

WELCOME TO THE ROSE GARDEN CITY OF WELLAND, ONTARIO, CANADA

We are a city between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, in Niagara, Ontario, Canada. The Welland Canal passes through Welland. It is a ship canal, with occasional pleasure boats, traveling through the Locks. Also it is part of the St. Lawrence and Great Lakes Waterway. The canal allows ships to bypass Niagara Falls and conquer the Niagara Escarpment in order to continue through the Great Lakes System.

Websites: niagarawellandcanal.com - has a brochure with map.
greatlakes-seaway.com - has a live map of the Welland Canal

Welland is located within a 30 minute drive to Niagara Falls, 15 minute drive to St. Catharines, 25 minute drive to Port Colborne, and 40 minute drive to Niagara On The Lake.

Population of Welland in 2021 was 55,750.

Ethnicity of Welland: 87% White. 4.3% Indigenous. 2.6% Black. 1.6% South Asian. 1.3% Latin American. 0.7% Filipino. 0.5% Chinese.

Ethnic and Cultural Origins of Welland: English, Irish, Scottish, Canadian, French, German, Italian, Dutch, Ukrainian, Polish, Hungarian, Welsh, First Nations, Me'tis.

Religions: 62.4% residents are Christian. 35.1% are Catholic. 15.1% are Protestant. 3.4.9% are non-religious or secular. 0.9% are Islamic. 0.4% are Hindu. 0.4% are Sikh.

Education: Welland has 4 Public Education Systems - Catholic, French Catholic, Public, French Public.
Christian Schools - Cairn Chr School, Smithville - www.smithvillechristian.ca
Smithville Chr. High School, Smithville
Beacon Chr. School - www.beaconchristian.org

University: Brock University, St. Catharines, with a CRC Chaplain.

Redeemer University, Ancaster, Ontario - redeemer.ca

College: Niagara College, Welland - www.niagaracollege.ca.

Hospitals: Welland County Hospital Niagara Health, Welland
St.Catharines General Hospital, Niagara Health, St. Catharines
Hotel Dieu ShaverHealth and Rehab Centre, St. Catharines
Douglas Memorial Hospital, Niagara Health, Niagara Falls
Port Colborne General Hospital, Port Colborne
West Lincoln Memorial Hospital, Grimsby

Christian Retirement Homes for the Elderly:

Martindale Place - A Christian Retirement Community, St. Catharines - MartindalePlace.com

Tabitha Homes and Sunview Gardens Senior Communities, St. Catharines

Evergreen Terrace, Grimsby - evergreenterrace.ca

Shalom Manor - long term care facility. Origins started by CRC community of Niagara Area, Ontario.

Mission Thrift Store in St. Catharines and Beamsville. Members of Grace CRC volunteer there.

The Niagara Christian Gleaners in Smithville - organization that uses surplus produce to feed the hungry in the world. Members of Grace CRC volunteer there. info@niagaragleaners.org

MP is Liberal and MPP is NDP as of Jan 2025.

There is a Niagara Area Business Directory of the Niagara Christian Community, of which Christian Agencies and Schools are listed. It is available.

There is a church Directory of the Niagara, Ontario churches.

Christian Reformed Churches listed are:

Providence CRC, Beamsville. Bethel CRC, Dunnville. Bethany CRC, Fenwick. Mountainview CRC, Grimsby. Faith Fellowship CRC, Niagara Falls. Covenant CRC, Jubilee CRC, and Trinity CRC all in St. Catharines. Smithville CRC, Smithville. The Village Church CRC - Thorold emerging church. Grace CRC, Welland. Riverside CRC, Wellandport.

Transportation: Welland Transit Bus System, goes to Niagara college, Brock University and the St. Catharines Bus Terminal. Websites - <https://open.welland.ca>, or <https://moovitapp.com> or <https://transitapp.com>

Niagara Region Transit goes to Niagara on the Lake, Niagara Falls. www.nrtransit.ca
Uber and Lyft are available.

Grand Taxi, 4500 Taxi services are available

Niagara GO Train Stations: Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, Grimsby will take you as far as Union Station in Toronto

Air Transportation:

1 hour country drive to John C Munro International Airport, Hamilton, Ontario.

1 ½ hour drive if traffic is good, to Lester B Pearson Airport, Toronto.

1 hour or so drive(depending on the USA Border) to The Buffalo International Airport, Buffalo, New York.

Hotels in Welland: Holiday Inn Express + Suites, Best Western, Travel Lodge by Wyndham.

IN THE CITY OF WELLAND YOU CAN FIND:

- * The Welland Community Center - 145 Lincoln St, Welland.
- * Welland's International Flatwater - kayaking, rowing (high schools, universities, international competitions, dragon boat racing, and more.
- * Merritt Island-walking, running, biking, playground.Summer camps.
- * Parks with free access to pools - St. George Park, Maple Park, Memorial Park.
- * Chippawa Park - volleyball, children's playground, picnics, rose garden.
- * YMCA
- * Youngs Sportsplex - soccer
- * Empire Sportsplex
- * Gyms: Crunch, Planet Fitness, Anytime Fitness, Top Dawgs Fitness, Blands Boxing Club, Nappers Boxing Club.
- * Library:Welland Public Library - Main Street and Seaway Mall.
- * Farmers Market: downtown Market Square
- * Recreational Canal: at The Rotary Club of Welland Park, 129 Lincoln St. www.welland.ca
- * City Hall - 60 East Main St., Welland
- * Civic Square Welland - 60 East Main St., Welland
- * Grocery Stores: Food Basics, Freshco, Pupos, No Frills, Sobeys, Zehrs.
- * Banks: BMO, CIBC, Royal Bank, TD, Tangerine, Scotia Bank, Meridian Credit Union, FirstOntario Credit Union, PenFinancial Credit Union

- * Rose City Parade - annual in June. Canal Float Festival. Merritt Park Amphitheatre concerts-151 King St. Canada Day Festivities
- * Information of Welland and Niagara Area is now available online: Facebook - [visitniagaracanada.com](https://www.facebook.com/visitniagaracanada.com) for activities, places to visit or taste in St, Catharines, Benchlands, Niagara Falls, NOTL, in spring summer winter, the WinterFest or Ice Wine Festival. Instagram - [visit_niagara](https://www.instagram.com/visit_niagara) . Or [welland.ca](https://www.welland.ca)
- * CAA of Niagara has online information re: events, rewards, coupons for local businesses, for attractions - [caaniagara.ca](https://www.caaniagara.ca)

Activities in Welland:

- * Bicycling - Trails - Welland Canal Parkway Trail. Gerry Berkhout Trail. Steve Bauer Trail. Friendship Trail - Port Colborne. Merritt Island. Check Instagram: [niagaracyclingtours](https://www.instagram.com/niagaracyclingtours).
Bicycle shops: Thorntons Cycle + Jester Hand Built Bicycles in Welland. Pedal Bicycle Shop, Port Colborne.
- * Hockey - Welland Minor Hockey Association - [wellandminorhockey.com](https://www.wellandminorhockey.com)
Welland Canadians Junior B - www.wellandjrcanadians.com
Niagara Ice Dogs OHL Hockey, St. Catharines, The Meridian Centre www.niagaraicedogs.net
Hockey Arena: 501 King St. Welland
- * Soccer - Welland Sportsplex - 570 River Rd, Welland
Welland Soccer Club - Welland Wizards
Indoor House Leagues, Soccer Camps.
- * Baseball - Welland Minor Baseball Association. 404 Memorial Park Dr. Welland.
[wellandminorbaseball.ca](https://www.wellandminorbaseball.ca)
Welland Jackfish Baseball Club. Welland Junior Jackfish Baseball Camps. [wellandjackfish](https://www.instagram.com/wellandjackfish) on instagram
- * Running - Same Trails as the bicycling trails.
Runners Edge Club - 111 Fourth Ave, St. Catharines.
Morning Star Runners. Instagram - [morningstarrunners](https://www.instagram.com/morningstarrunners)
Niagara Marathon-International. Instagram - [niagaramarathon](https://www.instagram.com/niagaramarathon)
Around The Bay Road Race. Instagram - [bayracerun](https://www.instagram.com/bayracerun)
- * Golf - Cardinal Lakes Golf Club - 105 South Pelham Rd, Welland
Water Park Golf + Country Club - 61174 Niagara Regional Rd, Welland
Pelham Hills Golf Club - 196 Webber Rd, Welland
Sawmill Golf Course - 856 Sawmill Rd, Fenwick
Brock Golf Course - 2745 Merrittville Hwy, Fonthill
- * Basketball - Niagara River Lions - youth basketball. www.riverlions.ca
Pelham Panthers Basketball Association. www.pelhambasketball.ca
Basketball Development - [niagaraapexbasketball.ca](https://www.niagaraapexbasketball.ca)
- * Curling Club - Welland Curling Club. 497 King St, Welland. Instagram - [wellandcurlingclub](https://www.instagram.com/wellandcurlingclub).
[wellandcurlingclub.com](https://www.wellandcurlingclub.com)
- * Scuba Diving - Welland Scuba Park @ Recreation Canal off of Lincoln Ave, Welland.

* Hiking - Bruce Trail, St. Johns Conservation Area, Stop 19 Trail, Chippawa Creek, Short Hills Provincial Park, Great Lakes Waterfront Trail, Mud Lake, Long Beach Conservation Area, Morgans Point Conservation Area, Wainfleet Wetlands.

PAMPHLETS MAPS

- Community Center - Winter Active Guide.
- City of Welland Public Skating
- Duty Free + Tax Free Shopping in The USA
- 2017 Ontario Passport - Attractions of Ontario. attractionsontario.ca
- Wellands Canal Corridor
- 2020 The Wine Garden-brewing your own wine
- 2009 Wine Route Map
- Sleep Cheap Night Niagara Falls. The Wonderfalls Pass info
- Map of St. Catharines, Niagara Falls, Burlington, Hamilton.
- Niagara Falls, Canada - niagarafallstourism.com. Brochures of Louis Tussad's Wax Works, Niagara Bumper Cars, Niagara Parks Power Station, Sky Wheel, Bird Kingdom, Skylon Tower, Skylon Tower Dining, Ripleys Believe it or Not, and Maple Syrup Factory.
- Toronto TTC Ride Guide
- Toronto Map

We live in a fruitbelt area. Niagara has also become successful in wine production. You will see many vineyards. There are many Dutch farmers in the Greenhouse and Nurseries business. We have Open Arms Ministry for the needy, Hope Center. Rose City Kids ministers to the children and youth..The Barn ministers to men. Welland is a growing city with many new subdivisions being built.