ONTARIO

A modern, sustainable economy depends on the chemistry and plastics sector

Ontario is Canada's most populous province and a major player in the chemistry and plastics sector. More than 95% of all manufactured goods are directly touched by chemistry and plastics -70,000+ products in total. These products include food packaging, medicine, automotive parts, aerospace equipment, renewable energy, clean water and so much more.



The chemistry and plastics sector enables Ontario's social, economic, and environmental objectives, including:



Facilitating the net-zero emissions economy

Electric vehicles • Light weighting • Sustainable buildings • Renewable energy

Plastics

Manufacturing

\$17.1 Billion

in shipments

\$4.6 Billion



Circular economy and recovering the value of plastics

The Ontario Advantage — Chemistry and plastics industry by the numbers:

Chemistry **Manufacturing**

\$30.5 Billion

in shipments

\$22.7 Billion

in exports

\$4.02 Billion in wages

> 45,790 direct jobs



\$3 Billion in wages

in exports

52,000 direct jobs

Economic Importance

3rd

In value of shipments behind food and transportation equipment

3rd

In value added of manufacturing output

2nd

In value of exports of manufactured goods

Ontario Advantage



Access to costcompetitive shale gas production in the northeastern U.S.



Established clusters with key infrastructure and skilled labour



New technologies for producing chemicals from biomass



Chemistry and plastics supporting key industries throughout the province.



MINING

- Chemistry enables more efficient mineral extraction, separation and processing that improve recovery and sustainability.
- Ontario is home to nickel, gold, zinc and platinum metals as well as salt, gypsum, talc, calcium carbonate and other industrial metals.



FORESTRY

• Chemistries enable efficient and sustainable pulp processing, paper-making and finishing, and provide the foundation for evolving properties in pulp, paper and board products.



AUTOMOTIVE

- Chemistry and plastics critical material enabling auto industry to make safer, lighter, and more fuel-efficient vehicles that are better for the environment.
- On average, there are 30,000 parts in a vehicle and 1/3 of those are made of plastic from 40 different types of plastics and polymers.
- Ontario poised to be major design, manufacturing, and assembly hub for electric cars. GM, Ford and Stellantis is investing to build more electric vehicles in Ontario.



BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- Chemistry and plastics supply piping, barrier films, insulations, windows, doors, plumbing fixtures, and surface materials used in building construction
- Energy efficiency, need for low-emissions plastic products driving the renovation of Canada's \$4.53 trillion residential and non-residential building stock
- Supporting the growth of Ontario's construction sector and its workforce
- · Supports Canada's thriving appliance manufacturing sector



BUILDING THE CONDITIONS TO ATTRACT INVESTMENT AND CREATE JOBS

- Maintain the chemistry sector as a priority within the province's economic development strategy.
- Position Ontario as a leader in the circular economy and recovering the value of plastics.
- Recognize the sector's role in enabling a low carbon economy and ensure carbon pricing adhere to principles of consistency, stability and predictability.
- Recognize Responsible Care® as a model ESG programs for the effective stewardship, community engagement and the safe handling, storage and transportation of chemistry products

