WHY FLORIDA?

FLORIDA’S 20,000+ MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS PRODUCE NEARLY EVERYTHING, INCLUDING SUCCESS.

Thanks in part to its pro-business policies, strong workforce, and trade infrastructure, Florida ranks among the nation’s top 3 states for manufacturing. Florida’s manufacturers produce a wide variety of goods including aerospace products, batteries, food and beverages, communications equipment, pharmaceuticals, semiconductors, boats, and more.

BUSINESS CLIMATE

Consistently ranked one of the best states for business, Florida is committed to keeping regulatory requirements and business taxes low. That, along with a strong economy and zero personal state income tax, make it a great place to do business. We won’t stand in the way of your success. We’ll pave the way for it.

BOUNDLESS MARKETS

Florida is an economic superstate—home to 21+ million residents and home-away-from-home for 131+ million annual visitors. Whether you and your customers are serving Florida’s large market, the U.S., Latin America, or the globe, Florida can help you find new growth opportunities anywhere.

15th LARGEST GLOBAL ECONOMY, IF FLORIDA WERE A COUNTRY

Florida is Home to 21+ Million People, Over 10 Million Workers, and Over 5 Million Speak a Foreign Language in Orlando, Miami, Jacksonville, and Other Metropolitan Areas.

Florida is the 3rd MOST populous state in the United States.

Florida’s has one of the most extensive multi-modal transportation systems in the world—giving you the ability to move your product anywhere in the world. So the only thing easier than operating your business in Florida is moving your product out.

**TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Commercial service airports 20
- Spaceports 3
- Deepwater seaports 15
- Miles of freight rail tracks 2,700+
- Miles of roadway 135,000+

**WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE**

Nothing is more important to a company’s success than its workforce. More than 380,000 Floridians work in the state’s manufacturing industries and our training schools, community colleges, and universities are among the nation’s top producers of STEM graduates. So while we’re helping you succeed with today’s talent, we’re also preparing tomorrow’s.

**FLORIDA’S ANNUAL OUTPUT OF SELECT SKILLED CERTIFICATE AND DEGREE HOLDERS**

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*Source: JobsEQ; Data as of the 2018-2019 academic year.*
Companies Manufacturing in Florida:

20,000

Manufacturing Industry Employees:

380,000

Florida Companies Manufacture Everything from Airplanes to Zircon:

A-Z

#2

Manufacturing Job Growth since 2016:

66

Solar Manufacturing Companies:

66

1 Solar Energy Industries Association

FLORIDA'S MANUFACTURING CLUSTER

(select companies highlighted)
“We received tremendous support from local government, community officials, and business leaders... VOXX has been in the automotive business for over 50 years and VOXX Hirschmann for over 80 years. We understand what our customers need and the importance of quality, convenience and value. By having this new 115,000-square-foot manufacturing hub in Orlando, along with our other manufacturing plants throughout the world, we are now in a stronger position to meet the needs of our global customers and drive innovation for years to come.”

Pat Lavelle  |  President & CEO  |  VOXX International

“Mission Foods has experienced incredible success since first opening our plant here in Lakeland, and it is clear Florida was the best place to continue growing our company. As a national brand, we are proud of our commitment to local communities, and we know that our most important ingredient is the hard-working individuals that make us great.”

Richard Schuh  |  Regional Vice President  |  Mission Foods

SERVICES

- Confidential Site Selection & Property Search Assistance
- Industry Sector Expertise
- Demographic & Workforce Information
- State Agency Liaison
- Permitting & Regulatory Assistance
- Incentive Programs
- Export Counseling
- Certificates of Free Sale & Good Manufacturing

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