STACKABLE CREDENTIALS: In 2015, the average manufacturing worker earned $79,553 annually, including pay and benefits. Manufacturing accounts for nine percent of the workforce. Manufacturers report a moderate to serious shortage of qualified applicants for skilled and highly skilled production positions. Utah manufacturing includes the following sectors: food manufacturing, natural products, outdoor products, energy-petroleum, coal, natural gas, chemical, composites and advanced materials, aerospace, fabricated metal, computer/electronics, and pharmaceuticals.