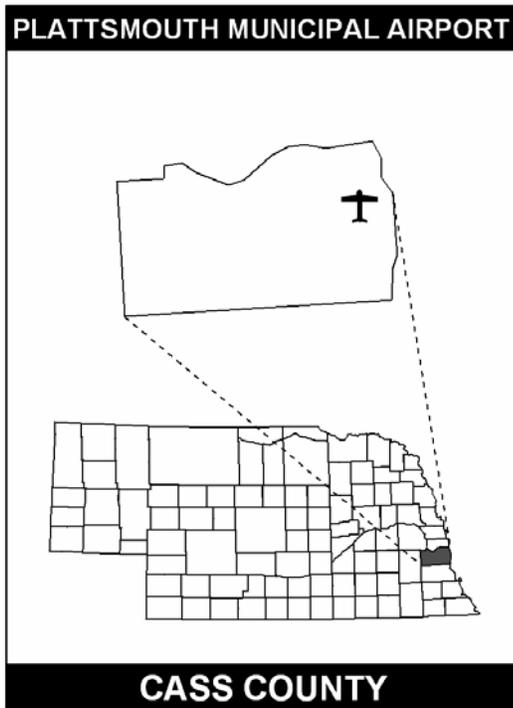


Airport Location

Plattsmouth Municipal Airport is located four miles southwest of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, in Cass County. Plattsmouth has a population of 7,718. The 206-acre airport opened in 1973. The primary runway, Runway 16/34, is a concrete surface measuring 4,100 feet in length and 100 feet in width. Basic economic activities of Plattsmouth, the county seat, include farming, cattle feeding, manufacturing, health care, retail sales, and tourism. Approximately 25 percent of Plattsmouth’s wage earners are military or civil service workers at Offutt Air Force Base. Local attractions include Cass County Museum.

The airport, with 32 based aircraft, experiences approximately 15,800 aircraft operations annually.



Economic Impact

Economic impacts at an airport are measured through employment, payroll, and output (spending). On-airport business and

government activities (direct impacts) account for a significant portion of an airport’s first round economic benefits. Additional first round benefits are also linked to visitors who arrive via the State’s system of airports (indirect impacts). Spending by these visitors supports additional employment and associated annual payroll. These first round impacts create additional spin-off benefits that ripple through the economy. The secondary or induced benefits were measured with Nebraska-specific IMPLAN multipliers. When combined, first round and secondary benefits equal the total economic impact associated with each airport.

First Round Impact

In 2002, there was one aviation-related tenant located on the airport. This tenant functions as the as the FBO and as airport management for the airport sponsor. In order to preserve tenant confidentiality, total tenant and visitor impacts have been combined. This tenant’s direct employment, payroll, and output impacts were derived from survey data. For 2002, the total combined first round output stemming from all on-airport tenants and general aviation visitors to Plattsmouth Municipal Airport was approximately \$732,500. Total first round full-time employment related to airport tenants and general aviation visitors is estimated at 16 persons with a total first round payroll of approximately \$267,300 annually. Survey data indicated that approximately 5,173 visitors used the airport in 2002.

Secondary Impact

The first round impacts associated with on-airport tenants and general aviation visitors also create secondary impacts throughout the State. Secondary impacts are induced impacts calculated using the Nebraska specific IMPLAN multipliers. The accompanying table presents

the 2002 first round, secondary, and total impacts for output, payroll, and employment as they relate to on-airport tenants and general aviation visitors.

Total Impact

For 2002, the total output (including first round and secondary impacts) stemming from all on-airport tenants and general aviation visitors to Plattsmouth Municipal Airport was approximately \$1.13 million. Total full-time employment related to airport tenants and general aviation visitors, including all secondary impacts, is estimated at approximately 22 persons, with a total annual payroll (first round and secondary) of approximately \$414,800 associated with these jobs.

Other Benefits

In addition to the economic benefits described above, Plattsmouth Municipal Airport provides a number of services to the local community. The airport welcomes many recreational flights in addition to corporate aircraft. The airport is frequently used as a gateway for visitors to the area. Plattsmouth Municipal occasionally assists emergency services by accommodating police and firefighting exercises. The facility also occasionally sees traffic from military aircraft on exercise maneuvers. In addition, the airport is important to the local community in terms of providing access to the region’s health care system, by accommodating traffic from visiting physicians or medical evacuation flights.

Summary

On an annual basis, Plattsmouth Municipal Airport currently provides the following total benefits:

Plattsmouth Municipal			
EMPLOYMENT			
	First Round	Secondary	Total
On-Airport Activity	5	3	8
GA Visitors	11	3	14
Total	16	6	22
PAYROLL			
	First Round	Secondary	Total
On-Airport Activity	***	***	***
GA Visitors	***	***	***
Total	\$267,300	\$147,500	\$414,800
OUTPUT			
	First Round	Secondary	Total
On-Airport Activity	***	***	***
GA Visitors	***	***	***
Total	\$732,500	\$402,000	\$1,134,500

Source: Wilbur Smith Associates & IMPLAN multipliers

In a year’s time, capital improvement-related construction spending at airports in Nebraska typically produce the following impacts:

Construction Impacts - Per \$100,000 in CIP Spending			
	First-Round Impact	Secondary Impact	Total Impact
Employment	1.8	2.3	4.1
Payroll	\$55,264	\$41,206	\$96,470
Output	\$100,000	\$70,250	\$170,250

Source: Wilbur Smith Associates, Inc. & IMPLAN multipliers