

FSX Menus

X-Plane 9.x equivalent

Note: Menu bar only appears when the mouse pointer is at the top of the X-Plane window

Flights →	Load		File → Load Situation
	Reset		File → Load Situation or Location → Select Global Airport
	Save		File → Save Situation
	Flight Planner		Enter key → File Flight Plan (3 rd party software is available from GoodWay)
	Navigation Log		Aircraft → Logbook
	End Flight		n/a
	Exit		File → Quit
Aircraft →	Select Aircraft		Aircraft → Open Aircraft
	Kneeboard		n/a
	Visual Flight Path		n/a
	Fuel and Payload		Aircraft → Weight and Fuel
	Smoke System		Aircraft → Toggle Puff Smoke
	Realism Settings		Settings → Operations & Warnings
	Failures		Aircraft → Equipment Failures
World →	Time and Season		Environment → Date & Time
	Go to Airport		Location → Select Global Airport
	Map		Location → Local Map
	Weather		Environment → Weather
	Scenery Library		n/a – just unzip scenery packages into X-Plane's "Custom Scenery" folder, or use XAddonManager
Options →	Pause Flight		P key
	Simulation Rate		n/a
	Instant Replay		View → Toggle Replay Mode
	Flight Video		File → Save Replay
	Flight Analysis		Aircraft → Cycle 3-D Flight Path (displayed in exterior views)
	Sound		Settings → Sound
	Settings →	Display	Settings → Rendering Options
		Load	n/a
		Save	n/a
		General	n/a
		Sound	Settings → Sound
		Controls	Settings → Joystick & Equipment
Views →	Full Screen		Settings → Rendering Options → set color-depth and monitor resolution on X-Plane startup (requires re-start)
	Air Traffic Control		Enter key
	Chat Window		Enter key (if you have set up multiplayer with Settings → Net Connections)
			You can also install plugins to fly online and chat on the IVAO or VATSIM networks
	Instrument Panel		n/a (Note: you may need to press Up or Down keys to reveal all of the panel in 2-D panel views)
	New View		n/a
	View Mode →	Cockpit → Cockpit	View → Forwards
		Virtual Cockpit	View → Toggle 3-D Cockpit
		Rear Seat	n/a
		Outside → Spot	View → Circle
		Locked Spot	n/a
		Flyby	View → Spot
		Top-down	n/a
		Tower → Nearest Tower	View → Airport Beacon Tower
		Runway	View → On Runway
		Aircraft → Tail	View → Chase
		Right Wing	n/a
		Left Wing	n/a
	Undock view		n/a
	Close view		n/a
	Window Titles		n/a
	Axis Indicator		n/a
	Top-down Orientation		n/a
	Hide Menu Bar		n/a
	Mouse Yoke		Click centre of screen (only works if you don't have a joystick)

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Note: You can modify key assignments and add new ones using Settings → Joystick & Equipment → Keys Where text appears in italics (eg <i>flight_controls/left_brake</i>) X-Plane doesn't have a default key or button assignment for this command. The text in italics is the equivalent name of the command in X-Plane and you can assign a key or button to this command.		
SIMULATOR COMMANDS		
Pause	P or Break	P
Full Screen Mode	Alt Enter	Settings → Rendering Options → set color-depth and monitor resolution on X-Plane startup (requires re-start)
Menus (display/hide)	Alt	Menu bar appears when the mouse pointer is at the top of the X-Plane window
ATC Menu (display/hide)	` or Scroll Lock	Enter
Kneeboard (display/hide)	Shift F10	
Sound (on/off)	Q	Settings → Sound
Reset Current Flight	Ctrl ;	File → Load Situation or Location → Select Global Airport
Save Flight	;	File → Save Situation
Exit Flight Simulator	Ctrl C	
Exit Flight Simulator Immediately	Ctrl Break	File → Quit
Joystick (on/off)	Ctrl K	
Cycle Coordinates/Frame Rate	Shift Z	Settings → Data Input & Output
Select Time Compression	R	Ctrl T
Drop Objects	Shift D	Shift R
Fuel Truck (request)	Shift F	Aircraft → Weight and Fuel
Aircraft Labels (display/hide)	Ctrl Shift L	
Flying Tips (display/hide)	Ctrl Shift X	
Capture Screenshot	V	Ctrl . (the screenshot file appears in the X-Plane folder)
Jetway (attach/detach)	Ctrl J	Shutting down/starting the engines (if the airport is equipped with AutoGate jetways)
End Flight	Esc	
CONTROL SURFACE COMMANDS		
Ailerons (bank left)	NumPad 4	
Ailerons (bank right)	NumPad 6	
Aileron Trim (left)	Ctrl NumPad 4	8
Aileron Trim (right)	Ctrl NumPad 6	0
Rudder (yaw left)	NumPad 0	
Rudder (yaw right)	NumPad Enter	
Rudder Trim (left)	Ctrl NumPad 0	5
Rudder Trim (right)	Ctrl NumPad Enter	7
Center Ailerons and Rudder	NumPad 5	9 (ailerons) and 6 (rudder)
Pitch Down (elevator)	NumPad 8	
Pitch Up (elevator)	NumPad 2	
Elevator Trim Down	NumPad 7]
Elevator Trim Up	NumPad 1	[
Flaps (retract fully)	F5	
Flaps (retract incrementally)	F6	1
Flaps (extend incrementally)	F7	2
Flaps (extend fully)	F8	
Extend/Retract Spoilers/Airbrakes	/	3 (retract incrementally) and 4 (extend incrementally)
Arm Spoilers	Shift /	
Water Rudder Up/Down	Ctrl W	
ENGINE COMMANDS		
Select Engine	E1 to E4	
Select All Engines	E1234	
Engine Autostart	Ctrl E	Ctrl 1 to Ctrl 8 (start engines 1 to 8)
Throttle (cut)	F1	
Reverse Thrust (turboprops/jets)	F2 (press and hold)	. (on/off)
Throttle (decrease)	F2 or NumPad 3	F1
Throttle (increase)	F3 or NumPad 9	F2
Throttle (full)	F4	F13
Propeller (low RPM)	Ctrl F1	
Propeller (decrease RPM)	Ctrl F2	F3
Propeller (increase RPM)	Ctrl F3	F4
Propeller (high RPM)	Ctrl F4	
Mixture (idle cutoff)	Ctrl Shift F1	F7
Mixture (lean quickly)	Ctrl Shift F2	F5
Mixture (enrich)	Ctrl Shift F3	F6
Mixture (full rich)	Ctrl Shift F4	F8
Carb Heat/Engine Anti-ice (on/off)	H	F11
Magnetos (select)	M	
Master Battery/Alternator (select)	Shift M	
Jet Starter (select)	J	engine/engage_starters

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Helicopter Rotor Clutch (on/off)	Shift .	<i>engine/clutch_toggle</i>
Helicopter Rotor Governor (on/off)	Shift ,	
Helicopter Rotor Brake (on/off)	Shift B	
GENERAL AIRCRAFT COMMANDS		
Brake (set parking)	Ctrl .	
Pushback (start/stop)	Shift P	n/a – you can install the XPushBack plugin
Brakes (apply/release)	.	B (regular) or V (max)
Brakes (apply left brake)	NumPad +	<i>flight_controls/left_brake</i>
Brakes (apply right brake)	NumPad -	<i>flight_controls/right_brake</i>
Landing Gear (extend/retract)	G	G
Tail wheel (lock/unlock)	Shift G	<i>flight_controls/nwheel_steer_toggle</i>
Landing Gear (extend manually)	Ctrl G	<i>flight_controls/pump_flaps_and_gear</i>
Fuel Dump (on/off)	Ctrl Shift D	<i>flight_controls/dump_fuel_toggle</i>
Subpanels (display/hide)	Shift 1 to 9	
Smoke System (on/off)	I	X
Cowl Flaps (open incrementally)	Ctrl Shift V	<i>flight_controls/cowl_flaps_open</i>
Cowl Flaps (close incrementally)	Ctrl Shift C	<i>flight_controls/cowl_flaps_closed</i>
Tow Plane (call)	Ctrl Shift Y	File → Load Situation → Glider-Tow
Tow Rope (release)	Shift Y	Space
Doors (select)	Shift E	<i>flight_controls/canopy_open</i> and <i>flight_controls/canopy_close</i>
LIGHT COMMANDS		
Lights - all (on/off)	L	
Strobe Lights (on/off)	O	<i>lights/strobe_lights_toggle</i>
Panel Lights (on/off)	Shift L	Ctrl Shift . (up) and Ctrl Shift , (down)
Landing Lights (on/off)	Ctrl L	<i>lights/landing_lights_toggle</i>
Landing Light (tilt down)	Ctrl Shift NumPad 2	<i>lights/landing_lights_down</i>
Landing Light (tilt left)	Ctrl Shift NumPad 4	<i>lights/landing_lights_left</i>
Landing Light (tilt right)	Ctrl Shift NumPad 6	<i>lights/landing_lights_right</i>
Landing Light (tilt up)	Ctrl Shift NumPad 8	<i>lights/landing_lights_up</i>
Landing Light (center)	Ctrl Shift NumPad 5	<i>lights/landing_lights_center</i>
RADIO COMMANDS		
ATC Window (display/hide)	` or Scroll Lock	Enter
VOR 1 Ident (on/off)	Ctrl 1	
VOR 2 Ident (on/off)	Ctrl 2	
MKR Ident (on/off)	Ctrl 3	
DME Ident (on/off)	Ctrl 4	
ADF Ident (on/off)	Ctrl 5	
Standby Frequency (swap)	X	Ctrl 9 (NAV1) or Ctrl 0 (NAV2) or Ctrl - (COM1) or Ctrl = (COM2)
COM Radio (select)	C	
NAV Radio (select)	N	
OBS indicator (select)	Shift V	
ADF (select)	Ctrl Shift A	
DME (select)	F	
Transponder (select)	T	
AUTOPILOT COMMANDS		
Master (on/off)	Z	<i>autopilot/autopilot_power_toggle</i>
Flight Director (on/off)	Ctrl F	<i>autopilot/autopilot_flight_dir_only</i>
Wing Leveler (on/off)	Ctrl V	<i>autopilot/autopilot_wing_leveler</i>
Yaw Damper (on/off)	Ctrl D	<i>systems/yaw_damper_toggle</i>
Altitude Hold (on/off)	Ctrl Z	<i>autopilot/altitude_hold</i>
Altitude Bug (select)	Ctrl Shift Z	<i>autopilot/altitude_sync</i>
Heading Hold (on/off)	Ctrl H	<i>autopilot/heading</i>
Heading Bug (select)	Ctrl Shift H	<i>autopilot/heading_sync</i>
Airspeed Hold (on/off)	Ctrl R	<i>autopilot/autothrottle_toggle</i>
Mach Hold (on/off)	Ctrl M	<i>autopilot/autothrottle_toggle</i>
Autothrottle (arm)	Shift R	<i>autopilot/airspeed_sync</i>
Autothrottle engage (TOGA)	Ctrl Shift G	<i>autopilot/take_off_go_around</i>
Nav 1 Hold (on/off)	Ctrl N	<i>autopilot/NAV</i>
Approach Mode (on/off)	Ctrl A	<i>autopilot/approach</i>
Back Course Mode (on/off)	Ctrl B	<i>autopilot/back_course</i>
Localizer Hold (on/off)	Ctrl O	<i>autopilot/NAV</i>
Attitude Hold (on/off)	Ctrl T	<i>autopilot/pitch_sync</i>
INSTRUMENT COMMANDS		
Heading Indicator (reset)	D	
Altimeter (reset)	B	
Pitot Heat (on/off)	Shift H	<i>ice/pitot_heat_on</i> and <i>ice/pitot_heat_off</i>
VIEW COMMANDS		
2-D Cockpit (cycle panels)	W	

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Snap to Panel View	Shift NumPad 0	W
View (next category)	S	
View (previous category)	Shift S	
View (next view in category)	A	
View (previous view in category)	Shift A	
View (previous view toggle)	Ctrl S	
View (default zoom)	Backspace	
Look (snap)	NumPad	Q (left) or E (right) in 2-D panel mode, and R (up) or F (down) or Z (backwards)
Look (pan)	Hat switch or thumb stick	Q (left) or E (right) in 3-D panel mode
Look (reset to forward view)	Shift NumPad Del	view/center
Look Using Mouse (on)	Hold Space	Ctrl O
Look Using Mouse (on/off)	Shift O	
View (open new window)	[
View (close selected window)]	
View (open new top-down window)	Shift]	
Virtual Cockpit	F9	Ctrl O
2-D Cockpit	F10	W
Locked Spot View	F11	
Top-Down View	F12	
2-D Panel Transparency	Ctrl Shift T (+ or -)	;
Window (bring selected to front)	,	
Zoom In	=	= (normal) or Shift = (fast)
Zoom Out	-	- (normal) or Shift - (fast)
View (next window)	Ctrl TAB	
View (previous window)	Ctrl Shift TAB	
Eyepoint (move back)	Ctrl Enter	PageDown (in free camera view mode)
Eyepoint (move down)	Shift Backspace	Down (in free camera view mode)
Eyepoint (move forward)	Ctrl Backspace	PageUp (in free camera view mode)
Eyepoint (move left)	Ctrl Shift Backspace	Left (in free camera view mode)
Eyepoint (move right)	Ctrl Shift Enter	Right (in free camera view mode)
Eyepoint (move up)	Shift Enter	Up (in free camera view mode)
Eyepoint (reset)	Ctrl Space	Ctrl ; (toggles free camera view)
SLEW COMMANDS		
Slew Mode (on/off)	Y	n/a – you can drag the aircraft around on the local map: Location → Local Map
MISSION COMMANDS		
Compass/Pointer (on/off)	U	n/a – you can install a FSEconomy plugin
Compass Objective (next)	K	
Compass Objective (previous)	Shift K	
MULTIPLAYER COMMANDS		
Chat Window (display/hide)	Ctrl Shift]	
Chat Window (make active)	Enter	Enter key (if you have set up multiplayer with Settings → Net Connections) You can also install plugins to fly online and chat on the IVAO or VATSIM networks
Voice (start transmit)	CAPS LOCK	
Voice (stop transmit)	^CAPS LOCK	
Voice (start transmit to all)	Shift CAPS LOCK	
Voice (stop transmit to all)	^Shift CAPS LOCK	
Transfer/Accept Control	Shift T	
Follow Other Player	Ctrl Shift F	