

2016 Annual NC COMMUNITY INVESTMENT REPORT

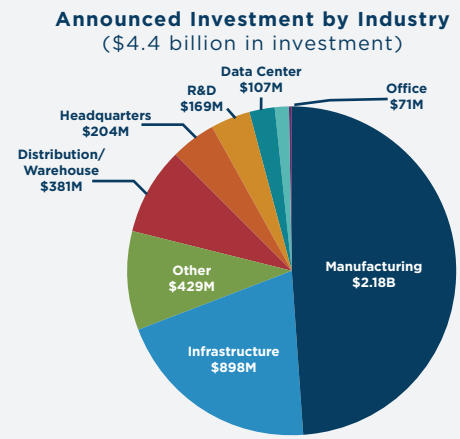
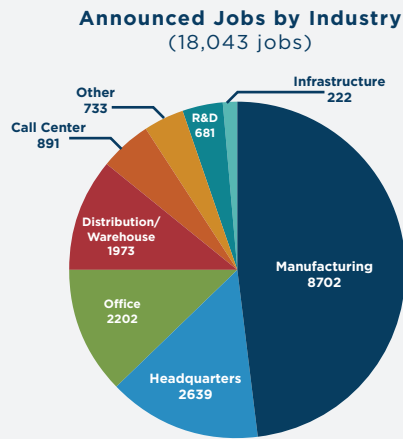
SUMMARY

In 2016, North Carolina's economic development community reported 443 new and expansion projects across the state. Seventy percent of these were economic development projects. The remaining 30% were infrastructure and other projects. Reported projects contributed a total of 18,043 announced jobs and \$4.4 billion in announced investment. Confidential jobs and investment are not included in this report.

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

Consistent with past years, there were more manufacturing projects in 2016 than any other project type. Manufacturing, headquarters (corporate and business), and office projects accounted for the most jobs announced in 2016. Manufacturing, infrastructure & other, and distribution/warehouse projects accounted for the most announced investment.

2016 Announced Projects	
Manufacturing	38%
Other	22%
Office	12%
Distribution/Warehouse	8%
Infrastructure	7%
Research & Development	5%
Headquarters	4%
Data Center	1%
Call Center	1%



473

 Reported Projects

- 82 new economic development projects
285 economic development expansion projects
106 infrastructure and other projects
- 38% Manufacturing
22% Other
12% Office
- 53 foreign direct investment projects from 20 countries

18,043

 Announced Jobs

- 5,270 announced jobs from new economic development projects
12,040 announced jobs from economic development expansion projects
- 48% Manufacturing
15% Headquarters (corporate & business)
12% Office
- 2,380 announced jobs from foreign direct investment projects

\$4.4 Billion

 in Announced Investment

- \$893 million from new economic development projects
\$3.12 billion from economic development expansion projects
- 49% Manufacturing
30% Infrastructure and other
9% Distribution/warehouse
- \$1.02 billion from foreign direct investment projects

Largest 2016 Projects by Jobs		
Company	Announced Jobs	Project Type
Alorica	800	Call Center
Everest Textiles	610	Manufacturing
Avadim Technologies	551	Headquarters
Mountaire Farms	500	Manufacturing
HAECO Americas	500	Manufacturing

Largest 2016 Projects by Investment		
Company	Announced Investment	Project Type
NTE Energy	\$450 million	Power Plant
CSX	\$219 million	Distribution/Warehouse
GF Linamar	\$217 million	Manufacturing
Grifols Therapeutics	\$210 million	Manufacturing

Year-to-Year Comparison

The number of reported projects, announced jobs, and announced investment in 2016 fall behind 2015 numbers. Please note that comparisons across time are likely subject to measurement errors. For more context, please review the CIR methodology on the back.

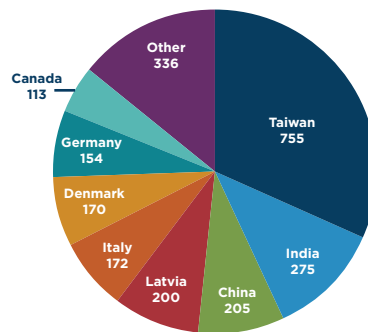
Year-to-Year Comparison			
	Up/Down	2015	2016
Reported Projects	↓	671	473
Announced Jobs	↓	27,567	18,043
Announced Investment	↓	\$7.6 billion	\$4.4 billion

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

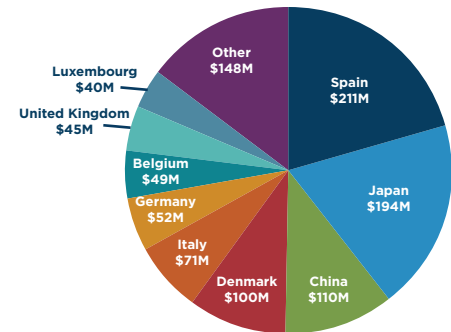
In 2016, 53 FDI projects from 20 different countries announced more than one billion dollars in investment in North Carolina. FDI projects also accounted for 2,380 announced jobs. Among the top FDI projects:

- Taiwanese-owned Everest Textile Co. announced a 610 job, \$18.5 million investment in Rutherford County.
- Indian-owned Aurobindo Pharma USA announced a 275 job, \$31.7 million investment in Durham County.
- Danish-owned Novozymes North America announced a 110 job, \$100 million investment in Franklin County.

FDI Announced Jobs by Country
(2,380 jobs)



FDI Announced Investment by Country
(\$1.02 billion)



Top Ten Countries by Number of Projects

Country	Germany	China	United Kingdom	Italy	Japan	Taiwan	Belgium	Canada	Denmark	Spain
# of Projects	14	5	5	4	4	3	2	2	2	2
Jobs	1,894	205	50	172	41	755	60	113	170	0
Investment	\$53 M	\$110 M	\$45 M	\$71 M	\$195 M	\$34 M	\$49 M	\$33 M	\$101 M	\$212 M

About the Community Investment Report

The Community Investment Report collects and analyzes project-level data from across North Carolina to measure economic development activity. CIR relies on partners across the state to report projects, and does not necessarily capture every announced job or dollar invested in North Carolina.

Economic Development projects include: manufacturing, data centers, offices, call centers, distribution/warehouses, research and development facilities, and headquarters buildings.

Infrastructure projects include: airports, arenas, business parks and spec buildings, hotels, casinos, destination resorts, theme parks, highway projects, medical facilities, power plants, rail and rapid transit systems, university research facilities, and water and sewage systems.

Other projects include: retail establishments of any type, restaurants, bank branches, museums, K-12 schools or any other non-commercial education facility, self-storage facilities.

While the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina (EDPNC) strives to make the data and analysis in the CIR as reliable as possible, it is subject to some key weaknesses, including:

Selection Effects: CIR only tracks reported projects, not all projects in the state. As a result, it is subject to selection effects. For example, one region/individual may submit several qualifying projects, while another region/individual may submit few, or no qualifying projects.

Data Quality: EDPNC takes steps to verify project details, but relies on submitters to provide accurate data.

Comparisons across Time: Because of the potential weaknesses highlighted above, it is important to understand that comparisons across time are subject to measurement errors. For example, an apparent fall in project activity from one year to the next might be due to a general economic slowdown, a drop-off in CIR participation (selection effects), or changes in guidelines for collecting data (data quality).

Announced vs. Actual: Job creation and investment figures in CIR are *announced*, and may not reflect actual hiring counts or actual investment. At present, EDPNC does not verify that previously reported jobs or investment actually occurred.

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