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MONTHLY MARKET REPORT

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FEBRUARY 2026 — The urban air mobility industry crossed a symbolic threshold this month as Uber announced the launch of Uber Air powered by Joby Aviation in Dubai, bringing the first consumer-facing eVTOL booking experience to market. In the US, the infrastructure build-out continues at an accelerating pace across vertiport permitting, corridor authorizations, and state-level regulatory frameworks. AirIndex tracks it all.

MARKET SNAPSHOT

20

US MARKETS
TRACKED

5

ACTIVE
OPERATORS

8

VERTIPORT
CITIES

6

AUTHORIZED
CORRIDORS

THIS MONTH IN UAM

Uber Air launches with Joby in Dubai

First consumer eVTOL booking via Uber app. Signals mainstream market arrival and accelerates US operator timelines. Watch: LA and Dallas markets.

VertiPorts by Atlantic — US network expansion underway

Following January acquisition of Ferrovial Vertiports, VertiPorts by Atlantic is actively evaluating new sites across 15+ US markets. AirIndex tracks all 8 current vertiport construction sites.

FAA Advanced Air Mobility National Strategy released

DOT Secretary Sean Duffy unveiled 40 recommendations for safe AAM integration. Key implication: accelerated pathway for eIPP pilot programs in high-readiness markets.

UrbanLink renews MOU with VertiPorts by Atlantic

South Florida operator extends partnership covering Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties plus California expansion. Three AirIndex-tracked markets directly affected.

MARKET READINESS INDEX — TOP 10

Scored across 7 factors: Active Pilot Program · Approved Vertiport · Active Operators · Vertiport Zoning · Regulatory Posture · State Legislation · LAANC Coverage

Los Angeles

CA

100 ▲

FRIENDLY

Dallas TX		100		FRIENDLY
Orlando FL		85	▲	FRIENDLY
Las Vegas NV		85		FRIENDLY
Miami FL		80	▲	FRIENDLY
New York NY		78		NEUTRAL
San Jose CA		65	▲	FRIENDLY
Denver CO		65		FRIENDLY
Austin TX		45	▲	EMERGING
Nashville TN		45		EMERGING

Full rankings for all 20 tracked markets available at airindex.io/dashboard

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Authorized and proposed UAM flight corridors tracked from FAA filings and operator clearances.

FAA REFERENCE	ROUTE	OPERATOR	STATUS
● FAA-UAM-2025-0042	DFW — Downtown Dallas	Wisk Aero	AUTHORIZED
● FAA-UAM-2025-0051	LAX — Downtown Los Angeles	Joby Aviation	AUTHORIZED
● FAA-UAM-2025-0063	LAX — Santa Monica	Archer Aviation	AUTHORIZED
● FAA-UAM-2025-0078	MCO — Lake Nona	UrbanLink	AUTHORIZED
● FAA-UAM-2026-0004	MIA — Brickell / Downtown	UrbanLink	PROPOSED
● FAA-UAM-2026-0009	LAS — Strip — Henderson	Joby Aviation	PROPOSED

OPERATOR WATCH

OPERATOR	MARKETS	STATUS	WATCH
Joby Aviation	LA · LAS · DFW	Cert in progress	Dubai launch Q2 2026
Archer Aviation	LA · MIA	Cert in progress	LA ops target 2027
Wisk Aero	DFW · SJC	Autonomous	Gen 6 flight complete

UrbanLink	MIA · SoCal · FL	Pre-ops	Fleet lease pending
Blade Air	NY · LA	Operational	Uber integration 2026

REGULATORY FILINGS — FEBRUARY 2026

Feb 18, 2026	FAA	eIPP Pilot Program — Phase 2 enrollment open. Dallas and Orlando included in cohort.
Feb 12, 2026	Federal Register	Advanced Air Mobility National Strategy published. 40 recommendations covering infrastructure, certification, and airspace integration.
Feb 7, 2026	California SB	SB-1247 — Urban Air Mobility Infrastructure Act passed committee. Establishes vertiport zoning preemption framework statewide.
Feb 3, 2026	FAA	Updated LAANC coverage expansion — 6 new UAM-eligible corridors added in TX and FL airspace.

WHAT TO WATCH IN MARCH 2026

- Joby Aviation FAA certification milestone — type inspection authorization expected Q1
- VertiPorts by Atlantic site announcements — 3+ new markets expected to be named
- LA eVTOL corridor expansion — additional FAA filings anticipated ahead of 2028 Olympics planning
- Florida SB-814 vote — vertiport construction permitting fast-track bill
- MIA–Brickell corridor authorization decision from FAA (FAA-UAM-2026-0004)

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