

FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING LIVES HERE

Ontario's food and beverage manufacturing sector is the third largest in North America with manufacturing revenues of more than \$48 billion. The sector has more than 4,500 establishments in the province, employing over 104,800 people, including global companies such as CocaCola, Nestle, Unilever and Kraft Heinz, and homegrown companies like Maple Leaf Foods, Dare Foods Limited and Weston Foods.

Ontario-based firms have access to superior, end-to-end supply chain solutions including processing, packaging, specialized storage and transportation, in addition to 3.6 million hectares of cropland growing over 230 agricultural commodities. The province also boasts a concentration of academic institutions with specific expertise and infrastructure dedicated to agrifood and agritech research and development.

Whether you want to expand your operations here or source some of the highest quality services and products in the world, Ontario is fertile ground for growth and success.

ONTARIO'S FOOD AND BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING SECTOR BY THE NUMBERS

3RD

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THAN \$48 BILLION

MORE
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BEVERAGE PRODUCTS IN THE PROVINCE,
EMPLOYING OVER 104,800 PEOPLE

18%

OF ONTARIO'S GDP BY
MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES,
THE PROVINCE'S HIGHEST

ACCESS TO
1.5B

CONSUMERS ACROSS
51 COUNTRIES THROUGH
FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS

ALMOST
1,500

FOOD MANUFACTURERS, AND
HUNDREDS OF INNOVATIVE
AGRI-FOOD EXPORTERS

ONTARIO EXPERTISE AND LEADERSHIP

From large cities to our smallest rural communities, thousands of food processing companies are flourishing in Ontario's moderate, four-season climate.

- Ingredient Manufacturers
- Agri-Clean Technologies
- Bio-Products
- Precision Agricultural Data and Analytics
- Animal Health & Sciences
- Equipment Machinery Development
- Crop Science
- Plant Genetics
- Food Processing
- Agri-Based Life Sciences

THE TOP 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE ONTARIO

1. TALENT

Ontario's number one advantage is its people. Some of the best and brightest minds choose to call Ontario their home. In fact, 70% of adults possess a post-secondary education – a rate higher than any OECD country.

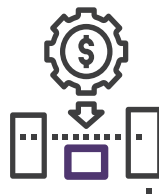


2. INNOVATION AND RECOGNIZED QUALITY

Ontario has one of the most unique and collaborative innovation ecosystems on the planet where business, academia and government work together to drive revolutionary ideas to market.

3. COMPETITIVE COSTS

Ontario has some of the lowest corporate tax rates in North America while small and medium-sized manufacturers can save up to 50% on their after-tax R&D expenditures. Global customers can also source high quality products that are also extremely cost competitive.



4. ACCESS TO GLOBAL MARKETS

Open for business to the entire world, Ontario benefits from free trade agreements with 50 countries and is only a short distance from major U.S. hubs.

5. DIVERSITY

Ontario has welcomed people from over 150 countries and over 200 languages are spoken here. Ontario also has a highly diversified economy with a wide array of industry sectors.



WHO'S HERE

- Anheuser-Busch InBev (Labatts)
- Archer Daniels Midland
- Bunge
- Cargill
- Coca Cola
- Grupo Bimbo
- Ferrero
- Kellogg Company
- Kraft Heinz
- Mars
- Mondelez
- Nestle
- PepsiCo
- Saputo
- Unilever

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