

A competitive, sustainable Canadian economy depends on the chemistry and plastics sectors

Canadian chemicals and plastics support billions of dollars in manufacturing domestically, enabling a modern sustainable way of life. In fact, more than **95 per cent** of all manufactured goods rely on chemistry or plastic materials.

These products include food packaging, medicine and pharmaceuticals, automotive parts, aerospace equipment, wind turbines and solar panels, clean drinking water and so much more.



70,000+ PRODUCTS IN TOTAL

CHEMISTRY:

4th Largest Manufacturing Sector in Canada

PLASTICS:

9th Largest Manufacturing Industry in Canada



Canada's Chemistry and Plastics Manufacturing Industries by the Numbers:

\$73 Billion in shipments  **\$36 Billion** in shipments

\$48 Billion in exports  **\$15 Billion** in exports

\$8.5 Billion in wages  **\$5.5 Billion** in wages

93,700 direct jobs  **82,900** direct jobs

Chemistry and Plastics Support Key Industries in Canada

- ✓ Automotive
- ✓ Construction
- ✓ Wood and paper products
- ✓ Packaging
- ✓ Renewable Energy
- ✓ Mining
- ✓ Aerospace
- ✓ Agriculture
- ✓ defence



Canada's chemistry and plastics sector is an essential element in building a stronger more resilient economy that is able to meet key objectives. More Canadian Chemistry and Plastics will be needed to:



Reducing emissions



Developing energy efficient buildings



Foster a modern, low-carbon economy



Diversifying Canada's trade relationships



Creating safe, lightweight packaging, reducing food waste



Strengthening Canada's defence supply chains



Supporting Canadians by supporting well-paying jobs across the country

Building the conditions to attract investment and create jobs.

Chemistry and plastics play a crucial role in Canada's manufacturing supply chain. Our sector grows domestic production, modernizes existing facilities and attracts the next generation of major projects which require significant private-sector capital. [CS1.1]Canada must create a competitive regulatory, tax and policy environment that makes it an attractive place to invest:

- ✓ **Keep competitiveness at the centre of policy decisions**, recognizing the chemistry and plastics sector's role in supporting Canadian manufacturing, supply-chain resilience, high-value jobs and economic growth. Policy actions should avoid stranding previous investments in emissions reductions that generate capital, credits, or offsets.
- ✓ **Use Canada's tax system to strengthen investment competitiveness** by improving transparency, simplifying access to incentives and ensuring Canadian projects can compete with opportunities in other jurisdictions.
- ✓ **Recognize and protect previous investments in facilities**, technology and emissions reductions, while avoiding policy changes that strand capital or undermine the value of existing investments.