

Arkansas Economic
Development Commission

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Companies finding success in Arkansas:











Workforce

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

1_3 W skilled & trained workforce.

13% of Arkansas' workforce is employed in manufacturing.

m Education

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

accredited ABET post-secondary engineering programs.

educational institutions offer a certification in Aviation Maintenance Technology.

Unique Attributes

Arkansas' #2 export is aircraft and aircraft related parts and services.

1.5 square feet of available space at the Arkansas Aeroplex including an aviation park.

AERO Aerospace clusters in: MRO, Component Parts, Completion Center, and Defense.

+ 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 grant assistance for qualified projects.

Arkansas ranks 9th in terms of operating costs on the U.S. aerospace manufacturing attractiveness index.

Arkansas's Recent Movement

2015, Aerojet Rocketdyne: \$18M expansion creating an additional 85 new jobs

2015, Dassault Falcon Jet: \$2.3M expansion and 200 new jobs

2014, Galley Support Innovations: \$800K investment to support 8 new multi-year, multi-million dollar contracts

2014, Pratt & Whitney PSD: \$5.7 expansion in the Springdale area, creating an additional 50 new jobs