

Photo gallery: The 10 largest factories in the world

## **As large as entire cities - The 10 largest factories in the world**

**Factories today produce almost everything, from cars and smartphones to clothing. They are countless, but only a number of them have managed to expand. However, some have grown immeasurably. To give you an overview of these, we have selected the 10 largest factories worldwide.**

There are many criteria that can be considered to determine the size of a factory. One could use the number of employees, the turnover or the quantity of produced goods. In our photo gallery, we have settled on the size of the factory (surface area in km<sup>2</sup>).

In comparison, the largest factory in our ranking even surpasses Ullswater - the second largest lake in the English Lake District - in terms of surface area. Many companies will already be familiar to you, such as NASA or Volkswagen, but some are rather unknown, such as Rivian, a car manufacturer. Feel free to see it by yourself.

In our photo gallery, we will now disclose to you how large each factory is and where it is located. Have fun looking through it!

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1. BASF SE // Ludwigshafen, Germany (10 km<sup>2</sup>)  
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6. Boeing // Everett, USA (2.8 km<sup>2</sup>)  
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8. Tesla, Inc. // Fremont, USA (1.5 km<sup>2</sup>)  
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9. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles // Belvidere, USA (0.46 km<sup>2</sup>)  
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10. Rivian // Normal, USA (0.24 km<sup>2</sup>)  
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*Note: surface area in square kilometres (km<sup>2</sup>)*

## Image captions:

**10th place:** The Rivian plant in Normal, USA, comes in last and therefore tenth. The factory has a surface area of 0.24 km<sup>2</sup> and is thus almost five times as large as a polo field.

**9th place:** Ninth place goes to the Fiat Chrysler plant, which measures 0.46 km<sup>2</sup>. The factory is located in Belvidere, USA.

**8th place:** Once again the USA scores highly in this ranking - this time with the Tesla plant in Fremont. With a surface area of 1.5 km<sup>2</sup>, it ranks eighth.

**7th place:** Daikin, a Japanese company, has its 2 km<sup>2</sup> factory in Waller (USA). This puts it in seventh place in our ranking.

**6th place:** Boeing's factory in Everett, USA, is ranked sixth. On an area of 2.8 km<sup>2</sup>, in addition to the production hall, there are three paint hangars, a railway terminal and the aviation museum "Future of Flight Aviation Center".

**5th place:** Just missed the fourth place and thus our fifth place the Foxconn plant in Longhua, China. Here, on a surface area of 3 km<sup>2</sup>, Foxconn produces for companies such as Apple, Google and Nintendo.

**4th place:** And once again, an American company appears in our ranking. The NASA facility in New Orleans covers an area of 3.4 km<sup>2</sup>, which is roughly the size of Central Park in New York City. This puts it in fourth place.

**3rd place:** The South Korean Hyundai factory in Ulsan is third with 5.5 km<sup>2</sup>.

**2nd place:** Second place goes to a German factory, the Volkswagen plant in Wolfsburg. It is so large that there are guided tours available. The factory stands out in our ranking with a surface area of 6.5 km<sup>2</sup>.

**1st place:** The undisputed winner according to our ranking is the BASF factory in Ludwigshafen. This chemical plant with a surface area of 10 km<sup>2</sup> is located in Germany.