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Air Force Plant 4 is a government-owned, contractor-operated aerospace facility in Fort Worth, Texas, currently owned by the U.S. Air Force and operated by Lockheed Martin Aeronautics. It is home to the F-16 and F-35 fighter aircraft. Military aircraft have been manufactured at the plant since 1942. Plant 4 is adjacent to Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth, formerly Carswell Air Force Base.

Plant 4's origins begin in May 1940 when the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce was trying to convince aircraft manufacturers to build an aircraft assembly plant in the Fort Worth area to support the massive expansion of the Army Air Corps.

The B-24 Liberator was first proposed to the Air Corps in 1938, and with the start of World War II in Europe, the French Government placed an order for 60 aircraft, sight unseen. In 1940, Britain ordered 164. These large foreign orders were placed well before the US military placed similar-sized orders, and played a large role in getting the B-24 project going.

The first XB-36 (42-13570) was rolled out of the Fort Worth factory on 8 September 1945, and took off from Fort Worth on its maiden flight on 8 August 1946. The B-36 was in production at Fort Worth until the last B-36J was rolled out on 14 August 1954; 385 of these were ultimately built.

The company's proposal for the Tactical Fighter Experimental project (TFX) was accepted in 1962, with the fighter seeing production as the General Dynamics F-111. By 1966, the plant had expanded to 4.7 million square feet, and by 1968 it had expanded further to 6.5 million square feet, to accommodate production of the F-111. Plant 4 built 562 of the aircraft by the time production ended, in 1976.

In the early 1970s, the YF-16 was designed and built at Fort Worth, and the USAF accepted its first F-16 on August 17, 1978. The Fighting Falcon is one of the most successful military aircraft ever produced, with major production continuing until the early 2000s and support components of the aircraft still being produced.

Today the F-35 Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter is being produced on the assembly line at the plant.

Air Force Plant 4 has been listed as a Superfund site since 1990. It was discovered a significant trichloroethylene plume had contaminated local soil and groundwater. Remediation efforts are still underway.

Located in North Texas, Lockheed Martin Aeronautics boasts a one mile, 25 foot manufacturing line that produces the most advanced fighter jet - the F-35. This facility has been an integral part of Fort Worth and will



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continue to engage with the community for years to come.

With over 400 deliveries, Marietta takes pride in manufacturing the C-130. This facility also produces the F-35 center wing and serves as home base for Lockheed Martin's Air, Mobility, and Maritime Missions programs. Marietta, Georgia is a vibrant facility critical to the Aeronautics business.

The Antelope Valley in the high desert of Los Angeles county is home to Lockheed Martin Skunk Works(R). Serving as the birthplace of some of Lockheed Martin's most notable aircraft, the next generation of flight is imagined here.

Our South Carolina location produces the F-16 and performs sustainment operations on aircraft like the C-130 and F-16. Outside of Aeronautics programs, Greenville also supports sustainment of the UH-60 Black Hawk with Rotary and Missions Systems.

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