



Arkansas Economic Development Commission

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Companies finding success in Arkansas:



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Kimberly-Clark Corporation



Workforce

2nd highest percentage of manufacturing employment in the South. - NAM

1.3M skilled & trained workforce.

13% of Arkansas' workforce is employed in manufacturing.

Education

46 colleges, universities & 2-year colleges throughout Arkansas. Approximately half of Arkansans have a college degree or some college.

300M The University of Arkansas received one of the largest gifts in the history of American public higher education with a commitment of \$300 million from the Walton Family Charitable Support Foundation.

64K+ Over 64,000 Career Readiness Certificates awarded to date.

Unique Attributes

1300 More than 1,300 Walmart suppliers have a presence in Northwest Arkansas.

170+ There are over 170 buildings and sites available within a 2 hour drive of the Walmart home office.

4M With 4 million total store deliveries per year, Arkansas-based Walmart operates the largest private trucking fleet in the U.S.

Competitive Advantages

Navigable Waterways 1,000 miles

Class 1 Railroad 1,683 miles

State and U.S. Highways 16,418 miles

Public Airports Approximately 100

Competitive Incentives including cash and grant assistance for qualified projects.

Walmart announced a "Made in the USA" campaign in 2013 that set aside \$250M to increase manufacturing jobs in America.

Recent Moves

- 2016, Remington Arms: \$13.5M expansion creating 84 jobs in Lonoke.
2015, Frito-Lay: Announced a \$50M facility expansion and 30 new jobs in Jonesboro.
2015, HanesBrands, Inc: \$1.4M expansion creating 120 jobs in Clarksville.
2015, Olivet International: \$1.6M expansion in Springdale and an addition of 40 new jobs
2015, Kimberly-Clark: \$40M expansion creating 14 jobs in Maumelle.
2015, Mars Petcare: \$81.7M expansion creating 95 jobs in Fort Smith.
2014, Rockline: \$15M expansion creating 125 jobs in Russellville.
2014, McKec Foods: \$56M expansion creating 20 jobs in Gentry.

