

Create a career pathway in Advanced Manufacturing

Northeast Florida is one of the largest manufacturing regions in the state. Competitive local assets include industrial sites ranging from hundreds to more than 1,000 acres. Two certified megasites in the region include Cecil Commerce Center and Crawford Diamond.

While the region’s well-trained workforce continues to grow, so do the number of Advanced Manufacturing establishments. Companies such as Stellar Electric found Northeast Florida an ideal area to expand. They recently invested \$28 million to triple its manufacturing capacity in Jacksonville.

Northeast Florida creates a wide variety of products for multiple industries, such as contact lenses, coffee, medical devices, solar panels, aircraft and engines, wire rod and windows. Growing subsets of the industry include aviation, medical, aerospace and manufacturing.

Manufacturing occupations offer excellent opportunities for career and wage growth.

The occupations shown on the chart below represent a cross-section of entry-, mid- and executive-level positions within the industry.

FAST FACTS	38,200 EMPLOYED IN THE SECTOR IN THE REGION
ADVANCED MANUFACTURING PRODUCED \$2.3 Billion IN GDP IN THE REGION IN 2022	\$78,602 AVERAGE WAGE PER WORKER

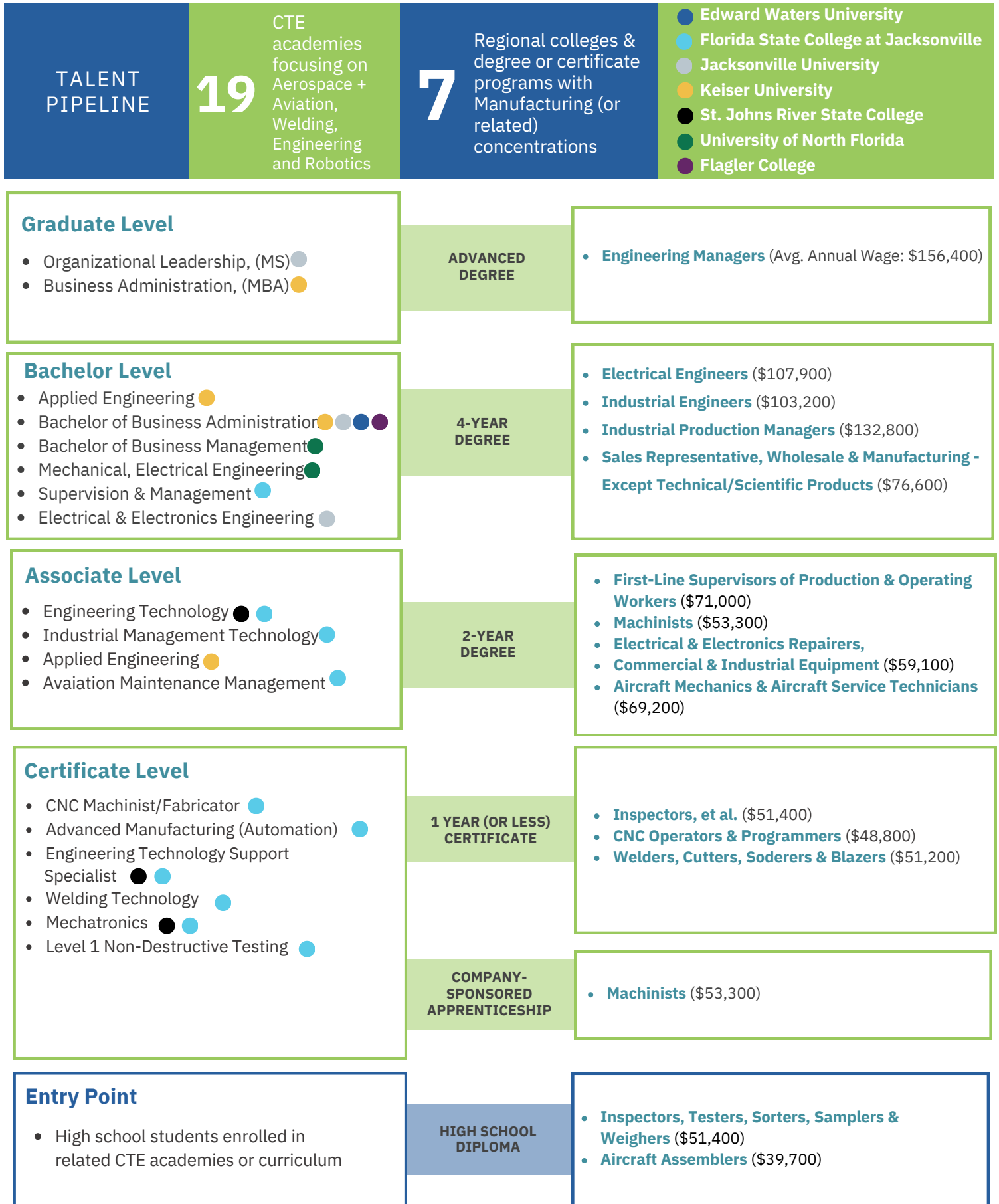
TOP INDUSTRY EMPLOYERS (2024)

Company	Number of Employees
Fleet Readiness Center S.E.	5,500
Johnson & Johnson Vision Care	3,500
Northrop Grumman	1,100
Flightstar Aircraft Services	1,030
Georgia Pacific	980

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Anheuser-Busch	Flightstar	Johnson & Johnson Vision*	SAFT America Inc.
Bacardi Bottling Corp.	GE Oil & Gas	Kaman	Sapa Extrusions North America
BAE Systems	Georgia Pacific Corporation-	Medtronic	Sea Ray Boats
Beaver Street Fisheries	Palatka	Micheal Baker International*	SEMCO Southeastern Metals
Boeing*	Gerdau Ameristeel	Northrop Grumman	Unison Industries
BRPH*	Grace Aerospace	Perdue*	Vac-Con
Carlisle Interconnect Technologies	Hans Mill *	Pilot Pen Corporation	Veritas Steel
Coca-Cola Refreshments	Hearthside Food Solutions	Rayonier	Vulcan Materials Company *
Colomer USA	Ideal Aluminum	Rayonier Advanced Materials	WestRock
Dr. Pepper Snapple Group	Jacksonville Aviation Authority	Ring Power	Workscapes*
Fleet Readiness Center Southeast	Jinko Solar *	Safariland	

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Advanced Manufacturing includes Aviation and Aerospace opportunities

Northrop Grumman, one of the leading aerospace companies in the world, has maintained a presence in Northeast Florida for more than 40 years and is the largest private employer in St. Johns County. Northrop Grumman employs approximately 1,000 people in the Jacksonville region and has about 100,000 team members worldwide.

The plant produces, modifies, repairs and overhauls aircraft and sub-assemblies. It is also the primary manufacturing site for the E-2D Advanced Hawkeye Airborne Early Warning & Control aircraft.



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