

Chemicals

The Houston metro area has 578 chemical manufacturing establishments with employment exceeding 38,300.

MAJOR CHEMICAL OPERATIONS IN THE HOUSTON REGION	
Air Liquide USA LLC	INEOS
Ascend Performance Material	Kaneka North America LLC
BASF Corporation	LyondellBasell Industries
Bayer Environmental Science	OxyVinyls LP
BP	Phillips 66
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 Source: Greater Houston Partnership Research	

- The Houston Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) has 40.8 percent of the nation's base petrochemical capacity, according to IHS.

Base Chemical Production Capacity Houston MSA, '18		
Base Chemical	Million Metric Tons per Year	% of U.S. Total
Butadiene	1.3	55.6%
Ethylene	12.7	43.6
Propylene	12.3	42.0
Xylenes	4.5	36.5
Benzene	3.4	35.3
Toluene	2.0	33.7
Source: IHS		

- IHS data show that in '18, metro Houston had 49.5 percent of the nation's capacity for polypropylene resins, 42.0 percent of its capacity for polyethylene resins, and 33.3 percent of its capacity for polyvinyl chloride resins.