Orange County MSA

Orange County is home to a vibrant life sciences sector that is anchored by medical device manufacturing companies.

- Orange County's life sciences sector produced approximately \$46.0 billion in economic output in 2021. The life sciences sector's contribution to labor income in Orange County was estimated at nearly \$13.8 billion in 2021.
- The life sciences sector directly employed more than 45,800 people in Orange County in 2021. More than half was in the medical instrument manufacturing, medical laboratories, and electromedical apparatus manufacturing industries. Combining the indirect and induced impact of the sector, the total contribution to Orange County employment exceeded 116,000.
- Orange County has similar employment trends to those of the broader Los Angeles MSA, as Orange County constitutes about half of the Los Angeles MSA's employment. Orange County is home to the broader MSA's

Economic Contribution Of Life Sciences Industry



medical devices and equipment industry, which boasted a **location quotient of nearly 5.4** in 2021.

- The medical devices and equipment sub-sector paid the highest average wage in Orange County, exceeding \$125,000 in 2021.
- In 2021, the industries with the single largest total contributions to Orange County employment were surgical and medical instrument manufacturing and medical and diagnostic laboratories.

Geography	Orange County
Employment	
Direct	45,824
Indirect and Induced	70,491
Total	116,315
Multiplier ²⁶	2.5
Labor Income (\$B)	
Direct	7.4
Indirect and Induced	6.3
Total	13.8
Multiplier	1.9
Output (\$B)	
Direct	29.3
Indirect and Induced	16.7
Total	46.0
Multiplier	1.6



Employment, Establishments, And Average Wages For Orange County MSA

Area Name	👘 Employment	Establishments	\$ Average Wages (\$)
Orange County	44,031	1,430	115,918

Orange County MSA Employment, Establishments, And Average Wages By Life Sciences Subsector

Life Sciences Category	Employment	Establishments	\$ Average Wages (\$)
Research, Testing, And Medical Laboratories	9,776	446	100,235
Medical Devices And Equipment	21,251	234	125,856
 Bioscience-Related Distribution 	10,370	686	122,938
Drugs And Pharmaceuticals	4,428	108	90,383
Agricultural Feedstock And Industrial Biosciences	-	7	_

