

Raymond

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Welcome

Welcome to our community. We hope the information contained within this profile is useful. If additional information is required, please contact our representative from the "Key Contacts" section.

Everyone loves Raymond

Area Overview

The Town of Raymond is a community which lies just north of the Canada-U.S. International Boundary. It is just 15-20 minutes south of Alberta's third largest city, Lethbridge, and has a population of 3,200 people.

The community was established in 1901 by Jesse Knight and was named after Jesse Knight's eldest son, Oscar Raymond Knight. In 1902, Raymond Knight organized the first Stampede, which has since become a well known annual event. The event has made Raymond known as the "Home of the First Stampede".

Community Services

Municipal

Town of Raymond

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Public Library

Provincial

Medical Examiner-Coroner

Public Works, Supply & Services

Federal

Canada Post

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

Community Lifestyle

Recreation

Raymond is situated near a large reservoir, which has camping and water sport facilities, great hunting and fishing, as well as the Devil's Coulee dinosaur fossil sites. It is a central location for regional tourism attractions, such as the Waterton/Glacier International Peace Park, Remington Carriage Collection, Writing-On-Stone Provincial Park, Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, and the Nikka Yuko Japanese Garden.

The Bridge County Raceway is used for stock car racing, while the Temple Hill Motorcross track provides for dirt bike races.

Raymond has an excellent golf course, indoor ice arena, outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts, ball diamonds, camp kitchens

complete with overnight camping facilities and fishing, playgrounds and rodeo and exhibition grounds.

Community Organizations

Raymond service clubs include the Raymond Agricultural Society, Brownies, Family & Community Support Services, Figure Skating, 4-H, 4-H Light Horse, Golf Club, Hall of Fame, Historical Society, Judo Club, Legion, Library Board, Lions Club, Minor Football, Minor Hockey, Playhouse Society, Roping Club, Rotary Club, Scouts, Senior Citizens Club, Soccer Association, Softball Association, and the Stampede Association.

Religious Services

- Raymond Buddhist Church
- Raymond United Church
- Baptist Church
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Catholic

Church Special Annual Events/Attractions

Raymond has a newly renovated theatre where the Raymond Playhouse Society produces plays every spring. There is also a museum situated at the Raymond Community Centre.

Annual Events:

Raymond Stampede and Heritage Days [heritage program and dance, Hall of Fame banquet, parade, pancake breakfast, softball tournaments, museum displays of course the rodeo]

Annual Sugar Bowl [basketball tournament] -- Christmas break. Raymond Agricultural Society Annual Fall Fair

Hospitality

Accommodation

The Hicken Manor [bed and breakfast] Crystal Butterfly [bed and breakfast]

Restaurants

- Burger Baron
- Trung's Leung's Restaurant
- Raymond Coffee Shop
- Raymond Restaurant
- Subway

Economic Base

Raymond's surrounding economic base is agriculture. Within the Town the economic base is HealthCare, Education, Government, Trucking and service

Economic Facts

In addition to agricultural businesses, Raymond has industries such as NEWALTA Corporation, which recycles solvents, R.K. Heggie Trucking is a major operation, and True Hope Nutritional Support.

Raymond has a major grocery stores and three convenience stores. a car dealership, three major automotive businesses and two banking services.

Major Businesses Products/Services

- NEWALTA Corporation Recycling [solvent]
- R.K. Heggie Trucking Trucking

- True Hope Nutritional Support

Financial Institutions

- 1st Choice Credit Union
- Alberta Treasury Branch

Education

Raymond is part of the Westwind Regional School Division #9, headquartered in Cardston [Tel: 403-653-4991].

Daycare/Nursery

Wee R Kids Satellite Family Dayhomes

Public

Schools in Raymond include:

- Raymond Elementary School [1-3]
- Northside Elementary School [4-6]
- Raymond Junior High School [7-9]
- Raymond High School [10-12].

Separate

Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division No. 4
Lethbridge 403-327-9555

Private

N/A

Emergency Services

Fire Protection

The Raymond Fire Department is a volunteer fire department with a 4-bay firehall [Tel: 911].

Police Services

Raymond is served by a local detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police [RCMP] [Tel: 911, 403-752-3351, 403-752-4747].

Ambulance Services

Raymond Ambulance Authority has 2 ambulances [Tel: 911].

Health Care

Raymond General Hospital has 25 beds, as well as a 20-bed auxiliary and physiotherapy hospital wing. Other medical services include the Raymond Medical Clinic, CHR Health Unit, and the Raymond Care Centre for the Mentally Disabled.

Key Contacts for Business Development

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Location

The Town of Raymond is located in the County of Warner #5, in southern Alberta. It is 34 km south of Lethbridge.

Post Secondary Education

Raymond is within easy commuting distance of Lethbridge-based post-secondary institutions such as the University of Lethbridge and Lethbridge Community College.

Taxation

	<u>Residential/Farmland</u>	<u>Non-Residential</u>
2005		
Municipal Tax Rate	12.2600	16.6500
Education - Alberta School Foundation Fund Tax Rate	4.8848	7.4807
Education Opted Out Tax Rate	4.8848	7.4807
Seniors Lodge Accommodation Tax Rate	.5998	.5998

Transportation

Air Service

The nearest commercial and air freight services are at Lethbridge, 34 km north of Raymond.

Rail Service

Raymond is served by a Canadian Pacific Railway branch line. Spur trackage is available.

Highways

Connecting highways are Highway 52, which connects with Highway 5 to Lethbridge, and Highway 845.

Trucking Firms

- Greg's Transport
- Cardston Express
- R.K. Heggie Trucking

Bus Services

N/A

Couriers and Taxis

Loomis and Purolator Couriers

Utilities

Electrical Power

FORTISALBERTA INC.

Tel: 310-9473

Natural Gas

ATCO GAS

25 E and 100 N

Raymond, Alberta

Tel: 403-752-3040 or 310-5678

Telephone

TELUS

Tel: 310-4248

Water Supply

Water is supplied by a gravity-fed system from the Ridge Reservoir. The reservoir capacity, measured in treated substance, is 7,955 cubic metres.

Waste Management

Sewage treatment is provided by a series of lagoons consisting of 4 short and 2 long detention ponds and an evaporation pond.

Residential garbage is collected weekly, while commercial and industrial garbage is collected bi-weekly. There is a transfer station for domestic waste, as well as a recycling facility.

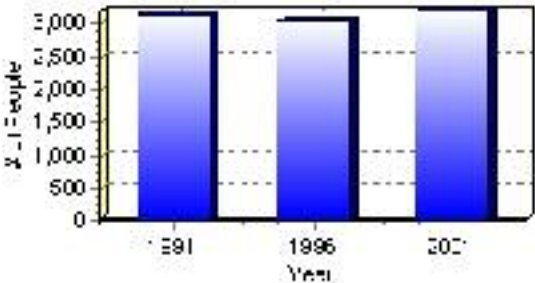
Population

Total Population

Population 2004*	3,200
Population 2003*	3,200
Population 2002*	3,200
Population 2001**	3,200
Population 2000*	3,056
Population 1996**	3,056
Population 1991**	3,130
Population % change 1991-1996	-2.42%
Population % change 1996-2001	4.50%

* Source: Official Population List, Alberta Municipal Affairs
** Source: Statistics Canada 1991, 1996, & 2001 Census

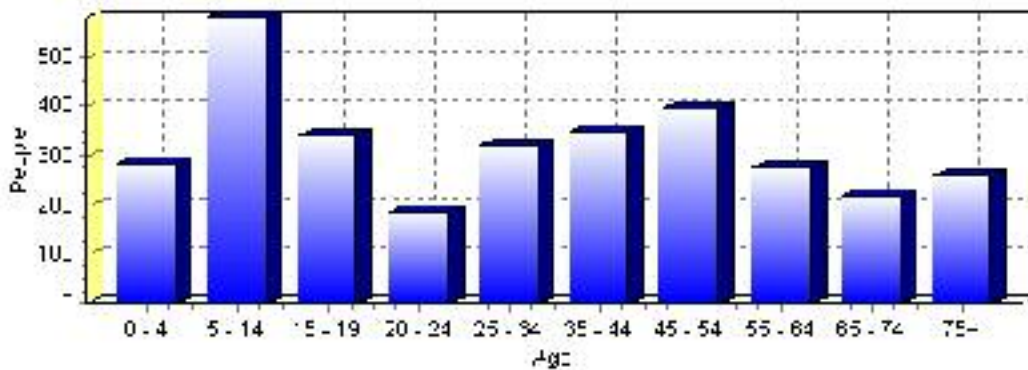
Total Population 1991-2001



Population by Age and Gender	1996 Male	1996 Female	1996 Total	2001 Male	2001 Female	2001 Total
Age 0 - 4	125	120	245	140	145	285
Age 5 - 14	350	315	665	295	285	580
Age 15 - 19	165	150	315	180	160	340
Age 20 - 24	110	75	185	90	95	185
Age 25 - 34	125	165	290	160	160	320
Age 35 - 44	190	190	380	165	185	350
Age 45 - 54	165	155	320	195	200	395
Age 55 - 64	105	105	210	130	145	275
Age 65 - 74	90	110	200	100	120	220
Age 75 and older	85	150	235	110	150	260
Total All Persons	1,510	1,545	3,055	1,560	1,640	3,200

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

Raymond Population by Age Group (2001)

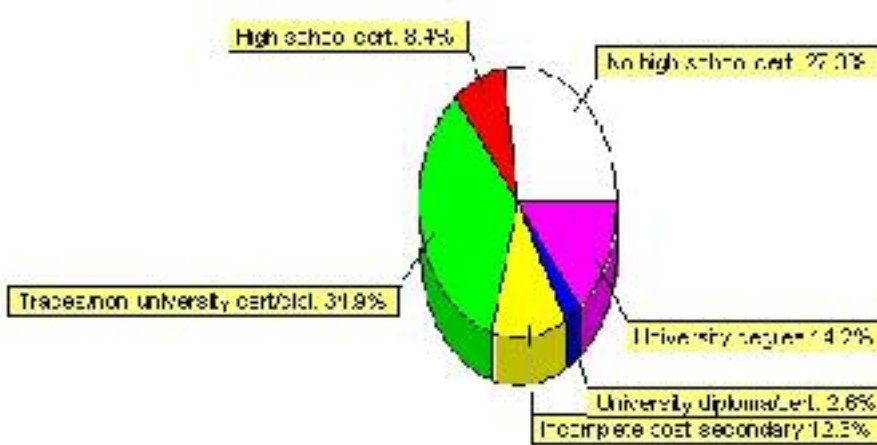


Education Statistics

Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older	2001	%
People without high school certificates	520	27.30%
People with high school certificates	160	8.40%
People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma	665	34.91%
People with post-secondary education (not completed)	235	12.34%
People with university diploma/certificate	50	2.62%
People with university degree	270	14.17%
Total Population 20 years and older	1,905	100.00%

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

Raymond Highest Level of Schooling 2001



Population with Post Secondary Qualifications	1996	%	2001	%
Agriculture and biological sciences	50	6.25%	75	7.54%
Commerce, management and business administration	145	18.13%	195	19.60%
Educational, recreational and counseling services	180	22.50%	125	12.56%
Engineering and applied science tech. and trades	195	24.38%	210	21.11%
Engineering and applied sciences	10	1.25%	15	1.51%
Fine and applied arts	60	7.50%	50	5.03%
Health professionals, science and technologies	105	13.13%	215	21.61%
Humanities and related fields	15	1.88%	10	1.01%
Mathematics and physical sciences	0	0.00%	20	2.01%
Social sciences and related fields	35	4.38%	75	7.54%
Other and/or no specialization	10	1.25%	0	0.00%
Total people with post secondary qualifications	800	100.00%	995	100.00%
Females with post-secondary qualifications	400	50.00%	485	48.74%
Males with post-secondary qualifications	400	50.00%	510	51.26%

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

Labour Force

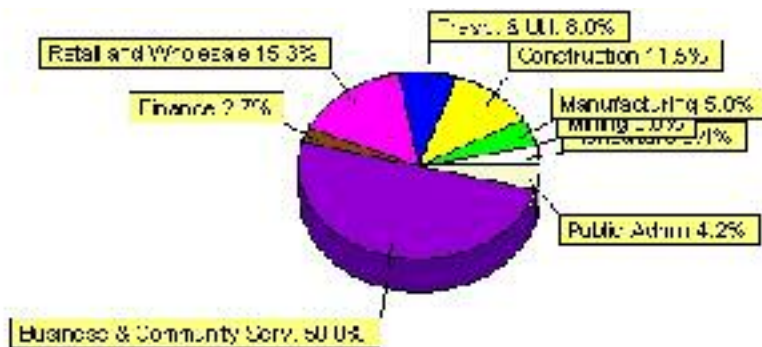
Labour force by activity	1996	2001
In the labour force, both sexes	1,105	1,345
Not in the labour force, both sexes	905	910
Total population 15 and over	2,015	2,255
Employed, both sexes	1,020	1,235
Unemployed, both sexes	90	105
Participation rate, both sexes	54.00%	60.00%
Unemployment rate, both sexes	8.00%	8.00%

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	50	4.61%	45	3.44%
Mining	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Manufacturing	60	5.53%	65	4.96%
Construction	95	8.76%	150	11.45%
Transportation. & Utilities	95	8.76%	105	8.02%
Retail and Wholesale	200	18.43%	200	15.27%
Finance	55	5.07%	35	2.67%
Business & Community Services	460	42.40%	655	50.00%
Public Administration	45	4.15%	55	4.20%
Total All Industries	1,085	100.00%	1,310	100.00%

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

Raymond Labour Force By Industry - 2001



Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups	1996	%	2001	%
Management occupations	75	6.91%	100	7.60%
Business, Finances and administrative occupations	100	9.22%	145	11.03%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	20	1.84%	35	2.66%
Health occupations	80	7.37%	140	10.65%
Occupations in social science; education; government and religion	95	8.76%	150	11.41%
Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport	30	2.76%	15	1.14%

Sales and service occupations	355	32.72%	295	22.43%
Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations	220	20.28%	310	23.57%
Occupations unique to primary industry	65	5.99%	85	6.46%
Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities	35	3.23%	35	2.66%
Occupations not elsewhere classified	20	1.84%	30	2.28%
Total - All Occupations (major groups)	1,085	100.00%	1,315	100.00%
Females - All Occupations	465	42.86%	570	43.35%
Males - All Occupations	620	57.14%	745	56.65%

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

Income

Family Income (Number of Families)	1996	%	2001	%
less than \$19,999	75	12.50%	110	18.03%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	215	35.83%	245	40.16%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	190	31.67%	155	25.41%
\$60,000 and over	120	20.00%	155	25.41%
Total number of families	600	100.00%	665	109.02%
Average family income	\$43,282		\$50,264	
Median family income	\$41,318		\$43,435	

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

Household Income (Number of Households)	1996	%	2001	%
less than \$19,999	270	28.88%	210	21.11%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	320	34.22%	320	32.16%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	205	21.93%	170	17.09%
\$60,000 and over	45	4.81%	300	30.15%
Total number of households	935	100.00%	995	100.00%
Average household income	\$36,085		\$45,953	
Median household income	\$32,302		\$38,675	

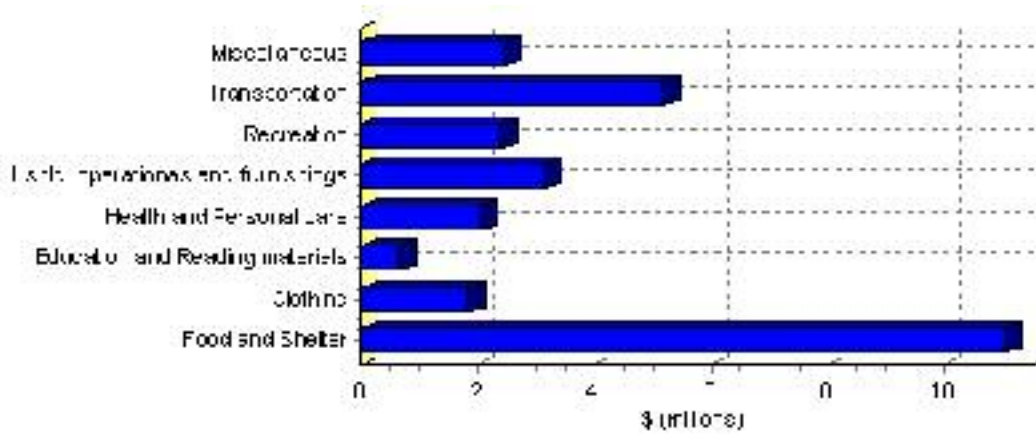
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Family Expenditure

Expenditure Category	1992	% of total	1996	% of total
Food and Shelter	\$9,387,055	37.53%	\$11,064,874	38.28%
Clothing	\$1,679,705	6.72%	\$1,861,477	6.44%
Education and Reading materials	\$498,890	1.99%	\$648,679	2.24%
Health and Personal care	\$1,576,485	6.30%	\$2,053,866	7.10%
Hshld. operations and furnishings	\$2,737,315	10.94%	\$3,178,170	10.99%
Recreation	\$1,949,910	7.80%	\$2,419,270	8.37%
Transportation	\$5,147,410	20.58%	\$5,205,843	18.01%
Miscellaneous	\$2,023,180	8.09%	\$2,475,569	8.56%
Total Current Consumption	\$25,009,845	100.00%	\$28,907,748	100.00%
Total # of Households	895		938	
Average Consumption per Household	\$27,944		\$30,818	

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

Raymond Family Expenditures (1996)

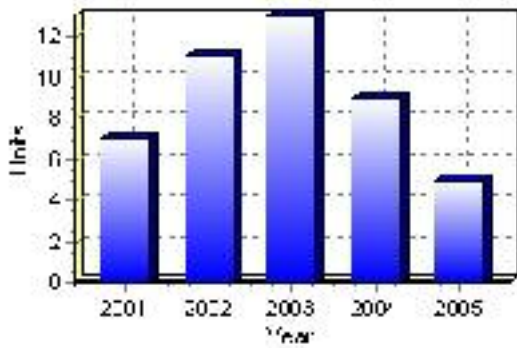


Building Permits

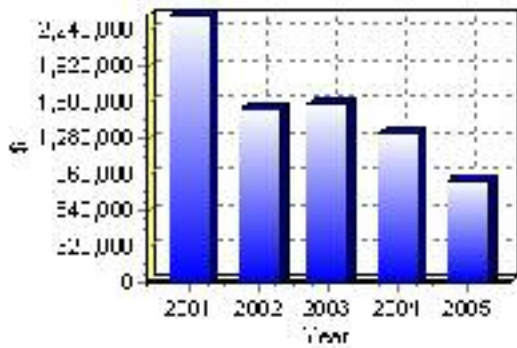
Total Building Permit Values	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Building Permits Value, Commercial	\$1,140,000	\$165,000	\$0	\$33,000	\$0
Building Permits Value, Industrial	\$100,000	\$0	\$39,000	\$0	\$0
Building Permits Value, Institutional	\$246,000	\$9,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Building Permits Value, Residential	\$879,000	\$1,353,000	\$1,549,000	\$1,279,000	\$906,000
Building Permits Value, Total	\$2,365,000	\$1,527,000	\$1,588,000	\$1,312,000	\$906,000
Total Housing Starts	7	11	13	9	5

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	25	2.67%	55	5.53%
Detached Duplexes	0	0.00%	5	0.50%
Movable Dwellings	20	2.14%	15	1.51%
Other single attached house	10	1.07%	0	0.00%
Row and semi-detached house	30	3.21%	20	2.01%
Single-detached house	850	90.91%	895	89.95%
Total number of occupied private dwellings	935	100.00%	995	100.00%
Private dwellings, owned	795	85.03%	800	80.40%
Private Dwellings, rented	145	15.51%	195	19.60%

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	295	29.65%
Period of construction, 1946 - 1960	155	15.58%
Period of construction, 1961 - 1970	70	7.04%
Period of construction, 1971 - 1980	225	22.61%
Period of construction, 1981 - 1990	135	13.57%
Period of construction, 1991 - 2001	115	11.56%
Total number of private dwellings constructed	995	100.00%

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

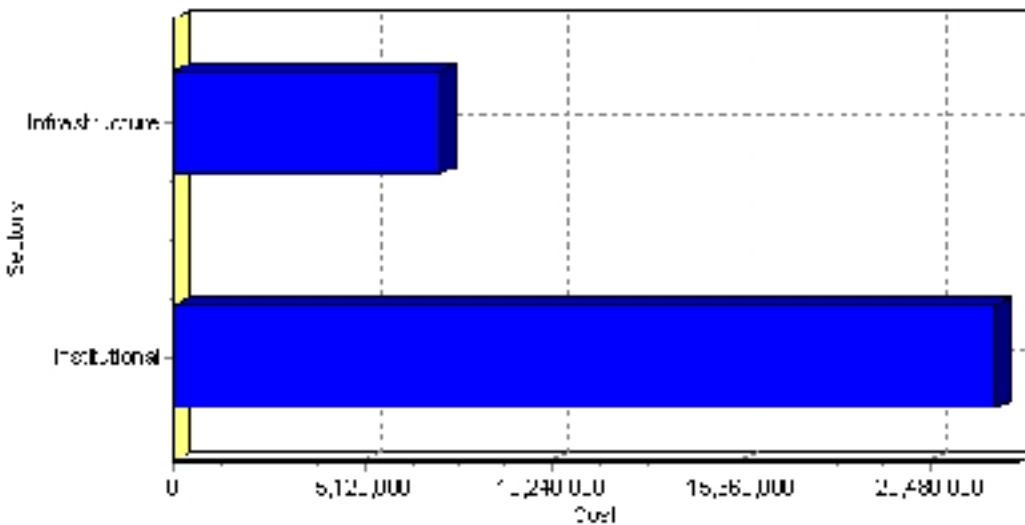
Projects

Summary of Projects in Raymond as of September 2006

Project Sector	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Institutional	3	\$22,200,000
Infrastructure	1	\$7,200,000
Total	4	\$29,400,000

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Value of Projects by Sector (as of September 2006)



Project Status	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Announced	1	\$7,200,000
Completed	2	\$13,000,000
Proposed	1	\$9,200,000
Total	4	\$29,400,000

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Largest Projects in Raymond as of September 2006

Company Name	Project Description	Project Location	Project Cost	Construction Schedule	Status
The Good Samaritan Society	Raymond Supportive Living Project	Raymond	\$9,200,000	-	Proposed
Town of Raymond	Regional Water Treatment Plant	Raymond	\$7,200,000	2006-2006	Announced
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation*	Modernization	Raymond	\$7,000,000	2005-2006	Completed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation*	Modernization / Expansion	Raymond	\$6,000,000	2005-2006	Completed

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