Economic Contribution and Connectivity

Melbourne Airport plays a vital role in Australia's economy by:

- **Supporting jobs –** Creating employment directly at the airport and across supply chains and industries
- **Connecting businesses to global markets –** Supporting international trade and investment
- **Driving tourism –** Welcoming visitors who contribute to local businesses and communities
- **Strengthening the economy –** Supporting economic growth and productivity through increased connectivity and investment

These economic benefits highlight the need for Melbourne Airport's long-term planning, so it can continue supporting jobs, growth, travellers and the community into the future.

By the numbers

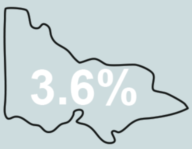
These figures demonstrate the airport's role as a major economic driver, supporting jobs, investment and growth across Victoria and Australia.

ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION

$22 **Billion in Gross Value Added(GVA)** contributed to the economy in FY25

That is approximately **1%** of Australia's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

In Direct GVA this amounts to 0.4% of GDP



& approximately **3.6%** of Victoria's Gross State Product

$610 **in economic activity** was generated for every Melbourne Airport Passenger in FY25.

EMPLOYMENT CONTRIBUTION

1 in 16 jobs in Victoria supported

This includes more than

39,000 **Local Direct Jobs** supported at Melbourne Airport and surrounds

in FY25

And more than

23,000 → **41,000**

in FY25 in FY47

Direct Jobs at Melbourne Airport

OVERALL

5 **Jobs** supported for every

$1 million invested

This is an economic multiplier of

1.5x

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Local and regional economic impact

Melbourne Airport contributes approximately $4 billion in Gross Value Added across surrounding local government areas, supporting sustained economic growth across Melbourne's western and northern corridors.

The strongest local economic impacts are concentrated across Hume, Brimbank, Maribyrnong, Moonee Valley, Merri-bek and Hobsons Bay local government areas.

The local economic impact of Melbourne Airport's activities and operations in FY25 are shown below.

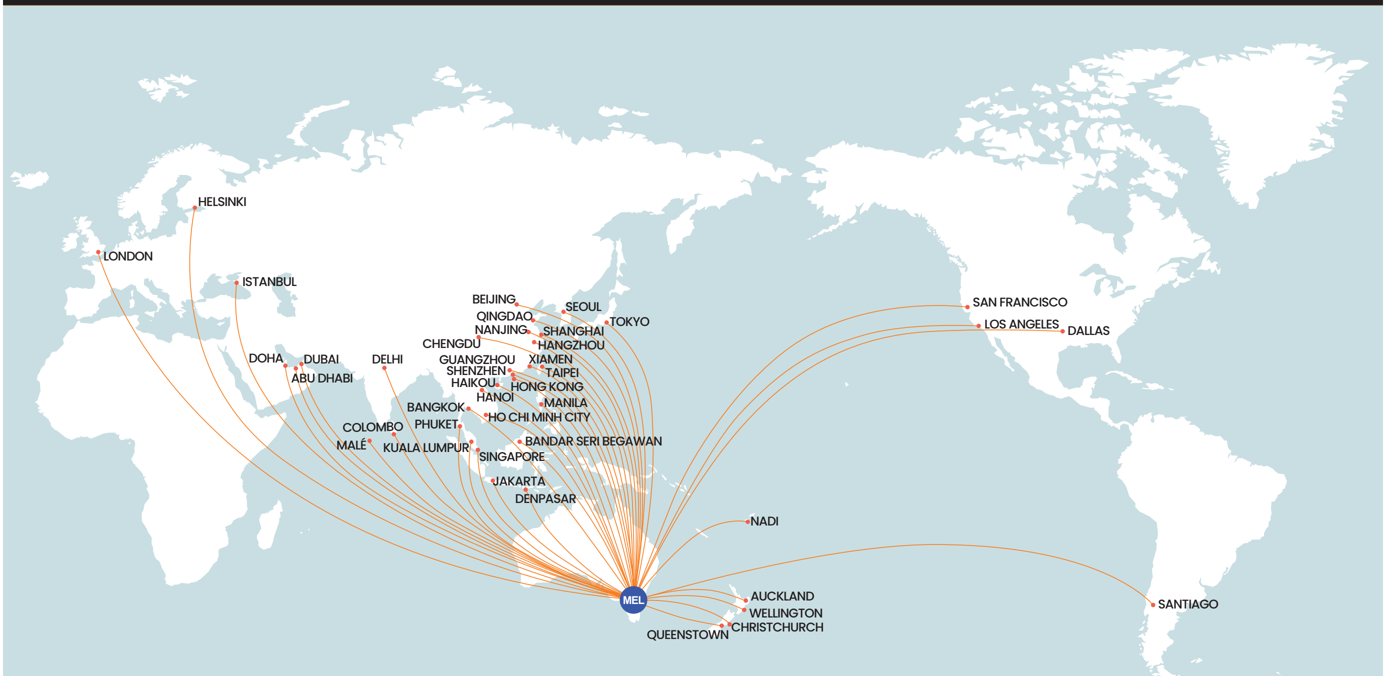
Geographic distribution of the airport's economic impacts in 2024-25

Source: ConnellGriffin analysis. Local Government Areas outside of the region in proximity to the airport subject to shading overlay. Analysis based on the estimated direct and indirect economic impacts of the airport key activities.

Economic growth and connectivity

The following sections outline the scale of activity across Melbourne Airport and what this growth enables for Victoria's economy.

International Connectivity



Melbourne Airport's international network

What is the scale?

- 30+ million international passengers by 2047 (more than double current volumes)
- International passengers increase from 33% to 40% of total airport traffic
- An average daily international flight contributes an estimated $190 million to Victoria's economy annually

Why does it matter?

- Strengthens Victoria's foreign investment potential and global business confidence
- Enhances connectivity across Asia, the Americas, Africa and Europe, supporting trade, tourism and knowledge exchange
- Connects Victorians to overseas family, friends and business counterparts

Freight and Trade

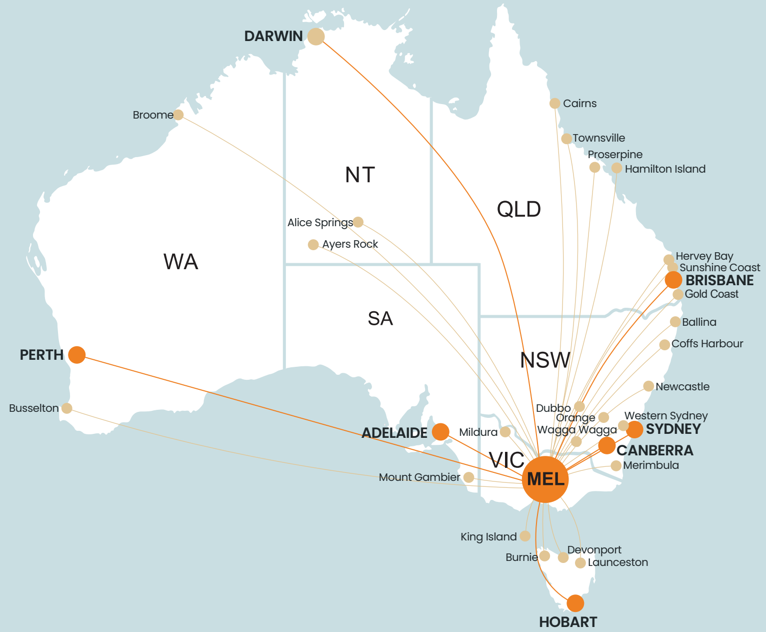
What is the scale?

- Total value of international goods exported by airfreight through Melbourne Airport reached nearly $8.3 billion in 2023-2024, equivalent to 23% of Victoria's total export value
- 80% of international airfreight is carried in the cargo hold of passenger aircraft

Why does it matter?

- Expands capacity for high-value and time-sensitive exports
- Strengthens Victoria's supply chain resilience and logistics sector
- Integrates passenger and freight operations, enabling more efficient global market access

Domestic Connectivity



Melbourne Airport's domestic network

What is the scale?

- 44.8 million domestic passengers by 2047 (+20.6 million growth)
- Melbourne population projected to grow from five million to eight million by 2050

Why does it matter?

- Strengthens interstate business connectivity, supporting national economic integration
- Enables greater labour mobility improving access to jobs and skills across Australia
- Supports regional development, driven by sustained population growth and rising travel demand

Capital investment

What is the scale?

- $17 billion ongoing investment in airport infrastructure and capacity expansion over the next decade

Why does it matter?

- Enables long-term growth in aviation, freight and passenger demand
- Supports productivity gains and future-proofing Victoria's key transport gateway

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