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Taxation

	<u>Residential/Farmland</u>	<u>Non-Residential</u>
2004		
Municipal Tax Rate	4.3843	8.0815
Education - Alberta School Foundation Fund Tax Rate	4.4401	7.2402
Education Opted Out Tax Rate	4.4401	7.2402
Seniors Lodge Accommodation Tax Rate	.0975	.0975

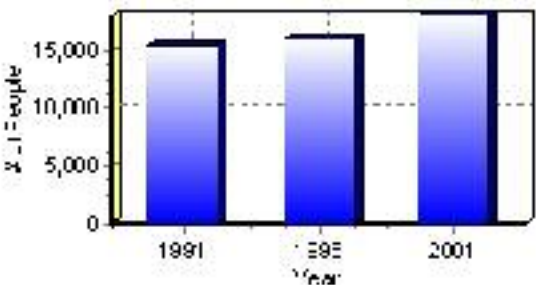
Population

Total Population

Population 2004*	18,067
Population 2003*	18,067
Population 2002*	18,067
Population 2001**	18,065
Population 2000*	17,145
Population 1996**	15,945
Population 1991**	15,465
Population % change 1991-1996	3.01%
Population % change 1996-2001	11.75%

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

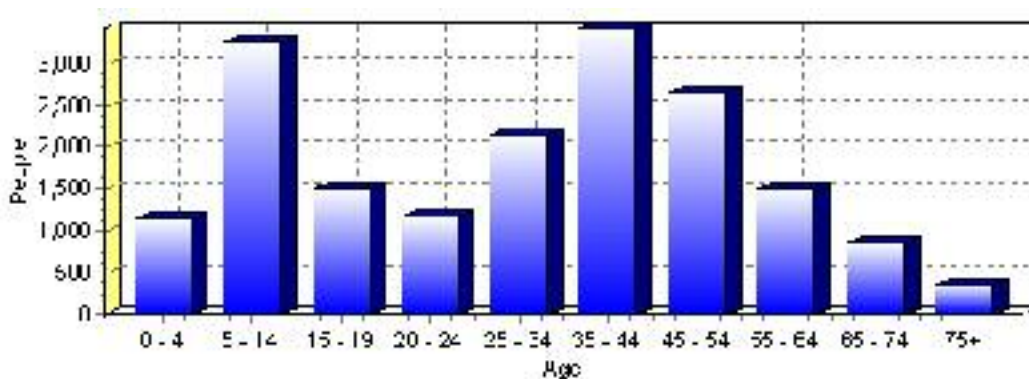
Total Population 1991-2001



Population by Age and Gender	1996 Male	1996 Female	1996 Total	2001 Male	2001 Female	2001 Total
Age 0 - 4	585	575	1,160	605	550	1,155
Age 5 - 14	1,660	1,395	3,055	1,725	1,530	3,255
Age 15 - 19	715	645	1,360	840	675	1,515
Age 20 - 24	455	395	850	740	440	1,180
Age 25 - 34	1,075	1,085	2,160	1,150	1,005	2,155
Age 35 - 44	1,490	1,470	2,960	1,750	1,675	3,425
Age 45 - 54	1,145	1,035	2,180	1,390	1,270	2,660
Age 55 - 64	695	555	1,250	820	700	1,520
Age 65 - 74	410	300	710	480	375	855
Age 75 and older	120	125	245	200	160	360
Total All Persons	8,360	7,585	15,945	9,700	8,365	18,065

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

Sturgeon County Population by Age Group (2001)

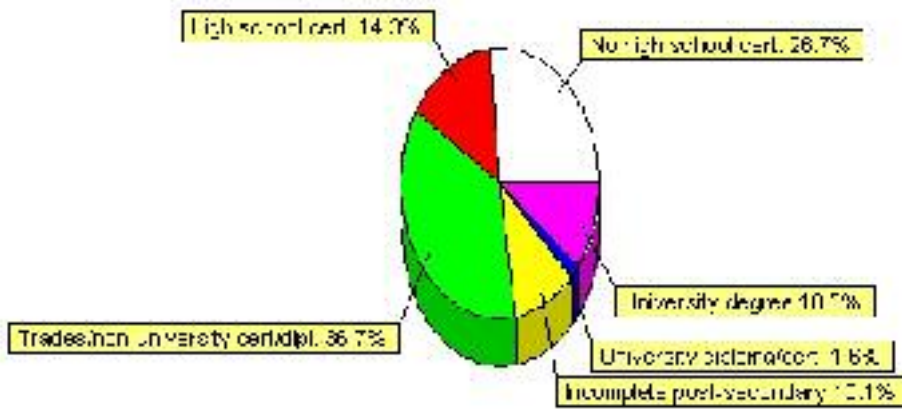


Education Statistics

Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older	2001	%
People without high school certificates	3,245	26.74%
People with high school certificates	1,730	14.26%
People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma	4,455	36.71%
People with post-secondary education (not completed)	1,230	10.14%
People with university diploma/certificate	200	1.65%
People with university degree	1,280	10.55%
Total Population 20 years and older	12,135	100.00%

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

Sturgeon County Highest Level of Schooling 2001



Population with Post Secondary Qualifications	1996	%	2001	%
Agriculture and biological sciences	275	5.88%	270	4.53%
Commerce, management and business administration	695	14.85%	1,050	17.60%
Educational, recreational and counseling services	440	9.40%	635	10.65%
Engineering and applied science tech. and trades	1,825	39.00%	2,190	36.71%
Engineering and applied sciences	150	3.21%	195	3.27%
Fine and applied arts	245	5.24%	265	4.44%
Health professionals, science and technologies	545	11.65%	785	13.16%
Humanities and related fields	125	2.67%	150	2.51%
Mathematics and physical sciences	120	2.56%	105	1.76%
Social sciences and related fields	265	5.66%	320	5.36%
Other and/or no specialization	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total people with post secondary qualifications	4,680	100.00%	5,965	100.00%
Females with post-secondary qualifications	1,985	42.41%	2,645	44.34%
Males with post-secondary qualifications	2,695	57.59%	3,320	55.66%

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

Labour Force

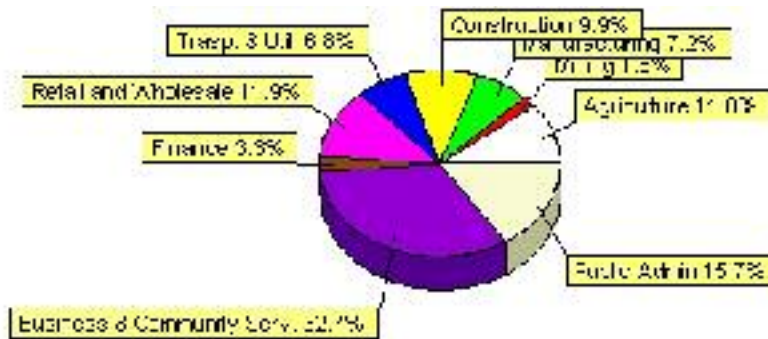
Labour force by activity	1996	2001
In the labour force, both sexes	9,105	10,715
Not in the labour force, both sexes	2,555	2,915
Total population 15 and over	11,660	13,630
Employed, both sexes	8,630	10,420
Unemployed, both sexes	480	295
Participation rate, both sexes	78.00%	79.00%
Unemployment rate, both sexes	5.00%	3.00%

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	1,240	13.80%	1,175	10.98%
Mining	215	2.39%	175	1.64%
Manufacturing	820	9.13%	775	7.24%
Construction	870	9.68%	1,060	9.91%
Transportation. & Utilities	860	9.57%	725	6.78%
Retail and Wholesale	1,390	15.47%	1,270	11.87%
Finance	340	3.78%	350	3.27%
Business & Community Services	2,550	28.38%	3,500	32.71%
Public Administration	815	9.07%	1,675	15.65%
Total All Industries	8,985	100.00%	10,700	100.00%

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

Sturgeon County Labour Force By Industry - 2001



Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups	1996	%	2001	%
Management occupations	760	8.45%	1,040	9.72%
Business, Finances and administrative occupations	1,580	17.58%	1,555	14.53%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	320	3.56%	435	4.07%
Health occupations	345	3.84%	525	4.91%
Occupations in social science; education; government and religion	395	4.39%	735	6.87%
Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport	125	1.39%	150	1.40%

Sales and service occupations	1,950	21.69%	2,515	23.50%
Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations	1,785	19.86%	2,145	20.05%
Occupations unique to primary industry	1,280	14.24%	1,280	11.96%
Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities	440	4.89%	315	2.94%
Occupations not elsewhere classified	120	1.33%	15	0.14%
Total - All Occupations (major groups)	8,990	100.00%	10,700	100.00%
Females - All Occupations	3,790	42.16%	4,505	42.10%
Males - All Occupations	5,200	57.84%	6,190	57.85%

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	295	7.19%	265	6.25%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	770	18.76%	670	15.80%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	1,165	28.38%	1,125	26.53%
\$60,000 and over	1,875	45.68%	2,115	49.88%
Total number of families	4,105	100.00%	4,175	98.47%
Average family income	\$63,351		\$80,974	
Median family income	\$56,452		\$68,439	

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	565	11.38%	410	7.37%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	1,000	20.14%	830	14.93%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	1,355	27.29%	1,240	22.30%
\$60,000 and over	600	12.08%	3,075	55.31%
Total number of households	4,965	100.00%	5,560	100.00%
Average household income	\$59,365		\$77,864	
Median household income	\$53,415		\$65,366	

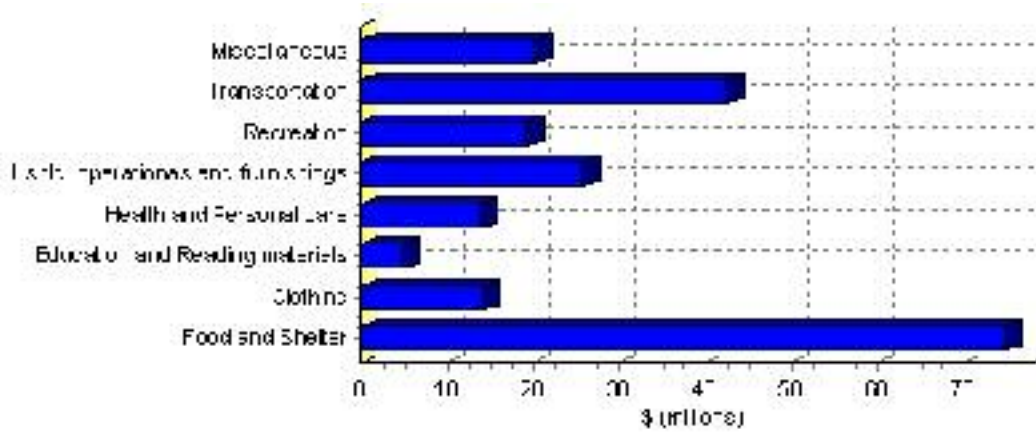
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Family Expenditure

Expenditure Category	1992	% of total	1996	% of total
Food and Shelter	\$59,975,135	36.12%	\$74,839,629	34.76%
Clothing	\$11,991,425	7.22%	\$14,062,118	6.53%
Education and Reading materials	\$4,018,255	2.42%	\$4,822,473	2.24%
Health and Personal care	\$10,084,370	6.07%	\$13,844,142	6.43%
Hshld. operations and furnishings	\$18,462,495	11.12%	\$25,691,484	11.93%
Recreation	\$15,001,810	9.04%	\$19,326,289	8.98%
Transportation	\$33,760,875	20.33%	\$42,548,592	19.76%
Miscellaneous	\$12,717,670	7.66%	\$20,190,450	9.38%
Total Current Consumption	\$166,032,065	100.00%	\$215,325,177	100.00%
Total # of Households	4,675		4,964	
Average Consumption per Household	\$35,515		\$43,377	

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

Sturgeon County Family Expenditures (1996)

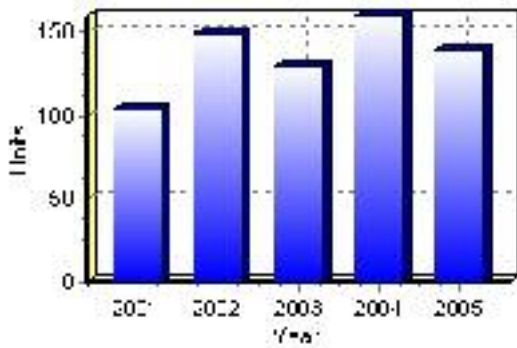


Building Permits

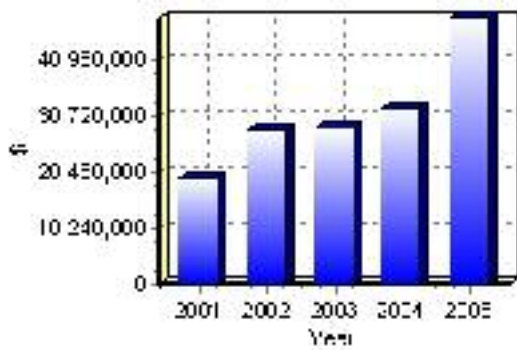
Total Building Permit Values	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Building Permits Value, Commercial	\$1,150,000	\$183,000	\$1,220,000	\$599,000	\$1,480,000
Building Permits Value, Industrial	\$2,274,000	\$2,043,000	\$2,125,000	\$2,401,000	\$4,883,000
Building Permits Value, Institutional	\$625,000	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,256,000	\$5,210,000
Building Permits Value, Residential	\$15,492,000	\$25,791,000	\$25,323,000	\$27,979,000	\$37,105,000
Building Permits Value, Total	\$19,541,000	\$28,018,000	\$28,668,000	\$32,235,000	\$48,678,000
Total Housing Starts	103	149	130	160	140

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	0.20%	25	0.45%
Detached Duplexes	10	0.20%	5	0.09%
Movable Dwellings	550	11.09%	345	6.21%
Other single attached house	10	0.20%	10	0.18%
Row and semi-detached house	135	2.72%	275	4.95%
Single-detached house	4,260	85.89%	4,895	88.12%
Total number of occupied private dwellings	4,960	100.00%	5,555	100.00%
Private dwellings, owned	4,175	84.17%	4,630	83.35%
Private Dwellings, rented	785	15.83%	925	16.65%

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	315	5.68%
Period of construction, 1946 - 1960	685	12.34%
Period of construction, 1961 - 1970	490	8.83%
Period of construction, 1971 - 1980	1,645	29.64%
Period of construction, 1981 - 1990	1,135	20.45%
Period of construction, 1991 - 2001	1,280	23.06%
Total number of private dwellings constructed	5,550	100.00%

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

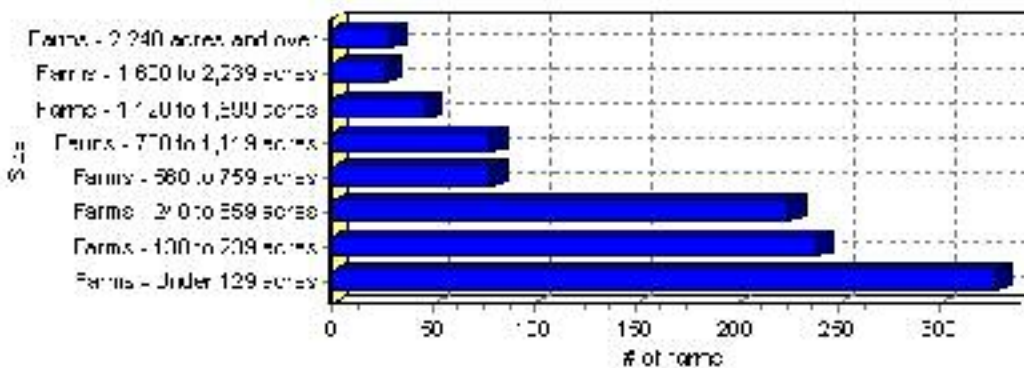
Farming

Sturgeon County Total Farm Area : 1,055 acres

Farms by Total Farm Area (2001)	# of Farms	% of total
Farms - Under 129 acres	328	31.09%
Farms - 130 to 239 acres	240	22.75%
Farms - 240 to 559 acres	226	21.42%
Farms - 560 to 759 acres	79	7.49%
Farms - 760 to 1,119 acres	79	7.49%
Farms - 1,120 to 1,599 acres	46	4.36%
Farms - 1,600 to 2,239 acres	27	2.56%
Farms - 2,240 acres and over	30	2.84%
Total number of farms reporting	1,055	100.00%

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

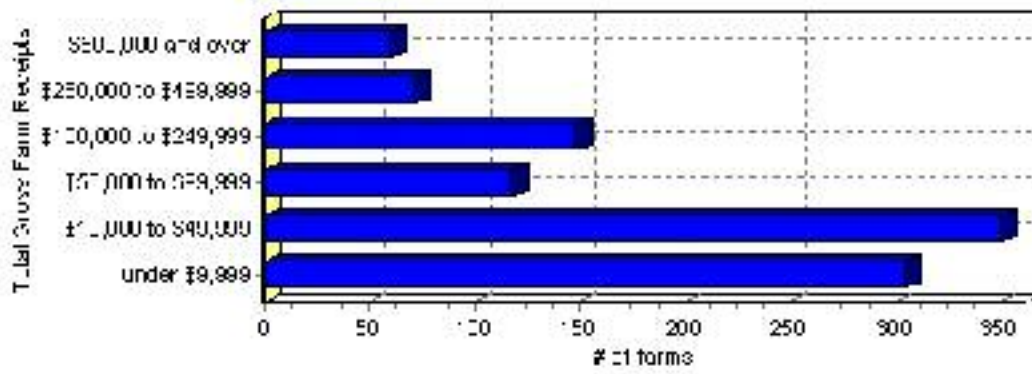
of Farms by Total Farm Area



Farms by Total Gross Farm Receipts - 2001	# of Farms	% of total
Farms gross farm receipts - under \$9,999	305	28.91%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$10,000 to \$49,999	351	33.27%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$50,000 to \$99,999	118	11.18%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$100,000 to \$249,999	149	14.12%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$250,000 to \$499,999	72	6.82%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$500,000 and over	60	5.69%
Total number of farms reporting	1,055	100.00%

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Total Gross Farm Receipts

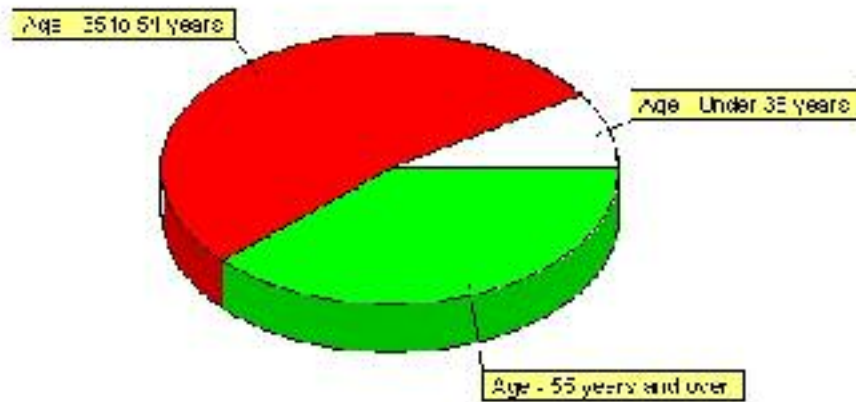


Farming, Continued

Characteristics of Farm Operators	#	%
Age - Under 35 years	140	9.24%
Age - 35 to 54 years	795	52.48%
Age - 55 years and over	575	37.95%
Average age of operators	51	
Number of operators - Female	445	29.37%
Number of operators - Male	1,075	70.96%
Total number of operators reporting	1,515	100.00%

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

Age of Farm Operators



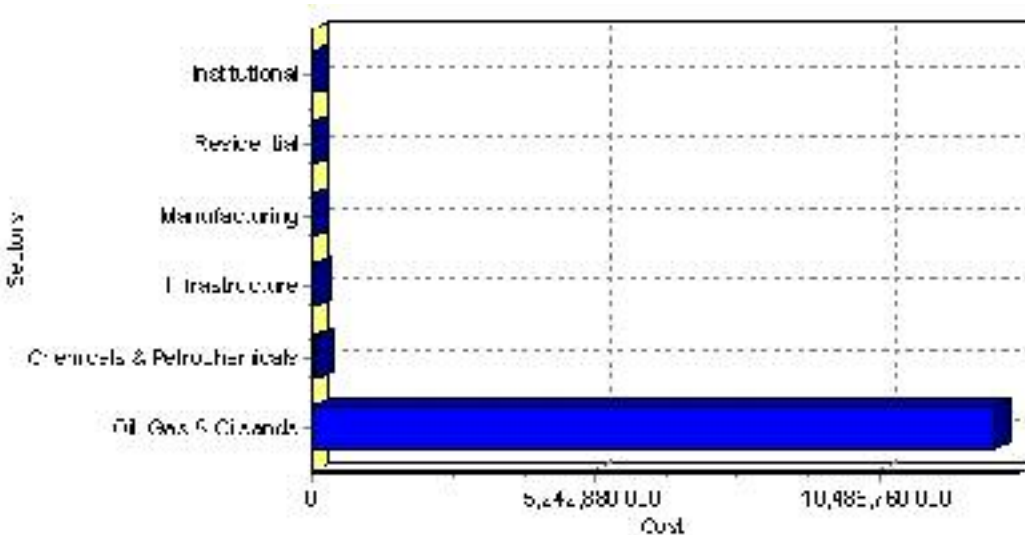
Projects

Summary of Projects in Sturgeon County as of September 2006

Project Sector	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Oil, Gas & Oilsands	5	\$12,645,000,000
Chemicals & Petrochemicals	1	\$65,000,000
Infrastructure	4	\$48,300,000
Manufacturing	1	\$12,000,000
Residential	1	\$7,500,000
Institutional	1	\$3,500,000
Total	13	\$12,781,300,000

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Value of Projects by Sector (as of September 2006)



Project Status	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Announced	1	\$1,600,000,000
Completed	2	\$10,100,000
Nearing Completion	2	\$19,700,000
Proposed	7	\$11,086,500,000
Under Construction	1	\$65,000,000
Total	13	\$12,781,300,000

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Largest Projects in Sturgeon County as of September 2006

Company Name	Project Description	Project Location	Project Cost	Construction Schedule	Status
Fort Hills Energy Corp.	Bitumen Upgrader Phase 1	Sturgeon County (near Redwater)	\$5,000,000,000	-	Proposed
North West Upgrading Inc.	Bitumen Upgrader Phases 2 and 3	Sturgeon County (near Redwater)	\$3,200,000,000	-	Proposed
SynEnCo Energy Inc. / SinoCanada Petroleum Corp.	'Northern Lights' Bitumen Upgrader	Sturgeon County	\$2,800,000,000	-	Proposed
North West Upgrading Inc.	Bitumen Upgrader Phase 1	Sturgeon County	\$1,600,000,000	2007-2009	Announced
Agrium Products Inc.	Gypsum Stack Extension phases 1 and 2	Sturgeon County	\$65,000,000	2005-2010	Under Construction
Canadian Bioenergy	BIODIESEL MANUFACTURING FACILITY	Sturgeon County (near Fort Saskatchewan)	\$45,000,000	-	Proposed
Sturgeon County	UPGRADER BYPASS -- PAVED DETOUR ROAD	Sturgeon County	\$26,000,000	-	Proposed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Section of NW Portion Anthony Henday Drive	Sturgeon County	\$14,200,000	2005-2006	Nearing Completion
Celtic Homes	Industrial Building for Building Manufactured Home Components	Sturgeon County	\$12,000,000	-	Proposed
West Sturgeon Aging in Place Foundation	West Sturgeon Seniors Residence	Sturgeon County (Villeneuve)	\$7,500,000	2005-2006	Completed

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