

# DESTIN EXECUTIVE AIRPORT

## DTS



**Airport:** Destin Executive Airport (DTS)

**City:** Destin, Florida

**County:** Okaloosa

**Sponsor:** Okaloosa County

**Role:** General Aviation (National)

**CFASPP Region:** Northwest ([cfaspp.com](http://cfaspp.com))

**FDOT District:** 3

**Website:** [Destin Executive](http://Destin Executive)

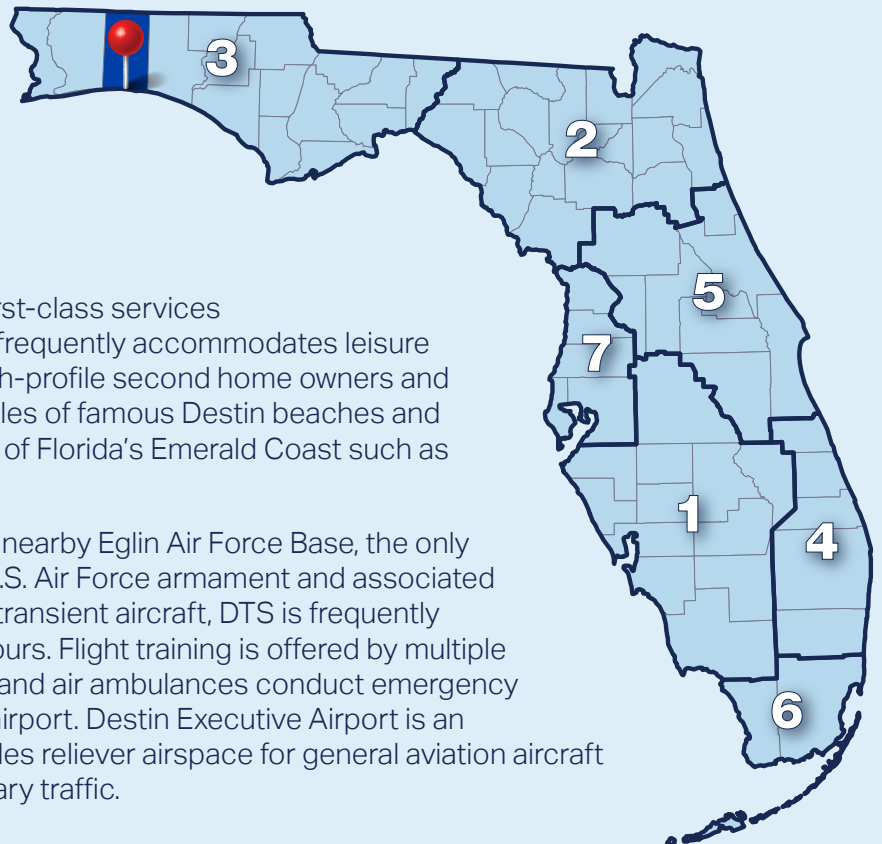


PHOTO SOURCE: GOOGLE - 2023

Destin Executive Airport (DTS) is a general aviation airport in Okaloosa County, approximately two miles east of downtown Destin. The airport has one runway (14-32) that measures 5,001 feet long by 100 feet wide with a full-length parallel taxiway.

The airport's two fixed based operators offer first-class services for aircraft, pilots, and passengers. The airport frequently accommodates leisure and corporate business travelers, including high-profile second home owners and visitors to the area. Visitors are drawn by the miles of famous Destin beaches and other opportunities to enjoy the natural beauty of Florida's Emerald Coast such as golfing, fishing, and boating.

The Air Force Armament Museum is located at nearby Eglin Air Force Base, the only museum in the world focusing specifically on U.S. Air Force armament and associated platforms of delivery. In addition to supporting transient aircraft, DTS is frequently used for recreational activities, such as aerial tours. Flight training is offered by multiple based flight schools, and the U.S. Coast Guard and air ambulances conduct emergency operations and medical evacuations from the airport. Destin Executive Airport is an important asset to regional aviation, as it provides reliever airspace for general aviation aircraft operating in an area with a high amount of military traffic.



## ECONOMIC IMPACT



**\$390M**  
ECONOMIC IMPACT (OUTPUT)



**\$191M**  
VALUE ADDED



**\$111M**  
PAYROLL



**3,043**  
JOBS



Source: Florida Aviation Economic Impact Study.

## GENERAL AVIATION ROLES



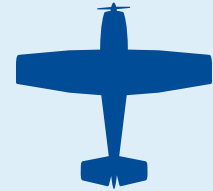
FLIGHT  
TRAINING



CORPORATE



TOURISM



RECREATIONAL /  
SPORT

Source: FASP 2043 Update.

For more information on airport roles, please refer to the FAA's National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS).



## ACTIVITY FORECASTS

### OPERATIONS

**152,933**

2043

**125,759**

2023

### BASED AIRCRAFT

**130**

2043

**114**

2023



Source: FASP 2043 Update.

## AIRPORT CHARACTERISTICS

**1** Supports Emergency Resonse Activities in the Region

**2** Home to Multiple Flight Schools

**3** Located Near Popular Beaches & Recreational Attractions

## RUNWAY INFORMATION (1)

Runway 14-32: 5,001' x 100'



### Overview of the FASP 2043 Update:

Per Florida statute, the Florida Aviation System Plan (FASP) is periodically updated to summarize the airport and aviation needs in Florida while remaining consistent with the goals of the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP). The FASP 2043 Update focuses on reviewing the applicability of the various goals, objectives, and performance measures to support two primary goals: 1) provide for more efficiency in decision making within FDOT to support funding and development decisions, and 2) provide airports within the system with recommendations for development that support their individual missions while contributing to the overall strength and health of the Florida airport system.

