MASSACHUSETTS PORT AUTHORITY FACT SHEET

- Whether by land, sea or air, the Massachusetts Port Authority is New England’s gateway to the world.
- Our mission is to enhance the quality of life of New England residents and protect the freedom to travel safely, securely, efficiently and cost-effectively. Massport strives to always be a good steward by treating colleagues and customers with respect, embracing diversity and minimizing the impact of transportation services on our neighbors and the environment.
- Massport employs about 1,200 people, but our facilities – Boston Logan International Airport, the Port of Boston’s containerized cargo, cruise and autoport terminals, L.G. Hanscom Field, Worcester Regional Airport, and real estate holdings in South Boston and East Boston – employ more than 18,000.
- Some 100,000 private sector jobs are directly or indirectly supported by Massport facilities.
- Massport is an independent public authority and is governed by a seven member Board appointed by the Governor. Six members serve staggered seven year terms, and one ex officio member is the state Secretary of Transportation.
- Massport is self-supporting and a recent economic impact report estimates that Massport contributes $15 billion a year in total economic impact.
- Massport’s enabling act allows the Authority to operate its facilities, impose fees on those using the facilities, and to issue revenue bonds. The bonds support our ability to maintain, operate and to extend, enlarge and improve our facilities.
- Massport has the power to acquire property by purchase or through the exercise of eminent domain in certain circumstances. Massport has no taxing power. Massport's bonds and notes do not constitute a pledge of the faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Air

- Massport owns and operates Boston Logan International Airport and provides passengers with more than 70 nonstop domestic and 53 international destinations. In the last decade, Massport and its airline partners have invested more than $4.4 billion to build a new runway, roadways, terminals, garages and taxiways.
- Logan is a city within a city on a 1,700 acre footprint of land.
- The airport has a fire department, a police department, a power plant, two hotels, a non-denominational chapel and 27 acres of landscaping along the roadways and terminals.
- Logan Airport has four passenger terminals, each with its own ticketing, baggage claim, and ground transportation facilities. The terminals are connected to the central parking garage by a walkway system.
- In all, there are 94 gates with contact jet bridges and 9 regional jet gates at the airport and more than 50 airlines fly nonstop to more than 120 domestic and international destinations.
- Massport operates two other airports in the region: L.G. Hanscom Field in Bedford and Worcester Regional Airport.
- Hanscom Field is the region’s largest general aviation airport and second busiest airport in MA, providing services to private and corporate aircraft and limited commercial service.
- Worcester Regional Airport plays an important part in the regional transportation network and Central Massachusetts’ economic development strategy.

Sea

- Each year, more than one million tons of cargo passes through terminals in the Port of Boston, which provide the niche shipping facilities New England needs to be a major international trader.
- Our Raymond L. Flynn Cruiseport is a favorite with cruise passengers, who have rewarded Boston with a string of record-breaking seasons over the past decade.
Community

- Massport owns, manages, or ground leases approximately 585 acres of maritime, industrial and commercial waterfront property (including both land and water area) in South Boston, East Boston and Charlestown.
- Massport owns, operates and maintains more than 40 acres of parks and passive recreation land in region, including Piers Park and Bremen Street Park in East Boston, the Maritime Park in South Boston.
- Being a good community partner is a main priority for Massport, and staff meets regularly to discuss concerns and projects with community members and elected officials.
- Last year, Massport paid almost $20m total in Payment In Lieu Of Taxes (PILOT) to area communities including Boston and Winthrop
- Massport had 318 Community Summer Jobs Program positions in 2015
- Massport gave more than $43,000 in scholarships to local high school students
- The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is responsible for controlling the movement of aircraft and selecting runways for use. Runway selection is based primarily on wind and weather for safety reasons. Massport understands community concerns about aircraft noise, and meets regularly with communities and elected officials to discuss issues and what can be done.

Environment

- Logan is one of the first airports in the country to incorporate climate change into a sustainability plan.
- Massport has made reducing energy use in its facilities a priority. New construction and renovation projects have focused on energy conservation efforts and the installation of renewable energy sources.
- Greenhouse gas emissions per passenger have decreased by 38.1 percent since FY' 2002.
- Massport has installed 924,000 kWh of clean, renewable energy at Logan and Hanscom airports. The electricity produced in fiscal year 2015 was enough to power 125 homes a year.
- Massport requires all its developers to integrate LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) standards, which provides a framework to create healthy, highly efficient, and cost-saving green buildings; as well as Massport’s Design Flood Guidelines, which reflect the latest science and modeling of sea level rise, increased storm surge, and probability of flooding, into the design and build of the property.
- Logan’s 30% HOV mode share at the airport ranks top in the country alongside San Francisco