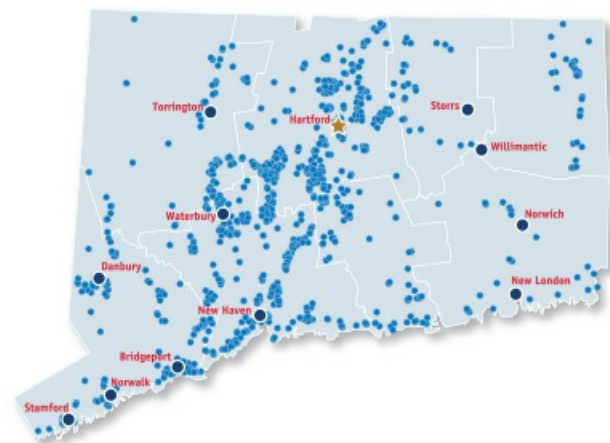


Connecticut: where precision meets productivity

From Sikorsky helicopters to Pratt & Whitney engines, Connecticut has long been a focal point for aerospace leadership. Today, more than 1,000 aerospace manufacturers and components firms make their home here — part of an industrial ecosystem of thousands of advanced manufacturing companies. This powerful network draws from the fifth most productive workforce in America. In fact, Connecticut's aerospace worker productivity is nearly 20 percent higher than the national average.



Robust supply chain: Get the components you need faster

A \$60 million investment in advanced manufacturing

That's the size of the Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund, established by state government to stimulate technological progress, to enhance our strong supply chain and to keep honing precision manufacturing skills. The Connecticut Manufacturing Innovation Fund encourages company/university R&D collaboration, provides vouchers for business development/technical needs, finances workforce training and offers matching funds for federal grants.

U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2016; CERC calculations

A federally designated IMCP

Connecticut has earned the Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership (IMCP) designation. With this prestigious designations comes access to more than \$1 billion in federal funds for manufacturing economic development.

Only a few dozen applicants have been chosen from around the country. Our region was selected based on the strength of our aerospace and shipbuilding industries.

Connecticut ranks **#3** in the country
for the percentage of employees with
advanced degrees.



U.S. Census Bureau, Educational Attainment by State 2015

A talent bank for leading-edge skills

Aerospace firms find that Connecticut offers a robust pipeline of experienced talent. Thanks to our concentration of aerospace companies, we have America's third-highest concentration of aerospace engineers. The state also ranks #5 for innovation and #6 for scientists and engineers with doctorates per capita.

All of this brainpower has helped propel Connecticut to #7 in the U.S. for patents issued. In fact, Connecticut innovators hold 39% more patents than the national average. The knowledge, skills and drive you need to succeed are already living right here in Connecticut.



of Connecticut's billions of dollars in exports
are from the manufacturing sector.

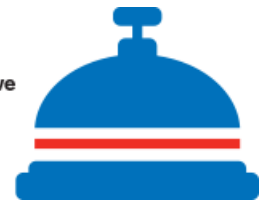
National Association of Manufacturers,
Connecticut Manufacturing Facts, 2015

An environment ideal for innovators

When you look at your sector's future—from the growth of globalization to the demand for digital speed and precision—Connecticut is at the epicenter of that progress. In addition to our science and engineering expertise, which puts Connecticut among the top 10 states on the Milken Institute's Technical and Science Index, Connecticut is #8 among states ready for growth in the "New Economy." This ranking—which evaluates knowledge jobs, globalization, economic dynamism, the digital economy and capacity for innovation—demonstrates that Connecticut can offer you a supportive environment for innovation.

National Science Foundation, 2016; CERC calculations

Customize a comprehensive
package of support



One-stop Concierge Service for incoming businesses

To join Connecticut's powerful aerospace network, discover our Concierge Service. Our team can customize a comprehensive package of support. Let us help you find the right site, expedite licenses and permits, connect you to public/private research partnerships, and identify sources for financial and technical support. Your individualized program can also include attractive tax incentives.

We look forward to helping you propel your progress here in Connecticut!