

# LAX — Its Regional Role

LAX – Los Angeles International Airport – is much more than a localized collection of terminals, concourses, planes, and runways. LAX is part of the crucial infrastructure that serves and benefits our entire region, much like its roads, water, power, and sanitation systems. As such, LAX is vital to the people of our five-county region – Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside – for a number of important reasons.

The 3,425-acre airport is an enormous economic engine in and of itself. Operations at LAX currently employ more than 59,000 people directly, and almost another 350,000 jobs stemming from activity at the airport, and pour \$60 billion annually into our regional economy. In fact, LAX is responsible for 1 out of every 20 jobs in our region.



*Departing traveler*



*Loading cargo*

LAX is part of a vast international system of air transport and travel. Its daily operations help unite families and friends across the globe, support worldwide business opportunities, and make possible the timely delivery of the more than 2 million tons of freight and mail annually on which our local economies and communications depend.

Los Angeles International Airport is a significant public resource, one that belongs, in essence, to all the people of this area. So whether we travel by plane