



MAKE IT AND MOVE IT IN SPOKANE VALLEY

Manufacturing drives the economy of Washington State. In 2014, the state was home to 289,100 manufacturing employees. With quality transportation logistics and low operating costs, it is no wonder manufacturers succeed in Spokane Valley.

SUPERIOR INFRASTRUCTURE

The Spokane region is equipped with the transportation logistics to move products across the U.S. Conveniently located on I-90, Spokane Valley manufacturers can make easy use of this freight corridor to carry both international and domestic interstate and intrastate trade.

- North-south routes provide access to Canada – only 110 miles to the north – as well as Mexico
- Class 1 railroads Union Pacific and Burlington Northern Santa Fe both ship nationally out of the Spokane Valley switching yard
- Spokane Valley is the gateway to and from the interior U.S. and the Pacific Rim, with efficient east-west access and reciprocal switching capabilities matched by only a few regions nationwide

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"Spokane Valley is a very good location from a combination of local assets; the environment, the support that they provide the manufacturing companies and the workforce that is available.

Combine that with the outdoor environment and local activities, Spokane Valley is the ideal location to attract a good workforce and to be successful as a business."

- Kevin Person, CEO Wagstaff



CUSTOMIZED TRAINING PROGRAMS

Impact Washington provides programs and tools to make manufacturers more globally competitive. With a variety of consulting and training services, Impact Washington has a 20-year history of creating measurable impacts for manufacturing by reducing lead times, improving efficiency, productivity, and quality by eliminating non-value-added activities.



LOW COSTS

Spokane Valley's advantage begins with its low taxes. The city does not impose a local business and occupation tax and maintains a low city property tax. It is also home to friendly workers' compensation rates that keep costs low by basing rates on hours worked rather than wages paid.

The **Machinery and Equipment Sales and Use Tax Exemption** is available to manufacturers performing manufacturing and R&D. Qualifying activities include the purchase of qualifying machinery and equipment used directly in a manufacturing operation or research and development performed by a manufacturer, or testing operations performed for a manufacturer.



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