

EXEMPT

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c) Technological Factors

- State-of-the-art technology is available world wide. While Canada has not played a role in technology development and is not involved in textile machinery production, the domestic industry has kept pace with other countries in taking advantage of available new technologies. In this industry, technologies can be expensive (the latest facilities had investments of up to \$300,000 per job for the production of yarns and fabrics) and often require higher economies of scale which are not always compatible with domestic market requirements for greater varieties and smaller quantities. Accordingly, it is not viable to produce the wide range of yarns and fabrics required in Canada.