FACT SHEET

CENTRAL VIRGINIA

DEFENSE AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Central Virginia offers a robust and growing defense and security sector due to the region's proximity to Washington, D.C., and to the significant presence of the U.S. Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), the National Ground Intelligence Center (NGIC) and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) at Rivanna Station.



L3Harris (formerly Aerojet Rocketdyne)

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The defense industry is the second largest economic generator in the region (after the University of Virginia) with an annual impact of just over $1.2 billion dollars, according to a study commissioned by the Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce's Defense Affairs Committee in 2021.

QUICK FACTS

353
Number of defense companies

2,882
Number of workers

$139,381
Average annual salary

$1.2 Billion
Contribution to production activity

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CENTRAL VIRGINIA ADVANTAGES

- Proximity to national defense industry centered in Washington, D.C.
- Robust, redundant fiber optics network; multiple telecommunications networks and electrical power providers including Dominion Energy, Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative, CenturyLink and Ting.
- The University of Virginia's School of Engineering and Applied Science has expertise in aerospace technologies, national security applications, information technology, advanced materials, and energy technologies.
- North Fork UVA Discovery Park, a 562-acre, fully master planned, mixed-use development zoned for up to 3.7 million square feet of development, is located less than two miles from Rivanna Station and the Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport. North Fork is home to intelligence-gathering government contractors such as SAIC, CACI, Booz Allen & Hamilton, and Battelle.
- The CVPED's Central Virginia National Security Alliance (CVNSA) plays a leading role in advocating for and strengthening support for economic vitality in region's defense and national security industry.


National Ground Intelligence Center

DEMONSTRATED RECORD OF SUCCESS

For more than half a century, the **National Ground Intelligence Center** has had a significant presence in the region employing more than 1,400 service members and civilians. Also housed at Rivanna Station are the **Defense Intelligence Agency** and **National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency**.

EURO-COMPOSITES is the general supplier of KEVLAR honeycomb for the Joint Strike Fighter (F-35) of Lockheed and is one of two companies worldwide with the capability to produce glass fiber honeycomb with aviation authorization.

Northrop Grumman manufactures safe, efficient, and reliable navigation solutions for the commercial and defense maritime industries.

With a recent expansion, **L3Harris,** is a world-recognized aerospace and defense leader, providing propulsion and energetics to its space, missile defense, strategic, tactical missile and armaments customers throughout the world.

Eiden Systems' high quality IT consulting has earned the firm numerous Department of Defense honors including the Commanders Award, Excellence.gov Award, and Medallion Award.

CACI Enterprise Solutions is one of the many defense contractor branch locations that have been able to capitalize on the migration of government agencies to the Central Virginia region.

MRI Global is an independent, nonprofit organization performing contract research for government and industry in a variety of areas, including national security and defense.

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