

Columbia, SC

Advanced industries employ

24,560

full-time workers. (2015)

These direct jobs supports an additional

19,650

indirect jobs in other industries in the region.

Advanced industries produce

\$4.2

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

Advanced industries pay, on average

\$81,484

dollars per year (2015).

Advanced industries directly account for

6.1%

of all jobs in the region.

This employment share is

#79

among all large metros.

This accounts for

12.1%

of all output in the region (2015).

This compares to average pay of

\$44,212

for all industries (2015).

Advanced industry annual average growth, 2013-2015

OUTPUT

JOB

RANK:
#78

2.70%

RANK:
#54

2.46%

1.28%

1.71%

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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 6 advanced industries in Columbia, SC 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
2211	Power Generation & Supply	3,870	3.60	15.8%	1.9%	-2.1%	29.1%	-2.6%	-3.7%
5413	Engineering	3,070	0.80	12.5%	-1.7%	7.4%	7.1%	-0.4%	2.1%
5415	Computer Systems Design	2,560	0.49	10.4%	7.6%	3.5%	7.5%	8.8%	5.8%
5416	Management Consulting	1,980	0.57	8.1%	1.8%	7.0%	6.4%	1.3%	6.8%
3252	Resins & Synthetic Rubbers	1,660	6.49	6.8%	-3.1%	1.1%	5.9%	-11.6%	-1.1%
3251	Basic Chemicals	1,280	3.16	5.2%	-2.0%	-5.0%	5.0%	-11.6%	-7.9%
5182	Data Processing & Hosting	1,160	1.43	4.7%	-1.9%	-5.2%	4.4%	-5.6%	9.0%
3399	Misc. Manufacturing	1,070	1.40	4.4%	3.0%	1.0%	2.5%	-6.9%	-0.8%
3361	Motor Vehicles	750	1.35	3.1%	17.5%	13.1%	3.5%	17.2%	16.2%
3363	Motor Vehicle Parts	740	0.48	3.0%	14.0%	-11.0%	2.1%	13.4%	-7.0%
6215	Medical and Diagnostic Laboratories	530	0.75	2.1%	9.2%	-0.2%	0.9%	7.8%	-4.5%
3359	Misc. Electrical Equipment	490	1.39	2.0%	17.7%	1.2%	2.5%	14.0%	2.2%
3342	Communications Equipment	490	2.04	2.0%	-10.6%	16.1%	1.4%	5.4%	19.8%
3366	Ships & Boats	470	1.28	1.9%	20.9%	27.2%	1.0%	15.4%	12.3%
3341	Computer Equipment	410	0.93	1.7%	-15.2%	7.2%	2.1%	-4.3%	6.1%
3339	General Purpose Machinery	390	0.54	1.6%	4.5%	-2.1%	1.0%	2.3%	-6.4%
3254	Pharmaceuticals	360	0.48	1.5%	0.4%	-1.6%	1.7%	-6.4%	-1.7%
3353	Electrical Equipment	350	0.91	1.4%	-21.0%	9.7%	2.1%	-20.1%	10.4%
3352	Household Appliances	350	2.10	1.4%	27.2%	-0.7%	1.0%	19.8%	-3.7%
3336	Engine & Power Equipment	310	1.11	1.3%	6.4%	-7.9%	1.0%	37.2%	-3.3%
3344	Semiconductors	260	0.26	1.1%	7.0%	4.1%	0.9%	32.3%	10.4%
5172	Wireless Telecom Carriers	250	0.68	1.0%	11.7%	-13.6%	2.2%	12.1%	25.8%
5112	Software Products	250	0.27	1.0%	12.8%	28.9%	1.8%	23.6%	13.6%
5417	R&D Services	240	0.13	1.0%	13.4%	0.4%	0.5%	9.2%	-11.2%
3345	Precision Instruments	140	0.13	0.6%	-15.5%	10.1%	0.6%	-0.7%	9.2%
IFG	Advanced industries manufacturing	10,490	0.69	42.7%	0.0%	1.2%	39.0%	-2.7%	1.3%
	Advanced industries energy	3,870	2.26	15.8%	1.9%	-2.1%	29.1%	-2.6%	-3.7%
	Advanced industries services	10,200	0.56	41.5%	1.7%	3.8%	31.9%	2.2%	6.5%
ADVANCED INDUSTRIES TOTAL		24,560	0.70	100.0%	1.0%	1.7%	100.0%	-1.3%	1.3%

† 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.