

# Orlando Apopka Airport



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
AVIATION AND SPACEPORTS OFFICE

**Airport:** Orlando Apopka Airport (X04)

**City:** Apopka, Florida

**County:** Orange County

**Owner:** Orlando Apopka Airport Condo Association

**Role:** General Aviation Airport



Located in Orange County, approximately 17 miles northwest of Orlando, Orlando Apopka Airport serves a variety of general aviation activities. With its single 3,987-foot runway, the airport can accommodate smaller GA aircraft. The airport's terminal is ideal for serving local users as well as those visiting the area.



## Existing Facilities

Orlando Apopka Airport is a privately-owned, public-use airport that is served by one runway, Runway 15/33. The runway measures 3,987 feet long by 60 feet wide and is paved with asphalt in good condition. Runway 15/33 also features RNAV-GPS approaches with precision approach path indicator lights. A 3,800 square foot building houses the fixed based operator and passenger terminal facility. There are 60 paved automobile parking spaces, as well as over 60 grass tie-downs and more than 200 covered parking spaces in hangars. Airport common areas are maintained by the Orlando Apopka Airport Owners Association; however the lots and hangars are privately owned and maintained.

For more information, please visit Orlando Apopka Airport's website at:

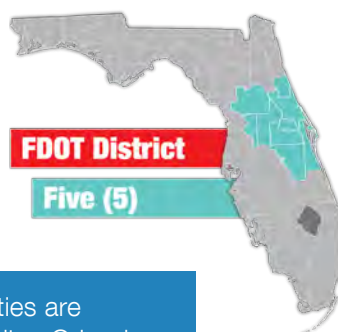
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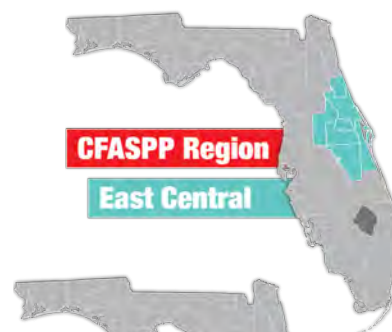
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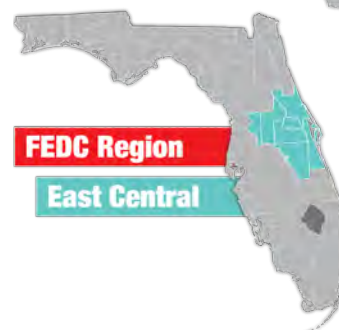
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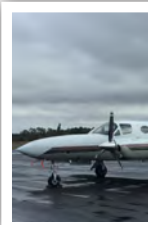


**CFASPP Region  
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**FEDC Region  
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Twenty-three privately-owned aviation facilities are open to the public throughout Florida including Orlando Apopka Airport. These facilities generally comprise fly-in communities with grass strips or contain short paved runways that primarily serve the recreational general aviation public. Although these facilities are owned and operated by private individuals or companies, the facilities are open to the public for aviation use.





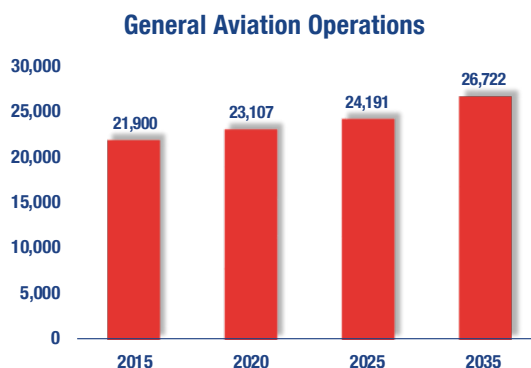
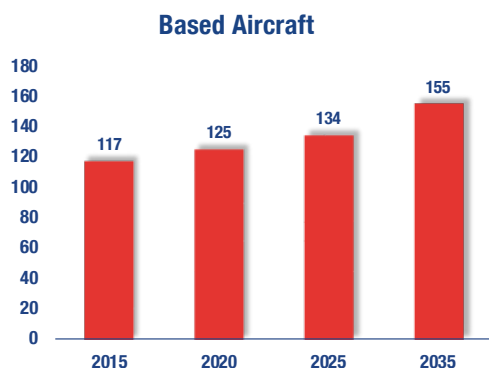
Orlando Apopka Airport is located within a 30-minute drive from downtown Orlando, in proximity to a variety of attractions and recreational activities in the area, including Orlando's famous theme parks. It is not expected that airport management will encourage recreational use of the facility in the future. For a 12-month period ending in August 2017, 75 percent of Orlando Apopka's operations were classified as local GA, while the remaining 25 percent were transient GA operations.

A large industrial park is located approximately two miles east of Orlando Apopka, which the airport supports. There are no military aircraft based at the airport, but it does sometimes accommodate transient military or government helicopter operations.



## Current and Forecast Demand

In 2017, there were a total of 117 fixed wing aircraft and two helicopters based at Orlando Apopka Airport. Because the airport is privately owned, there is no available master plan or FDOT work program. The airport has no aviation training programs that are connected with any of the local colleges, universities, or technical schools.

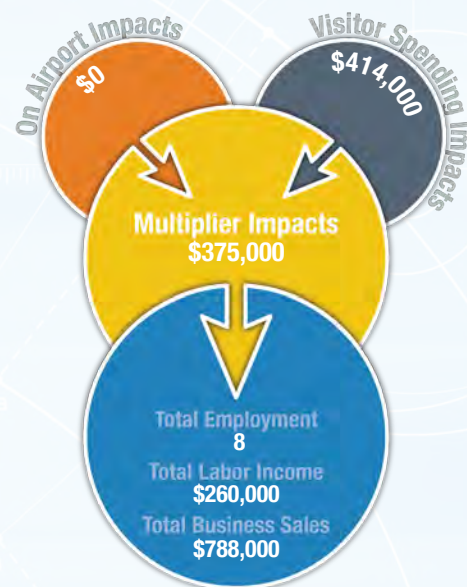




# Economic Impact

Orlando Apopka Airport is located in Orange County, approximately 16 miles northwest of downtown Orlando. The airport has one runway measuring 3,987 feet. The airport serves local and transient general aviation needs.

The airport is conveniently located close to Central Florida's main attractions and the cities of Orlando and Sanford. The airport primarily supports business activity, recreational flying, and flight training. Airport tenants provide vital services, including aircraft inspections, maintenance, aircraft rental, and flight training. The flight training school specializes in sport aviation training, education, and services. The airport is engaged in the community and hosts community events, including Rusty Pilots, which encourages lapsed pilots to brush up on current aviation knowledge.



## Other Airport Characteristics

Due to area demographics and general proximity to the Orlando metropolitan area, management believes that Orlando Apopka Airport would be an ideal location for small business jet activity. The airport's management reports that limited partnerships and fractional ownerships are beginning to replace Part 135 operators and that the demand for aircraft charters has increased tremendously over the past year or two. Airport officials cite that individuals do not want the inconvenience of long waits for departures or problems at the major airports. Management currently has more than 210 interested individuals and corporations wishing to relocate to Orlando Apopka Airport. They wish to escape traffic at other larger area airports and many of these aircraft owners live in the area of the airport. As a result, GA operations by corporate and business users are common.

## Current and Future System Service Requirements/Recommendations

The airport provides Flight Training, Corporate, Tourism, and Business/Recreational (sightseeing, real estate tours) services. The airport plans to develop charter operations. The analysis indicates that the airport is best suited for providing Recreational/Sport and Tourism services.

### General Aviation Airport Role



Flight Training



Corporate



Tourism



Business/Recreational



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