

# West Virginia

## ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS OF FORMALDEHYDE IN WEST VIRGINIA

Formaldehyde and its derivatives support jobs and economic activity\* throughout the state. Its unique and adaptable properties make it a valuable component across various industries, including construction, automotive, aerospace, agriculture, and healthcare.

Products utilizing formaldehyde are vital to the economy, supporting supply chains and contributing to employment.



**\$4 billion** in construction spending is supported by engineered wood, roofing materials, insulation, adhesives, gypsum board, bricks, concrete, plumbing fixtures, asphalt and laminates.



**22,300 farms** benefit from fertilizers, animal feed additives, and disinfectants.



**7,000 jobs** in motor vehicle, aircraft, and other transportation equipment manufacturing supported by foam insulation & seating, safety components, electrical components, fuel system components, and more.



**6,900 jobs** in the production of coatings, adhesives, resins, personal care, laboratory and other chemical products.



**2,100 jobs** in machinery manufacturing supported by electrical system components, safety components, foam insulation & seating, adhesives, and durable coatings.



**1,900 jobs** in oil and gas extraction which is made possible by drilling fluids.



**1,200 jobs** in furniture manufacturing supported by laminates, adhesives, and durable coatings.



**800 jobs** in engineered wood products that rely on binders to adhere wood particles into materials for the construction and furniture industries.



**54 hospitals** benefit from disinfection products, surgical and medical devices, laboratory materials, etc.

Sources: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Census Bureau, USDA, and the Kaiser Family Foundation

\* Broad industrial classifications may include economic activity not supported by formaldehyde and its derivatives.