

TransDigm Group INC  
Form SC 13G  
June 20, 2008

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13G**

**Information to be Included in Statements Filed Pursuant to § 240.13d-1(b), (c)  
And (d) and Amendments Thereto Filed Pursuant to § 240.13d-2.**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

TRANSDIGM GROUP INCORPORATED

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK

(Title of Class of Securities)

893641100

(CUSIP Number)

June 13, 2008

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is Filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ( Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act.

NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

1. Berkshire Fund VII, L.P.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2. (a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

4. Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

5. NUMBER OF 2,108,066

SHARED VOTING POWER

6. SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7. EACH REPORTING PERSON 2,108,066

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8. WITH 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9. 2,108,066

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

10.

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

4.36%\*

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

PN

\* Percentage calculations are based on the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 3, 2008, as provided in the Issuer's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated June 6, 2008.

NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

1. Berkshire Fund VII-A, L.P.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2. (a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

4. Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

5. NUMBER OF 394,109

SHARED VOTING POWER

6. SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7. EACH REPORTING PERSON 394,109

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8. WITH 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9. 394,109

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

10.

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

0.82%\*

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

PN

\* Percentage calculations are based on the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 3, 2008, as provided in the Issuer's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated June 6, 2008.

NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

1. Berkshire Investors LLC

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2. (a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

4. Massachusetts

SOLE VOTING POWER

5. NUMBER OF 44,498

SHARED VOTING POWER

6. SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7. EACH REPORTING PERSON 44,498

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8. WITH 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9. 44,498

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

10.

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

0.09%\*

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

PN

\* Percentage calculations are based on the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 3, 2008, as provided in the Issuer's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated June 6, 2008.

NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

1. Berkshire Investors III LLC

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2. (a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

4. Massachusetts

SOLE VOTING POWER

5. NUMBER OF 11,327

SHARED VOTING POWER

6. SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7. EACH REPORTING PERSON 11,327

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8. WITH 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9. 11,327



CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

10.

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

0.02%\*

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

PN

\* Percentage calculations are based on the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 3, 2008, as provided in the Issuer's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated June 6, 2008.

NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

1. Stockbridge Special Situations Fund, L.P.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2. (a)   
(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3.

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

4. Delaware

SOLE VOTING POWER

5. NUMBER OF 55,530

SHARED VOTING POWER

6. SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 0

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

7. EACH REPORTING PERSON 55,530

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

8. WITH 0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

9. 55,530

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

10.

o

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

11.

0.11%\*

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

12.

PN

\* Percentage calculations are based on the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 3, 2008, as provided in the Issuer's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated June 6, 2008.

**Item 1.**

**(a) Name of Issuer**

TransDigm Group Incorporated

**(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices**

1301 East 9th Street, Suite 3710  
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

**Item 2.**

**(a) Name of Person Filing:**

Berkshire Fund VII, L.P. ( Fund VII ), Berkshire Fund VII-A, L.P. ( Fund VII-A ), Berkshire Investors LLC ( Investors ), Berkshire Investors III LLC ( Investors III ) and Stockbridge Special Situations Fund, L.P. ( Stockbridge and, with Fund VII, Fund VII-A, Investors, and Investors III the Reporting Persons ) are jointly filing this Schedule 13G.

Seventh Berkshire Associates LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company ( 7BA ), is the general partner of Fund VII and Fund VII-A. Stockbridge Associates LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ( SA ), is the general partner of Stockbridge. The managing members of 7BA are Michael C. Ascione, Bradley M. Bloom, Jane Brock-Wilson, Kevin T. Callaghan, J. Christopher Clifford, Carl Ferenbach, Christopher J. Hadley, Ross M. Jones, Lawrence S. Hamelsky, Richard K. Lubin, David R. Peeler and Robert J. Small (the Berkshire Principals ). The Berkshire Principals are also the managing members of Investors, Investors III, and SA.

The Reporting Persons often make acquisitions in, and dispose of, securities of an issuer on the same terms and conditions and at the same time. Based on the foregoing and the relationships described herein, these entities may be deemed to constitute a group for purposes of Section 13(g)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The filing of this statement shall not be construed as an admission that the Reporting Persons are a group, or have agreed to act as a group.

**(b) Address of principal business office:**

The principal business address of each of the Reporting Persons is c/o Berkshire Partners LLC, One Boston Place, Boston, MA 02108.

**(c) Citizenship:**

Fund VII, Fund VII-A and Stockbridge are organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Investors and Investors III are organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

**(d) Title of class of securities:**

Common Stock.

(e) CUSIP Number:

893641100

**Item 3.** Not Applicable.

**Item 4. Ownership**

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

Fund VII directly holds 2,108,066 shares of Common Stock. Accordingly, Fund VII has sole voting power with respect to 2,108,066 shares of Common Stock and has sole dispositive power with respect to 2,108,066 shares of Common Stock.

Fund VII-A directly holds 394,109 shares of Common Stock. Accordingly, Fund VII-A has sole voting power with respect to 394,109 shares of Common Stock and has sole dispositive power with respect to 394,109 shares of Common Stock.

Based on the immediately preceding paragraphs, as the sole general partner of Fund VII and Fund VII-A, 7BA may be deemed to beneficially own the 2,502,175 shares of Common Stock held by Fund VII and Fund VII-A. However, 7BA disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares of Common Stock and the filing of this Statement shall not be construed as an admission that 7BA is, for the purpose of Section 13(g) of the Exchange Act, the beneficial owner of such shares held by Fund VII and Fund VII-A.

Investors owns 44,498 shares of Common Stock. Accordingly, Investors has sole voting power with respect to 44,498 shares of Common Stock and has sole dispositive power with respect to 44,498 shares of Common Stock.

Investors III owns 11,327 shares of Common Stock. Accordingly, Investors has sole voting power with respect to 11,327 shares of Common Stock and has sole dispositive power with respect to 11,327 shares of Common Stock.

Stockbridge directly holds 55,530 shares of Common Stock. Accordingly, Stockbridge has sole voting power with respect to 55,530 shares of Common Stock and has sole dispositive power with respect to 55,530 shares of Common Stock.

Based on the immediately preceding paragraph, as the sole general partner of Stockbridge, SA may be deemed to beneficially own 55,530 shares of Common Stock held by Stockbridge. However, SA disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares of Common Stock and the filing of this Statement shall not be construed as an admission that SA is, for the purpose of Section 13(g) of the Exchange Act, the beneficial owner of such shares held by Stockbridge.

By virtue of their positions as managing members of 7BA, Investors, Investors III and SA, the Berkshire Principals may be deemed to possess indirect beneficial ownership of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Fund VII, Fund VII-A, Investors, Investors III and Stockbridge. However, none of the Berkshire

Principals, acting alone, has voting or investment power with respect to shares beneficially owned by Fund VII, Fund VII-A, Investors, Investors III or Stockbridge, and as a result, each Berkshire Principal disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares of Common Stock.

(b) Percent of class:

Fund VII beneficially owns 4.36% of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Fund VII-A beneficially owns 0.82% of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Investors beneficially owns 0.09% of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Investors III beneficially owns 0.02% of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Stockbridge beneficially owns 0.11% of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Percentage calculations are based on 48,296,949 shares of Common Stock outstanding, which is the number of shares of Common Stock outstanding as of June 3, 2008, as provided in the Issuer's Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated June 6, 2008.

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote

Fund VII has the sole power to vote 2,108,066 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Fund VII-A has the sole power to vote 394,109 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Investors has the sole power to vote 44,498 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Investors III has the sole power to vote 11,327 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Stockbridge has the sole power to vote 55,530 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote

0

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

Fund VII has the sole power to direct the disposition of 2,108,066 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Fund VII-A has the sole power to direct the disposition of 394,109 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Investors has the sole power to direct the disposition of 44,498 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Investors III has the sole power to direct the disposition of 11,327 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock.

Stockbridge has the sole power to direct the disposition of 55,530 shares of



the Issuer's Common Stock.

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of

0

**Item 5. Ownership of five percent or less of a class.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 6. Ownership of more than five percent on behalf of another person.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 7. Identification and classification of the subsidiary which acquired the security being reported on by the parent holding company or control person.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 8. Identification and classification of members of the group.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 9. Notice of dissolution of group.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 10. Certifications.**

Not Applicable.

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Signature:

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

BERKSHIRE FUND VII, L.P.

By: Seventh Berkshire Associates LLC,  
its General Partner

By: /s/ Christopher J. Hadley  
Name: Christopher J. Hadley  
Title: Managing Director

BERKSHIRE FUND VII-A, L.P.

By: Seventh Berkshire Associates LLC,  
its General Partner

By: /s/ Christopher J. Hadley  
Name: Christopher J. Hadley  
Title: Managing Director

BERKSHIRE INVESTORS LLC

By: /s/ Christopher J. Hadley  
Name: Christopher J. Hadley  
Title: Managing Director

BERKSHIRE INVESTORS III LLC

By: /s/ Christopher J. Hadley  
Name: Christopher J. Hadley  
Title: Managing Director

STOCKBRIDGE SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUND,  
L.P.

By: Stockbridge Associates LLC,  
its General Partner

By: /s/ Christopher J. Hadley  
Name: Christopher J. Hadley  
Title: Managing Director

Date: June 20, 2008