



**composites**  
Multiple strengths, infinite possibilities

The **AMERICAN COMPOSITES MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION (ACMA)** is the national trade group for the composites industry. Our 1,000 member companies make composites products or supply raw materials and equipment to this industry. ACMA works to promote the use of composites products to new or developing markets, increase composites education within the industry, and ensure that regulation of the industry is based on sound science and balances regulatory benefits with costs and other impacts.

## The Composites Industry

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Multiple Strengths and Infinite Possibilities to Build America



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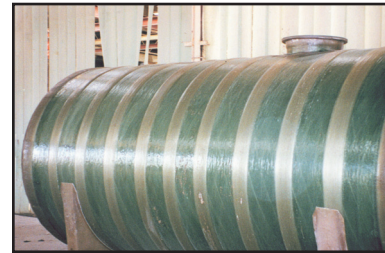
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# COMPOSITES BUILD AMERICA

**COMPOSITES ARE COMBINATIONS** of tough plastic resins, glass or carbon fiber, and other materials. Their high strength, light weight, corrosion resistance, and formability into complex shapes makes composites **THE SOLUTION** in a growing number of important and demanding markets.

**COMPOSITE PRODUCTS ARE MADE** by more than 3,000 small and medium-sized companies located across the country. The composites industry directly employs over 200,000 Americans, and annually contributes \$45 billion to our nation's economy.

**SECURING OUR HOMELAND** – Composite components for military equipment, high strength composite reinforced wrapping, protective panels for buildings and structures, and blast resistant cargo containers, help keep America safe.



**PREVENTING POLLUTION** – Rust-proof composites underground gasoline storage tanks, exhaust scrubbers, waste water treatment plant equipment, and power plant stack liners help keep America's air and water clean.

**MAKING LIFE BETTER** – Composite medical devices, prosthetics, handicap-accessible bathware, and many other products improve the quality of life for millions of Americans.



**BUILDING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE** – Light-weight and non-rusting composites bridge beams, concrete reinforcing bars, and bridge decks keep cars and trucks rolling across America's highways.

**SAVING ENERGY** – Light-weight composite automotive, motor home and truck components, and strong and flexible composites wind turbine blades, decrease America's reliance on imported sources of energy.



**AT HOME AND PLAY** – Composites swimming pools, tool handles, golf clubs, tennis rackets, bicycles and fiberglass boats are a fun and practical part of life every day all across America.