

Walmart U.S. Manufacturing Announcements

Walmart is committed to American renewal and has announced it will buy an additional \$250 billion in U.S. products by 2023 in an effort to grow U.S. manufacturing and encourage the creation of U.S. jobs.

Here are some of the announcements made so far:

- **Chef Jenn** has been a supplier to Walmart for just over a year. Based in Tennessee, Chef Jenn's signature frozen seafood entrees can now be found in more than 800 Walmart stores.
- **U.S. Cotton** is a leading manufacturer of cotton products and the only major national manufacturer of organic cotton based in Georgia. Products can be found in more than 4,000 Walmart stores.
- **Jarratt Industries** is based in Arkansas and supplies taco plates to 3,900 Walmart stores across the country.
- **Maid Brands**, based in Hazelwood, Missouri, creates household lawn and garden insecticides.
- **Jarden** manufactures disposable cutlery and is based in Kentucky. Following the company's partnership with Walmart, Jarden added 38 jobs.
- **Fashion Avenue** creates knit sweaters and sportswear in Brooklyn, New York. Its products are available in more than 3,000 Walmart stores.
- **Candle-Lite** was founded more than 170 years ago and has long been recognized as a leader in the decorative candle manufacturing industry. Products are found in over 4,675 Walmart stores, including both supercenters and Neighborhood Markets.
- **Bell Sports** has been making bike helmets for over 60 years. We've been buying their helmets assembled in the U.S. for a while but this year, working with us, Bell is going to entirely re-shore production for a 100% Made in the USA helmet.
- **Andover Healthcare** is expanding on its existing factory in Salisbury, Massachusetts by adding 52,000 square feet of manufacturing space in nearby Portsmouth, New Hampshire to produce its cohesive bandages for Walmart stores across the nation.
- **Dalen Products, Inc.**, to create a new line of made in the U.S. lawn and garden plastic Owls at its factory in Knoxville, Tennessee. The company will supply Walmart with more made in the U.S. products, which allows the company to increase more employees working year round jobs.

- **NUK USA** has been a long standing supplier with Walmart and is a top brand for pacifiers and baby products by moms. The majority of NUK pacifiers are now made in the U.S. at its Reedsburg, Wisconsin factory.
- **True Science**, which makes quality, all natural, Made in the USA pet products and treats. We started carrying their products in 75 stores in 2012—now they're in 800 stores. True Science had just 20 employees in 2010, and now employs over 300 in their facilities.
- **Renfro**, a North Carolina based, multi-national legwear company specializing in the design, manufacture and sale of all kinds of socks is expanding its capacities over the next two years in Cleveland, Tennessee, and Fort Payne, Alabama., by creating an additional 195 manufacturing jobs.
- **No nonsense**, one of the most recognizable legwear brands in America, made by Kayser-Roth Corporation, announced a sock initiative with Walmart that will add more than 100 new jobs at Kayser-Roth and additional jobs in local industries in North Carolina. No nonsense expanded its Made in the USA program by investing in its existing production facilities located in North Carolina.
- **Element Electronics Corp.** plans to open a new flat screen TV assembly facility in Winnsboro, South Carolina Assembly is scheduled to begin in December 2013 and the aggressive project will target up to 500 jobs.
- **Elan-Polo, Inc.**, a global footwear supplier, will start production of injection-molded footwear in March 2014 at a factory in Hazelhurst, Georgia., as part of a joint venture with McPherson Manufacturing. Once at full capacity, this new facility will create 250 jobs and produce 20,000 pairs of shoes per day.
- **Tailor Made Products**, a kitchen utensil manufacturer, is expanding existing production and adding 12 new manufacturing jobs in Wisconsin.
- **Korona Candles** will generate 170 jobs in Virginia to produce Mainstays Tealight Candles.
- **Hanna's Candles** -- As part of our U.S. manufacturing effort, Walmart is making a renewed commitment to Hanna's Candles. Our goal with Hanna's is to go from roughly \$4 million in 2012 to \$30 million in 2013 and \$45 million by 2017. That has created jobs in Arkansas.
- **Authentic Comfort** -- As a result of Walmart's partnership with Authentic Comfort, about 20 percent of Walmart's memory foam mattress topper business is being manufactured in the U.S. in 2013. Previously 100 percent of Walmart's 1.5 inch memory foam topper was produced by two suppliers overseas.
- **Kent Bicycles** moved its production from overseas to Manning, South Carolina. According to Kent, when at full capacity in 2016, they will have added at least 175 jobs and will be assembling 1 million bikes annually. Walmart stores began selling the bikes in January of 2015.

- **Richelieu Legwear International**, a Canadian-based company is creating 200 jobs in Hildebran, North Carolina by the end of 2018, at a state-of-the-art manufacturing facility.
- **Giti Tires** first met with South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley at Walmart's manufacturing summit in 2013. This year, the company announced it will establish a facility in Chester County, South Carolina, that will create 1,700 jobs over the next decade. The facility will produce opening price point tires for Walmart.
- **1888 Mills**, based in Griffin, Georgia, manufactures towels. Their plant employs 264 workers.
- **Monarch Beverage Company** is an Atlanta-based maker of "craft sodas." Their Kickapoo soda products can be found in 100 Walmart stores.
- **Mohawk Industries** based in Calhoun, Georgia makes a line of flooring products. Their plant has generated 55 jobs.
- **Emilia Personal Care**, manufacturer of health and beauty care products, is based in Ohio with a manufacturing facility in De Kalb, Mississippi. Their manufacturing facility is responsible for employing 68 workers.
- **K'Nex Brands**, manufacturer of Lincoln Logs, recently launched production in Maine.
- **KettlePizza**, based out of Boston, Massachusetts, manufacture a metal insert that converts a charcoal grill into a pizza oven. They expect to be on the shelves in 590 Walmart stores.
- **DBC Corp.** of Madison, Mississippi, landed a deal with Walmart to sell their Belgium rolled wafers, the Pirouline Swirl, at 1,700 stores. The company first opened a production facility in Madison in 2007.
- **Kolani Distillers LLC** of Maui, Hawaii produces Old Lahaina Rum. Based on their meeting at Open Call 2015, their product will start appearing at all 10 Hawaii Walmart locations within a year.
- **Rockline Industries**, based in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, announced in 2015 that it has invested \$15 million in expansion at its Springdale, AK plant to accommodate a new facial wipes line for Wal-Mart. The expansion will result in the addition of more than 50 jobs over the next year.
- **Olivet International** manufactures Easter baskets and hardside luggage, both which will be sold in Walmart stores. The company manufactures its Easter baskets in Bentonville, Arkansas. Products will be sold in 3,926 Walmart locations by 2016.

- **Big T Coastal Provisions**, based in Charleston, South Carolina, makes crab dip. Their product will be sold in 1,000 Walmart stores by 2016.
- **Uniek, Inc.** produces photo frames out of Madison, WI. Their frames can be found in 3,500 Walmart stores.
- **Wadley Holdings LLC**, producer of wrought iron patio furniture is manufactured in Wadley, Alabama. Several sets are available in thousands of stores with their full assortment available at Walmart.com.
- **HEAROS**, America's favorite ear plugs for sleeping, swimming and traveling is based in Aliso Viejo, California. Hearos ear plugs can be found in a limited number of Walmart stores across the country.
- **Weber-Stephen Products LLC**, produces Jumbo Joe Premium grills that are sold in 3,500 Walmart stores. Weber-Stephen Products LLC's headquartered in Palatine, Illinois.
- **Impact Innovations**, Memphis, Tennessee factory produces Christmas wrapping paper. Their investment added 50 new full-time jobs and additional seasonal employment.