



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. New expansion projects at Terminal A and Terminal C garages will help to increase public parking by 8,000 spaces.

Gate Expansion (Gates 100-129). Seven new gates will be added to accommodate passenger growth and construction includes modernizing the hub area at the airside.

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	2025	220,832
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 (s)
Air Canada	Frontier
Air Canada Rouge	GOL
Air France	Iberia
Air Transat (s)	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 (s)
Discover	

INTERNATIONAL DESTINATIONS

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

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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%.

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