Wind energy means economic development for Tennessee. There are at least ten manufacturing facilities in Tennessee producing components for the wind industry. As the wind industry experiences continued growth, more opportunities will be created for manufacturers and service suppliers. In addition to manufacturing, the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) holds long-term power purchase agreements (PPA) with nine wind farms for the purchase of over 1,500 megawatts (MW) of wind power from wind farms in the Interior region of the United States.

Jobs & Economic
An investment in wind power is an investment in jobs, including jobs in operations and maintenance, construction, manufacturing and many support sectors. In addition, wind projects produce lease payments for landowners and increase the tax base of communities.

- 2015 direct and indirect jobs supported: 1 to 100
- Total capital investment: $30 million
- Annual land lease payments: <$100,000

Wind-Related Manufacturing
The United States has over 500 manufacturing facilities producing products for the wind industry that range from blade, tower and turbine nacelle assembly facilities to raw component suppliers, including fiberglass and steel.

- Number of active manufacturing facilities in the state: 10

Note: Calculations based on national and state averages.