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Your Future In Aviation

What is GA?

General Aviation

All things aviation except
military and the airlines



BUT IT IS SO MUCH MORE THAN THAT...

What is GA?



Is Flying Safe?

- Pilot training is very rigorous
- Recurrent training is required by the FAA to maintain and improve skills
- All aircraft must have an extensive annual inspection





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Who are GA Pilots?

Ordinary people...

with a business need, civic duty, or just plain passion for flying

Over **600,000**
CERTIFICATED PILOTS IN THE U.S.



What Can I Fly?

GA aircraft come in all shapes and sizes, and can vary in power and performance.

You will probably learn to fly in a small single engine aircraft...

...LIKE THIS ONE





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How About Something Fast?

And someday, you can be soaring across the country in this



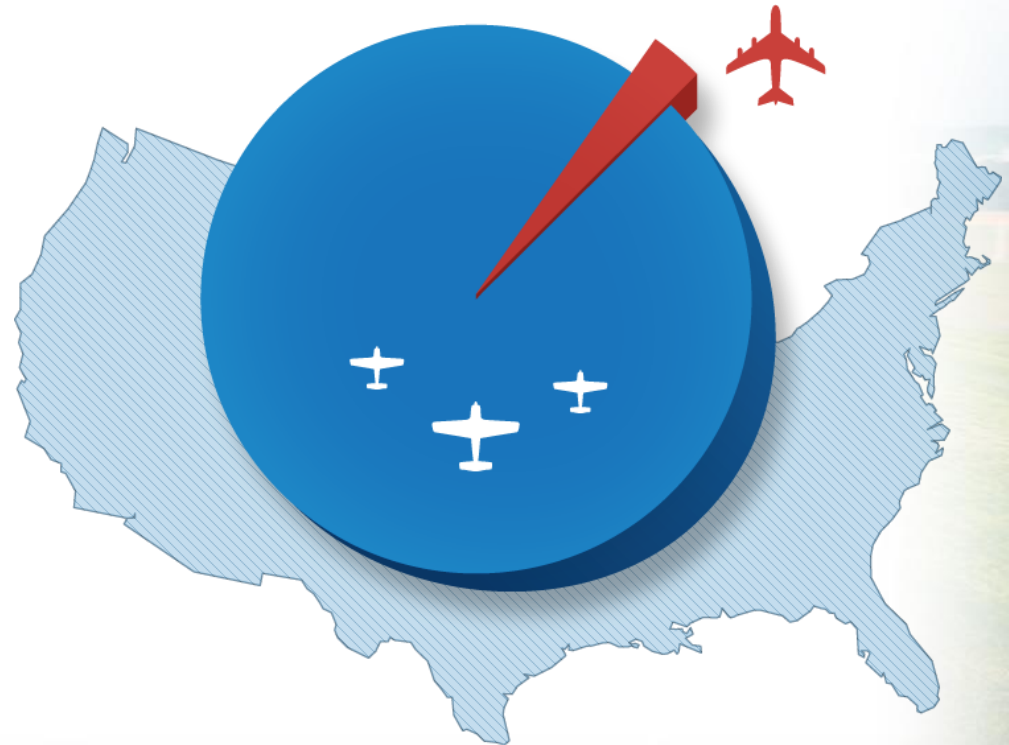
Why Not A Blimp?

The MetLife blimp needs pilots, too!

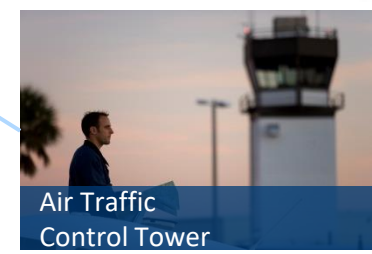


Where Can I Fly?

Of the more than
5,000 public
airports in the U.S.,
only 500 have
airline service



What Can I Expect to Find at an Airport?



Flying for Fun

Fly your friends to lunch



Go visit family for a weekend



How About a Career in Aviation?

Do you...

- Like math and science?
- Enjoy using your imagination?
- Like to know how things work?
- Want to invent or improve something?
- Enjoy providing a service and helping those in need?



What Kinds of Aviation Jobs are Available?



What Kinds of Aviation Jobs are Available?

Aircraft Mechanic

- Requires FAA certification
- Work in aircraft hangars or on a flight line
- Repair, inspect, and test aircraft systems



What Kinds of Aviation Jobs are Available?

Engineer

- Requires college degree
- Variety of Types
 - Aircraft Design
 - Flight Test
 - Propulsion (Engines)
 - Avionics



What Kinds of GA Jobs Are Available?

Flight Instructor

- Requires FAA certification
- Train the next generation of pilots
- Fun and rewarding



What Kinds of Aviation Jobs are Available?

Air Ambulance Pilot

- Carry injured or sick people for emergency medical care
- Fly specially equipped aircraft



What Kinds of Aviation Jobs are Available?

And many more...

- Air Traffic Controller
- Meteorologist
- Airport Manager
- Flight Operations Manager
- Flight Attendant
- Manufacturing/Fabrication
- Sales



How Can I Work Toward a Career in Aviation?

- Stay in school
- Develop good study habits
- Talk to professionals in aviation
- Go to your local airport



I Think I Might Like to Learn to Fly ...Now What?

- Find a flight school near you
- Ask questions
 - What is the curriculum?
 - How long will it take to learn?
 - What is the cost?
 - How can I build flight time?



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