

MUSHROOMS 2019

19.3%

Vacancy Rate



Impacts **23%** of crops and losing **\$40M** annually

CANADIAN MUSHROOM AGRIWORKFORCE

Mushroom farms hire Canadians first

WORKFORCE

70%

CANADIANS

194

mushroom farms in
Canada in 2016

4,000

 mushroom sector jobs in Canada

PERMANENT, YEAR-ROUND WORK
24/7/365 days per year

DYK: A mushroom expands in size 4% every hr or doubles in size/day.

HIGH GROWTH/ HIGH DEMAND



Canadian production of fresh mushrooms is growing & demand for new varieties soars

ADDS \$900 MILLION

total contribution to the Canadian economy

133,000 TONS

 of mushrooms produced in Canada

Top Export Markets are US and Japan
Exports increased over \$50M in 2018-2019

RURAL QUALITY LIVING WAGE

Harvester Wage:

from minimum wage to **\$29.88/hr**

(Performance bonus allows Harvesters to earn up to \$29.88/hr)

Supervisors

\$35,000-\$80,600/yr

Managers

\$42,500-\$171,000/yr

FARMS OFFER QUALITY BENEFIT PACKAGES



Welcome to rural Canada

Immigrants and international workers **stay working** on mushroom farms **on average 11 years**.

Making Dreams Come True

2019


Over 920 Ag Stream TFWs across Canada.

Farms **Proud** to **welcome** & provide settlement support to workers who chose to immigrate.



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