What are the Promising Sectors & Occupations in Windsor-Essex?



What is a Promising Occupation?

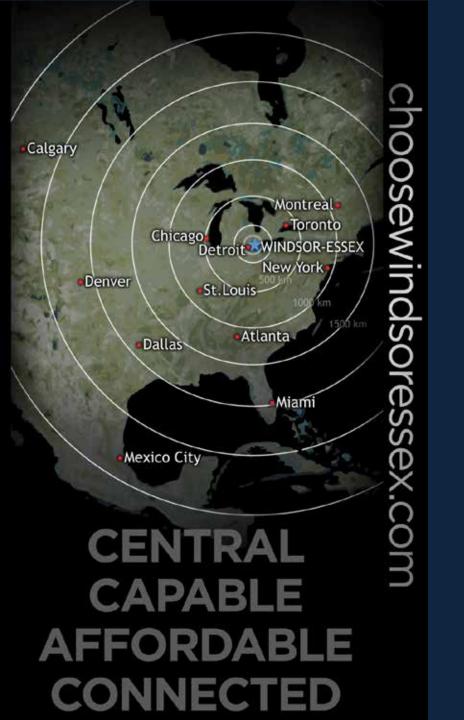
A **promising occupation** is a job that is likely to be in demand in the next 3 to 5 years in Windsor-Essex.



What is a Promising Sector?

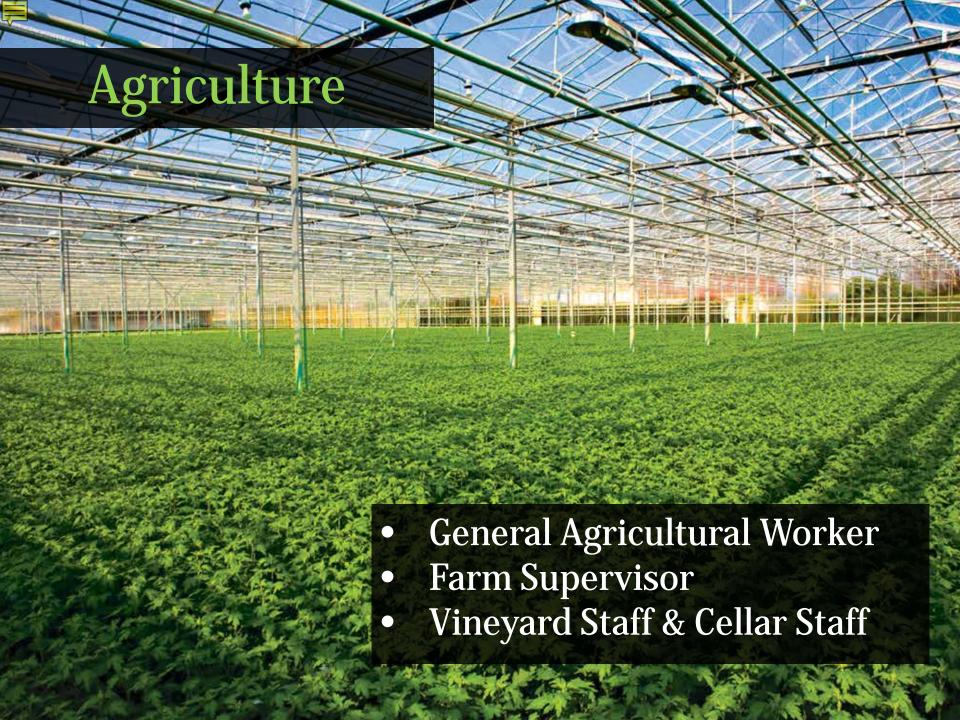
A **promising sector** is a segment of the economy that has several promising occupations within it.





Promising Sectors in Windsor-Essex

Agriculture Construction **Creative Industries** Education **Health Sciences Manufacturing Professional Services** Renewable Energy **Tourism**



According to Employers in Agriculture...

• Strength:

The sector is technologically and scientifically progressing

Challenge:

Attracting youth to the sector is difficult

• Opportunity:

 There is predicted growth in the greenhouse industry as well as the wine industry as marketshare increases





According to Employers in Construction...

• Strength:

 Technology is advancing within the sector and the required skills are continually evolving

Challenge:

 Difficulty in attracting and retaining recent grads to certain occupations within the construction sector

Opportunity:

 WE Parkway, expansion and construction of buildings in downtown core, Renewable Energy projects





According to Employers in Creative Industries...

• Strength:

 Windsor-Essex has the potential to be a digital and social media hub

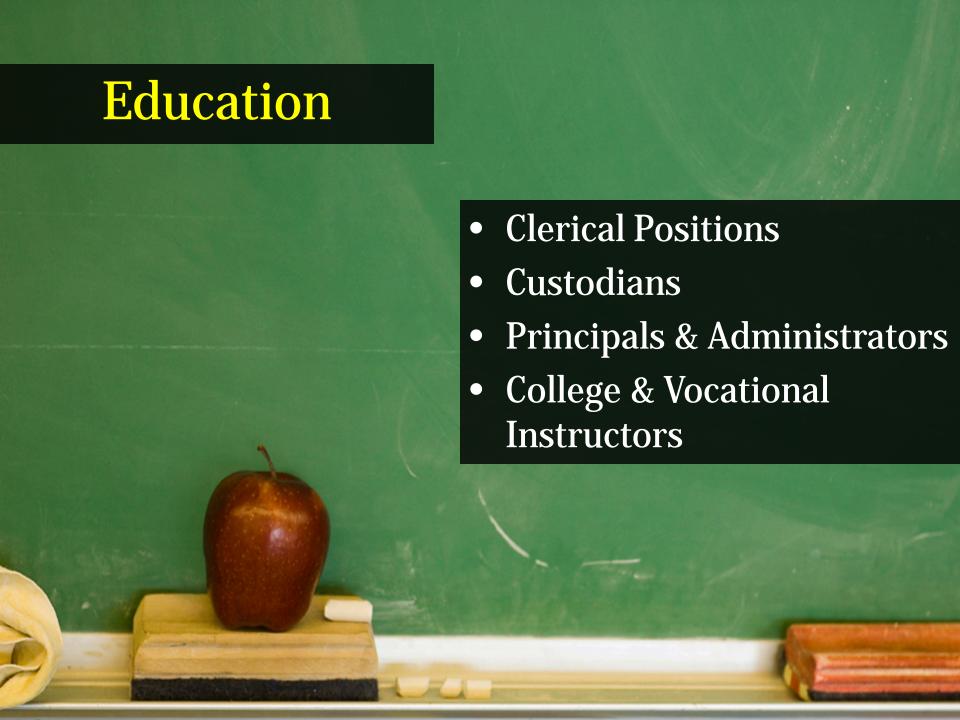
Challenge:

 "Over 70 percent of respondents expect to hire in the next two years and indicate that the lack of available talent has constrained business growth"

• Opportunity:

 To work together within the industry to promote the skills and talent of Windsor-Essex outside of the region.





According to Employers in Education...

• Strength:

 Advancing technology is changing the methods in which material is delivered.

Challenge:

 There are certain specialized occupations to address the diverse needs of students that are difficult to recruit for within the region

• Opportunity:

 There is a possibility for a large number of retirements in the next several years, allowing a younger workforce to enter into the sector.





According to Employers in Health Sciences...

• Strength:

 Local organizations are offering leadership programs to their employees to help them advance their skills.

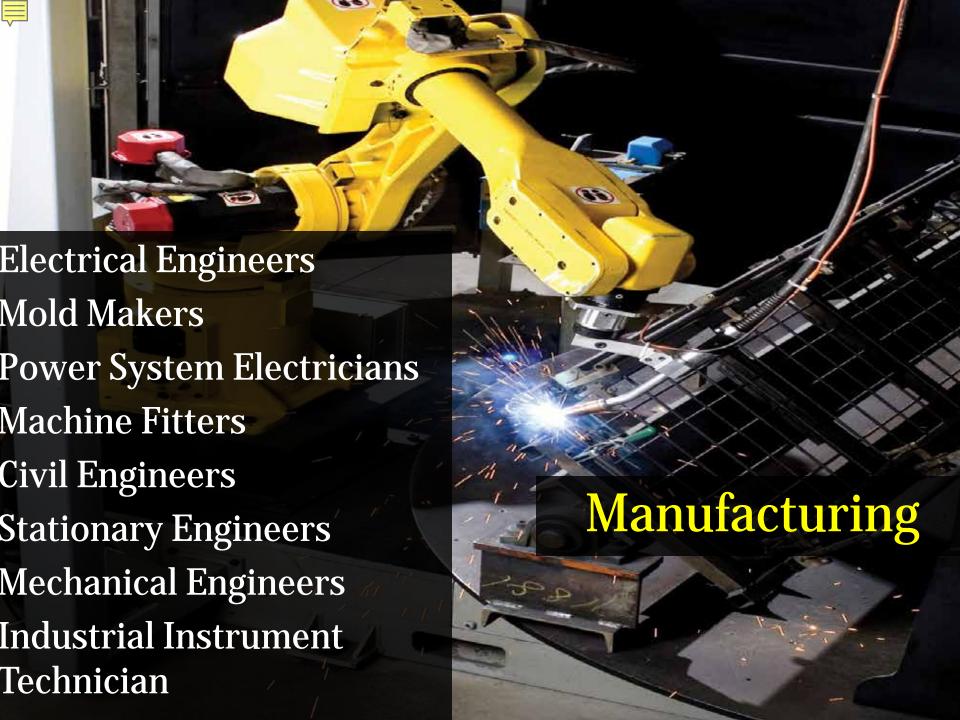
Challenge:

- Cross-Border Competition
- Greater recognition and support for Internationally Trained Professionals needs to be implemented

Opportunity:

Projected increased demand for health care services





According to Employers in Manufacturing...

• Strength:

 Technology within the sector is progressing, creating opportunities for those individuals with the relevant knowledge and education

Challenge:

 Breakdown the stereotypes of the sector in the minds of the youth and parents in the region

Opportunity:

 The competition for certain skilled about is fierce resulting in opportunities for individual growth and entrepreneurship





Professional Services



According to Employers in Professional Services...

• Strength:

There is likely to be long-term growth in the sector

Challenge:

 Lack of community awareness about the opportunities locally in this sector

• Opportunity:

 Sector offers diverse employment opportunities in a variety of industries





According to Employers in Renewable Energy...

• Strength:

 R.E. companies in Windsor-Essex are innovative in their approach to manufacturing and creating products for energy production

Challenge:

Political uncertainty

Opportunity:

 Relatively new sector, which has considerable potential for growth as demand for alternative energy sources increases





According to Employers in Tourism...

• Strength:

 Within the past year, there have been a number of restaurants opening featuring a variety of cuisine which have recruited chefs, cooks, bartenders and wait staff

Challenge:

 Political and economic events (border requirements/delays, declining value of U.S. dollar)

Opportunity:

Entrepreneurship



Local Available Training

- Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program
- Apprenticeship Program-Ministry of Training, Colleges & Universities
- St. Clair College
- College Boreal
- Private Career Colleges
- University of Windsor



Changes in the Local Labour Market

- 1. The net out-migration of workers still continues to be a challenge for the Windsor-Essex economy and workforce
- 2. Continued diversification of the Windsor-Essex economy
- 3. Technology and innovation are essential to the growth of the region



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