



AIRCRAFT AND PARTS (AIR)

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Overview

Unit: USD millions

	2011	2012	2013 (est.)	2014 (est.)
Total Market Size	3,736	3,848	4,231	4,653
Total Local Production	4,572	4,736	5,208	5,728
Total Exports	1,143	1,184	1,302	1,432
Total Imports	307	296	325	357
Imports from the US	192	164	180	198
Exchange Rate: 1USD	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

*The above statistics are unofficial estimates.

Total Market Size = (Total Local Production + Total Imports) – (Total Exports)

Data Sources:

Total Local Production: Unofficial Estimate

Total Exports: Global Trade Atlas

Total Imports: Global Trade Atlas

Imports from U.S.: Global Trade Atlas

The Australian aerospace and aviation industry is a significant market for U.S. exporters, and is the 13th largest export market for U.S. aircraft and parts. The Australian It is intrinsically connected with U.S. standards, suppliers, parts, and finished aircraft. U.S.-manufactured aircraft represents a sizeable proportion of the registered aircraft in Australia, ensuring a steady market for spares, accessories, and service. Other registered aircraft are manufactured in Australia, Germany, the U.K., and France. The

Australian Civil Aviation Authority's acceptance of FAA certification standards strengthens the relationship between American aircraft and parts exporters and their Australian counterparts.

The Australian aerospace and aviation industry is a mix of small and medium enterprise (SME) subsidiaries that supply parts, engineering services, and expertise. Local firms specialize in repair, maintenance, airframe component manufacturing, airport systems, infrastructure, avionics, aero engine, and engine component manufacturing. A select group of specialists carries out commercial aircraft maintenance.

Australia is a primary market in the Asia Pacific region and a major distribution point for the region, offering opportunities for suppliers of quality aerospace products and services.

Sub-Sector Best Prospects

The commercial airline market sources major equipment directly from manufacturers and prefers to obtain OEM spares from approved suppliers. In Australia, Qantas leads the field in commercial aviation, followed by Virgin Australia. Opportunities in the aviation market include a range of products from avionics to ground support equipment. Best prospects remain in parts and components supplies for aircraft maintenance, repair, and overhaul of U.S.-manufactured airplanes. With some exceptions, the Australian avionics industry is limited to the supply and installation of components rather than the design and development of high technology products. A significant sub-sector is aerial agriculture, which uses special purpose aircraft, vehicles, equipment, and aircraft maintenance facilities.

Web Resources

Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association: <http://www.aopa.com.au/>

Airservices Australia: <http://www.airservicesaustralia.com/>

Australian aerospace industry contacts page: <http://www.aerospace-technology.com/projects/region/australasia/>

Civil Aviation Safety Authority: http://www.casa.gov.au/scripts/nc.dll?WCMS:HOMEPAGE::pc=PC_90001

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