A RESOURCE FOR MANUFACTURERS
Evolution of the Global Economy, Manufacturing, and MEP

The National Institute of Standards & Technology's Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) works with U.S. manufacturers to help them grow, become globally competitive, and more profitable!

Since 1988, the MEP nationwide network has helped thousands of manufacturers reinvent themselves, increase profits, create jobs, and establish a foundation for long-term growth and productivity.

**$81.7 BILLION in sales**
**$21 BILLION in total investment in U.S. manufacturing**

**$13.4 BILLION in savings**
**more than 665,000 Jobs Created and Retained**

The evolving role of the MEP program in the global economy

While U.S. manufacturing is constantly being shaped by globalization and the ever-changing economic situation, the MEP system continues to work to support American manufacturing and help U.S. manufacturers grow and succeed.

**GLOBAL ECONOMY**

- Foreign competition
- Economic downturn
- Innovation and new technologies

**MEP SYSTEM**

- National, state, and local programs
- Local MEP centers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico

**MEP SYSTEM TODAY**

MEP remains a valued program of the U.S. Department of Commerce and continues to help manufacturers become more innovative, profitable, and globally competitive.

- **NATIONWIDE NETWORK**
  - Over 1300 centers
  - 76,563 local businesses served

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**REFERENCES**


**FORGING PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHERS**

- Help manufacturers build new relationships

**EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF U.S. MANUFACTURING TO THE ECONOMY**

- Make It In America highlights the exciting and diverse career opportunities in manufacturing in youth

**IDENTIFYING EMERGING AND ORGANIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR MANUFACTURERS**

- Initiatives help manufacturers with supply chain efficiencies and leverage technological enhancements

**RESULTING IN**

- **INCREASE IN PROFITS**
- **NEW AND RETAINED JOBS**
- **INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL**
- **COST SAVINGS**

- Sustainability programs guide manufacturers on “going green” in response to environmental changes

Proudly Serving U.S. Manufacturers since 1988!

After 25 years, MEP is going strong and still innovating, developing new programs and services to help manufacturers grow and succeed in the 21st century economy.