Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport

Fact Sheet

- The Phoenix Airport System is the largest economic engine in the State of Arizona.
- The total economic impact (including multiplier effects) is $38 billion. It supports 269,000 jobs in Arizona, with a payroll of $13 billion.
- Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport has experienced a near 50 percent increase in passenger activity since 1995.
- The average number of passengers at Sky Harbor nearly 120,000 per day.
- In 2018, nearly 45 million passengers traveled through Sky Harbor, setting a PHX record.
- Twenty airlines serve Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport offering nonstop service to more than 105 domestic and 23 international destinations.
- Each day, there are more than 1,200 take-offs and landings including commercial, general aviation, military and cargo flights making a total of more than 440,000 per year.
- The PHX Sky Train® serves more than 14,000 passengers per day and provides a seamless connection between airport terminals, East Economy Parking, and Valley Metro Rail which offers quick access to downtown Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa.
- The City of Phoenix runs two general aviation airports in the Phoenix area. Phoenix Goodyear Airport handles more than 123,000 operations per year. Deer Valley Airport handles more than 370,000 operations (take-offs and landings) per year and is the busiest general aviation airport in the country.
- Sky Harbor’s Bond rating is among the highest in the nation:
  - Standard and Poor’s Ratings Services (S&P) and Moody’s Investors Service (Moody’s) affirmed the Airport’s double-A category ratings (AA- and Aa3 respectively) on outstanding senior-lien revenue bonds.
  - S&P and Moody’s also affirmed the Airport’s single-A category ratings (A+ and A1 respectively) on the Airport’s outstanding junior-lien revenue bonds.
  - S&P and Moody’s noted the Airport’s strong financial performance, maintenance of a low-cost, low-debt facility, and vibrant Origin & Destination market.
Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport – Key Initiatives

Terminal 3 Modernization

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport Terminal 3 Modernization Project is in its final phase. The program is intended to enhance the customer experience for travelers by providing a more efficient way to get through Terminal 3. The program has been run as three distinct components to maximize flexibility and minimize impact to travelers.

Component 1 – Completed in December 2016, the Terminal Processor has improved the way passengers travel through America’s Friendliest Airport® with a consolidated security checkpoint and new, efficient airline ticket counters, as well as a Museum Gallery and outdoor plaza.

Component 2 – Completed in January 2019, the South Concourse has 15 gates and several additional customer amenities.

Component 3 – Now underway, this phase will include enhancements to the North Concourse with new food and beverage outlets and other amenities.

The entire program represents an approximate cost of $590 million. Completion of the project is scheduled for 2020.

Visit skyharbor.com/TerminalModernization for more information.

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Terminal Modernization – New Food and Beverage Options

America’s Friendliest Airport® is getting tastier and more unique with award-winning local dining options and nationally recognized retail brands in Terminal 3. Shake Shack, SanTan Brewing, Travel Outfitters, and Tech on the Go are just some of the exciting new restaurants and retail options that have arrived at the modernized terminal.

In February 2018, Phoenix City Council approved proposals by Host International Inc. and SSP America for food and beverage contracts. HG PHX T3 Retailers 2017 JV (Hudson) and Stellar Retail Group PHX, LLC. were approved for the retail contracts.

Many new stores and restaurants opened at the same time as the new South Concourse on Jan. 7, 2019, and the remaining are opening in 2020 when renovations to the North Concourse are complete. These new shops and restaurants will give travelers the nationally recognized merchandise brands they want while also providing visitors and locals with some of the best restaurants the Phoenix area has to offer. Visit skyharbor.com for a complete list.
The Phoenix City Council approved a plan on Oct. 25, 2016, to add a new eight-gate concourse to Terminal 4 to be occupied by Southwest Airlines, which already operates out of three other concourses on the south side of Terminal 4.

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. was named general contractor for the $310 million project, which is expected to add 130,000 square feet to this final concourse in Terminal 4. Other developments in conjunction with this addition include new retail and dining concession space, a new connector bridge to the north Terminal 4 concourses, and general improvements to the Terminal 4 processor and Security Checkpoint D.

The project is scheduled to be complete in 2022.
Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport – PHX Sky Train® Extension

On Oct. 25, 2016, the Phoenix City Council approved Stage 2, the extension of the PHX Sky Train® from the airport terminals to the Rental Car Center. Stage 2 will extend 2.5 miles from Terminal 3, stopping at a West Ground Transportation Center with additional parking, and then to the Rental Car Center. The $740-million-dollar project will be paid for with Rental Car Customer Facility fees and airline Passenger Facility charges. It will reduce roadway traffic and enhance customer service by improving accessibility and access to the Rental Car Center. The project is anticipated to be complete in 2022.
Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport – PHX Sky Train® Facts

Stage one, between Valley Metro Rail, East Economy parking, and Terminal 4 opened April 8, 2013 and is 1.7 miles long. Stage 1a opened Dec. 8, 2014, continuing .7 miles from Terminal 4 to Terminal 3, with a short walkway to Terminal 2.

The airport broke ground on Stage 2 in early 2018 with completion expected by mid-2022.

Trains run continuously in both directions 24 hours a day, seven days a week and arrive as frequently as every 3 minutes. They travel at an average speed of 23 mph but can go up to 38 mph.

It currently takes 7 minutes to travel from the 44th Street station to Terminal 3.

It will take less than 3 minutes to travel from Terminal 3 to the future West Ground Transportation Center, and about 6 minutes to go from Terminal 3 to the Rental Car Center.

The trip from Terminal 4 to the future West Ground Transportation Center will take about 5 minutes, and less than 8 minutes to go from Terminal 4 to the Rental Car Center.

In total, it should take about 13 minutes to go from the 44th Street PHX Sky Train® Station to the future Rental Car Center station.

Initial projections indicated about 2.5 million passengers were expected to ride the train in its first year (7,000/day). However, ridership has exceeded expectations with on average about 14,000 riders per day.

The total project cost of the first two stages from 44th Street to Terminal 3 was $884 million, paid for with airport revenues and passenger fees (no local tax dollars).

The 44th Street, Terminal 3, and Terminal 4 stations are air conditioned. The East Economy station is outdoors, with shade and fans to cool passengers during their short wait.

Stages 1 and 1a construction accounted for 8,000 jobs.

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport – Did You Know…?

Total length of the Sky Train (44th Street to Rental Car Center): 5 miles
Number of columns that make up the guideway: 137
Guideway column shafts at the future West Terminal Station: 10 feet wide and 120 feet deep
Average precast beam weight: 125,000 pounds
Number of precast tubs shipped to the site and erected on columns: 324
Guideway between Terminal 2 and Terminal 3 is wide enough for an RJ-900 aircraft to pass
Number of miles of medium voltage cabling for the primary power system: 66 miles
The PHX Sky Train® is adding 24 additional train cars for a total of 42
Trip time from 44th Street to Rental Car Center: 13 minutes
System opens: Summer 2022

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