

TEMPORARY FOREIGN WORKERS

in the agricultural sector, 2016 to 2018

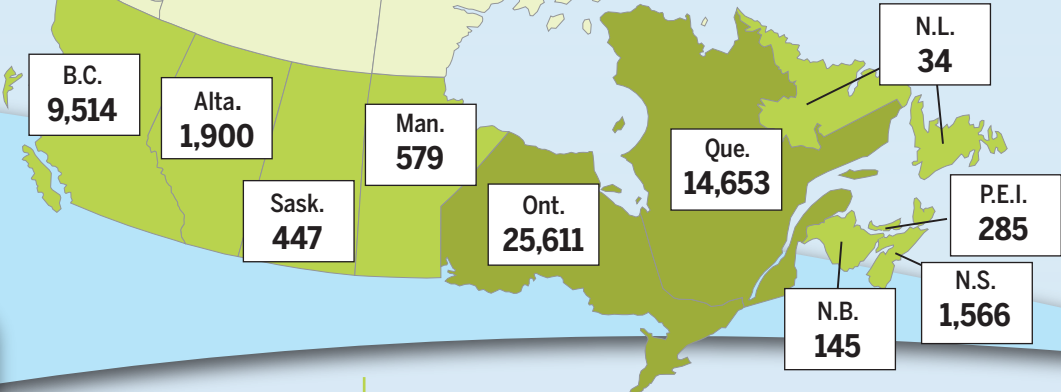
Temporary foreign workers (TFW) are an important part of the workforce on Canadian farms.

In 2018, they filled **54,734 jobs** on **3,846 farms**, primarily in Ontario and Quebec.

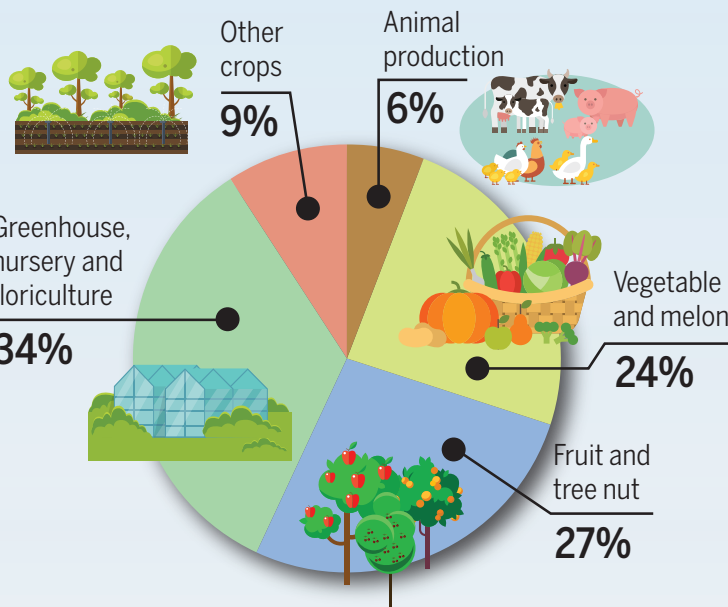
Jobs filled by temporary foreign workers in the agricultural sector, **2016 and 2018**

2016	2018
48,585	54,734

Jobs filled by temporary foreign workers in the primary agriculture sector, **by province**, 2018



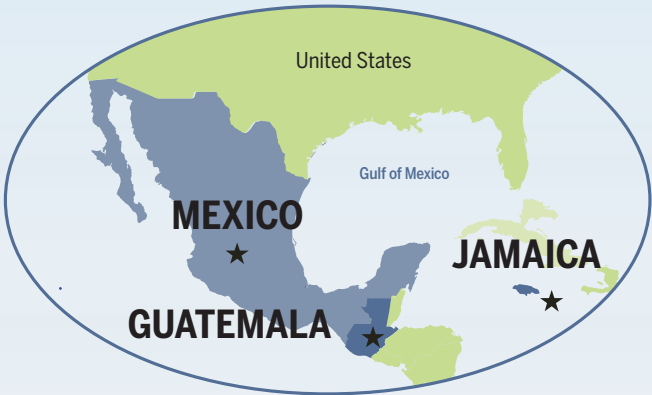
The majority of **jobs filled** by TFW in 2018 were in **greenhouse, nursery and floriculture production**.



In 2018, there were TFW from almost **100 countries** working in agriculture in Canada.

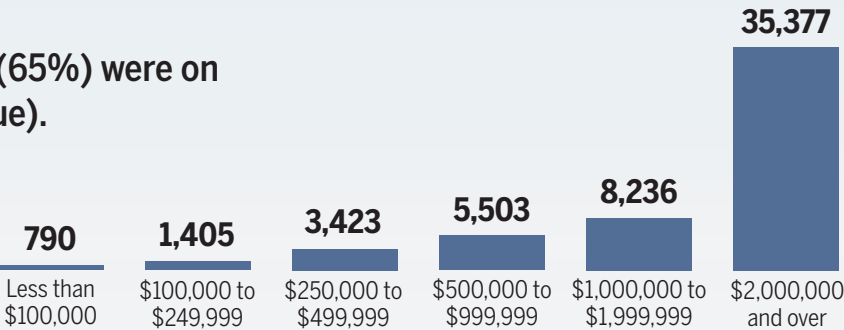
Almost **90%** of these temporary foreign workers came from **just three countries**, in 2018.

Mexico - 51%
Guatemala - 20%
Jamaica - 18%



In 2018, the majority of **jobs filled** by TFW (65%) were on large farms (\$2,000,000 or more in revenue).

Number of **jobs filled** by temporary foreign workers in the agriculture sector, **by revenue**, 2018



Source: Statistics Canada (2020). Temporary Foreign Workers File, 2016-2018. Excludes Territories.

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