

# West Virginia: A Global Chemical and Polymer Hub

## Chemical and polymer companies have thrived in West Virginia for generations.

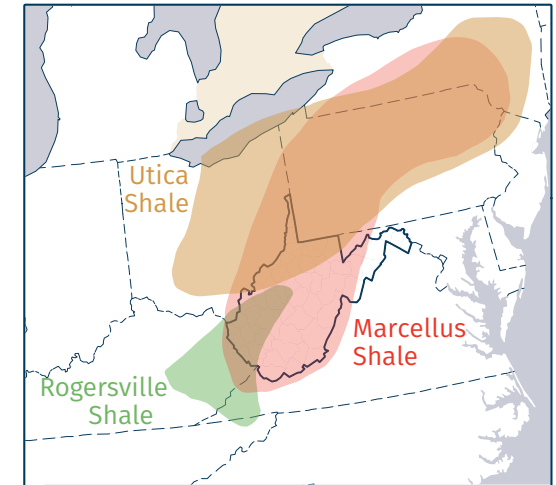
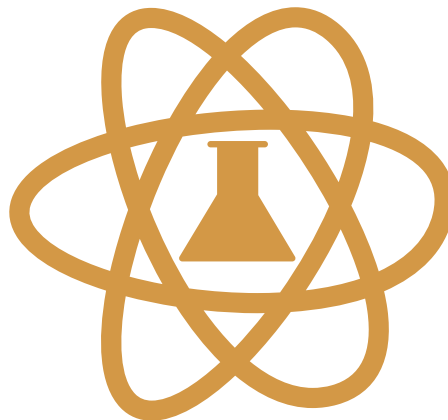
While many advantages that attracted multinational companies are still present, structural shifts have made West Virginia even more competitive as a global chemical and polymer hub.

Active chemical industrial parks throughout the state offer access to shared services and colocation at sites with significant infrastructure and existing permits.

West Virginia is located within the Appalachia Basin, which produces essential feedstock for the chemical and polymer industries. Combined with the concentration of existing chemical plants, West Virginia provides your company with access to reliable supplies from a variety of sources.

The West Virginia Development Office works hard to make the process of locating in West Virginia smooth and seamless. Our team works with businesses to locate a new site, expand facilities, export goods, train employees and more.

- Site selection support
- Tax credits
- Low interest loans
- Employee recruitment and training
- Strong transportation infrastructure



*In 2017, West Virginia was the seventh-largest natural gas-producing state in the United States, with an output of 1.6 trillion cubic feet.*

West Virginia has a long history with the chemical industry.

- Abundant water supply and gas reserves
- Skilled workforce
- Strong higher education and community and technical college system
- Partners such as Chemical Alliance Zone and Polymer Alliance Zone collaborate to advance the chemical industry in West Virginia

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