

MAIN BUSINESS SECTORS IN ARDÈCHE



[Automotive manufacturing and equipment]

- **3,500** jobs
- **24** establishments
- **22,7 %** de l'emploi industriel du département
- **1st** industrial employer in the department



[Agri-food industry]

- **2,200** jobs
- **110** establishments
- **14,1 %** of the department's industrial employment



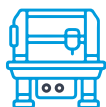
[Energy]

- **1,900** direct and indirect jobs
- **1** major nuclear power plant: Tricastin, which covers **40 %** of the electricity demand in the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region



[Textile, clothing and footwear]

- **1,800** jobs
- **37** establishments
- **11,4 %** of the department's industrial employment



[Machinery and equipment]

- **1 400** jobs
- **72** establishments
- **8,9 %** of the department's industrial employment



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OTHER STRONG POINTS OF ARDÈCHE

The Ardèche department is an experimentation area for the “Transition Collective” system. Its aim is to anticipate economic changes within companies by supporting volunteer employees that decide to retrain in a clear, well-prepared and fully-accepted manner. In this scheme funded by the State, employees retain their wages and employment contract while they retrain, with the aim of getting a new promising career in the same catchment area.

The automotive construction and equipment sector is helped by the presence of Vilesta, a group of companies in the industrial and leisure vehicles sector. With over 40 local members, Vilesta is a major player promoting links between manufacturers in this sector. The strength of the sector in Ardèche also lies in the many players involved over the entire chain of automotive subcontracting.

- Competitive hubs and clusters located throughout the department also help in the structuring and animation of the various sectors. These include:
- CARA, CIMES and Tenerrdis for the automotive industry,
- Vegepolys Valley, Innov'Alliance, ARIA or Cluster Bio for the agri-food industry, Techtera for the textile industry.



KEY FIGURES

IN THE DEPARTMENT

- 25,786 establishments
- 86,211 employees
- 115 foreign-funded companies

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

TRAINING CENTRES

- Close to the University of Grenoble-Alpes off-sites (56,000 students).



- Campuses open to continuing education,
- 2 Campus des métiers et des qualifications (Campus of professions and qualifications):
- The **STHAR Campus**: “Soutien au tourisme, à l’hôtellerie, à l’agri-culinaire et à la Restauration” (Support for tourism, hotels, agriculture and catering)
- The **CMQ Numérique**: Campus des métiers et des qualifications du numérique (Campus of digital professions and qualifications)

VARIED AND DYNAMIC RESEARCH

Several renowned research centres:



DID YOU KNOW?

Ardèche is the 1st department for the production of renewable and carbon-free energies in the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region.

The Ardèche department ranks 10th among French departments in terms of surface area of organic agricultural land (23% of the total agricultural land used).

FOCUS

THE JEWELLERY SECTOR

The Ardèche department specialises in the production of jewellery, specifically in the “Vallée du bijou”, which gathers companies, exhibition spaces, a living museum space and a jewellery business incubator. The Vallée du Bijou helps local players interact as part of a dynamic ecosystem.

The Lycée Amblard (Valence), also close by, trains students in various jewellery trades.

BEST LOCATIONS TO SET UP YOUR BUSINESS

ANNONAY

Industrial territory focused on the automotive, the pharmaceutical and other paper industries.



PRIVAS LAC NORD

- A park over a surface area of 2 hectares in the Privas industrial zone is able to accommodate production and/or logistics companies.
- Located on the outskirts of Privas, 15 min from the A7 motorway, accessible by road,
- Close to European motorways.



PRIVAS CHEYNET NORD

- A park over a surface area of 2.15 hectares in the Privas industrial zone for construction to accommodate production and/or logistics companies.
- Located 15 min from exit 16 on the A7.

AUBENAS

Area hosting agri-food and pharmaceutical activities.

KEY

- Prefecture
- Business areas
- Sous-prefecture
- Regional Airpor
- Motorway
- National and Departmental roads
- 4 employment areas

ACCESS



Next to the A7 motorway, main North-South road axis in Europe.



Close to the TGV lines in the Drôme department.



Several cruise and cargo ports along the Rhône

QUALITY OF LIFE IN **ARDÈCHE**

AOP CHESTNUTS,

AOP PICODON
cheese,
THE BŒUF FIN
GRAS DU MÉZENC
(Fine beef)



SAFARI DE PEAUGRES

MONTS D'ARDÈCHE, GÉOPARC MONDIAL DE L'UNESCO

RENTS IN
ANNONAY
ARE

3.5 TIMES

LOWER THAN
IN PARIS



PAINTED CAVE OF THE PONT D'ARC (Grotte Chauvet-Pont d'Arc) LISTED AS A UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE



3 SPA RESORTS

LES GORGES DE L'ARDÈCHE

MONT GERBIER DE JONC

WITH ITS 3 SPRINGS COMBINING
INTO THE RIVER LOIRE

**SAINT
JOSEPH,**
CORNAS,
SAINT PÉRAY
OR CONDRIEU



AT THE HEART OF A POWERFUL AND DYNAMIC REGION...



€269BN

GDP in 2020
(equivalent to that of Denmark)



**A POPULATION OF 8
MILLION**

(2nd most populated region of France)



**1st INDUSTRIAL
REGION**

OF FRANCE (OVER 500,000 JOBS)



2nd FRENCH REGION

FOR DIRECT FOREIGN INVESTMENTS

**2nd REGION
FOR HIGHER
EDUCATION**

IN FRANCE WITH 350,000 STUDENTS



**8th EUROPEAN
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