

#### Town of Caledon

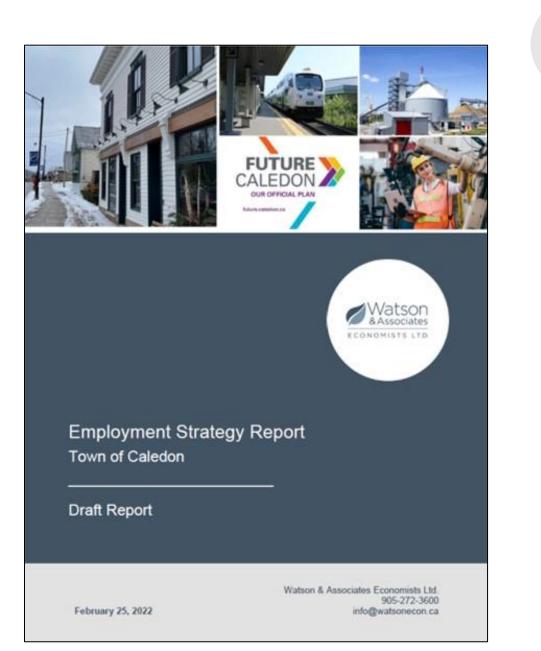
Employment Strategy

March 2022



#### Introduction

- Long-term vision and comprehensive assessment of employment opportunities for Caledon.
- A review of Employment Areas, commercial areas, Mixed-use Areas and Rural Areas.
- Strategic policy recommendations that support a broad spectrum employment opportunities.



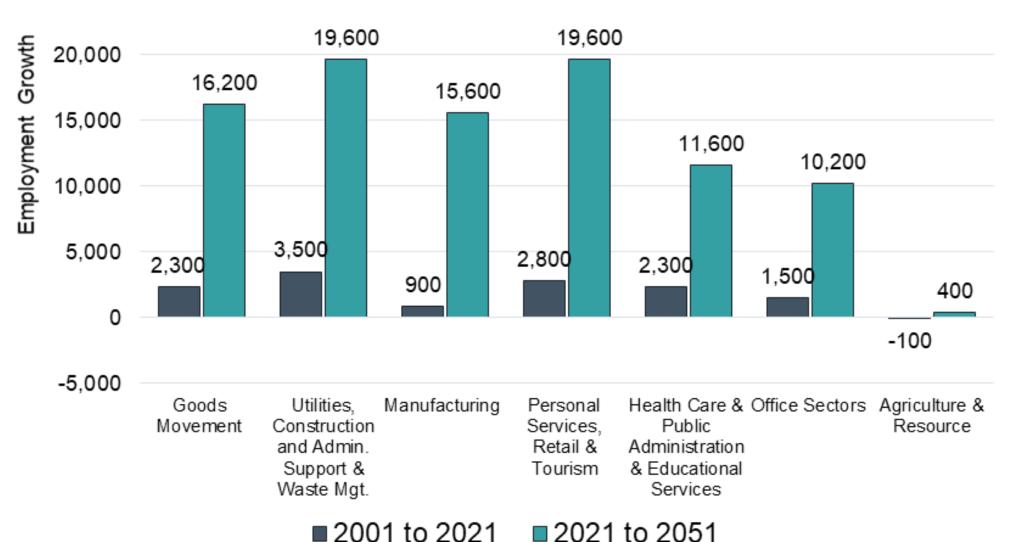


# **Employment Forecast and Land Needs**

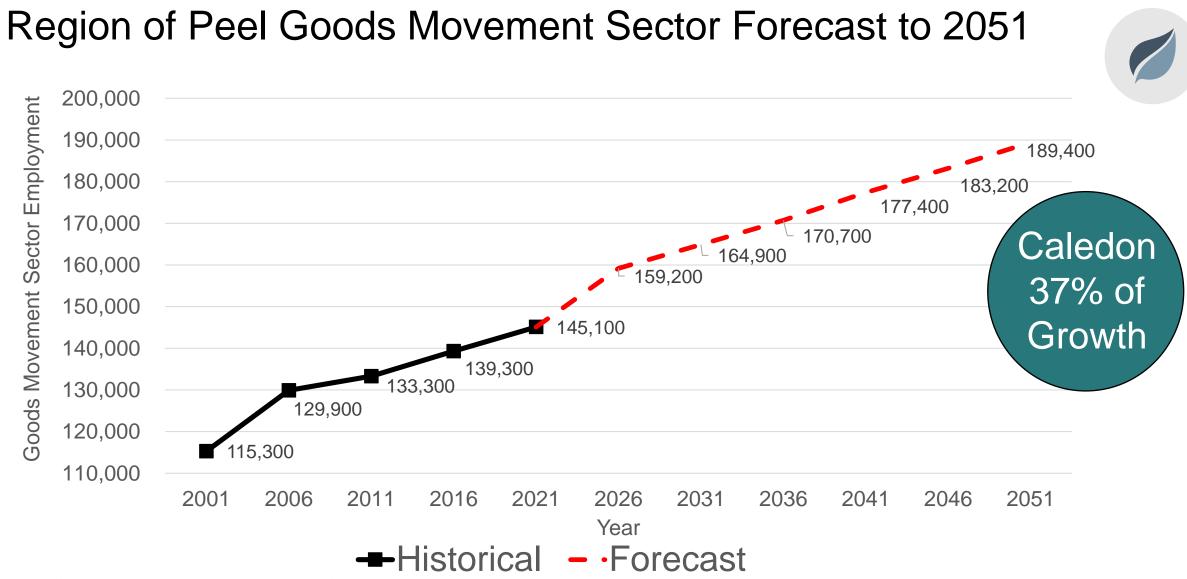
### Forecast by Employment Sector to 2051

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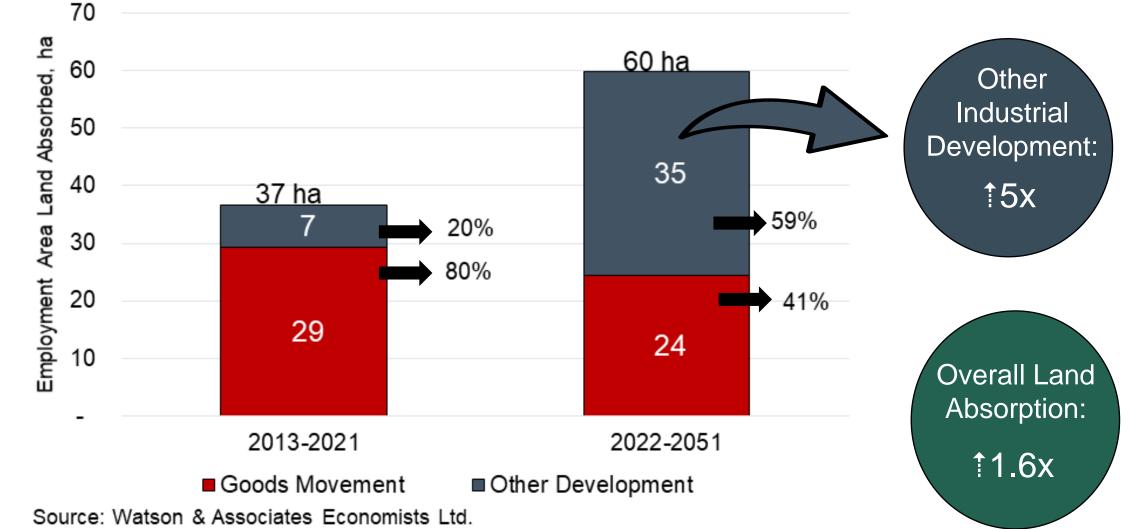


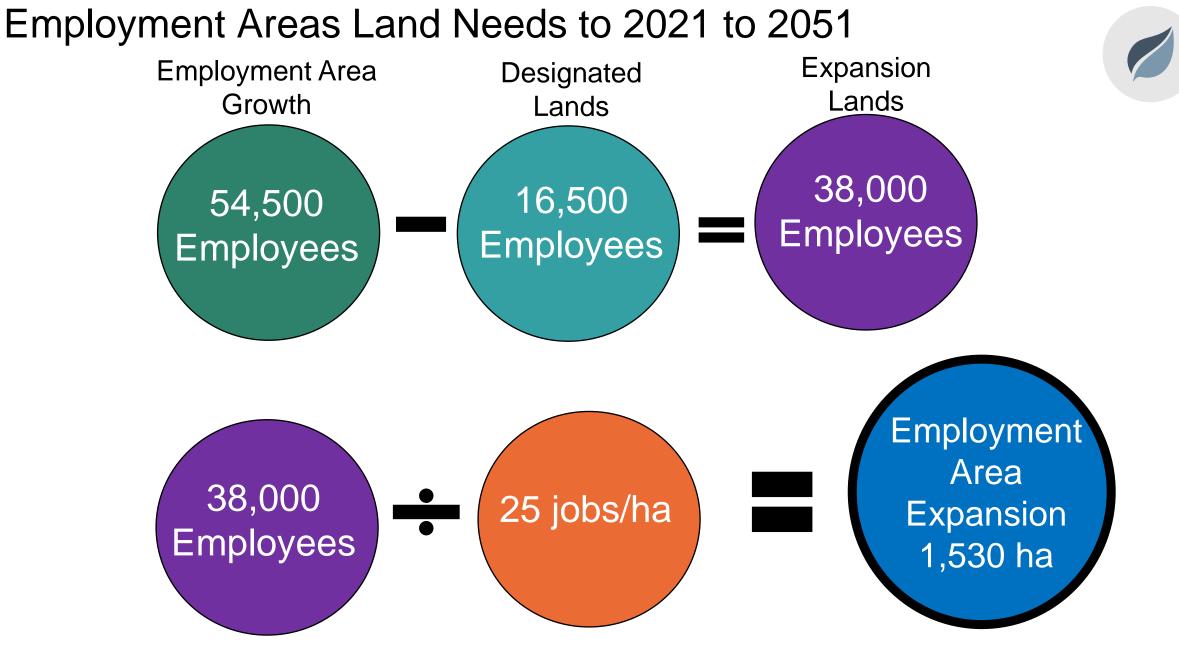
Source: Derived from Region of Peel MCR, Forecast and Peel 2051 Land Needs Assessment Report, August 2021.



Source: 2001 to 2016 based on Statistics Canada data. 2021 is an estimate based on a review of background by the Region of Peel and the Town of Caledon Employment Survey. 2021 to 2051 is a forecast by Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.

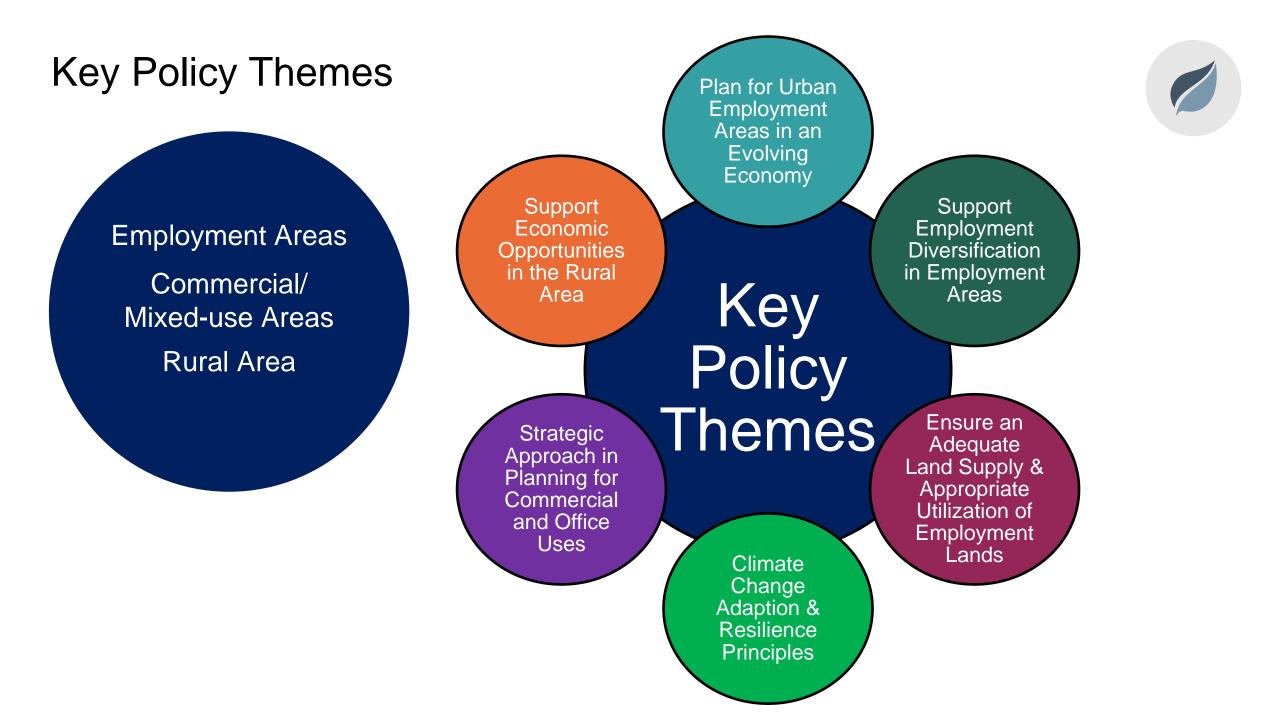
## Employment Areas Annual Forecast Employment Area Land Absorption By Type





Source: Derived from Region of Peel MCR, Forecast and Peel 2051 Land Needs Assessment Report, February 2022.

# **Policy Recommendations**



## **Employment Areas**

## Key Highlights



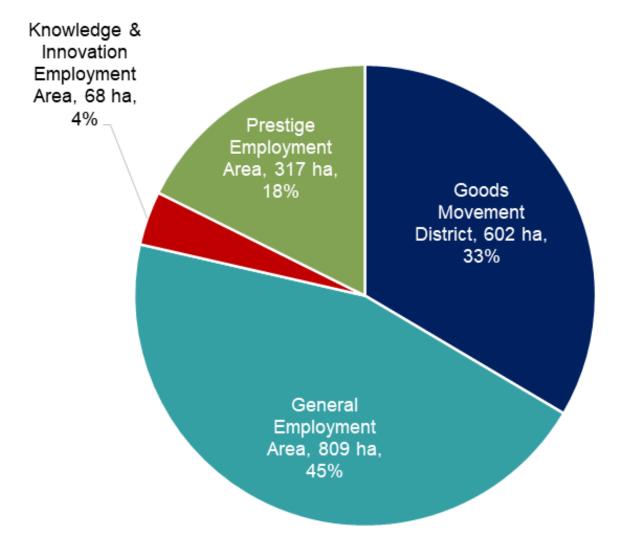
- Proactively identify and protect future Employment Areas at strategic locations both within and beyond the 2051 plan horizon
  - Future Strategic Employment Area Overlay
- Consider clustering Goods Movement sector
  - Goods Movement District Overlay or Designation (approx. 33% of Employment Area expansion lands
- Support Employment Area diversification
  - Provide a broad spectrum of Employment Area designations and policies that will target a range of sectors

#### Employment Area Designation Spectrum of Employment Area Designations





# Employment Area Designation Employment Area Forecast by Proposed Designation, 2021 to 2051



Note: Includes vacant designated and Settlement Area Boundary Expansion lands. Source: Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.



Knowledge & Innovation Employment Area: 4%



**Goods Movement** District: 33%



Prestige Employment Area: 18%



**General Employment** Area: 45% 11

## Commercial/Mixed-use Area Policy Recommendations Key Highlights



- Plan for adequate supply of lands to support commercial growth
  - > 162 ha of commercial land is required
- Allow commercial areas to evolve into mixed-use sites while protecting commercial spaces for the long term
  - Consider a mixed-use designation instead of single purpose commercial use designation
  - Provide policies that direct the right balance of residential use in mixeduse developments
- Protect strategic locations for major office and high-density employment use opportunities
  - > Plan for employment growth in Major Transit Station Areas

#### Rural Area Policy Recommendations Key Highlights



- Support economic opportunities in the Rural Area
  - Ensure O.P. policies continue to recognize opportunities for agriculturalrelated industrial and commercial uses on agricultural lands
  - Update O.P. policies that identify the type and scale employment and nonresidential development opportunities that can be accommodated within the Greenbelt Area
  - Promote innovation and entrepreneurship in the agriculture sector (e.g., policies that support renewable energy opportunities such as biomass)
  - Explore potential synergies related to economic development in the Town's urban and rural areas (e.g., commercialization of value-added agricultural goods and services)

# Next Steps

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- The new O.P. will include updated policies and schedules that are informed from recommendations provided in a series of background studies, including this Employment Strategy study.
- The recommendations provided in the Employment Strategy will provide guidance in planning for employment in Secondary Plans and other site-specific plans.