

HAMILTON

AGRIBUSINESS AND FOOD PROCESSING

Hamilton is home to over 120 food and beverage manufacturers and 9,500 skilled workers across the agribusiness and food processing supply chain. With 810 farms, Hamilton provides raw ingredients and a diverse ecosystem for food and beverage manufacturers to succeed. Below are key statistics that show Hamilton's agri-business and food processing sector is on the rise.



35% growth in food manufacturing employment over the last two census periods



2nd largest manufacturing industry in Hamilton
*In terms of employment and revenue

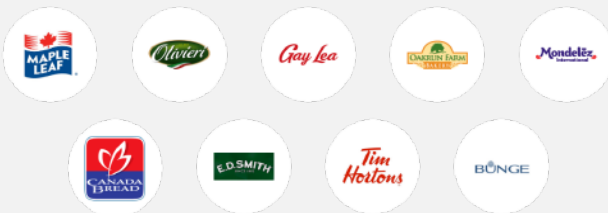
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Billion is the contribution primary agriculture brings to Hamilton's economy

WHY HAMILTON?

Access To Market:

These reasons and more are why many **domestic** and **international** companies call Hamilton home and have made significant **investments** including:



45 minutes from Canada's largest market (Toronto) and two U.S Border Crossings



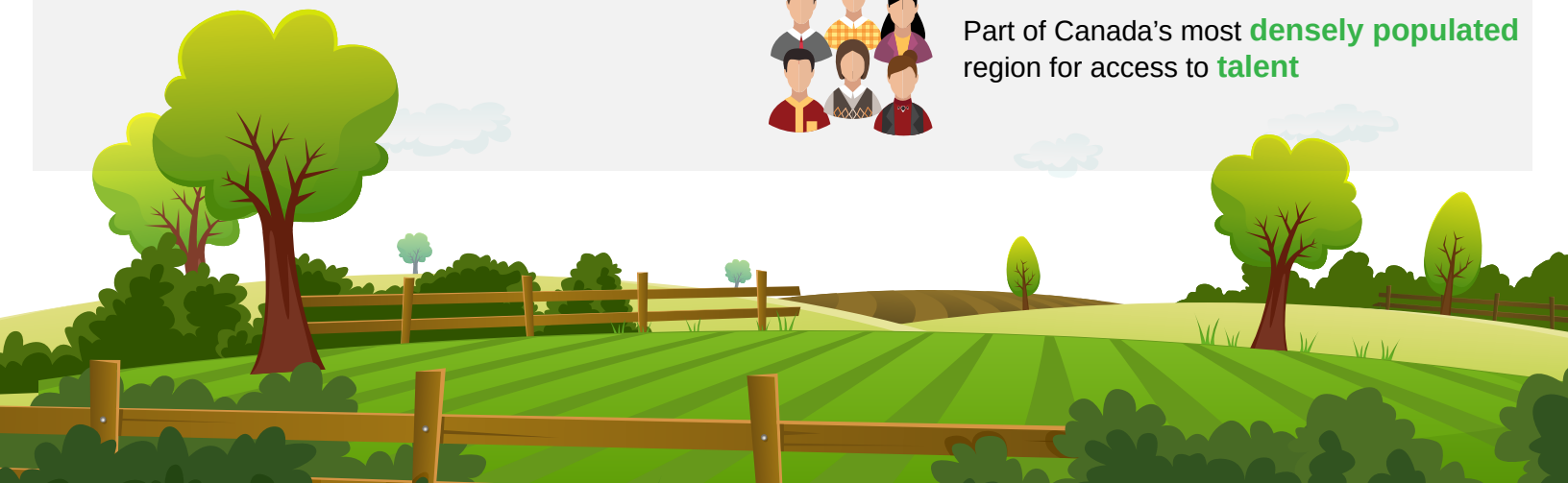
A total of **14 free trade** agreements in force with **46 countries**



Quick access to **460 million consumers** in North America and beyond



Part of Canada's most **densely populated** region for access to **talent**



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World-Class Infrastructure, Access To Markets and available industrial land has enabled regional strengths in areas with global competitiveness including: bakery, grain and oilseed processing, confectionary, meat processing and beverage.



WHY HAMILTON?

World-Class Infrastructure:

- **Abundant** fresh water, food safety and regulatory systems
- Busiest Port on the Canadian side of the Great Lakes with logistic and export **specialty in Agri-food cargo**
- Canada's **largest overnight express cargo airport** (international) and e-commerce hub with agri-food assets
- **Two** Class 1 Railways
- Direct connections to **400-series highways**
- Supply chain that includes **automation equipment**, cold and frozen storage, food grade packaging, and logistics
- Over **55 university** and **college programs** from regional institutions, including Hamilton's Mohawk College and McMaster University, **concentrating** on agriculture, food science, nutritional science and culinary arts



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