

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA

## FACT SHEET

### ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

*Central Virginia is the heart of Virginia, a business friendly, right-to-work state, and home to more than 280 manufacturing companies employing more than 6,100 people. Opportunities abound to manufacture and deliver goods and services by leveraging connectivity to four interstates, rail freight service, and the Port of Virginia.*



### QUICK FACTS



**276**  
Number of manufacturers



**5,877**  
Number of workers



**\$71,986**  
Average annual salary



**\$900 Million**  
Contribution to gross domestic product

### WE'RE GROWING!

**Bingham and Taylor**, North America's predominant supplier of meter and valve access and security systems for underground utilities, recently expanded its Culpeper foundry. Upgrades have reduced injuries by 90%, CO emissions by 98%, and increased recycled content in their products to 99%.



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**Make Central Virginia the location for your next *Bold* venture!**

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA ADVANTAGES

- The Central Virginia region is about 100 miles southwest of Washington, D.C., and provides access to more than half of the U.S. population and most major markets within 750 miles - most within a one-day delivery by truck.
- Central Virginia offers convenient access to the Port of Virginia, the deepest shipping channel on the East Coast; and, excellent rail connectivity through Norfolk Southern and CSX with rail served sites located throughout the region.
- As one of Virginia's five strategically placed Foreign Trade Zones, Central Virginia's FTZ #185 allows companies involved in international commerce to improve the cost competitiveness of their U.S.-based operations.
- Manufacturing firms benefit from generous local incentives for qualifying firms, including cash grants, loan guarantees, tax rebates, and training funds and a favorable business structure, demonstrated by a low manufacturing tax structure.



## DEMONSTRATED RECORD OF SUCCESS

**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 navigation devices and provides safe, efficient, and reliable navigation solutions for the commercial and defense maritime industries.

**Virginia Diodes, Inc.**, originated locally in a University of Virginia lab and has grown to more than 200 employees. VDI produces electromagnetic spectrum measurement equipment used in applications such as 6G communications, automotive radar, weather sensing, and radio astronomy.

**Klößner Pentaplast** produces vinyl and plastic films including hard packs for batteries and blister packs for medical and other products in Central Virginia.

Founded in 1942, **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.

**Mann+Hummel (Tri-Dim Filter Corporation)** manufactures HVAC filtration products to control airborne viruses and bacteria. They strive to be CO2-neutral by 2050.

**Laser Thermal** manufactures precision instruments of thermal conductivity measurements of materials, focusing on thin films.



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