

AIRCRAFT ELECTRICS VARIABLES

The tables below indicate the properties for the [Simulation Variables](#) that can be used to get and set variables related to the electrical system of the aircraft. For information on the units listed for each variable, please see here: [Simulation Variable Units](#)

NOTE: When Microsoft Flight Simulator is running in multiplayer mode, only a small number of variables are communicated between aircraft. Those variables that are available will say so in the description as being either for "All Aircraft" or for "Shared Cockpit".

You can find a complete index of all available SimVars here: [SimVar Index](#)

The SimVars below are all related to the aircraft electrical system (including lights). Large parts of this system are setup using the [\[ELECTRICAL\]](#) section of the [system.cfg](#) file, and many may also require the use of the different to retrieve and edit their values.

General / Buses

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
BUS LOOKUP INDEX	This is a settable simvar meaning that it can both be read and set. Some of the simvars in this list are using this to lookup a value using two arguments (one argument in addition to the component index). For example to check the state of the connection between a "circuit.45" and the "bus.2" it would be written as follows:	-	

	<p>2 (>A:BUS LOOKUP INDEX, Number) (A:CIRCUIT CONNECTION ON:45, Bool)</p> <p>It should be notes that when BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX is not set (ie: it is 0) then TRUE will be returned if any of your bus connections are on.</p>		
BUS BREAKER PULLED	<p>This will be true if the bus breaker is pulled. Requires a BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX and a bus index.</p>	Bool	
BUS CONNECTION ON	<p>This will be true if the bus is connected. Requires a BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX and a bus index.</p>	Bool	
ELECTRICAL GENALT LOAD	<p>This returns the percentage of the load output that is being consumed. This requires an alternator index when referencing.</p>	Percent	
ELECTRICAL GENALT BUS AMPS	<p>The load handled by the alternator. This requires an alternator index when referencing.</p>	Amperes	
ELECTRICAL GENALT BUS VOLTAGE	<p>General alternator voltage. This requires an alternator index when referencing.</p>	Volts	
ELECTRICAL MAIN BUS VOLTAGE	<p>The main bus voltage. Use a bus index when referencing.</p>	Volts	
ELECTRICAL AVIONICS BUS AMPS	<p>Avionics bus current</p>	Amperes	
ELECTRICAL AVIONICS BUS VOLTAGE	<p>Avionics bus voltage</p>	Volts	

ELECTRICAL MAIN BUS AMPS	Main bus current	Amperes	
ELECTRICAL OLD CHARGING AMPS <i>Deprecated</i>	Deprecated, do not use! Use ELECTRICAL BATTERY LOAD.	Amps	
ELECTRICAL TOTAL LOAD AMPS	Total load amps	Amperes	
NEW ELECTRICAL SYSTEM	Is the aircraft using the new Electrical System or the legacy FSX one.	Bool	

Alternators

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
ALTERNATOR BREAKER PULLED	This will be true if the alternator breaker is pulled. Requires a BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX and an alternator index.	Bool	
ALTERNATOR CONNECTION ON	This will be true if the alternator is connected. Requires a BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX and an alternator index.	Bool	
GENERAL ENG MASTER ALTERNATOR:index	The alternator (generator) switch position, true if the switch is ON. Requires an engine index, and the use of an alternator index when referencing.	Bool	

APU

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
<code>APU BLEED PRESSURE RECEIVED BY ENGINE</code>	Bleed air pressure received by the engine from the <i>APU</i> .	Pounds per square inch (<i>psi</i>)	
<code>APU GENERATOR ACTIVE:index</code>	Set or get whether an <i>APU</i> is active (true) or not (false). Takes an index to be able to have multiple generators on a single <i>APU</i> .	Bool	
<code>APU GENERATOR SWITCH:index</code>	Enables or disables the <i>APU</i> for an engine. Takes an index to be able to have multiple generators on a single <i>APU</i> .	Bool	
<code>APU ON FIRE DETECTED</code>	Will return true if the <i>APU</i> is on fire, or false otherwise.	Bool	
<code>APU PCT RPM</code>	Auxiliary power unit <i>RPM</i> , as a percentage	<i>Percent Over 100</i>	
<code>APU PCT STARTER</code>	Auxiliary power unit starter, as a percentage	<i>Percent Over 100</i>	
<code>APU SWITCH</code>	Boolean, whether or not the <i>APU</i> is switched on.	Bool	
<code>APU VOLTS:index</code>	The volts from the <i>APU</i> to the selected engine. Takes an index to be able to have multiple generators on a single <i>APU</i> .	Volts	
<code>BLEED AIR APU</code>	Boolean, returns whether or not the <i>APU</i> attempts to provide Bleed Air.	Bool	

Batteries

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
<code>BATTERY BREAKER PULLED</code>	This will be <code>true</code> if the battery breaker is pulled. Requires a <code>BUS LOOKUP INDEX</code> and a battery index.	Bool	
<code>BATTERY CONNECTION ON</code>	This will be <code>true</code> if the battery is connected. Requires a <code>BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX</code> and a battery index.	Bool	
<code>ELECTRICAL BATTERY BUS AMPS</code>	Battery bus current	Amperes	
<code>ELECTRICAL BATTERY BUS VOLTAGE</code>	Battery bus voltage	Volts	
<code>ELECTRICAL BATTERY ESTIMATED CAPACITY PCT</code>	Battery capacity over max capacity, 100 is full.	Percent	
<code>ELECTRICAL BATTERY LOAD</code>	The load handled by the battery (negative values mean the battery is <i>receiving</i> current). Use a battery index when referencing.	Amperes	
<code>ELECTRICAL BATTERY VOLTAGE</code>	The battery voltage. Use a battery index when referencing.	Volts	
<code>ELECTRICAL HOT BATTERY BUS AMPS</code>	Current available when battery switch is turned off	Amperes	
<code>ELECTRICAL HOT BATTERY BUS VOLTAGE</code>	Voltage available when battery switch is turned off	Volts	
<code>ELECTRICAL MASTER BATTERY</code>	The battery switch position, <code>true</code> if the switch is ON. Use a battery index when referencing.	Bool	

Breakers

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
<code>BREAKER ADF</code>	<p>All these SimVars can be used to get or set the breaker state for the electrical system (either true or false).</p> <p>If the breaker is popped (set to false), then the associated circuit will not receive electricity.</p>	Bool	
<code>BREAKER ALTFLD</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER AUTOPILOT</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER AVNBUS1</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER AVNBUS2</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER AVNFAN</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER FLAP</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER GPS</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER INST</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER INSTLTS</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER LTS</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER PWR</code> Deprecated		Bool	
<code>BREAKER NAVCOM1</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER NAVCOM2</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER NAVCOM3</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER TURNCOORD</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER WARN</code>		Bool	
<code>BREAKER XPNDR</code>		Bool	

Circuits

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
<code>CIRCUIT AUTOPILOT ON</code>	Is electrical power available to this circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT AUTO BRAKES ON</code>	Is electrical power available to this circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT AUTO FEATHER ON</code>	Is electrical power available to this circuit. Please see the Note On Autofeathering for more information.	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT AVIONICS ON</code>	Is electrical power available to this circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT BREAKER PULLED</code>	This will be <code>true</code> if the circuit breaker is pulled. Requires a BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX and a circuit index.	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT CONNECTION ON</code>	This will be <code>true</code> if the circuit is connected. Requires a BUS_LOOKUP_INDEX and a circuit index.	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT FLAP MOTOR ON</code>	Is electrical power available to the flap motor circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT GEAR MOTOR ON</code>	Is electrical power available to the gear motor circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT GEAR WARNING ON</code>	Is electrical power available to gear warning circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT GENERAL PANEL ON</code>	Is electrical power available to the general panel circuit	Bool	
<code>CIRCUIT HYDRAULIC PUMP ON</code>	Is electrical power available to the hydraulic pump circuit	Bool	

CIRCUIT MARKER BEACON ON	Is electrical power available to the marker beacon circuit	Bool	
CIRCUIT NAVCOM1 ON	Whether or not power is available to the NAVCOM1 circuit.	Bool	
CIRCUIT NAVCOM2 ON	Whether or not power is available to the NAVCOM2 circuit.	Bool	
CIRCUIT NAVCOM3 ON	Whether or not power is available to the NAVCOM3 circuit.	Bool	
CIRCUIT ON	This will be true if the given circuit is functioning. Use a circuit index when referencing.	Bool	
CIRCUIT PITOT HEAT ON	Is electrical power available to the pitot heat circuit	Bool	
CIRCUIT POWER SETTING	This returns the percentage of use that the circuit is getting. This requires a circuit index when referencing.	Percent	
CIRCUIT PROP SYNC ON	Is electrical power available to the propeller sync circuit	Bool	
CIRCUIT STANDBY VACUUM ON	Is electrical power available to the vacuum circuit	Bool	
CIRCUIT SWITCH ON	The circuit switch position, true if the switch is ON. Use a circuit index when referencing.	Bool	

External Power

Simulation Variable	Description	Units	Settable
EXTERNAL POWER AVAILABLE	This will be true if the given external power source is available.	Bool	

	Use an external power index when referencing.		
EXTERNAL POWER BREAKER PULLED	Boolean, The state of the breaker of an external power source	Bool	
	Boolean, The state of the connection		