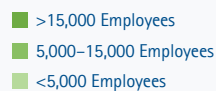
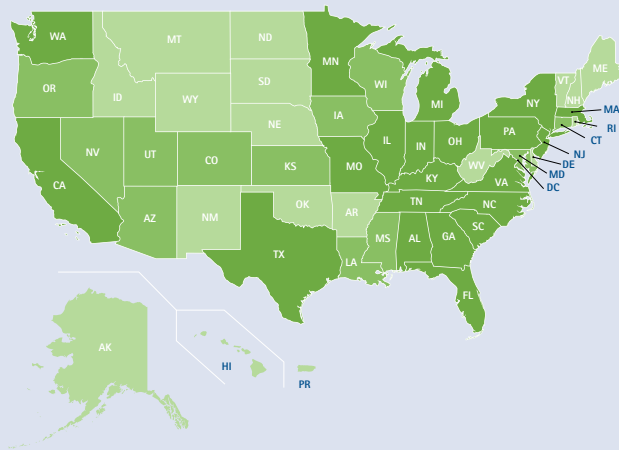


## U.S.-GERMAN TRADE CREATES JOBS IN EACH STATE



- German affiliates create jobs in every state. Find out more at [www.germanbusinessusa.com](http://www.germanbusinessusa.com)
- German companies invest over \$13 billion annually on research and development in the U.S. 73% of these expenditures are directed towards the manufacturing sector, contributing to the long-term competitiveness of U.S. manufacturing.
- German companies spend almost \$85 billion annually on a globally competitive workforce in the United States.
- German-American trade keeps growing and amounts to \$236 billion, making Germany the 4<sup>th</sup> largest importer to the U.S. For the U.S., Germany is the 7<sup>th</sup> most important export market.

### Employment by German affiliates by U.S. states, 2022



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce

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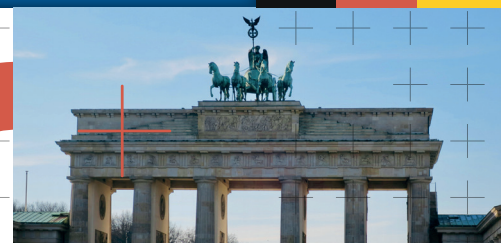
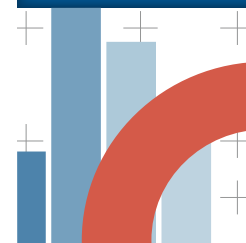
# GERMAN BUSINESS IN THE U.S.



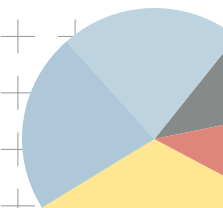
**871,400 JOBS**  
CREATED BY GERMAN  
COMPANIES IN THE U.S.



**GERMAN INVESTMENT  
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\$677 BILLION**



**THERE ARE  
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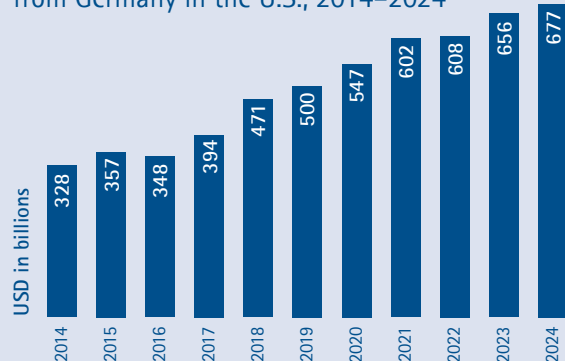


## GERMANY IS THE 3<sup>RD</sup> LARGEST FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTOR IN THE U.S.



According to the German Bundesbank, 6,200 German-owned companies operate in the U.S. Most of them are affiliates of small- and medium-sized enterprises. Germany is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest source of foreign direct investment in the U.S., and German companies have more than doubled their investment in the U.S. over the last 10 years. A survey of companies in this year's German American Business Outlook (GABO) showed that 84% plan to increase their investment over the next 3 years.

### Foreign direct investment (FDI) from Germany in the U.S., 2014–2024



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce

### Foreign direct investment (FDI) in the U.S. by country, 2024

Rank	Country	Investment (USD in billions)
1	Japan	819
2	Canada	812
3	Germany	677
4	United Kingdom	667
5	Ireland	389

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce

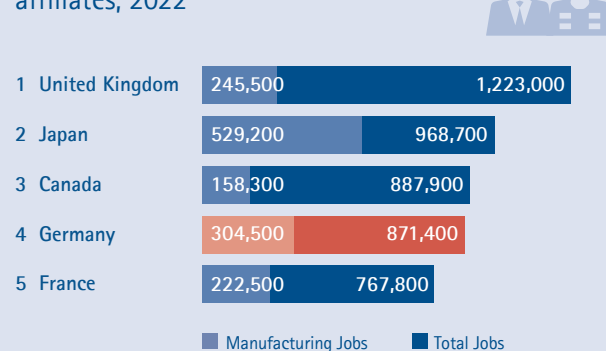
## GERMAN COMPANIES ARE THE 3<sup>RD</sup> LARGEST FOREIGN EMPLOYER IN THE U.S.



German affiliates employ 871,400 people across the U.S. That makes German companies the 4<sup>th</sup> largest foreign employer in the U.S. and the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest in the manufacturing sector. German companies account for 11% of the 8.4 million U.S. jobs created by foreign affiliates. Average wages at German companies are about 10 higher than average private sector wages in the U.S. A majority (88%) of German companies plan to expand their US workforce by 2029.

Find out how German-owned affiliates contribute to your state at [www.germanbusinessusa.com](http://www.germanbusinessusa.com)

### U.S. jobs in foreign-owned affiliates, 2022



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce

## APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS

German companies invest in their workforce with a growing number of leading apprenticeship programs benchmarked on the German Dual Education System. The earn-while-you-learn approach offers apprentices a high-quality education in advanced manufacturing combining company-specific knowledge, theory, and hands-on learning without accumulating student debt. German-style apprenticeship programs close the skills gap and build a high-skilled workforce in the U.S.

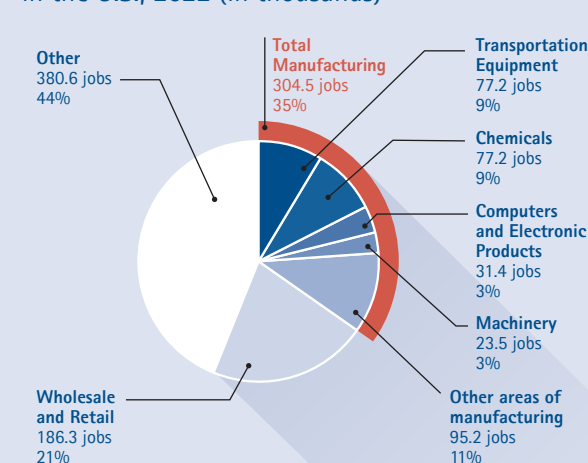


## GERMAN AFFILIATES STRENGTHEN THE U.S. MANUFACTURING SECTOR



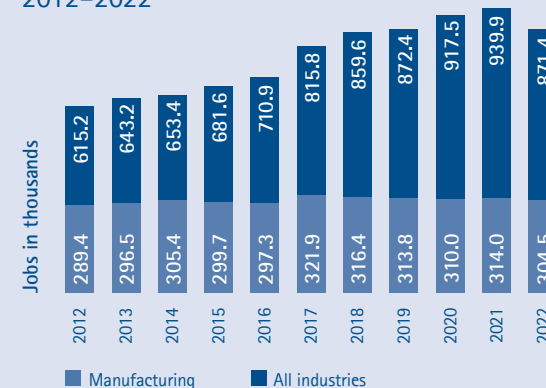
Germany accounts for about 12% of the total foreign direct investment in the United States. About half of German investment in the U.S. goes into the manufacturing sector and around 35% of the jobs created by German affiliates in the U.S. are in manufacturing.

### Jobs by German affiliates by sector in the U.S., 2022 (in thousands)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce

### Employment by German affiliates in the U.S., 2012–2022



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce