2019 Halton Region ECONOMIC SNAP SHOT
Halton Region is one of the best places to do business in Canada. With prime employment land development opportunities, a highly skilled workforce and proximity to major markets, we offer a competitive home base for your business. Find out why businesses from across the globe are investing in Halton.
Community profile

596,940*
Residents

$851,129
Avg. house price

49%
of population under 40 years old

$139,315
Average household income

75%
With post-secondary education

969 km²
of land area

#1
Lowest crime severity index in Canada

526 km²
of green space

20%
1 in 5 graduates with science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) degree

$28B
Gross domestic product

13
conservation areas

* Halton best planning estimates, 2019 forecast
Surrounding market

- Halton is within the Greater Toronto Area (GTA): 7th largest urban area in North America
- 6.4M people living within GTA
- Financial Services Capital of Canada
- $304B: GTA’s gross domestic product
- 8.9M people within 1 hour drive
- 1 hour drive to US border
- Largest Canadian airport
- Largest Ontario port
Economic dashboard

Economic Performance

- Unemployment rate: 5.3%
- Participation rate: 67.4%
- Employment rate: 63.7%

Business Confidence for 2019

- 80% of Halton business owners anticipate stable or improved economic conditions in 2019.
- 95% of Halton business owners plan on maintaining or hiring additional staff in 2019.
- 90% of Halton business owners anticipate steady or higher profits in 2019.
Business & jobs

13,000+ businesses
229,000+ jobs

Distribution of business across Halton
- Milton 15%
- Oakville 37%
- Burlington 38%
- Halton Hills 11%

Key sectors
- Advanced Manufacturing
- Professional Services
- Food and Beverage
- Financial Services
- Life Sciences
- Technology

Top employers
- Ford Motor Company of Canada
- Gordon Food Service
- Sofina Foods
- Karmax Heavy Stamping (Magna)
- Siemens Canada
- Evertz Microsystems
- Collins Aerospace
- Mold Masters
- Aviva Canada
- AMEC
Growth & development

$1.8B Total construction value

$368M Commercial construction

$72M Industrial construction

Total construction value in Halton ($billion)

2009 1.1
2010 1.1
2011 1.3
2012 2.0
2013 1.5
2014 1.5
2015 1.8
2016 2.1
2017 3.1
2018 1.8
Business parks

14
Business Parks and four more planned

15,070
acres of total employment land across Halton

1,565
acres of serviced and “investment-ready” lands

5,700+
businesses located in employment areas
Our services

Halton’s Economic Development team offers a one-stop shop for businesses of all sizes and stages of growth.

- investment assistance
- site visits and tours
- expansion and relocation assistance
- online data centre
- business networks
- events & seminars
- export development
- Small Business Enterprise Centre
- tourism
For more information about Halton or to get connected to opportunities, contact us:

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