

Akron, OH Fact Sheet

Greater Ohio Design-2-Part Show

John S. Knight Center - September 10 & 11, 2025

Proven Results

% Based on 2024 Akron, OH Show



Industries Represented...

Automotive	15.2%
Machinery	12.2%
Electronics:	9.7%
Electronics Mfg.	
Computers/Subsystems	
Instrumentation & Controls	
Aerospace/Aviation	6.5%
Medical	5.8%
Energy/Utilities	3.6%
Transportation Equipment	3.2%

Attendee Profile...

Engineering	31.9%
Purchasing	13.7%
Corporate Management	24.7%

Buying Power...

89% Involved in the Decision to Outsource

Significant Influence	36.7%
Final Decision Makers	27.1%
Recommend Vendors	25.2%

PARTIAL LIST OF 2024 ATTENDEES:

AIRBORN
AIRSTREAM
ALLEN AIRCRAFT PRODUCTS INC
ALTRONIC LLC
APTIV
AVERY DENNISON
BARDONS & OLIVER INC
BENDIX
BIRD TECHNOLOGIES
BRIDGESTONE AMERICAS
BWX TECHNOLOGIES
CANFIELD INDUSTRIES
CARLISLE BRAKE & FRICTION
CEIA-USA
CLEVELAND ELECTRIC LAB
COASTAL PET PRODUCTS
CORNWELL QUALITY TOOLS
CTM LABELING SYSTEMS
CURTISS-WRIGHT
DAYTON PRECISION AEROSPACE
DIEBOLD NIXDORF
DRIVERGE VEHICLE INNOVATION
ENERGIZER BATTERY
EVERHARD PRODUCTS
FESTO CORPORATION
FIVES NORTH AMERICAN
GE HEALTHCARE
GED INTEGRATED SOLUTIONS
GOJO INDUSTRIES
GOODYEAR
GRACO
HALTEC CORPORATION
HANA MICRODISPLAY
HONDA R&D AMERICAS INC
HUBBELL POWER SYSTEM
HUNT VALVE COMPANY
INVACARE CORP
JERGENS INC
KEITHLEY INSTRUMENTS
KENT DISPLAYS INC
KNOTT BRAKE COMPANY
KOBELCO STEWART BOLLING INC
LINCOLN ELECTRIC
MEGGITT AIRCRAFT BRAKING
MOOG
NEMCO FOOD EQUIPMENT
NMG AEROSPACE
NORDSON CORPORATION
OHIO SEMITRONICS
PARKER HANNIFIN PARFLEX DIVISION
PREFORMED LINE PRODUCTS
PROCTER & GAMBLE
QUALITY ELECTRODYNAMICS
ROBIN INDUSTRIES
ROCKWELL AUTOMATION
STERIS CORPORATION
SWAGelok
TAYLOR-WINFIELD
VALTRONIC
WARREN RUPP

About the Show:

- Show sold out early in 2024.
- Get immediate business - over 50% of the visitors from our 2025 spring shows were looking to purchase within 6 months.
- Promotional radius to include: Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, New York, and West Virginia.
- The John S. Knight Center is centrally located in the heart of downtown Akron, Ohio, within 500 miles of 50% of the U.S. population.
- Interstate 77, I-76, and State Route 8 all run through downtown Akron, and are just blocks away from the Convention Center. These major highways connect with other regional routes including I-71, I-271, and the Ohio Turnpike.
- Easiest set-up and breakdown of any trade show in the region - no union fees or extra drayage costs.

Market at a Glance:

- The state of Ohio is home to 13,907 manufacturing companies employing 851,775 workers. Some of these manufacturers include General Electric, Honda Motor, Stellantis US, Swagelok Co., Northern Stamping, Procter & Gamble, and Whirlpool. **(Industry Select/MNI)**
- As of 2023, Ohio's manufacturing GDP was \$133.16 billion, making it fourth in the nation, trailing only California, Texas, and Illinois. **(U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis)**
- Ohio Specializes in Advanced Manufacturing - Nearly half of Ohio's manufacturing jobs are in the thirty-five "advanced" manufacturing industries. Examples include motor vehicle and aerospace manufacturing, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, steel mills, and advanced metals. **(The Century Foundation)**
- Ohio's factories lead the nation in production of plastics and rubber, fabricated metals and electrical equipment and appliances. - 54% of the state's output consists of durable goods. **(Ohio Development Services Agency)**