National Based Aircraft Inventory

The National Association of State Aviation Officials (NASAO) has formed an alliance with GCR & Associates, Inc.

In recognizing the importance of accurate based aircraft counts at each airport, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has tasked GCR & Associates, Inc. (GCR) with the responsibility of collecting based aircraft details as part of a National Based Aircraft Inventory Program. Since November of 2006, GCR has contacted over 2,900 non-Primary airports in the National Plan of Integrated Airport System (NPIAS) in all fifty states and Puerto Rico. A website (located at www.BasedAircraft.com) has been established to allow airport managers direct on-line entry of their based aircraft details via a secured internet based application. To date over 94% of the airports contacted have responded to the national survey.

The results of the actual data being collected as part of this initiative are producing very interesting results. However, of more interest than the actual based aircraft data is the dialogue that the data has generated between the FAA, state aeronautical agencies, airport managers/operators, and aircraft owners. To address the questions raised through this dialogue, an alliance between GCR and the National Association of State Aviation Officials (NASAO) has been formed to assist in the promotion of the on-going based aircraft inventory effort, and to assist in disseminating the data results nationwide. The based aircraft data will be continually updated as part of the annual Airport Safety Inspection program administered by GCR. Each airport’s assistance to improve the quality of reporting of activity at facilities within the NPIAS is very much appreciated. To learn more about the program please visit www.BasedAircraft.com.