

Introduction to WorkBC

A guide for newcomers to British Columbia



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1. What is WorkBC?

WorkBC (www.workbc.ca) is BC government's source for labour market information. It includes a website as well as employment offices around the province that offer services and programs related to the job market.

The website provides the following information:

- Jobs & Careers – find jobs, explore careers & more
- Employment Services – programs for job seekers
- Training & Education
- Labour Market & Industry Information – jobs in demand, industry & regional profiles, labour market outlook
- Employer Resources
- Resources for Specialized Groups - newcomers, women, youth, mature workers, etc

You can register on the website to get job alerts, share job postings with others, check employer postings for job opportunities and information, and apply directly to employers.

2. Job & Careers

www.workbc.ca/Jobs-Careers.aspx

The information is divided into sections, including:

- **Find Jobs** – everything you need to help you find a job, from job search boards to tips on resume writing, interviewing, networking and more
- **Explore Careers** - view 500 career options and get the details you need, from job duties to projected demand.
- **Career Toolkit** – Use the career information and tools here to find the resources you need. Research career planning resources, take a career quiz or watch career videos. You can also discover which region of the province is right for you.
- **Success Stories** – Read stories or watch videos of British Columbians who have found success in a range of roles and industries.

3. Employment Services

<https://www.workbc.ca/Employment-Services.aspx>

Services for job seekers include:

- **WorkBC Employment Services Centres** - services are available to all unemployed British Columbians legally eligible to work in B.C. The Service Centres provide support to help you find a job and keep it.
- **Labour Market Programs** - not sure where to start on your job search or how to make a career change? Explore programs that could help you get started.
- **Apprenticeship Training Supports** - take advantage of many options for apprenticeship training support.

4. Training and Education

<https://www.workbc.ca/Training-Education.aspx>

- B.C. offers post-secondary options from trades training and apprenticeships to university programs, to get you qualified
- This section helps you access educational planning and funding resources

5. Labour Market Information

<https://www.workbc.ca/Labour-Market-Information.aspx>

Discover what drives B.C.'s economy. Learn about population changes, industries, regions, and the employment outlook for the next ten years.

- **BC's Economy** - Learn about B.C.'s economy. Read about B.C.'s industries, employment and regions.
- **BC 2018 Labour Market Outlook** - Learn about population changes, industries, regions, and the employment outlook for the next 10 years.
- **Jobs in Demand** - Explore careers that are expected to have above-average opportunities over the next decade.
- **Regional Profiles** - Find regional labour market details including employment outlooks over the next 10 years.
- **Industry & Sector Information** - Learn about B.C. Industries including employment, wages, outlook and more.

6. Employer Resources

<https://www.workbc.ca/Employer-Resources.aspx>

- Grow your business with WorkBC. Learn about funding, training and how to secure talent with the job board's free job postings.

7. Resources for Specialized Groups

<https://www.workbc.ca/Resources-for.aspx>

WorkBC supports all British Columbians to be successful in B.C.'s economy, whatever your background. Includes resources for:

- New to BC
- Women
- Youth
- Mature Workers
- People with Disabilities, and more

Questions? Please ask the Information Staff at the Central Library or telephone 604-331-3603.

Please note that the information in this guide is also available online through the Skilled Immigrant InfoCentre website at <http://skilledimmigrants.vpl.ca/> .