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NCDBA expo showcases defense industry

N.C. Department of Commerce Secretary Keith Crisco and Director of Foreign Operations Derek Chen spoke at a defense industry expo in Pinehurst sponsored by the [N.C. Defense Business Association](#), April 19-20. The expo was North Carolina's first-ever trade show of its kind.

The expo also featured Governor Bev Perdue and Lieutenant General Frank Helmick, the XVIII Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg commander.

"From the NCDBA's beginnings in 2009, the organization's strength has been its ability to bring together defense industry representatives and help forge new relationships that are vital to growing the state's defense industry," NCDBA Board Chairman Steven Moore said. Learn more about the [defense industry in North Carolina](#).