

# Alberta Population Report

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Second Quarter, 2006\*

\* Please note that some figures have been revised back to 2002.

## POPULATION ESTIMATES

Alberta's population growth continues to be the highest among all the provinces. As of July 1, 2006, Alberta's population is estimated to be 3,375,763. This represents a mid-year increase of approximately 98,181 persons (or 3.00%) since July 1, 2005. British Columbia and Ontario had the next strongest growth rates among the provinces at 1.24% and 1.02% respectively.

The following table provides the July 1 population estimates and annual growth rates for Canada and Alberta since 2002.

TABLE 1: NATIONAL & PROVINCIAL POPULATION & GROWTH RATES, JULY 1

July 1	Canada		Alberta	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
2002	31,372,587		3,116,332	
2003	31,676,077	0.97%	3,161,371	1.45%
2004	31,989,454	0.99%	3,206,953	1.44%
2005	32,299,496	0.97%	3,277,582	2.20%
2006	32,623,490	1.00%	3,375,763	3.00%

Source: Statistics Canada

Population estimates for July 1, 2006 for all provinces and territories are provided in Table 2 below. The population growth rates for the twelve-month period ending July 1, 2006 are also included.

## MIGRATION

Alberta continued to have the largest net interprovincial migration in Canada during the second quarter of 2006, though the gain of 11,400 was slightly lower than the 12,100 recorded in the previous second quarter.

As shown in Table 3, the primary source of Alberta's interprovincial in-migrants for the second quarter was British Columbia, followed by Ontario and Saskatchewan. These three provinces were also the main destinations of out-migrants from Alberta.

## NATURAL INCREASE

In the second quarter, Alberta had a natural increase (births minus deaths) of over 5,800 people. The province experienced 10,900 births and 5,100 deaths between April 1 and June 30 of 2006.

More details of the demographic data are available from Alberta Finance, Statistics.

TABLE 2: POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES AS OF JULY 1, 2006 & GROWTH RATES SINCE JULY 1, 2005

	NL.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	YUKON	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	509,677	138,519	934,405	749,168	7,651,531	12,686,952	1,177,765	985,386	3,375,763	4,310,452	31,229	41,861	30,782
Growth Rate	-0.83%	0.25%	-0.18%	-0.31%	0.71%	1.02%	0.31%	-0.46%	3.00%	1.24%	0.35%	-1.80%	2.47%

Source: Statistics Canada

**TABLE 3: ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS  
APRIL 1 TO JUNE 30, 2006**

Origin	Destination												
	NL	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
Nfld and Lab.	0	39	431	135	87	958	118	37	1,650	240	5	44	67
Prince Edward I.	61	0	232	108	132	250	4	4	112	99	3	0	0
Nova Scotia	441	247	0	565	223	1,771	97	104	1,453	344	0	5	12
New Brunswick	172	163	642	0	684	934	69	46	1,146	218	15	5	0
Quebec	141	146	225	595	0	6,220	117	273	1,757	1,026	38	58	35
Ontario	1,152	355	1,901	893	3,936	0	1,357	417	7,377	5,161	72	117	133
Manitoba	30	0	165	55	168	1,552	0	603	2,253	1,040	15	27	24
Saskatchewan	23	8	50	23	216	603	561	0	3,112	1,019	8	58	32
Alberta	669	30	466	293	492	3,025	979	2,316	0	6,764	56	289	102
British Columbia	141	8	415	258	711	3,337	568	745	7,463	0	120	110	7
Yukon Territory	0	20	40	0	6	33	0	40	123	157	0	31	25
Northwest Terr.	64	0	28	14	46	92	48	8	349	135	44	0	76
Nunavut Terr.	45	0	22	28	47	72	57	20	49	0	0	35	0

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
In Migration	2,939	1,016	4,617	2,967	6,748	18,847	3,975	4,613	26,844	16,203	376	779	513
Out Migration	3,811	1,005	5,262	4,094	10,631	22,871	5,932	5,713	15,481	13,883	475	904	375
Net Migration	-872	11	-645	-1,127	-3,883	-4,024	-1,957	-1,100	11,363	2,320	-99	-125	138

Source: Statistics Canada

## Alberta Migration by Quarter

Quarter	Interprovincial Migration			International Migration					Total
	In	Out	Net Interprovincial	Immigrants	Emigrants	Net Temporary Emigrants	Returning Emigrants	Net International Migration	Total Net Migration
<b>2001</b>									
Jan-Mar	12,964	8,471	<b>4,493</b>	3,831	1,031	601	405	<b>2,604</b>	<b>7,097</b>
Apr-Jun	16,533	11,103	<b>5,430</b>	4,436	1,311	665	782	<b>3,242</b>	<b>8,672</b>
Jul-Sep	25,737	16,805	<b>8,932</b>	4,578	2,111	1,030	1,038	<b>2,475</b>	<b>11,407</b>
Oct-Dec	15,261	9,502	<b>5,759</b>	3,548	904	650	503	<b>2,497</b>	<b>8,256</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>70,495</i>	<i>45,881</i>	<i>24,614</i>	<i>16,393</i>	<i>5,357</i>	<i>2,946</i>	<i>2,728</i>	<i>10,818</i>	<i>35,432</i>
<b>2002</b>									
Jan-Mar	16,033	10,241	<b>5,792</b>	3,931	715	592	403	<b>3,027</b>	<b>8,819</b>
Apr-Jun	18,584	12,832	<b>5,752</b>	4,601	943	663	824	<b>3,819</b>	<b>9,571</b>
Jul-Sep	22,290	18,185	<b>4,105</b>	3,090	1,741	976	1,143	<b>1,516</b>	<b>5,621</b>
Oct-Dec	12,121	9,887	<b>2,234</b>	3,130	907	684	472	<b>2,011</b>	<b>4,245</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>69,028</i>	<i>51,145</i>	<i>17,883</i>	<i>14,752</i>	<i>4,306</i>	<i>2,915</i>	<i>2,842</i>	<i>10,373</i>	<i>28,256</i>
<b>2003</b>									
Jan-Mar	14,036	11,453	<b>2,583</b>	3,105	695	610	610	<b>2,410</b>	<b>4,993</b>
Apr-Jun	16,180	13,199	<b>2,981</b>	4,296	848	663	880	<b>3,665</b>	<b>6,646</b>
Jul-Sep	18,554	15,549	<b>3,005</b>	4,573	2,029	937	1,213	<b>2,820</b>	<b>5,825</b>
Oct-Dec	10,715	9,030	<b>1,685</b>	3,861	1,060	665	513	<b>2,649</b>	<b>4,334</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>59,485</i>	<i>49,231</i>	<i>10,254</i>	<i>15,835</i>	<i>4,632</i>	<i>2,875</i>	<i>3,216</i>	<i>11,544</i>	<i>21,798</i>
<b>2004</b>									
Jan-Mar	13,869	10,671	<b>3,198</b>	4,072	945	632	477	<b>2,972</b>	<b>6,170</b>
Apr-Jun	17,684	14,966	<b>2,718</b>	4,605	1,182	698	824	<b>3,549</b>	<b>6,267</b>
Jul-Sep	21,696	14,993	<b>6,703</b>	4,521	2,054	939	1,212	<b>2,740</b>	<b>9,443</b>
Oct-Dec	15,371	8,642	<b>6,729</b>	3,274	1,070	665	513	<b>2,052</b>	<b>8,781</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>68,620</i>	<i>49,272</i>	<i>19,348</i>	<i>16,472</i>	<i>5,251</i>	<i>2,934</i>	<i>3,026</i>	<i>11,313</i>	<i>30,661</i>
<b>2005</b>									
Jan-Mar	19,030	10,095	<b>8,935</b>	4,356	951	632	477	<b>3,250</b>	<b>12,185</b>
Apr-Jun	26,321	14,265	<b>12,056</b>	5,291	1,190	698	824	<b>4,227</b>	<b>16,283</b>
Jul-Sep	29,882	16,772	<b>13,110</b>	5,590	2,077	940	1,212	<b>3,785</b>	<b>16,895</b>
Oct-Dec	24,997	7,938	<b>17,059</b>	4,167	1,078	664	513	<b>2,938</b>	<b>19,997</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>100,230</i>	<i>49,070</i>	<i>51,160</i>	<i>19,404</i>	<i>5,296</i>	<i>2,934</i>	<i>3,026</i>	<i>14,200</i>	<i>65,360</i>
<b>2006</b>									
Jan-Mar	27,963	12,390	<b>15,573</b>	4,727	958	631	477	<b>3,615</b>	<b>19,188</b>
Apr-Jun	26,844	15,481	<b>11,363</b>	5,385	1,198	697	824	<b>4,314</b>	<b>15,677</b>
Jul-Sep	n/a	n/a	<b>n/a</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
Oct-Dec	n/a	n/a	<b>n/a</b>	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<i>Total</i>	<i>54,807</i>	<i>27,871</i>	<i>26,936</i>	<i>10,112</i>	<i>2,156</i>	<i>1,328</i>	<i>1,301</i>	<i>7,929</i>	<i>34,865</i>

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