



Symposium on the Economic and Social Value of Air Transportation



Do we have the right air transportation infrastructure and technology?



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The Importance of Technology and Infrastructure Applied to Economic and Social Development

- Transport infrastructure is a necessary condition for economic growth and it has a key role to play as a facilitator of and complement to policies that aim to improve living standards¹.
- Current transportation technology and infrastructure, though more developed in some regions than others, is well designed to meet economic and social development requirements



1. Derived from "The contribution of air transport to sustainable development in Africa" study by Air Transport Action Group

Over-land Transportation Is Fundamental to the Facilitation of Commerce



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The Infrastructure Requirements for Overland Transportation Require Time and Investment

Roads

- Low initial cost though very maintenance intensive
- Primarily focused on city commerce (urban and inter/intra city)
- Rail
 - Higher initial cost with higher capabilities (passenger and cargo capacity)
 - Specifically targeted toward inter/intra city business
- Air
 - Moderate initial cost with no 'in-between' infrastructure requirements
 - Serves regional and international commerce









As Transportation Infrastructure, Aviation Itself Represents a Technology Advancement

- Air transportation is very flexible as services can be changed from day to day
 - Airlines can add and delete cities within their networks regularly
 - Aircraft can be sized to meet the capacity requirements

Aircraft require less infrastructure than auto's and rail

- Aircraft only need runways (1-2 miles) to provide service
- Aircraft navigation aids vary from expensive and complex to cheap and simple

Aircraft vary widely in capacity and price

- New aircraft offer the latest technology with varying capacities and prices
- Used aircraft can be acquired with little capital investment in many sizes



Regional Aircraft, Key Components of Airline Networks, Link Smaller Population Areas to Larger Ones

Commercial Aircraft Fleets by Carrier



Regional Jet Feed is Critical to Long Haul Profits at Delta Airlines



Half of the European and U.S. Communities Are Exclusively Served by Regional Airlines



The First Regional Revolution: Enter the Now Ubiquitous Turboprop



In The Last 20 Years, Dash 8 Has Carried over 400 Million Passengers



Dawn of the Regional Jet Revolution Canadair Regional Jet (CRJ) First Delivery – October 1992



Today: Over 2,600 Orders & Options for the CRJ Series



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The regional jet continues to change the airline industry



Over 1,800 City-Pair Markets Served



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Sources: OAG

Regional Jets Represent a Recent Technology Enhancement Furthering Economic Development

 Regional airlines provide 94% of the departures from Knoxville









The Introduction of the Regional Jet Caused Substantial Increases Traffic Volumes

- Regional jet services began in 1995
- The increased range of the regional jets allowed airlines to serve Knoxville from their far away hubs (Minneapolis, Dallas, Chicago and Houston)
- Nonstop service to New York became reality due to the regional jet
- This increased service caused traffic to grow by 41% over a five year period (1994-1999)







A Tale of Two Cities Influenced by Aviation

Total Employment Nashville was decommissioned as an Non Farm 1998-2003 Amercian Airlines hub 4.0% in the late 1990's Knoxville has seen 3.0% consistent airline service growth, Change YoY 2.0% including nonstops to NYC **Employment reductions** 1.0% % were evident in Nashville as 0.0% transportation options 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 were reduced -1.0% -Knoxville Nashville

Knoxville's employment continued to grow through the recession



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* Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Transportation Infrastructure in Developing Countries

- Road improvement investment provides necessary short haul travel within and around urban areas
- Rail links provide low cost commodity transportation
 - Upgrading existing rail links can increase line capacity without massive investment
 - Creating rail links is a long term investment as the initial costs are high, though the return is a modern cost effective network
- Air transport infrastructure requires airports, navigation and runways and is very flexible
 - No physical infrastructure between airports is required
 - Service patterns can easily be matched to accommodate commercial requirements (seasonal travel markets, peak accommodation, etc.)

Air Transportation infrastructure is quick to develop



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Similar to Mobile Phone Technology, Aviation Can Provide Necessary Links With Less Infrastructure

Mobile Phone Technology

- Developing countries can increase communication infrastructure without adding hard lines
- Countries like South Korea, Philippines, UAE, Cameroon, etc. have more mobile phones than land lines

Aviation

- Other than navigation aids, air transportation requires only 1-2 miles of paved surface on either end
- Airlines can be established in short periods of time versus years to create roads and rail services

Orange[™] Mobile Phone Coverage in the Dominican Republic





Aviation As a Technology Advancement Allows Faster Development of Emerging Economies

- Singapore, a country of 4.6 million people, has built itself as a transportation hub for the Asian region
- Powered by a shipping port and one of the worlds most successful airlines, Singapore's GDP per capita is in the top 25
- Singapore Airlines provides service to most of the worlds major business centers creating easy connections for commerce

Singapore is an example of development through transportation



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Singapore Airlines Route Map

In Remote Areas, Air Transportation Is Used to Provide Links for Basic Necessities

- Air Inuit has 7 Dash 6 Twin Otters and 2 Dash 8's serving the Nunavut Territory with its codeshare partner First Air
- Air Inuit provides roughly 34 daily departures from as far south as Montreal to as far north as Cape Dorset
- The Air Inuit/First Air network provides a distribution channel for passenger air travel as well as supplies to the remote areas of Northern Canada



Air Transportation Is a Vital Consideration in Economic Planning

Ghana Transportation Infrastructure Projects

- With assistance from the World Bank (Ghana Investment Promotion Center)
- Development of scheduled bus system.
- Rail System
 - Rail upgrades and passenger rail transport on chosen corridors e.g. Accra-Tema; Accra-Nsawam
- Lake Transport
 - Lake (Volta) transport system to be developed to attract cargo (imports/exports) to and from land locked neighbours of Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger.

Air Transport

- Private Air operators to operate domestic and sub-regional services.
- Domestic Airports
 - Rehabilitation and development of domestic airports (ie. At Kumasi, Tamale, Sunyani, Ho, Wa and Bolgatanga
 - Taking up concessions for commercial activities at the airports.



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Bombardier Continues the Technology Advancement in Multi-modal Transportation Systems

- Powerplant technology advancements have provided more power and increasing lower fuel consumption
- Bombardier uses the advanced engine technology to power aircraft and locomotives making transportation more cost effective
- Increasingly efficient transportation vehicles allow for lower cost growth of infrastructure



Pratt & Whitney PW150 Turbine Engine

Transport infrastructure is more affordable and feasible than ever



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In Summary, Transportation Infrastructure's Evolution Supports Economic/social Development

- Transportation and the required infrastructure have proven to be a necessity for economic and social development from the most advanced nations to those that are developing
- The technology behind transportation continues to evolve into more efficient and more economical standards
- As a result of transportation technology advances, transformations of developing countries and/or areas can be more rapid than ever before

