# Three Hills

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## Welcome



To the Town of Three Hills!

Three Hills Vision for our Community – We envision a future full of promise in a thriving, hospitable community that offers continuing economic opportunity and excellent amenities.



Aerial Photo of the Town of Three Hills

### **Area Overview**

The Town of Three Hills was named after three prominent hills located north of the town. The entire community was moved to its present site on the Canadian Northern Railway (CNR) in 1912 and was incorporated as a village in the same year.

The first settlers were ranchers who freighted their supplies from Didsbury, 48 miles (77.3 kilometers) east. Early ranchers were: Arthur Evans, Fred Brandly, and R.E. Morgan. The second wave of settlers to the area after the ranchers were mixed farmers. As homesteaders settled the region, Three Hills became a major service centre for the large wheat growing area.

In 1922, the Prairie Bible Institute was established on land north of the village limits. In time, the institute grew to a campus of 120 acres (48.6 hectares) in size with an enrolment of over 1,000 students.



In 1983 the town annexed a large area surrounding the town site, including the small hamlet of Grantville. This increased the population of Three Hills to more than 2,000 people. In 1984, the town expanded yet again to include the Prairie Bible Institute and

Ruarkville, which increased the population to 3,375.

Recently, the town council has developed a business plan geared towards growth in population. The current population is 3,554 with a trading population of 11,000. Agriculture is the primary industry in the area followed by oil and gas production. The municipality also produces approximately 6.3 per cent of Alberta's wheat, 10 per cent of the barley, 3.9 per cent of the canola, 11.63 per cent of the poultry, 7.7 per cent of the hogs and 2.11 per cent of the dairy.

#### ALBERTA, THE BEST PLACE TO WORK, LIVE AND DO BUSINESS

The province of Alberta is a leader in the Canadian economy. Alberta has had the fastest growing economy in Canada over the past two decades, with real GDP growth averaging 3.7 percent per year. Highlighting Alberta's success in the past year is:

- Over \$73.2 billion in international exports of goods and services (2004)
- Manufacturing shipments of \$52.6 billion (2004)
- Creation of 40,000 new jobs in 2004 and 433,900 between 1994 and 2004
- Over \$103 billion in major capital projects are proposed, announced, under construction or recently completed (2004)

#### Source: Alberta Economic Development

#### **ALBERTA'S POSITIVE BUSINESS CLIMATE**

- The lowest overall taxes in Canada
- No provincial sales tax
- No general capital or payroll taxes prevalent in other provinces and U.S. states
- A highly entrepreneurial and competitive business community
- A fiscally responsible government that has eliminated its provincial debt, demonstrating to investors the business-like attitude of the government
- A highly skilled, educated and motivated workforce that is the most productive in Canada.

Source: Alberta Economic Development

TOWN OF THREE HILLS COUNCIL



(left to right) Top: Council Member Len Schafer, Council Member Jim McIlhargey, Deputy Mayor Ron Wilson, Council Member Rob Naylor. Bottom: Council Member Steve Klenk, Mayor Kevin Edwards, Council Member Heather Pliva.

### **Climate**

#### **AVERAGE TEMPERATURES**

### **January**

Maximum temperature = -6.3 Celsius Minimum temperature = -16.7 Celsius

### July

Maximum temperature = 23.5 Celsius Minimum temperature = 9.9 Celsius

Annual precipitation = 461.9mm

Source: Environment Canada

# **Community Services**

#### **BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICES**

Wild Rose Economic Development Corporation is a career center for employers and employees, small business assistance, financing and referral.

Box 2159

2nd Floor, 203 3rd Avenue

Hilton Plaza Strathmore, Alberta T1P 1K2

1-888-881-9675

(403) 934-6488 phone (403) 934-6492 fax

Email: wildrose@wildrose.ab.ca

Website: gowildrose.com

Alberta Human Resources and Employment is a provincial department that focuses on people skills and the workplace. They provide a broad range of service to both employees and employers.

Human Resources and Skills Development Canada is a federal department that provides a broad range of services for employees and employers.

Three Hills and District Chamber of Commerce Sharmagne Ray Post Office Box 277 Three Hills, Alberta T0M 2A0 1 (403) 443-2223

# **Community Lifestyle**

#### **RECREATION AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS**

### **Three Hills Golf**

9 hole course with different tee locations for back 9 \* Grass driving range \* Practice putting green and sand-trap \* Clubhouse with event hosting capabilities \* Licensed \* Beautiful irrigated fairways and campground.

### **Three Hills Recreational Park and Campground**

The Three Hills Recreational Park and Campground is open from May to October, has 34 camp-sites, and shower/washroom facilities.

### **Kneehill Historical Society Museum**

A Pioneer Museum and Tourist Information Centre. Open May 1st to September 30th annually.

#### The Three Hills Municipal Library

The Library has a wide array of books, magazines, videos, and books on tape, as well as, internet access.

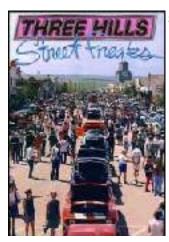
#### Guzoo

Animal Rescue and Sanctuary. A Family owned and operated petting zoo, Guzoo provides a hand-on wildlife experience.



Aquatic Centre
Curling Rink
Three Hills Soccer Centre
Three Hills Arts Academy

### **ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENTS**



Street Freaks Cruise Night



Town of Three Hills Annual Parade

For more information regarding up-and-coming Community Events, visit the Town Website.

### **RESTAURANTS**

- A&W Restaurant
- Harvest House Restaurant
- Pizza Hut Express
- Nilgris Tea House

- Subway Sandwiches and Salads
- Three Hills Inn Restaurant
- East &West Restaurant
- Athens Family Restaurant (Licensed)
- Wireless Grill (Licensed)
- Cranberries Coffee House
- Oasis
- Mission Restaurant (opening in 2006)

### Accommodations

- Touch of Dutch
- Super 8 Motel
- Rest Easy Motel
- Nilgris
- Three Hills Inn
- Lamplighter Inn

### **Education**

Three Hills is part of the Golden Hills Regional Division No. 75.

Three Hills School is one of the largest schools in the Golden Hills #75 School Division, and one of a few schools that offers a continuous program of education from kindergarten to grade 12. The population of our school is approximately 550 students.



Prairie Christian Academy is a public alternate status school with an evangelical Christian program in the Golden Hills #75

School Division. The school has a K - 12 enrolment of approximately 360 students operating as two campuses: K - 7 in the elementary building and 8 - 12 in the high school building. Prairie Christian Academy also operates a dormitory for grade 10 - 12 students with a population of approximately sixty students.

In 2002/2003 Alberta spent \$8,800 to

education a student and the student to teacher ratio was just under 18.

Source: Culture, Tourism and Centre for Education Statistics, Summary Public School Indicators for the Provinces and Territories, 1996-97 – 2002-03 (Statistics Canada)





## **Health Care**

Three Hills belongs to the **David Thompson Regional Health Authority**.

Hospital care is available at Three Hills Health Centre

(403) 443-2444 Box 340, 1504 - 2 St. North Three Hills, AB T0M 2A0

There is a 48-bed hospital, several doctors, a health unit, dental clinic, optometrist and chiropractor as well as counselling services and a long-term care facility.

# **Key Contacts for Business Development**

### Mayor

Kevin Edwards

### Member of the Legislative Assembly

Mr. Richard Marz (PC)

MLA for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills

Constituency Office

P.O. Box 3807

#3, 4530 - 49 Avenue

Olds, AB T4H 1P5

Phone: (403) 556-3132

Fax: (403) 556-3120

oldsdidsbury.threehills@assembly.ab.ca

Legislature Office

#639 Legislature Annex

9718 - 107 Street

Edmonton, AB T5K 1E4 Phone: (780) 415-0994

Fax: (780) 415-0951

### Member of Parliament

Crowfoot, Alberta

SORENSON, Kevin (Conservative)

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Constituency Address

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Camrose, Alberta T4V 1P9

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Fax: (780) 608-4603

### Location

Located in just about the center of the region bounded by Airdrie, Olds, Stettler, Drumheller & Strathmore, Three Hills is the largest commercial community in the County. Although the town is in a very prosperous agricultural district, it was primarily the discovery of coal that helped get the community off its feet. Today farming is still the mainstay while the discovery of oil and gas has shed a new light on the future growth and Development of Three Hills.

# **Post Secondary Education**

#### **BUILDING FUTURES**

Three Hills is part of the Wild Rose Region. With internationally recognized post-secondary institutions, the Wild Rose Region is attracting students from around the world.

For information on Educational Opportunities in close proximity to Three Hills visit the corresponding websites:

University of Calgary

Tel: 403-2205110

Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

Tel: 403-284-7248

Mount Royal

Tel: 403-240-6111

Alberta College of Art and Design

Tel: 403-284-7600

Devry Canada

Tel: 403-235-3450

Olds College

Tel: 1-800-661-6537 or 403-556-8281

Red Deer College

Tel: 403-342-3300

### **Distant Learning**

Athabasca University

Tel: 403-263-6465

#### OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES within close proximity are:

**Prairie Bible Institute** offers a wide range of programs, including ministry, aviation, drama, wilderness leadership and music, to students from over 20 countries around the world. Students can earn a one-year certificate or a four-year degree.



**Covenant Bible College** is an eight-month program of Christian discipleship. The Strathmore campus is one of three campuses, with the other two located in Colorado and Ecuador.

Rosebud School of the Arts offers a unique blend of practical and theoretical training in the performing arts. In addition to the arts program, Rosebud provides apprenticeship programs in the hospitality industry

The Kneehill Adult Learning Society offers a valuable assortment of courses throughout the year to help adults upgrade their skills.

### **Taxation**

|   | Residential/Farmland | Non-<br>Residential |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|
| 2005  |                      |                     |
| Municipal Tax Rate                                  | 11.1129              | 11.1129             |
| Education - Alberta School Foundation Fund Tax Rate | 4.4317               | 6.6937              |
| Seniors Lodge Accommodation Tax Rate                | .0134                | .0134               |

# **Transportation**

#### **AIR SERVICE**

The Three Hills Municipal Airport: is located approximately one mile east of the town of Three Hills. It has a 3,000 foot paved and lighted runway, a parallel taxiway, and a paved aircraft parking area with tiedowns. Avgas is available and the cost is very competitive. The terminal has a payphone, restroom, and room to relax. Land is available for interested aircraft owners to lease for hangar construction. The airport is listed in the Canada Flight Supplement.

The airport is home to the Prairie School of Mission Aviation (PSMA), a ministry of Prairie Bible Institute. PSMA was established in 1992 to train highly skilled and responsible pilots for Christian Missions and humanitarian work around the world. Three Hills is an ideal location for the school, close to major centres for training in complex environments, the Rocky Mountains are nearby for mountain and survival training, and numerous unpaved strips in the area are employed in advanced training. Southern Alberta's typically sunny weather allows flying throughout the year. As time and resources permit, the school also occasionally trains local residents who are interested in obtaining a pilot's license. PSMA enjoys a solid reputation with Transport Canada, with flight and written test scores significantly higher than national and regional averages.

Red Deer Regional Airport: Built during World War II, The Red Deer Regional Airport was an Air Force training base until the City of Red Deer took over operation in 1965. Later, The ownership of the airport was taken over on September 1st, 1999 by the Red Deer Regional Airport Authority, which includes the City of Red Deer, Red Deer County and the Red Deer Chamber of Commerce as stakeholders.

The nearest commercial and airfreight services are at Calgary International Airport

### **HIGHWAYS**

For manufacturers and producers who need assistance to determine the most cost-effective and efficient transportation method, AlbertaPORT provides a "virtual" gateway to assist with transportation logistics at Alberta Canada.

#### **BUS SERVICE**

Regularly scheduled bus service is provided to Three Hills by Greyhound Canada 1-800-661-8747.

**Depot** located at:

THREE HILLS MOTOR INN 309 MAIN STREET Three Hills, AB T0M2A0

Telephone Numbers: Main: 403-443-5033

Greyhound Courier Express: 403-443-5033

**Hours Of Operation:** 

Hours of operation subject to change. Please call to verify hours before making travel arrangements.

Station: Monday-Sunday: 8:00 am-8:30 pm

Holidays: 8:00 am-8:30 pm

#### Ticketing:

Monday-Sunday: 8:00 am-8:30 pm Holidays: 8:00 am-8:30 pm

#### **POSTAL & COURIERS**

Canada Post, Purolator, UPS, FeDex, DHL Courier, and A-Dash Messenger Service all provide delivery services for Three Hills. Canada Post fills a vital need in the region providing cost-effective and timely mail delivery. In its mission to provide innovative physical and electronic delivery solutions creating value for its customers, Canada Post works with its business customers to ensure their mail communication needs are achieved.

In 2001, Canada Post received an on-time, combined service performance score of 96.4% on properly prepared letter mail.

### **Utilities**

**ELECTRICITY** and **NATURAL GAS** are deregulated in Alberta.



The Alberta government provides a Web site to provide information to assist consumers to choose the appropriate provider for their residence or business. To learn more about electrical or natural gas providers visit **Customer Choice.** 

### Regulated Rate Providers for Community of Three Hills are:

#### **ELECTRICAL POWER**

Atco Electric

### **NATURAL GAS**

Alta Gas Utilities and Harvest Hills Gas Co-op, Energy Provider & Distributor, Phone: (403) 443-5590

# **COMMUNICATIONS Telephone: Telus**

Internet Services: Telus, Persona, Wild Rose, SuperNet

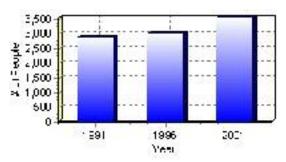
Cable Television: Persona

Local/Regional Newspapers: The Capital

# **Population**

| Total Population   |        |
|--|--------|
| Population 2004*   | 3,554  |
| Population 2003*   | 3,541  |
| Population 2002*   | 3,541  |
| Population 2001**  | 2,900  |
| Population 2000*   | 3,375  |
| Population 1996**  | 3,022  |
| Population 1991**  | 2,884  |
| Population % change 1991-1996  | 4.57%  |
| Population % change 1996-2001  | 14.66% |
| * Source: Official Population List, Alberta Municipal Affairs ** Source: Statistics Canada 1991, 1996, & 2001 Census |        |

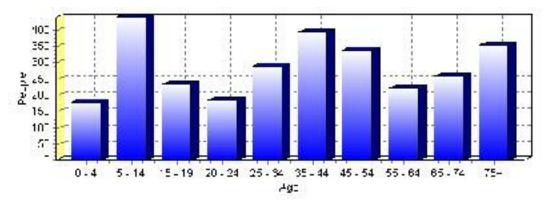
# **Total Population 1991-2001**



| Age 0 - 4         | 120   | 95    |       |       |       |       |
|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 9                 |       | 30    | 215   | 110   | 70    | 180   |
| Age 5 - 14        | 235   | 250   | 485   | 215   | 225   | 440   |
| Age 15 - 19       | 135   | 155   | 290   | 115   | 120   | 235   |
| Age 20 - 24       | 95    | 85    | 180   | 80    | 105   | 185   |
| Age 25 - 34       | 160   | 185   | 345   | 145   | 145   | 290   |
| Age 35 - 44       | 200   | 200   | 400   | 185   | 210   | 395   |
| Age 45 - 54       | 155   | 160   | 315   | 170   | 170   | 340   |
| Age 55 - 64       | 90    | 120   | 210   | 95    | 125   | 220   |
| Age 65 - 74       | 125   | 150   | 275   | 115   | 145   | 260   |
| Age 75 and older  | 110   | 190   | 300   | 135   | 220   | 355   |
| Total All Persons | 1,430 | 1,595 | 3,025 | 1,370 | 1,535 | 2,905 |

Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)

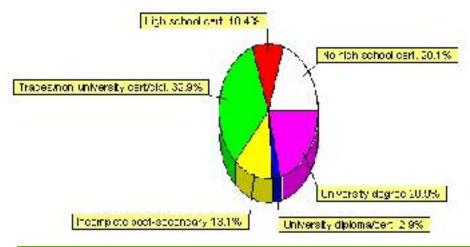
## Three Hills Population by Age Group (2001)



# **Education Statistics**

| Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older                      | 2001  | %       |
|--|-------|---------|
| People without high school certificates  | 385   | 20.10%  |
| People with high school certificates   | 200   | 10.44%  |
| People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma                    | 630   | 32.90%  |
| People with post-secondary education (not completed)                           | 250   | 13.05%  |
| People with university diploma/certificate                                     | 55    | 2.87%   |
| People with university degree  | 400   | 20.89%  |
| Total Population 20 years and older  | 1,915 | 100.00% |
| Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |       |         |

## **Three Hills Highest Level of Schooling 2001**



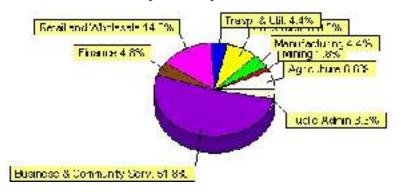
| Population with Post Secondary Qualifications   | 1996  | %       | 2001  | %       |  |  |
|---|-------|---------|-------|---------|--|--|
| Agriculture and biological sciences   | 30    | 2.97%   | 40    | 3.69%   |  |  |
| Commerce, management and business administration                                      | 110   | 10.89%  | 115   | 10.60%  |  |  |
| Educational, recreational and counseling services                                     | 265   | 26.24%  | 265   | 24.42%  |  |  |
| Engineering and applied science tech. and trades                                      | 190   | 18.81%  | 170   | 15.67%  |  |  |
| Engineering and applied sciences  | 0     | 0.00%   | 0     | 0.00%   |  |  |
| Fine and applied arts   | 105   | 10.40%  | 50    | 4.61%   |  |  |
| Health professionals, science and technologies  | 120   | 11.88%  | 95    | 8.76%   |  |  |
| Humanities and related fields   | 160   | 15.84%  | 295   | 27.19%  |  |  |
| Mathematics and physical sciences   | 10    | 0.99%   | 25    | 2.30%   |  |  |
| Social sciences and related fields  | 40    | 3.96%   | 30    | 2.76%   |  |  |
| Other and/or no specialization  | 0     | 0.00%   | 10    | 0.92%   |  |  |
| Total people with post secondary qualifications                                       | 1,010 | 100.00% | 1,085 | 100.00% |  |  |
| Females with post-secondary qualifications  | 525   | 51.98%  | 530   | 48.85%  |  |  |
| Males with post-secondary qualifications  | 485   | 48.02%  | 555   | 51.15%  |  |  |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |       |         |       |         |  |  |

# **Labour Force**

| Labour force by activity  | 1996                  | 2001  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| In the labour force, both sexes                                   | 1,400                 | 1,360   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Not in the labour force, both sexes                               | 835                   | 830   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total population 15 and over                                      | 2,235                 | 2,190   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employed, both sexes  | 1,325                 | 1,325   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unemployed, both sexes  | 70                    | 35  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Participation rate, both sexes                                    | 63.00%                | 62.00%  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unemployment rate, both sexes                                     | 5.00%                 | 3.00%   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add | d up due to rounding) | Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |  |  |  |  |  |

| Labour Force by Industry Division   | 1996  | % of total | 2001  | % of total |  |  |  |
|---|-------|------------|-------|------------|--|--|--|
| Agriculture   | 75    | 5.40%      | 90    | 6.62%      |  |  |  |
| Mining  | 65    | 4.68%      | 25    | 1.84%      |  |  |  |
| Manufacturing   | 50    | 3.60%      | 60    | 4.41%      |  |  |  |
| Construction  | 95    | 6.83%      | 115   | 8.46%      |  |  |  |
| Transportation. & Utilities   | 65    | 4.68%      | 60    | 4.41%      |  |  |  |
| Retail and Wholesale  | 230   | 16.55%     | 190   | 13.97%     |  |  |  |
| Finance   | 50    | 3.60%      | 65    | 4.78%      |  |  |  |
| Business & Community Services   | 690   | 49.64%     | 705   | 51.84%     |  |  |  |
| Public Administration   | 55    | 3.96%      | 45    | 3.31%      |  |  |  |
| Total All Industries  | 1,390 | 100.00%    | 1,360 | 100.00%    |  |  |  |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |       |            |       |            |  |  |  |

## **Three Hills Labour Force By Industry - 2001**



| Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups                         | 1996 | %      | 2001 | %      |
|---|------|--------|------|--------|
| Management occupations  | 145  | 10.43% | 110  | 8.09%  |
| Business, Finances and administrative occupations                 | 265  | 19.06% | 235  | 17.28% |
| Natural and applied sciences and related occupations              | 50   | 3.60%  | 30   | 2.21%  |
| Health occupations  | 75   | 5.40%  | 55   | 4.04%  |
| Occupations in social science; education; government and religion | 125  | 8.99%  | 235  | 17.28% |
| Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport                 | 25   | 1.80%  | 45   | 3.31%  |

| Sales and service occupations  | 315      | 22.66%  | 260   | 19.12%  |
|--|----------|---------|-------|---------|
| Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations           | 190      | 13.67%  | 240   | 17.65%  |
| Occupations unique to primary industry                                   | 120      | 8.63%   | 115   | 8.46%   |
| Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities            | 80       | 5.76%   | 25    | 1.84%   |
| Occupations not elsewhere classified                                     | 10       | 0.72%   | 0     | 0.00%   |
| Total - All Occupations (major groups)                                   | 1,390    | 100.00% | 1,360 | 100.00% |
| Females - All Occupations  | 620      | 44.60%  | 615   | 45.22%  |
| Males - All Occupations  | 770      | 55.40%  | 745   | 54.78%  |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due | to round | ling)   |       |         |

# Income

| Family Income (Number of Families)                       | 1996            | %               | 2001     | %       |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|----------|---------|
| less than \$19,999                                       | 70              | 9.66%           | 55       | 7.38%   |
| \$20,000 - \$39,999                                      | 285             | 39.31%          | 250      | 33.56%  |
| \$40,000 - \$59,999                                      | 195             | 26.90%          | 240      | 32.21%  |
| \$60,000 and over  | 175             | 24.14%          | 215      | 28.86%  |
| Total number of families                                 | 725             | 100.00%         | 760      | 102.01% |
| Average family income                                    | \$45,452        |                 | \$53,398 |         |
| Median family income                                     | \$41,727        |                 | \$45,947 |         |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers ma | ay not add up d | ue to rounding) |          |         |

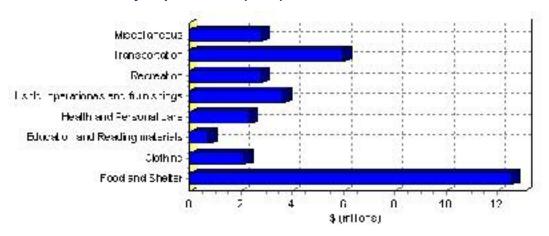
| Household Income (Number of Households)                         | 1996         | %         | 2001     | %       |
|---|--------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| less than \$19,999  | 295          | 28.23%    | 210      | 19.63%  |
| \$20,000 - \$39,999   | 355          | 33.97%    | 340      | 31.78%  |
| \$40,000 - \$59,999   | 190          | 18.18%    | 250      | 23.36%  |
| \$60,000 and over   | 70           | 6.70%     | 285      | 26.64%  |
| Total number of households                                      | 1,045        | 100.00%   | 1,070    | 100.00% |
| Average household income  | \$38,534     |           | \$46,722 |         |
| Median household income   | \$31,492     |           | \$38,386 |         |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not a | dd up due to | rounding) |          |         |

# **Family Expenditure**

| Expenditure Category               | 1992         | % of total | 1996         | % of total |
|------------------------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| Food and Shelter                   | \$9,584,955  | 37.87%     | \$12,584,817 | 37.99%     |
| Clothing                           | \$1,683,640  | 6.65%      | \$2,137,362  | 6.45%      |
| Education and Reading materials    | \$482,620    | 1.91%      | \$735,184    | 2.22%      |
| Health and Personal care           | \$1,622,580  | 6.41%      | \$2,335,970  | 7.05%      |
| Hshld. operationas and furnishings | \$2,757,945  | 10.90%     | \$3,662,900  | 11.06%     |
| Recreation                         | \$1,878,715  | 7.42%      | \$2,801,887  | 8.46%      |
| Transportation                     | \$5,235,600  | 20.69%     | \$6,032,671  | 18.21%     |
| Miscellaneous                      | \$2,051,990  | 8.11%      | \$2,832,595  | 8.55%      |
| Total Current Consumption          | \$25,309,120 | 100.00%    | \$33,123,386 | 100.00%    |
| Total # of Households              | 955          |            | 1,047        |            |
| Average Consumption per Household  | \$26,502     |            | \$31,636     |            |
|                                    |              |            |              |            |

Source: Statistics Canada Family Expenditure Survey 1992 & 1996 (numbers may not add up due to rounding).

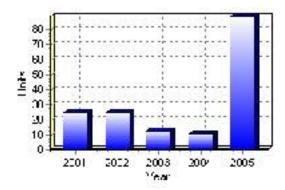
### **Three Hills Family Expenditures (1996)**



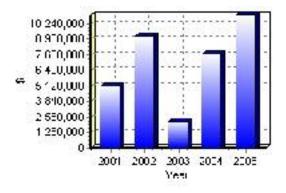
# **Building Permits**

| Total Building Permit<br>Values   | 2001        | 2002        | 2003        | 2004        | 2005         |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Building Permits Value,<br>Commercial   | \$11,000    | \$282,000   | \$45,000    | \$28,000    | \$3,973,000  |
| Building Permits Value,<br>Industrial   | \$951,000   | \$74,000    | \$9,000     | \$0         | \$550,000    |
| Building Permits Value,<br>Institutional  | \$890,000   | \$5,475,000 | \$191,000   | \$5,900,000 | \$15,000     |
| Building Permits Value,<br>Residential  | \$3,271,000 | \$3,391,000 | \$1,991,000 | \$1,846,000 | \$6,435,000  |
| Building Permits Value, Total   | \$5,123,000 | \$9,222,000 | \$2,236,000 | \$7,774,000 | \$10,973,000 |
| Total Housing Starts  | 25          | 25          | 13          | 11          | 89           |
| Source: Statistics Canada 2000-2004 Building Permits (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |             |             |             |             |              |

## **Total Housing Starts**



# **Value of Building Permits**



# **Dwellings**

| Occupied Private Dwellings by Type  | 1996  | % of total | 2001  | % of total |
|---|-------|------------|-------|------------|
| Apartments  | 90    | 8.61%      | 115   | 10.75%     |
| Detached Duplexes   | 70    | 6.70%      | 65    | 6.07%      |
| Movable Dwellings   | 120   | 11.48%     | 50    | 4.67%      |
| Other single attached house   | 0     | 0.00%      | 5     | 0.47%      |
| Row and semi-detached house   | 65    | 6.22%      | 85    | 7.94%      |
| Single-detached house   | 695   | 66.51%     | 755   | 70.56%     |
| Total number of occupied private dwellings  | 1,045 | 100.00%    | 1,070 | 100.00%    |
| Private dwellings, owned  | 775   | 74.16%     | 755   | 70.56%     |
| Private Dwellings, rented   | 275   | 26.32%     | 320   | 29.91%     |
| Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |       |            |       |            |

| Private Dwellings by Period of Construction                                    | # of Dwellings | % of total |  |
|--|----------------|------------|--|
| Period of construction, before 1946  | 150            | 14.15%     |  |
| Period of construction, 1946 - 1960  | 185            | 17.45%     |  |
| Period of construction, 1961 - 1970  | 100            | 9.43%      |  |
| Period of construction, 1971 - 1980  | 295            | 27.83%     |  |
| Period of construction, 1981 - 1990  | 120            | 11.32%     |  |
| Period of construction, 1991 - 2001  | 210            | 19.81%     |  |
| Total number of private dwellings constructed                                  | 1,060          | 100.00%    |  |
| Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding) |                |            |  |

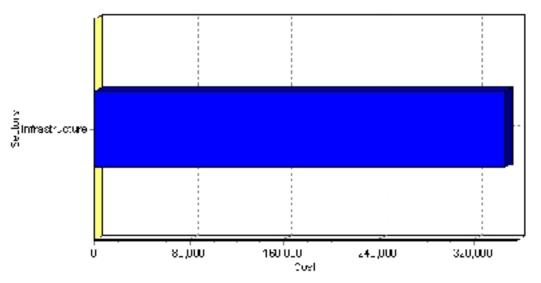
# **Projects**

### Summary of Projects in Three Hills as of September 2006

| Project Sector | Number of Projects | Project Cost |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Infrastructure | 2                  | \$346,400    |
| Total          | 2                  | \$346,400    |

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### Value of Projects by Sector (as of September 2006)



| Project Status     | Number of Projects | Project Cost |  |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Under Construction | 2                  | \$346,400    |  |
| Total              | 2                  | \$346,400    |  |

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## Largest Projects in Three Hills as of September 2006

| Company<br>Name        | Project<br>Description  | Project<br>Location | Project<br>Cost | Construction<br>Schedule | Status                |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Town of Three<br>Hills | Building Addition       | Three<br>Hills      | \$271,400       | 2006-2006                | Under<br>Construction |
| Town of Three<br>Hills | SIDEWALK<br>REPLACEMENT | Three<br>Hills      | \$75,000        | 2006-2007                | Under<br>Construction |

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