

## Chemicals

The Houston metro area has 540 chemical manufacturing establishments with employment exceeding 36,800.

MAJOR CHEMICAL OPERATIONS IN THE HOUSTON REGION	
Air Liquide USA LLC	INEOS
Ascend Performance Material	Kaneka North America LLC
BASF Corporation	LyondellBasell Industries
Bayer MaterialScience	Odebrecht Group
BP	OxyVinyls LP
Chevron Phillips Chemical Company, LP	Shell Chemical LP
DuPont Powder Coatings USA, Inc.	Solvay North America Inc.
ExxonMobil Chemical Co.	The Dow Chemical Company
Goodyear Houston Chemical Plant	The Lubrizol Corporation
Huntsman LLC	Union Carbide Corporation*
Note: Companies selected by employee count but listed alphabetically. * Subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company <b>Source:</b> <i>Greater Houston Partnership Database, 2015</i>	

- The Houston Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) has 42.0 percent of the nation's base petrochemical capacity, according to IHS.
- Plants in the metro area include 57.6 percent of U.S. capacity for benzene (3.4 million metric tons per year), 51.4 percent of U.S. capacity for butadiene (1.2 million metric tons per year), 43.7 percent of U.S. capacity for ethylene (12.0 million metric tons per year), 40.7 percent of U.S. capacity for polymer-grade propylene (11.9 million metric tons per year), 33.7 percent of the U.S. capacity for toluene (2.0 million metric tons per year) and 33.8 percent of the U.S. capacity for xylenes (3.0 million metric tons per year), based on 2014 capacity estimates by IHS.
- IHS data show that metro Houston in 2014 had 28.3 percent of the nation's capacity for polyethylene resins, 31.2 percent of its capacity for polypropylene resins and 34.4 percent of its capacity for polyvinyl chloride resins.