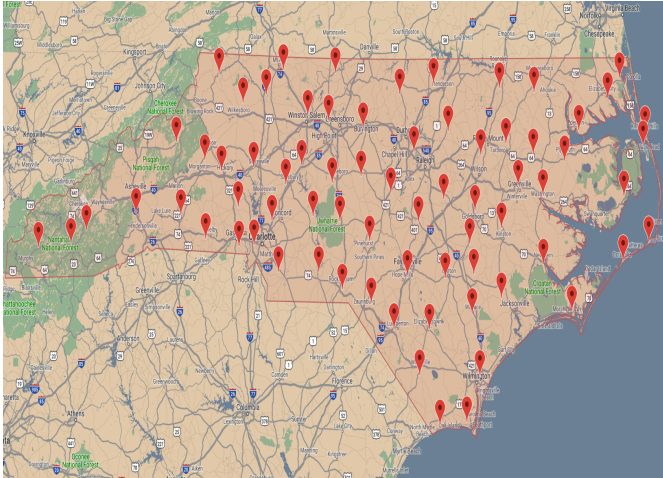




## Summary of Economic Impact of General Aviation in North Carolina

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**Stanly County Airport**, located in New London, has no commercial service, and provides fueling, repair, and maintenance services to general aviation aircraft through its fixed-base operator, **Inglewood Aviation, Inc.** The total economic impact of **Stanly County Airport** is \$137 million per year and over 28,000 operations per year.

### AVIATION BY THE NUMBERS

According to the 2021 **North Carolina: The State of Aviation** study, there are 72 publicly-owned airports. According to the FAA, there are 18,469 pilots and 6,628 registered aircraft in North Carolina.

### NUMBER OF JOBS

According to the 2021 **North Carolina: The State of Aviation** study, general aviation airports support over 27,000 jobs in North Carolina, sustaining a total payroll of over \$1.3 billion.

### ECONOMIC IMPACT

According to the same study, the total annual economic impact of general aviation airports in North Carolina is over \$5.2 billion.

According to FAA data, North Carolina is home to 73 repair stations, 20 FAA-approved pilot schools, 6,075 student pilots and 3,320 flight instructors.

In addition, there are 81 fixed-base operators in the state registered in the AC-U-KWIK directory. According to Helicopter Association International, there are 193 heliports in North Carolina.

According to the University Aviation Association, flight departments in North Carolina include Elizabeth City State University in Elizabeth City.