

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

AT THE FOREFRONT OF AEROSPACE AND DEFENSE

As the home to industry giants leading in aircraft testing and development, Arizona is at the forefront of the aerospace & defense industry. With more than 300 days of sunshine annually, a longstanding commitment to supporting the U.S. military and a business-friendly environment, top companies come to Arizona to develop advanced solutions and drive innovation.



INDUSTRY HIGHLIGHTS

▶ TOP #1 ◀

concentration for guided missile and space vehicle manufacturing

LIGHTCAST, 2023

▶ TOP 2 ◀

aviation maintenance economic activity

AERONAUTICAL REPAIR STATION ASSOCIATION, 2022

▶ TOP 5 ◀

largest employment in A&D manufacturing

LIGHTCAST, 2023

▶ TOP 6 ◀

A&D manufacturing attractiveness

PWC, 2022

\$12.3 BILLION

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
CONTRACTS
IN FISCAL YEAR 2021

STRATEGIC U.S. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS

Arizona's strong military presence is vital to the state's private A&D industry, with six major military installations and four National Guard operations across the state.

\$3 BILLION

OPTICS INDUSTRY

OPTICS VALLEY

Optics and photonics have long been a key piece of modern innovation, and Optics Valley in the Tucson region is a hub for developing and producing some of the largest, most advanced telescope mirrors.

EDUCATING THE FUTURE

Arizona universities facilitate cutting-edge research and world-class programs, developing a highly skilled workforce.

A&D INTERACTIVE DATABASE

Search more than 1,250 Arizona companies in the aerospace and defense supply chain by size, industry, certification, and products and services.

SEARCH THE DATABASE

<https://www.azcommerce.com/a/addb/>

ARIZONA SUCCESS STORIES

Our mission is to create innovative solutions to make the world a safer place, and Arizona provides both the talent and the environment that enables us to continue to grow and achieve that mission.

Wes Kremer, President Raytheon Missiles & Defense

Arizona is proud to provide a platform for pioneers like Raytheon Missiles & Defense to grow and thrive. With nearly 13,000 employees and a statewide network of more than 500 suppliers, the high-tech powerhouse contributes \$2.6 billion annually to the state's economy, an impact that has grown by more than \$500 million in the last three years. Arizona's top talent, commitment to keeping taxes low and regulation light, and strategic geographic location have earned the state a reputation as a leading hub for advanced manufacturing.

Arizona offers programs designed to

ENHANCE THE SUCCESS OF A&D COMPANIES

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