

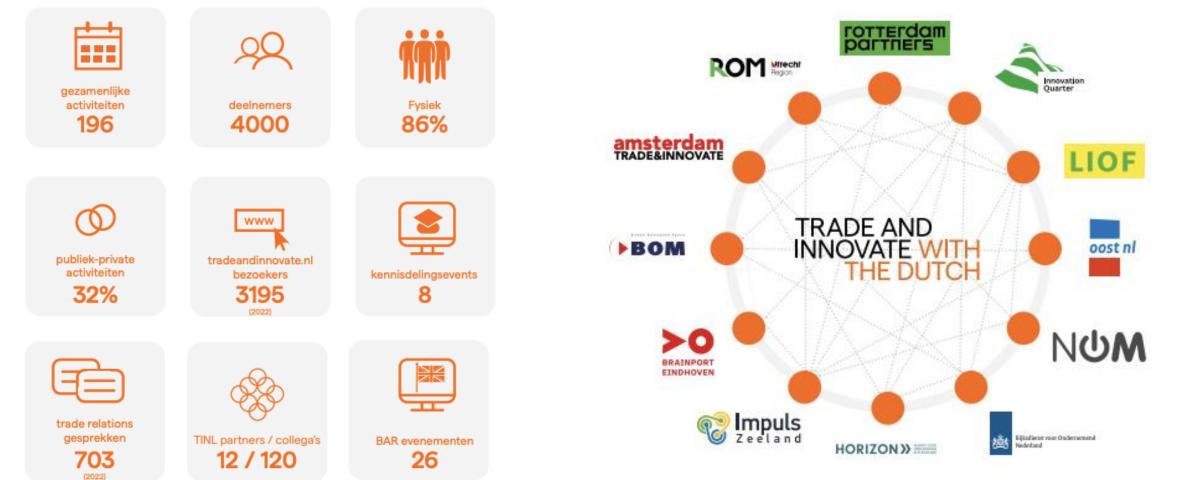
Trade and Innovate NL

June 2023

Kim Romeijn, Network Coördinator TINL

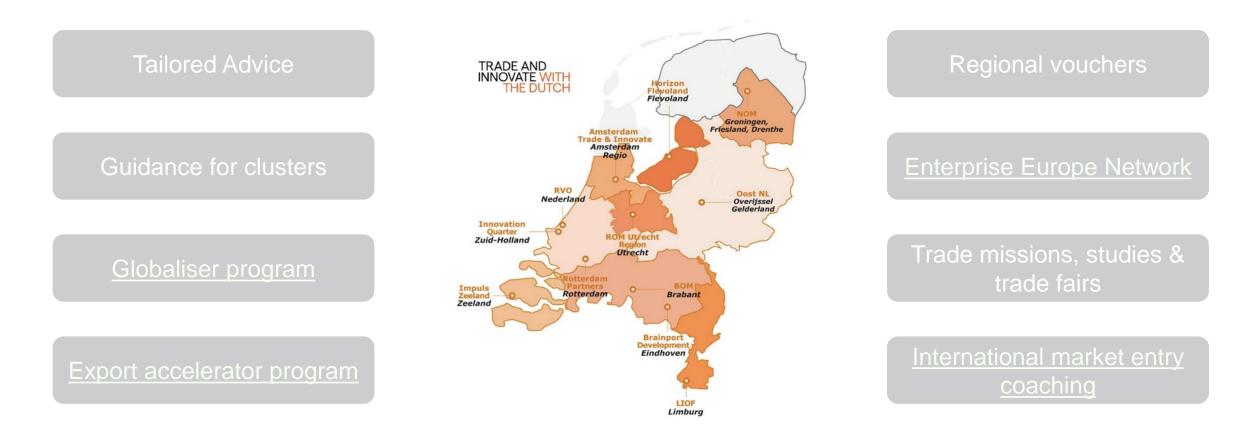
Results 2022





Services TINL partners

TRADE AND INNOVATE WITH THE DUTCH



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UNLOCKING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES IN THE U.S.

ROTTERDAM PARTNERS

Runoe Lenting-Jogi - Rotterdam Partners

8th June 2023 |

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WHO WE ARE ROTTERDAM PARTNERS

Rotterdam Partners is the official Destination Marketing Organisation & Investment Agency for the city of Rotterdam. Focusing on the sustainable growth of the Rotterdam economy, we work hard every day on our two main objectives:

- Positioning Rotterdam as an attractive city
- Showcasing Rotterdam Partners as an appealing organisation



OUR MISSION WE DRIVE SUSTAINABLE	CITY & DESTINATION MARKETING	INVESTMENT & TRADE PROMOTION	 TO ATTRACT visitors, congresses & corporate events businesses residents
GROWTH OF THE ROTTERDAM ECONOMY	ROTTERDAM EXPERIENCE & HOSPITALITY	ADVICE, NETWORK & STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT	 TO CONNECT knowledge & expertise networks stakeholders
ROTTERDA	M PARTNERS		FOTTERdam

WHAT ARE WE DOING TRADE







BEST CONNECTED GATEWAY TO EUROPE



ATT WIT FLATER TO

Gateway to Europe: #1 port & best infrastructure in Europe

Superior accessibility: 2 airports with direct flights to 300+ destinations

Great access to EU single market: proximity to customers & suppliers

Logistics hub: reach all economic centres in Europe within 24h

Digital gateway to Europe as data hub with excellent connectivity





WE CONNECT YOU TO ROTTERDAM CONTACT US



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THE WORLD IS YOUR NEIGHBOUR...

AND WANTS TO DO BUSINESS WITH YOU!

N L IN BUSINESS

JUNE 2023

DID YOU KNOW....

- 98% all exporters are SMB's?
- They have less than 50 fte, one location, often are familyrun businesses.
- Your neighbour might be the next miljonnair
- They often are the size of a local clothingshop
- Examples of their businessarea
 - Custom made clothing
 - Dental product
 - Cathouses
 - Skateboards
 - Et cetera..

But: Relatively few SMB's are internationaly active



Traditional barriers:

- DOUBT
- INSECURITY
- FEAR (LOSS, DAMAGE, PENALTIES)

But:

- Most businessopportunities ...
- and most CLIENTS AND BUSINESS PARTNERS...

....are located outside the Dutch economy!

So:

International opportunities are waiting for YOU.... Why not start and expand your business abroad...?



Drivers to expand your business abroad



ONE STOP SHOP PLATFORM

Platform for entrepreneurs with borderless ambitions



NLinBusiness helps SMB's on their entrepreneurial journey.





One stop shop platform.

SERVICE PROVIDERS

We help entrepreneurs to get in touch with the right parties, both nationally and internationally.

NL BUSINESS HUBS

Hubs abroad support entrepreneurs on the spot and refer them to relevant partners.

PUBLICATIONS

Market reports and Inspiring stories of Dutch entrepreneurs.

EVENTS

Meeting experts by

experience during

networking events.

VIRTUAL BUSINESS GATEWAY NL

For foreign companies interested in the Netherlands

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ACADEMY

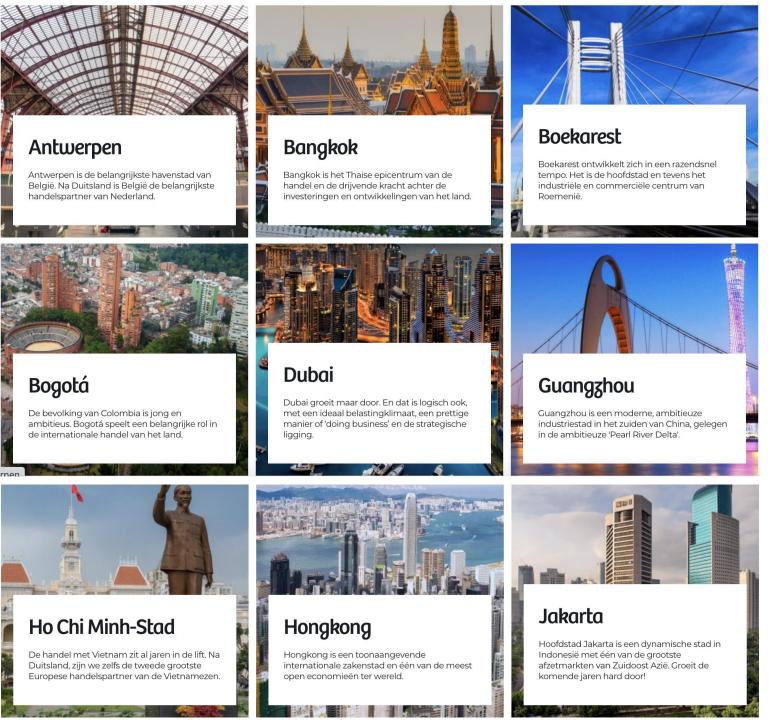
Brush up knowledge about doing business internationally with courses from the Academy

NL.IN. BUSINESS

NL BUSINESS HUB NETWORK



NL.IN. BUSINESS Building a sustainable NL Business Hub Network together



NL Business Hubs

- In a Cities of Opportunity
- Non-profit business organisation
- Soft landing for entrepeneurs
- Access to local community
- Market knowledge and opportunities
- Services
- Events
- Good collaboration with Consulate/Embassy
- In association with NLinBusiness

Your boots on the ground...

case

UKJE



SIFRA GEIJTENBEEK - Owner - E-Commerce

- Active in The Netherlands and Germany
- Wish to expand to USA
- Direct introductiions by NLinBusinsse:
 - E-Commerce partners (o.a. AMAZON)
 - Commercial serviceproviders (B2B)
 - Active Dutch SMB's (like SECRID)
 - Now 40% revenue from USA!



Questions we help you with in doing business in the USA.

- INTRODUCTION Can you put us in contact with Dutch business who recently set up their business in the US or who are already doing successful business in the USA?
- WHERE TO GO Which state is best for our company to set up our factory or sales office?
- ENTRY What is the best market entry strategy for our company?
- LESSONS "I don't know what I don't know" when it comes to doing business in the USA. Can you give tips?



Questions about doing business in the United States of America.

We receive two types of questions from Dutch SMEs:

- **Coaching Questions** | important to find out the "question behind the question".
- Targeted questions for advice or referrals

Most questions are US wide or focused on the following metropolitan regions:

- New York/Boston
- San Francisco/Los Angeles
- Chicago/Midwest
- Houston/Austin
- Atlanta
- Washington/South East



FAQ by Dutch SMB's about doing business in the United States.

Coaching | 'deeper / specific questions'

- Can you help find clients /customers in the US?
- We are equally active in the US and have a few customers. Unfortunately, the growth does not yet continue as hoped. Can you help us with the right growth strategy in the US?
- What is the best market entry strategy for our company?
- Can you help with market research or competition research?
- Which state is best for us to settle in?
- We sell a fresh product X to retail in Europe. We will also be exporting it to the US and sourcing it in the US in due course. We want to open a sales office in the US. Should we be close to the retailer's headquarters or the source where the product is produced?
- How can we legally and fiscally bring our company to the US?
- We are in the process of drawing up a Sales & Marketing Plan for the American investor and we have a number of questions:
- Personnel costs, costs of setting up an entity, legal costs, etc.
- What other things should we take into account?
- "I don't know what I don't know" when it comes to doing business in the US. Can you give tips or can you spar with us?

Focussed questions

- Can you introduce me to an HR recruiter as I am looking for a sales representative at my company (sector x) in the US (or x state/city)?
- Can you put us in touch with Dutch people who have recently set up their business in the US or who are already doing successful business in the US to spar with?
- Which companies have just taken a similar step and are active in sector x?
- Which female / founder / NL business networks are there in city X? Can you introduce us?
- We want to import product X from the US to NL. Which fullservice logistics service providers do you recommend?
- We want to export our product to the US, but our biggest competitor is an American company. The company will take legal action if they find out that we are going to export to the US. Can you put us in touch with a good lawyer in the US who can help us?
- What marketplaces are there in the US for baby business where our company can sell the products?



NL Business Hubs in USA.

• NL Business Hub in Chicago



• NL Business Hub in Houston/Austin in progress



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Newsletter

Virtual Gateway to the Netherlands

LinkedIN











Success

Made in Atlanta





\land Georgia Power

Southeast U.S.

- The Southeast region is the leading population and economic region in the U.S.
- Population: 90 million
 - 1/4 of the nation's population
- Net Migration: 4.0 million (2012-2022)
 - #1 region in the nation for most net migration
- GDP: US\$4.6 trillion (2020)
 - Largest economy of U.S. regions)
 - If the SE were a country unto itself, its economy would rank behind the U.S., China and Japan and slightly ahead of Germany
- Atlanta is the commercial and cultural hub of the Southeast region

Atlanta MSA

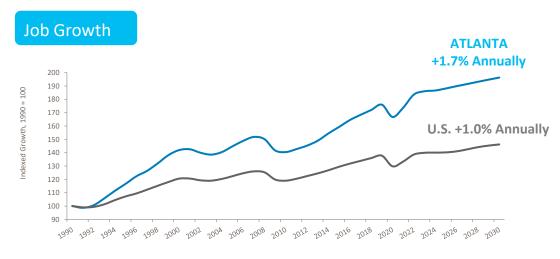






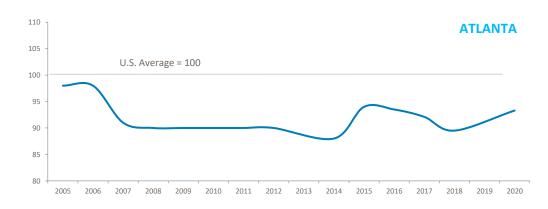
Population Growth ATLANTA 230 +2.0% Annually 210 wth, 1990 = 100 190 170 U.S. +0.8% Annually ked Grov 150 130 110 90 1990 1992 4994 4996 4998 2000 2002 2004 2006 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022 2024 2026 2028 2030 Source: IHS Markit, 2022

Atlanta: Unusual combination --Higher growth yet lower cost of business



Source: IHS Markit, 2022

Cost of Doing Business



Source: Moody's Economy.com; Cost of Business History, 2005-2020 indices, November 2021



Financial Technology Cyber Security

2/3 U.S. card payments processed by Georgia companies 200+

Information security companies in Georgia

loT Mobility

#3 City to make the most of emerging smart city & IoT technologies Health IT

200+ Health IT companies in Georgia

State for top grossing feature film production in 2017

#1

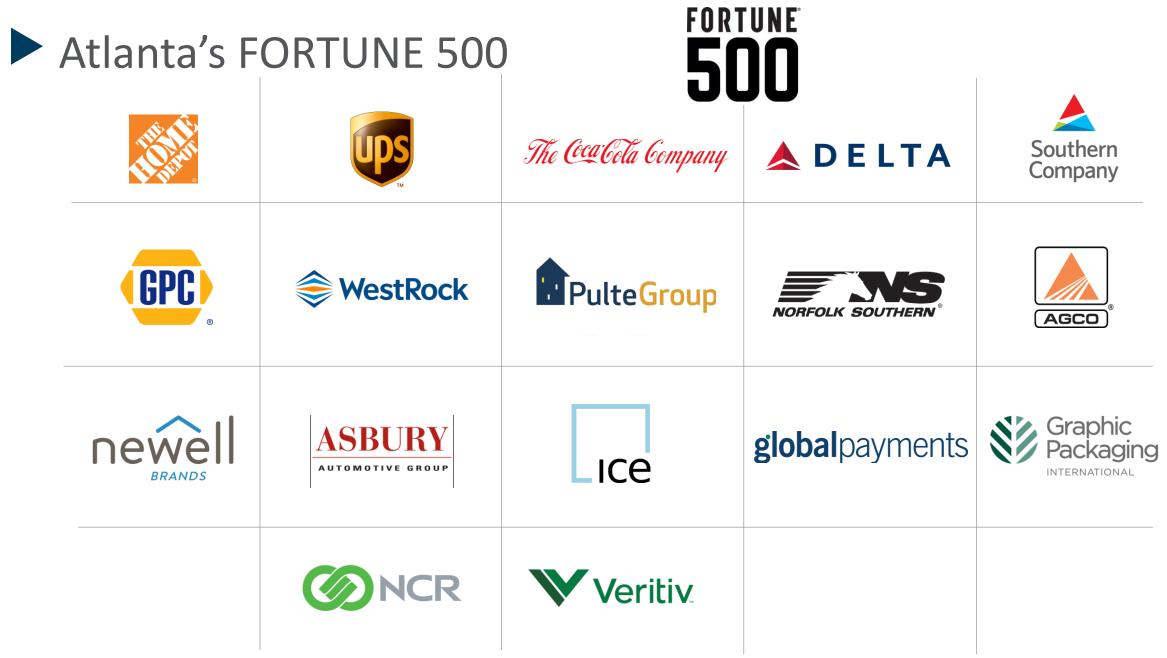
Digital

Media

Supply Chain

Location of the top 100 logistics IT providers

#1



Inc. 5000 | Fastest-Growing Private Companies



New York	383	Dallas	188	Austin	136	Tampa	79
Los Angeles	292	Miami	173	Philadelphia		Seattle	
Washington, DC	291	San Francisco	167	Denver	96	Minneapolis	
<mark>Atlanta</mark>	207	Boston	145	San Diego	92	Nashville	64
Chicago	203	Phoenix	145	Houston	85	Baltimore	63



- Accenture
- Anthem
- AT&T Drive Studio
- Avient
- BlackRock
- Boeing
- Chick-fil-A
- Deloitte
- Delta Air Lines
- Deluxe Corporation
- Elavon
- Emerson
- Emory Healthcare
- Envistacom
- EY
- Ford Motors*
- GM
- Georgia-Pacific

- Home Depot
- Honeywell
- Incomm
- Invesco
- Keysight Technologies
- KPMG
- Micron
- NCR
- Novelis
- Panasonic Automotive Systems
- Primerica
- Sage
- Shaw Industries
- Southwire
- thyssenKrupp Elevator Americas



*Announced Source: Metro Atlanta Chamber; Georgia Power

Accelerators, Incubators & Co-Working Spaces

- ATC Innovation Center
- ATDC
- Atlanta Tech Village
- Berthold Building
- Center for Civic Innovation
- Club e
- Comcast NBC Universal The FARM
- Curiousity Labs
- CyberLaunch
- Davinci
- Decatur Coworks
- Flashpoint at Georgia Tech
- Flatiron City
- GCMI (Global Center for Medical Innovation)
- IgniteHQ
- Industrious (5 locations)
- Intelligent Office (Sandy Springs & Roswell)
- Kollective South
- NorthPoint Executive Suites (Alpharetta & Duluth)
- OHUB

- Points of Light
- Regus (47 locations)
- Roam (5 locations)
- Sandy Springs Innovation + Technology Center
- Sandbox ATL/The Garage
- Serendipity Labs (3 locations)
- SPACES (6 locations)
- Strongbox West
- Switchyards
- T3 West Midtown (announced)
- TechSquare Labs
- Techstars Atlanta
- The Atlanta Bridge Community
- The Flex Atlanta Design Center
- The Gathering Spot
- The Russell Center of Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- THRIVE Coworking (2 locations and 1 announced)
- Venture Lab at Georgia Tech
- WeWork (7 locations)
- Women's Entrepreneurship Initiative (WEI)











6.3 million

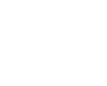


Bachelor's Degree or Higher 42%



Foreign-born 824,000





Women in Tech/Comm Jobs **96,600**



Millennials

30%





- Atlanta has the 4th fastest growing foreign-born population of the 20 largest metro areas.
- 3 metro Atlanta cities (Sandy Springs, Roswell & Johns Creek) rank among the top 50 most diverse cities in America. (WalletHub, April 2021)
- Gwinnett County, one of the region's 5-core counties, is the 4th most diverse county in that nation. (Niche, 2022)
- Metro Atlanta is home to **3 firms** among the "Top 50 Companies for Diversity." (DiversityInc., 2022)
- ATL Action for Racial Equity: 225+ metro Atlanta companies signed on to this initiative that leverages the region's business community to advance racial equity



Top Ranking Universities

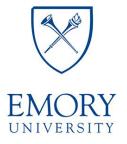


Undergraduate Engineering – Industrial/Manufacturing



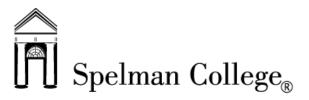
African American Graduates with a

Bachelor's Degree



#2

Nursing School: Master's



Top Historically Black College/University

Graduate Engineering – Industrial/Manufacturing/Systems #2 Most Innovative School

#4 Graduate Public Health

#22

Medical Schools: Research

Enrollment: 14,000

Most Mathematics & Statistics Bachelor's Degrees Awarded to African Americans

#7

Most Innovative School

Enrollment: 2,200

#1

Producer of Women & Minority Undergraduate Engineers

Enrollment: 39,800

Sources: U.S. News & World Report 2022 Graduate and 2022 Undergraduate College Rankings, IPEDS 2020 Fall Enrollment



Top Performers on Social Mobility

Enrollment: 53,700



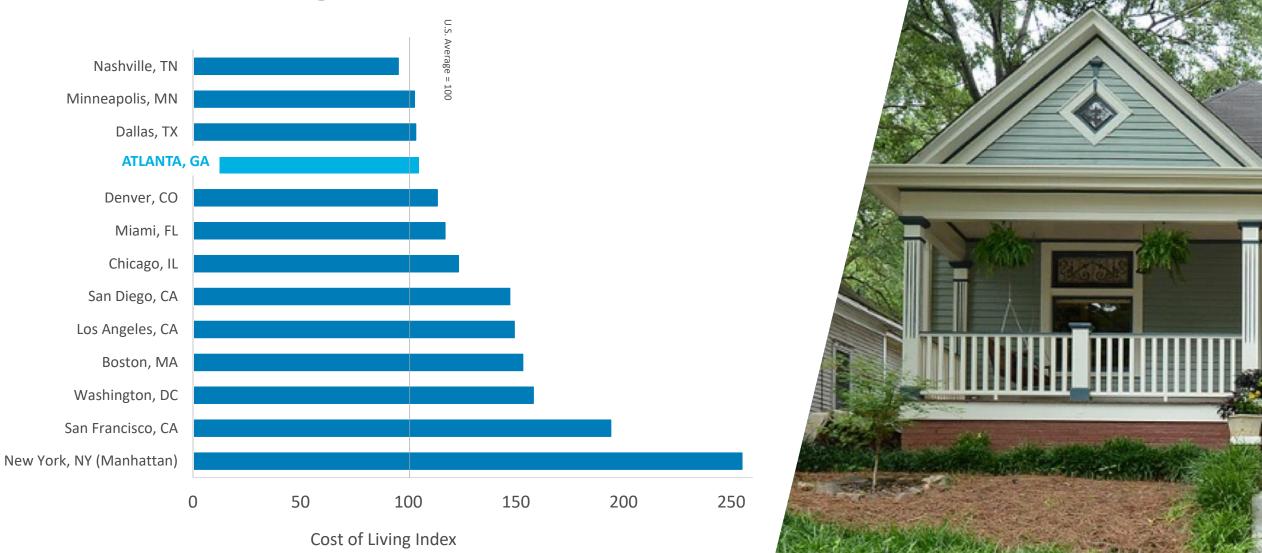


15TH YEAR – MOST EFFICIENT AIRPORT

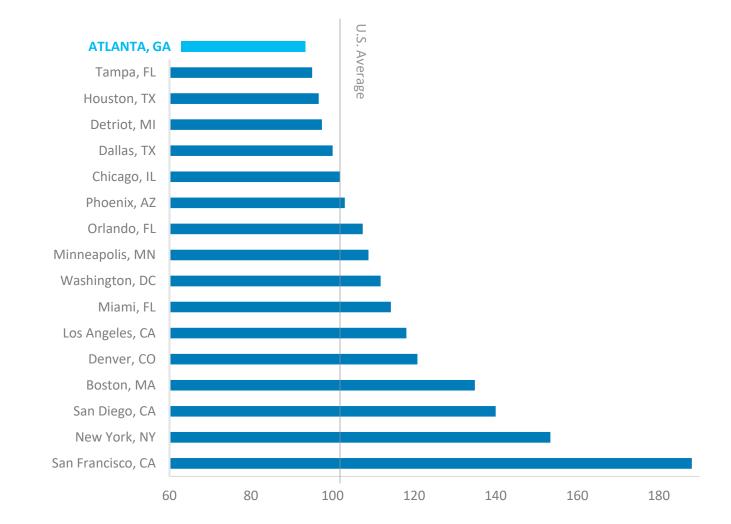
148 DAILY DOMESTIC NON-STOP MARKETS SERVED











Cost of Doing Business Index



Source: Moody's U.S. Cost of Doing Business, November 2021 Edition (2020 Data)

Business Friendly Environment

- Top rankings from *Area Development*, *Site Selection*
- Georgia has a AAA bond rating from all three agencies
- Fully-funded rainy day fund
- State corporate income tax of 5.75%
- Single factor apportionment based exclusively on gross receipts in Georgia
- Franchise tax rate max \$5,000 annually
- Right-to-work and employment-at-will state





#1

Most Livable City in North America (The Economist 2022)



Woodruff Arts Center is the 3rd largest arts organization in the U.S.



Best Place to Live (Money.com 2022) 150+

Performances/year at The Fox Theatre



Outdoors, Sports & Recreation

Professional sports teams

Largest 10K running event in the world

#1

#2

13

#1

Sports facility -Mercedes-Benz Stadium Site of FIFA World Cup 2026

Metro area with magnificent hiking trails (Marmot)







\land Georgia Power

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Ohio's Economic Development Corporation

Ohio: Your Place For Success

Created for EACC NL

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One Firm, One State

JobsOhio is a private non-profit corporation designed to drive job creation and new capital investment in Ohio through business attraction, retention and expansion efforts.



SECTORS OF FOCUS

- Advanced Manufacturing
 Aerospace & Aviation
 Automotive
 Healthcare
 Technology
- 6. Energy & Chemicals
- 7. Financial Services
- 8. Food & Agribusiness
- 9. Logistics & Distribution
- +1 Military & Federal Installations
- **CROSS SECTOR STRATEGIES**
- 1. Automation, IOT, IIOT
- 2. Fintech
- 3. Health Tech
- 4. Carbon Fiber
- 5. Smart Mobility

Ohio is one of the few states that has all 5 "Game Changers"

identified by McKinsey Global Institute: Shale Energy, Big Data Analytics, Advanced Manufacturing, Infrastructure, and Talent

One Firm, One State

JobsOhio is a private non-profit corporation designed to drive job creation and new capital investment in Ohio through business attraction, retention and expansion efforts.

JobsOhio partners with six regional economic development organizations around the state to deliver economic development services.



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JobsOhio Beverage System



\$1.74B **Revenue FY 2022** \$317M **Net Profit** 200% **Revenue Growth since 2017** \$489M **Profit Share to** Ohio since 2013 JobsOhio

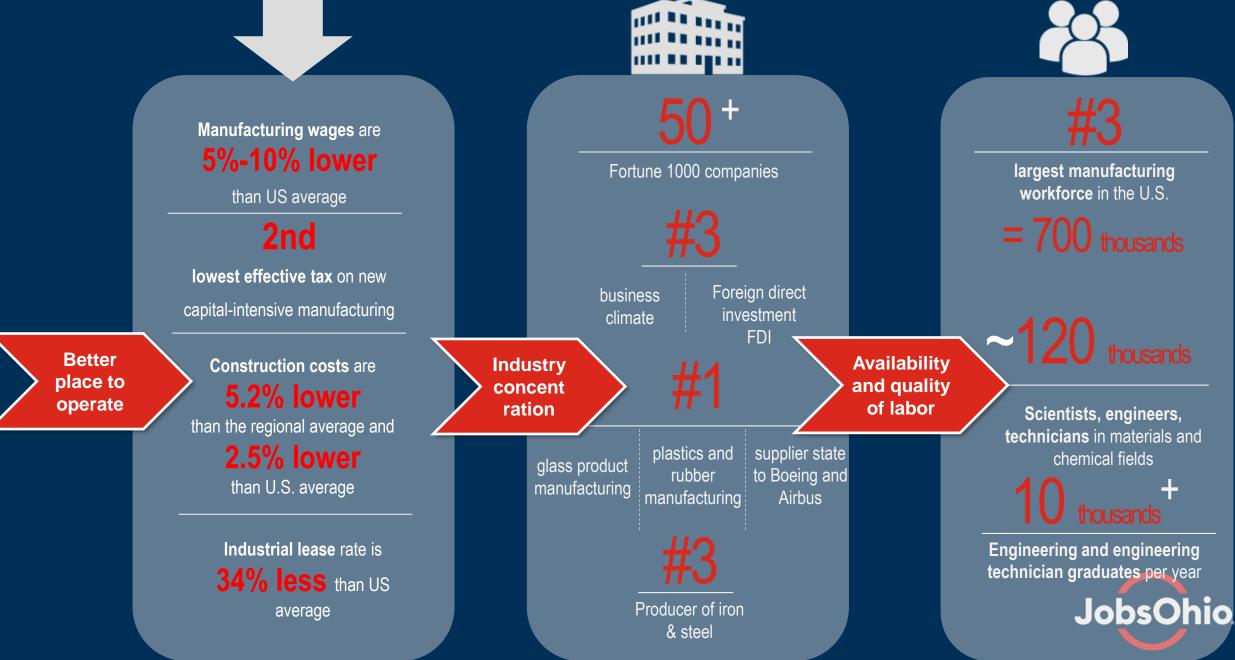
BEST PRACTICES AWARDS Succession



Best Licensee Education Program & Best Trade Partnership Program



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Ohio's Strong Logistics Infrastructure



Extensive interstate system, within 600mi/1,000 km of 60% of U.S. and Canadian populations.



9 commercial ports on Lake Erie and multiple terminals along the Ohio River. The only Midwest state with direct shipping route to Europe for both container and heavy goods.



Ohio ranks 5th largest in number of freight railroads and 3rd in total rail miles in the U.S.



6 commercial Largest airports plus foreign CVG in Kentucky in the M and 91 general aviation airports.

Largest presence of foreign trade zones in the Midwest.

FTZ





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Ohio's National Rankings Moving Up

Econ Dev Projects	#2 in USA				
Site Selection Mag Governor's Cup	2 YEARS IN A ROW				
Best States for Business	#7 in USA				
Chief Executive Magazine	UP FROM #41 in 2011				
Labor Productivity	#1 in Midwest				
Growth Rate	Since 2013				
Access to Capital CNBC Best States for Business (2022)	#3 in USA				
Quality of Life Forbes Magazine 2019	#2 in USA				

Cost-effective talent

- Strategic location and leading infrastructure
- Lower corporate, capital gains, and other taxes
- Robust state innovation strategy and R&D



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54 Fortune 1000 Companies Call Ohio Home

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Fortune 500 Headquarters

In U.S. Fortune 1000 Headquarters

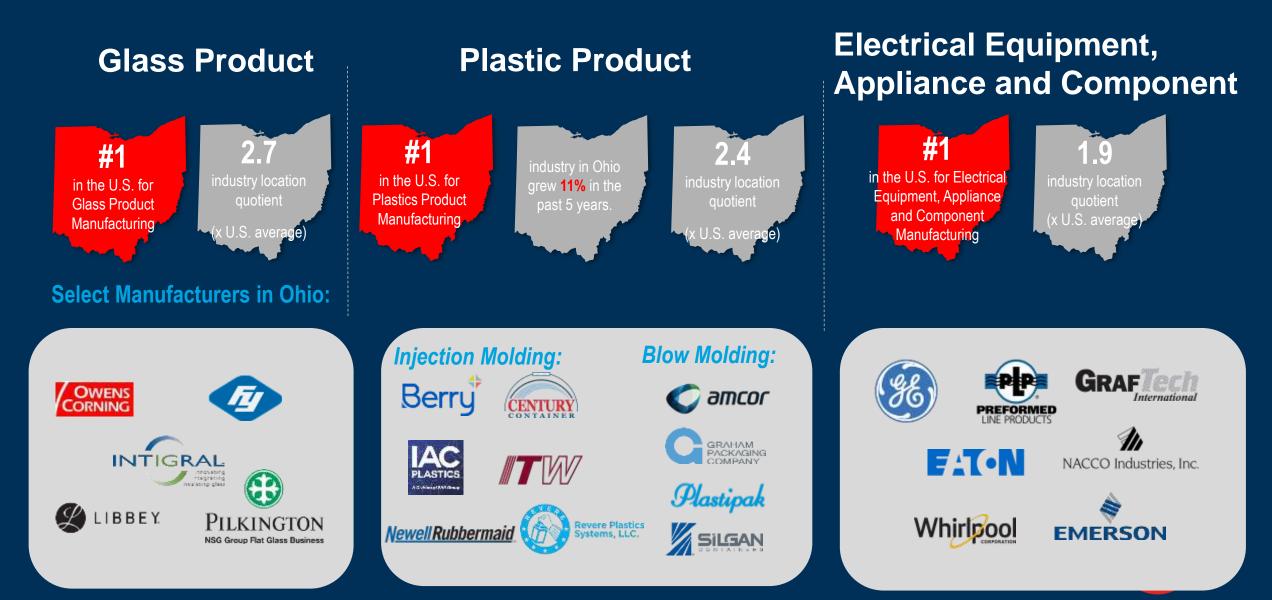
Industry	# of Companies				
Manufacturing	22				
Finance and Insurance	11				
Retail Trade	10				
Wholesale Trade	4				
Healthcare	2				
Utilities	2				
Communications	1				
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1				
Real Estate	1				

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Manufacturing in Ohio



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Tax rules comparison – Ohio and 17 peer states

Тах Туре	ОН	AL	СА	FL	GA	IL	IN	KY	МІ	NY	NC	РА	SC	TN	тх	VA	wı	wv
PROPERTY TAX																		
Personal Property	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
SALES AND USE TAX																		
Incentives For Data Centers	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No							
INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX																		
Business Income Preference	Yes	No	No	N/A	No	Yes	N/A	N/A	No	No	No							
BUSINESS TAXES																		
Single-factor Sales	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes								
Market-based Sourcing	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes							
Throwback Rule	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No

OHIO HAS THE COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE



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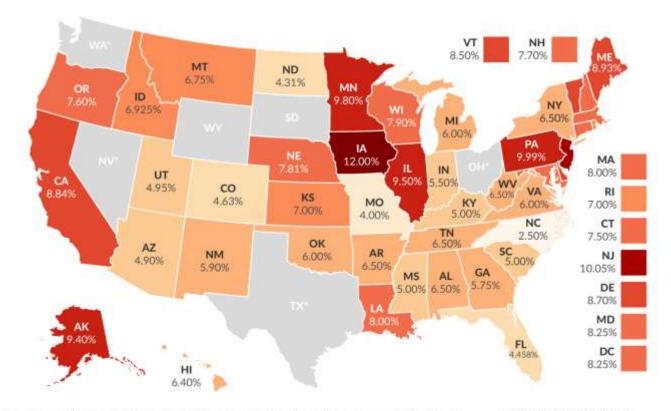


Corporate Income Tax Rates

Benchmark

How High are Corporate Income Tax Rates in Your State?

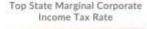
Top Marginal Corporate Income Tax Rates as of January 1, 2020



Note: (*) Nevada, Ohio, Texas, and Washington do not have a corporate income tax but do have a gross receipts tax with rates not strictly comparable to corporate income tax rates. Delaware and Oregon have gross receipts taxes in addition to corporate income taxes, as do several states like Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia, which permit gross receipts taxes at the local (but not state) level. Florida's corporate income tax rate will return to 5.5% for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2022. Georgia's corporate income tax rate will return to 5.5% for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2022. Ideorgia's corporate income tax rate will return to 5.5% for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2022. Indiana's rate will change to 5.25% on July 1, 2020. The rate is scheduled to decrease to 4.9% by 2022. Mississippi continues to phase out the 3 percent bracket by increasing the exemption by \$1,000 a year. This year, the exemption is \$3,000. By the start of 2022, the 3 percent bracket will be fully eliminated. New Hampshire's rate is 7.9% for tax periods ending before Dec. 31, 2019. In New Jersey, the rates indicated apply to a corporation's entire net income rather than just income over the threshold. A temporary surcharge is in effect, bringing the rate to 10.5 percent for businesses with income over \$1 million. In addition to regular income taxes, many states impose other taxes on corporation such as gross receipts taxes and franchise taxes. Some states also impose an alternative minimum tax and special rates on financial institutions.

Sources: Tax Foundation; state tax statutes, forms, and instructions; Bloomberg Tax

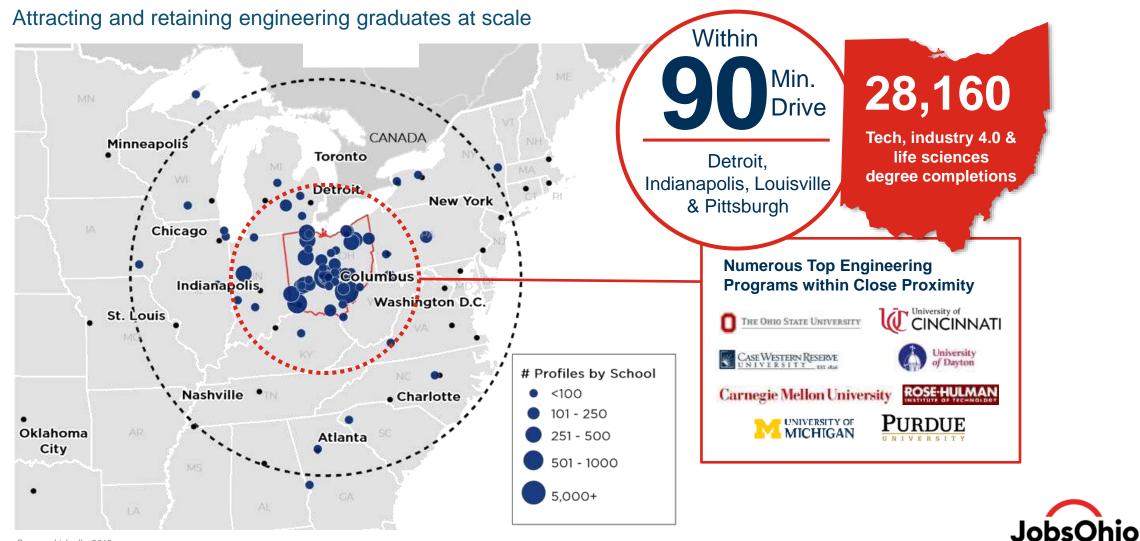
TAX FOUNDATION





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The nation's top engineering talent chooses the Midwest Geographical Advantage for Talent Recruitment



Sources: LinkedIn, 2019.



Innovation Strategy

<u>Goal:</u> To be the most Innovative State in the Midwest

- Three-pronged strategy
- Experienced team with deep private sector & economic development credentials

JobsOhio Innovation Strategy

R&D Center Grants

Supports Industries of the Future
\$635M+ Investment (all sources)
25 Companies, 1,280+ New Jobs

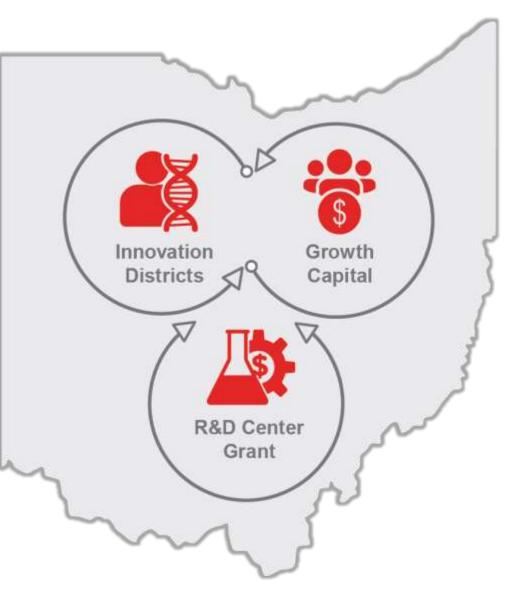
Growth Capital Fund

\$102M JobsOhio Investment
65 Portfolio Companies aligned w/ Sector Strategies
6 Successful Exits

Innovation Districts

Cincinnati, Cleveland, & Columbus Innovation Districts

- \$300M JobsOhio Investment
- 60K+ New Jobs
- 47.5K+ STEM Degrees
- \$9B Economic Impact

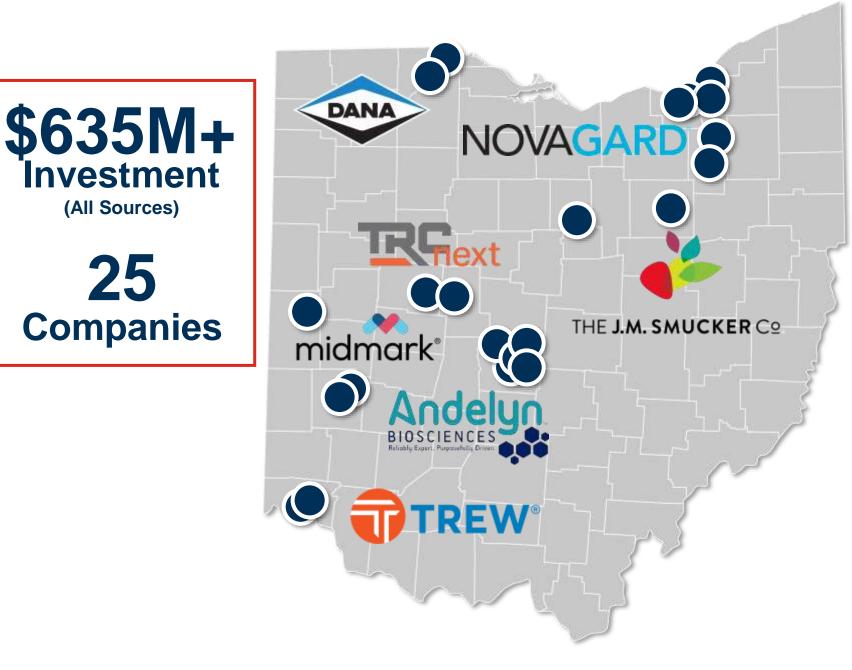




JobsOhio R&D Center Grants

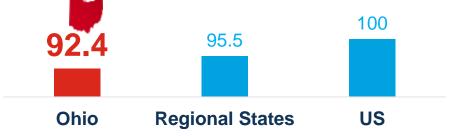
- Supports Industries of the Future
- \$72M JobsOhio
 Commitment
- 1,280+ New Jobs





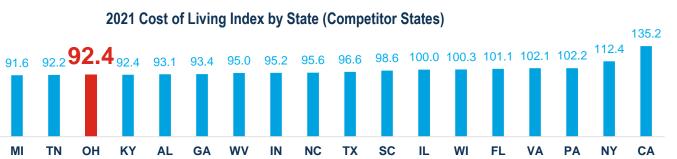




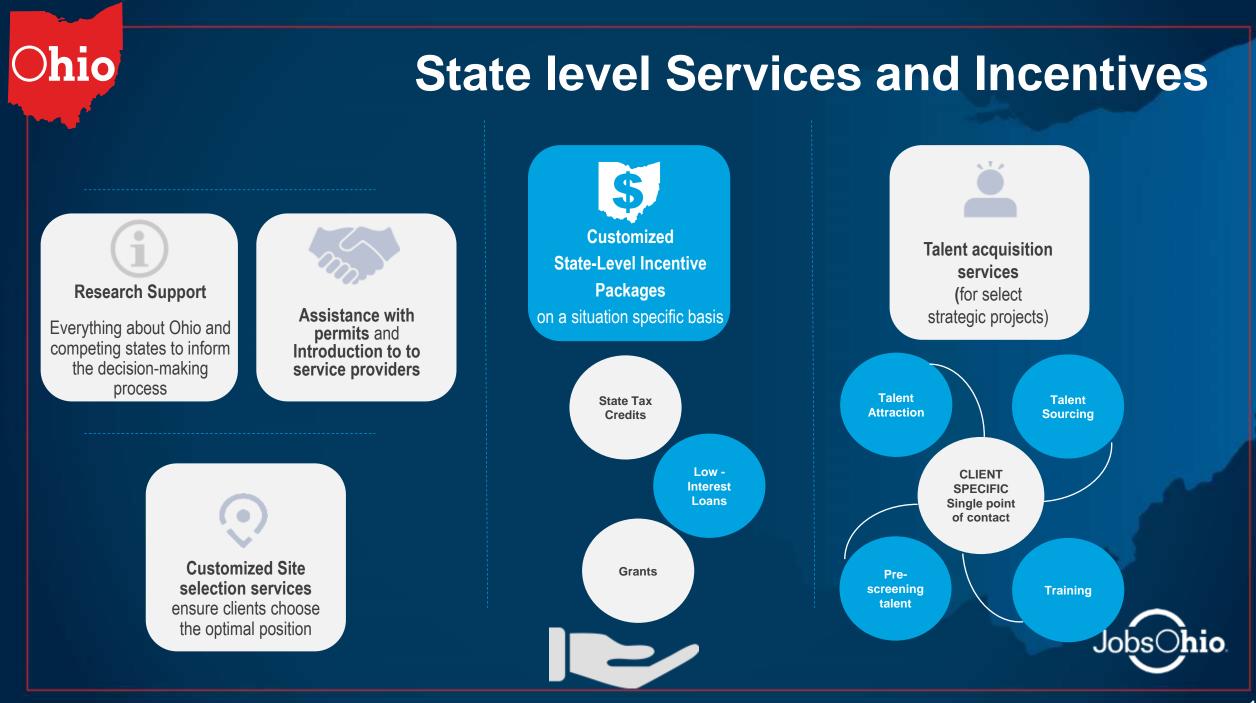


Source: Lightcast, Council for Community and Economic Research | Regional States: IL, IN, KY, MI, OH, PA, WV

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18 Competitor States: AL, CA, FL, GA, IL, IN, KY, MI, NC, NY, OH, PA, SC, TN, TX, VA, WI , WV.



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Foreign investment in Ohio has grown dramatically

	Country	Ohio Jobs (2021)	% of international employment	Project Wins
1		73K	27%	~180
2		36K	13%	~80
3		28K	11%	~40
4	*	25K	9%	~60
5	Benelux *	22K	8%	~30
6		17K	7%	~30
7		12K	5%	~10
8	*1	7K	2%	~20
9		5K	2%	~20

>1,100 employers
from 47 countries

>270,000 Ohio jobs directly supported

~6.5% of all Ohio jobs



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*a politico-economic union and formal international intergovernmental cooperation of three neighboring states in western Europe: **Be**lgium, the **Ne**therlands, and **Lux**embourg.

22,000 Ohioans are employed by companies from the Benelux, 13,000 by companies from The Netherlands

Select Investment in Ohio from Benelux

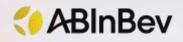




+3,000 employees across 7 locations throughout the state

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Chemical company ~1,300 employees across 11 facilities



Brewing company ~900 employees mainly concentrated in Columbus

Radial

E-commerce 500 employees in Columbus

PHILIPS

Healthcare and Consumer Lifestyle **500 employees** in Northeast Ohio



PVC systems ~500 employees in the Cincinnati area

AkzoNobel

Paints and performance coatings ~400 employees across multiple locations in Central and Northeast Ohio



Polymer manufacturer 350 employees concentrated in Southeast Ohio

ARCADIS

Design, engineering and management consulting **350 employees** in Toledo, Ohio



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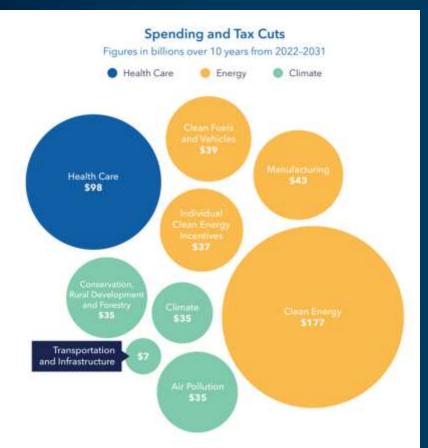
Apendix

Federal Level Incentives - examples



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Federal incentives – IRA, BIL



What's in the \$550 Billion Bipartisan Infrastructure Law



SUPPLYCHAINBRAIN



Source: The Council of State Governments

Federal incentives – DOE/ EERE

EERE is the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy arm of the <u>United States Department of Energy (DOE)</u>.



EERE's portfolio of programs are designed to achieve these objectives by:

- Providing technical assistance, information, and policy analysis to help governments, businesses, and individuals make informed decisions about adopting energy-efficient and renewable energy technologies;
- Conducting research and development (R&D) to bring new energyefficient and renewable energy technologies to market;
- Investing in early-stage companies through its Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs; and
- Supporting the deployment of energy efficient and renewable energy technologies through financial assistance programs.

CLICK <u>HERE</u> FOR ALL EERE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



Federal incentives

Energy Community Tax Credit Bonus (DOE)

The Inflation Reduction Act provided \$10 billion in new funding for the Qualifying Advanced Energy Project Credit program. Congress required that at least \$4 billion be reserved for projects in communities with closed coal mines or retired coal-fired power plants



Justice40

40 percent of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

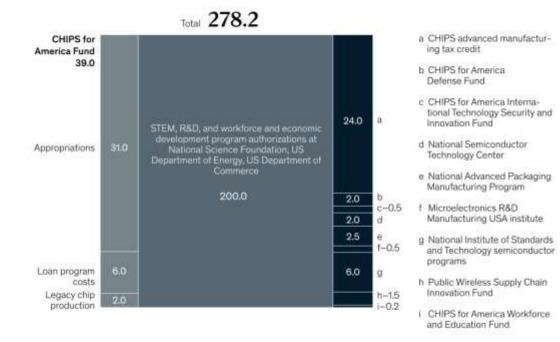


CHIPS Act

By the numbers: The CHIPS Act directs \$280 billion in spending over the next ten years. The majority—\$200 billion—is for scientific R&D and commercialization. Some \$52.7 billion is for semiconductor manufacturing, R&D, and workforce development, with another \$24 billion worth of tax credits for chip production. There is \$3 billion slated for programs aimed at leadingedge technology and wireless supply chains.

The CHIPS and Science Act of 2022 directs \$280 billion in spending over the next ten years, with the bulk for scientific R&D.

CHIPS and Science Act funding for 2022-26, \$ billion



Source: Creating Hislpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) and Science Act of 2022, H.R. 4346, 177th Cong. (2022)

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Intel Breaks Ground in Ohio



the Netherlands is for America the gateway to Europe

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HIDC Introduction

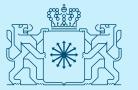
Holland International Distribution Council, (NDL Nederland Distributieland) is partner of "Invest in Holland".

Private nonprofit organization representing 300 members.

Founded by the Dutch logistics industry in 1987.

Mission:

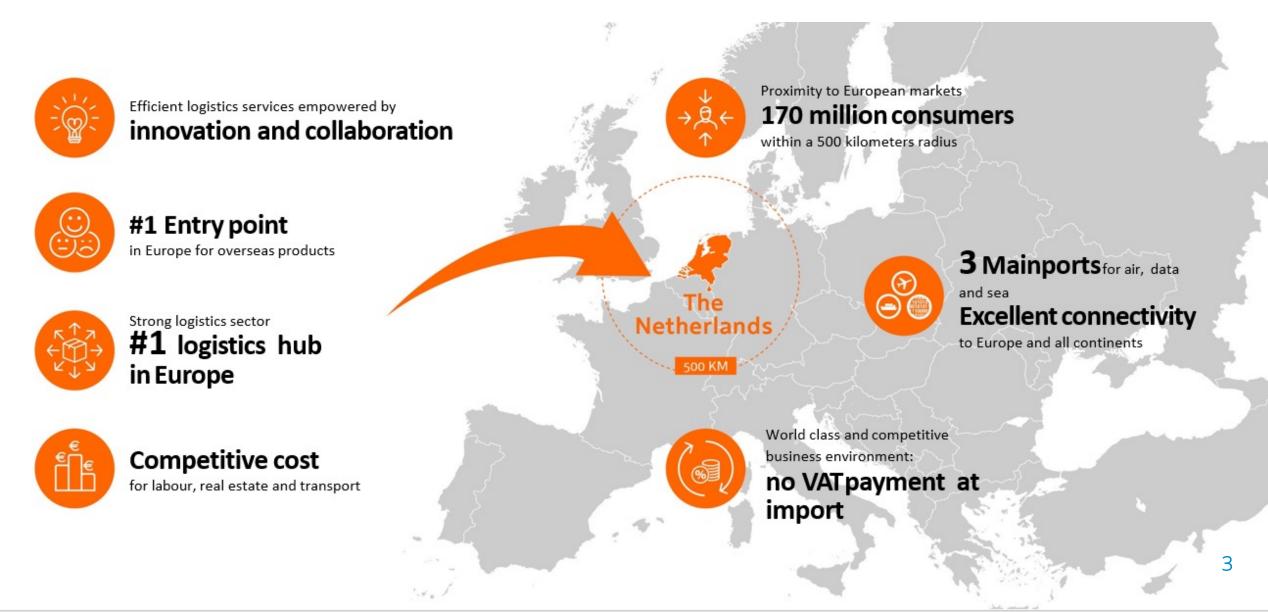
To promote the Netherlands abroad as the "Gateway to Europe" with the objective to attract economic activities for the logistics sector.



Holland International Distribution Council

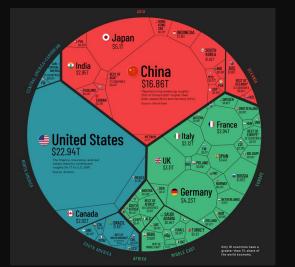


The Netherlands unique selling points



What is it about the United States ...

- Nr 1 world economy \$22.94T 329m pop
- Strategic partner (NATO, VN, 14-eyes alliance)
- Yes we can mentality!
- 24/7 Business driven
- 50 States most important <u>export</u> country for the EU and the Netherlands







But what are the biggest cultural differences, between the Americans and Europeans ...

- Freedom is the essence of America
- NL = act normal / VS = be exceptional. Don't be modest, it's normal to brag and talk about your education, sports medals or won opportunities and successes with clients in the US.
- 2weeks notice/no fall back/no federal system/24-7 no vacation, it's all about targets
- Networking is invented in the US, either is during a game of golf, sailing trip or just having cocktails before/after work. Americans love to expand theirs & your network.

Bloopers . . . And what can we learn from the Americans

- Having 2 jobs, work 24 hours is completely normal, so don't mention your 3-week vacation out of office reply.
- Americans think big and are extremely result orientated, so respond directly and offer short-term solutions. Time is money!
- No kissing instead BIG hugs!
- Make America great again . . .







And Why is "Going to America" a unique experience . . .?









Expanding your business to the US

How to optimize international payments and create competitive benefits when doing business with the US.





Michel Post & Duco Royaards

June 6th 2023

Financial attention points

Practical information on International payments, FX and Trade finance



- Unexpected costs
- Time delays
- Screening checks
- VAT

🚧 Foreign Exchange

- USD conversion costs
- Explicit market risks (rate)
- Implicit competitive advantage (price)

Local bank account

- Advantage of a local IBAN
- Compliance obstacles
- Selling online (Amazon)

💈 Trade Finance

- Accelerate growth
- Prefund imports
- Funding seasonal gaps





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- Specialist in visa and work permits for US, Netherlands, UK, Australia and New Zealand
- Almost 25 years of experience with many different types of visa applications
- Clients range from small/mid-size companies to multinationals.





US Visa types

- Non-Immigrant Visa Categories (Alphabet soup)
 - o Tourist/Business (ESTA, B1, B2)
 - Work (E, H, L, O, etc.)
- Immigrant Visa Categories (Green card)
 - Family
 - o Work
 - Lottery





Business Travel

Business Travel : ESTA / B1

- Apply online for ESTA (\$21)
- In specific cases a B1/B2 visa is necessary:
 - Nationality
 - Visit to certain countries (Iraq, etc.)
 - Criminal convictions
 - Prior entry or visa refusal,
 - Commercial business work activities





Business Travel

Permitted activities

- Grey area. Setting up a US business is allowed, but working in the business is not allowed
- Not getting paid in the US does not automatically mean that you are not working in the US
- The number of trips and duration of your stay are crucial. Living and working in the US is not allowed
- Be careful with Social Media! Make sure your LinkedIn profile matches your visa status





Work Visa - The Chicken and the Egg

- The business in the US must be real and active before you can apply for a visa
- This means: US branch with office, US employees, clients etc.
- USCIS is traditional: Virtual/home offices, functional (sales) manager positions are problematic
- Processing times are long (6-12 months). Travel is possible but be aware of the risks





Post Covid

- Number of applications versus number of USCIS and US Consulate employees.
- Requests for Evidence and denial rates are going up
- Wait times at US consulate in Amsterdam considerably longer than other countries. Alternatives not always possible.
- Good news: Work permits for certain spouses no longer necessary





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