

### Impacts on Texas

The general aviation system in Texas provides important infrastructure that promotes both regional economic development and community recreational opportunities. The system's airports also generate economic activity through capital and operations expenditures, business activities of airport tenants, and spending by visitors using airport facilities. This analysis examined the economic impacts of the facilities that are part of the Texas Airport System Plan (TASP). In total, the state's general aviation airports and general aviation activities at commercial airports create:

#### Economic Activity

\$14.6 billion

#### Salary, Wages, and Benefits

\$3.1 billion

#### Employment

56,635 permanent jobs



## Airport Statistics

**FAA Identifier** – AMA

**Latitude / Longitude**

35-13-09.7000N / 101-42-21.3000W

**Elevation** – 3,607 ft.

**Location**

6 miles east of Amarillo, TX



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