

# AVIATION & AEROSPACE

Major aviation and aerospace companies like Collins Aerospace, American Airlines, and PennEngineering have taken flight in Winston-Salem, growing both their manufacturing and corporate operations. With ample leasing opportunities at Smith Reynolds Airport, the state's highest-impact General Aviation airport, as well as a robust aviation labor pipeline, aerospace companies are poised to thrive in Winston-Salem.



## FACTS & RANKINGS

**#2** Fastest Growing Aerospace Manufacturing Sector in the Country (North Carolina)  
-NC State of Aviation 2020 Report

**#5** Aerospace Manufacturing Attractiveness (North Carolina)  
-PwC 2020 & Area Development

**303K** Tons of air cargo transported annually (Triad)  
- NC State of Aviation 2020 Report

### FUN FACT



Winston-Salem is the #1 producer of airline seats in the world!

"It is so exciting that we have so many jobs right here in the Triad in the aerospace arena. We've become a leader in the Southeast in the aerospace sector."

Governor Roy Cooper  
September 2019

## NOTABLE EMPLOYERS



## WORKFORCE ADVANTAGES

**18**  
Regional Colleges & Universities

**100K**  
Degrees Awarded Annually

**400**  
Net New Jobs in this Industry in 5 Years

**15,500+**  
Employed in aerospace, supply chain, & related companies

### EDUCATION ASSETS

**Forsyth Tech**  
Aviation Systems Technology, Aviation Electronics Technology, UAV Pilot Program, Customized Training Program

**Forsyth Tech: Mazie S. Woodruff Aviation Technology Lab**  
New, \$16M state-of-the-art aviation education facility located at Smith Reynolds Airport

**Andrews High School**  
Six aviation preparatory programs