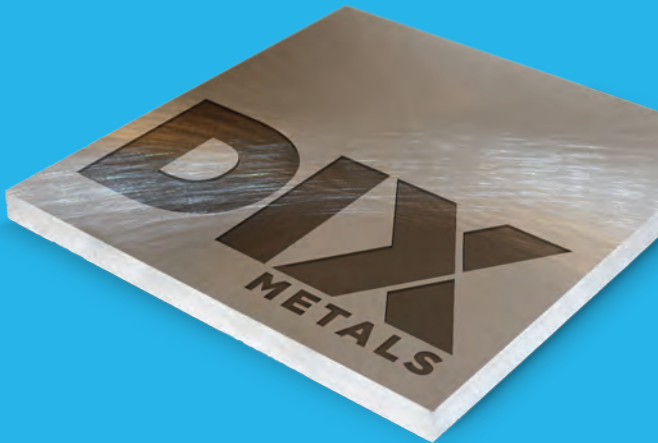


machine shop guide



**USING PRECISION GROUND,  
MACHINE-READY BLANKS  
TO INCREASE YOUR PROFIT**



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# PRECISION GROUND, MACHINE READY: WHAT'S THE ADVANTAGE?

When buying blanks for your manufacturing operations or your machine shop, you have a choice:

**A** / Uncut rough blanks that you machine yourself.

OR

**B** / Prefabricated machine ready blanks that are precision ground to your specifications and ready for production.

While uncut rough blanks are available on short notice, they require prep time. Thus the time you save in ordering, you spend in pre-op, tying up your own equipment to cut, grind, and fly cut finish blanks before you can use them.

A worker wearing a white hard hat with a 'DIX' logo and a dark t-shirt is leaning over a large, rectangular metal blank. The blank has several markings: '1664 01', 'SB289', and 'AMS 4007'. To the right, a machine with a gauge and a digital display is visible, with 'AMS' and 'VLS-07' markings. The entire scene is overlaid with a blue tint.

**WITH DIX MACHINE-READY BLANKS,  
YOU'RE READY TO GO ➤**

# 1

## NO PREP TIME = NO DOWN TIME

Precision ground, machine-ready blanks let you get right to production—no sawing, grinding, squaring, or flattening. You can have them delivered according to your exact specifications.



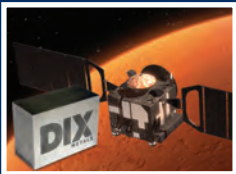
**“The steel parts have been coming off our machines all week. Throughput has improved immensely, so thank you for working with us!”**

**RECENT QUOTE FROM A SATISFIED CUSTOMER**

# 2

## REDUCE SETUP TIME

With precision ground, machine-ready blanks, you will no longer waste valuable time adjusting setups. Consistent tolerances let you load blanks directly into your machines, allowing you to focus on final machining.



### PRECISION GUARANTEED

Dix Metals is the only company who could **GUARANTEE** the tolerances demanded by a major US aerospace organization.

# 3

## SAVE WEAR AND TEAR

When you do your own pre-op, you expend part of your own equipment life on processes that do not generate revenue. By using prefabricated precision ground blanks, you save on wear and tear on your own equipment, letting you invest the life of your capital expenditures in profitable production.



### SAVING TIME, SAVING COST

Dix Metals has invested in over 50 pieces of equipment dedicated to producing precision ground machine-ready blanks so you don't have to.



# 4

## GAIN COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

By increasing efficiency and shortening production times, you'll get your products to market more quickly. Once you factor in lead time for JIT manufacturing, you'll always have precision ground, machine-ready blanks when you need them.

**Contact your Dix Metals representative to walk you through some of these ideas and how to use Machine Ready Blanks to increase profits in your shop**

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**Consider the advantages of ordering blanks  
that are precision ground and machine ready**



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HOW WE CAN SAVE YOU TIME AND  
TROUBLE AND HELP YOU INCREASE PROFIT.**

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