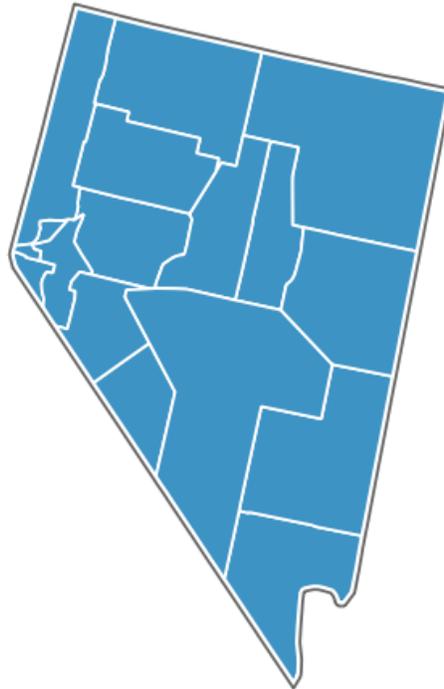




Nevada's Aerospace and Defense Sector



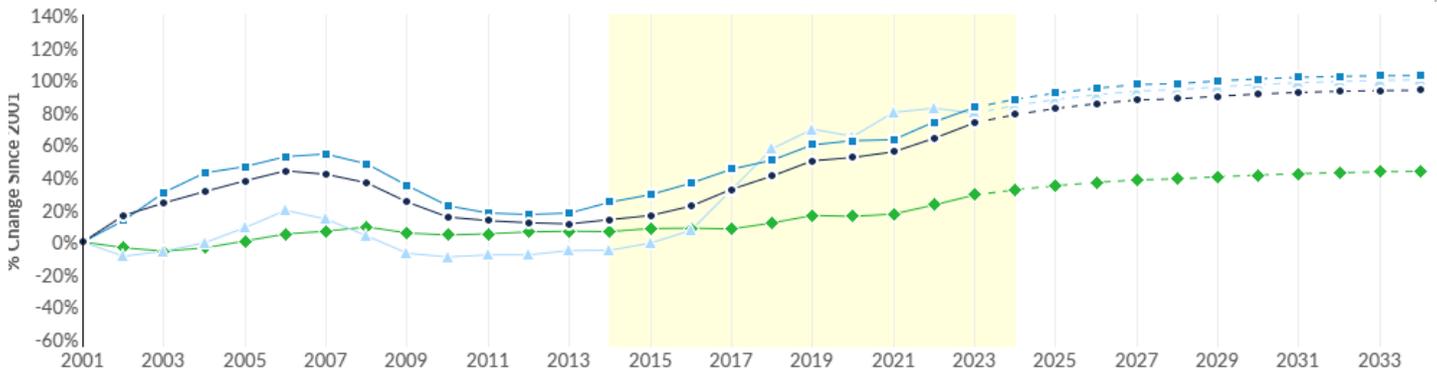
Industry Summary for Aerospace and Defense

21,869 Jobs (2026) 22% below National average	53.2% % Change (2016-2026) Nation: 25.%	\$128,979 Avg. Earnings Per Job (2025) Nation: \$150,313
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Industry Detail

Payrolled Business Locations (2024)	1,234
Jobs Multiplier	2

Regional Trends



Region	2016 Jobs	2026 Jobs	Change	% Change
● Nevada	14,276	21,869	7,593	53.2%
● Las Vegas, NV Metro	9,294	13,908	4,614	49.6%
● Reno, NV Metro	2,301	3,505	1,205	52.4%
● United States	2,247,309	2,819,494	572,185	25.5%

Regional Breakdown of Nevada's Aerospace and Defense

Region	Jobs (2016)	Jobs (2026)	Job Change (2016-2026)	Job Change %	Earnings (2025)	Jobs LQ (2025)
Carson City	675	860	185	27%	\$110,210	1.56
Churchill	534	916	381	71%	\$133,800	5.09
Clark	9,294	13,908	4,614	50%	\$124,259	0.68
Douglas	251	347	96	38%	\$111,648	0.89
Elko	103	174	71	69%	\$111,616	0.44
Esmeralda	0	5	5	Insf. Data	Insf. Data	0.10
Eureka	5	0	(5)	Insf. Data	\$0	0.00
Humboldt	5	28	23	Insf. Data	\$108,192	0.18
Lander	5	5	0	Insf. Data	Insf. Data	0.01
Lincoln	5	0	(5)	Insf. Data	\$0	0.00
Lyon	79	37	(42)	(54%)	\$91,219	0.15
Mineral	0	0	0	0%	\$0	0.00
Nye	1,062	1,757	695	65%	\$165,535	6.93
Pershing	0	0	0	0%	\$0	0.00
Storey	77	161	84	110%	\$93,745	0.48
Washoe	2,144	3,307	1,163	54%	\$132,936	0.78
White Pine	5	28	23	Insf. Data	\$164,761	0.33

Top Occupations Employed in these Industries

Description	Employed in Industry Group (2025)	% of Total Jobs in Industry Group (2025)
Civil Engineers	1,975	9.3%
General and Operations Managers	881	4.1%
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	710	3.3%
Project Management Specialists	684	3.2%
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	599	2.8%

Industry Requirements (Top Supply Chain)

Purchases from	In-region Purchases	Imported Purchases	Total Purchases
Corporate, Subsidiary, and Regional Managing Offices	\$70,206,352	\$9,960,786	\$80,167,139
Temporary Help Services	\$53,679,229	\$12,483,309	\$66,162,538
Engineering Services	\$45,566,838	\$20,196,028	\$65,762,866
Administrative Management and General Management Consulting Services	\$26,093,017	\$37,001,767	\$63,094,784
Offices of Lawyers	\$41,648,102	\$20,388,106	\$62,036,208

Industry Gender Breakdown



Gender	2026 Jobs	2026 Percent
● Males	15,265	69.8%
● Females	6,604	30.2%

Industry Age Breakdown



Age	2026 Jobs	2026 Percent
● 14-18	89	0.4%
● 19-24	1,418	6.5%
● 25-34	4,699	21.5%
● 35-44	5,002	22.9%
● 45-54	4,552	20.8%
● 55-64	4,233	19.4%
● 65+	1,876	8.6%

Industry Race/Ethnicity Breakdown



Race/Ethnicity	2026 Jobs	2026 Percent
● White	13,047	59.7%
● Hispanic or Latino	4,010	18.3%
● Black or African American	1,874	8.6%
● Asian	1,873	8.6%
● Two or More Races	732	3.3%
● Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	184	0.8%
● American Indian or Alaska Native	148	0.7%

Industry Breakdown of Nevada's Aerospace and Defense

NAICS	Description	2016 Jobs	2026 Jobs	2016 - 2026 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	555	704	149	\$98,950	1.99
332992	Small Arms Ammunition Manufacturing	60	44	(16)	\$68,814	0.35
332993	Ammunition (except Small Arms) Manufacturing	0	16	16	\$95,075	0.08
332994	Small Arms, Ordnance, and Ordnance Accessories Manufacturing	160	268	108	\$88,809	1.02
334511	Search, Detection, Navigation, Guidance, Aeronautical, and Nautical System and Instrument Manufacturing	144	461	318	\$130,197	0.37
336411	Aircraft Manufacturing	67	42	(25)	\$69,144	0.02
336412	Aircraft Engine and Engine Parts Manufacturing	272	216	(57)	\$103,743	0.23
336413	Other Aircraft Parts and Auxiliary Equipment Manufacturing	143	302	159	\$93,887	0.28
336414	Guided Missile and Space Vehicle Manufacturing	<10	27	Insf. Data	\$84,026	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	2,762	3,782	1,020	\$120,333	2.47
541330	Engineering Services	7,171	10,573	3,403	\$128,879	0.85
541715	Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences (except Nanotechnology and Biotechnology)	2,758	4,864	2,107	\$147,958	0.85
611512	Flight Training	183	571	388	\$124,984	1.90

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