

# Regional Factsheet



Possibility grows here.

**Dufferin County** boasts prime farmland classified by a unique honeywood loam soil that supports the growth of many kinds of produce. Farmers can grow up to 20 tons of food per acre on this land.

- The Greenbelt sustains over 2,600<sup>i</sup> jobs in Dufferin County<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup> (2016): \$9 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$116 million contribution to County GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- \$266 million in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- \$184 million in farm cash receipts for main commodities in 2021<sup>ii</sup>

**Durham Region** includes Greenbelt urban river valleys, such as Oshawa Creek, Carruthers Creek and the Bowmanville Creek.

- The Greenbelt sustains over 31,000 jobs<sup>i</sup> in Durham Region
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup> (2016): \$80 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$1.48 billion contribution to Regional GDP<sup>i</sup> (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- \$3.2 billion in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- Almost 254,000 acres of Durham are in agricultural production by over 1,200 farms<sup>iv</sup>, a majority of which are in the Greenbelt

**Halton Region** includes significant Greenbelt features, such as the Niagara Escarpment, Sixteen Mile Creek, Fourteen Mile Creek and Bronte Creek.

- The Greenbelt sustains almost 16,000 jobs<sup>i</sup> in Halton Region<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup>: \$58 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$120 million contribution to regional GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- \$1.6 billion in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- 431 active farms in Halton Region in 2021<sup>iv</sup>, a majority of which are in the Greenbelt
- Over \$161 million in gross farm receipts in 2021<sup>iv</sup>

**Hamilton** includes many Greenbelt features, such as the Niagara Escarpment, Grindstone Creek and Fifty Creek.

- The Greenbelt sustains almost 26,000 jobs<sup>i</sup> in Hamilton<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup>: \$101 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$2.6 billion in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- \$1.15 billion contribution<sup>i</sup> to Hamilton GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- 679 active farms on 118,070 acres in Hamilton in 2021<sup>iv</sup>
- Over \$366 million in gross farm receipts in 2021<sup>iv</sup>

**Niagara Region** includes significant features of the Greenbelt, such as the Niagara Escarpment and Twelve Mile Creek.

- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup>: \$57 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$1.9 billion in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- \$889 million contribution<sup>i</sup> to Regional GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>

- 1,651 active farms in Niagara Region in 2021<sup>iv</sup>, a majority of which are in the Greenbelt
- \$1 billion in gross farm receipts in 2021<sup>iv</sup>
- The Greenbelt sustains approximately 19,000 jobs<sup>i</sup> in Niagara Region

**Northumberland** includes sections of the Oak Ridges Moraine, and a quarter of the Greenbelt cycling trail winds through the County.

- The Greenbelt sustains approximately 956 jobs<sup>i</sup> in Northumberland County<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup> (2016): \$3.3 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$46 million contribution<sup>i</sup> to County GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- \$104 million in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- 840 active farms in Northumberland County in 2021<sup>iv</sup>
- \$188 million in gross farm receipts in 2021<sup>iv</sup>

**Peel Region** includes significant features of the Greenbelt, such as the Niagara Escarpment, Oak Ridges Moraine, the Credit River and Etobicoke Creek.

- The Greenbelt sustains approximately 3,235 jobs in Peel Region<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup> (2016): \$12.6 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$348 million in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- \$157 million contribution<sup>i</sup> to Regional GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>

**Wellington County** includes significant Greenbelt features, such as the headwaters of watersheds that drain to Lake Ontario: Credit River watershed in Erin, and Bronte and Spencer Creek watersheds in Puslinch.

- The Greenbelt sustains over 1,250 jobs<sup>i</sup> in Wellington County<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup>: \$3.2 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$147 million in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt<sup>ii</sup>
- \$69 million contribution<sup>i</sup> to County GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>

**York Region** includes significant features of the Greenbelt, such as the Oak Ridges Moraine, Don River and Rouge River.

- The Greenbelt sustains approximately 44,521 jobs<sup>i</sup> in York Region<sup>ii</sup>
- Municipal tax revenue from Greenbelt economic activity<sup>iii</sup>: \$120 million<sup>ii</sup>
- \$4.4 billion in gross output<sup>i</sup> from agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and hospitality in the Greenbelt (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- \$2 billion contribution<sup>i</sup> to Regional GDP (2016)<sup>ii</sup>
- 604 active farms in York Region in 2021<sup>iv</sup>, a majority of which are in the Greenbelt
- Over \$390 million in gross farm receipts in 2021<sup>iv</sup>

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<sup>i</sup> Direct, indirect, and induced

<sup>ii</sup> [https://www.greenbelt.ca/economic\\_impact\\_assessment](https://www.greenbelt.ca/economic_impact_assessment)

<sup>iii</sup> Primary and secondary

<sup>iv</sup> 2021 Ontario Census of Agriculture