

RHODE ISLAND & CANADA

An integrated economy

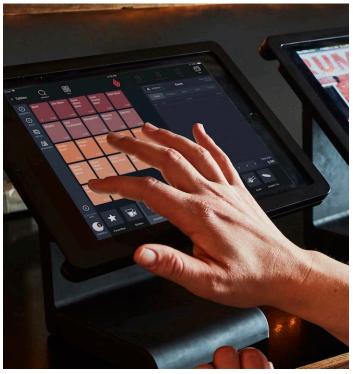


Photo: Lightspeed

Revolutionizing the American restaurant industry

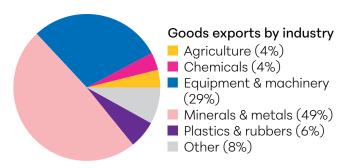
Montréal-based **Lightspeed POS Inc.**, a leading provider of cloud-based, omnichannel commerce platforms, announced in December 2020 that they acquired Rhode Island's **Upserve Inc.**, a leading restaurant management cloud-software company. The acquisition strengthens Lightspeed's position as an industry leader with high-performing restaurateurs across the U.S. as those restaurants refine the digital dining experience. Combining with Upserve will grow Lightspeed's position in the U.S. hospitality market by an additional 7,000 customer locations.



41 Canadian-owned companies employ 950 workers in Rhode Island

Rhode Island

exports \$511 million in goods to Canada annually





Rhode Island exports \$227 million in services to Canada, including

Travel (including for education)	\$95 million
Business services	\$32 million
Financial services	\$28 million
Transport	\$22 million
Telecommunications & information services	

Top Rhode Island goods exports to Canada

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Pearls, gems, precious metals & jewelry	\$214 million
Plastics & plastic articles	\$30 million
Optical, medical & precision instruments	\$23 million
Inorganic chemicals	\$10 million
Meat, fish & seafood preparations	\$8 million
Toys, games, sporting & recreation equipment.	\$8 million
Fish & crustaceans	\$7 million
■ Iron & steel tubes, pipes & sheets	\$6 million
Other base metals & articles	\$5 million
Electric motors & generators	\$5 million







Textron equips Canadian Forces Canada invests in Rhode Island

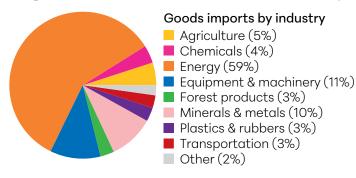
Providence-headquartered **Textron Systems** supplies the Canadian Forces Tactical Armoured Patrol Vehicle (TAPV) program. The company provided overall program management and design, coordinated a team of companies for vehicle assembly and integration, provided direct product support, managed the in-service support contract, and executed an Industrial Regional Benefits program. The contract was valued at over \$600 million. Textron Systems delivered the TAPVs to the Canadian Army, distributed across seven military bases. The Canadian Army expects these vehicles to be in service for the next 25 years.

Trade with Canada supports **26,600 employees in Rhode Island** in addition to the **950 employees** at Canadian-owned businesses across the state. In addition, Rhode Island exports \$738 million in goods and services to Canada.

Canadian-owned companies, including **Linear Title & Closing**, **SMG Holdings**, **TLC Vision** and **C B I**, are major contributors to Rhode Island's economy. They employ residents in every sector and contribute to the local economy with salary dollars, paying local taxes, and the purchase of goods and services in their supply chain.

Rhode Island

imports \$1.7 billion in goods from Canada annually



Top Rhode Island goods imports from Canada

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Fuel oil	\$861 million
Optical, medical & precision instruments	\$143 million
Petroleum coke & bitumen	
Pearls, gems, precious metals & jewelry	\$83 million
Fish & crustaceans	
Organic chemicals	\$38 million
Plastics & plastic articles	
Wood & semi-finished wood products	•
Aircraft & parts	•
Iron & steel tubes, pipes & sheets	
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Sources: All figures are in U.S. dollars. Unless otherwise specified, all figures are based on 2024 data. **U.S. Census Bureau**: goods trade, Canada's export ranking (2/2025 release). **Trade Partnership**: 2023 services trade (12/2024 release). **Dun & Bradstreet**: Canadian-owned businesses operating in the U.S. (2/2025 release). **Business Roundtable**: state jobs from Canada-U.S. trade (2018, 10/2020 release). Figures may not add up due to rounding. Produced by the Embassy of Canada in Washington, D.C.



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