



CENTRAL OHIO
**AEROSPACE &
TECHNOLOGY CENTER**

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 original base hosts 15 employers include Boeing, Bionetics, AFMETCAL, UTC Aerospace Systems, and others doing what the Air Force once did, and more.

⊙ **Impactful.** Combined, the employers at the Aerospace Center employ over 1,300 with a payroll over \$88 million.

⊙ **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.

⊙ **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.

⊙ **Heath's Hot Corner.** A spec building began in late 2013 was the first of now four projects that have happened at James Parkway and Kaiser Drive. Xperion, MISTRAS Group, Ariel Corp., and Southgate have combined to invest over \$18 million at this "hot corner" in Heath.

