1. The population of the Hamilton census metropolitan area, including Burlington and Grimsby, in 2020 is 767,000. The population growth rates of the past 10 years are 0.52%, 0.53%, 0.66%, 0.8%, 0.67%, 0.68%, 0.82%, 0.69%, 0.69%, and 0.84% respectively.[[1]](#footnote-1)
2. Hamilton's largest industry sectors in 2018 are:[[2]](#footnote-2)

* Advanced Manufacturing: engineering, product design, steel manufacturing, fabricated metal products and final product commercialization, automotive, aerospace& defence, machinery, chemical manufacturing, and transportation equipment ($12 Billion)
* Life Sciences ($4 Billion)
* Agribusiness and Food Processing ($1 Billion)
* Tourism ($530 Million)
* Creative Industries: film productions ($60 Million)
* Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate
* Digital Media, Information and Communication Technology
* Goods Movement

The median household income based on 2018 and 2019 data is $76,193.[[3]](#footnote-3) Unemployment rate for the timeframe 2017-2018 is 5.6%.[[4]](#footnote-4)

Table 1. Employment by Sectors, Hamilton, 2016~2017[[5]](#footnote-5)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Employment Sector | 2016\_In\_Thousands | 2017\_In\_Thousands | Change% |
| Education & Healthcare | 86.7 | 91.5 | 5.2 |
| Professional, Financial & Support Services | 71 | 78.1 | 9.1 |
| Wholesale & Retail | 61.2 | 66.2 | 7.6 |
| Manufacturing | 44.3 | 49.8 | 11 |
| Hospitality & Entertainment | 39.9 | 39.4 | -1.3 |
| Construction & Utilities | 30.9 | 36 | 14.2 |
| Public Administration | 14.8 | 18.1 | 18.2 |
| Transportation & Warehousing | 16.4 | 17.8 | 7.9 |
| Other Services | 16 | 15.9 | -0.6 |
| Agriculture | 4 | 4.1 | 2.4 |
| Total | 395.2 | 416.9 | 7.6 |

Large employers include: McMaster University (15,900 employees), Hamilton Health Sciences (15,000), The City of Hamilton (6,725), and Arcelor Mittal Dofasco(5,000).[[6]](#footnote-6)

Hamilton is home to Hamilton International Airport, McMaster University, Mohawk College, Redeemer University, six hospitals, including Hamilton General Hospital, McMaster Children's Hospital, Juravinski Cancer Centre, St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Peter's Geriatric Hospital, and West Lincoln Memorial Hospital, and Lime Ridge Mall.

1. The average sold prices on MLS over the period Sep 12 to Oct 10 for 2B detached, townhouse, and condo are respectively $568K (increase 20.3% from a year ago), $557K (10.5%), and $410K (-6.2%).[[7]](#footnote-7)  
   The average rent in the timeframe 2019-2020 of a 2B unit is $1219 in the primary rental market, which only includes rental units in privately-initiated apartment structures containing at least three rental units.[[8]](#footnote-8)

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