

Air Cargo From an Airport Planning Perspective

BMC Freight Movement Task Force

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Agenda / Topics

- About MAA & BWI Marshall
- Air cargo demand factors & trends
- Regional and BWI Marshall air cargo
- Airport facility planning & development
- Community factors
- Q&A closing

Thurgood Marshall

Thurgood Marshall was instrumental in ending legal segregation and became the first African American justice of the Supreme Court.



Photo: Getty Images

Source: https://www.biography.com/legal-figures/thurgood-marshall, accessd 12/10/23



About the Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA)

MAA fosters the vitality of aviation statewide and promotes safe and efficient operations, economic viability and environmental stewardship.

MAA operates Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport and Martin State Airport.



Connecting People to Life's Opportunities Easy Come – Easy Go



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The Beginning of BWI Marshall The "middle child" of the region



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Fast Facts About BWI Marshall

- 24.7 million passengers in FY23
- 24th busiest U.S. airport
- 1,255,005 international passengers
- 279 daily flights to 87 destinations by 18 airlines
- Largest Carrier Southwest 70.4% of passengers







Economic Impact

An airport is a diverse economic system. The businesses and employees at Maryland airports cover a spectrum of trade and service sectors.

- Airline/airport service
- Freight transportation
- Passenger ground transportation
- Contract construction/consulting services
- Visitor industry services

Types of Economic Impacts:

- Revenue Impact
- Employment Impact
- Personal Income Impact
- Tax Impact



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Air Cargo Demand

What makes an airport attractive to cargo operators?

- Location, location, location
- Airfield access & reliability
- Intermodal access
- Airport facilities & capacity
- Local logistics network
- Low operating cost
- Development agility & flexibility

Easy Come – Easy Go

Products benefiting from air freight:

- Low weight & high value
- Aerospace & automotive equipment & parts
- Documents & banking materials
- Pharmaceuticals
- Healthcare
- Jewelry
- Medical equipment
- Textiles
- Electronics
- Perishables
- Fast moving consumer goods (FMCG)
- Emergency Response



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Air Cargo Trends

What's changed?

- Globalization
- **Emerging markets**
- Lean supply chain just in time production & final assembly at destination
- Lower product shelf life (electronics)
- Electronic media, documents & banking
- Integrators focusing on airport hubs and expanded trucking to secondary markets
- **Carrier consolidation**



- 1994 passenger and cargo carriers handled equal amounts of air freight. ٠
- Since then, freight on cargo aircraft has grown 64%, while freight on ٠ passenger carriers has declined.
- Increased passenger load factors and reduced domestic widebody aircraft resulted in less capacity for freight.
- Freight and mail shifted to the integrated express carriers, and U.S. Postal Service demand declined.



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Top U.S. Cargo Airports (2022)

- Half of top 20 are integrator hubs
 - Prefer alternatives to congested gateways
- 4 FedEx hubs
- **5 UPS hubs** •
- Dallas, Newark & Philly are both pax and cargo hubs

ACI rank	City (Airport Code)	2022	Function	
1	Memphis (MEM)	4,040,278	FedEx Hub	
2	Anchorage (ANC)	3,461,604	TransPac tech stop	
3	Louisville (SDF)	3,067,672	UPS Hub	
4	Miami (MIA)	2,499,837	Intl. Gateway	
5	Los Angeles (LAX)	2,498,627	Intl. Gateway	
6	Chicago (ORD)	2,181,248	Intl. Gateway	
7	Cincinnati (CVG)	1,794,451	Amazon/DHL Hub	
8	New York (JFK)	1,408,493	Intl. Gateway	
9	Indianapolis (IND)	1,251,533	FedEx Bypass Hub	
10	Dallas/Ft. Worth (DFW)	813,730	Intl. Gateway/UPS Regional Hub	
11	Ontario (ONT)	779,443	UPS Regional Hub	
12	Newark (EWR)	729,527	Intl. Gateway/FedEx Regional Hub	
13	Atlanta (ATL)	685,592	Intl. Gateway	
14	Oakland (OAK)	580,365	FedEx Regional Hub	
15	Philadelphia (PHL)	567,232	Intl. Gateway/UPS Regional Hub	
16	Houston (IAH)	541,935	Intl. Gateway	
17	Honolulu (HNL)	533,954	Intl. Gateway	
18	San Francisco (SFO)	502,978	Intl. Gateway	
19	Rockford (RFD)	485,971	UPS/Amazon Regional Hub	
20	Seattle (SEA)	456,288	Intl. Gateway	
26	Baltimore (BWI)	256,652	Amazon Regional Hub	



Top U.S. Northeastern Airports (2022)



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BWI Marshall vs. Dulles (2022)

IAD is the main local competition, but BWI and IAD are virtual opposites in terms of cargo market share distribution between all-cargo carriers and belly cargo carriers.





- International gateways tend to have more carriers with smaller market shares that justify 3rd party (outsourced) cargo handlers and multitenant facilities.
- Amazon accounts for more tonnage at BWI than FedEx and UPS at both BWI & Dulles.

Sources: Webber Air Cargo

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Types of Cargo at BWI Marshall



Source: MAA

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Cargo Airlines Serving BWI Marshall





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BWI Marshall Cargo Facilities

- 395,000 sq.ft. air cargo center
- 17-acre air cargo ramp
- Ramp parking for 17 aircraft
- Foreign Trade Zone
- Certified for all inspection requirements (i.e. customs)
- Designed for supply chain efficiency





Midfield Cargo Expansion



- Fast-track development, opened October 2019
- New 200,000 square foot Cargo Building
- Rehabilitated taxiways and new runway connector
- Mathison Way improvements
- Expanded local bus service to site
- Approximately 1,500 new jobs to the region



"Amazon's Baltimore location is one of the top 5 busiest Amazon Air facilities in the world." (WJZ-13, 6/8/21)







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Early Airport Planning





Friendship International 1950



Current Airport Layout Plan



Southwest Quadrant Development Concept

South Cargo & MAA Maintenance Complex

- 400-500 acre site
- Preserve capability for future parallel runway
- Utility spine for flexible pad site development
- Mixed commercial, aviation and support uses
- Environmental protection components
- Currently in planning phase





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Breaking News

Transportation

Amazon begins using larger, Airbus A330 jets at CVG superhub

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Source: Cincinnati Business Courier, accessed 12/8/23 https://www.bizjournals.com/cincinnati/news/2023/10/02/amazon-begins-using-larger-airbusa330-jets-at-cvg.html







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General Airport Development Process



5-10 Year Process

- Airports have FAA Obligations & processes
- Political and community forces in play
- NEPA environmental approvals can be lengthy
- Environmental mitigation can be costly and hard to find
- Premium cost for construction in airport environment
- For MAA:
 - Numerous agencies and departments involved
 - Maryland Aviation Commission
 - MDOT Secretary of Transportation
 - MD Board of Public Works
 - State TRAIN Commission





A Cautionary Success Story

Wilmington Sits Empty for 11 Years

- 2003 DHL buys Airborne Express and expands hub at Wilmington Air Park, OH
- 2008 DHL sells domestic service to rival UPS
 - ±8,000 jobs lost at Wilmington
- 2009 DHL moves international service to Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky
 - To date invested \$280M, employs 3,000+ people
- 2017 Amazon starts operating at Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky
 - 2019 Amazon starts construction on 650-acre Phs-1 facility
 - 2,000 employees in 2022
- 2019 Amazon opens 1,900-acre facility at Wilmington Air Park (in previous DHL facility)
 - 1,100 employees in 2022







Sources: New York Times, Nov. 10, 2008 SupplyChaindive.com, June 14, 2021 CVG website Airport Improvement Magazine Dayton Daily News The Cincinnati Enquirer

Local Development





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Ground Transportation & Roadways

BWI Airport Noise Zone (ANZ) Update

2020 ANZ

- 5,543 acres
- 2020 ANZ is 23% larger than 2014 ANZ
- 53% on MAA property
- Changes attributable to:
- Increasing aircraft operations
- Increasing % of nighttime operations
- Changes in the aircraft fleet mix
- Anticipated increases in maintenance runups
- Updated flight track planning for future Runway 10R/28L
- Noise model updates



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