

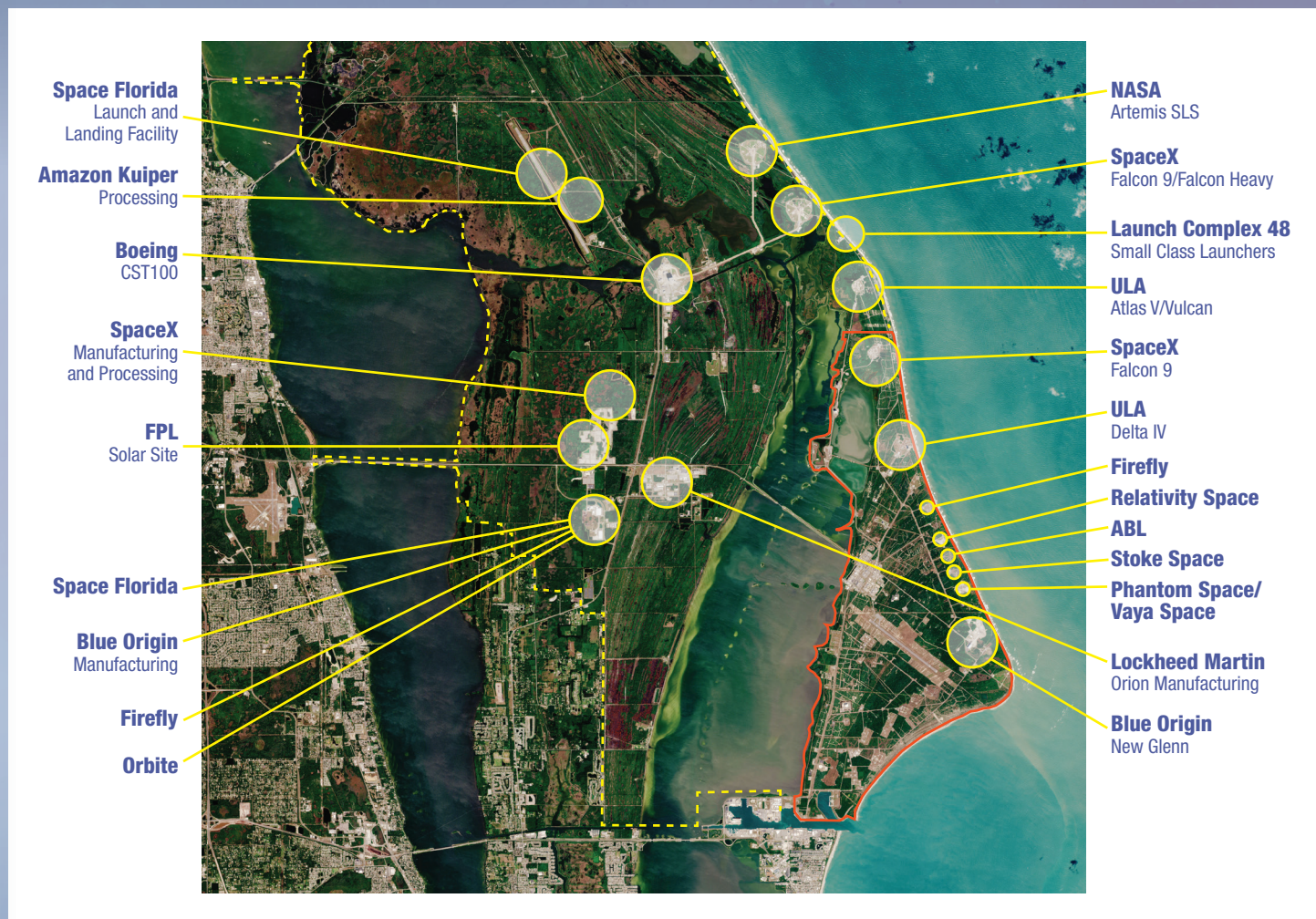
National Aeronautics and  
Space Administration

A photograph of a space shuttle launch at night. A bright orange and red plume of fire and smoke trails from the launch pad on the right, curving into a high arc across the dark blue sky. The shuttle itself is visible as a small white object at the peak of the arc. The launch pad is illuminated, and the surrounding landscape is dark with some lights visible in the distance.

KENNEDY SPACE CENTER  
**LAUNCHING HUMANITY'S FUTURE**

Kennedy Space Center is the world's premier multi-user spaceport with nearly 100 private-sector partners and more than 240 partnership agreements. The presence of commercial companies at Kennedy is larger than ever before, enabling us to embark on a new era of space exploration. Although Kennedy is NASA's main launch site, the center is also home to key facilities that research and develop innovative solutions needed for working and living on the surface of the Moon and other bodies in our solar system.

## Nearly 100 private-sector partners and 240+ partnership agreements



NASA Kennedy continues to push the boundaries of science and also acts as the economic heartbeat of America's Space Coast. **Since 2017, employment by our commercial launch providers has surged by over 100% and shows no signs of slowing. Almost 3,000 jobs are generated by these partners with NASA support.**

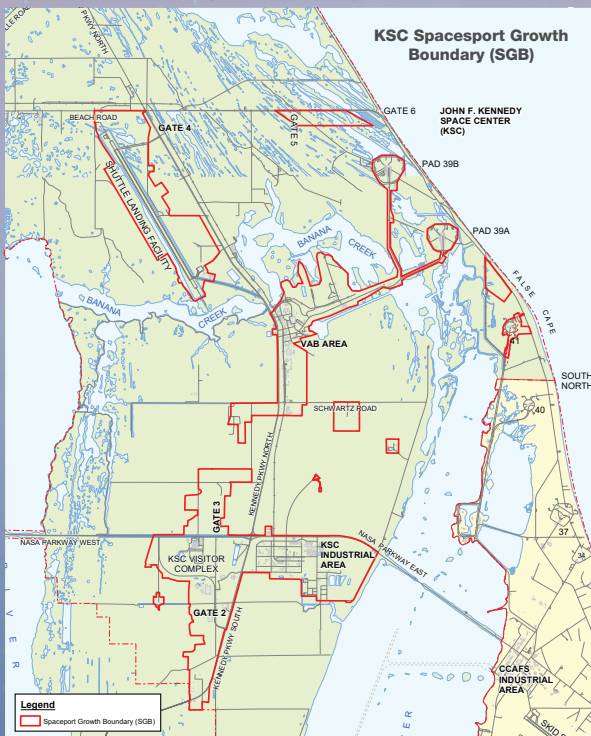
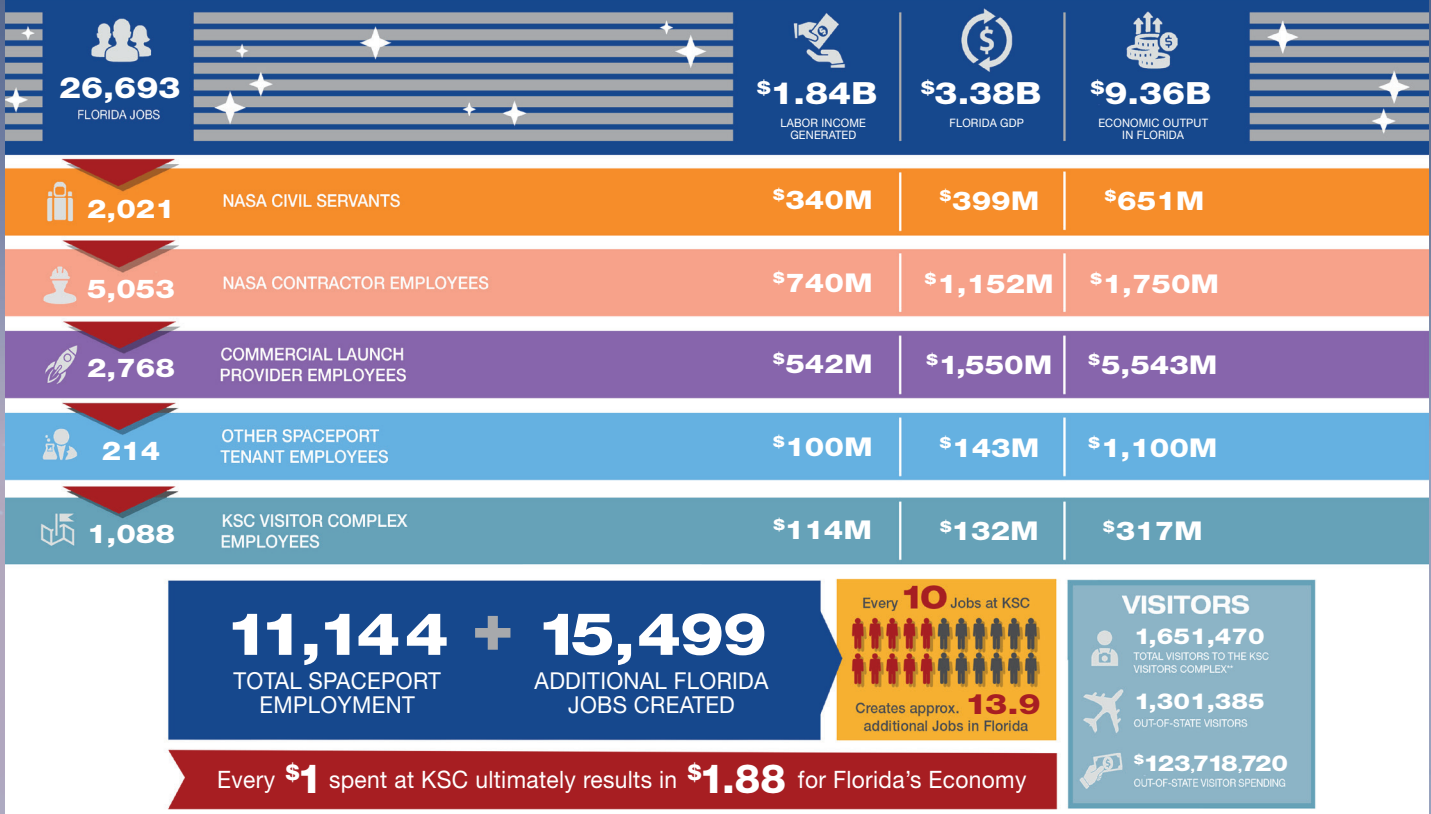
That is in addition to more than 2,100 NASA civil servants and nearly 20,000 contractors across the state. **For every 10 NASA jobs in Florida, another 13.9 jobs are supported in Florida's economy, and every \$1 spent by Kennedy generates \$1.88 for Florida's economy, leading to a \$9.36 billion economic output in the state.**

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# 2023 IMPACTS OF SPACEPORT OPERATIONS IN FLORIDA

## Spaceport Workforce

## Measures of Economic Activity



Kennedy's mission, to "provide continuous access to space from Earth's premier spaceport through creativity and innovation," highlights the importance of maintaining modern U.S. launch capabilities to support the nation's strategic needs. The spaceport's growth boundary includes about 7,500 acres where current and future development can occur. Kennedy planners ensure responsible growth, targeting areas with existing utilities and other support infrastructure to save costs and minimize environmental impacts. Experts at the spaceport support all government and FAA-licensed launches from Florida's Space Coast, ensuring the delivery of propellants, as well as advanced planning, scheduling, and dissemination of information, to minimize operation conflicts and support efficient planning.

## SPACE COAST LAUNCHES BY YEAR



# WHO WE ARE



## Exploration Ground Systems

Developing and integrating ground systems that support processing and launch of NASA's Space Launch System rocket and Orion spacecraft, and launching crew and cargo to the Moon and beyond.



## Launch Services Program

Serving as Earth's "Bridge to Space," matching spacecraft with the best-suited commercial rocket to launch NASA missions that observe the Earth, visit other planets, and explore the universe.



## Commercial Crew

Transporting NASA crews to the International Space Station on commercial rockets and spacecraft to provide critical access to low-Earth orbit and advance the new space economy.



## Exploration Research & Technology Programs

Providing the International Space Station with ground processing, logistics, and maintenance support while pushing the boundaries of research and technology development to advance space exploration.



## Gateway Deep Space Logistics

Leading NASA's commercial supply chain for deep space to enable exploration of the lunar surface and beyond.



For more information on each of these programs, scan this QR code or visit [nasa.gov/Kennedy](https://nasa.gov/Kennedy)