

TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKER PROGRAM

OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE FOR EXPEDITED LABOUR MARKET OPINIONS

INDUSTRIAL MEAT CUTTERS

Section A: Occupational Profile

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Industrial meat cutters prepare meat and poultry for further processing, for packaging or for marketing. They are employed in meat and poultry slaughtering, processing and packing establishments.

MAIN DUTIES:

Industrial meat cutters perform some or all of the following duties:

- Cut meat or poultry carcasses or sides or quarters of carcasses into primal cuts for further cutting, processing or packaging;
- Remove bones from meat;
- Cut meat and poultry into specific cuts for institutional, commercial or other wholesale use.

EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of secondary school may be required.
- Completion of a program in industrial meat cutting or experience as an industrial butcher or trimmer is required.

PREVAILING WAGE RATES BY SUB-REGION:

ALBERTA

Geographic Area	Wage (per hour)
Calgary/Banff/Drumheller	\$15.76
Edmonton	\$14.75
Fort-McMurray	\$15.10
St. Paul/Lloydminster	\$14.36
Grande Prairie/Slave Lake/Jasper	\$15.23
Lethbridge/Medicine Hat/Crowsnest Pass	\$14.90
Red Deer/Camrose/Wetaskiwin/Rocky/Olds	\$15.10

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Geographic Area	Wage (per hour)
Lower Mainland Southwest	\$13.49
Northern British Columbia	\$16.89
Thompson Okanagan Kootenay	\$15.65
Vancouver Island	\$13.73

PROVINCIAL LABOUR STANDARDS:

In **Alberta** refer to:

- [Alberta Employment, Immigration and Industry, Employment Standards Programs](#)

In **British Columbia** refer to:

- [Ministry of Labour and Citizen's Service, Employment Standards Branch](#)

PROVINCIAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

N/A

LABOUR MARKET OPINION FACTORS:

Refer to the [Temporary Foreign Worker Program](#) website to obtain the Labour Market Opinion factors used to assess an employer's request to hire a temporary foreign worker.

This particular occupation falls under NOC C or D skill level (of the [National Occupational Classification matrix](#)), therefore, in order to receive a confirmed expedited labour market opinion, employers must attest that they have met the additional provisions of the [Pilot Project for Occupations Requiring Lower Levels of Formal Training](#), as indicated on the TFWP website.