Birmingham, AL — #1 of 10: Warehousing and Storage Sites

Birmingham leads Alabama in warehousing infrastructure

Source: ALEX Intelligence · Published November 23, 2026

Swipe for insights →

Photo: Chris Pruitt · CC BY-SA 3.0 · Wikimedia Commons

THE DATA

70

Warehousing and Storage Sites (2022)

Birmingham, AL ranks #1 of 12 Alabama metros on warehousing and storage sites.

This figure—70 sites—reflects a structural advantage in logistics infrastructure that supports regional supply chain resilience. As Alabama's largest metropolitan area, Birmingham's industrial footprint is not incidental but strategically prioritized, with industrial zones like the Birmingham Innovation District becoming hubs for advanced distribution and tech-enabled warehousing.

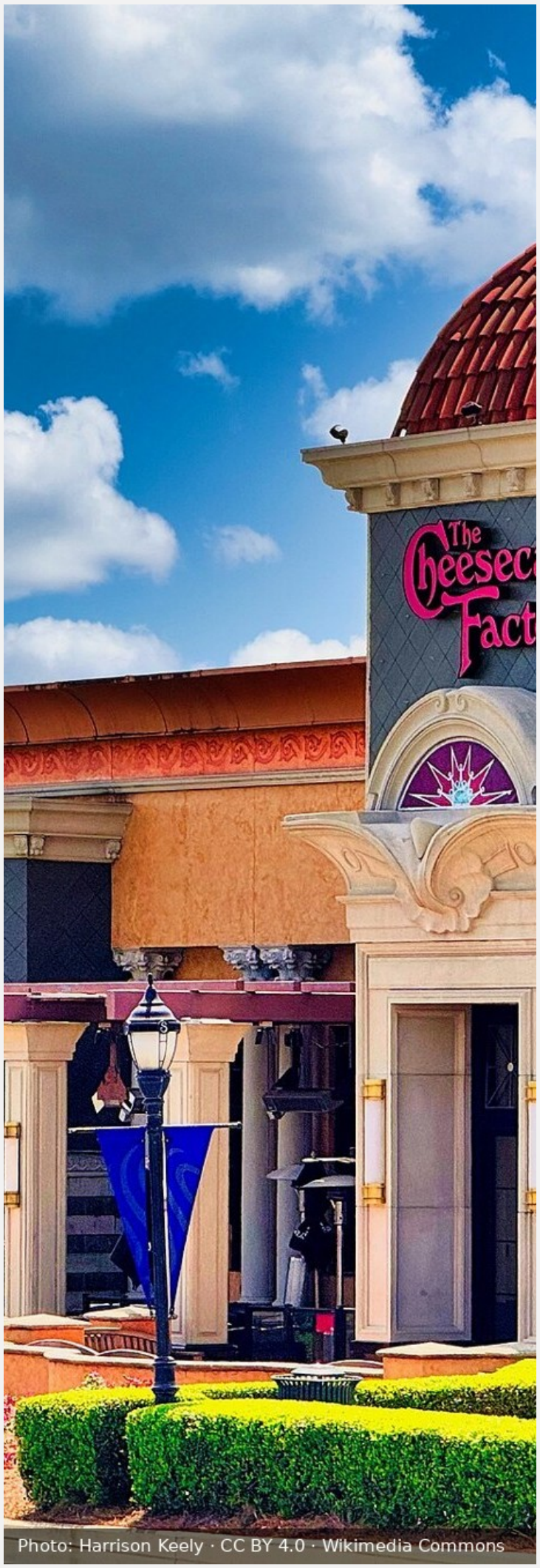


Photo: Harrison Keely · CC BY 4.0 · Wikimedia Commons

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, County Business Patterns 2022, NAICS 493 (Warehousing and storage) · ALEX Intelligence computation
https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-11-23-birmingham-istand-493-msa

01

Industrial dominance drives long-term value

Birmingham’s leadership in warehousing infrastructure is not a temporary trend but a foundational shift in economic positioning. The city’s 70 sites represent a concentration of industrial capacity unmatched across Alabama, suggesting that capital deployment in logistics and industrial real estate is outpacing residential development. This imbalance favors investors seeking stable, long-duration assets tied to tangible economic activity rather than speculative residential demand.

Photo: Harrison Keely · CC BY 4.0 · Wikimedia Commons



Photo: Harrison Keely · CC BY 4.0 · Wikimedia Commons

02

Resilience over speculation

This divergence signals a deeper structural shift: capital is increasingly flowing into infrastructure that underpins economic continuity rather than consumer-facing real estate. As AI and cybersecurity integration accelerate in logistics and supply chain operations, Birmingham's industrial base is poised to become a technological epicenter, not just a logistical one.

Real Estate Strategy & Intelligence Leader. Democratized Blue Ocean Strategist & Operator.

Diane Hart Alexander, MBA, MHA

Chair & CEO, ALEX Companies

Designated Broker, Alexander Tiffany Southwest, LLC dba ALEX.realestate, et.al.

Texas License #574877-B · Broker License #565194-BB

diane@alex.realestate · +1 713.591.9902

ALEX

ALEX Intelligence
deep intelligence

ALEX Real Estate
genius real estate

ALEX Advisory
uncontested strategy

ALEX Cares
purposeful philanthropy