

# Aerospace/Aviation in Chandler

## Why it makes sense:

Year-round near-perfect weather, competitive operating costs and world-class educational and infrastructure assets make Greater Phoenix an ideal location for Aerospace & Aviation. Nearly 300 aerospace companies including Honeywell, Boeing, Orbital Sciences and General Dynamics have a long-standing presence in the region.

## Workforce

There is a talented pipeline of aerospace and defense expertise. Greater Phoenix's roots in aerospace and high-technology produce a concentration of skilled engineers.

**Arizona State University's (ASU)** School of Earth and Space Exploration, Department of Aeronautical Management Technology (ASU Polytechnic) and the Ira A. Fulton School of Engineering are equipping a workforce to practice at the forefront of their industry.

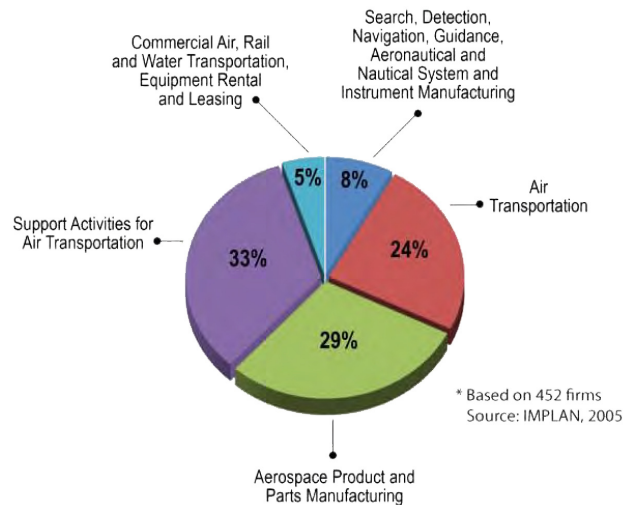
**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University** is consistently named the leader for its aerospace / aeronautical / astronautical engineering programs.

**Chandler Gilbert Community College (CGCC)** located just 2.5 miles north of Chandler Municipal Airport, is a campus of the Maricopa Community College District, one of the largest higher-education systems in the world and the largest provider of job training in Arizona. CGCC offers the only FAA-approved community college aviation maintenance and flight programs in metro Phoenix.

## Right-to-Work State

As a right-to-work state, the unionization rate in Arizona is among the lowest in the nation. In comparison to other Western markets, Greater Phoenix offers the 3rd lowest total percentage of unionized workers.

## Aerospace Firms in Arizona



## Key Aviation/Aerospace Companies in Chandler

Able Engineering	Goodrich Turbo Resources
Aerospec, Inc.	Orbital Sciences
Applied Resources, Inc.	Pilgrim Screw Corporation
ArmorWorks	Pivotal Technology
Av Air	Quantum Helicopters
Boeing Iridium Satellite	SoftComm Products, Inc.
Chandler Air Service	Space Data
Crane Aerospace & Electronics	Varga Enterprises

## Development Opportunities - Airpark Area

The Chandler Airpark Area, which is ideally situated just south of the Loop 202 SanTan Freeway, boasts hundreds of acres available for development. Parcels range from 1 to nearly 100 acres.

The Airport proper has approximately 40 acres available for development with parcels ranging from 2.5 to 16.75 acres. Development opportunities include, but are not limited to, fixed base operations, general aviation specialty shop facilities, hangars and/or T-shades, and other aviation related commercial uses.

## Tax Advantages

The entire Airpark Area is located within the Chandler Enterprise Zone. The Enterprise Zone provides income tax credits and/or favorable property tax reclassification to qualified businesses.

Other available business assistance programs include Chandler's Industrial Development Authority that provides tax-free bond financing, a Workforce Training Grant program and the SBA 504 loan program.



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