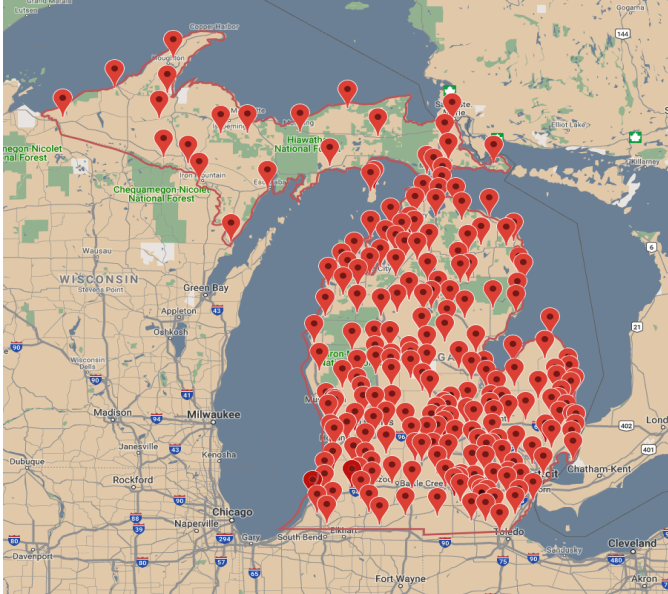




## Summary of Economic Impact of General Aviation in Michigan

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The aviation department at **Andrews University** operates a fleet of single-engine Piper Archers, a Piper Arrow and a Piper Seminole for flight training courses. The school's flight simulation building draws nearby companies and community members for training as well. The facility is equipped with a Mitsubishi MU2 to train students on ground operations and the complexity of a turbo prop start cycle.

### AVIATION BY THE NUMBERS

According to the Michigan Department of Transportation, Office of Aeronautics, Michigan is home to 210 general aviation airports. According to the FAA, these airports support 16,153 pilots and 6,904 registered aircraft.

### NUMBER OF JOBS

According to the 2017 **Michigan Aviation System Plan**, general aviation airports support over 33,000 jobs in Michigan, resulting in over \$1.4 billion in labor income.

### ECONOMIC IMPACT

According to the same study, general aviation airports in Michigan support over \$5.2 billion in total economic impact annually.

According to FAA data, Michigan is home to 88 repair stations, 7 FAA-approved pilot schools, 5,465 student pilots and 2,850 flight instructors.

In addition, there are 113 fixed-base operators in the state, according to the comprehensive AC-U-KWIK directory. According to Helicopter Association International, there are 188 heliports in Michigan.

According to the University Aviation Association and the Michigan Department of Transportation, collegiate flight departments in Michigan include Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Northern Michigan University in Marquette, Lansing Community College in Lansing, Baker College in Flint, Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Michigan Institute of Aeronautics in Canton, and Western Michigan University College of Aviation in Battle Creek.