Advanced and General Manufacturing

With a highly educated and creative workforce, the Austin region is a leader in advanced manufacturing. Our central location and transportation infrastructure can support your business growth.

Transportation
- Centrally located
- Rail-served industrial sites
- State-of-the-art cargo facilities
- Major trucking carriers
- Within 250 miles of the largest US ports

Cost Savings
- Production occupation wages 5% below national rates
- Foreign Trade Zone
- Manufacturing sales tax exemptions
- Freeport inventory exemptions
- Tax abatements and rebates
- Training incentives
- Low unemployment insurance and workers compensation

Business Environment
- Right-to-work state
- Central time zone
- Texas has its own power grid
- Ample existing and under-construction industrial buildings

Education
- 174,000 College Students
- 27 Higher Education Institutions

Sectors

Electronics
190 electronics companies employ nearly half of Central Texas’ manufacturing workforce and are responsible for the majority of the region's international exports

Life Sciences
100 manufacturers in Austin's growing pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturing industries employ 3,250

General Manufacturing
75% of manufacturing employers produce a diverse range of goods beyond the tech products Austin is known for - everything from bricks to frozen dinners

60,000 Central Texas manufacturing jobs
$17B contributed by manufacturing to metro area GDP
1,173 manufacturing firms account for 11% of metro area GDP
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Talent
Austin is a talent magnet due to the quality of life and economic opportunity. Large numbers of well-educated graduates are a ready supply of wage-competitive talent for employment.

University of Texas
• 12 top-ten ranked programs in College of Natural Sciences
• 15 top-ten ranked programs in Cockrell School of Engineering
• UT Supply Chain Management Center of Excellence
• UT College of Pharmacy

Austin Community College
• ACC provides career and technical programs supplemented by state-of-the art labs and the CAD Learning Center
• Courses include CNC, welding, automotive, building and construction, energy tech, electronics & advanced technologies

Texas State University
• Engineering programs with specializations in electronics, manufacturing, mechanical engineering, and technology management
• On-site foundry and 14 other laboratories

East Williamson County Higher Education Center (EWCHEC)
• Temple College, Texas State Technical College Waco, and Texas A&M University-Central Texas have united to offer career and technical education

“We are investing in additional infrastructure and capacity to ensure we can keep pace with our tremendous growth. Austin and the Central Texas region are the foundation of our brand, and this investment represents our commitment to keeping it that way. Our roots are planted here, and we are grateful to our local employees and the consumers that helped shape Deep Eddy Vodka into the success that it is today.”

John Scarborough, President of Deep Eddy Vodka

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