

**Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base  
Estimated Contribution to the Texas Economy, 2015**

At the request of the Texas Military Preparedness Commission (TMPC), the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts has analyzed the economic impact of Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base (JRB) on the Texas economy. The Comptroller estimates that Ellington Field JRB contributed **\$777.2 million** to the Texas economy in 2015.

Data used in this analysis was provided by Ellington Field JRB to the TMPC, which forwarded it to the Comptroller’s Data Analysis staff. Exhibit 1 lists the data submitted by Ellington Field JRB for the purposes of this analysis.

**Exhibit 1  
Data Provided by Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base**

Base population	
• Military assigned	1,053
• Family members	1,876
• Civilian employees - appropriated fund	1
• Civilian employees - non-appropriated fund	0
• Contractor personnel	50
• State employees	30
• AAFES	10
Supported population (retirees, survivors and family members within a 20-mile radius of the base)	20,795
Annual operating budget	
• FY 15 Executed - O&M	\$22,753,600
• FY 15 Executed - Mil. Pers.	\$1,486,000
• FY 15 Programmed - O&M	\$23,011,500
• FY 15 Programmed - Mil. Pers.	\$1,629,000
• Education Impact Aid <sup>1</sup>	\$24,721

Source: Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base<sup>2</sup>

Comptroller Data Analysis staff applied data submitted by Ellington Field JRB as inputs using the REMI (Regional Economic Models, Inc.) model for the State of Texas to generate estimates of the installation’s contributions to state-level employment, gross domestic product, output and disposable personal income (Exhibit 2).<sup>3</sup>

**Exhibit 2**  
**Estimated Contributions of Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base**  
**to the Texas Economy, 2015**

Total employment <sup>4</sup>	4,155
Output <sup>5</sup>	\$777,245,000
Gross domestic product <sup>6</sup>	\$452,059,000
Disposable personal income <sup>7</sup>	\$259,880,000

Source: REMI Model for Texas

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts recognizes that military installations impact the state economy in tangible ways that may be difficult to measure. Each installation’s distinctive characteristics contribute to the Texas economy but, while instrumental to the state’s economic growth, cannot always be quantified. Although the estimated contributions presented above provide a strong indicator of the economic importance of Ellington Field JRB to Texas, the Comptroller acknowledges there is potential for additional positive economic impact to the state.

<sup>1</sup> Education Impact Aid data was provided by Marilyn Hall, Texas Education Agency, February 16, 2016.

<sup>2</sup> Document forwarded by email from Alexandra Taylor, Texas Military Preparedness Commission, to Lisa Minton, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, February 23, 2016.

<sup>3</sup> Estimate inputs and assumptions include the following: (1) all data submitted is for 2015; (2) family members are associated with the base; (3) spending on maintenance bay was included; (4) contractors provide professional services; and (5) all economic impact is in Texas.

<sup>4</sup> “Total employment” refers to both direct and indirect employment.

<sup>5</sup> “Output” refers to the total value of all goods and services (both final and intermediate) produced in Texas.

<sup>6</sup> “Gross domestic product” refers to the total value of all final goods and services produced in Texas.

<sup>7</sup> “Disposable personal income” refers to post-income-tax income.