

Aviation & Unmanned Aerial Systems

The Mohawk Valley is home to the Griffiss International Airport, which is leading the research and deployment technologies for safe UAS operations in the nation's airspace as a FAA UAS Test Site.



A 2-1/4-mile runway and uncongested airspace make it easy to move aircraft - and the people and products they carry - to and from the Mohawk Valley. Manufacturer UTC Aerospace is the world's leading supplier of high technology drive systems for helicopters, fighter/bomber aircraft and tiltrotor aircraft. Also located at Griffiss is the Eastern Air Defense Sector. Headquartered in Central New York, the Eastern Air Defense Sector plays a pivotal role in monitoring and controlling one million square miles of the nation's busiest air-space east of the Mississippi. The UAS test site at Griffiss has attracted household names like NASA and Walmart as testing partners.

Average Wage

\$60,940

Location

The Mohawk Valley is within 500 miles of 13 of the top 50 U.S. markets, and is a one-day drive from nearly half the population, personal income, business and sales in the United States and Canada.


Key Employers

Griffiss International Airport
UTC Aerospace
Premier Aviation
Eastern Air Defense Sector
MillionAir
Lockheed Martin
Walmart
MVCC A&P School

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