



# DEFENCE

Discover why Mississauga is built for defence manufacturing, systems, and scale.



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MISSISSAUGA

# QUICK FACTS

**2ND**  
largest economy  
in Ontario

## PROXIMITY TO 3 MAJOR R&D DEFENCE HUBS

supporting advanced materials, aerospace systems, human performance, and dual-use defence innovation.

## HOME TO CAPABILITIES ACROSS THE DEFENCE VALUE CHAIN

within aerospace, cyber, autonomous systems, and more.

## GATEWAY TO CANADA'S LARGEST TECH ECOSYSTEM

for AI, cybersecurity, and advanced manufacturing talent.

## CANADA'S #1 AEROSPACE & AVIATION CLUSTER

with 330+ companies employing over 32,000 people.

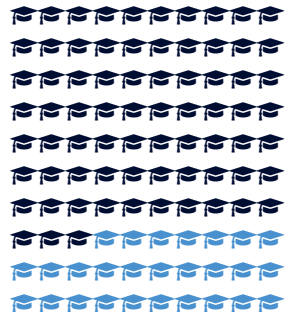
**60 +**  
defence-ready  
companies


## HIGHLY SPECIALIZED WORKFORCE

- Access to a **labour pool of over 5.2 million people** within the Toronto Region, representing over 60% of Ontario's Labour force
- **2 globally recognized post-secondary institutions plus 32** within a 1-hour commute, offering defence-relevant programs in Aerospace Engineering, Cybersecurity, Advanced Manufacturing, and Computer Science
- Mississauga is a **net importer of talent**, drawing in over 69,000 people from surrounding regions for employment
- **28%** of people with a post-secondary education specialize in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)

# 73%

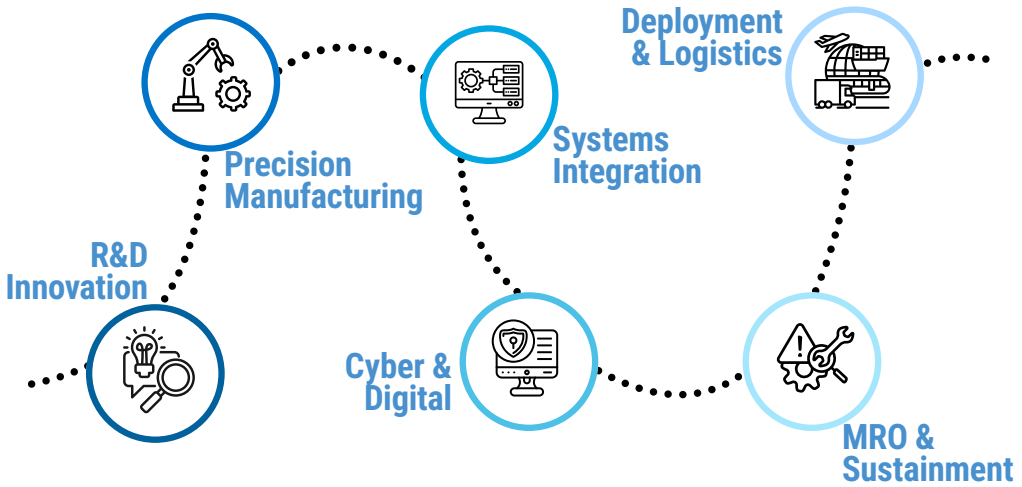
of workforce  
population have  
post-secondary  
education





Curtiss-Wright INDAL Technologies  
- Mississauga-built  
helicopter landing systems  
used by navies globally.

## MISSISSAUGA: YOUR ENTRY POINT TO CANADA'S DEFENCE VALUE CHAIN



### A Region Built for Defence Innovation

Anchored by National Research Council (NRC) Mississauga, Downsview Aerospace Innovation & Research (DAIR), and Defence Research and Development Canada (DRDC)



# CANADA'S DEFENCE MARKET: AT A GLANCE

**\$63B+**

annually in defence  
spending (2% of GDP)

**5% GDP**

defence spending  
target by 2035

## CANADA'S DEFENCE PROCUREMENT APPROACH

### BUILD

Prioritize building  
defence and dual-use  
capabilities in Canada  
where sovereign  
capacity is essential

### PARTNER

Collaborate with trusted  
international firms to  
scale Canadian industrial  
capacity and technology  
depth

### BUY

Procure globally  
where needed, with a  
focus on secure supply  
chains and in-country  
support

## EMERGING CAPABILITY PRIORITIES\*

Advanced Materials

Artificial Intelligence

Clean Technology

Cyber Resilience

Space Systems

Remotely-Piloted Systems &  
Autonomous Technologies

\* Represents a subset of Canada's identified  
sovereign capability priorities.

## FEDERAL INITIATIVES & FUNDING

**BDC:** \$6B+ for scaling defence and  
defence-adjacent companies

**NRC-IRAP Defence Industry  
Assist:** \$200M+ to support defence  
innovation & commercialization

**Regional Defence Investment  
Initiative:** \$379M to strengthen regional  
supply chains

**Defence Skills Agenda:** \$383M to  
strengthen the defence talent pipeline

**SR&ED:** Up to 35% refundable investment  
tax credit on eligible R&D spending

# OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Mississauga is home to defence-ready companies operating across the full value chain.

## Aerospace, Aviation, Naval & Space Systems

- Bombardier
- CAE
- Curtiss-Wright INDAL Technologies
- Honeywell Aerospace
- Magellan Aerospace
- MHI Canada Aerospace
- Pratt & Whitney

## Defence Electronics, C4ISR & Safety-Critical Systems

- Amphenol Canada
- Aversan
- Keysight Technologies
- L3Harris

## Cybersecurity, AI & Secure Digital Services

- Bell Canada
- CGI Canada
- HCL Canada
- MCCI
- Optiv Canada

## Precision Manufacturing & Advanced Materials

- Anogen
- Cyclone Manufacturing
- Lynch Fluid Controls
- Macfab Manufacturing
- The Brand Felt Ltd.

## Defence Engineering & Infrastructure

- AtkinsRealis
- EllisDon
- Hatch
- Stantec

## Defence Logistics, Packaging & Trade Services

- Defence Unlimited International
- North American Crating Inc.

## Autonomous Systems and Uncrewed Technologies

- Aeromao
- Remote Robotics
- Web4You

## OUR SERVICES

- Advocacy
- Workforce Development
- Site Selection Assistance
- Issue Resolution

- Specialized Programming
- B2B Connections
- Research + Data
- Government Funding & Programs



**670+**

multinational head offices  
call Mississauga home

## MISSISSAUGA AT A GLANCE

### Business Leaders

- Home to 75+ Fortune 500 and 65+ Global 500 companies

### Quality of Life

- Diverse and inclusive with 53% of residents born outside of Canada
- Lakefront community with 22km of waterfront trails connecting 3 beaches

### Connectivity

- Home to Canada's largest airport serving over 50 million people annually
- Less than a 90 minute drive to the U.S. border
- Serviced by 3 principal railways and 7 major highways with dedicated bus lanes



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