During 2012–2013, 101 (59 percent) of Canada's 172 missions had hardship-level designations, compared with 102 (57 percent) of 179 missions during 2011–2012. During 2012–2013, 21 missions (12 percent all missions) were classified level V and 56 (33 percent) were designated level A (non-hardship).

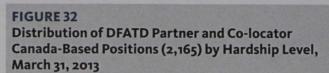
On March 31, 2013, the hardship level at the following missions was higher than it was on March 31, 2012:

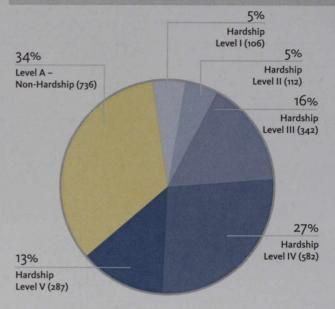
- Athens, from level A (non-hardship) to level I;
- Belgrade and Tunis, from level II to level III;
- Chandigarh and Jakarta, from level IV to level V.

On March 31, 2013, the hardship level at the following missions was lower than it was on March 31, 2012:

- Bratislava, from level I to level A (non-hardship);
- Budapest, from level II to level I;
- · Zagreb, from level II to level A (non-hardship).
- · Seoul, from level III to level I;
- · Istanbul, from level IV to level III;
- Mumbai and Ulaanbaatar, from level V to level IV.

The majority of Canada-based positions (1,429 or 59 percent) are at missions with designated hardship levels. Of these, 1,211 (85 percent) are at missions designated levels III and above, and 869 (61 percent) are at missions designated level IV or V.





Source: HRMS, March 31, 2013.



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