

Firearms Manufacturing



#1 BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE

- **NO** state income tax
- **NO** state corporate tax
- **LOW** sales and property tax
- **NO** manufacturing sales tax
- **NO** inventory, franchise, occupation or value-added tax

Success Stories

Weatherby

After announcing their plans to relocate at SHOT Show in 2018, Weatherby has since celebrated two years of being located in Sheridan, WY. They employ over 100 people in their state-of-the-art facility that fits right into the backdrop of the beautiful Big Horn Mountains.

Maven Optics

Maven Optics, a locally grown company that opened in Lander, WY in 2013, had the privilege of supplying the United States archery team with custom-made spotting scopes and binoculars during this summer's Olympics. Maven is built around a direct to consumer model that allows them to provide quality and high performance equipment while avoiding retail markup.

Stag Arms

Since its founding, Stag Arms has specialized in the advancement of the AR firearms platform, and pioneered the first left-handed Modern Sporting Rifle. In November of 2019, Stag announced its move to Cheyenne, WY from Connecticut. That move inspired a whole new rebranding and product offering, showcasing the pride in their new Wyoming home.

#1 in gun Registration

Registered guns per capita is 5x more than the #2 ranking



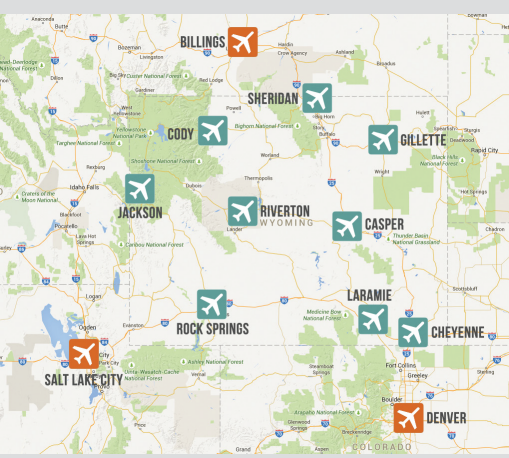
48 PERCENT
of Wyoming is
federal land.
That's more than
30 MILLION
ACRES

“

Wyoming is like the incubator of great gun companies, and that's going to create a critical mass of talent here”

– Zak Smith, co-owner
Thunder Beast Arms
Corporation

Why Wyoming Firearms Manufacturing



Diverse Business

Wyoming has a diverse profile of businesses within the firearms industry. From rifles to optics, and sights to ammunition, our local communities support these thriving businesses.

Like many other outdoor recreation businesses across the country, the pandemic created an increased demand for these local companies, most of whom found creative ways to hire additional workforce, increase production capacity, and add new product lines.

Supporting Industry Training

Wyoming's seven community colleges located across the state offer a wide array of programs that serve the needs of firearms and advanced manufacturing training needs. Community colleges work diligently with local businesses to help provide training programs in CNC machining, fabrication and welding, that bolster the talent of the manufacturing workforce.

Manufacturing Works, the state's Manufacturing Extension Partnership, is also available to assist Wyoming manufacturers, producers and entrepreneurs strategically identifying and solve their most pressing issues – enabling them to take their business to the next level.

Favorable Culture

Wyoming enjoys easy access to year-round recreation opportunities and wide-open spaces. Here the great outdoors and economic opportunity go hand-in-hand, making Wyoming an ideal spot for firearms manufacturing and other supporting outdoor recreation-related businesses.

Available Workforce

The Wyoming Workforce Development Training Fund offers Training Grants of up to \$1500 per employee per year. They also have a robust apprenticeship and internship program. Find out more by visiting wyomingworkforce.org/businesses/wdttf.

Access to Markets

9 commercial airports

and Wyoming is close to international airports in **Salt Lake City, Denver and Billings**

Cross-continental interstates

Two cross continental interstates - I-80 and I-90 - plus I-25, which stretches from near the northern border of the state to New Mexico

Class 1 railroads

Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Union Pacific

11,307,444

customers live within 8 hours of Wyoming.

To see how Wyoming might be a great fit for your business, visit www.WhyWyoming.org

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