



FACT SHEET

⊙ **A success story.** The Heath-Newark-Licking County Port Authority took ownership of the 900,000 sq. ft. former Newark AFB in October 1996, becoming the first privatization-in-place in military history. The facility was renamed the Central Ohio Aerospace & Technology Center and celebrated 50 years in 2012.



⊙ **Called one of Ohio's finest examples of a public-private partnership,** the Aerospace Center brags the presence of *Fortune 500* companies to small businesses. Today, the Center's 15 employers include Boeing, Bionetics, AFMETCAL, UTC Aerospace Systems, and others doing what the Air Force once did, and more.

⊙ **Impactful.** Combined, the public and private partners at the Center employ 781 with a payroll over \$60 million. The annual economic impact is estimated at more than \$200 million.

⊙ **Tops in Ohio.** The Port Authority receives no tax dollars and, as such, is the largest, self-sustaining port authority in Ohio among more than 50 ports. It is the fourth-largest overall.

⊙ **The face of Boeing in Ohio.** Boeing, as a company, did a total of \$11.5 billion in business in Ohio in 2013. That's more than 2% of Ohio's Gross Domestic Product. Boeing's largest presence in the state is at the Aerospace Center in Heath.

⊙ **UTC expansion.** UTC Aerospace Systems expanded its engineering operations in 2011. A \$5.7 million new LEED-certified office and clean room building opened that year.

