

SEMICONDUCTORS



Next-generation devices, products, platforms, and tools are being designed, developed, and manufactured in the region. The semiconductor industry has been a cornerstone of Austin's corporate landscape since the 1970s, significantly driving the region's high-technology growth and innovation.

180+
companies
in semiconductor
related-industries

100+
companies
manufacturing semiconductors
& related components

60,000
employees
in semiconductor
related industry

Key Investments, Projects, & Industry Leaders

Austin's semiconductor industry is bolstered by substantial investments, cutting-edge projects, and the presence of leading global companies. This dynamic ecosystem continues to drive innovation, economic growth, and technological advancements in the region.

Chip Design Centers

Apple
ARM
Cirrus Logic
Ericsson
IBM
Intel
Microchip
NVIDIA
Qualcomm
Silicon Laboratories
Skyworks Solutions

Related Manufacturers

Applied Materials
CKD Corp
ENF Technology
Hanyang Eng
KoMiCo
Schunk Xycarb Technology
Tokyo Electron
Tekscend Photomask
Ultra Clean Technology
Valex
Wonik QnC

Chip Makers



Research & Development

Patents

#11 in total patents awarded in last decade
#3 for per capita patent activity

Spending

#12 for R&D by business (NSF 2021)

UT Austin

#4 for R&D in computer sciences & information
#9 in engineering
\$1.37B in sponsored research annually

Incentives

Texas CHIPS Act (2023)

77% of all **\$698M** funds for chip mfg companies awarded to Austin region
\$440M to UT Austin for chip design/manufacturing projects

R&D Tax Credits/Exemptions

Companies can choose between a sales tax exemption or a franchise tax credit for materials, software and equipment used for R&D purposes.

Manufacturing Tax Exemptions

Manufacturing machinery and equipment and natural gas and electricity used in manufacturing are exempt from sales tax.