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Summary: Investment by manufacturers in plants and other production facilities surged almost 63% in 2023, the largest annual advance since 1951, according to the government's latest report on gross domestic product. The increase has its roots in companies taking advantage of federal incentives and making up for deferred spending during the pandemic when supply chains were in disarray. Purchasing and supply executives expect outlays to increase almost 12% this year after rising by nearly 15% in 2023, according to the Institute for Supply Management's latest semiannual economic forecast. While factories are dialing back the pace of investment, S&P Global Market Intelligence sees spending in the sector still climbing \$54 billion after an estimated \$50.6 billion last year. Related: American Labor's Real Problem: It Isn't Productive Enough and Why American Manufacturing is Increasingly Inefficient and One of Biden's Favorite Chip Projects Is Facing New Delays

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