



SOUTH DAKOTA

AEROSPACE KEY FACTS AND FIGURES



2 Major Airports

\$58,440



Average annual wage of an aerospace and defense employee in South Dakota



MAJOR INDUSTRY EMPLOYERS

- > American Airlines
- > Applied Engineering Inc.
- > BAE Systems Inc.
- > Raven Aerostar
- > Freeman Co
- > Mustang Aviation

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Public-use airports across the state



*AEROSPACE ENGINEERING PROGRAMS

- > South Dakota State University



MAJOR MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

- > Ellsworth Air Force Base
- > Minuteman Missile Training Launch Facility

Ellsworth Air Force Base is home to the South Dakota Air & Space Museum

REFERENCES

<http://www.sdairandspacemuseum.com/>

<http://www.sddot.com/transportation/aviation/>

<https://www.aia-aerospace.org/research-center/statistics/state-level-data/>

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