

Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport



U.S. Foreign Trade Zone No. 39

DFW

U.S. Foreign Trade Zones

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- The Foreign-Trade Zones Act of 1934
 - Encourages employment and capital investment
 - Flexible application of U.S. Customs rules for U.S. businesses involved in international trade
- Administered by Foreign-Trade Zones Board, under the U.S. Dept. of Commerce
- The FTZ Board:
 - Gives privilege to FTZ Grantee to establish, operate and maintain FTZs
 - Approves application for companies setting up FTZs
 - Authorizes specific manufacturing activity allowed in FTZs
- FTZ activity is supervised by U.S. Customs and Border Protection

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- FTZ Activity is supervised by U.S. Customs and Border Protection
 - CBP is responsible for the transfer of merchandise in and out of the FTZ
 - The Port Director of CBP oversees zone activity as local representative of the FTZB
- FTZ Grantee must operate zone as a “public utility”
 - Provide uniform treatment under like conditions, with “fair and reasonable” charges
- Physically located within U.S., but FTZs are treated as outside Customs territory
 - Enabling U.S. firms to successfully compete with foreign counterparts
- Foreign trade zones in U.S. know internationally as “free trade zones,” or “free ports”

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Economic Benefits of FTZs

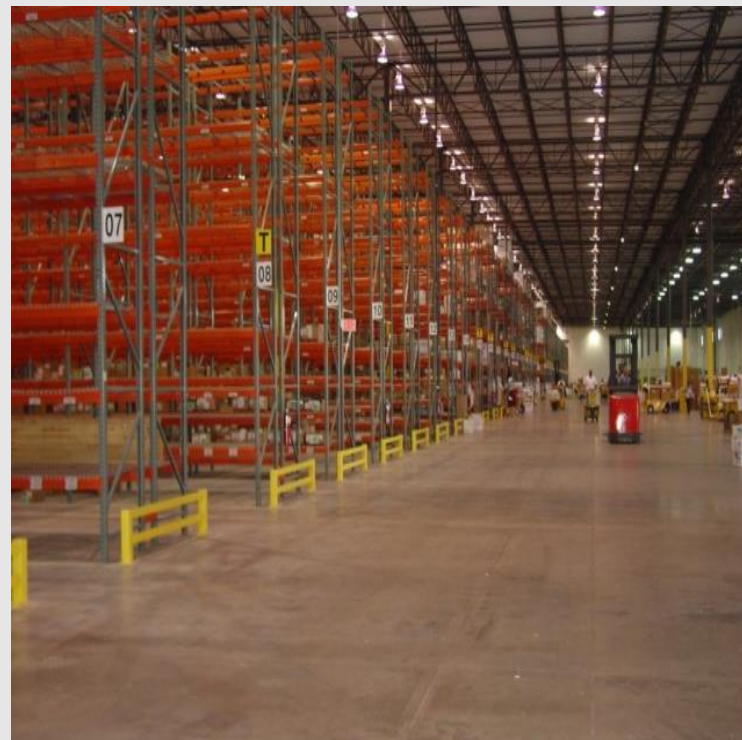
- No duty on imports until they leave FTZ for domestic destination
- No duty on items brought into FTZ and exported
 - These items never enter Customs territory
- Manufacturing FTZs can elect lower duty rate – component part or finished product
- No state and local personal property tax
 - Imported inventory, or
 - Domestic inventory held for export
- Other logistical and process savings



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2016 value of shipments into zones totaled over \$610 billion

- Vehicles
- Oil/Petroleum
- Other Electronics
- Textiles/Footwear
- Consumer Electronics
- Consumer Products
- Electrical Machinery
- Vehicle Parts
- Other Metals/Minerals
- Machinery/Equipment



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- 1979 grant of authority, FTZ No. 39
- Serving business at the Port of Dallas/Fort Worth
- DFW's motivation for becoming grantee:
 - More international trade, more passenger and cargo air traffic
 - Leadership role in regional economic development
- Over \$2.4 billion in merchandise received into DFW's FTZ in 2016



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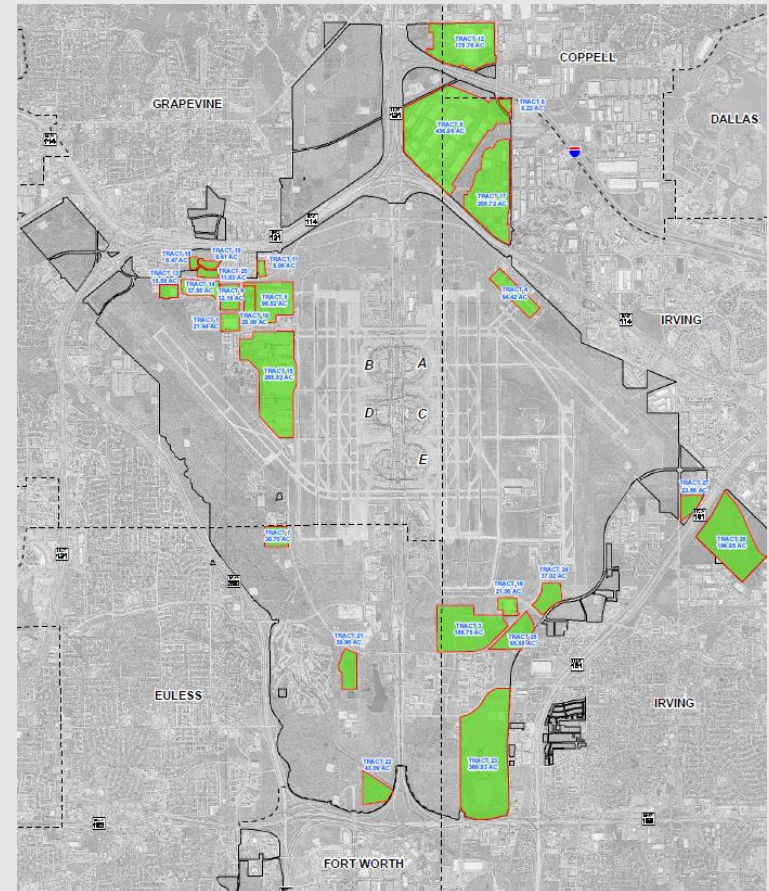
- DFW sponsors FTZs in three ways:
 - On-Airport – Pre-designated FTZ boundaries
 - Railhead, Fort Worth – Pre-designated geographical FTZ area
 - Throughout Metro Area- Company specific locations



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On-Airport FTZ

- 2,400 acres/971 hectares on-Airport
 - Pre-designated as FTZ
 - Companies can simply activate with Customs
- 73 buildings, containing 20 million sq. ft. of warehouse/distribution space is FTZ-designated
- New industrial development underway
 - Can easily accommodate companies with FTZ designation



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On-Airport FTZ

- Airbus Helicopters
- Alliance Operating Services
- CEVA International
- Dallas Airmotive
- Dallas Cowboys Merchandising, Ltd.
- DHL Global Forwarding
- Hitachi High Technologies America
- Menzies Aviation
- Mountain Plumbing Products
- NEC Corporation of America
- Panalpina, Inc.
- Schenker, Inc.
- UPS Supply Chain Solutions, Inc.
- Valeo Compressor North America



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Off-Airport FTZ Sites

DFW can sponsor FTZs:

- At our Pre-designated geographical FTZ site located in Railhead, Fort Worth; and
- Company-specific locations throughout the metro area



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Off-Airport Pre-Designated FTZ Site

- 644 acres/261 hectares in North Texas pre-designated as FTZ
- Any company may locate on this land and simply activate with Customs
- Existing site:
 - Railhead (Fort Worth)



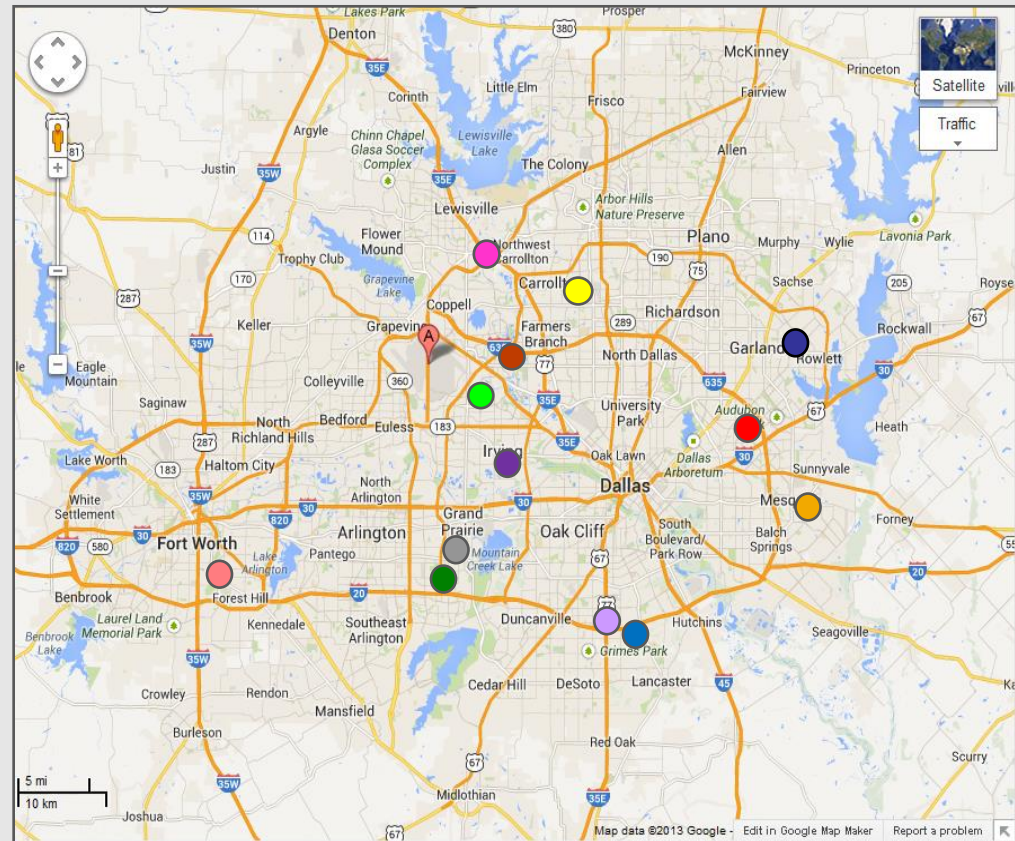
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Off-Airport Company-Specific FTZs

- If companies want FTZ status but cannot locate in a pre-designated area, DFW can sponsor company-specific FTZs

- DFW sponsors the following FTZs:

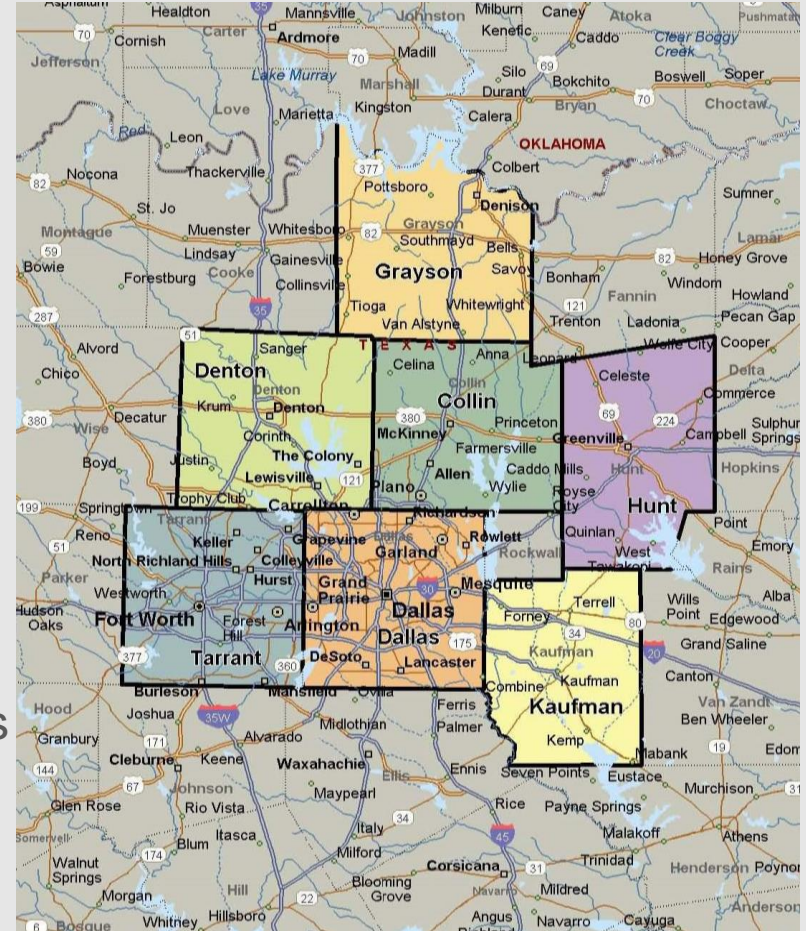
- Sanden
- Fossil Partners
- Safran Helicopter Engines
- Dal-Tile
- The Apparel Group
- Brighton Best International
- Lasko
- BMW
- DMG Mori Seiki U.S.A.
- KONE, Inc.
- Mazda North American Operations
- Southwest Moulding



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Off-Airport Company-Specific FTZs

- Alternative Site Framework (“ASF”) allows select FTZ Grantees expedited approval for company-specific FTZ designations within a “Service Area”
- Communities can agree to participate, forming the designated Service Area
- Easier, faster FTZ setup within Service Area
- DFW Service Area includes 7 counties
 - 6,237 square miles
 - 16,154 square kilometers
- DFW can still sponsor FTZs outside Service Area under “old” rules



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Free Trade Zone Alliances

- Dubai Airport Freezone Authority (UAE) – Mar. 2012
- Farglory Free Trade Zone (Taiwan) – May 2013



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Free Trade Zone Alliances

- To expand trade and business through effective, collaborative and innovative approach to free trade zone management
- To exchange expertise to benefit business and develop new opportunities in the global markets
- To support existing and future air service between countries
- To share best practices, participate in joint marketing opportunities



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FTZ Webpage

<https://www.dfwairport.com/landhere/ftz/>


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International Trade

Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) were established to encourage and expedite United States participation in international trade. DFW International Airport (DFW) holds the grant of authority for Foreign-Trade Zone No. 39 (the "DFW FTZ"), which offers nearly 2,200 acres of cost savings. DFW utilizes the FTZ grant to promote international trade in the region.

Companies operating in our FTZ receive numerous inventory tax exemptions for international inventory, and savings or elimination of U.S. Customs duties, tariffs and taxes - potentially saving companies millions of dollars and reducing leadtimes. FTZ facilities include a 21-acre business park and two cargo distribution centers with direct airport ramp access. We are also home to a strong, fast-growing network of international trade agreements with countries in Asia, Europe and around the globe.


DFW-Dubai Freezone Alliance



DFW is the first U.S. location to link a U.S. Foreign Trade Zone with a major trading partner, the Dubai Airport Freezone. This innovative strategic alliance brings together the outstanding services of two of the world's busiest airports to enhance trade and commerce opportunities for business.

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DFW-Fargory Free Trade Zone Alliance



DFW Airport and the Fargory Free Trade Zone of Taiwan signed a free trade zone alliance Friday, May 17, 2013, creating a framework for a collaborative alliance between the two organizations.

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PDF Downloads

- DFW FTZ Basics**
 - About DFW FTZ
 - DFW FTZ Facts
 - DFW FTZ Policy
 - Companies in FTZ No. 39
- Other FTZ Resources**
 - Using a FTZ in North Texas Presentation
 - FTZs Supporting U.S. Competitiveness and Jobs Presentation
- Setting up a FTZ**
 - On-Airport FTZ Map
 - Guidelines for FTZ Site Located on Airport
 - ASF Service Area Map
 - Guidelines for Establishing a Usage-Driven FTZ Site
 - Fee Schedule
 - Procedures for Contacting Tax Authorities
- DFW Zone Schedule**
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