

Alberta Population Report

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Alberta's population growth between October 1 of 2001 and 2002 remains the strongest among the provinces. As of October 1, 2002, Alberta's population is estimated to be 3,127,582. This is an increase of approximately 52,000 persons (or 1.68% growth) from October 1, 2001. Of the provinces, Ontario and British Columbia had the next largest growth rates at 1.30% and 0.87%, respectively.

The following chart shows both population estimates and growth rates of Canada and Alberta since 1997 for October 1.

TABLE 1. NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL POPULATION & GROWTH RATES, OCTOBER 1

October 1	Canada		Alberta	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
1997	30,076,460	--	2,854,583	--
1998	30,326,130	0.83%	2,922,978	2.40%
1999	30,596,433	0.89%	2,972,536	1.70%
2000	30,883,995	0.94%	3,021,863	1.66%
2001	31,210,081	1.06%	3,075,870	1.79%
2002	31,485,623	0.88%	3,127,582	1.68%

Source: Statistics Canada

Population estimates for October 1, 2002 for all provinces and territories are provided below in Table 2. Also shown is the growth rate of population between October 1, 2001 and October 1, 2002.

TABLE 2. POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES, OCTOBER 1, 2002 & GROWTH RATES SINCE OCTOBER 1, 2001

	NFLD.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	YUKON	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	531,475	140,336	945,241	756,633	7,464,182	12,108,864	1,150,254	1,010,007	3,127,582	4,151,041	29,789	41,423	28,796
Growth Rate	-0.36%	0.75%	0.16%	0.10%	0.46%	1.30%	0.15%	-0.55%	1.68%	0.87%	-0.88%	0.27%	2.07%

Source: Statistics Canada

MIGRATION

Between July 1 and September 30, 2002, Alberta had an estimated net interprovincial migration of 8,509 people. This makes up 96% of total net migration (interprovincial and international) to Alberta. Alberta had the largest number of interprovincial net migrants in Canada, followed by Ontario. The origin and destination of interprovincial migrants are shown in Table 3 on the following page.

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

NATURAL INCREASE

Statistics Canada estimates that Alberta experienced a natural increase (births minus deaths) of about 5,100 people between July 1, 2002 and September 30, 2002. Almost 9,500 births occurred in this quarter, while there were an estimated 4,400 deaths.

More detailed demographic data are available from Alberta Finance, Statistics.

TABLE 3. **ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS,
JULY 1, 2002 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2002**

Origin	Destination												
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
Nfld and Lab.	0	33	738	286	80	1,446	63	33	1,316	259	4	10	12
Prince Edward I.	28	0	236	98	40	176	37	3	210	50	0	2	3
Nova Scotia	441	328	0	831	428	2,634	155	214	1,510	548	22	26	22
New Brunswick	170	172	995	0	1,019	1,797	185	116	799	387	0	0	0
Quebec	44	33	342	1,051	0	9,241	206	91	1,127	1,301	6	24	31
Ontario	1,796	352	2,574	1,475	7,048	0	1,859	814	5,262	6,238	42	90	61
Manitoba	63	35	129	140	208	2,626	0	1,211	2,703	1,421	20	26	31
Saskatchewan	35	38	99	48	161	689	1,147	0	5,620	1,434	35	12	2
Alberta	989	130	962	610	623	4,748	1,462	3,035	0	8,205	112	328	43
British Columbia	214	93	557	254	1,010	6,009	1,032	1,083	10,601	0	42	264	42
Yukon Territory	0	0	20	27	0	53	20	20	120	194	0	52	10
Northwest Terr.	30	0	24	15	28	133	16	45	445	123	48	0	75
Nunavut Terr.	26	0	20	12	44	91	17	12	43	28	3	93	0

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
In Migration	3,836	1,214	6,696	4,847	10,689	29,643	6,199	6,677	29,756	20,188	334	927	332
Out Migration	4,280	883	7,159	5,640	13,497	27,611	8,613	9,320	21,247	21,201	516	982	389
Net Migration	-444	331	-463	-793	-2,808	2,032	-2,414	-2,643	8,509	-1,013	-182	-55	-57

Source: Statistics Canada

Alberta Migration by Quarter

	Interprovincial			International					Total	
	Out-Migration	In-Migration	<i>Net Interprovincial</i>	Immigration	Emigration	Non-Permanent Residents	Temporarily Abroad	Returning Emigrants	<i>Net International</i>	<i>Total Net Migration</i>
1996										
Jan - Mar	9,897	11,481	1,584	3,164	1,235	57	n/a	725	2,711	4,295
Apr - June	12,898	15,286	2,388	3,728	1,789	599	n/a	824	3,362	5,750
July - Sep	15,056	21,022	5,966	4,034	2,555	935	771	1,217	2,860	8,826
Oct - Dec	8,285	13,416	5,131	2,977	1,488	(810)	565	432	546	5,677
<i>Total</i>	46,136	61,205	15,069	13,903	7,067	781	1,336	3,198	9,479	24,548
1997										
Jan - Mar	8,802	15,282	6,480	3,291	741	614	424	427	3,167	9,647
Apr - June	11,908	20,613	8,705	3,545	1,290	632	525	720	3,082	11,787
July - Sep	14,756	25,161	10,405	3,338	3,075	929	876	1,041	1,357	11,762
Oct - Dec	6,537	13,406	6,869	2,749	1,732	(479)	637	519	420	7,289
<i>Total</i>	42,003	74,462	32,459	12,923	6,838	1,696	2,462	2,707	8,026	40,485
1998										
Jan - Mar	9,065	20,591	11,526	2,664	1,048	232	510	510	1,848	13,374
Apr - Jun	12,860	27,149	14,289	2,938	1,226	284	541	932	2,387	16,676
July - Sept	13,828	23,051	9,223	3,041	3,085	876	983	1,092	941	10,164
Oct - Dec	8,408	13,495	5,087	2,572	1,810	(471)	715	537	113	5,200
<i>Total</i>	44,161	84,286	40,125	11,215	7,169	921	2,749	3,071	5,289	45,414
1999										
Jan - Mar	10,103	14,693	4,590	2,614	1,102	470	573	521	1,930	6,520
Apr - Jun	13,402	19,693	6,291	3,026	1,269	1,239	606	936	3,326	9,617
July - Sept	15,993	21,712	5,719	3,637	3,170	790	1,103	1,092	1,246	6,965
Oct - Dec	8,770	11,862	3,092	2,810	1,827	(977)	802	537	(259)	2,833
<i>Total</i>	48,268	67,960	19,692	12,087	7,368	1,522	3,084	3,086	6,243	25,935
2000										
Jan - Mar	10,313	17,065	6,752	2,865	1,107	757	643	521	2,393	9,145
Apr - Jun	12,971	20,082	7,111	3,552	1,275	750	680	936	3,283	10,394
July - Sept	15,768	20,600	4,832	4,168	3,217	1,238	1,239	1,092	2,042	6,874
Oct - Dec	8,330	14,032	5,702	3,757	1,848	(1,023)	900	537	523	6,225
<i>Total</i>	47,382	71,779	24,397	14,342	7,447	1,722	3,462	3,086	8,241	32,638
2001										
Jan - Mar	8,471	12,964	4,493	3,835	1,116	975	721	521	3,494	7,987
Apr - Jun	11,103	16,533	5,430	4,439	1,288	788	763	936	4,112	9,542
July - Sept	19,577	28,752	9,175	4,576	3,255	1,398	1,389	1,089	2,419	11,594
Oct - Dec	11,107	17,065	5,958	3,544	1,865	(894)	1,011	535	309	6,267
<i>Total</i>	50,258	75,314	25,056	16,394	7,524	2,267	3,884	3,081	10,334	35,390
2002										
Jan - Mar	11,956	17,916	5,960	3,910	1,123	365	809	516	2,859	8,819
Apr - Jun	15,152	20,799	5,647	4,538	1,300	383	856	925	3,690	9,337
July - Sept	21,247	29,756	8,509	3,133	3,302	1,039	1,559	1,074	385	8,894
Oct - Dec	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<i>Total</i>	48,355	68,471	20,116	11,581	5,725	1,787	3,224	2,515	6,934	27,050

Source: Statistics Canada

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