

Make vs Buy Analyzer

Manufacturing & Industrial

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This guide explains what the tool produces, how to use the output, and what to watch for. The actual output (draft/report) is generated on the tool page.

Background

Decide whether to produce in-house or outsource — a cost comparison with break-even volume, the qualitative factors (capacity, quality control, IP, lead time, flexibility) and a make, buy or hybrid recommendation. Fill in the details below.

Purpose of this tool & output

Decide whether to produce in-house or outsource

How the output is used

Use the analyzer to decide whether to produce in-house or outsource on cost, capacity and risk.

Who should vet it

A cost accountant/operations lead, to confirm the cost and capacity assumptions.

Important cautions

AI-generated analysis; validate costs including overheads.

Companion documents

- RFQ / Tender Builder
- Vendor Evaluation & Selection
- Purchase Contract Draft
- Annual Rate Contract Builder
- Vendor Performance Scorecard
- Supplier Audit Checklist

This is AI-assisted guidance. Verify with a qualified professional before any binding decision. Fees, authorities and processes vary by state and change over time — confirm with your state authority.