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**AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL —  
SEVENTH IN A SERIES OF MILESTONE  
ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE AVIATION INDUSTRY**

The task of managing aircraft, airports, other aviation facilities, and the cargo fleet and its facilities, as well as overseeing terminal and passenger safety is the responsibility of the Federal Aviation Administration.

Our modern air traffic control system traces its roots to the Air Commerce Act of 1926. By 1930, Cleveland-Hopkins International Airport had the world's first airport traffic control tower.

The United States is divided into 13 major airspace regions, which are controlled by a series of Terminal Radar Approach Control facilities (TRACONS) and local towers. This important array of 617 air traffic control facilities integrates radar, weather, radio, telecommunications, and tracking data for 50,000 flights per day.

In the 80 years since it began, our national air traffic control system has contributed to the economic and financial well-being and growth of the United States. The innovation and creativity of the people involved in our national aviation industry have enabled the United States to maintain its leadership in the world today.



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