

Manufacturing Industries



Saskatchewan's manufacturers have achieved many world firsts - from satellite communications technology to roadside scales for the trucking industry

Our Competitive Edge

- Approximately 29,000 employees and \$16.3 billion in manufacturing shipments in 2019
- The Saskatchewan Manufacturing Centre of Excellence helps Saskatchewan manufacturers increase their productivity and innovation plus further develop a skilled labour force
- Early adopters of state-of-the-art manufacturing technologies and equipment
- Recognized as worldwide leaders in precision dryland farming technology
- Canadian Light Source cutting-edge technology for micro-electrical-mechanical (MEMS) and advanced materials coatings and finishes
- Innovative manufacturers collaborating to build leading-edge, made-in-Saskatchewan, technology like:
 - Continuous mining equipment used in the potash industry
 - Remote-controlled underground mining equipment at the McArthur River uranium mine
- We produce a wide range of manufactured goods, the majority of which are exported out of the province to markets across Canada and around the world
- Products that are internationally recognized include:
 - Flour goods and bakery mixes
 - Beef, pork and chicken products
 - Jams, jellies and other preserves
 - High-quality lumber

- Specialty vehicles such as ambulances, highway
- trailers, recreation vehicles and automotive accessories
- Agricultural equipment
- Mining and industrial equipment
- Satellite and landline communications technology
- CATV and wireless telecom products
- Contract manufacturing services for telecommunications, satellite, military and aviation markets

Innovation and Opportunity in Dynamic Subsectors

Food and Beverage Processing

- Our food and beverage processing industry includes almost 300 processors and 6,400 employees and produces flour products, meat products, fruit-based products, certified organic foods, specialty foods and nutraceuticals
- Food manufacturing shipments totaled \$4.7 billion producing 29% of the total manufacturing shipments

Machinery, Transportation and Industrial Equipment

- 19,000 people in this manufacturing cluster represented approximately 29% of the total manufacturing shipments in 2019
- A diverse range of about 300 companies with complementary industrial processes and capabilities work together to produce world-class products
- A world-class steel mill in the province provides high-quality supply to the local industry

Chemical Manufacturing

- Chemicals produced and used here and around the world include fertilizers and herbicides, as well as chemicals for extracting and processing natural resources

Forestry Products

- Key forest products include lumber, pulp, plywood, oriented strand board, treated timbers and posts, log homes, cabinets, millwork and flooring

New and Emerging Sectors

- Saskatchewan's aerospace and defence companies have proven themselves to be world-class suppliers to international space agencies as well as aerospace and defence contractors
- From pickup truck lids and front-end steel grilles to specialized military vehicles, our manufacturers are expanding into the specialty automotive and automotive accessory industry

The Investment Climate

- Pioneering achievements and world-class abilities in information technologies, telecommunications and advanced technologies for resource industries
- Superior technological and telecommunications infrastructure
- Programs are available to encourage the development and commercialization of new technologies
- Provincial investment and programs in education and training
- Strong supplier base – sophisticated local market for advanced technology equipment
- Central North American location and excellent transportation links

The Bottom Line

- The Corporate Income Tax rate for manufacturers in Saskatchewan can be as low as 10%.
- A 6% refundable tax credit is available for investment in manufacturing and processing equipment and facilities.
- The Saskatchewan Commercial Innovation Incentive offers eligible corporations a reduction of the provincial Corporate Income Tax rate to 6% for a period of 10 years or 15 years depending on where the R&D takes place.
- Saskatchewan offers a 10% refundable provincial income tax credit for scientific research and development expenditures. For Saskatchewan Canadian-controlled private corporations, the credit is refundable on the first \$1 million of qualifying annual expenditures. In all other cases, it is non-refundable.
- Manufacturing and Processing Exporter Tax Incentives provide non-refundable tax credits to eligible exporting companies that increase their number of employees. If eligible, the company will receive a \$3,000 tax credit for each production level job created or a \$10,000 tax credit for each head office job created.

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