

## THE CYBERSECURITY ADVANTAGE

The connected world has led to a revolution in nearly every industry and it has heightened the need for digital security measures. The Greater Wichita region offers leaders in cybersecurity who are dedicated to keeping businesses protected and compliant.



TOP 20 BEST METRO FOR REMOTE WORKERS

MCCONNELL AIR FORCE BASE PERSONNEL TRAINED IN CYBERSECURITY

500

## See the full list of data points, rankings, and sources



## **Regional Cybersecurity Leaders and Resources**

- The 184th Wing of the Air National Guard at McConnell Air Force Base includes approximately 500 men and women trained in cybersecurity; 70% of this group serve part time and are available for full-time jobs in the community.
- In addition to about 110 IT-sector companies, the corporate headquarters of Koch Industries and Spirit AeroSystems include large cyber and tech divisions.



- Wichita State University's National Institute for Research and Digital Transformation focuses on developing new and innovative digital technologies including research and innovation in cloud computing and software development utilizing high-speed broadband in Kansas, cybersecurity and cyber operations and in-demand system engineering technology. The program specifically develops a cyber range that allows for collaboration and testing of cybersecurity components for private industry to Department of Defense clients.
- The importance of an expanding technology and cybersecurity workforce is underscored by the Greater Wichita region's concentration of aviation and manufacturing firms that contract with the Department of Defense (DoD). Our ten-county region is home to over 450 aviation companies and 900 manufacturing firms. As the DoD continues to implement rigorous cybersecurity requirements, these companies look to the Greater Wichita region's homegrown cybersecurity experts to stay compliant and competitive.
- Butler County Community College's IT Academy partners with high schools to graduate students with associate degrees in a variety of tech fields and offers a cybersecurity pathway program with Friends University as well as Wichita State University.
- The INTRUST Bank Cyber Security Laboratory at Friends University is one of only three of its kind in the nation in a university setting. The cyber lab offers cybersecurity students enrolled in the bachelor's program an opportunity to learn and practice real-time attack and defense mechanisms. The lab utilizes the most comprehensive cyber defense training platform available.



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