

MANUFACTURING

THRIVE IN FORT WORTH

BUILD IT AND THEY WILL COME,
MAKE IT IN FORT WORTH AND
THEY WILL STAY



Manufacturing is an important part of a City's economy engine that can drive research and development, productivity and generate numerous well-paying jobs. Fort Worth has seen significant growth in this sector over the past decade within the largest areas in aircraft, automotive and pharmaceuticals. Supported by a reliable transportation network, business-friendly environment and quality talent resources, manufacturers are also making their mark in Fort Worth.

FORT WORTH ADVANTAGES

- Texas ranks second in the nation for number of manufacturing firms (25,401)*
- Texas accounts for 10% of U.S. manufacturing GDP*
- Headquarters of one of the nation's largest railways (BNSF)
- Home to the Railways Intermodal Facility
- Other rail access: Union Pacific, Fort Worth & Western Railroad (FWWR)
- Direct access to interstate highways – I-20, I-30, & I-35 (Mexico to Canada)
- Strong Location Quotients (LQ) for: Transportation Equipment Manufacturing: 3.12; Chemical Manufacturing: 1.72; Wood Product Manufacturing: 1.30; Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing: 1.26
- Business Climate:
 - Low taxes; no personal or corporate income tax
 - Lowest industrial utilities and natural gas in Texas
 - Cost of living is 91.7% of national average

*State of Texas one-pager, 2020

EDUCATION

- Talent pool includes: Tarrant County College, UTA, TCU and A&M
- Workforce Solutions trains in fields such as welding, CNC operation and aircraft assembly
- TCC has five degree programs and nine certification programs for careers in manufacturing
- UT Arlington has three engineering programs (Industrial, Systems and Management)
- UTA @ Fort Worth provides a Corporate Education program in manufacturing, working with employers for their tailored training needs

REPRESENTATIVE COMPANIES

BNSF	Alcon	Wabtec
Lockheed Martin	Elbit Systems	Justin Brands
Bell Helicopter	Renfro Foods	

49,096

JOBS

Job growth of 1.3% (2018-2019)
with an average wage of \$97,799

\$9.4B

GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT

\$5 billion in earnings

