# **CORVING CHANGE** Greening the Automotive Workforce

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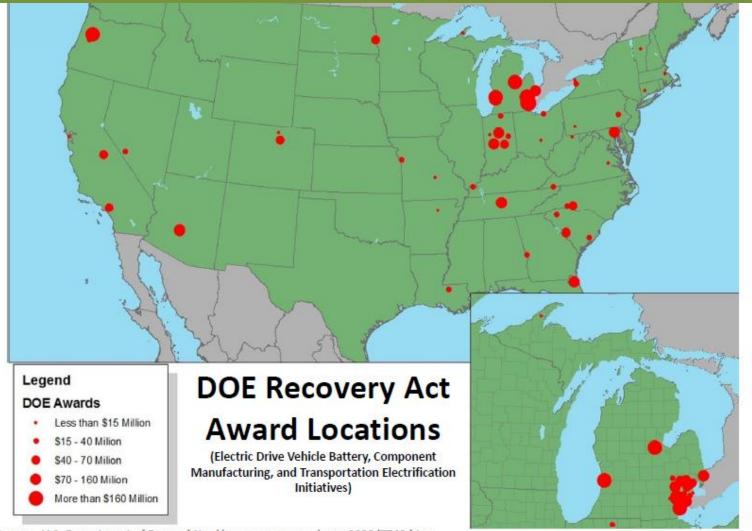
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#### **A New Auto Industry Takes Root**



Source: U.S. Department of Energy http://www.energy.gov/news2009/7749.htm

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#### **Department of Energy**

#### Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Loan Program ATVM / Section 136 Loans: \$8.4 Billion of \$25 Billion Awarded

Company		Award	Project	
Ford	Ford	\$5.9 Billion	Transform factories across Illinois, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, and Ohio to produce more fuel efficient models	
NISSAN	Nissan	<b>\$1.44 Billion</b> (reduced from \$1.6 Billion award)	Retool Tennessee factory to build advanced electric automobiles and build an advanced battery manufacturing facility	
U.SKE B	Fisker	\$528 Million	Development of two lines of plug-in hybrids	
TESLA	Tesla	\$465 Million	Manufacture electric drive trains and electric vehicles in California	
TENNECO	Tenneco	\$24 Million	Development of fuel efficient emission control components	



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#### Green Automaker Investment in Indiana, Michigan and Ohio, By Company and By State, 2010-2011 Announcements

Company	Indiana (in millions)	Michigan (in millions)	Ohio (in millions)	Tri-State Total (in millions)
Bright	, <i>,</i> ,	\$11.0	. , ,	\$11.0
Chrysler	\$1,271.3	\$302.0		\$1,573.3
Ford		\$1,183.5	\$420.0	\$1,603.5
General Motors	\$111.0	\$613.2	\$186.2	\$910.4
Honda			\$70.0	\$70.0
Subaru (SIA/Toyota)	\$81.0			\$81.0
Think	\$43.5			\$43.5
Total	\$1,506.8	\$2,109.7	\$676.2	\$4,292.7

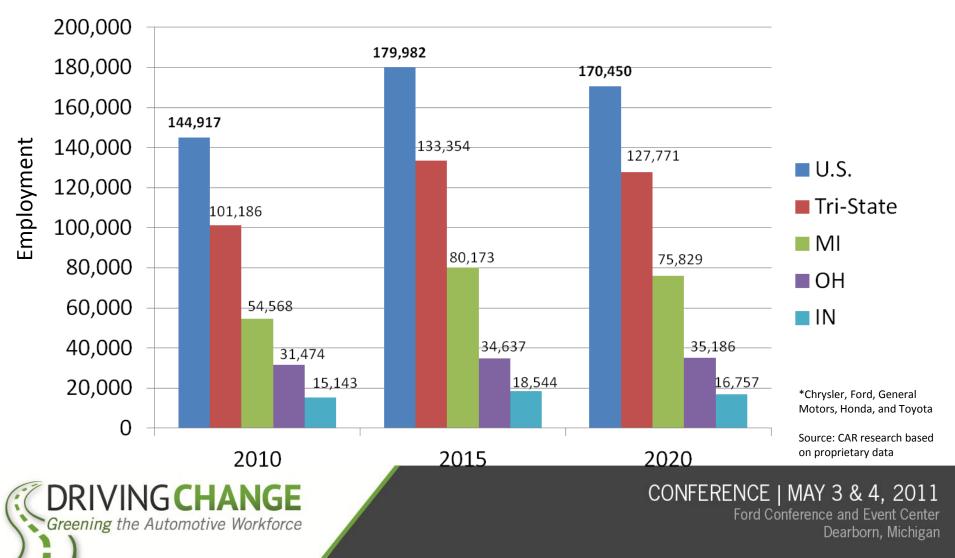
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## **Automotive Jobs and Investment**



### Forecast of Major Automakers\* Hourly Employment



### **Skill Needs: Production and Trades**

- Product change is quicker and more revolutionary
- Most training is productbased
- Other areas:
  - Problem Solving
  - Continuous Improvement
  - Teamwork
- Trades:
  - Cross-skilling
  - Mix is changing with green





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Employers want highest quality hourly labor at a much lower "entry-level" wage little, if any, differences in job requirements

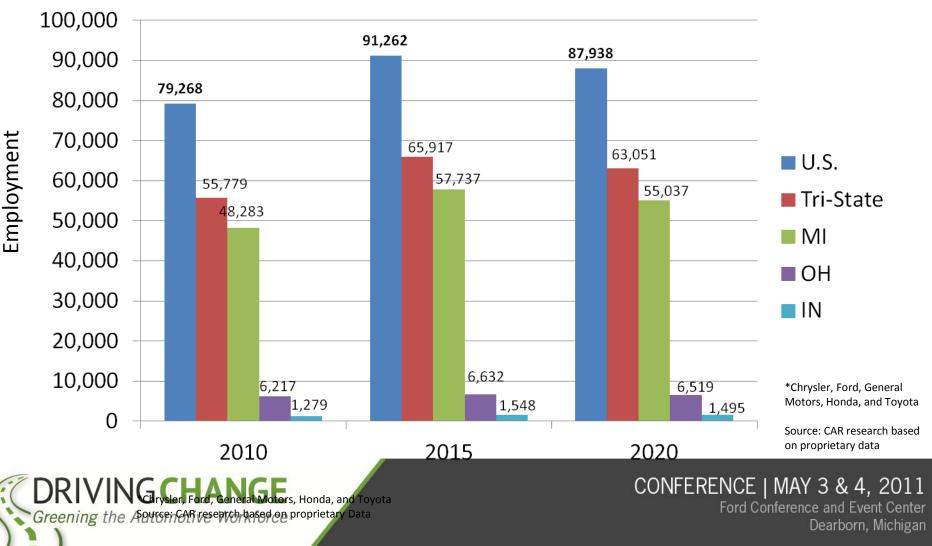
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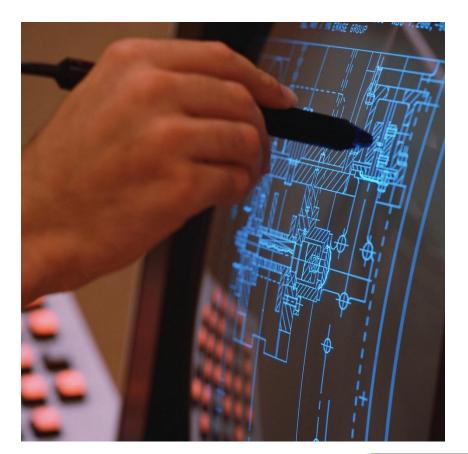
- Selection process more extensive (9-for-1)
- Higher turnover (0%? 20%?)
- What happens in a tighter labor market?
- "Entry level" is an issue to watch in this Summer's UAW negotiations



## Forecast of Major Automakers\* Salary Employment



### **Skill Needs: Engineering and Technical**



- Electrical
- Powertrain
- Chemical & electrochemical
- Materials
- Software & electronics
- Mechatronic
- Systems
- Environmental

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Some direct salaried hires—especially at suppliers, but significant portion of new jobs will be contract and "temp-to-perm"

- Suppliers re-building core capabilities through direct hiring
- Many employers still tentative on program and market recovery – not willing to commit
- Becoming a "candidate's market" as competition for skills intensifies

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Automakers and suppliers want people who have broad, cross-functional skills—especially problem solving

- "Soft skills" are critical for collaboration, systems integration, problem solving
- Still want deep knowledge
- Not everyone can do both
- Many of these skills acquired on-the-job and through corporate "branded" training

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Engineering & Technical Demand is high for very specific skills (hybrid/electrification, battery, embedded software, designers)

- Many of these graduates are "produced" elsewhere difficult to get them to move where the jobs are
- Employers want mid-level experience, but few people were hired 5-8 years ago
- Training for new grads and re-training for dislocated workers needed

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# Concerns

- No time for strategy
  - Cost-cutting in 2008-2009
  - Competitive market for skills 2010+
- Pipeline
  - Sources
  - Uncertainty/temp-toperm status
  - Wages

- Retraining incumbent workers
  - Faster pace
  - Few public dollars available
- Retraining displaced workers
  - Not all will find room in auto
  - Demographic challenge
  - Public funding a victim of budget cuts

