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Machinery Orders Dip Against Stronger Year-Over-Year Gains

McLean, Va. (September 8, 2025) — New orders of metalworking machinery, measured by the U.S. Manufacturing Technology Orders Report published by AMT – The Association For Manufacturing Technology, totaled \$387.3 million in July 2025. This was a 9.5% decrease from June 2025 but a 20.1% increase from July 2024. Machinery orders placed through July 2025 totaled \$2.91 billion, a 14.4% increase over the first seven months of 2024.

The value of orders in July 2025 is nearly 20% above what would be expected in July of an average year. This strong July increased the year-over-year total for the first time since April 2025. Despite the strong trends in the value of orders, the number of units being ordered shows continued flatness, as the number of units ordered in July 2025 was more than 13% behind an average July. In the [absence of widespread inflation](#) among machine tools, this trend underscores the continued importance of automation in current buying trends.

- Machinery orders from **contract machine shops** in July 2025 decreased nearly 14% from June and rose just under 10% from July 2024, showing a significant softening relative to the overall market. While this trend is not uncommon, it shows the first signs of weakness in orders from the largest customer segment, which has otherwise shown signs of recovery for much of 2025.
- New orders of machinery from **agricultural equipment manufacturers** have been on a declining trend since April 2025. Machinery investment from this sector, as well as from its supply chain, could see a sudden uptick in the coming months after [John Deere announced additional investments in U.S. operations](#) over the next decade.

Despite widespread [expectations that the Federal Reserve will reduce rates](#) at its September meeting, the [latest forecasts continue to anticipate slowing](#) industrial activity in the second half of the year, which could cause a softening in capital equipment purchases. [AMT's 2025 MTForecast conference](#), which will be held Oct. 15-17 in Schaumburg, Illinois, will explore the probability of a downturn and what industries may still be areas of opportunity into 2026.





The United States Manufacturing Technology Orders (USMTO) Report is based on the totals of actual data reported by companies participating in the USMTO program. This report, compiled by AMT – The Association For Manufacturing Technology, provides regional and national U.S. orders data of domestic and imported machine tools and related equipment. Analysis of manufacturing technology orders provides a reliable leading economic indicator as manufacturing industries invest in capital metalworking equipment to increase capacity and improve productivity. [USMTO.com](https://www.usmto.com).

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(USMTO data is also available at [www.AMTonline.org](https://www.amtonline.org).)

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Orders Through July 2025

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	JUL-25	Previous Month	% Change	Year Ago Month	% Change	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	% Change YTD
National	387.3	427.8	-9.5%	322.4	20.1%	2,907.7	2,541.8	14.4%
Regional								
Northeast	\$56.4	\$55.7	1.3%	\$50.7	11.4%	\$437.3	\$428.5	2.0%
Southeast	\$52.6	\$48.4	8.7%	\$38.8	35.3%	\$370.4	\$350.5	5.7%
North Central-East	\$93.2	\$98.6	-5.5%	\$82.4	13.0%	\$686.4	\$592.4	15.9%
North Central-West	\$51.7	\$77.7	-33.5%	\$65.9	-21.5%	\$478.2	\$499.1	-4.2%
South Central	\$50.1	\$37.0	35.5%	\$26.8	86.9%	\$311.6	\$222.2	40.2%
West	\$83.3	\$110.3	-24.5%	\$57.7	44.3%	\$623.8	\$449.1	38.9%

\$ – Millions of dollars

D – Dollar values are not disclosed in accordance with established confidentiality rules to protect the confidentiality of individual participant data.



Net New Orders for U.S. Consumption				
Date	Cutting Machines		Metal Forming & Fabricating	
	Units	Value	Units	Value
2024 JUL	1,455	\$315,203	15	\$7,149
2024 AUG	1,585	\$358,905	14	\$6,401
2024 SEP	1,896	\$436,098	17	\$8,225
2024 OCT	1,619	\$377,886	15	\$6,099
2024 NOV	1,759	\$436,077	20	\$3,871
2024 DEC	1,972	\$496,716	22	\$12,589
2025 JAN	1,526	\$350,504	18	\$4,234
2025 FEB	1,656	\$377,949	17	\$5,763
2025 MAR	1,888	\$505,037	17	\$12,481
2025 APR	1,755	\$438,122	16	\$5,895
2025 MAY	1,501	\$381,474	21	\$11,218
2025 JUN	1,587	\$422,720	16	D
2025 JUL	1,562	\$384,462	8	D
Average	1,674	\$406,242	17	\$7,630

