# **Yellowhead County**

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### Welcome

Yellowhead County welcomes you to explore both online and first hand our friendly communities, diverse wilderness settings, and tourism and business opportunities. We encourage you to come experience our kind of Fun, Adventure and Lifestyle.

If a rural lifestyle with access to rolling fields, majestic mountains and a "candy store" of recreational opportunities is what you are looking for – along with close proximity to city amenities, and a strong economic base, then we encourage you to consider relocating to Yellowhead County. We guarantee that the beauty, peace of mind and diversity of Yellowhead County will be a place you can call home.

Please contact us Toll Free at 1-800-665-6030 or visit our web site at www.yellowheadcounty.ab.ca

### **Area Overview**

The eastern boundary of Yellowhead County is located approximately 94 km west of Edmonton, Alberta. Our western boundary is located just a few short kilometers east of Jasper National Park's boundary.

Surrounding the Towns of Edson and Hinton, Yellowhead County is an economically strong region with immense opportunities in petroleum, mining, forestry, agriculture and tourism industries. Abundant with open wilderness, lush agricultural areas, rivers and streams we are an explorer's dream. Encompassing an area of 22,057.56 square km (6 million acres), Yellowhead County is considered one of central Alberta's key tourist destinations enroute to the Alberta Rockies.

There are approximately 10,092 residents who call this area home; those living in the hamlets of Evansburg, Wildwood, Robb, Marlboro, Cadomin, Peers, Brule, and Niton Junction; and those who live in the rural areas of the County.

### **Evansburg (Population 760)**

Evansburg is located approximately 100 kms west of Edmonton on Highway 16 along the Pembina River Valley and is the first community at the eastern border of Yellowhead County. Evansburg is the largest hamlet within the County and is slated to grow larger with the recently developed subdivision.

Evansburg has a thriving small business centre catering to the surrounding agricultural community. There is a grocery store, clothing store, restaurants, bakery, hairdressers and other small businesses. The Evansburg/Entwistle Chamber of Commerce supports and enhances business development in the hamlets.

#### Wildwood (Population 279)

Wildwood is located approximately 116 km west of Edmonton on Highway. There is currently a significant amount of vacant and developable land, as well as capacity in services, in Wildwood. The County will support growth and future development in this community. Wildwood is a community of thriving businesses and services with one of the main attractions being Chip Lake Park. Also located in Wildwood is Yellowhead County's Community Services Office.

#### **Robb (Population 183)**

Robb is located 60 km southwest of Edson in the "Coal Branch" along the Embarras River. Robb is one of two remaining communities in the Coal Branch and is associated with forestry and coal mining.

With the reemergence of a demand for coal, several mines reopened in the 1970s and prospects for increased development are good. Over time, Robb has become home to those who remain working in the Coal Branch and those who wish to enjoy the rustic environment of the hamlet, either seasonally or throughout the year.

As another old mining town in the Coal Branch, many of the old mine buildings from the town of Robb and other communities along the coal branch, are still located in Robb. This beautiful little hamlet is settled comfortably among the hills and trees with a strong sense of community support and pride from its residents.

In Robb you can access food, gas, diesel, propane and lodging. There is a hotel, restaurant, Bed and Breakfast. The hotel has some full service RV hook-ups. There is plenty of basic camping in the surrounding area.

Robb is an excellent spot for snowmobiling in the winter and quadding during the rest of the year. This is the back country of Alberta. You can random camp in lots of areas and then just explore. South of Robb is the Foresty Truck Road by which you can access more of the back country, rivers and lakes. You can explore the back country south of Robb on the forestry roads. South of Robb on the Pembina River Road (forestry road) you will find the Brazeau Canyon Wildland Park and the Brazeau Canyon on the Brazeau River. There is plenty of good rafting and kayaking in this part of the country.

There are three snowmobile staging areas in the Robb area: Lovett River Snowmobile Staging Area south of Robb on Highway 40 is the start of more than 1000 km of ungroomed trails. Closer to Hinton are the Peppers Lake and Skidoo Valley snowmobiling areas. Local companies host mine tours during the summer.

#### Marlboro (Population 160)

Marlboro is located fifteen minutes west of Edson on Highway 16. Established in 1913 as a result of the development of a marl mine, Marlboro once was home to nearly 2000 people. Marlboro offers an opportunity for potential residents seeking a rustic lifestyle.

### **Brule (population 162)**

Brule is located approximately 20 kilometers southwest of Hinton in the Alberta Coal Branch. This once thriving mining town is now a bedroom community for Hinton and is fast becoming a seasonal recreation community. Situated between Brule Hill and Brule Lake, with a beautiful view of the Rockies towards the west, the hamlet is considered the "prettiest place in the County.

Remnants of a thriving mining community can be found in the hills behind the town site of Brule. Located outside of town is the old Brule Cemetery. There are graves that date back to the early 1900's. Located northwest of Brule are the remains of a German Prisoner of War Camp. Another historical site in Brule is the old train tunnel. Brule is the access point to Ogre Canyon. From the hamlet of Brule you can hike into Ogre Canyon on the old CN right-of-way. The Ogre Canyon is a day trip.

#### Peers (Population 120)

Located approximately 32 kilometers east of Edson on Highway 16 and eight kilometers north on Highway 32. Peers was established as a farming community, however, farm consolidation in 1941 decreased the number of homesteaders and resulted in larger but fewer farms. Today, Peers remains a strong agriculture community.

Rosevear is located approximately 13.5 kilometers North of Highway 16 on Range Road 154. Rosevear is famous for its ferry that crosses the McLeod River, as it is one of the few ferry's still operating in Alberta.

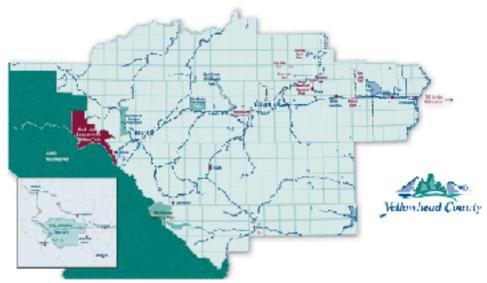
### **Niton Junction (Population 85)**

Niton Junction is located on the north side of Highway 16, approximately 55 km east of Edson. Niton Junction evolved during the 1930s to service the motoring community, and still functions as a highway commercial node. Agriculture, petroleum, and the public school are the other economic forces in the community. Also located in Niton is Yellowhead County's Green Grove Swimming Pool, which is at the school.

#### Cadomin (population 64)

Cadomin is located in the area of Yellowhead County known as the Coal Branch, approximately 100 km southeast of Hinton, between Lelland Mountain and Cadomin Mountain. Cadomin was named after the Canadian Dominion Mine and was the second coal mine along the western arm of the Coal Branch.

Cadomin is a destination area for outdoor tourism. Currently in Cadomin there is food, lodging and propane, but no gas station. You will have to gas up in Hinton, Robb or Edson. Located near Cadomin are the historical remains of the mines, Mountain Park Cemetery, Cadomin Cave, the McLeod River and Campgrounds. Southwest of Cadomin is the Whitehorse Wildland Provincial Park and the Cardinal Divide. In the Cadomin area are old mine sites that you can explore and plenty of ATV Trails.



Yelowhead County is an expansive region, with something to offer everyone!

## **Climate**

For current weather conditions you can go to the Environment Canada website at weatheroffice.ec.gc.ca/forecast/canada/ab\_e.html.

# **Community Services**

The Community Services Department of Yellowhead County works extensively with community groups to provide services to County residents and also with the Boards formed by Council to manage specific programs. The Department is focused on providing resources to people and communities that enhance independence, healthy lifestyles and effective agricultural practices in our rural municipality.

Communications:

Edson Anchor Newspaper Phone: (780) 723-5787 Fax: (780) 723-5725

Email: anchor@telusplanet.net

Edson Leader

Phone: (780) 723-3301 Fax: (780) 723-5171

Email: leader1@telusplanet.net

Hinton Parklander Phone: (780) 865-3115 Fax: (780) 865-1252 Email: hintnews@shaw.ca

The Fox 970 AM

Phone: (780) 723-4461 Fax: (780) 723-3765 Email: sbethge@ab.ncc.ca

Shaw Cable - Digital cable and high speed internet in Edson and Hinton

Phone: Toll Free 1-800-400-9605

Website: www.SHAW.CA

Telus – Phone and high speed internet in Edson and Hinton

Residential sales and service: 310-2255

Internet Service: 310-4638

Business sales and service: 310-3100

# **Community Lifestyle**

Abundant with open wilderness, lush agricultural areas, rivers and streams, this is one area of the province worth visiting! Stretching from the west side of Pembina River to the Jasper National Park gates, Yellowhead County has something for everyone. Opportunities exist for touring, hiking, biking, camping, fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, ATVing, white water rafting, caving, guiding, skiing and community festivals and events.

Why not visit one of eight County campgrounds where swimming, boating and great fishing abound. County campgrounds are family-oriented, with Park Officers patrolling daily for safety and convenience. Also located within the County's boundaries are five easily accessible Provincial and Wildland Parks, which offer a mix of amenities from full service campsites to rustic unserviced sites and backcountry hiking and camping opportunities. There are also a multitude of private campgrounds in the County.

For the active outdoorsmen, try hiking the wide variety of trails, canyons, hoodoos, and other special sites. With a vast variety of terrain and majestic surroundings, Yellowhead County caters to all caliber of adventurer. But don't just visit during the summer months . . . Yellowhead County is a wonderland during the winter season. Yellowhead County's spectacular cross-country ski trails and snowmobile areas make for outdoor winter fun for the whole family.

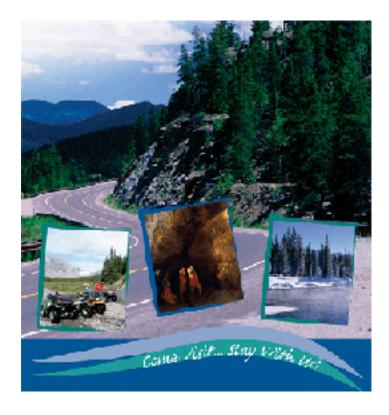


Yellowhead County offers the Best in Fun, Adventure and Lifestyle!

### **Economic Base**

Yellowhead County covers a good portion of the Grande Alberta Economic Region, an economic development partnership of 13 rural municipalities, villages and towns working collaboratively to promote and enhance the unique, diverse opportunities of the region. Visit http://www.grandealberta.com for more information.

The region's economy is predominantly based on Foresty, Coal, Oil & Gas, Agriculture and Tourism industries. The booming Oil and Gas Industry is responsible for the regions' thriving economy over the past couple of years!



### **Economic Facts**

With natural resources so abundant and readily available, Yellowhead County is a "diamond in the rough". Economic development has been, and will continue to be, tremendously successful for those entrepreneurs engaging in business in our region.

## **Education**

#### **Public Schools**

Grande Yellowhead School Division

Encompasses Yellowhead County schools in Evansburg, Niton Junction, Wildwood, as well as schools in Edson, Hinton, Grande

Cache, and Jasper.
Phone: (780) 723-4471
Fax: (780) 723-2414
Email: esgyrd@gyrd.ab.ca

Website: www.gyrd.ab.ca

#### **Separate Schools**

Living Waters Catholic Regional Division No. 42 Encompasses Edson, Hinton, and Whitecourt

Phone: (780) 778-5666 Fax: (780) 778-2727

Email: Isloat@livingwaters.ab.ca

College and university credit courses are available through the Yellowhead Regional Educational Consortium. Contact the center nearest you to find out information about the program that interests you or visit their website for a complete listing of Alberta colleges and universities and other valuable links.

Yellowhead Regional Educational Consortium

Edson: (780) 723-5206 Hinton: (780) 865-7666

Grande Cache: (780) 827-4340 Website: www.yrec.ac.ca

Athabasca University offers distance education programs and courses at the graduate and undergraduate level. Website: www.athabascau.ca The nearest university is the University of Alberta in Edmonton. Website: www.ualberta.ca

Community Learning Councils offer courses in health and wellness, computers, parenting and occupational enhancement.

Edson Adult Literacy Program Phone: (780) 723-3630 Fax: (780) 723-4227

Email: edsonlit@gyrd.ab.ca

Hinton Adult Literacy Centre Phone: (780) 865-1650

# **Emergency Services**

Yellowhead County provides outstanding emergency service. Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), ambulance service, and fire stations can be reached by dialing 911 from all areas. There are fire departments in all towns, villages and hamlets.

Rural fire stations are located throughout the County and organized according to the following:

- Brule & District
- Cadomin & District
- Robb & District
- Marlboro & District
- Peers & District
- Niton Junction & District
- Wildwood & District
- Evansburg & District

A County wide Rural Addressing Program is being implemented across Yellowhead County. This will greatly assist Emergency Response Personal such as Police, Fire and Ambulance to identify the location of persons in crisis, so that they can quickly and accurately respond to emergencies involving a threat to life, health, property, or safety.

### **Health Care**

There are two Regional Healthcare Authorities in Yellowhead County:

Capital Health Authority
Evansburg and District Health Centre

Phone: (780) 727-2288

Aspen Regional Health Authority

5028- 3 Avenue Edson, AB. T7G 1X4 Phone: (780) 723-4421

Aspen Health Authority provides services such as population health, children's dental program, nutrition, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech language program, home care, recreation therapy, palliative care, adult day program, respiratory program, cardiac rehabilitation program, aboriginal liaison, mental health and early intervention programs.

Edson has a hospital with 50 active beds and a nursing home with a 50-bed capacity. Other medical services include eight doctors, one surgeon, one part-time gynecologist, four dentists, one denturist, two part-time optometrists, three chiropractors, two full-time and one part-time physiotherapists, one medical clinic and one health unit. Facilities for senior citizens include a senior citizen's

lodge with a 55-bed capacity.

Aspen Regional Health Authority 1280A Switzer Drive

Hinton, AB. T7V 1V2

Phone: (780) 817-4103

Hinton General Hospital has 40 beds. Other medical services include 10 doctors, three surgeons, four medical clinics, one optometrist, four dentists, one health unit and two chiropractors. Hinton also has a senior citizens apartment complex, Pine Valley Seniors Lodge, and attached to the hospital, a 52-bed extended care facility which ahs 25 full care beds and 27 assisted living beds.

# **Key Contacts for Business Development**

### Municipal

Yellowhead County 2616 1 AVENUE EDSON AB T7E 1N9 PHONE: 780-723-4800 Toll Free 1-800-665-6030

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### Provincial

Ivan Strang

Member of the Legislative Assembly [MLA]

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Email: west.yellowhead@assembly.ab.ca

Legislature Office 612 Legislature Annex 9718 - 107 Street

Edmonton, Alberta T5K 1E4 Phone: (780) 415-0986 Fax: (780) 415-0951

George Vanderburg

Member of the Legislative Assembly [MLA]

Whitecourt -Ste. Anne Constituency

Constituency Office P.O. Box 3618

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Email: whitecourt.steanne@assembly.ab.ca

Legislature Office

#130 Legislature Building

10800-97 Avenue

Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6 Phone: (780) 415-9473

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111 Provincial Building
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#### Federal

Rob Merrifield Member of Parliament [MP] Yellowhead Constituency House of Commons Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Tel: 613-992-1653

Constituency Office:

Box 7887

Edson, Alberta T7E 1V9

Tel: 780-723-6068 or 1-800-268-7117

Fax: 780-723-5060

# **Post Secondary Education**

Some College Courses are available through:

Yellowhead Region Educational Consortium

Edson: (780) 723-5206

Grande Cache: (780) 827-4340

Hinton: (780) 865-7666

The nearest univeristy is located in Edmonton.

## **Taxation**

2005 Municipal Tax Rate

Residential/Farmland 3.5149

Non-residential 6.4877 2005

#### **Education/Alberta School Foundation Tax Rate**

Residential/Farmland 4.6113 Non-Residential 6.0003 2005

#### **Seniors Lodge Accommodation**

Residential/Farmland .3253 Non-Residential .3253

For further information on tax rates contact:

Yellowhead County Phone: (780) 723-4800 Fax: (780) 723-5066

Email: info@yellowheadcounty.ab.ca Website: www.yellowheadcounty.ab.ca

# **Transportation**

Yellowhead County has 2063 km of roads (1939 km gravel, 124 km oiled and paved). The Department is divided into five Maintenance Areas – Wildwood, Carrot Creek, Elk River, Edson and Hinton.

Yellowhead County has Highway 16 running through it from Evansburg to the Jasper Park border.

The County maintains the Hinton/Jasper Airport and there is also an airport in Edson. CN's main rail line also runs through the County.

### **Utilities**

Power: EPCOR

Website: www.epcor.ca

Phone: Toll free anywhere in Alberta 310-4300 Fax: Toll free anywhere in Alberta 310-4295

Natural Gas:

Lobstick Gas Co-Op Ltd.

Box 158

Evansburg, AB. T0E 0T0 Phone: (780) 727-3843 Fax: (780) 727-2759

Email: lbstkgas@telusplanet.net

Yellowhead Gas Co-Op

Box 7230

Edson, AB. T7E 1V5 Phone: (780) 723-6085 Fax: (780) 723-7994

Email: yellowga@telusplanet.net

Water and Sewer:

Yellowhead County Engineering Department

2716 – 1st Avenue Edson, AB. T7E 1N9

Phone: (780) 723-4800 or Toll free at 1-800-665-6030

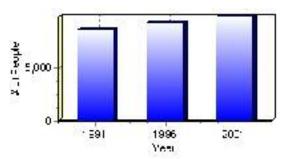
Yellowhead County manages the water and/or sewer systems in the following Hamlets and Subdivisions:

- Brule water supply and collection
- Cadomin water point source
- Marlboro water point source and treatment
- Wildwood water supply and distribution; sewer collection and treatment
- Evansburg water supply and distribution; sewer collection and treatment
- Robb sewer collection and treatment
- Peers sewer collection and treatment
- Niton Junction sewer collection and treatment
- Pinedale Estates sewer collection and treatment

# **Population**

Total Population				
Population 2004*	9,881			
Population 2003*	9,881			
Population 2002*	9,881			
Population 2001**	9,880			
Population 2000*	10,092			
Population 1996**	9,352			
Population 1991**	8,692			
Population % change 1991-1996	7.06%			
Population % change 1996-2001	5.35%			
* Source: Official Population List, Alberta Municipal Affairs ** Source: Statistics Canada 1991, 1996, & 2001 Census				

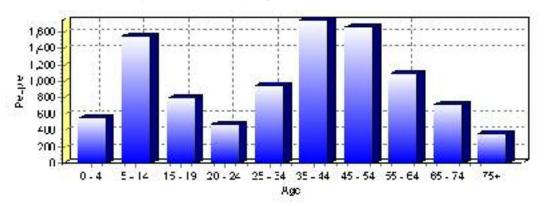
# **Total Population 1991-2001**



1996 Male	1996 Female	1996 Total	2001 Male	2001 Female	2001 Total
285	310	595	285	265	550
875	825	1,700	785	770	1,555
445	355	800	395	400	795
220	160	380	280	190	470
580	605	1,185	445	510	955
910	845	1,755	900	845	1,745
680	590	1,270	865	800	1,665
530	375	905	605	475	1,080
305	210	515	410	305	715
130	120	250	180	185	365
4,955	4,395	9,350	5,150	4,730	9,880
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Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)

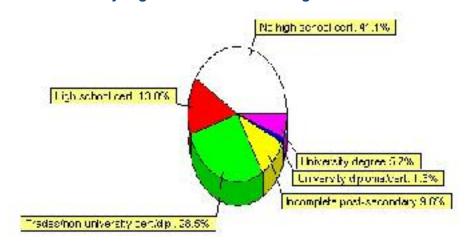
## **Yellowhead County Population by Age Group (2001)**



# **Education Statistics**

Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older	2001	%
People without high school certificates	2,850	41.07%
People with high school certificates	960	13.83%
People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma	1,975	28.46%
People with post-secondary education (not completed)	665	9.58%
People with university diploma/certificate	90	1.30%
People with university degree	395	5.69%
Total Population 20 years and older	6,940	100.00%
Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)		

# **Yellowhead County Highest Level of Schooling 2001**



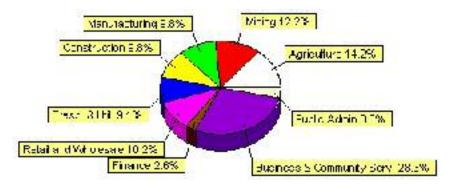
Population with Post Secondary Qualifications	1996	%	2001	%		
Agriculture and biological sciences	130	5.96%	200	8.13%		
Commerce, management and business administration		16.74%	350	14.23%		
Educational, recreational and counseling services	190	8.72%	275	11.18%		
Engineering and applied science tech. and trades	1,070	49.08%	1,105	44.92%		
Engineering and applied sciences		2.52%	50	2.03%		
Fine and applied arts	100	4.59%	75	3.05%		
Health professionals, science and technologies		7.80%	160	6.50%		
Humanities and related fields		1.15%	45	1.83%		
Mathematics and physical sciences	0	0.00%	40	1.63%		
Social sciences and related fields	70	3.21%	160	6.50%		
Other and/or no specialization	0	0.00%	0	0.00%		
Total people with post secondary qualifications	2,180	100.00%	2,460	100.00%		
Females with post-secondary qualifications		40.37%	985	40.04%		
Males with post-secondary qualifications		59.63%	1,475	59.96%		
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	5,105	5,515			
Not in the labour force, both sexes	1,955	2,215			
Total population 15 and over	7,060	7,725			
Employed, both sexes	4,730	5,240			
Unemployed, both sexes	375	275			
Participation rate, both sexes	72.00%	71.00%			
Unemployment rate, both sexes	7.00%	5.00%			
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	1,075	21.22%	780	14.22%		
Mining	605	11.94%	670	12.22%		
Manufacturing	440	8.69%	540	9.85%		
Construction	460	9.08%	535	9.75%		
Transportation. & Utilities	455	8.98%	500	9.12%		
Retail and Wholesale	515	10.17%	560	10.21%		
Finance	95	1.88%	145	2.64%		
Business & Community Services	1,080	21.32%	1,550	28.26%		
Public Administration	145	2.86%	195	3.56%		
Total All Industries	5,065	100.00%	5,485	100.00%		
Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)						

## Yellowhead County Labour Force By Industry - 2001



Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups		%	2001	%
Management occupations		7.01%	475	8.66%
Business, Finances and administrative occupations		13.03%	725	13.22%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations		2.76%	185	3.37%
Health occupations		1.88%	95	1.73%
Occupations in social science; education; government and religion		2.57%	225	4.10%
Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport	50	0.99%	70	1.28%

Sales and service occupations	850	16.78%	885	16.13%		
Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations	1,255	24.78%	1,605	29.26%		
Occupations unique to primary industry	1,150	22.70%	905	16.50%		
Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities	390	7.70%	300	5.47%		
Occupations not elsewhere classified	40	0.79%	30	0.55%		
Total - All Occupations (major groups)	5,065	100.00%	5,485	100.00%		
Females - All Occupations	2,040	40.28%	2,310	42.11%		
Males - All Occupations	3,025	59.72%	3,170	57.79%		
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	315	13.10%	225	9.47%		
\$20,000 - \$39,999	605	25.16%	750	31.58%		
\$40,000 - \$59,999	630	26.20%	575	24.21%		
\$60,000 and over	855	35.55%	885	37.26%		
Total number of families	2,405	100.00%	2,435	102.53%		
Average family income	age family income \$53,849					
Median family income	\$47,774		\$58,264			
Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)						

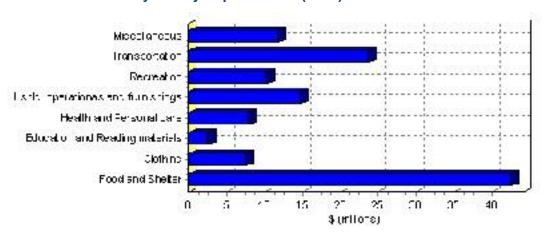
Household Income (Number of Households)	1996	%	2001	%		
less than \$19,999	710	21.75%	570	15.77%		
\$20,000 - \$39,999	810	24.81%	920	25.45%		
\$40,000 - \$59,999	785	24.04%	645	17.84%		
\$60,000 and over	275	8.42%	1,475	40.80%		
Total number of households	3,265	100.00%	3,615	100.00%		
Average household income	\$47,612		\$58,922			
Median household income	\$41,704		\$51,041			
Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)						

# **Family Expenditure**

Expenditure Category	1992	% of total	1996	% of total		
Food and Shelter	\$32,784,495	37.10%	\$42,490,487	35.12%		
Clothing	\$6,108,375	6.91%	\$7,536,668	6.23%		
Education and Reading materials	\$1,930,440	2.18%	\$2,552,611	2.11%		
Health and Personal care	\$5,478,865	6.20%	\$7,941,990	6.56%		
Hshld. operationas and furnishings	\$6,299,820	7.13%	\$14,769,186	12.21%		
Recreation	\$7,384,140	8.36%	\$10,234,950	8.46%		
Transportation	\$17,998,840	20.37%	\$23,756,551	19.63%		
Miscellaneous	\$6,906,180	7.81%	\$11,718,933	9.68%		
Total Current Consumption	\$88,375,355	100.00%	\$121,001,376	100.00%		
Total # of Households	2,925		3,265			
Average Consumption per Household	\$30,214		\$37,060			
Source: Statistics Canada Family Evaporditure Survey 1002 9, 1006 (numbers may not add up due to rounding)						

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

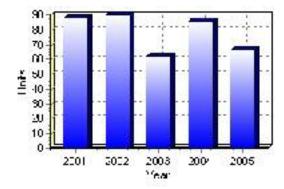
### **Yellowhead County Family Expenditures (1996)**



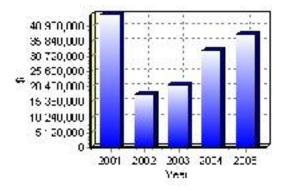
# **Building Permits**

Total Building Permit Values	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
Building Permits Value, Commercial	\$5,209,000	\$884,000	\$10,964,000	\$1,881,000	\$1,998,000	
Building Permits Value, Industrial	\$23,706,000	\$3,850,000	\$1,795,000	\$17,309,000	\$22,019,000	
Building Permits Value, Institutional	\$6,982,000	\$0	\$31,000	\$0	\$0	
Building Permits Value, Residential	\$8,981,000	\$13,123,000	\$8,434,000	\$13,392,000	\$13,962,000	
Building Permits Value, Total	\$44,878,000	\$17,857,000	\$21,224,000	\$32,582,000	\$37,979,000	
Total Housing Starts	88	90	62	86	66	
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	10	0.31%	45	1.24%
Detached Duplexes	10	0.31%	10	0.28%
Movable Dwellings	750	22.97%	780	21.58%
Other single attached house	10	0.31%	10	0.28%
Row and semi-detached house	0	0.00%	25	0.69%
Single-detached house	2,480	75.96%	2,745	75.93%
Total number of occupied private dwellings	3,265	100.00%	3,615	100.00%
Private dwellings, owned	2,900	88.82%	3,175	87.83%
Private Dwellings, rented	360	11.03%	440	12.17%
Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)				

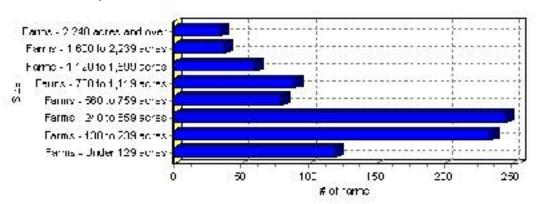
<b>Private Dwellings by Period of Construction</b>	# of Dwellings	% of total	
Period of construction, before 1946	205	5.69%	
Period of construction, 1946 - 1960	425	11.79%	
Period of construction, 1961 - 1970	480	13.31%	
Period of construction, 1971 - 1980	965	26.77%	
Period of construction, 1981 - 1990	705	19.56%	
Period of construction, 1991 - 2001	825	22.88%	
Total number of private dwellings constructed	3,605	100.00%	
Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)			

# **Farming**

Yellowhead County Total Farm Area: 905 acres

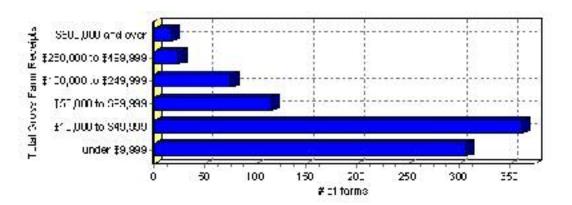
Farms by Total Farm Area (2001)	# of Farms	% of total	
Farms - Under 129 acres	120	13.27%	
Farms - 130 to 239 acres	235	26.00%	
Farms - 240 to 559 acres	246	27.21%	
Farms - 560 to 759 acres	80	8.85%	
Farms - 760 to 1,119 acres	90	9.96%	
Farms - 1,120 to 1,599 acres	60	6.64%	
Farms - 1,600 to 2,239 acres	38	4.20%	
Farms - 2,240 acres and over	35	3.87%	
Total number of farms reporting	904	100.00%	
Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census of Agriculture(numbers may not add up due to rounding)			

### # of Farms by Total Farm Area



Farms by Total Gross Farm Receipts - 2001	# of Farms	% of total	
Farms gross farm receipts - under \$9,999	307	33.96%	
Farms gross farm receipts - \$10,000 to \$49,999	362	40.04%	
Farms gross farm receipts - \$50,000 to \$99,999	116	12.83%	
Farms gross farm receipts - \$100,000 to \$249,999	76	8.41%	
Farms gross farm receipts - \$250,000 to \$499,999	25	2.77%	
Farms gross farm receipts - \$500,000 and over	18	1.99%	
Total number of farms reporting	904	100.00%	
Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census of Agriculture(numbers may not add up due to rounding)			

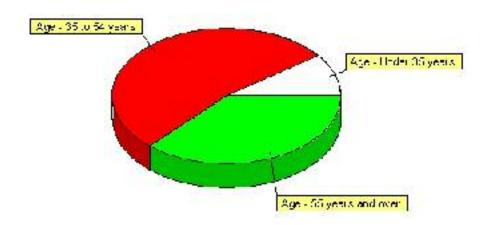
## **Total Gross Farm Receipts**



# Farming, Continued

Characteristics of Farm Operators	#	%	
Age - Under 35 years	140	10.26%	
Age - 35 to 54 years	720	52.75%	
Age - 55 years and over	500	36.63%	
Average age of operators	50		
Number of operators - Female	450	32.97%	
Number of operators - Male	915	67.03%	
Total number of operators reporting	1,365	100.00%	
Source: Statistics Canada 2001 Census of Agriculture(numbers may not add up due to rounding)			

# **Age of Farm Operators**



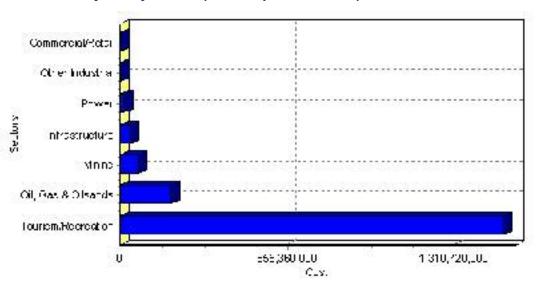
# **Projects**

### Summary of Projects in Yellowhead County as of September 2006

Project Sector	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Tourism/Recreation	3	\$1,502,900,000
Oil, Gas & Oilsands	3	\$201,200,000
Mining	1	\$70,000,000
Infrastructure	6	\$38,400,000
Power	1	\$16,800,000
Other Industrial	6	\$2,455,000
Commercial/Retail	1	\$120,000
Total	21	\$1,831,875,000

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



Project Status	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Announced	8	\$220,935,000
Completed	5	\$24,500,000
Nearing Completion	1	\$4,400,000
Proposed	3	\$1,570,600,000
Under Construction	4	\$11,440,000
Total	21	\$1,831,875,000

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### Largest Projects in Yellowhead County as of September 2006

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Company Name	Project Description	Project Location	Project Cost	Construction Schedule	Status
Eagle Ridge Resort Group (previously listed as Cougar Rock Holdings Ltd.)	Eagle Ridge at Cougar Rock Resort	Yellowhead County (W of Hinton)	\$1,500,000,000	-	Proposed
TransCanada Pipelines	Natural Gas Storage Facility	Yellowhead Cty (NW of Edson)	\$200,000,000	2005-2006	Announced
Elk Valley Coal Partnership	Cheviot Coal Mine Extension Phase 2	Yellowhead County	\$70,000,000	-	Proposed
Sundance Forest Industries	Co-generation Power Plant (10MW)	Yellowhead County (W of Edson)	\$16,800,000	2006-2006	Announced
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Highway 16 Paving and Intersection Improvements	Yellowhead County (E of Edson)	\$12,000,000	2006-2006	Completed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Bridge Carrying SH 753 over Bigoray River and Tributary of Bigoray River	Yellowhead County	\$9,600,000	2006-2006	Under Construction
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Highway 16 Bridge Rehabilitation	Yellowhead County (Pembina River)	\$6,000,000	2006-2007	Completed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Highway 16 Grade, Base and Pave	Yellowhead County (E of Anderson Rd to Medicine Lodge)	\$4,400,000	2005-2006	Nearing Completion
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	HIGHWAY 16 PAVEMENT OVERLAY	Yellowhead County (Jasper Pk Gate to Hwy 40S)	\$4,000,000	2006-2006	Completed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	HIGHWAY 16 GRADE, BASE AND PAVE ROADSIDE TURNOUT	Yellowhead County (E of Jasper National Park)	\$2,400,000	2006-2006	Completed

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