

Backgrounder

Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) Documents on Employers with TFW-Dominated Workforces

Overview of Master list of businesses that used the TFW Program in 2013

List includes 12,162 businesses names from across Canada.

2,578 businesses on the list had Temporary Foreign Workers as more than 30 per cent of their workforce.

1,123 businesses have a workforce of 50 per cent or more temporary foreign workers.

About the Records

- Most of the businesses are based in Alberta. British Columbia, Ontario, and Saskatchewan are other provinces mostly represented.
- Businesses include fast food, hotels, and restaurants.
- Other sectors that appear over-represented are the trucking/transport industry and residential construction, particularly in Edmonton and Calgary. Tiling, roofing, concrete, and steel fabricator companies appear frequently.
- IT companies appear frequently, particularly in Ontario and Quebec.

Limitations of the Records

- Not sorted by province.
- Not sorted alphabetically.
- Does not tell us how many workers brought in under each Labour Market Opinion (LMO) (each LMO can cover several workers).
- Does not tell us what job classification or wage level.

Some very large household names had more than 30 per cent of their workforce comprised of Temporary Foreign Workers. Of note:

- Shaw Cable Systems, Calgary
- Lafarge Canada, Calgary
- Siemens Canada Ltd., Burlington, Ontario
- Ensign Drilling Partnership, Calgary
- Bell Connections, Edmonton, Alberta
- Nokia Siemens Networks Canada, Mississauga
- Merit Group Inc., Calgary

- Sinopec Canada Energy, Calgary
- Loblaw, Regina, SK
- Kiewit Energy Fabricators Corp, Calgary
- Pricewaterhouse Coopers Management Services LP, Toronto, ON
- Fortis LGS Structures Inc., Edmonton
- Infosys Ltd, Toronto, ON
- Stuart Olson Industrial Services, Calgary



Some of the above names also appear on the list of businesses who had a workforce composed of 50 per cent or more temporary foreign workers in 2013. We were given a list of 1,123 businesses with a workforce of 50 per cent or more temporary foreign workers. Of note:

- Siemens Canada Ltd.
- Sinopec Canada Energy Ltd., Calgary
- Facebook, Inc. Toronto, ON
- Loblaw, Regina, SK
- Pricewaterhouse Coopers Management Services LP Toronto, ON
- Infosys Ltd., Toronto

Strange Records Received

On the list of 2,578 businesses with a workforce of over 30 per cent temporary foreign workers in 2013, several records were listed that did not have a Canadian Employer City. They are:

- Cost of Wisconsin Inc., Jackson
- Applied Value, Andover
- CSX Transportation Inc., East Syracuse
- Fugro Subsea Services, Aberdeen
- Black and Veatch Corp, Overland Park
- Remedial Construction Services, LP, o/a Recon Services Inc., Houston
- Stena Drilling Limited, Aberdeen
- Troms Offshore AS, Tromso
- Cente Service Corporate, Los Angeles
- Attra Infotech Private Ltd., Bangalore
- Penhall Company Division 40, San Leandro
- Pemco Inc., Shebogyan
- FANUC America Corporate Hoogerheide
- Apollo Retail Specialists, LLC, Tampa
- Amazon Canada Fulfillment Services Inc., Seattle
- SBM Atlantia, Houston
- Technip Singapore Pte, Singapore

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