



# TRANSPORTATION & DISTRIBUTION

GROW FARTHER | CENTRAL LOCATION



Parked at the intersection of the Mid-Continent Trade Corridor and Canada's Asia-Pacific Gateway, Winnipeg is the only major city between Thunder Bay and Vancouver with direct rail connections to the United States. Winnipeg also features rail access to the northern seaport of Churchill, the 24-hour Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport and headquarters for some of Canada's biggest trucking firms. These advantages make Winnipeg an ideal location for CentrePort Canada, a 20,000-acre inland port and Foreign Trade Zone that offers access to multi-modal transportation and prime industrial land. It's not surprising then, that we also have more transportation sector employees per capita than any other city in the country.

## A GROWING SECTOR

There are more than 40,000 people employed in 4,300 business establishments active in warehousing and distribution; logistics; air, road, and rail transportation; and local transit and distribution.

Employment is growing, with the sector experiencing an overall increase in employment of 13 per cent from 2005 to 2010

The air, road and rail transportation component employs 13,700

Logistics and transportation support employs 3,300 and experienced a 38 per cent increase in employment from 2005 to 2010

Distribution and warehousing employs 16,600 workers and experienced 24 per cent growth from 2005 to 2010

The Winnipeg sector is integrated with the larger transportation and distribution sector in Manitoba, which employs more than 56,000

## Transportation and Distribution % Growth 2005-2010



Source: Labour Force Survey, 2010  
Statistics Canada

## WINNIPEG'S ADVANTAGES

With ready access to global markets through a robust global transportation and logistics infrastructure, Winnipeg is located at the junction of the Asia-Pacific Gateway and the Mid-Continent Trade Corridor. Through a system of interconnecting highways and rail routes, these corridors provide seamless and efficient access to Asian, Canadian, US and Mexican markets. Winnipeg is the only city on the Canadian Prairies with access to three major rail lines CN, CP and BNSF.

Other advantages include:

Headquarters of six of Canada's largest trucking companies

Winnipeg's James Armstrong Richardson International Airport, Canada's #1 airport for scheduled freighter flights

Port of Churchill (north of Winnipeg), North America's only deepwater arctic seaport

CentrePort Canada (inland port), Canada's first designated foreign trade zone (FTZ), positions Winnipeg as an ideal location for intermediate goods processing and distribution

The Emerson-Pembina border crossing is Western Canada's most significant and the fifth highest ranked gateway for trade by road between the US and Canada

Competitive and stable wage rates

Diesel fuel prices lower than most Canadian cities

Zero provincial aviation fuel tax on international flights and low provincial aviation fuel tax rate on aviation fuel for commercial cargo flights

Lowest published electricity rates in North America

## Education and Training

Three major post-secondary educational institutions including the University of Manitoba, the University of Winnipeg and Red River College are located in Winnipeg with combined enrollment of more than 40,000 students. These institutions offer a wide variety of programs in transportation logistics, distribution and management.

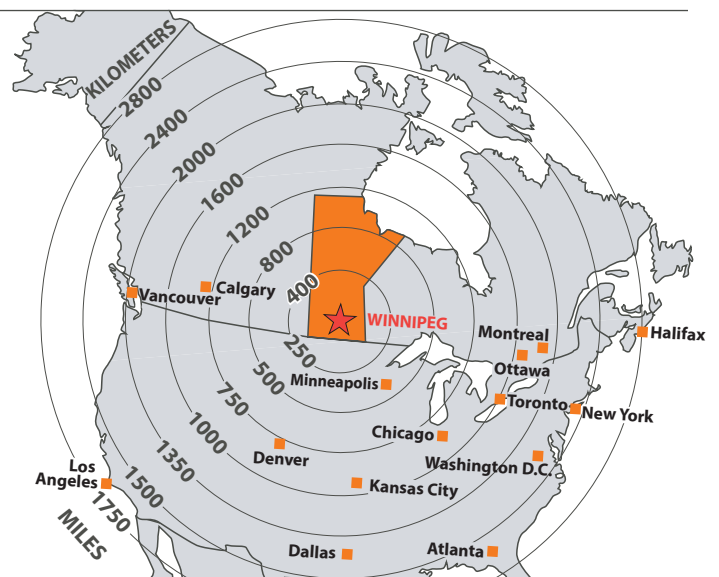
## Supportive Governments

Government partners offer an array of local, provincial and national programs that provide financial assistance such as tax credits, tax incentives, training assistance, R&D assistance, loan guarantees and wage subsidies. Governments are also an active partner by investing in industry applied research capacity.

## GROW IN WINNIPEG

Our city of more than 730,000 has always been economically strong and diverse. We have nurtured a robust workforce; skilled, talented and productive.

If you're looking to relocate or expand to a place where opportunities for growth are limited only by imagination and where imagination is unlimited, consider Winnipeg. Our city is a place where business can grow faster, stronger and better; a place that is intelligent, creative and culturally diverse; a place where the infrastructure, supplier base and – most importantly – the people are ready to help your business get growing.



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