

U.S. GENERAL AVIATION^a
TYPE OF AIRCRAFT AND HOURS FLOWN

Calendar Years 1999–2003

| | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| NUMBER OF ACTIVE AIRCRAFT BY TYPE (Thousands) | | | | | |
| All Aircraft—TOTAL | <u>219.5</u> | <u>217.5</u> | <u>211.4</u> | <u>211.2</u> | <u>209.7</u> |
| Fixed-Wing: | <u>184.7</u> | <u>183.3</u> | <u>177.7</u> | <u>176.3</u> | <u>176.6</u> |
| Piston: | <u>171.9</u> | <u>170.5</u> | <u>163.3</u> | <u>161.1</u> | <u>160.9</u> |
| Single-Engine | 150.9 | 149.4 | 145.0 | 143.5 | 143.3 |
| Twin-Engine | 20.9 | 21.0 | 18.2 | 17.5 | 17.5 |
| Other..... | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Turboprop: | <u>5.7</u> | <u>5.8</u> | <u>6.6</u> | <u>6.8</u> | <u>7.7</u> |
| Twin-Engine | 4.6 | 5.0 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.8 |
| Other..... | 1.0 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.9 |
| Turbojet: | <u>7.1</u> | <u>7.0</u> | <u>7.8</u> | <u>8.4</u> | <u>8.0</u> |
| Twin-Engine | 6.4 | 6.2 | 5.6 | 7.7 | 7.5 |
| Other..... | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.5 |
| Rotorcraft: | <u>7.4</u> | <u>7.2</u> | <u>6.8</u> | <u>6.6</u> | <u>6.5</u> |
| Piston | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.1 |
| Turbine..... | 4.9 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.3 | 4.4 |
| Balloons, Dirigibles, and Gliders... | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.0 |
| Experimental | 20.5 | 20.4 | 20.4 | 21.9 | 20.6 |
| HOURS FLOWN BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT (Thousands) ^f | | | | | |
| All Aircraft—TOTAL | <u>31,231</u> | <u>29,960</u> | <u>27,017</u> | <u>27,040</u> | <u>27,329</u> |
| Fixed-Wing: Piston | 22,529 | 21,493 | 19,194 | 18,891 | 19,013 |
| Turboprop | 1,797 | 1,986 | 1,773 | 1,850 | 1,922 |
| Turbojet | 2,721 | 2,648 | 2,654 | 2,745 | 2,704 |
| Rotorcraft: Piston | 552 | 530 | 474 | 454 | 448 |
| Turbine..... | 2,077 | 1,661 | 1,479 | 1,422 | 1,687 |
| Balloons, Dirigibles, and Gliders... | 309 | 362 | 287 | 333 | 263 |
| Experimental | 1,246 | 1,280 | 1,157 | 1,345 | 1,292 |
| AVERAGE HOURS FLOWN ANNUALLY BY TYPE ^f | | | | | |
| All Aircraft—TOTAL | <u>142.3</u> | <u>137.7</u> | <u>127.8</u> | <u>128.0</u> | <u>130.3</u> |
| Fixed-Wing: Piston | 131.6 | 126.1 | 117.5 | 117.3 | 118.1 |
| Turboprop | 316.3 | 344.7 | 268.7 | 270.4 | 250.0 |
| Turbojet | 382.1 | 378.2 | 340.8 | 328.6 | 338.1 |
| Rotorcraft: Piston | 215.5 | 197.7 | 207.0 | 192.9 | 210.9 |
| Turbine..... | 425.3 | 371.7 | 329.3 | 331.0 | 383.2 |
| Balloons, Dirigibles, and Gliders... | 45.7 | 54.0 | 43.8 | 52.2 | 43.9 |
| Experimental | 60.7 | 62.7 | 56.6 | 61.3 | 62.9 |

Source: Federal Aviation Administration.

a Excludes commuters.