



Arkansas Economic Development Commission

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Distribution and Logistics

Companies finding success in Arkansas:



Workforce

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

1.3M skilled & trained workforce.

85K Arkansans are employed in the distribution and logistics industry.

Education

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

UA The University of Arkansas is a leader in logistics education & research through the Walton College of Business' Department of Supply Chain Management, offering both undergraduate and graduate degree programs.

ASU Arkansas State University offers a bachelor's degree in Global Supply Chain Management.

Unique Attributes

BNSF Headquartered in Springdale, BNSF Logistics provides customers with global capabilities in land, air, water and rail.

UP Union Pacific Railroad has a \$70 million state-of-the-art intermodal facility on 600 acres at Marion, just north of where Interstates 40 and 55 converge.

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.

Over 100 million customers are located within a 550-mile radius of Arkansas which represents 40% of the total U.S. population.

Recent Investments

2015, J.B. Hunt: \$40M expansion that will create 1,000+ new jobs at their Lowell headquarters

2015, FedEx Ground: \$52.3M expansion that will employ 215 workers at their new Little Rock facility

2015, ArcBest: \$23.8M expansion at their headquarters in Fort Smith creating 975 new jobs

2015, Ben E. Keith Foods: 74 new jobs resulting from a \$60M expansion in North Little Rock

