



Aviation Companies in MS

- GE Aviation
- NASA
- Vertex Aerospace
- Lockheed Martin
- Northrop Grumman
- United Technologies
- EADS North America
- Rolls-Royce
- Raytheon
- L-3 Communications

Industry Resources

- Mississippi Manufacturers Association
www.mma-web.org
- Manufacturing Extension Partnership of Mississippi
<http://mep.ms/>
- MSU Aerospace Engineering School
<http://www.bagley.msstate.edu/MississippiTechnologyAlliance>
<http://www.technologyalliance.ms/index.php>

Industry Research

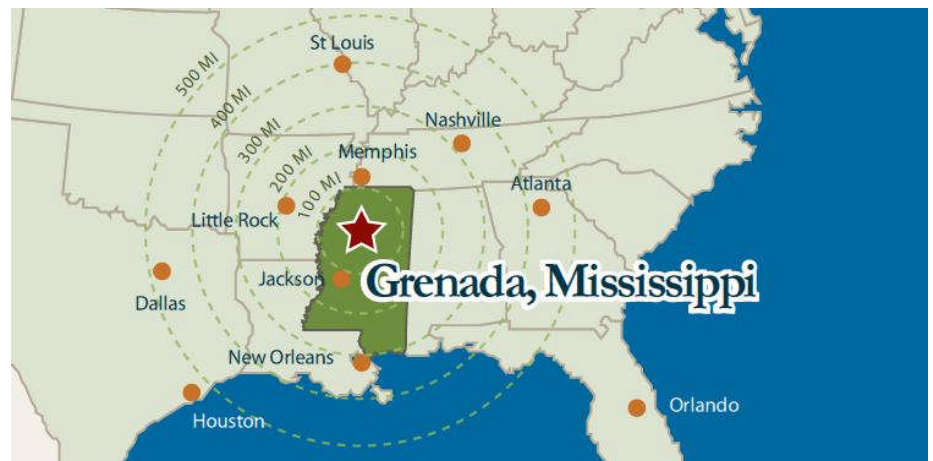
- MSU Raspet Flight Laboratory
<http://www.ae.msstate.edu/site/pages/index.php>
- Center for Manufacturing Excellence, Ole Miss
www.olemiss.edu/depts/cme/
- USM Polymer Research Institute
<http://www.usm.edu/polymer/index.html>

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Take off in Grenada, MS

Located on I-55, Grenada is well positioned to supply aviation OEM's throughout the U.S. Grenada offers a well educated and trained workforce with decades of experience in the manufacturing sector. Generous state incentives, coupled with our local can-do attitude, ensure productive, low-cost operations for your aircraft parts & equipment manufacturing company.

- GE Aviation is located only 40 miles from Grenada, MS
- Local airport with a 7,000 ft. runway
- Skilled metal workers with an excellent work ethic for quality production
- Quick access to Mississippi State University's Raspet Flight Laboratory



Distance to Major Markets

City	Distance / Direction	Drive Time
Atlanta, GA	367 miles / East	6 hours 5 min
Birmingham, AL	224 miles / SE	3 hours, 50 min
Dallas, TX	513 miles / SW	8 hours 5 min
Houston, TX	535 miles / SW	9 hours, 10 min
Jackson, MS	113 miles / SW	1 hours 5 min
Little Rock, AR	220 miles / NW	3 hours , 55 min
Memphis, TN	99 miles / North	1 hour 35 min
Nashville, TN	305 miles / NE	4 hours, 55 min
New Orleans, LA	299 miles / South	4 hours 50 min
St. Louis, MO	383 miles / North	6 hours, 5 min

Rand McNally, <http://www.randmcnally.com> (as of June 2009)

Productive Workforce

Grenada employers value their workers as a major asset.

- “Good work ethic”
- “Adaptable, willing to change/improve skills”
- “Engaged and care about the quality of their work”
- “They want to make a difference, not just punch a clock”
- “Strong sense of ownership for their work”
- “Many employees with perfect attendance”

Source: Employer interviews, 2009.

Training

Holmes Community College

Located in the Industrial Technology Complex on the Grenada Campus of Holmes Community College, Workforce Development provides a variety of non-credit training options, including equipment or processes, retraining for new or higher positions, and basic skills. HCC Workforce Development has labs for hydraulics, programmable logic controllers, automation, mechanical systems, electricity, CNC programming, machine shop, welding shop, as well as computer labs.

Energy

Service reliability in Grenada Industrial Park exceeds 99.99%.

- **Tallahatchie Valley Electric Power Association.**
www.tvepa.com
- **Entergy-Mississippi, Inc.**
www.entergy-mississippi.com

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Workforce

Grenada’s surrounding workforce of 54,000 is non-unionized and oriented to manufacturing, especially fabricating, forming, forging, finishing and painting. Productivity is excellent, with a 3% absenteeism rate and 5% turnover rate (Mississippi Development Authority).

Representative Wage Rates for Parts Industry

Occupation	Starting	Experienced
Industrial Productions Manager	\$21.80	\$39.94
Shipping, Receiving, Traffic Clerk	\$9.38	\$13.84
Mechanical Engineer	\$26.02	\$38.84
Industrial Machinery Mechanic	\$15.23	\$24.20
Maintenance & Repair Worker	\$9.51	\$16.11
Machinery Maintenance	\$11.79	\$19.26
Production Supervisor	\$14.57	\$24.02
Assembler & Fabricator	\$7.57	\$13.15
Computer Controlled Machine Tool Operator	\$9.99	\$14.88
Machinist	\$11.48	\$18.15
Tool & Die Maker	\$12.67	\$18.39
Welder, Cutter, Solderer, Brazer	\$11.49	\$15.88

Mississippi Dept. of Employment Security, LMI Div., 1st Quarter 2007, Grenada County/MSA (Apr 2009)

Incentives

Please contact us for a customized incentive package: (662) 229-9502.

Incentives	
Name	Description
Jobs Tax Credit	Tax credit against MS Corporate Income Tax
Rural Economic Development (RED) Tax Credit	Tax credit against MS Corporate Income Tax
Existing Manufacturer Tax Credit	Tax credit against MS Corporate Income Tax
National or Regional Headquarters Jobs Credit	Tax credit against MS Corporate Income Tax
Manufacturing Investment Tax Credit	Tax credit against MS Corporate Income Tax
Skills Training Tax Credit	Tax credit against MS Corporate Income Tax
Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Construction or Expansion	Tax exemption
Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Bond Financing	Tax exemption
National or Regional Headquarters Incentive	Tax exemption
Industrial Property Tax Exemption	Tax exemption
Industrial Revenue Bond Exemptions	Tax exemption
The Advantage Jobs Incentive Program	Tax Rebate

