

Manufacturing Overview

Nearly a third of Texas manufacturers call Houston home.

SELECTED MANUFACTURING SECTORS Ranked by Employment		
Industry	Average Establishments	Average Employment
Fabricated Metal Products	1,782	49,666
Machinery	824	46,617
*Mining and Oil and Gas Field Machinery	373	25,066
Chemicals	591	39,776
*Petrochemicals	50	12,907
Computers and Electronics	370	13,347
Food	449	11,119
Plastics and Rubber	236	10,503
Petroleum and Coal Products	87	8,953
Nonmetallic Minerals	301	6,953
Electrical Equipment and Appliances	167	6,401
Transportation Equipment	135	4,811
Other	1,756	28,636
Total	6,723	223,707

Source: Texas Workforce Commission, Quarterly Census for Employment and Wages, four quarters ending Q3/20

- In '19, manufacturing accounted for \$86.0 billion, or 16.8 percent, of the Houston MSA's gross domestic product, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.
- Manufacturing employment in the Houston MSA averaged 223,707 in '20 with an average wage of \$88,575. Fabricated metals product manufacturing accounted for 22.2 percent of total manufacturing employment; machinery manufacturing, 20.1 percent; and chemical manufacturing, 17.8 percent.
- Between '15 and '20, manufacturing employment in the Houston region declined by 8.6 percent from 244,805 workers to 223,707.

^{*}Numbers included in industry totals above