



# 2026 Fact Sheet

## MCO

Official airport designator for **Orlando International Airport** (designator adopted from McCoy Air Force Base, named after Colonel Michael McCoy)

## AVIATION AUTHORITY

The airport is operated and managed by the Greater Orlando Aviation Authority (GOAA), which consists of a seven-member board per below:

- Five appointed by the Governor of Florida
- Mayor of Orlando
- Mayor of Orange County

## LOCATION

Centrally located within a two-hour drive of more than 60 percent of Florida's population, MCO is well positioned to support the region's dynamic economic growth.

**\$41+ Billion Regional  
Economic Impact\***  
**FY 2026 Budget  
\$979 Million**

## LAND & FACILITIES

The airport property comprises 11,605 acres (4,694 hectares) making it the fourth largest commercial airport by landmass in the United States. Features include:

- 4 Parallel North/South Runways
- 22,647 Paved Parking Spaces
- 7 Million Square Feet Under Roof
- Home to the **largest rental car market** in the world with most major rental companies on airport property
- Larger footprint than JFK, MIA, LHR airports combined

## FUTURE PROJECTS

**Concessions.** A reimagined retail and dining experience will feature nationally recognized brands along with local flavors.

**Parking Upgrades.** A camera-based system will provide real-time information about parking availability, with color-coded lights pointing drivers to open parking spots.

**Terminal C Expansion.** Four new boarding piers will accommodate 8 narrow-body/4 wide-body aircraft positions to meet projected passenger demand.

## 2013-2025 PASSENGER DATA

### Total Traffic

|      |            |
|------|------------|
| 2013 | 34,768,415 |
| 2014 | 35,714,092 |
| 2015 | 38,809,337 |
| 2016 | 41,923,399 |
| 2017 | 44,611,265 |
| 2018 | 47,696,627 |
| 2019 | 50,617,412 |
| 2020 | 21,617,803 |
| 2021 | 40,351,068 |
| 2022 | 50,176,313 |
| 2023 | 57,735,720 |
| 2024 | 57,211,628 |
| 2025 | 57,675,573 |

### International Traffic

|      |           |
|------|-----------|
| 2013 | 3,944,844 |
| 2014 | 4,324,349 |
| 2015 | 5,084,240 |
| 2016 | 5,592,710 |
| 2017 | 5,912,295 |
| 2018 | 6,600,640 |
| 2019 | 7,161,169 |
| 2020 | 1,618,447 |
| 2021 | 1,950,432 |
| 2022 | 5,543,168 |
| 2023 | 7,024,086 |
| 2024 | 7,814,384 |
| 2025 | 8,454,834 |

## CARGO (Short Tons)

|      |         |             |                |
|------|---------|-------------|----------------|
| 2017 | 220,019 | 2022        | 250,652        |
| 2018 | 255,904 | 2023        | 212,480        |
| 2019 | 251,929 | 2024        | 222,510        |
| 2020 | 223,116 | <b>2025</b> | <b>220,832</b> |
| 2021 | 245,143 |             |                |

### All major players in freight market are located at/around MCO.

- Over 20 on-airport cargo companies including the major players.
- Orlando's central location allows for cargo entering and exiting the U.S. to be more efficiently served.
- Featuring a domestic route network that offers flights to more U.S. destinations than any other Florida airport.
- One of the few airports in the world capable of handling Group VI aircraft.

## STRATEGIC PLAN

GOAA is guided by its 2025 Vision, a comprehensive blueprint with a focus on *People, Infrastructure, Community, and Customer Experience* that lays out the Aviation Authority's next 10 years. The plan supports GOAA's role as a major economic generator for Central Florida and embraces the region's ideals.



**MISSION** To seamlessly connect Florida and the world through exceptional experiences, collaboration, and creativity.



**VISION** Be the global leader in the evolution of mobility.



**VALUES** Service, Integrity, Efficiency, Excellence, Transparency



## AIR SERVICE/170+ NON-STOP DESTINATIONS

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Aer Lingus       | Emirates        |
| AeroMexico       | Flair           |
| Air Canada       | Frontier        |
| Air Canada Rouge | GOL             |
| Air France       | Iberia          |
| Air Transat      | Icelandair      |
| Alaska           | JetBlue         |
| Allegiant        | LATAM           |
| American         | Norse           |
| Avelo            | Porter          |
| Avianca          | Southwest       |
| Azul             | Spirit          |
| Bahamasair       | Sun Country     |
| BermudAir        | United          |
| Breeze           | Virgin Atlantic |
| British Airways  | Viva            |
| Caribbean        | Volaris         |
| Copa             | WestJet         |
| Delta            | ZipAir          |
| Discover         |                 |

## INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Aruba              | Honduras             |
| Bahamas            | Iceland              |
| Bermuda            | Ireland              |
| Brazil             | Jamaica              |
| Canada             | Japan                |
| Cayman Islands     | Mexico               |
| Colombia           | Netherlands          |
| Costa Rica         | Panama               |
| Dominican Republic | Scotland             |
| El Salvador        | St. Maarten          |
| England            | Spain                |
| France             | Trinidad & Tobago    |
| Germany            | Turks & Caicos       |
| Guatemala          | United Arab Emirates |

**MCO**

**OPERATES WITH  
NO LOCAL  
TAX DOLLARS**

## MCO THROUGH THE DECADES

- 1975** Deed received by Orlando for surplus land for airport facility use following closure of McCoy Air Force Base in 1974; Special State of Florida legislative act created the Greater Orlando Aviation Authority (GOAA).
- 1976** Received international status; renamed Orlando International Airport (MCO).
- 1981** Completion of a new \$300 million MCO Terminal Complex, ranked 25th in passenger traffic in U.S. with 6 million passengers and 13 signatory airlines.
- 1985** B-52 Memorial Park is dedicated; first million passenger month in March; total 10 million for the year.
- 1989** Third parallel runway opened.
- 1990** Opened third airside terminal; new FIS concourse increased capacity to 2,000 international passengers per hour.
- 2000** Rated No.1 Airport in North America by J.D. Power & Associates; fourth airside terminal opened.
- 2002** Opened 345-foot Air Traffic Control tower. (tallest in U.S. at the time, now ranked 5th).
- 2003** Fourth parallel runway added; Flight Safety International Simulation facility opened.
- 2007** World's largest passenger plane, the A380, made first southeast U.S. landing; full employee security screening begins.
- 2012** \$470 million Automated People Mover (APM) Complex proposed; Installation of Veterans Memorial.
- 2013** The Col. Joe Kittinger Award introduced to honor U.S. Veterans; \$1.1B Capital Improvement Plan announced.
- 2015** Construction begins on new APM South Complex & Intermodal Terminal Facility; Customer Service Department/Program started; passenger traffic record 38.8M; Board approves initiating design of South Terminal.
- 2016** GOAA Board approved construction of South Terminal "C" Phase 1; New USO opens on "A" terminal first level; annual passenger traffic record 41.9 million; MCO ranks 14th in nation & 43rd in world in passenger volume.
- 2017** New Intermodal Terminal Facility (ITF)/ APM complex opens; 2,400 space parking garage "C" opens; Annie the Astronaut digital ambassador introduced; annual passenger traffic surpasses 44 million; MCO hosts Puerto Rico Hurricane Maria relief center; MCO ranked by J.D. Power Highest in Customer Satisfaction for Mega Airports.
- 2018** MCO becomes first airport in nation to employ entry-and-exit facial recognition biometric technology for international travelers; MCO wins second consecutive J.D. Power Highest in Customer Satisfaction for Mega Airports award; GOAA signs 50-year land use deal.
- 2019** MCO was the first Florida airport to surpass 50 million passengers; Paw Pilots comfort dog program begins; MCO becomes first airport in world to receive EMAP Accreditation for emergency planning.
- 2021** MCO rebounds from COVID-19 global pandemic with 40.3 million annual passengers.
- 2022** \$2.8B Terminal C opens to public with 15 new gates and features a unique, top-level customer arrival experience that showcases the essence of Central Florida; 100% automated screening lanes in TSA Checkpoint; fully integrated Rail-Air-Ground transportation; state-of-the-art amenities: a variety of dynamic shops, restaurants, and club lounge facilities.
- 2023** Launch of Brightline services from MCO. The only high-speed intercity rail service to operate from an airport in the U.S. connecting Orlando to Miami and South Florida. MCO hits record passenger traffic of 57.7 million passengers.
- 2024** MCO wins the Routes Americas Marketing Award in the over 20 million passengers category.
- 2025** Opened pedestrian bridge connecting Terminal C to the Train Station. Implemented Enhanced Passenger Processing decreasing Customs and Immigration processing time for U.S. citizens by 65%.