GENERAL & BUSINESS AVIATION

The true value of a general aviation airport like Republic is its attraction to firms that choose to establish national headquarters on Long Island, particularly along the Route 110 business corridor. Biotechnology, electronics, graphic communications, and computer software companies reap the benefits of a readily accessible airport that offers an alternative and convenient means of transportation for executives and other critical staff.

As a vital transportation center, Republic Airport is a magnet for corporations doing business on Long Island. A recent sampling of companies using Republic Airport include; H.J. Heinz, Cosco, JC Penney, EDS, 3M Corporation, McDonald's, General Electric, Schering Plough, and Honeywell among many others.





Long Island has attained national exposure for year-round, world-class sporting events including the Belmont Stakes in June, the U.S. Open Golf Tournament at Bethpage, and the exciting action provided by the NHL's New York Islanders professional hockey team. Republic Airport is the destination of choice for the transportation needs of these athletes and their competitors.

Republic Airport has a regional economic impact that annually supports:

Direct 900 Jobs*

\$40.8 million in Income

\$95.0 million in Direct Economic Output*

Total 1.370 Jobs

\$59.4 million in Income

\$139.6 million in Total Economic Output

^{*} Includes 112 NYS Police jobs and \$12.8 million in direct economic output. Total impacts (multiplier effects) of Police jobs include an additional 61 jobs and \$6.1 million in output.





Long Island Jet Center

ECONOMIC GROWTH





In today's fast paced and competitive business environment, Republic Airport consistently provides vital air transportation services for companies located in the Town of Babylon along the Route 110 corridor. The economic value of the airport extends well beyond the estimated business sales, earnings and employment associated with its operations.

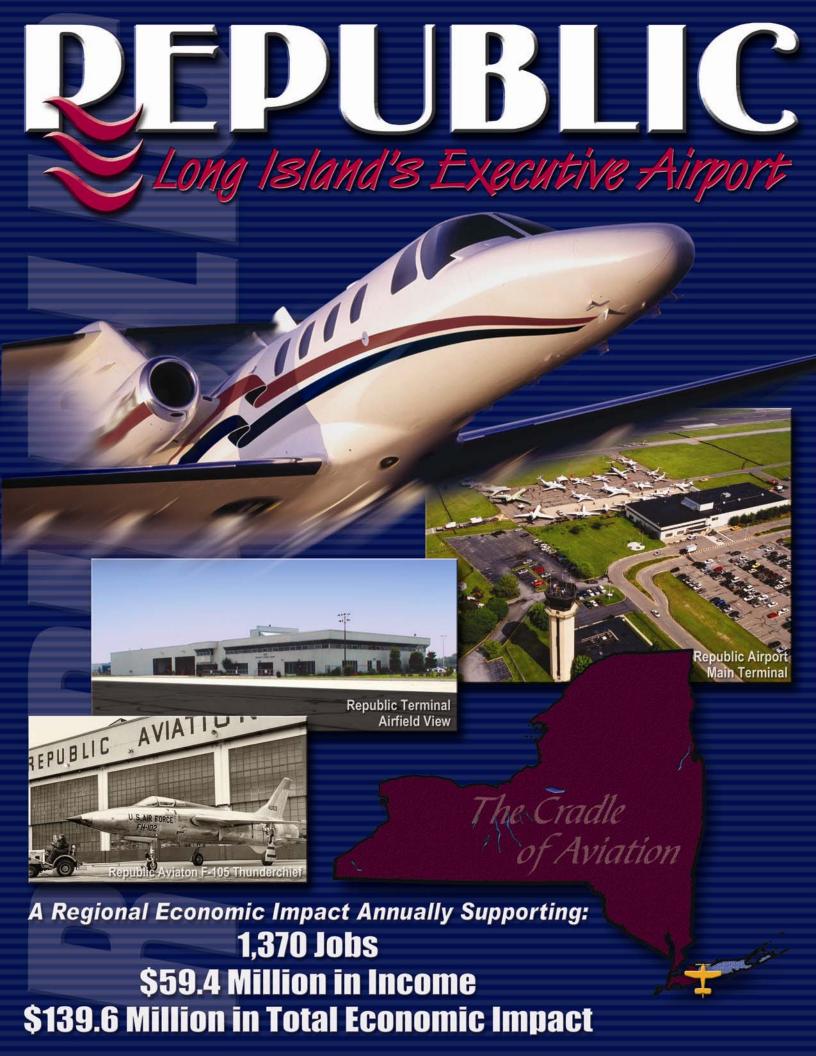
From an economic development perspective, the availability of the airport's services can be crucial to corporate decision-making. In a national survey of corporate site location personnel, 46 percent said that proximity to a general aviation airport is important or essential in their site selection decision-making.

Since the last economic study of the airport 10 years ago, Republic's overall economic impact has doubled. As the airport continues to serve the community and region into the future, it will be a good neighbor to its surrounding residents through continuous noise abatement programs, while selectively adding business facilities which generate both jobs and taxes.

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WELCOME

Republic Airport is the western-most general aviation (non-airline service) airport on Long Island. In 1927, when Republic Airport was part of a private aviation manufacturing complex, no one could have predicted its eventual transformation into a vigorous public-use general aviation airport that would serve as the aviation economic lifeline for 21st Century Long Island. Now owned by the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), Republic Airport has become a powerful economic engine that generates over 1,370 jobs and nearly \$140 million in annual economic output for the Long Island region.

A SIGNIFICANT BENEFIT TO THE LOCAL ECONOMY

The airport is self supporting. No local tax money is required to support its annual operations. As such, the airport's annual operating expenses are funded solely by revenues collected from those who use the airport and its facilities.

Since, 2000 over \$18 million in capital improvements have been made at the airport, which contribute to the economic strength of the region and its ability to compete in national and international markets. These investments have been made largely by New York State through federal grant in aid programs, as well as investments by the airport tenant community. Again, no local tax investment is required.

The airport and its tenants contribute \$600,000 in payments in lieu of taxes annually to the Town of Babylon. Aviation activity at the airport generates an additional \$12 million in state and local taxes.

SALARIES AND PAYROLL

Republic is a significant employer on Long Island with a variety of skilled, high-wage jobs such as professional pilots, aircraft technicians, air traffic control personnel, accounting and finance personnel, as well as managers and other professionals. The 60 businesses on the airport pay an average salary of \$45,200.

