Wichita is known as the “Air Capital of the World”

**In aerospace jobs per capita**

#2

**Aviation industry's annual impact**

$5 billion (3.5% of the state’s GDP)

**Jobs supported by the aerospace and defense industry in 2017**

97,000 (37,780 direct)

**Of the world's embedded general aviation fleet is manufactured in Kansas**

67%

**Aerospace products exported by Kansas companies, 23.8% percent of the state’s total exports**

$2.7 billion

**Major Industry Employers**

- Airbus Americas Engineering
- The Boeing Company
- Bombardier Aerospace
- HM Dunn Aerospace
- Harlow Aerostructures
- Honeywell Aerospace
- Impresa Aerospace
- Lee Aerospace
- Spirit AeroSystems
- Textron Aviation
- UTC Aerospace Systems

**Major Military Installations**

- Marshall Army Airfield
- McConnell Air Force Base
- Sherman Army Airfield

Wichita State University’s National Institute for Aviation Research is the largest university aviation research and development institution in the nation

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