

The Edmonton region has a well-developed value chain that includes everything from primary farm production to food and beverage processing, as well as a vibrant cluster of craft breweries and distilleries and a burgeoning culinary tourism scene.



2.4M

Acres of arable land in the Edmonton region

5th

Canada's global ranking in agri-food exports

12%

Agri-processing Investment Tax Credit

25.5%

Alberta's contribution to Canada's farm revenue



BeeMaid

CASE STUDY

Bee Maid Honey is one of Canada's largest honey distributors, operating a 72,000-square-foot plant, employing around 40 people, processing seven to eight million pounds of quality honey each year, and ships internationally to places like Japan, China, and Saudi Arabia. Not only is the honey processed locally, but it is also packaged in plastic bottles, made right at the plant.

"Operating in the Edmonton region has been a golden opportunity for Bee Maid and the Alberta Honey Producers Co-operative. While we appreciate the ability to continue expanding our operation in Spruce Grove as our business grows, it is the people that truly make this area exceptional. The workforce embodies dedication and a strong work ethic that has allowed us to thrive as an organization."

-Guy Chartier, CEO, Bee Maid Honey Limited



Ecosystem Snapshot

Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)

The Centre for Culinary Innovation connects experts with food-related businesses to develop innovative food products.

University of Alberta

Alberta's largest academic and research institution houses a dedicated faculty for food and agriculture – the Faculty of Agricultural, Life, and Environmental Sciences (ALES).

Alberta Food Processing and Development Centre

A 65,000 sq-ft pilot plant and product development lab, featuring over \$20 million in equipment, supports food innovation from development to commercialization.

Alberta Bio-processing Innovation Centre

Provides technical and industry development support for the development, scale-up and commercialization of non-food value-added products and applications.

Innotech Alberta, Bio Process Development Centre

A facility for developing, optimizing, and scaling biological processes, providing toll processing services, and supporting the commercialization of novel technology.



NAIT Centre for Culinary Innovation

Alberta Machine Intelligence Insitute (AMII)

Provides support to businesses implementing artificial intelligence and machine learning and partners with global industry leaders.



Food Processing Development Centre

AG-celerator at YEG

A CFIA certified food production, co-pack, and market development accelerator facility located at the Edmonton International Airport (YEG).

CHEF BOMBAY

CASE STUDY

Aliya's Foods Limited is home of the Chef Bombay brand and has been in operation since 1999. Their automated facility produces half a million samosas every day and exports more than 80% of their products outside of Canada.

"We're really lucky to be located in the Edmonton region. There is so much opportunity, so much potential for unlimited growth, like we've seen in the last 20 years – and I think that's available to anyone who wants to enter the industry".

- Khadija Jiwani, Aliya's Foods



The Edmonton region is home to...



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