



Governor JB Pritzker joined elected officials and the Lion Electric Company — a Canadian based manufacturer of all-electric medium and heavy-duty urban vehicles — to announce a significant investment in Illinois, with plans to build the company's first-ever U.S. manufacturing facility and the largest plant of its kind in the country. A minimum of \$70 million will be invested to build a new facility dedicated to producing medium and heavy-duty electric vehicles (EVs) in the U.S. The facility is expected to come online in the second half of 2022, setting into motion annual production capacity of 20,000 zero-emission vehicles a year, and creating at least 745 jobs for Illinoisans.

#1 METRO FOR NEW AND EXPANDING COMPANIES

SITE SELECTION MAGAZINE

#1 MIDWEST STATE FOR BUSINESS CREATION

U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

#3 U.S. LOCATION FOR CORPORATE EXPANSIONS/RELOCATIONS

SITE SELECTION MAGAZINE

#4 STATE FOR DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE

BUSINESS FACILITIES

5th HIGHEST GDP IN THE NATION

U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

18th LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD

BUREAU OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS





















































































43% OF ILLINOISANS HAVE AN ASSOCIATES DEGREE OR HIGHER

254 HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS STATEWIDE

- 15th best University in the world University of Chicago
- 2 Top 5 Business Schools in U.S. Kellogg & Booth Schools of Business
- Top 5 Computer Science Program Nationally -University of Illinois

- 2 Top 5 Materials Engineering Programs in U.S. -University of Illinois & Northwestern
- Top 10 Supply Chain Mgmt. Program Governors State
- Top 5 percent in terms of research expenditure –
 Southern Illinois University





RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES, TO AN EXPANSIVE BUSINESS
COMMUNITY, TO A VIBRANT
STARTUP ECOSYSTEM, ILLINOIS
IS PROPELLING THE NATION
FORWARD THROUGH NEW
IDEAS.

ILLINOIS
COMPANIES
RAISED \$7.1B IN
FUNDING OVER
397 DEALS IN
2021 ALONE

CHICAGO HAS THE

HIGHEST VC

RETURNS OUT OF

ANY US STARTUP

HUB

200% INCREASE IN
STARTUP COMPANIES
LAUNCHING FROM
ILLINOIS
UNIVERSITIES OVER
THE PAST 5 YEARS



Within 4-hour flight of all major North American destinations and the most overseas nonstop flights

BROADBAND



Virtually every major data network in the world intersects in Chicago

WATER



2 major inland ports and 19 port districts with more than 1K miles of navigable waterways

RAIL



Only state with all 7 Class 1 Railroads

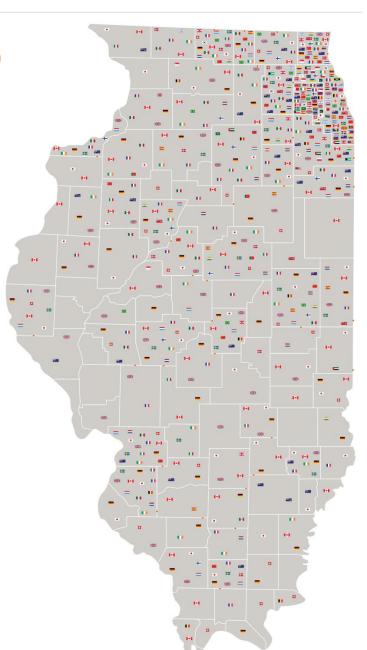
ROAD



3rd largest interstate highway system in the U.S.

HOME TO 2,034 FOREIGN OWNED COMPANIES

- More than \$112B in Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)
- International companies EMPLOY 380KILLINOISANS
- CHICAGO METRO RANKED #1 for FDI by Site Selection Magazine
- Robust international business resources including EIGHT FOREIGN TRADE ZONES AND 29 SUBZONES
- Illinois Office of Trade and Investment has SIX REGIONAL INTERNATIONAL
 OFFICES in Belgium, Canada, China, Israel, Japan and Mexico



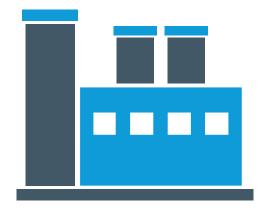
MANUFACTURING
ACCOUNTS FOR 12.7% OF
THE ILLINOIS GDP

4TH HIGHEST

MANUFACTURING

GRP IN THE U.S.





560,000+

EMPLOYED IN

MANUFACTURING

8.9% OF THE STATE'S

WORKFORCE IS

EMPLOYED IN

MANUFACTURING

BATTERY & VEHICLE COMPONENT MANUFACTURING

1st

national lab

Argonne, runs

the Joint Center

for Energy

Storage

Research.

2nd

in nation in

number of

battery

manufacturer

locations

3rd

in motor vehicle

electrical and electronic

equipment

manufacturing locations

4th

in U.S. for number of

locations that

manufacture non-

battery EV-unique

components

5th

in number of

motor and

generator

manufacturing

locations

BATTERY AND COMPONENT MANUFACTURERS



























AUTOMOTIVE + BATTERY HUB

+816

companies in the automotive industry



+38

battery cell & automotive battery manufacturers

- 4th LARGEST Auto Employment Base in the U.S.
- TWO of the US' top three automakers: FORD & **STELLANTIS**
 - Ford's Torrence Ave. facility employs 5800, produces Explorer, Aviator, Police Interceptors
 - Stellantis (fka Fiat Chrysler) Belvedere facility; new home to Jeep's flagship Cherokee



















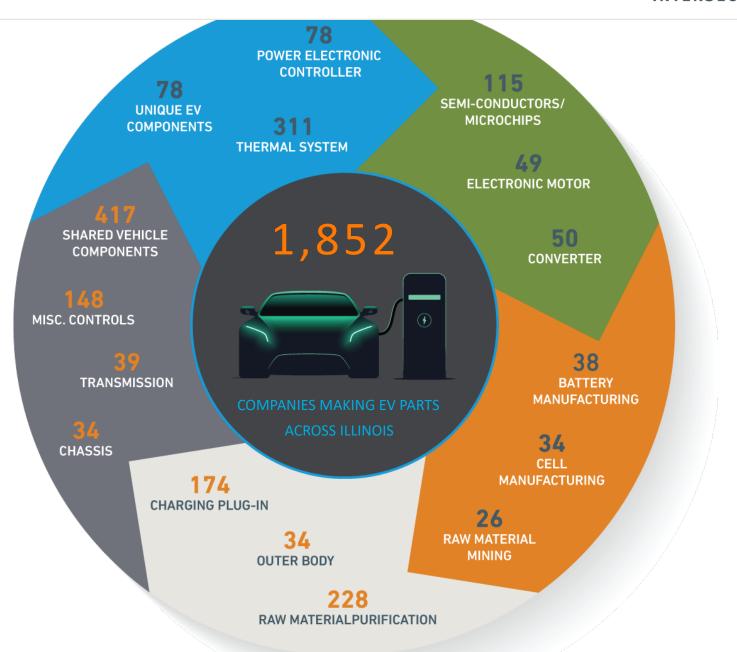








- Battery Cell Manufacturers
- **Automotive Battery Manufacturers**
- **Auto Industry Companies**



Illinois is committed to a clean energy future. The state has the 6TH HIGHEST ENERGY SOURCES FROM CLEAN/CARBON-FREE GENERATION, and businesses have access to 100% RENEWABLES through the state's COMPETITIVE ENERGY MARKET

ELECTRIC

Affordability

- Industrial/commercial electric prices 25% below the national average - among the lowest prices in Midwest, average prices have decreased 2% over last 10 years
- 2nd lowest increase in average electrical prices since 1997 at just 24%, well below the level of inflation

Efficiency

- One of most extensive energy efficiency program portfolios in nation saving in costs eliminating over 42M tons of CO2 emissions
- Illinois is committed to acquiring 25% of its retail electricity from renewable sources by 2025 and 50% by 2040

Reliability

 #2 electric grid in the U.S. based on performance, policies and customer program (GridWise Alliance)



ENERGY - ELECTRIC VEHICLE ECOSYSTEM

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY \$1.2B funding to advance U.S. battery manufacturing and EV sectors
- MXD creating the tools, software and expertise to equip U.S. factories to build more efficiently, less expensively
- SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM
 recognized globally

ACCELERATORS, INCUBATORS AND INNOVATION

- Among top 15% of states in manufacturing R&D
- o Illinois Universities spent \$271M in engineering research
- 4th most patents in supply electric power to auxiliary equipment of vehicles
- Evergreen Climate Innovations (formerly Clean Energy Trust) is advancing climate tech in the Midwest







ELITE AUTOMOTIVE LABOR FORCE

- 42,493 WORKERS employed in automotive industry
- 1,009,975 WORKERS WITH SKILLS for jobs in the automotive industry
- Concentration of automotive-qualified workers
 14% ABOVE NATIONAL AVERAGE
- Ranked 6TH NATIONALLY in total labor force
- Robust community college system:
 - 48 institutions
 - OVER 233K STUDENTS (fall 2020 school year)

STATE INVESTED \$15 M into Manufacturing Training Academies



Heartland Community College Electric Vehicle-Energy Storage

First-of-its-kind EV manufacturing training program made possible by partnership with electric vehicle manufacturer, Rivian

Southwestern Illinois College Advanced
Manufacturing Center Manufacturing education hub
in Belleville, expanding upon school's successful
manufacturing training facilities

ENERGY - ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE SUCCESSES





Employs more than 3,000 people at its Normal, IL plant where it manufactures its electric trucks and SUVs; raised nearly \$12B in its IPO



(f) LION ELECTRIC Investing \$70M in the largest allelectric commercial vehicle production plant in the U.S. in Joliet



EVBX

Chose Libertyville for its U.S. headquarters, where it produces 200 advanced chargers per week



HYZ□N Utilizing hydrogen fuel cell technology, the
Bolingbrook facility will produce 12,000
FCEV trucks per year

ILLINOIS: A HUB FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Experience in AUTO MANUFACTURING, INNOVATION and COMMITMENT TO THE FUTURE make Illinois an ideal place for EV companies to EXPAND and THRIVE.

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT to achieve 100% clean energy,
INCENTIVES for EV development, and programs such as DIRECT TO
CONSUMER SALES

PROVEN EV SUCCESSES

ECOSYSTEM including R&D, accelerators, incubators and innovation

UNMATCHED

INFRASTRUCTURE

ROBUST AUTOMOTIVE & HEAVY MACHINERY INDUSTRY supply chain specializing in battery manufacturing, unique EV and shared vehicle components

EV WORKFORCE OF THE FUTURE

RENEWABLE ENERGY that is reliable and affordable

THANK YOU

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