

INDUSTRY LEADERS

RENEWABLE ENERGY

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

CLEAN ENERGY

CLUSTER PROFILE FORT COLLINS, CO



The Clean Energy industry is a magnet of research labs and businesses that provide renewable energy, efficient energy technology, green building strategies and energy use best practices. The City of Fort Collins and its residents value the Clean Energy companies and agencies that make their home here.

CLEAN ENERGY

Northern Colorado is a leader in many aspects of clean energy technology development and application. The Northern Colorado Clean Energy Cluster is a business-led, project-oriented group of regional partners seeking to have a global impact on energy efficiencies. Focusing on workforce development and economic opportunities, the cluster is at the forefront of the new Energy Economy.

STRENGTHS

- Progressive public policies
- Municipally-owned, Utilities of the 21st Century
- Smart Grid technology developed in Fort Collins
- Innovative, award-winning companies
- Abundant sun and wind resources
- Residents who value energy conservation and sustainability

COLLABORATION & RESOURCES

Colorado State University, founding member of the Colorado Renewable Energy Collaboratory

- Includes CU-Boulder, Colorado School of Mines, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory
- Purpose: research & commercialize clean energy technologies

Engines and Energy Conversion Laboratory

eecl.colostate.edu

FortZED *fortzed.com*

Northern Colorado Clean Energy Cluster

nccleanenergy.com

Rocky Mountain Innovation Initiative *rmi2.org*

SAMPLE COMPANIES

- Abound Solar
- The Brendle Group
- CPP Wind Engineering
- CZero, Inc. Carbon Neutral Solutions
- Spirae
- Wirsol
- Woodward Governor

ENRICHING THE ECONOMY

- 60 Clean Energy businesses employing more than 450 people
- FortZED (Zero Energy District) is projected to create 200-300 high-paying primary jobs in the New Energy Economy and hundreds of spin off jobs
- Colorado State University recognized internationally for pioneering many clean and renewable energy technologies
- A collaborative working environment, attracts quality researchers and business people to the area

INCUBATION

- Colorado State University's Clean Energy Cluster- Cenergy
- Engines and Energy Conversion Laboratory, Colorado State University
- InteGrid Lab
- Rocky Mountain Innovation Initiative

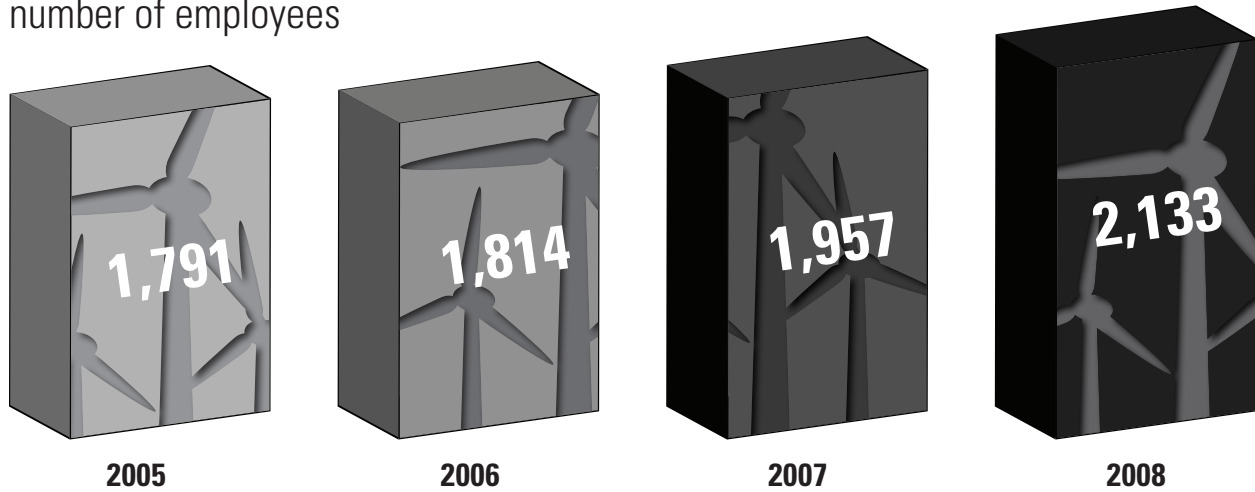
GRANTS AND RESEARCH FUNDING

Bohemian Foundation	Department of Energy's Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability
Colorado Department of Local Affairs	New Energy Communities Initiative Grant: Colorado Governor's Office of Energy

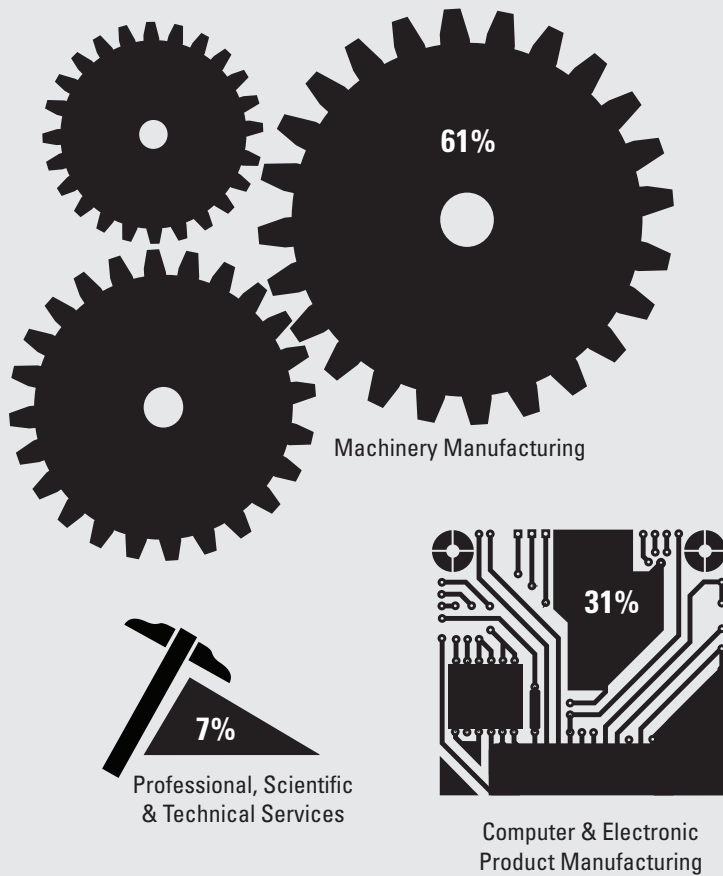
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EMPLOYMENT TREND

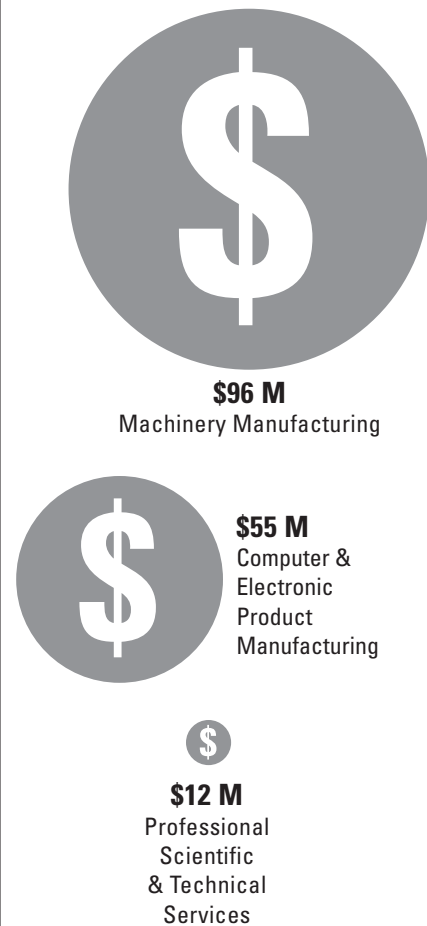
number of employees



2008 EMPLOYMENT COMPOSITION



2008 EARNINGS



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WHAT'S HOT

1. FortZED, growing to be the world's largest zero energy district
2. Technology transfer in action: CSU team developing sophisticated lithium-ion batteries that generate more power and require far less recharge time

COMMUNITY AWARDS

Following your passions and pursuing your career don't have to be mutually exclusive.

- **Best Places for Businesses and Careers, 2nd;** *Forbes Magazine* March 2009
- **Best Quality of Life for Mid-sized Metropolitan Areas, 7th;** *bizjournal.com*, March 2009
- **Best Place to Live in the Nation, 2nd;** *Money Magazine*, July 2008
- **Best-Educated Cities in America, 10th;** *Forbes magazine*, November 2008
- **One of the Best Places to Raise Your Kids;** *Business Week*, November 2008
- **100 Best Places to Live and Launch, 39th;** *Money Magazine* March 2008
- **One of 30 Fast Cities, due to innovation and creativity of workforce;** *Fast Company Magazine*, July 2007

INDUSTRY AWARDS

- Abound Solar, **One of the Most Successful Startups in 2008.** *Business Week*
- Integware, Inc., named to the **Technology Fast 50 for Colorado**, a ranking of the 50 fastest growing technology, media, telecommunications, and life sciences companies in the area by Deloitte LLP
- Envirofit International, **2008 Best of What's New Award**, Green Technology category. *Popular Science*
- Judy Dorsey, Clean Energy Cluster Executive Director and Principal of the Brendle Group, **Female Consultant of the Year, 2008**, *Denver Business Journal*

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Doing business in Fort Collins fcgov.com/business

Community Information ftcollins.com

