Leading Companies in the Professional and Business Sector

Adidas Canada (HQ)
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Ltd.
GFL Environmental Inc. (HQ)
KPMG
Recipe Unlimited Corp. (HQ)
SCIEX
St. Joseph Communications (HQ)
Toys “R” Us (HQ)
Yum! Brands Inc. (HQ)

Listed above are top employers. For a full listing, visit yorklink.ca/york-region-employment-survey.

Professional and Business Services Cluster Map

Professional and business services locations (1,146) in Vaughan
Professional and Business Services

HIGHLY SKILLED LABOUR FORCE
- Seventy per cent of Vaughan’s population over the age of 25 has a post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree – surpassing both the provincial (65.1%) and national averages (64.8%).

Within a one-hour drive from Vaughan, businesses have access to:
- eight colleges and seven universities, collectively producing 220,646 university and 113,669 college-enrolled students annually.
- Niagara University which has relocated its
- eight colleges and seven universities,
- one-hour drive
- Seventy per cent of Vaughan’s population

STRONG ECONOMY AND UNPARALLELED GROWTH
- Part of the Greater Toronto Area’s $332-billion economy with 6.4-million people – the largest consumer market in Canada.
- Largest economy in York Region with an estimated GDP of more than $21 billion in 2019.
- One of Canada’s fastest-growing municipalities, expected to reach close to 500,000 people by 2041.
- Surpassed the $1-billion mark in construction activity in eight of the last 10 years.

SUPERIOR TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
- Home to the country’s largest international rail carriers – the Canadian National (CN) MacMillan Yard and the Canadian Pacific (CP) Railway Vaughan intermodal Terminal.
- The only urban growth centre in the Greater Toronto Area, outside of Toronto, that has subway access and an innovative intermodal transit system.
- Direct access to Highways 427, 400 and 407. Highway 401 is minutes away.
- 6.6-kilometre expansion of Highway 427 is expected to be completed by 2020.
- Canada’s busiest airport, Toronto Pearson International Airport, is located on the southwestern boundary of Vaughan, within 10 kilometres.

SOURCES:
2. 2. 2. Common University Data Ontario (CUDO)
4. Toronto Global.

Location Quotient

Location quotient (LQ) is a way of quantifying how concentrated a particular industry, cluster, occupation, or demographic group is in a region compared to the nation. It can reveal what makes a particular region “unique” in comparison to the national average. Many economists consider an area’s industry to be concentrated if its LQ is above 1.2.

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More than 1,000 new jobs (6.9%) have been added from 2017 to 2018.

The VMC is only a

6-minute subway ride
to York University (Canada’s third-largest university) and 
45 minutes to Union Station, Toronto - the financial capital of the country.

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