



“We’re readily accessible, right off the 401. To be able to ship the amount of product that we do, in and out of different processes, in and out of a customer’s hands, we need that ease of access.”

**Troy Hanson**  
Senior Vice-President  
MTC, a Whitby company



## Community of Choice...to Build and Grow

A fast-growing community, Whitby balances well-managed growth with a diverse and sustainable economy. Whitby continues to improve the quality of life for residents and business by maintaining investment in educational, recreational and cultural facilities.

### Construction Value of Building Permits

Become part of this growth by visiting [www.whitby.ca](http://www.whitby.ca) to download an online building permit application or call the Building and By-Law Services Division at 905.430.4305.

### Construction Value Of Building Permits 2009–2013

Year	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Institutional	Total
2013	\$87,586,782	\$13,838,293	\$5,785,667	\$22,544,911	\$129,409,697
2012	\$152,586,782	\$21,383,497	\$5,446,200	\$82,623,890	\$262,040,369
2011	\$230,464,631	\$34,876,086	\$6,147,730	\$8,723,640	\$280,212,087
2010	\$164,107,099	\$25,803,952	\$9,911,393	\$50,238,860	\$250,061,304
2009	\$115,863,940	\$12,319,037	\$28,917,620	\$29,529,100	\$186,629,697

Source: Whitby Public Works Department, 2014

### Permits and Planning Approvals

New commercial and industrial developments, as well as additions to existing structures are required to receive site plan approval from the Town. The site plan approval process varies depending on the complexity of the development; however, the typical process takes between 4 to 6 months. Minor additions may be fast-tracked and a staged permitting process may be available to assist with tight timetables.

### Development Charges

Development charges are levied by the Town of Whitby and the Region of Durham to cover the costs of essential services including: fire, roads, storm water management, water supply, sanitary sewage, transit, and government services.

### Non-Residential Use Development Charges (per sq. ft.)

#### Region of Durham (2014)

Industrial Use	\$6.98
Commercial Use	\$13.05
Institutional Use	\$8.39
<b>Town of Whitby (2014)</b>	<b>\$2.82</b>

**Fast Fact** Whitby has one of the lowest development charges per sq. ft. for commercial and industrial use in the GTA.



## Business Parks

Whitby has six business parks, which provide expanding and relocating companies with a range of serviced building lots, both large and small, as well as privately-offered real estate purchase and leasing opportunities.

Each business park is strategically located with excellent access to major highways, railways, airports, and shipping ports. Land prices are more competitive than in the western and northern GTA. In most cases, Town and Regional services are in place to the lot line. If servicing is not already in place, every effort will be made to expedite servicing. A new development in the Champlain Business Park is the Durham Learning and Business District (dLAB). **Web: [dlab.ws](http://dlab.ws)**



Community of Choice...for Business