

Atlanta, GA

Advanced industries employ

229,427

full-time workers. (2015)

These direct jobs supports an additional

183,540

indirect jobs in other industries in the region.

Advanced industries produce

\$40.2

billion dollars in output in the region.
(2015, 2009 Chained)

Advanced industries pay, on average

\$93,796

dollars per year (2015).

Advanced industries directly account for

8.8%

of all jobs in the region.

This employment share is

#47

among all large metros.

This accounts for

14.2%

of all output in the region (2015).

This compares to average pay of

\$57,566

for all industries (2015).

Advanced industry annual average growth, 2013-2015

OUTPUT

JOB

RANK:
#50

2.70%

4.53%

RANK:
#17

2.46%

2.69%

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What are Advanced Industries?

The Metropolitan Policy Program at Brookings defines advanced industries as those that: 1) Spend at least \$450 per worker per year on R&D and 2) employ at least 20 percent of their workforce in STEM-intensive occupations. The definition identifies 50 4-digit NAICS industries across the manufacturing, energy, and services sectors that together constitute the advanced industries super-sector.

Why do Advanced Industries Matter?

Advanced industries encompass the nation's "tech" sector at its broadest and most consequential. They represent a sizable economic anchor for the U.S. economy and have led the post-recession employment recovery. Their competitiveness and growth are prerequisites for any future broadly shared prosperity. As such, the sector encompasses the country's best shot at supporting innovative, inclusive, and sustainable growth. Advanced industries are present in nearly every U.S. region, but the sector's geography is uneven.

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DATA NOTES

All figures reflect Brookings analysis of data from Moody's Analytics.

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Twenty-Five Largest Advanced Industries (2015)

There are 8 advanced industries in Atlanta, GA with LQs over 1.5. LQs over 1.5 indicate specialization †

Industry 4-Digit NAICS Code	Industry Title	Industry Employment (2015)	Industry Location Quotient (LQ) † 2015	Industry Share of Total Advanced Industries Employment (2015)	Industry Employment Annual Growth		Industry Share of Total Advanced Industries Output (2015)	Industry Output Annual Growth	
					2010-2013	2013-2015		2010-2013	2013-2015
5415	Computer Systems Design	56,760	1.68	24.7%	6.1%	5.8%	17.7%	6.9%	6.5%
5416	Management Consulting	34,690	1.53	15.1%	3.4%	7.4%	10.9%	0.7%	6.5%
5413	Engineering	29,070	1.16	12.7%	0.5%	6.2%	8.7%	-1.0%	5.3%
5112	Software Products	14,270	2.42	6.2%	4.3%	5.2%	11.7%	8.0%	5.3%
2211	Power Generation & Supply	8,300	1.18	3.6%	-2.8%	-0.5%	7.2%	-5.8%	-7.8%
5182	Data Processing & Hosting	7,680	1.45	3.3%	3.9%	10.4%	3.2%	5.0%	17.6%
3364	Aircraft Products & Parts	6,510	0.75	2.8%	-0.7%	-5.2%	3.6%	6.7%	-3.5%
5172	Wireless Telecom Carriers	6,290	2.64	2.7%	6.0%	3.1%	8.5%	12.4%	9.1%
5179	Other telecommunications	6,050	4.18	2.6%	6.6%	7.3%	4.9%	3.4%	-0.4%
3363	Motor Vehicle Parts	5,250	0.52	2.3%	6.2%	5.0%	1.4%	15.0%	4.1%
6215	Medical and Diagnostic Laboratories	4,440	0.96	1.9%	2.3%	1.4%	0.9%	2.7%	1.0%
3391	Medical Equipment & Supplies	4,110	0.75	1.8%	-0.4%	3.5%	1.6%	3.5%	4.9%
5191	Web Search Portals and Internet Publishing	3,350	0.78	1.5%	9.5%	11.7%	1.4%	5.4%	17.8%
3345	Precision Instruments	3,310	0.47	1.4%	4.1%	-0.2%	1.4%	2.1%	0.9%
5417	R&D Services	3,280	0.28	1.4%	-0.9%	13.8%	1.6%	-1.3%	27.1%
3353	Electrical Equipment	3,190	1.25	1.4%	-1.9%	1.9%	1.4%	7.2%	-5.2%
3399	Misc. Manufacturing	3,140	0.63	1.4%	2.7%	3.3%	0.5%	10.5%	3.0%
3341	Computer Equipment	2,240	0.78	1.0%	12.7%	-9.6%	1.4%	9.3%	-10.0%
3279	Stone & Mineral Products	2,130	1.62	0.9%	1.9%	3.2%	0.6%	7.4%	-3.5%
3342	Communications Equipment	2,130	1.36	0.9%	-7.2%	-6.0%	0.9%	-7.7%	-8.4%
3259	Misc. Chemicals	1,930	1.33	0.8%	1.5%	10.2%	0.9%	-10.6%	5.3%
3251	Basic Chemicals	1,910	0.72	0.8%	4.9%	5.2%	1.1%	-8.7%	1.0%
5152	Cable and Other Subscription Programming	1,570	1.42	0.7%	-8.9%	-30.3%	1.2%	-2.4%	-37.8%
3359	Misc. Electrical Equipment	1,540	0.67	0.7%	0.7%	6.3%	0.8%	8.3%	-1.3%
3369	Misc. Transportation Equipment	1,530	2.56	0.7%	-0.5%	8.7%	0.3%	0.0%	4.0%
IFG	Advanced industries manufacturing	53,510	0.54	23.3%	1.0%	1.6%	22.0%	1.5%	-0.5%
	Advanced industries energy	8,310	0.74	3.6%	-2.8%	-0.5%	7.2%	-5.8%	-7.8%
	Advanced industries services	167,610	1.41	73.1%	3.7%	5.8%	70.8%	4.4%	5.1%
	ADVANCED INDUSTRIES TOTAL	229,430	1.00	100.0%	2.7%	4.5%	100.0%	2.6%	2.7%

† Location quotients are a measure of specialization for an industry using employment. A LQ of over 1 indicates that an industry employs more workers, as a share of total employment, than the nation as a whole.