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From Dirt To Dell: New Plant Ready To Open

The company will open its new plant in Winston-Salem on Wednesday. Some 350 employees are already working.



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Winston-Salem, NC -- The official opening of the new Dell computer plant is on Wednesday, but company leaders have already started showing it off.

In less than 10 months, the site grew from dirt to Dell.

Inside are two-and-a-half miles of conveyers and 43 acres of concrete. But North Carolina Operations Vice President Travis Simpson says what they're most excited about are the more than 300 employees already at work.

"I believe this is just a fabulous area. the workers are just tremendous. the professionals in this area know how business is done and do a great job with it. And I think that will just continue to expand the business."

Dell's Winston-Salem facility is its largest manufacturing site to date. Company leaders say its Austin and Nashville plants combined could fit inside.

The first group of employees started working this past summer. By the beginning of next month, another 250 will start there for a total of 600 employees by the end of the year. One-third of the promised 1500 jobs in five years are already here. And workers like Robert Cunningham say they're glad to have them

"The best thing about it is the teamwork here. Better teamwork here than any other place I've dealt with. And they believe in their team.

Company leaders say they're still hiring and hope to be up to 700 employees by next summer.

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