

# Manufacturing in Milwaukee County, WI

Southwest Wisconsin Workforce Development Board



Wisconsin

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## What is Lightcast Data?

Lightcast data is a hybrid dataset derived from official government sources such as the US Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis, and Bureau of Labor Statistics. Leveraging the unique strengths of each source, our data modeling team creates an authoritative dataset that captures more than 99% of all workers in the United States. This core offering is then enriched with data from online social profiles, resumés, and job postings to give you a complete view of the workforce.

Lightcast data is frequently cited in major publications such as *The Atlantic*, *Forbes*, *Harvard Business Review*, *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and USA Today.

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## **Report Parameters**

#### 1 Industry

31 Manufacturing

#### 1 County

55079 Milwaukee County, WI

#### **Class of Worker**

QCEW Employees, Non-QCEW Employees, and Self-Employed

The information in this report pertains to the chosen industry and geographical area.



## **Executive Summary**

#### Aggressive Hiring Competition Over a Deep Supply of Regional Talent



\*National average values are derived by taking the national value for Manufacturing and scaling it down to account for the difference in overall workforce size between the nation and Milwaukee County, WI. In other words, the values represent the national average adjusted for region size.



## Supply (Jobs)

#### Supply Is Higher Than the National Average

The regional vs. national average employment helps you understand if the supply of Manufacturing is a strength or weakness for Milwaukee County, WI, and how it is changing relative to the nation. An average area of this size would have 39,194\* employees, while there are 48,952 here. This higher than expected supply may make it easier to find candidates. The gap between expected and actual employment is expected to remain roughly the same over the next 5 years.



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Retirement Risk Is About Average, While Overall Diversity Is About Average



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#### **Unemployment Rate Trends**

Unemployment shown at the 2-digit sector level.





## **Demographic Details**

#### Industry Age Breakdown

|        |         | % of Jobs | Jobs   |
|--------|---------|-----------|--------|
|        | • 14-18 | 0.6%      | 308    |
| • 19-2 | • 19-24 | 6.7%      | 3,288  |
|        | • 25-34 | 20.1%     | 9,830  |
|        | 35-44   | 22.6%     | 11,086 |
|        | 45-54   | 21.9%     | 10,725 |
|        | 55-64   | 21.3%     | 10,451 |
|        | 65+     | 6.7%      | 3,264  |

#### Industry Race/Ethnicity Breakdown



|  | % of Jobs | Jobs   |
|--|-----------|--------|
| • White  | 62.3%     | 30,511 |
| Hispanic or Latino                                   | 17.3%     | 8,457  |
| Black or African American                            | 12.1%     | 5,939  |
| <ul> <li>Asian</li> </ul>                            | 6.6%      | 3,213  |
| Two or More Races                                    | 1.3%      | 633    |
| <ul> <li>American Indian or Alaska Native</li> </ul> | 0.3%      | 169    |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander            | 0.1%      | 30     |



#### Industry Gender Breakdown

|                           | % of Jobs | Jobs   |
|---------------------------|-----------|--------|
| <ul> <li>Males</li> </ul> | 70.3%     | 34,432 |
| Females                   | 29.7%     | 14,520 |
|                           |           |        |
|                           |           |        |
|                           |           |        |

Most Jobs are Found in the Production Occupations Industry Sector

| Occupation  | % of Industry in Occupation<br>(2024) |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Production Occupations  | 51.1%                                 |
| <ul> <li>Transportation and Material Moving</li> <li>Occupations</li> </ul> | 8.9%                                  |
| Office and Administrative Support Occupations                               | 7.5%                                  |
| Architecture and Engineering Occupations                                    | 6.3%                                  |
| Management Occupations  | 5.8%                                  |
| <ul> <li>Business and Financial Operations Occupations</li> </ul>           | 4.8%                                  |
| • Other   | 15.6%                                 |



## Demand



#### 907 Employers Competing

All employers in the region who posted for this job over the last 12 months.



#### 10,956 Unique Job Postings

The number of unique postings for this job over the last 12 months.



#### **31 Day Median Duration**

Posting duration is 4 days longer than what's typical in the region.

| Top Companies       | Unique Postings | Top Job Titles            | Unique Postings |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Rockwell Automation | 506             | Maintenance Technicians   | 124             |
| Harley-Davidson     | 433             | Machine Operators         | 112             |
| Molson Coors        | 328             | Material Handlers         | 82              |
| Clarios             | 302             | Field Service Technicians | 58              |
| Brady Worldwide     | 293             | Production Supervisors    | 52              |



#### **Industry Gain and Drain**

The table below analyzes the profiles of current and past people in your selected industries. The left column shows job transitions from other industries to your selected industries. The right column shows job transitions from your selected industries to other industries.

Please note, results are only available at the national level and the 6-digit NAICS level. Also your selection has been limited to 100 industries.

The following represents the job transitions of employees in your selected industries in the United States:



| Previous Industries                                   | Transitions |
|---|-------------|
| Pharmaceutical Preparation Manufacturing              | 334,857     |
| Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools      | 207,755     |
| Automobile and Light Duty Motor Vehicle Manufacturing | 147,522     |

| Previous Industries  | Transitions |
|--|-------------|
| Search, Detection, Navigation, Guidance, Aeronautical, and<br>Nautical System and Instrument Manufacturing | 147,061     |
| Surgical and Medical Instrument Manufacturing  | 139,940     |
| Electronic Computer Manufacturing  | 127,879     |
| Semiconductor and Related Device Manufacturing   | 110,240     |
| Aircraft Manufacturing   | 92,306      |
| Computer Terminal and Other Computer Peripheral<br>Equipment Manufacturing                                 | 91,847      |
| Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Manufacturing   | 75,309      |
| Analytical Laboratory Instrument Manufacturing   | 73,741      |
| Other Motor Vehicle Parts Manufacturing  | 70,933      |
| Soft Drink Manufacturing   | 64,285      |
| Medicinal and Botanical Manufacturing  | 62,308      |
| Surgical Appliance and Supplies Manufacturing  | 58,605      |
| Biological Product (except Diagnostic) Manufacturing   | 56,770      |
| Engineering Services   | 55,620      |
| Petroleum Refineries   | 54,899      |
| National Security  | 51,755      |
| Custom Computer Programming Services   | 49,917      |
| Aircraft Engine and Engine Parts Manufacturing   | 49,513      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Food Manufacturing   | 48,491      |
| Software Publishers  | 46,168      |
| Footwear Manufacturing   | 39,364      |
| All Other Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services   | 38,952      |
| Computer Systems Design Services   | 37,457      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment and Component<br>Manufacturing                                | 36,220      |

| Previous Industries   | Transitions |
|---|-------------|
| Plastics Material and Resin Manufacturing   | 35,769      |
| Commercial Printing (except Screen and Books)   | 34,996      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Manufacturing   | 34,041      |
| Commercial and Service Industry Machinery Manufacturing   | 33,766      |
| All Other Industrial Machinery Manufacturing  | 33,398      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Retailers   | 33,026      |
| Employment Placement Agencies   | 32,615      |
| General Medical and Surgical Hospitals  | 32,592      |
| Full-Service Restaurants  | 32,378      |
| Paint and Coating Manufacturing   | 32,342      |
| All Other Plastics Product Manufacturing  | 31,830      |
| Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and<br>Life Sciences (except Nanotechnology and Biotechnology) | 31,585      |
| Clothing and Clothing Accessories Retailers   | 31,521      |
| Administrative Management and General Management<br>Consulting Services   | 31,419      |
| Cut and Sew Apparel Manufacturing (except Contractors)  | 29,789      |
| Commercial Banking  | 29,326      |
| Limited-Service Restaurants   | 27,784      |
| Soap and Other Detergent Manufacturing  | 27,348      |
| Other Electronic Component Manufacturing  | 25,927      |
| Research and Development in Biotechnology (except<br>Nanobiotechnology)   | 25,917      |
| Radio and Television Broadcasting and Wireless<br>Communications Equipment Manufacturing                              | 24,590      |
| Other Computer Related Services   | 24,344      |
| Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing  | 23,966      |
| Other Communications Equipment Manufacturing  | 23,803      |
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| Previous Industries  | Transitions |
|--|-------------|
| All Other Miscellaneous Chemical Product and Preparation<br>Manufacturing  | 23,153      |
| Relay and Industrial Control Manufacturing   | 22,829      |
| Wholesale Trade Agents and Brokers   | 22,581      |
| Offices of Physicians (except Mental Health Specialists)   | 21,979      |
| Medical, Dental, and Hospital Equipment and Supplies<br>Merchant Wholesalers   | 21,514      |
| Department Stores  | 21,485      |
| Electromedical and Electrotherapeutic Apparatus<br>Manufacturing   | 21,174      |
| All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacturing   | 20,962      |
| Construction Machinery Manufacturing   | 20,934      |
| Elementary and Secondary Schools   | 20,606      |
| Corrugated and Solid Fiber Box Manufacturing   | 20,352      |
| Supermarkets and Other Grocery (except Convenience) Stores   | 20,239      |
| Farm Machinery and Equipment Manufacturing   | 19,994      |
| Offices of Certified Public Accountants  | 19,303      |
| Abrasive Product Manufacturing   | 18,253      |
| Apparel Accessories and Other Apparel Manufacturing  | 18,159      |
| Computing Infrastructure Providers, Data Processing, Web<br>Hosting, and Related Services                                    | 17,867      |
| Instruments and Related Products Manufacturing for<br>Measuring, Displaying, and Controlling Industrial Process<br>Variables | 17,666      |
| Insurance Agencies and Brokerages  | 17,090      |
| Major Household Appliance Manufacturing  | 16,370      |
| Breweries  | 16,261      |
| Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)  | 16,249      |
| Other Engine Equipment Manufacturing   | 16,188      |
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| Previous Industries   | Transitions |
|---|-------------|
| Office Administrative Services  | 16,182      |
| Plumbing, Heating, and Air-Conditioning Contractors   | 15,925      |
| Motor Vehicle Electrical and Electronic Equipment<br>Manufacturing  | 15,707      |
| Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers   | 15,644      |
| Drugs and Druggists' Sundries Merchant Wholesalers  | 15,472      |
| Air-Conditioning and Warm Air Heating Equipment and<br>Commercial and Industrial Refrigeration Equipment<br>Manufacturing | 14,751      |
| Electronics and Appliance Retailers   | 14,597      |
| Temporary Help Services   | 14,428      |
| Offices of Lawyers  | 14,387      |
| Toilet Preparation Manufacturing  | 13,828      |
| Power-Driven Handtool Manufacturing   | 13,780      |
| Marketing Consulting Services   | 13,722      |
| Hotels (except Casino Hotels) and Motels  | 13,645      |
| Other Miscellaneous Durable Goods Merchant Wholesalers  | 13,558      |
| Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation<br>Contractors   | 13,464      |
| Fruit and Vegetable Canning   | 13,331      |
| Fabricated Structural Metal Manufacturing   | 13,200      |
| Commercial and Institutional Building Construction  | 13,051      |
| Machine Shops   | 13,029      |
| Couriers and Express Delivery Services  | 12,973      |
| Chocolate and Confectionery Manufacturing from Cacao<br>Beans   | 12,797      |
| Audio and Video Equipment Manufacturing   | 12,735      |
| Offices of Other Holding Companies  | 12,726      |
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| Previous Industries  | Transitions |
|--|-------------|
| All Other Miscellaneous Fabricated Metal Product<br>Manufacturing  | 12,572      |
| Other Management Consulting Services   | 12,533      |
| Web Search Portals and All Other Information Services  | 12,525      |
| Following Industries   | Transitions |
| Pharmaceutical Preparation Manufacturing   | 340,738     |
| Search, Detection, Navigation, Guidance, Aeronautical, and<br>Nautical System and Instrument Manufacturing | 152,960     |
| Automobile and Light Duty Motor Vehicle Manufacturing  | 149,345     |
| Surgical and Medical Instrument Manufacturing  | 147,117     |
| Electronic Computer Manufacturing  | 130,427     |
| Semiconductor and Related Device Manufacturing   | 112,249     |
| Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools   | 95,984      |
| Aircraft Manufacturing   | 93,734      |
| Computer Terminal and Other Computer Peripheral<br>Equipment Manufacturing                                 | 89,325      |
| Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Manufacturing   | 83,361      |
| Analytical Laboratory Instrument Manufacturing   | 75,237      |
| Other Motor Vehicle Parts Manufacturing  | 70,460      |
| Medicinal and Botanical Manufacturing  | 63,870      |
| Soft Drink Manufacturing   | 62,536      |
| Engineering Services   | 58,445      |
| Surgical Appliance and Supplies Manufacturing  | 57,619      |
| Software Publishers  | 56,580      |
| Biological Product (except Diagnostic) Manufacturing   | 55,344      |
| Custom Computer Programming Services   | 54,729      |
| Petroleum Refineries   | 54,195      |
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| Following Industries  | Transitions |
|---|-------------|
| All Other Miscellaneous Food Manufacturing  | 47,142      |
| Aircraft Engine and Engine Parts Manufacturing  | 44,218      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Retailers   | 42,772      |
| Computer Systems Design Services  | 40,554      |
| All Other Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services  | 40,078      |
| Footwear Manufacturing  | 38,716      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment and Component<br>Manufacturing   | 36,298      |
| Administrative Management and General Management<br>Consulting Services   | 34,683      |
| Commercial Printing (except Screen and Books)   | 34,168      |
| All Other Industrial Machinery Manufacturing  | 33,598      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Manufacturing   | 33,562      |
| Plastics Material and Resin Manufacturing   | 33,536      |
| Commercial and Service Industry Machinery Manufacturing   | 32,891      |
| Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and<br>Life Sciences (except Nanotechnology and Biotechnology) | 32,340      |
| Paint and Coating Manufacturing   | 31,462      |
| All Other Plastics Product Manufacturing  | 31,404      |
| Research and Development in Biotechnology (except<br>Nanobiotechnology)   | 31,207      |
| Commercial Banking  | 30,377      |
| Cut and Sew Apparel Manufacturing (except Contractors)  | 28,325      |
| Computing Infrastructure Providers, Data Processing, Web<br>Hosting, and Related Services                             | 28,061      |
| Other Computer Related Services   | 27,620      |
| General Medical and Surgical Hospitals  | 26,928      |
| Soap and Other Detergent Manufacturing  | 26,924      |
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| Following Industries   | Transitions |
|--|-------------|
| Other Electronic Component Manufacturing   | 25,009      |
| Other Communications Equipment Manufacturing   | 24,786      |
| Radio and Television Broadcasting and Wireless<br>Communications Equipment Manufacturing | 24,111      |
| Wholesale Trade Agents and Brokers   | 23,619      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Chemical Product and Preparation<br>Manufacturing                | 23,412      |
| Office Administrative Services   | 22,706      |
| Relay and Industrial Control Manufacturing   | 22,645      |
| Employment Placement Agencies  | 22,368      |
| Medical, Dental, and Hospital Equipment and Supplies<br>Merchant Wholesalers             | 22,321      |
| Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing                               | 22,292      |
| Web Search Portals and All Other Information Services                                    | 22,235      |
| Electromedical and Electrotherapeutic Apparatus<br>Manufacturing                         | 22,207      |
| Full-Service Restaurants   | 21,786      |
| All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacturing   | 21,668      |
| Clothing and Clothing Accessories Retailers  | 21,118      |
| Construction Machinery Manufacturing   | 20,413      |
| Elementary and Secondary Schools   | 19,905      |
| Farm Machinery and Equipment Manufacturing   | 19,591      |
| Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers  | 19,426      |
| Insurance Agencies and Brokerages  | 19,360      |
| Corrugated and Solid Fiber Box Manufacturing   | 18,903      |
| Offices of Physicians (except Mental Health Specialists)                                 | 18,753      |
| Apparel Accessories and Other Apparel Manufacturing                                      | 18,122      |



| Following Industries   | Transitions |
|--|-------------|
| Instruments and Related Products Manufacturing for<br>Measuring, Displaying, and Controlling Industrial Process<br>Variables | 18,011      |
| National Security  | 17,951      |
| Limited-Service Restaurants  | 16,045      |
| Other Engine Equipment Manufacturing   | 15,702      |
| Air-Conditioning and Warm Air Heating Equipment and<br>Commercial and Industrial Refrigeration Equipment<br>Manufacturing    | 15,445      |
| Major Household Appliance Manufacturing  | 15,443      |
| Breweries  | 15,409      |
| Offices of Certified Public Accountants  | 15,224      |
| Abrasive Product Manufacturing   | 15,031      |
| Plumbing, Heating, and Air-Conditioning Contractors  | 14,732      |
| Motor Vehicle Electrical and Electronic Equipment<br>Manufacturing   | 14,686      |
| Power-Driven Handtool Manufacturing  | 14,626      |
| Toilet Preparation Manufacturing   | 13,882      |
| Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation<br>Contractors  | 13,786      |
| Other Management Consulting Services   | 13,690      |
| Industrial Machinery and Equipment Merchant Wholesalers  | 13,606      |
| Fabricated Structural Metal Manufacturing  | 13,488      |
| Commercial and Institutional Building Construction   | 13,088      |
| Chocolate and Confectionery Manufacturing from Cacao<br>Beans  | 13,067      |
| Fruit and Vegetable Canning  | 12,740      |
| All Other Miscellaneous Fabricated Metal Product<br>Manufacturing  | 12,633      |
| Marketing Consulting Services  | 12,537      |
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| Following Industries   | Transitions |
|--|-------------|
| Offices of Other Holding Companies                                 | 12,289      |
| Audio and Video Equipment Manufacturing                            | 12,281      |
| Drugs and Druggists' Sundries Merchant Wholesalers                 | 12,175      |
| Other Miscellaneous Durable Goods Merchant Wholesalers             | 12,104      |
| Machine Shops  | 12,084      |
| Other Basic Inorganic Chemical Manufacturing                       | 11,840      |
| Offices of Lawyers   | 11,766      |
| Oil and Gas Field Machinery and Equipment Manufacturing            | 11,713      |
| Semiconductor Machinery Manufacturing                              | 11,712      |
| Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services                 | 11,584      |
| All Other Miscellaneous General Purpose Machinery<br>Manufacturing | 11,517      |
| Rubber and Plastics Hoses and Belting Manufacturing                | 11,363      |



## What skills are they posting for?

### Top 15 Skills for All Job Types Sought by Your Selected Companies by Quarter

Skills help us understand the direction an industry is headed.



#### **Gross Regional Product (GRP)**

\$5.0B

\$3.7B

Earnings (2024)

Property Income (2024) \$397.9M

**\$9.1B** 

Taxes (2024)

Total GRP (2024)



### **Industry Requirements**

| Purchases from                                       | In-region Purchases | Imported Purchases | <b>Total Purchases</b> |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Animal Production                                    | \$231,052           | \$560,803,924      | \$561,034,976          |
| Iron and Steel Mills and Ferroalloy Manufacturing    | \$880,612           | \$546,793,582      | \$547,674,194          |
| Corporate, Subsidiary, and Regional Managing Offices | \$387,482,470       | \$2,024,755        | \$389,507,225          |
| Crop Production                                      | \$10,889,827        | \$317,041,922      | \$327,931,749          |
| Plastics Material and Resin Manufacturing            | \$0                 | \$155,631,721      | \$155,631,721          |