

KISSIMMEE GATEWAY AIRPORT

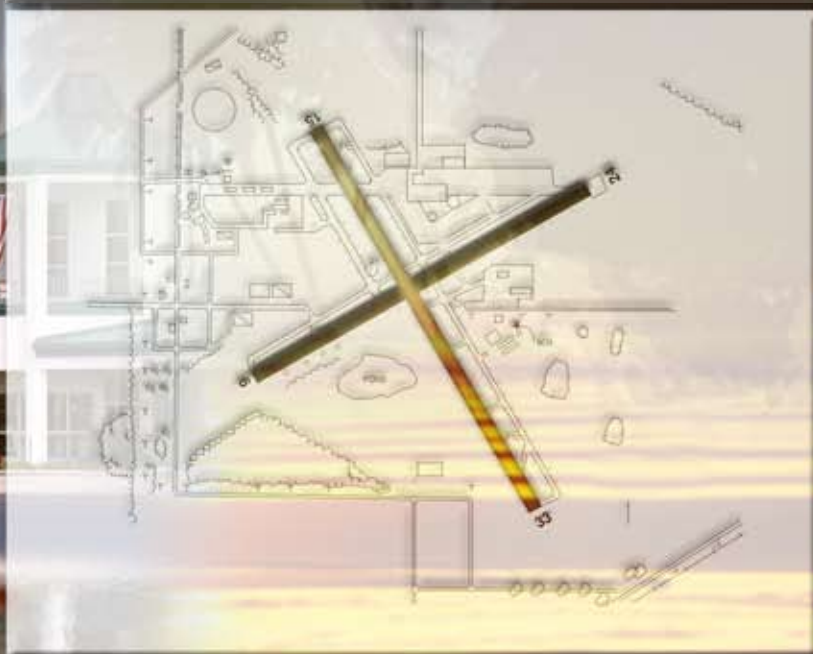
ORLANDO
GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORT



AIRPORT LOCATION



Kissimmee Gateway Airport is located in Osceola County, roughly 25 miles south of downtown Orlando along US Route 17-92. Kissimmee Gateway is just a mile west of the central business district and is situated south of US Route 192 and west of US Route 17-92, near the Kissimmee Golf Club.



Existing Facilities

Kissimmee Gateway is served by two intersecting runways. These runways are Runway 15/33, which is 6,000 feet long by 100 feet wide and Runway 6/24, which is 5,000 feet long by 150 feet wide. These runways are both asphalt and are in good condition. Both Runways are served by parallel taxiway systems. There is a T-hangar complex south of the Runway 24 approach end. The airport also has a 3,500 square foot terminal to serve general aviation pilots and passengers. There are 120 paved automobile parking spaces to serve the general aviation terminal building. There are currently 42 tiedowns for general aviation aircraft, and between the airport's T-hangars and conventional hangars, there are 173 covered parking spaces for aircraft.

The airport has completed numerous projects to accommodate local demand, including improved runway safety area and airfield drainage enhancements, development of a storage hangar and office space, and development of the first phase to the west apron. The airport had its most recent master plan completed in 1993 and an update in 2004.

Current projects in progress are: FAA Part 150 Noise Study, clear span hangar construction, and control tower equipment upgrade.

Current and Forecast Demand

GENERAL AVIATION

Kissimmee Gateway Airport serves the needs of military, air cargo, and all facets of general aviation. The largest plane that uses the airport on a regular basis is a Gulfstream V and the current Airport Reference Code (ARC) as defined by the FAA Circular 150/5300-13 for the airport is D-II. General aviation constitutes a considerable portion of the airport's annual activity. According to FDOT inspection, the airport has 232 based general aviation aircraft. Of this total, approximately 20 percent of the aircraft are stored on paved tie-downs, and 80 percent are in T-hangars or conventional hangars. The airport presently reports no waiting list for tie-downs since five additional tie-down spaces have been added.

Historic and forecast FDOT aviation activity information on file for Kissimmee Gateway Airport is as follows:

Kissimmee Gateway Airport	2008	2013	2018	2028
Based Aircraft	210	231	253	306
General Aviation Operations	151,838	164,380	177,958	208,571
Commercial Operations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Enplanements	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: FDOT Aviation Office.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Kissimmee's 892-acre airport provides excellent service to business and leisure flyers with hotels, restaurants, and entertainment conveniently nearby. Kissimmee Gateway Airport is the closest general aviation facility to Walt Disney World Resort, Sea World Adventure Park, UNIVERSAL Orlando, the Orlando-Orange County Convention Center, and just minutes away from Central Florida's major highway. The Kissimmee Gateway Airport accommodates general aviation air service 24 hours a day. The air traffic control tower operates from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

In its current role, the airport focuses primarily on flight training, business/corporate activities, and recreational/sport activities. The airport envisions increasing its role in all three of these areas, as well as increasing cargo operations. The airport could support Very Light Jet (VLJ) related air taxi operations. The airport's future role is limited primarily by manmade and environmental factors. State Road 192 and CSX Railroad are on the south and the north, respectively. Also, Shingle Creek Conservation Area (Preserve) is on the west. The airport does not report any community factors or financial shortfalls that will limit its future system role or growth. The airport sees itself experiencing significant growth in the coming years. The airport's vision for its future is to provide increased corporate jet and cargo operations and limited passenger traffic.

Flight training is a component of this airport's general aviation activity. Roughly 65 percent of the airport's annual operations are related to flight training. There are four different businesses located on the airport that provide flight training; these businesses employ over 50 flight instructors and have 55 aircraft that are based at the airport. General aviation operations by corporate and business users are also common at the airport. The airport estimates that 11 percent of its annual general aviation operations are business related. Approximately one percent of the airport's based aircraft are owned by local businesses. The airport also attracts a number of transient or visiting general aviation aircraft. Visiting businesses that fly into the airport include Daimler-Chrysler, Southeast Toyota, and Pizza Hut. Approximately 40 percent of all visiting general aviation aircraft fall into the business jet category. The airport supports an industrial park that is adjacent to the airport on the northeast. This industrial park contains eight sites on 110 acres and is approximately 10 percent occupied. While the airport does not have any based military aircraft, it does accommodate transient military operations. The airport reports that less than one percent of its total annual activity is attributable to military operations.

OTHER AIRPORT CHARACTERISTICS

The last decade has been a very active period for the airport, with such improvements as installation of an ILS, construction of over 90 T-hangars and the design and funding of Hoagland and Martin Luther King Boulevards to enhance airport access. Additional equipment installation and renovation of the control tower, opened in 1997, have greatly contributed to maintain a safe and efficient airport environment.

Kissimmee Gateway Airport has spent much of the last three years transforming itself into a major hub for private and corporate travelers. City leaders hope that the airport's continued revitalization will further enhance the image of the City of Kissimmee and Osceola County, and increase its role as a catalyst to economic development. Several indicators, including fuel sales in excess of two million gallons, planned construction of the future Business Airpark

infrastructure and the desire to obtain U.S. Customs service, Kissimmee Gateway Airport is clearly providing valuable services to the local general aviation community.

CURRENT AND FUTURE SYSTEM SERVICE REQUIREMENTS / RECOMMENDATIONS

The airport provides Flight Training, Corporate, Tourism (CA), Recreational/Sport, and Business/Recreational (sightseeing, fire fighting, charter, medical flights, law enforcement) services. The airport plans to increase its flight training, recreational, corporate, and charter operations. It would like to establish cargo operations. Analysis indicates that the airport is best suited for providing Recreational/Sport, Tourism (CA), Flight Training, and Corporate service.

COMMERCIAL SERVICE ROLE	<u>Current Service</u>	<u>Future Service</u>
Tourism		
Business		
Air Cargo		
International		
GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORT ROLE		
Flight Training	X	X
Corporate	X	X
Tourism	X	X
Recreational / Sport	X	X
Business / Recreational	X	X