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You asked for some general figures on the airport and airways program.

Airports: Federal aid to airports is now authorized at \$75 million annually, of which \$70 million is being spent.

The new program will probably add some loan programs, but it is doubtful whether a major increase in authorization will be required. Anywhere from the same total to \$150 million.

Federal funds count for less than 10% of airport construction. The estimated needs in the next 5 years range from \$3-6 billion.

Airways: FAA now spends about \$750 million annually controlling the airways. Most of this is operations: capital equipment and research have been low.

The program that will be recommended will probably add \$250 million to this amount: \$1 billion a year.

The total FAA budget is now \$1.04 billion. The budget after the new plan should be around \$1.325 billion.