

About the Sector

The Manufacturing Sector comprises of establishments engaged in the mechanical, physical, or chemical transformation of materials, substances, or components into new products. Establishments within this sector are often described as plants, factories, or mills that use power-driven machines and materials-handling equipment.

- Bureau of Labor Statistics

Did you know?



5,537
jobs posted
every month



4%
3-year job
growth rate



282,388
currently
employed



\$70.0k
average
salary



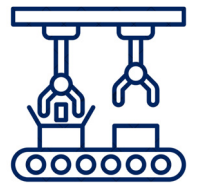
6.3%
annual
wage trend

Notable Occupations at or above Dallas County living wage of \$23.31/hour

Notble Occupations	Current Employment	Projected 3-Year Net Job Change	Median Hourly Wage	Entry-Level Education
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	11,810	439 (3.7%)	\$31.20	High school diploma or equivalent
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	6,915	204 (3.0%)	\$23.86	High school diploma or equivalent
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	6,061	525 (8.6%)	\$30.17	High school diploma or equivalent
Industrial Engineers	5,460	395 (7.2%)	\$50.58	Bachelor's degree
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products	4,122	152 (3.7%)	\$30.59	High school diploma or equivalent
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	3,751	115 (3.1%)	\$27.33	Postsecondary nondegree award

Top Skills

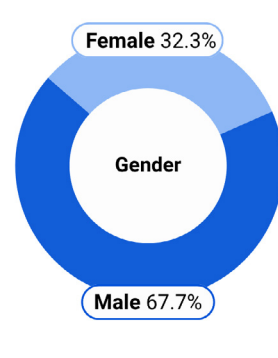
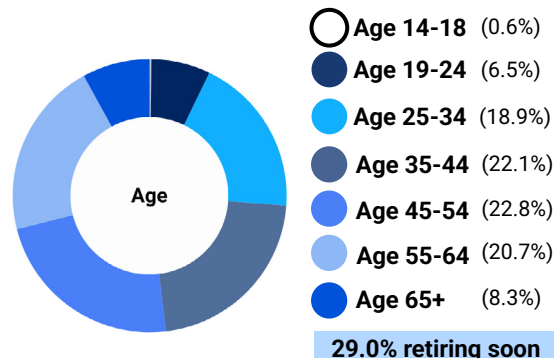
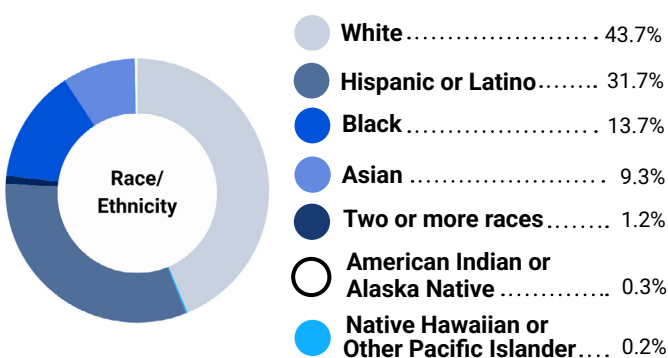
- Continuous Improvement Process
- Project Management
- Lifting Ability
- Marketing
- Warehousing
- Auditing



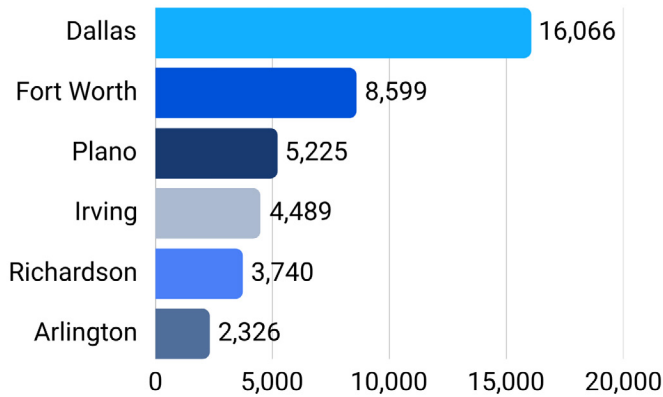
Notable Employers



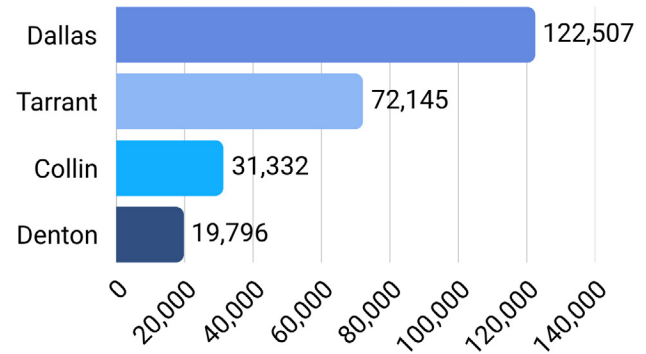
Demographics



Top Cities by Unique Posting



Current Employment by County



From June 1, 2025 – May 31, 2026

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Associate Degree (A.A.S)

- Precision Machining Technology
- Electro Mechanical Technology
- Commercial Electrical Technology
- Construction Management
- Electro Mechanical Technology
- Welding Applications

Certifications

- Mechanical Drafting
- Electronics Technology
- Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW)
- Welding Applications Certificate
- FAME Manufacturing Core Exercises Enhanced Skills Certificate
- CNC Mill and Lathe Operator Certificate

Skills Achievement Award

- Advanced Masonry Certification Occupational Skills Award (CE)
- Facilities Maintenance Technician Building Mechanical Maintenance Certification Occupational Skills Award (CE)
- Electronics and Climate Controls Technician Occupational Skills Award (CE)

Continuing Education

- AutoCAD Specialist
- Construction Trade
- CE Residential Carpentry Certificate
- CE Field Engineering Certificate
- Mechatronics - Mechanical Components I

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4-Year Transfer Possibilities

	TXST	Manufacturing Engineering	Bachelor
	TTU	Industrial Engineering	Bachelor
	TSU	Manufacturing and Industrial Management	Bachelor
	UTD	Mechanical Engineering	Bachelor

About the Labor Market Intelligence Center

The Dallas College Labor Market Intelligence Center (LMIC) was established in 2015 to cultivate a healthy workforce ecosystem in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex. The team conducts research revolving around the local labor market, program alignment, and socioeconomic barriers that impact Dallas College students and the local community. The LMIC is committed to developing strategic research partnerships with internal partners and external organizations to deepen understanding of complex problems that impact Dallas College students.

Sources: Lightcast 2026.Q2

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