

Window On American Manufacturing

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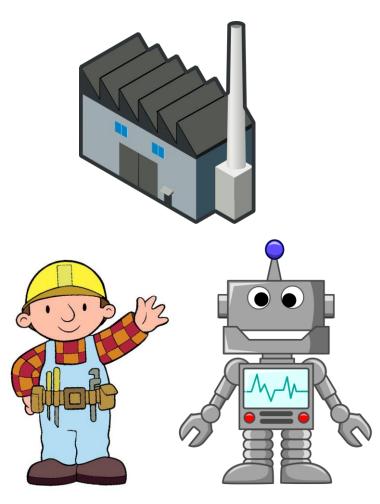


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Some of the topics and issues we will be discussing today

- How important is manufacturing and why does it matter?
- Is American manufacturing making a comeback?
- How can American manufacturing become more competitive?
- Is there a role for policy, and is it moving in the right direction?





Today's Panelists



James Owens, Ph.D. Former Chairman & CEO *Caterpillar, Inc.*



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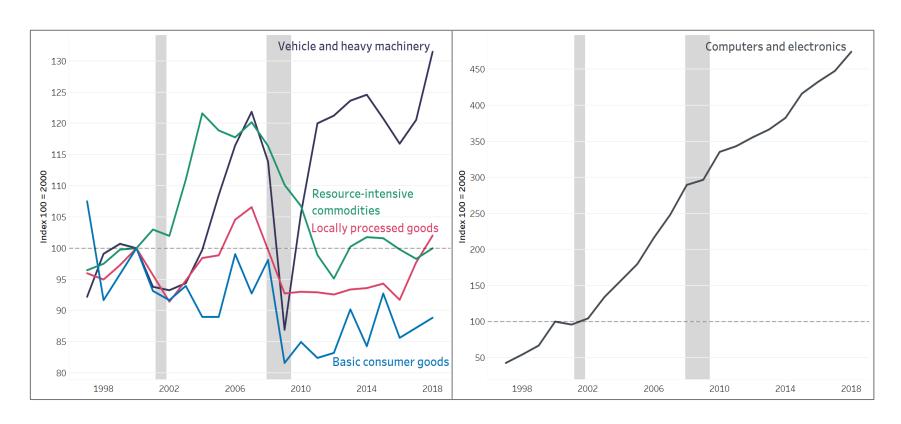


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Only part of the manufacturing sector has revived

Real value added for manufacturing industries, index 100 = 2000

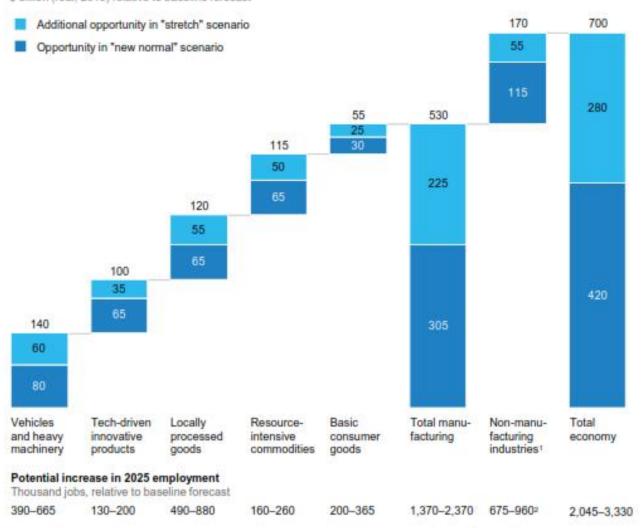


Sources: US Bureau of Economic Analysis



US manufacturing can boost value added by \$530 billion annually over baseline trends, potentially creating more than 2 million jobs

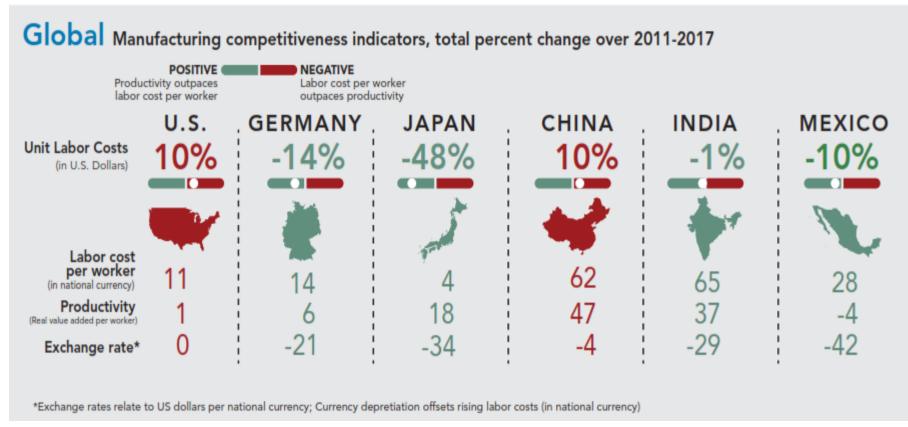
2025 value-added potential in US manufacturing and indirect effect on other sectors \$ billion (real, 2015) relative to baseline forecast



¹ Approximately 25% in professional and business services, 27% in mining and oil, 23% in wholesale, and the rest in other sectors.

² Approximately 42% in professional and business services, 17% in wholesale, 15% in agriculture, 11% in transportation, and the rest in other sectors.
NOTE: Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

Labor cost per unit of output performed badly in both the United States and China – but for different reasons



Source: The Conference Board, International Labor Comparisons Program, July 2018



Will reshoring of manufacturing become a real option?

The Business Case for Going Local

Labor market	Risks	Business strategy
 Lowering labor cost advantage in EM Higher producitivity and quality of work in mature markets Competition for skilled workers in EM 	 Exchange rate risk IP rights protection Transaction costs, such as supply chain complexity (Cyber)security 	 Servitization of manufacturing Concerns about sustainability Customer proximity

Source: The Conference Board



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