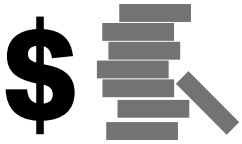
THE VALUE OF AVIATION THAILAND

The economic impact of aviation in Thailand

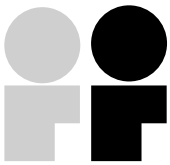
The aviation sector and its quantifiable economic effects made up 10.5% of Thailand's GDP and 12.0% of the country's employment in 2025. This covers the sector itself, its supply chain, employee spending, and international air transport-enabled tourism to Thailand.

GDP and employment created by aviation in Thailand in 2025



60.8
USD billion

10.5%
of GDP



4.9
million jobs

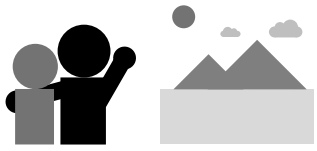
12.0%
of employment

Included economic impacts:
***Direct** – within aviation sector, **Indirect** – aviation supply chain,*
Induced** – employee spending, **International tourists arriving by air

Breakdown of GDP and employment created







Airlines	Airports, ANSPs, civil manufacturing	International tourists arriving by air
USD 14.5 billion	USD 11.6 billion	USD 34.8 billion
469.4 thousand jobs	532.5 thousand jobs	3.9 million jobs

Source: Air Transport Action Group, 2026. Aviation Benefits Beyond Borders report based on data from Oxford Economics.
Note: Economic impacts are calculated using Oxford Economics' Aviation: Benefits Beyond Borders methodology with inputs sourced from publicly available statistics and recognized industry datasets wherever possible, with modelling-based estimates applied where direct data are not available. Estimates do not include domestic tourism spending, nor the wider catalytic benefits of aviation on trade, investment, productivity gains, and enhanced connectivity, among others.
Note: Average 2025 exchange rate: USD 1 = THB 32.88

Air transport brings millions of people safely to global destinations

Around 64 million air passengers departed from Thailand in 2025, based on Origin-Destination(O-D) traffic, making Thailand the 18th largest air passenger market globally.

Air travel from Thailand in 2025, Origin-Destination (O-D)

64
million
passenger departures

GROWTH

18.1%
10-year growth

2.8%
year-on-year growth

RANK

18th
Global
▼ 1 since 2015

6th
in Asia
▼ 1 since 2015

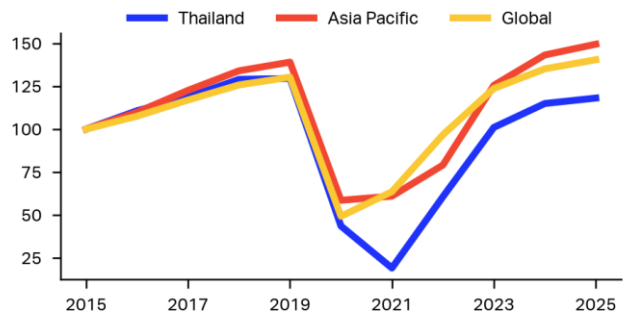
SHARE

1.5%
of global departures

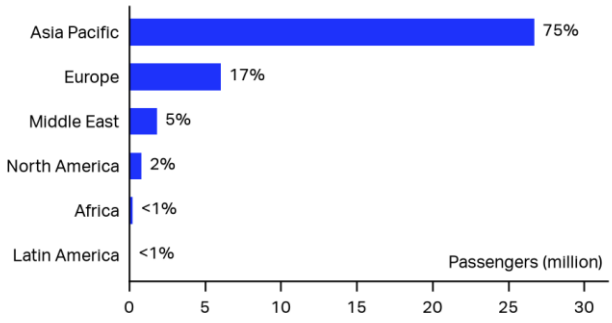
4.0%
of Asian departures

International: 35.8 million passenger departures, 27.2% 10Y growth, 0.7% YoY growth
Domestic: 28.3 million passenger departures, 8.3% 10Y growth, 5.5% YoY growth, % share of total market: 44.2%

Total passenger departures, O-D, 2015-2025, index 2015=100



International passenger departures by destination region, O-D, 2025



Top air travel markets Inbound & outbound	Top origin cities Inbound	Top destination cities Outbound
1. China	1. Seoul	1. Hong Kong
2. Japan	2. Singapore	2. Tokyo
3. India	3. Taipei	3. Singapore
4. Singapore	4. Kuala Lumpur	4. Shanghai
5. South Korea	5. Hong Kong	5. Taipei

Source: IATA Sustainability & Economics using IATA DDS data.
Note: O-D (origin-destination) departures measures passengers beginning their journey in Thailand, to their final destination, excluding transfer and transit passengers.
Top air travel markets based on total O-D passenger traffic between Thailand and other markets in 2025. Top outbound and inbound cities are based on round-trip passenger journeys.
IATA DDS data are derived from ticketing and sales transactions using IATA methodologies and estimates; therefore, results may not exactly match officially reported traffic statistics.

Air transport directly connects Thailand to 70 different countries

In 2025, there were 32 airports and 162 operating airlines in Thailand, providing a total of 543 regularly scheduled commercial passenger routes for Thailand, connecting to 70 countries with about 592 daily international departures.

Air Connectivity in Thailand

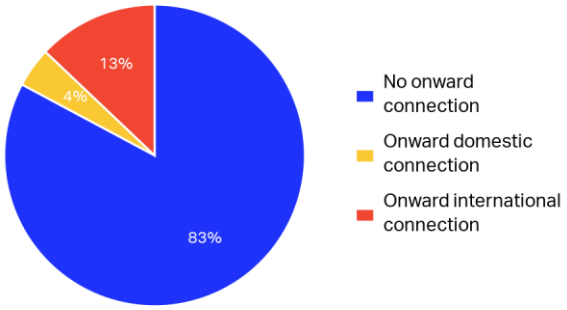


		Total		
		Available routes	Connected countries	Daily int. departures
2025	Total	543	70	592
	Global rank	22nd	18th	14th
	Asia rank	5th	2nd	4th
2015	Total	441	59	504
	Global rank	22nd	19th	15th
	Asia rank	5th	2nd	3rd

Route network change, 2015 to 2025, % of 2015

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Onward connections of international arrivals, 2025

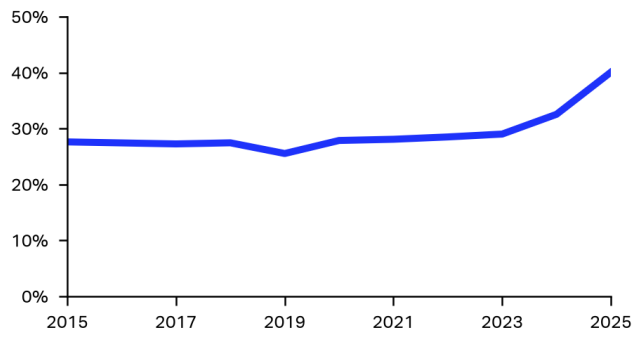


Source: IATA Sustainability & Economics using OAG & IATA DDS data.
Note: Airport, airline, and route counts include only those with regularly scheduled passenger services from Thailand. Airports with fewer than 1,000 regularly scheduled seats in 2025 are excluded.

Air Cargo provides Thailand timely and safe access to global markets

Although air transport accounted for an estimated 1.0% of Thailand's traded goods by weight, it carried 40.2% of their total value.
Thailand's airports handled around 1.6 million tonnes of air cargo in 2025, ranking Thailand as the world's 17th largest air cargo handler market and the 9th largest in Asia.

Thai air cargo, value, % of total, 2015-2025



Thai air cargo, share of trade, 2025

1.0% of trade by weight

40.2% of trade by value

Air cargo handled in Thailand, 2025

1.6 million tonnes air cargo handled

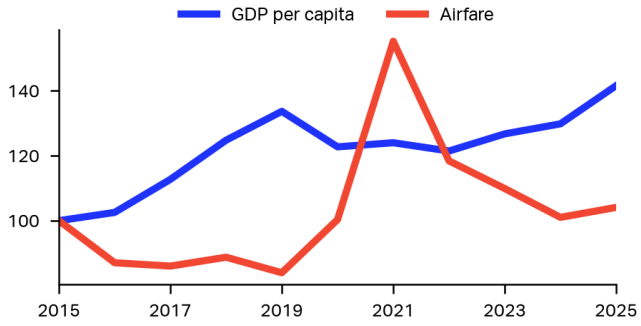
17th Globally 9th in Asia

Source: Airports Council International (ACI) for air cargo handled, Global Trade Tracker (GTT) for imports and exports by air.
Note: Thailand's trade by air includes imports and exports. It is based on a sample of 50 countries that report their trade by means of transport in 2025, which represents around 40% of the total global goods trade.

International air travel from Thailand has become more affordable over the past decade

Thailand's nominal GDP per capita increased by 41.6%, while the average nominal airfare for an international ticket from Thailand increased by 4.1%, over the past decade. Therefore, international air travel has become more affordable for local residents over this time period.

Nominal GDP per capita & average international fare, Thailand, 2015-2025, index 2015=100



Source: IATA DDS, World Bank. Nominal GDP per capita and fare developments measured in USD terms.