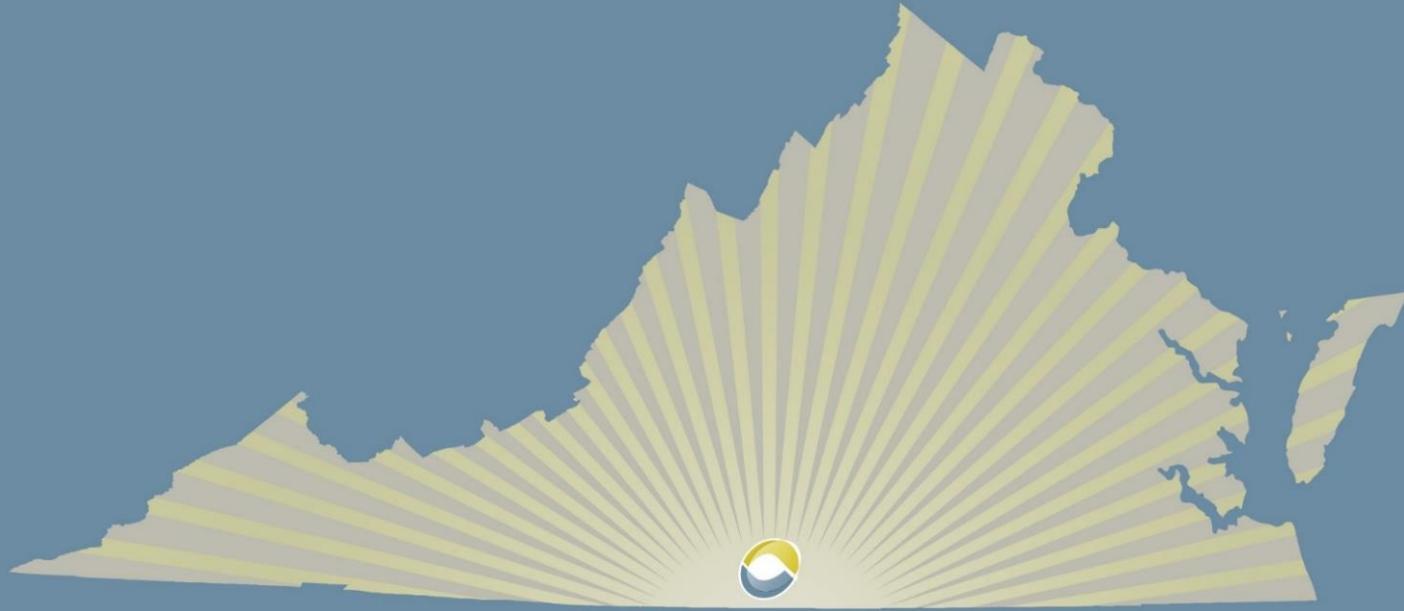


Enjoy this briefing on why industries love to
call Southern Virginia home.



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Call Southern Virginia Home

- Nestled in America's "Top State For Business", CNBC 2019
- Access to over 60% of the US population and 2/3 of the US industrial base within a day's drive
- 19 shovel ready sites 25 acres+, shell buildings 27K – 100K F², & an array of existing buildings
- Home of one of the largest certified Megasites on the East Coast
- Low cost of living with stable taxes
- Variety of innovative workforce training facilities
- More than 40 colleges and universities within a 2-hour radius
- Unique offering of quality-of-life assets



Strategic East Coast Location

ACCESSIBLE - within a day's drive to more than 60% of the U.S. population and over 2/3 of the U.S. Industrial Base

AFFORDABLE - low cost of living with stable taxes and manufacturing costs 18% below the national average and 40% less than the Western US and Europe

SKILLED - robust workforce solutions with K-12 to education pipeline and customized training centers



Transportation Infrastructure

Highways

Four 4-lane divided highways connecting to six Interstates within an hour's drive

Airports

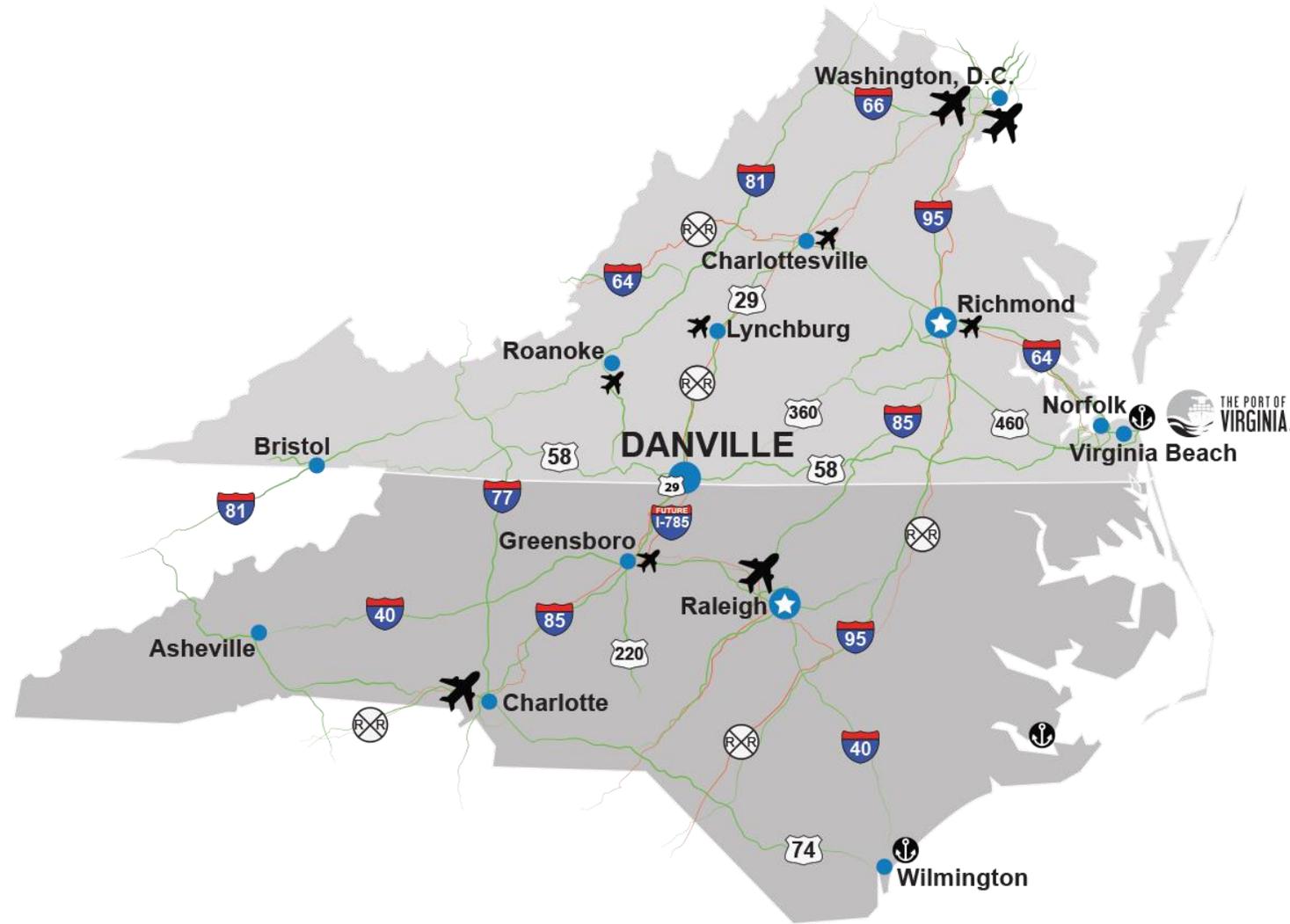
Seven domestic/international airports within 2.5 hours

Rail

Served by Norfolk Southern Railroad

Direct access to the Port of Virginia

Deepest harbor and largest cranes on the East Coast, four 170-foot-tall ship-to-shore crane, 50-foot inbound/outbound shipping channels





Southern Virginia provides easy access to OEM automotive clusters within a day's drive

Source: Dunn & Bradstreet, EDP analysis of company websites

Southern Virginia Megasite at Berry Hill

- 3,528 acre publicly owned megasite ready for single or multiple industrial users
- VEDP Business Ready Site Program Certified
- 200 Acre Graded Tier 5 Pad Site Expandable to 900+ Acres
- Onsite rail and direct access to Williams Transco Pipeline via existing gate station

www.SoVaMegasite.org



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A Solution for your Manufacturing Workforce Needs

Our strategic initiatives ensure a pipeline of manufacturing talent for your organization

A young man in a blue t-shirt and Carhartt cap is working in a factory. He is wearing safety glasses and has a tattoo on his left arm. He is holding a metal rod and working on a piece of machinery. The background shows a factory setting with various equipment and a blurred background.

[Watch Our Workforce Training In Action](#)

Skilled

Our strategic initiatives ensure a pipeline of manufacturing talent

- **Middle School (Ages 11-13) GO TEC Career Connection Labs**
 - Exposing middle school students to machining, welding, IT, healthcare, robotics, mechatronics and advanced materials.
- **Secondary School (Ages 14-18) Advanced Manufacturing Certificate**
 - University Credit, Industry Recognized Credentials, Dual Enrollment
- **Two-year Technical College Precision Manufacturing Technology**
 - University Diploma, Advanced Industry Credentials
- **Advanced Manufacturing Training Integrated Machining Technology Program**
 - University Degree, NIMS Certifications, Yellow Belt – Six Sigma Certification, Lean Flow Cell, Manufacturing, Principals



Research, Training & Higher Education

Averett University

For more than 150 years, Averett University has served the Danville community. Averett is a private nonprofit, four-year liberal arts university that provides over thirty undergraduate majors, minors and special programs, and five Master's programs. Averett provides cultural entertainment opportunities through theatre, music and arts. Averett also provides an array of NCAA athletics.

The Institute for Advanced Learning and Research (IALR)

Serves as a regional catalyst for economic transformation. IALR provides optimization of processes and launch space for manufacturing in the region as well as applied research and customized industry credentials. IALR focuses on Applied Research, Advanced Manufacturing, and Advanced Learning and supports economic development research.

New College Institute (NCI)

NCI's Center of Advanced Manufacturing provides technology education, manufacturing training, and consulting services. Their advanced manufacturing team, innovative solutions, and low cost pricing helps companies of all sizes access the training and pipeline development needed to remain economically competitive.

Southern Virginia Higher Education Center (SVHEC)

Provides college and career training opportunities and short-term hands-on credential based training in information technology, mechatronics, and welding. R&D Center for Advanced Manufacturing & Energy Efficiency provides technology adoption, custom production runs, and applied research.



Growing International Community



Com40 (EBI, LLC), Press Glass - **Poland**

Porcher Industries N.A. HQ - **France**

BHK, Gerfertec - **Germany**

Presto Products Co. - **New Zealand**

Gloster, Overfinch North America, Harlow Fastec - **United Kingdom**

Axxor, Walraven, Inc. - **Netherlands**

Hitachi ABB Power Grids - **Switzerland**

JTI Leaf Services, Kyocera SGS Tools - **Japan**

Essel Propack - **India**

Intertape Polymer, TMI AutoTech, Inc., CBN Secure Technologies, Inc. - **Canada**

Precision Electronic Services - **China**

Stora Enso - **Finland**

Superb Quality of Life

Southern Virginia's location offers you the best of all worlds. Whether your interests include hiking and biking, kayaking a river or lake, taking in a show or concert, or just grabbing a leisurely dinner with friends, you will find ample opportunities available. It will not take you long to realize why we love to call Southern Virginia Home.

Discover life in Southern Virginia at www.SoValsHome.com



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CNBC, 2019
America's Top States
For Business

#2
Information Technology & Innovation Foundation, 2017
State with Most Value Added
in Manufacturing

#1 smartasset™ 2019
No. 1 Top States
for Higher Education

#2 Business Facilities, 2019
Best State Business Climate
in the U.S.

Site Selection Magazine Prosperity Cup, 2019
VEDP **The Most Competitive State-level Economic Development Group**
in the U.S.



Danville Named Top Digital City in America, The Center For Digital Government & Digital Communities



Danville named All-America City, 2020

2020

Community Economic Development Award Winner



Danville Named American City of the Future, fDi (Foreign Direct Investment) Magazine 2017/18



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