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What the Auto Industry means to Canada

Direct jobs: **125,400**

Export industry rank: #1

- $77 billion in total exports in 2015

Every day in 2015 autoworkers in Canada:

- Built 6,216 vehicles
- Produced $256 million worth of products
- Paid $6.6 million in income, payroll, sales and property tax

The Industry

- **Canada is home to five major automakers** operating car and light truck assembly plants, including Fiat Chrysler, Ford, General Motors, Honda and Toyota. Canada's auto industry also comprises a highly developed parts sector that includes the manufacturers' own in-house engine and transmission plants **as well as more than 600 independent auto parts facilities**.
- In 2015, Canadian **autoworkers built 2,268,996 cars and light trucks** (or 6,216 per day) that were sold here at home and around the world.
- Canada's auto industry **produced vehicles and parts worth $93.5 billion in 2015**, (or $256 million per day).

Jobs and the Economy

- The auto industry **directly employs 125,400 people** in Canada.
- Autoworkers' paycheques **contributed $7.7 billion to the Canadian economy** in 2015.
- Major original equipment manufacturing operations are estimated to stimulate 273,200 additional jobs**. Including these spin-off jobs, the major auto sector is responsible for more than 314,000 jobs** throughout the economy.

National Impact

- The auto industry accounted for **$77 billion worth of exports in 2015**, 15 per cent of the nation's total.
- **Among all of Canada's export industries, the auto industry is ranked #1** (ahead of the oil and gas and aerospace industries, ranked 2nd and 3rd respectively).
- As a crucial source of high-technology investment and productivity growth, the industry boosts our national economic performance. **The benefits of the auto industry are felt throughout the nation through supplier links, tax revenue and consumer spending**.

Supporting Our Communities

- The industry supports services that we all depend upon, such as health care, education and social services. In 2015, **autoworkers contributed $1.9 billion in income, payroll and sales taxes** (or $5.2 million per day).
- Most autoworkers own their own homes, and **autoworker households also supported $495 million in municipal taxes in 2015** (or $1.4 million per day) helping to pay for local services.
- Autoworkers' fundraising efforts also directly support community organizations such as the United Way, women's shelters and food banks.

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