

Data Tables

Environment

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	GRI Indicator
Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG) (tCO ₂ e)				
GHG emissions (Scope 1 and 2) ^{1, 2}	94,532	100,071	98,908	305-1, 305-2
Managed office	64,719	69,098	67,207	305-1, 305-2
Multi-residential	29,813	30,972	31,701	305-1, 305-2
Direct GHG emissions Scope 11,2	51,336	56,432	53,659	305-1
Managed office	25,458	29,427	26,038	305-1
Multi-residential	25,878	27,005	27,620	305-1
Energy indirect GHG emissions Scope 2 (location-based) ^{1,2}	43,196	43,639	45,250	305-2
Managed Office	39,262	39,671	41,169	305-2
Multi-Residential	3,935	3,967	4,081	305-2
Energy indirect GHG emissions Scope 2 (market-based) ^{1,2}	43,058	43,501	44,932	305-2
Managed office	39,123	39,534	40,852	305-2
Multi-residential	3,935	3,967	4,081	305-2
Other indirect GHG emissions Scope 31,3	23,531	23,713	21,643	305-3
Managed office	4,862	3,848	3,128	305-3
Multi-residential	18,668	19,865	18,514	305-3
GHG emissions intensity (tCO ₂ e/1,000 sq ft) ^{1,4}	3.86	4.06	3.99	305-4, CRE3
Managed office	3.38	3.54	3.43	305-4, CRE3
Multi-residential	4.86	5.16	5.16	305-4, CRE3
Net reduction of GHGs through conservation (tCO ₂ e) ⁵	4,613	4,450	(2,166)	305-5

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	GRI Indicator
Energy Consumption (MWh)				
Energy consumed within the organization ⁶	594,612	620,784	607,273	302-1
Non-renewable fuel consumed	273,211	300,278	285,609	302-1
Natural gas (metered)	273,211	300,278	285,609	302-1
Fuel oil	_	_	_	302-1
Electricity purchased for consumption	291,024	288,233	293,852	302-1
Steam purchased for consumption	29,611	31,729	27,812	302-1
Chilled water purchased for consumption	766	544	513	302-1
Energy intensity (ekWh/sq ft) ⁷	19.43	20.37	20.11	302-3, CRE1
Managed office	19.48	20.57	19.90	302-3, CRE1
Multi-residential	19.34	19.97	20.56	302-3, CRE1
Net reduction of energy through conservation (MWh)8	(51,416,014)	(60,658,272)	(62,291,026)	302-4
Waste				
Waste generated absolute (tonnes)9	16,267	16,319	14,618	306-3
Managed office	5,433	4,543	3,814	306-3
Multi-residential	10,833	11,776	10,804	306-3
Waste generated intensity (tonnes/1,000 sq ft)	0.53	0.54	0.48	306-3
Managed office	0.26	0.22	0.19	306-3
Multi-residential	1.08	1.19	1.11	306-3
Waste disposal method (tonnes) ¹⁰				
Waste to landfill ¹¹	10,200	10,287	9,468	306-5
Recycled ¹²	4,964	5,340	4,558	306-4
Organics ¹³	1,102	691	591	306-4
Recovery for energy ¹⁴	1	_	2	306-4
Waste to landfill diversion rate (%) ¹⁵	37%	37%	35%	306-4

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Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	GRI Indicator
Water ¹⁶				
Water withdrawn (m³)	1,856,250	1,793,285	1,675,315	303-3, 303-5
Managed office	656,484	645,107	560,252	303-3, 303-5
Multi-residential	1,199,766	1,148,179	1,115,063	303-3, 303-5
Water consumption intensity (L/sq ft) ¹⁷	60.67	58.85	55.44	CRE2
Managed office	31.85	31.30	27.35	CRE2
Multi-residential	120.16	116.44	114.55	CRE2
Green Building Certifications, Labelling or Rating				
Overall % of assets ¹⁸				
% of buildings. that received a green building certification, by building	93%	84%	85%	CRE8
% of buildings. that received a green building certification, by floor area	88%	86%	86%	CRE8
Number of buildings by asset class ¹⁹				
Total number certified buildings	377	359	356	CRE8
Office	58	59	57	CRE8
Multi-residential	37	37	36	CRE8
Open-air retail	132	101	101	CRE8
Light industrial	150	162	162	CRE8
Number of buildings by type of certification ²⁰				
LEED (CaGBC)	26	25	20	CRE8
BOMA BEST (BOMA Canada)	368	346	349	CRE8
Other green building certifications (ENERGY STAR, Built Green)	6	3	3	CRE8
Health, wellness, and accessibility certifications (FitWel, WELL, or RHFAC)	20	20	15	CRE8

Lockdowns across Canada, during the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021 and 2022, had significant impacts on assets' utility consumption, waste
production, and greenhouse (GHG) emissions. The combined impact resulted in substantial reductions across all these metrics, in part due
to management teams adjusting asset operations to minimize utility costs and environmental impacts. While GWLRA's assets lowered their
environmental impact in 2020 and 2021, and built upon the reductions it made between 2013 and 2019, the magnitudes of these reductions
were not fully sustained in 2022. As lockdowns gradually eased, occupancy levels increased resulting in a slight increase in 2022.

All environment data (i.e., emissions, energy, water, and waste) relate to GWLRA's managed office and multi-residential portfolios (covering \$17B in AUM), are consolidated based on an operational control approach, and reviewed by an independent third party under ISAE 3410: Assurance Engagements on Greenhouse Gas Statements. Industrial and retail data is excluded as data is only available for common areas and is under the de minimis threshold for reporting (<0.5% of overall emissions) as stated by the GHG Protocol. GHG emissions totals are calculated using Scope 2 location-based emissions totals.

- 2. Our Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions relate to assets under management where we have operational control. Our base year of reporting is 2013. We use the WBCSD GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard to guide our methodology for calculating GHG emissions. The gases included in the calculation cover carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide. The emission factors and global warming potentials are based on the most recently available Environment Canada National Inventory Report, the International Panel on Climate Change factors, and utility providers. Scope 1 emissions relate to natural gas consumption, excluding emissions associated with backup generator fuel use and refrigerant top-ups. Scope 2 emissions relate to purchased electricity and steam. Scope 2 market-based emissions include the purchase of renewable energy credits.
- 3. Our Scope 3 GHG emissions include emissions from waste sent to landfill and energy recovery, and water distribution for assets under management where we have operational control. We use the WBCSD GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard to guide our methodology for calculating GHG emissions. The gases included in the calculation cover carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide. The emission factors and global warming potentials are based on the Environment Canada National Inventory Report (NIR) and the International Panel on Climate Change factors.
- 4. Our GHG emissions intensities relate to Scope 1, 2, and 3 for office and multi-residential properties only (as reported in this appendix). The total square footage used to calculate the emissions intensities are based on gross floor area.
- 5. Estimated reduction of Scope 1, 2, and 3 GHG emissions attributable to conservation initiatives at office and multi-residential properties, relative to the 2013 base year emissions of 170,336 tonnes CO₂e. The gasses included in the calculation cover carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide. The estimate takes into consideration new developments, and factors outside of management control that influence emissions, such as changes in emission factors, occupancy, and weather. External factors are accounted for using industry-accepted practices, such as regression analysis.
- 6. Energy consumed within the organization relates to our managed office and multi-residential portfolio of assets under management that falls within our operational control boundary as defined in the WBCSD GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard. We do not report energy information when properties are outside of our operational control (e.g., single-tenant buildings paying all utilities). The energy consumption disclosure includes energy consumption from non-renewable fuel sources (i.e., natural gas) and purchased energy (i.e., electricity, steam, and chilled water).
- 7. Our energy intensity covers the energy consumed within the managed office and multi-residential portfolio, covering natural gas, and purchased electricity and steam. We report energy intensity based on ekWh per square foot of gross floor area.
- 8. Estimated reduction of energy consumption attributable to conservation initiatives at our office and multi-residential properties, relative to the 2013 base year energy consumption of 716,888 MWh. The energy sources included in the calculation cover natural gas, fuel oil, electricity, and steam. The estimation takes into consideration new developments, and factors outside management control that influence energy use, such as occupancy and weather. External factors are accounted for using industry-accepted practices, such as regression analysis.
- 9. All waste data relates to the non-hazardous waste produced at our managed office and multi-residential portfolio of assets under management, which is sent to landfill or recovery for energy.
- 10. Waste disposal methods have been based upon the information provided to us by our waste disposal managers/contractors.
- 11. Landfill waste includes non-hazardous waste at our managed office and multi-residential portfolio of assets under management.
- 12. Recycled waste includes various recycling streams (e.g., paper, cardboard, plastics) at our managed office and multi-residential portfolio of assets under management.
- 13. Organic waste includes indoor and outdoor waste collected for composting or organics pick-up.
- 14. Our waste disposal contractors provide the amount of waste sent to recovery for energy (i.e., waste-to-energy plants).
- 15. Only recycled and organic waste is counted as diverted. The average office diversion rate in 2022 was 62%, while the average diversion rate for multi-residential properties was 27%.
- 16. Water consumption and intensity data relates to the water withdrawn from municipal water supplies at our managed office and multi-residential portfolio of assets under management. Water withdrawn amounts are based upon information provided by our utility providers.
- 17. We report water intensity based on litres per square foot of gross floor area.
- 18. Percentages based on eligible assets (i.e., those that meet the eligibility criteria prescribed by rating systems or internal management). The percentage of certified buildings decreased in 2021 and 2022 due to changes in the composition of the portfolio, including the sale of certified assets, the change in the eligibility status of certain assets, and the acquisition of assets without certification.
- 19. Totals are by individual buildings. An asset may be comprised of multiple buildings, as reported in the main body of this report.
- 20. Some buildings maintain more than one type of certification, therefore the total number of certifications may exceed the total number of certified buildings. The 2021 and 2020 figures have been updated retroactively to distinguish between other green building certifications and health and wellness certifications.



Safety

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	GRI Indicator
Joint Management Worker Health and Safety (H&S)				
% workforce in joint management-worker H&S committees ²¹	20%	20%	20%	403-1, 403-8, CRE
OHSAS 18001 Management System				
% of organization operating under a safety management system aligned with OHSAS 18001	100%	100%	100%	CRE6
Health and Safety Training ²²				
Number of employees receiving health and safety training	750	785	787	404-1
Number of hours of safety training received per employee	5	4	4	404-1
Occupational Health and Safety Performance				
Injury rate (recordable incident rate) ²³	0.64	0.69	0.55	403-9
Severity rate ²⁴	2	2.2	4.20	403-9
Lost day rate ²⁵	0.14	0.41	0.22	403-9
Occupational diseases	0	0	0	403-9
Total number of dangerous occurrences (near-miss incidents)	10	7	6	403-9
Fatalities ²⁶	0	0	0	403-9

- 21. Joint Health & Safety Committees have been established in all regions nationally and consist of management and worker members. Workers represent no less than 50% of the members on each Committees and have an elected workers Co-Chair to preside with an appointed employer Co-Chair.
- 22. All employees complete mandatory OH&S training on an annual basis.
- 23. The injury rate is the number of recordable incident cases per 200,000 employee hours worked (Number of Recordable Cases x 200,000/Number of employee hours worked). The injury rate does not include minor (first-aid level) injuries. All incidents requiring immediate medical attention from a doctor, hospital, or dentist are reported.
- 24. The severity rate is the number of lost workdays divided by the total number of recordable incidents. In 2021, the severity rate was elevated due to one incident requiring several days for an employee to recover from an injury.
- 25. Lost day rate is equal to the number of Lost Time Cases x 200,000/Number of employee hours worked. In 2022, two minor injuries increased the lost day rate, but the rate declined in 2023, with only one minor injury.
- 26. Fatalities relate to our employees.

Employer of Choice

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	2020	GRI Indicator
Total Employees ²⁷					
Total number of employees	790	801	787	785	2-7
Employees by Gender ²⁸					
Number of employees (female)	365	367	375	369	2-7
Number of employees (male)	425	434	412	416	2-7
% female employees	46%	46%	48%	47%	2-7
% male employees	54%	54%	52%	53%	2-7
Employees by Age ²⁸					
Employees below 30 years old	78	89	76	87	2-7
% employees below 30 years old	10%	11%	10%	11%	2-7
Employees 30-50 years old	388	409	399	400	2-7
% employees 30–50 years old	49%	51%	51%	51%	2-7
Employees over 50 years old	324	303	312	298	2-7
% employees over 50 years old	41%	38%	40%	38%	2-7
Employees by Contract ²⁸					
Number of employees (permanent)	759	774	755	742	2-7
Number of employees (part-time)	8	5	5	7	2-7
Number of employees (temporary or contractors)	23	22	27	36	2-7, 2-8

- 27. Our full-time employees represent GWL Realty Advisors and our wholly-owned subsidiary GWLRA Residential. It includes permanent, part-time, and contract employees. We do not have unionized employees. The applied methodology calculates employee head count at the end of the reporting year (Dec 31, 2023).
- 28. Employees by region, age, and gender include permanent, part-time, and contract employees. Full-time and part-time employees are differentiated based on the customary number of hours worked per week, while temporary and casual workers are defined based on short-term work contracts (e.g., co-op terms). Employee data is managed and extracted through GWLRA's payroll system and internal databases.

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Employer of Choice (continued)

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	2020	GRI Indicator
Employees by Region ²⁸					
Alberta	135	135	142	146	2-7
% Alberta	17%	17%	18%	19%	
Atlantic Canada	17	16	17	15	2-7
% Atlantic Canada	2%	2%	2%	2%	
British Columbia	79	81	74	54	2-7
% British Columbia	10%	10%	9%	7%	
Manitoba/Saskatchewan	91	97	95	95	2-7
% Manitoba/Saskatchewan	12%	12%	12%	12%	
Ontario	423	429	420	437	2-7
% Ontario	54%	54%	53%	56%	
Quebec	45	43	39	38	2-7
% Quebec	5%	5%	5%	5%	
New Employee Hires ²⁹					
Total number of new employee hires	142	147	115	120	401-1
New employee hire rate (% of total employees)	18%	18%	15%	15%	401-1
Age group					
New employee hires below 30 years old	44	38	41	33	401-1
% new employee hires below 30 years old	30%	26%	36%	28%	401-1
New employee hires 30-50 years old	63	65	59	71	401-1
% new employee hires 30–50 years old	44%	44%	51%	59%	401-1
New employee hires above 50 years old	35	44	15	16	401-1
% new employee hires above 50 years old	26%	30%	13%	13%	401-1
Gender					
New employee hires for women	63	67	53	58	401-1
% new employee hires for women	44%	46%	46%	48%	401-1
New employee hires for men	79	80	62	62	401-1
% new employee hires for men	56%	54%	54%	52%	401-1

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	2020	GRI Indicator
Employee Turnover ³⁰					
Employee turnover number	210	196	156	133	401-1
Employee turnover rate (% of total employees)	26%	24%	20%	17%	401-1
Age group					
Employee turnover below 30 years old	48	43	33	32	401-1
% employee turnover below 30 years old	23%	22%	21%	24%	401-1
Employee turnover 30–50 years old	106	98	72	63	401-1
% employee turnover 30–50 years old	50%	50%	46%	47%	401-1
Employee turnover above 50 years old	56	55	51	38	401-1
% employee turnover above 50 years old	27%	28%	33%	29%	401-1
Gender					
Employee turnover for women	90	103	84	62	401-1
% employee turnover for women	43%	53%	54%	47%	401-1
Employee turnover for men	120	93	72	71	401-1
% employee turnover for men	57%	47%	46%	53%	401-1

- 28. Employees by region, age, and gender include permanent, part-time, and contract employees. Full-time and part-time employees are differentiated based on the customary number of hours worked per week, while temporary and casual workers are defined based on short-term work contracts (e.g., co-op terms). Employee data is managed and extracted through GWLRA's payroll system and internal databases.
- 29. Our new employee hire numbers represent employees hired during the reporting year.
- 30. Employee turnover includes all departures from the company, both voluntary and involuntary, including resignations, dispositions, terminations, and retirements. The uptick in turnover is attributable to general trends in the Canadian labour market and financial services industry, which is driving demand for skilled employees and leading to increased competition to retain talent. GWLRA remains committed to identifying and addressing retention issues, and strives to improve measures to help keep valued employees.



Employer of Choice (continued)

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	2020	GRI Indicator
Employee Training					
Training and education: internal, online courses ³¹					
Total compliance training (hrs) ³²	3,059	983	770	1,170	404-1
Total independent online training (hrs) ³³	1,254	434	139	179	404-1
Internal training hours per employee (hrs/employee/yr)	5.46	1.76	1.15	1.72	404-1
Training and education: external courses ³⁴					
Number of employees who applied for funding	128	97	138	276	404-1, 404-2
% of employees who applied for funding	16%	12%	18%	35%	404-1, 404-2
Training funding (\$)	\$ 166,247	\$ 110,587	\$ 157,105	\$ 202,590	404-1, 404-2

- 31. Internal, online training covers courses offered through both GWLRA's and Canada Life's eLearning platforms. Training hours are calculated by multiplying the number of participants by the expected course completion time.
- 32. Compliance training includes training relating to company codes, policies, and procedures (e.g., anti-money laundering, code of conduct, accessibility, privacy). In 2023, GWLRA launched new compliance courses (e.g. OH&S Supervisor Training, Real Estate AML Training) and extended the course material of existing courses (e.g., Corporate Environmental Policy Awareness), increasing the hours of compliance training.
- 33. Independent online training refers to voluntary skills development (e.g., computer skills, leadership capabilities). In 2023, independent online training hours increased due to the launch of a new training platform and an increase in the quantity and diversity of courses available to employees.
- 34. External training is supported by Canada Life's Tuition Reimbursement Policy, which offers \$2,000/FTE/yr for external professional development courses, and supports employee development in job-related skills and competencies. Participation in the program is voluntary. Numbers do not include additional training funded through business units' discretionary budgets. In 2022, to ensure the quality of funded training courses, measures were taken to refine the vendor and course requirements, which restricted the eligibility of some courses.

Community Investments

Quantitative Data	2023	2022	2021	GRI Indicator
Cash contribution ³⁵	\$ 162,298	\$ 190,575	\$ 122,189	201-1
In-kind giving, product or service donations (hrs) ³⁶	630	630	0	201-1

- 35. Total of charitable contributions made by GWLRA/GWLRA Residential employees, or from Canada Life on GWLRA's behalf, to various charitable organizations. In 2021, charitable contributions decreases were attributable to some degree to COVID-19 related limitations on the ability to raise money from partner organizations and employees. In 2022, charitable contributions increased once COVID-19 limitations were lifted.
- 36. GWLRA employee hours contributed to Habitat for Humanity build days across Canada. For safety reasons, no volunteer hours could be contributed to Habitat for Humanity in 2021 due to COVID-19 related limitations. In 2022, GWLRA re-instated Habitat for Humanity build days.

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