

## **Copper State Airlines**

Copper State Airlines, based in Douglas, Arizona, operated from 1980 until early 1982 using Piper Navajo and Piper Seneca aircraft. During late 1981 and early 1982, Copper State operated one daily roundtrip flight between Albuquerque and Phoenix, Arizona. The flight continued on from Phoenix to Tucson, Fort Huachuca, and Douglas/Bisbee, Arizona. The main objective was to fulfill a freight contract and there is no record that Copper State used the main terminal at the Albuquerque Sunport so the aircraft most likely parked at a General Aviation facility such as Cutter or Southwest Air Rangers at the time. Copper State closed down in early 1982, ending the Albuquerque service.