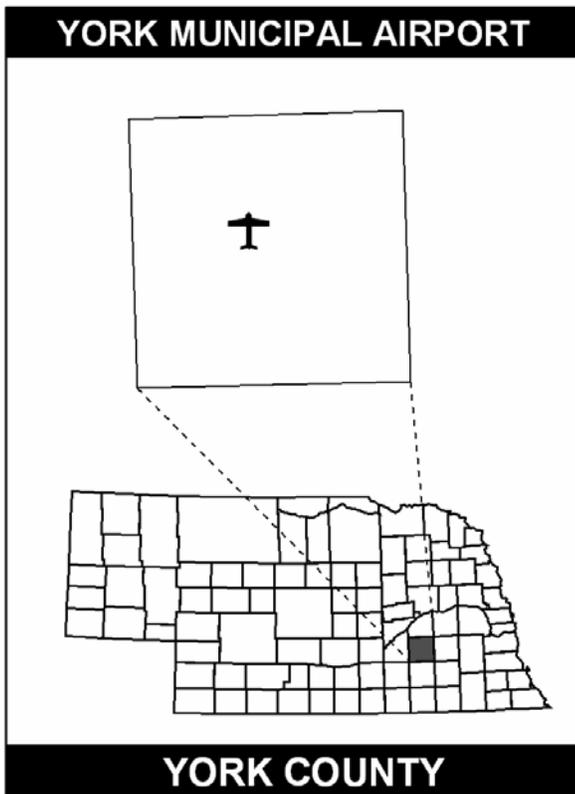


**Airport Location**

York Municipal Airport is located one mile northwest of York, Nebraska, in York County. York has a population of 7,963. The 467-acre airport opened in 1986. The primary runway, Runway 17/35, is a concrete surface measuring 5,900 feet in length and 100 feet in width. Major employers in the community include Champion Homes, Hamilton-Sundstrand, York Public Schools, The Hearthstone, State of Nebraska, York General Hospital, Cornerstone Bank, Petro Travel Plaza, Nebraska Public Power District and York County. Local attractions include the Anna Bemis Palmer Museum.

The airport, with 26 based aircraft, experiences approximately 10,050 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. These 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 were two aviation-related tenants on the airport, including airport management, who supported six employees. These tenants’ direct or first round employment, payroll, and output impacts were derived from survey data. Direct output from all on-airport aviation-related tenants is estimated at \$705,600 annually. The estimated direct annual payroll of these tenants is \$149,600. Operational data indicated that approximately 1,900 visitors used the airport. Visitor-related spending supported an additional four full-time jobs for employees earning over \$65,100 annually. Indirect output from general aviation visitors is estimated at \$102,900.

**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 York Municipal Airport was approximately \$1.18 million. Total full-time employment related to airport tenants and general aviation visitors, including all secondary impacts, is estimated at approximately 15 persons, with a total annual payroll (first round and secondary) of approximately \$316,100 associated with these jobs.

**Other Benefits**

In addition to the economic benefits described above, York Municipal Airport offers several services to the community. The airport supports many recreational aircraft in addition to corporate aircraft such as those belonging to Hamilton-Sunstrand, High Plains Ethanol, Pioneer Seed Corn, and King of the Road. The airport's Fixed Base Operator provides aircraft maintenance and rental, fuel, pilot training, and courtesy transportation. The FBO also provides aerial application services. York's police department also maintains a post at the airport, both for airport security and local patrols.

A survey of over 100 hospitals in Nebraska gathered data to obtain information relating to how often hospitals use airports in Nebraska to bring specialists from out of the area, as well as how often airports are used for patient transfer. Survey data indicated Henderson Health Care Services, Inc. uses the airport occasionally to bring doctors and specialists to the hospital to conduct clinics. These doctors fly in from Lincoln and Hastings. In addition, the hospital uses aircraft several times a year for emergency patient transfer via air ambulance.

The airport participates in several community activities, such as charity poker runs and chili feeds, pancake breakfasts, and swap meets. The airport also sees a considerable amount of

traffic destined for the Chances "R" restaurant, viewed as one of the best in the State.

**Summary**

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

<b>York Municipal</b>			
<b>EMPLOYMENT</b>			
	First Round	Secondary	Total
On-Airport Activity	6	4	10
GA Visitors	4	1	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>PAYROLL</b>			
	First Round	Secondary	Total
On-Airport Activity	\$149,600	\$64,200	\$213,800
GA Visitors	\$65,100	\$37,200	\$102,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$214,700</b>	<b>\$101,400</b>	<b>\$316,100</b>
<b>OUTPUT</b>			
	First Round	Secondary	Total
On-Airport Activity	\$705,600	\$308,600	\$1,014,200
GA Visitors	\$102,900	\$62,500	\$165,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$808,500</b>	<b>\$371,100</b>	<b>\$1,179,600</b>

Source: Wilbur Smith Associates & IMPLAN multipliers

In a year's time, capital improvement-related construction spending at airports in Nebraska typically produces the following benefits:

<b>Construction Impacts - Per \$100,000 in CIP Spending</b>			
	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