NEW MEXICO
AEROSPACE KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

SPACENET AMERICA
The nation’s first purpose-built commercial space facility, accommodating both vertical and horizontal launch aerospace vehicles. Over 100 launches have been conducted from the site in 11 years. Major tenant operators include Armadillo Aerospace, UP Aerospace, and Virgin Galactic.

MAJOR INDUSTRY EMPLOYERS
- AerSale
- Aspen Avionics
- Bendix/King
- The Boeing Company
- Eclipse Aerospace
- General Dynamics
- Goodrich Aerospace
- Harris
- Honeywell Aerospace
- Jacobs
- Lockheed Martin Corporation
- Metis Technologies
- Northrop Grumman Corporation
- Raytheon
- Virgin Galactic

RESEARCH FACILITIES
- Air Force Research Laboratory
- Los Alamos National Laboratory
- New Mexico State University Physical Science Laboratory
- Sandia National Laboratories
- White Sands Missile Range
- White Sands Test Facility

3 Flight Testing facilities with 15,000 square miles of restricted airspace, making the state ideal for flying and space launch

8,000+
Employees in aerospace and aviation industry

$300+ million
Annual aerospace-related payroll in Southern New Mexico

$3.68 billion
Sandia National Laboratory’s economic impact in 2019 (over 14,000 employees)

20
Federal, state, privately funded laboratories

4
Major Military Installations

New Mexico ranked in top 3 for drone-friendly states

3 RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES
1. New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology operates the Magdalena Research Observatory and the Very Large Array.
2. University of New Mexico is the home of the Meteoritic’s Research Institute.
3. New Mexico State University is a core member of both the FAA Center of Excellence for Commercial Space Transportation and the Center of Excellence for Unmanned Aircraft Systems.

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