The Toledo/Northwest Ohio region has been at the heart of industrial activity since its founding and now has taken its place at the forefront of high-tech advanced technologies. This region possesses the very best of the manufacturing mindset because it’s engrained in the business community upheld by the universities and proudly embraced by the region’s people.
MANUFACTURING OVERDRIVE

Find out what’s driving production in Northwest Ohio’s advanced manufacturing industry:

**Logistics/Location**
Immediate access to three major interstates and home to the largest general cargo port on the Great Lakes

**Talent**
Employment base of 130,000 supported by dozens of higher educational institutions offering high-end degrees and customized training programs

**Business Climate**
Lowest tax burden on new investment in the Midwest and ranked one of the top 3 business climates in the Midwest

**Product Development**
Region has taken aggressive role in putting up spec buildings and working to authenticate/certify industrial sites

"Transportation is the lifeblood of our business. The ability to access the type of transportation network that Northwest Ohio has was critical to our decision to locate there."

- Danny Rifkin, President & CEO, MetalX

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Everything You Need is in Northwest Ohio

An abundance of talent, passion and work ethic have helped Northwest Ohio become one of the most robust environments for advanced manufacturing.

WORKFORCE OF
130,000
IN NORTHWEST OHIO’S ADVANCED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

3RD LARGEST MANUFACTURING WORKFORCE IN U.S.

LOWEST TAXES IN MIDWEST FOR CAPITAL-INTENSIVE MANUFACTURING
2.8%

With this expansion, we will have doubled in size, and it all starts with the people who work here. We have good, hard-working people, and they are the reason for our continued growth.”
- Ron Ernsberger, President, 20/20 Custom Molded Plastics

400 MANUFACTURING COMPANIES OPERATING IN NORTHWEST OHIO

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Take a look at the company we keep across Northwest Ohio in advanced manufacturing:

IN JUST THE LAST THREE YEARS:

$1.5 BILLION

INVESTED BY COMPANIES IN THE ADVANCED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

1,700 NEW JOBS CREATED

RECENT INVESTMENTS ACROSS NORTHWEST OHIO:

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Contact the RGP to Discover the Opportunities for Success in Northwest Ohio

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