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A Washington Post Investigation

The Top Secret Network of Government and its Contractors
Explore the relationships between government organizations and the types of work being done in Top Secret America. Need help?

Companies working on top-secret weapons technology:
297 of 1,931 companies

44 large companies
54 medium companies
199 small companies

The Top Secret Work
Weapons technology
Research, development, testing, evaluation, production and maintenance of weapons and non-communications or intelligence-related hardware.

Ranks 9 of 23 for number of companies:

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