

State of the Amphibious Warship Industrial Base

Strength, Stability and the Need for Sustained Funding

AWIBC has conducted an annual survey for the past six years to assess the economic impact, challenges, and issues faced by the shipbuilding industrial base. Our latest survey results reveal the most pressing challenges facing the amphibious warship industrial base and identifies avenues for success, including continued support of the bundle buy.¹



Since the U.S. Navy’s groundbreaking multi-ship procurement announcement in September of 2024 – launching the construction of four amphibious warships including LPDs 33, 34, 35 and LHA 10 – the industrial base has benefitted from a strong, predictable demand signal.

We thank the Congress, U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps and especially our suppliers who continue to play a vital role in making this significant commitment a reality.

OUR NATIONAL IMPACT²

630 COMPANIES	39 STATES	\$1.59B OF WORK	238 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS
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The Multi-Ship Buy Delivers

The amphibious warship bundle buy of three LPDs and one LHA has added predictability to supplier operations, enabling long-term investments in materials, equipment, and workforce. Below are some supplier insights on the benefits of the multi-ship buy.

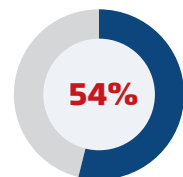
“... Allows us to invest confidently in new equipment, expand training for skilled trades, and strengthen relationships with niche suppliers who perform critical processes.”

—AWIBC Member and Survey Respondent

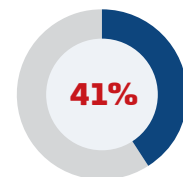
“... Provides the ability to plan operations and staffing which ensures retention of skilled workers while reducing costs of raw materials and subcomponents.”

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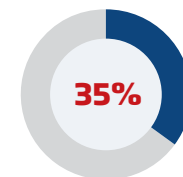
SUPPLIERS AGREE THE MULTI-SHIP BUY IS ALREADY DRIVING POSITIVE RESULTS



Adds predictability, helping plan for on-time deliveries



Strengthens supply chain reliability



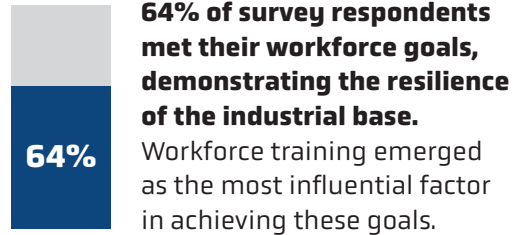
Increases ability to hire and retain employees

Challenges Remain

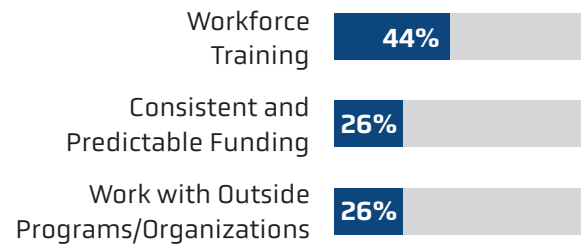
THE TOP OBSTACLES FOR SUPPLIERS



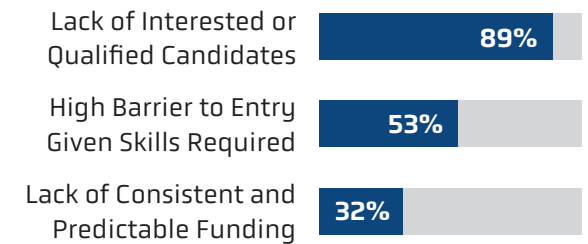
THE INDUSTRIAL BASE WORKFORCE CAN DELIVER



Key Drivers in Meeting Workforce Goals



Challenges for Workforce Goals



Maximizing Capacity = Investing Today to Secure Tomorrow

The U.S. Marine Corps has identified restoring a **3.0 Amphibious Ready Group (ARG)** as its top priority, underscoring the critical need for these ships to support defense strategies and operational readiness. Beyond national security, amphibious warships provide unmatched versatility for humanitarian aid, rescue missions, and global crisis response.

8%
ONLY 8% OF SUPPLIERS ARE OPERATING AT FULL CAPACITY

“We have significant unused capacity we would like to fill.”

—AWIBC Member and Survey Respondent

“Planning and forecasting are the most significant benefits to us; we can look into new equipment and cross-train employees.”

—AWIBC Member and Survey Respondent



THE AMPHIBIOUS WARSHIP INDUSTRIAL BASE IS READY TO DELIVER WITH CONSISTENT AND PREDICTABLE FUNDING!

¹AWIBC administered a survey in November and December of 2025 to a representative sample group of 171 suppliers.

²Data reflects amphibious warship spending between 2020–2024.