

# **Nevada's Aerospace and Defense Sector**



### **Industry Summary for Aerospace and Defense**

21,344

Jobs (2025)

24% below National average

56.9%

% Change (2015-2025)

Nation: 24.7%

\$125,421

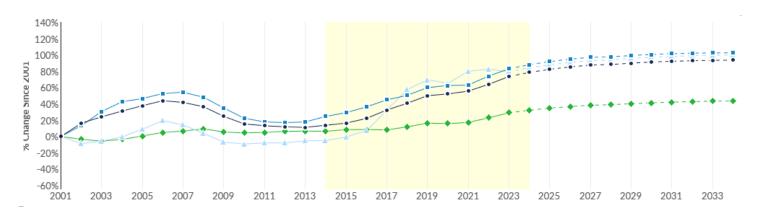
Avg. Earnings Per Job (2024)

Nation: \$147,232

#### **Industry Detail**

Payrolled Business Locations (2024)	1,206
Jobs Multiplier	2

# **Regional Trends**



	Region	2015 Jobs	2025 Jobs	Change	% Change
•	Nevada	13,602	21,344	7,742	56.9%
•	Las Vegas, NV Metro	8,842	13,376	4,534	51.3%
•	Reno, NV Metro	2,103	3,467	1,365	64.9%
•	United States	2,242,531	2,797,054	554,524	24.7%

## Regional Breakdown of Nevada's Aerospace and Defense

Region	Jobs (2015)	Jobs (2025)	Job Change (2015-2025)	Job Change %	Earnings (2024)	Jobs LQ (2024)
Carson City	698	860	162	23%	\$111,155	1.59
Churchill	544	841	297	55%	\$128,351	4.69
Clark	8,842	13,376	4,534	51%	\$121,543	0.66
Douglas	236	422	186	79%	\$109,633	1.08
Elko	117	172	55	47%	\$108,293	0.44
Esmeralda	0	5	5	Insf. Data	Insf. Data	0.10
Eureka	5	0	(5)	Insf. Data	\$0	0.00
Humboldt	5	45	40	Insf. Data	\$99,248	0.29
Lander	5	5	0	Insf. Data	Insf. Data	0.01
Lincoln	5	0	(5)	Insf. Data	\$0	0.00
Lyon	80	47	(33)	(41%)	\$84,965	0.20
Mineral	0	0	0	0%	\$0	0.00
Nye	1,014	1,847	833	82%	\$154,236	7.25
Pershing	0	0	0	0%	\$0	0.00
Storey	76	174	98	128%	\$88,121	0.53
Washoe	1,946	3,246	1,300	67%	\$129,785	0.77
White Pine	5	15	10	Insf. Data	\$141,078	0.18



### **Top Occupations Employed in these Industries**

Description	Employed in Industry Group (2024)	% of Total Jobs in Industry Group (2024)
Civil Engineers	1,883	9.1%
General and Operations Managers	860	4.1%
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	715	3.4%
Project Management Specialists	660	3.2%
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	593	2.9%

### **Industry Requirements (Top Supply Chain)**

Purchases from	In-region Purchases	Imported Purchases	<b>Total Purchases</b>
Corporate, Subsidiary, and Regional Managing Offices	\$58,944,464	\$12,572,090	\$71,516,554
Temporary Help Services	\$52,920,994	\$11,474,497	\$64,395,491
Engineering Services	\$40,164,479	\$17,414,870	\$57,579,348
Administrative Management and General Management Consulting Services	\$22,419,807	\$34,637,262	\$57,057,069
Lessors of Residential Buildings and Dwellings	\$35,319,630	\$13,745,728	\$49,065,358



#### **Industry Gender Breakdown**



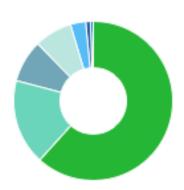
	Gender	2025 Jobs	2025 Percent
•	Males	14,714	68.9%
•	Females	6,630	31.1%

#### **Industry Age Breakdown**



	Age	2025 Jobs	2025 Percent
•	14-18	90	0.4%
	19-24	1,439	6.7%
	25-34	4,812	22.5%
	35-44	4,835	22.7%
•	45-54	4,318	20.2%
•	55-64	4,113	19.3%
•	65+	1,735	8.1%

### **Industry Race/Ethnicity Breakdown**



	Race/Ethnicity	2025 Jobs	2025 Percent
•	White	12,832	60.1%
•	Hispanic or Latino	3,755	17.6%
•	Asian	1,892	8.9%
	Black or African American	1,838	8.6%
	Two or More Races	717	3.4%
•	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	176	0.8%
	American Indian or Alaska Native	135	0.6%

### **Industry Breakdown of Nevada's Aerospace and Defense**

NAICS	Description	2015 Jobs	2025 Jobs	2015 - 2025 Change	Avg. Earnings Per Job	2025 Jobs LQ
325920	Explosives Manufacturing	0	0	0	\$0	0.00
332722	Bolt, Nut, Screw, Rivet, and Washer Manufacturing	598	689	90	\$96,275	1.94
332992	Small Arms Ammunition Manufacturing	54	50	(4)	\$64,207	0.40
332993	Ammunition (except Small Arms) Manufacturing	0	26	26	\$90,187	0.14
332994	Small Arms, Ordnance, and Ordnance Accessories Manufacturing	155	266	111	\$85,946	1.01
334511	Search, Detection, Navigation, Guidance, Aeronautical, and Nautical System and Instrument Manufacturing	139	513	374	\$130,103	0.42
336411	Aircraft Manufacturing	35	44	9	\$69,304	0.02
336412	Aircraft Engine and Engine Parts Manufacturing	256	220	(36)	\$108,363	0.23
336413	Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing	143	302	159	\$98,952	0.28
336414	Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Manufacturing	61	29	(32)	\$76,196	0.03
336415	Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Propulsion Unit and Propulsion Unit Parts Manufacturing	0	0	0	\$0	0.00
336419	Other Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing	0	0	0	\$0	0.00
336992	Military Armored Vehicle, Tank, and Tank Component Manufacturing	0	0	0	\$0	0.00
488190	Other Support Activities for Air Transportation	2,160	3,737	1,577	\$115,351	2.46
541330	Engineering Services	7,288	10,017	2,730	\$124,978	0.81
541715	Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences (except Nanotechnology and Biotechnology)	2,556	4,861	2,305	\$143,852	0.85
611512	Flight Training	157	592	435	\$128,164	2.02



#### **Data Sources and Calculations**

#### **Industry Data**

Lightcast industry data have various sources depending on the class of worker. (1) For QCEW Employees, Lightcast primarily uses the QCEW (Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages), with supplemental estimates from County Business Patterns. (2) Non-QCEW employees data are based on a number of sources including QCEW, Current Employment Statistics, County Business Patterns, BEA State and Local Personal Income reports, the National Industry-Occupation Employment Matrix (NIOEM), the American Community Survey, and Railroad Retirement Board statistics. (3) Self-Employed and Extended Proprietor classes of worker data are primarily based on the American Community Survey, Nonemployer Statistics, and BEA State and Local Personal Income Reports. Projections for QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees are informed by NIOEM and long-term industry projections published by individual states.

#### **Input-Output Data**

The input-output model in this report is Lightcast's gravitational flows multi-regional social account matrix model (MR-SAM). It is based on data from the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey and American Community Survey; as well as the Bureau of Economic Analysis' National Income and Product Accounts, Input-Output Make and Use Tables, and Gross State Product data. In addition, several Lightcast in-house data sets are used, as well as data from Oak Ridge National Labs on the cost of transportation between counties.

#### **Staffing Patterns Data**

The staffing pattern data in this report are compiled from several sources using a specialized process. For QCEW and Non-QCEW Employees classes of worker, sources include Occupational Employment Statistics, the National Industry-Occupation Employment Matrix, and the American Community Survey. For the Self-Employed and Extended Proprietors classes of worker, the primary source is the American Community Survey, with a small amount of information from Occupational Employment Statistics.

#### State Data Sources

This report uses state data from the following agencies: Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation

