

## Introduction

# The London region is a great place to live

Here's what newcomers say about the London region:

*"I've found there are many good services available for newcomers, and many people willing to help. The search for a job took time and a lot of work, but it was worth it to be able to settle here."*

*"London is just the right size - not too big, but big enough that there are many different employment opportunities."*

*"The London region is a wonderful place. Even today, I feel like I am home. There are good people here."*

*"It is a great place for families. It is safe, there are jobs, good schools and places to go for help to get settled."*

## Some facts about the London region:

The London region has a very strong and diverse economy.

- Major industries include manufacturing, life sciences, information technology and agriculture. Many people also work in health care, education, in retail stores and in service industries.
- London is the geographic centre of Southwestern Ontario. 150 million people live within a one-day drive of London.
- London is approximately a two-hour drive from Toronto and two hours from the US cities of Detroit and Buffalo.
- The London region is a good place to live and work. It has affordable housing, a good transportation system, excellent education and health care facilities and many recreational and cultural services.



