

CANNABIS

London's cannabis cluster is one of the largest and most robust in Canada, with federally licensed cultivators, processors, laboratories, retail locations and cannabis-specific educational programming.

Notable regional employers [High Park](#), [Indiva](#), [AgMedica Bioscience](#), and [WeedMD](#) are expanding rapidly to meet growing demand and are investing in state-of-the-art infrastructure and technology.

Infrastructure

- Fully serviced industrial land in London's industrial parks offers valuable assets such as large capacity, high pressure natural gas lines, redundant dual-feed electricity supply, and reliable internet connectivity.
- Building construction activity in London is strong, with over \$1-billion in construction permits issued annually from 2015-18.
- Proximity to 400-series highways and convenient access to value-added manufacturers.

Research and Development

- [A&L Laboratories Inc.](#) provides a wide variety of [microbiological and analytical tests](#) for licensed cannabis producers and is the lead analytical testing facility in Shoppers Drug Mart and TruTrace Pilot Traceability Program for Medical Cannabis.
- [KGK Science](#) is a contract research organization providing human clinical trials measuring cannabis health outcomes.
- Fanshawe's [Centre for Advanced Research Innovation in Biotechnology](#) (CARIB) is a 13,000 sq.ft facility and incubator space for industry partners with capabilities in cell-culturing, plant and soil health, nutritional, chemical and molecular analysis.
- Western University has seven [multidisciplinary research experts](#) on the health outcomes of cannabis and cannabis government regulations.
- The [Analytical Services laboratory at Western University's Biotron](#) can identify the chemical composition of a wide variety of materials including soil, water, air and plants.

Talent

- Southwestern Ontario is home to 20+ companies dedicated to the cannabis industry, employing ~2,400 people.
- Fanshawe College's Cannabis Applied Science graduate certificate program will address the knowledge and skills relevant to crop science, analytical chemistry, microbiology, project management, business and communications.
- Fanshawe College offers courses in [Medicinal Cannabis](#), [The Legalization of Cannabis in Canada](#) and [Growing Cannabis for Beginners](#).