

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 COMPANIES



TALENT & 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