

Northeast Indiana

Global Orthopedic Leadership | Advanced Manufacturing | Integrated Healthcare

2024

#1 in Life Sciences and
Pharmaceutical Exports

70,000+

Hoosiers Employed
in Life Sciences

3,253

Establishments

Overview

From world-class manufacturing in Warsaw to cutting-edge clinical care in Fort Wayne, Northeast Indiana is a national model for life sciences strength and innovation. Anchored by global medical device firms and forward-thinking health systems, the region drives Indiana's leadership in exports, high-value employment, and future-ready healthcare.

Talent Pipelines that Fuels Industry Momentum

- Ivy Tech Community College Orthopedic & Advanced Manufacturing Training Center
- Purdue Fort Wayne biochemistry pathway in partnership with Zimmer Biomet and DePuy Synthes
- IU School of Medicine–Fort Wayne training future physicians
- Grace College health science and pre-pharmacy programs
- OrthoWorx STEM and talent initiatives
- Trine University Brooks College of Health Professions

Leadership in Exports

Indiana is #1 in life sciences exports and Northeast Indiana plays a key role in our global impact. The devices developed in the region are shipped worldwide, supported by key logistics infrastructure that accelerates global distribution.

Product Categories

Orthopedic implants, surgical instruments, medical device components

Key Exports

Medtronic  ZIMMER BIOMET

Paragon 

Exclusively for U.S. and  DePuy Synthes

Total Establishments

307

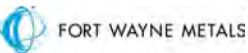
Indiana's Excellence

- **#1 2024**, Life Sciences and Pharmaceutical Exports
- **Global Hub** for Orthopedics and Radiopharma
- **70,000+** Hoosiers Employed in Life Sciences
- **3,253** Establishments

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REGIONAL ANCHORS

50% of the global orthopedic joint replacement market originates here.

Engineering the Future of Health

Investments in training, infrastructure, and early-stage innovation signal long-term sector strength, as more companies expand to smart implants, surgical robotics, and digital healthcare.

10,700

Total Employed

Steady

Employment Growth
(2014-2025)

\$123,000 Average Wage

Regional Advantage

OrthoWorx & The Orthopedic Industry

Retention Initiative

Northeast Indiana is home to the Orthopedic Capital of the World®, and Warsaw's orthopedic cluster continues to lead thanks to strategic investment and focused workforce development. OrthoWorx, a regional initiative headquartered in Warsaw, plays a vital role in sustaining this leadership. It connects employers, educators, and the community to expand STEM education, promote industry-aligned training, and build career awareness across the region. In 2024, Indiana reinforced this momentum by approving a \$30 million investment in the Orthopedic Industry Retention Initiative, a targeted effort to strengthen infrastructure, support workforce programs, and secure the long-term competitiveness of the region's orthopedic sector.

Innovation in Practice

Parkview Health Spotlight

A leading healthcare system advancing the clinical adoption of innovative technologies and expanding access to cutting-edge care across Northeast Indiana.

- Smart implants
- Robotics-assisted surgery
- Remote monitoring and digital health tools
- \$100M Cancer Institute and expanding regional medical campus
- Mirro Center for Research and Innovation