Competitive trade show schedule

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You will find that some are worth attending every year, others only when it's convenient or you can arrange a trip to visit customers in the year, and some just don't have anyone there for you. No single rep attends every one of these shows. You'll begin to get a feel for your favorites.

General shows	Cadence	When	Where	What
Westpack	Annual	February	Anaheim, CA	Packaging, robotics, medical device
EATS (formerly Process Expo)	Odd numbered years	Fall	Chicago	Food processing equipment. This year Oct 28-30, 2025
Powder & Bulk Solids	Even numbered years	Spring	Chicago	Dry processing/powder handling equipment
ProMat	Odd numbered years	Spring	Chicago	Material handling & Manufacturing
MODEX	Even numbered years	Spring	Atlanta	Supply chain & logistics
Labelexpo	Even numbered years	September	Chicago	Label converting/printing equipment.
NPE (Plastics Show)	Every three years	May	Orlando	Plastics equipment, materials. Next: 2027.

Vertical shows	Cadence	When	Where	What
IPPE	Annual	January	Atlanta	Meat & poultry
IBIE	Every three years	September	Las Vegas	Bakery equipment. Next: Sep. 13-17, 2025
SNAXPO	Annual	March	Rotates	Snack foods
Interphex	Annual	April	New York City	Pharmaceutical processing & packaging
CheeseCon	Odd numbered years	April	Madison, WI	Cheese. Next: April 15-17, 2025

Automation shows	Cadence	When	Where	What
IMTS	Even-numbered years	September	Chicago	Automation, robotics, 3d printing, etc.
Automate	Annually	May	Detroit	Robotics, vision, motion. Next: May 12-15, 2025.
Fabtech	Annually	Fall	Rotates	Metalworking. Next: Sep. 8-11, 2025 Chicago*

* Potential OEM advertisers, OEMs use a lot of metal forming, welding and finishing equipment.

2025 upcoming shows

May 12-15, 2025 – Automate (automation, robotics) – Detroit Sep. 8-11, 2025 - Fabtech – Chicago Sep. 13-17, 2025 – IBIE (bakery) – Last Vegas Sep. 29-Oct. 1, 2025 – PACK EXPO Las Vegas Oct. 28-30, 2025 – EATS (formerly Process Expo) – Chicago