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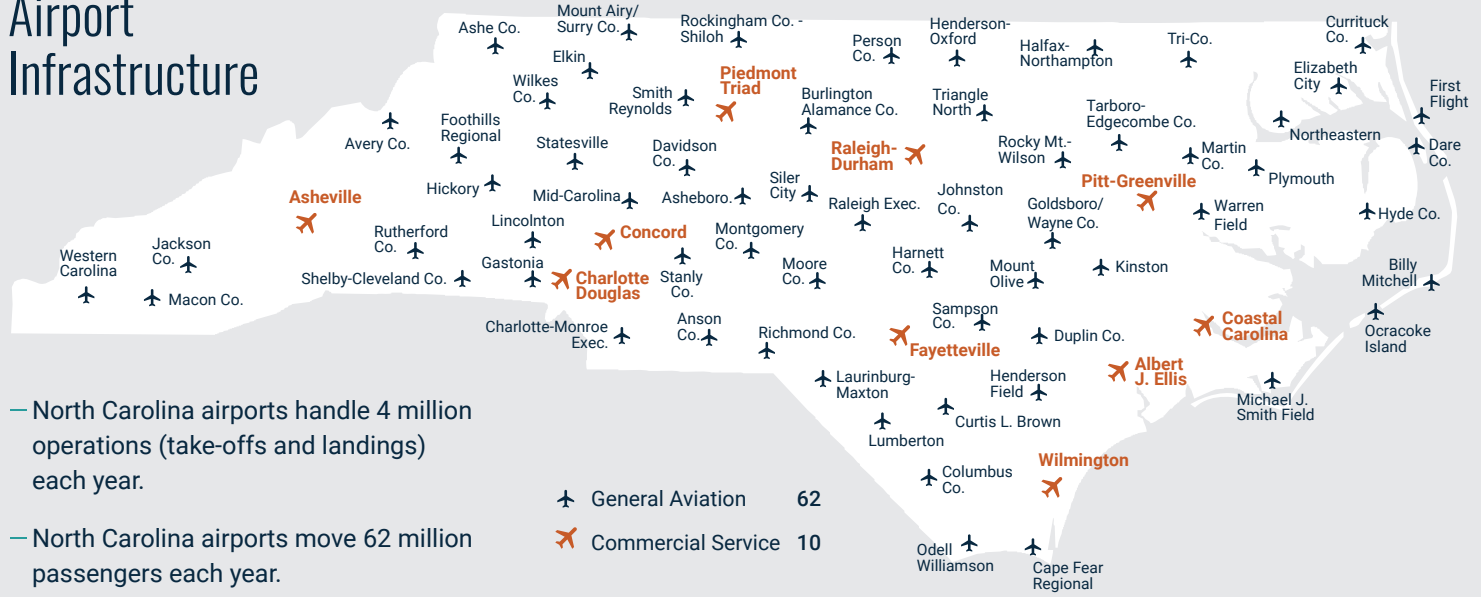
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STATE OF THE SYSTEM

Aviation



Airport Infrastructure



– North Carolina airports handle 4 million operations (take-offs and landings) each year.

– North Carolina airports move 62 million passengers each year.

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Publicly Owned

North Carolina's **airports** contribute more than \$52 billion in economic impact and 307,000 jobs to the state's economy every year.

More Than 3,300

based aircraft use fuel from the airports, supporting the local economy and contributing significant tax revenues.

94%

of North Carolina's residents live within a 30-minute drive of an airport.

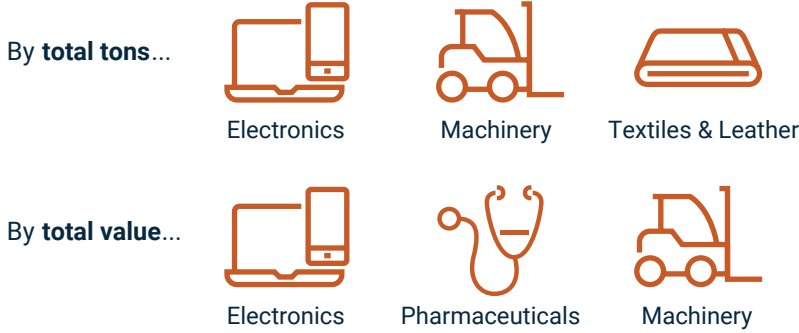
North Carolina is home to 18,000 licensed pilots and 15,000 aircraft mechanics.



Source: North Carolina Airport System Plan, North Carolina Division of Aviation, 2015



Air Cargo's Top Three Commodities

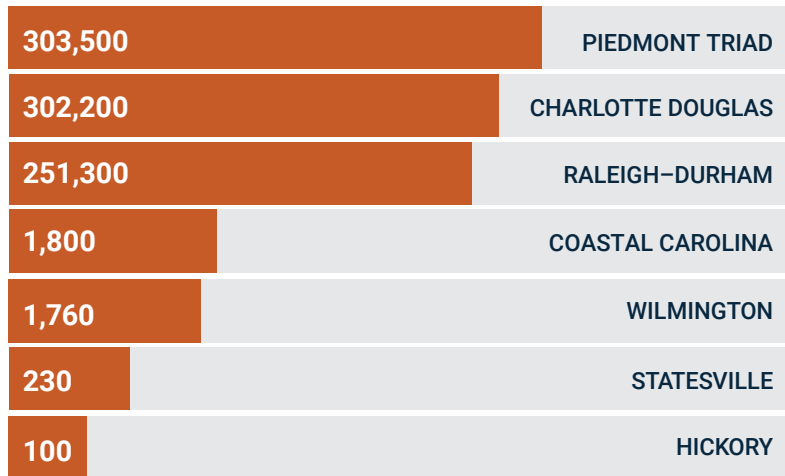


Air freight modes tend to transport the highest proportion of high-value, low-weight commodities due to the high cost of air transport when compared to surface modes. In 2015, the top transported commodity by air at North Carolina airports was electronics, comprising 21 percent of total tonnage (worth \$5.1 billion). Machinery was the second-most transported commodity, comprising 14 percent of total tonnage (worth \$3.5 billion).

The Value of Air Cargo

Compared to other modes, air cargo is a relatively small amount of North Carolina's overall freight activity. However, its per-ton value of more than \$117,800 is substantially greater than the values of cargo by highway (\$1,080 per ton), rail (\$380) and water (\$680).

ANNUAL CARGO IN TONS



Sources: NCDOT 2017 North Carolina Statewide Multimodal Freight Plan
Division of Aviation 2019 North Carolina The State of Aviation

AIRPORTS & CARGO:

Did you know?

There are 20 airports with air cargo activity in North Carolina, including both dedicated all-cargo operations and cargo that travels in a passenger aircraft.

More Than **850,000**

tons of air cargo are moved by North Carolina airports each year. And, more than...

99%

of air cargo activity **takes place at these three airports:**

- Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT)
- Piedmont Triad International Airport (GSO)
- Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU)



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