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Aviation Growth in Modern China: From Propellers to Megaterminals

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Since the founding of the PRC in 1949, China's national aviation system has undergone tremendous growth, from only 8 airports at the country's founding to over 240 public airports today serving more than 675 million annual passengers (pre-Covid). This presentation looks at the growth in airports, divided into three main development phases. It will also look at some current trends in airport planning, what the future may bring, and airports with unique architecture.

Peter Jolicoeur is an Airport Master Planner with Landrum and Brown Worldwide Services. Ever since he was young, Peter has had a strong interest in aviation, often visiting his local airport in Manchester, New Hampshire. Inspired by friends who had their pilot license at Dartmouth College (where he graduated in 1995), as well as a colleague at the National Geographic Society in Washington, DC (where he worked as a cartographer for five years), he received his private pilot license in 1997. In 1999, Peter began to pursue a degree in Urban and Regional Planning at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill. His focus was transportation planning, and through taking an airport planning class offered at North Carolina State University, he discovered that some firms specialize exclusively in planning and design issues unique to airports. After graduating in 2001, he joined a leading US aviation consultancy in San Francisco, Ricondo & Associates, where he focused on environmental studies and airside planning. In 2006, the firm started to work in China, notably for Kunming's new airport and Wuhan's airport expansion. Because Peter had studied Chinese in college and spent a summer at Beijing Normal University in 1992, he volunteered to relocate to Beijing to start their representative office. In 2008, he joined Landrum & Brown, another US-based consultancy located in Shanghai, where he has now worked for 15 years. He is head of the strategic master planning group and is involved in projects across China including Shanghai, Xi'an, Xining, Xiamen, Fuzhou, Chongqing, Nantong and others. Peter is also active in India, and recently completed the Delhi Second Airport master plan. He has also worked in Australia, Korea, United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Senegal and the UK. Peter lives in Shanghai with his wife and two sons, ages 11 and 6. Besides aviation, he enjoys outdoor activities (running and cycling), traveling, and playing the saxophone.

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