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## MACHINERY MANUFACTURING

Iowa is the place for machinery manufacturing, and Ottumwa offers an attractive location to take advantage of everything the region has to offer. With low labor costs at all skill levels, excellent access to rail and other transportation assets, a well-educated workforce with an outstanding work ethic, and a livable, low-cost community your employees will love, your manufacturing business will thrive in Ottumwa. Add our excellent incentives and friendly regulatory climate, and you'll know why Ottumwa is the place for machinery manufacturing.

### THE OTTUMWA REGION IS HOME TO THESE LEADING MACHINERY MANUFACTURERS

COMPANY	INDUSTRY
 <b>JOHN DEERE</b>	Hay and Forage Equipment
	Industrial-grade Snow Removal, Scrap and Recycling Equipment
	Heavy Equipment Manufacturing
 <b>MID WEST FABRICATING CO.</b>	Automotive Prototype Fabrication
 <b>WINBCO</b> <small>TANK SYSTEM SPECIALIST</small>	Custom Liquid Processing Systems

### IOWA: WHERE MANUFACTURING IS AT

- Iowa accounts for 15.7% of U.S. Agricultural Implement Manufacturing Employment (*BLS, 2016*)
- Iowa accounts for 12.3% of U.S. Construction Machinery Manufacturing Employment (*BLS, 2016*)
- #5 Highest Concentration of Industrial Machinery Mechanics of Any State (*BLS, 2015*)
- Nearly 7,000 students are enrolled in courses related to Ag and Construction Manufacturing at Iowa's community colleges (IEDA)
- Ottumwa is home to a John Deere manufacturing facility that employs over 800 people.

### THE SKILL YOUR MANUFACTURING BUSINESS NEEDS



**Indian Hills Community College:** A public community college with campuses located in Ottumwa and Centerville, the Ottumwa location has a student enrollment of over 4,300. Indian Hills Community College offers two-year degrees, including industrial electronics technology, electromechanical technology, robotics technology, etc.

The Ottumwa region has higher 2-year degree educational attainment than the U.S. average and most of the surrounding states.



## COMPETITIVE WAGES

For occupations in demand by machinery manufacturers, the Ottumwa region enjoys wage levels that are at or below averages for the region and the nation.

OCCUPATION	WAPELLO COUNTY MEDIAN WAGE	OEDC REGION	IOWA	UNITED STATES
51-1011 First-Line Supervisors or Production and Operating Workers	\$26.88	\$26.58	\$25.21	\$27.78
51-2092 Team Assemblers	\$15.05	\$15.85	\$15.29	\$14.45
51-2099 Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	\$12.51	\$14.33	\$15.06	\$13.73
51-4031 Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	\$12.82	\$13.50	\$15.52	\$15.56
51-4041 Machinists	\$14.34	\$15.53	\$18.25	\$20.05
51-4121 Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	\$16.89	\$16.89	\$17.42	\$18.94
51-4122 Welding, Soldering, and Brazing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	\$17.60	\$17.39	\$17.56	\$17.78
53-1021 First-Line Supervisors of Helpers, Laborers, and Material Movers, Hand	\$19.55	\$21.00	\$22.39	\$22.71
53-7062 Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	\$12.86	\$13.56	\$13.46	\$12.49
51-9199 Production Workers, All Other	\$13.28	\$14.15	\$14.59	\$13.83

## TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

- **Highways:** Ottumwa is located just an hour and a half from both Des Moines, and Iowa City. The City of Ottumwa lies along U.S. 34, an east-west highway that runs from central Colorado to Chicago, and U.S. 63, a north-south highway that runs through the Midwest.
- **Rail:** Ottumwa is served by two Class I rail providers, BNSF and Canadian Pacific Railway. The City has two industrial sites served by rail, the Cargill Bioprocessing Industrial Park and the Ottumwa Regional Airport Industrial Park. Burlington Junction Railway also operates a switching line and truck-rail transloading facility in Ottumwa.
- **Air:** The City of Ottumwa has access to the Ottumwa Regional Airport, a public airport owned by the City with two runways and rental hangars. Located less than 90 minutes away, the Des Moines International Airport offers non-stop flights to twenty destinations across the U.S.
- **Port:** Ottumwa is located along the Des Moines River, which connects to the Port of Des Moines and the Mississippi River. There are a number of major ports along the Mississippi River, the closest being the Burlington Port Authority.



## ACCESS TO MAJOR MARKETS

Ottumwa companies can reach nearly 75 million people within an 8-hour drive – 23% of the U.S. population. We're close to all of the major metro areas in the upper Midwest:

- Chicago, IL
- Des Moines, IA
- Minneapolis, MN
- Milwaukee, WI
- St. Louis, MO
- Kansas City, MO
- Indianapolis, IN
- Cincinnati, OH
- Louisville, KY



**To Learn More About the Surprising Value Ottumwa Offers Machinery Manufacturers, Call Me Today!**

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