

# Birch Hills County

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## Population

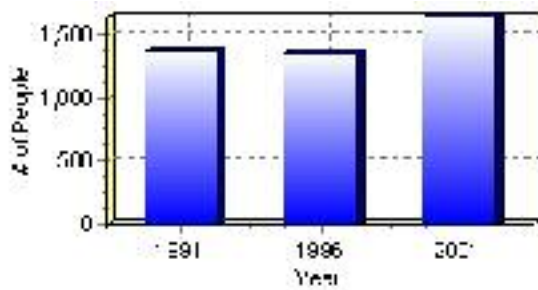
### Total Population

Population 2004*	1,644
Population 2003*	1,644
Population 2002*	1,644
Population 2001**	1,645
Population 2000*	1,682
Population 1996**	1,356
Population 1991**	1,378
Population % change 1991-1996	-1.62%
Population % change 1996-2001	17.52%

\* Source: Official Population List, Alberta Municipal Affairs

\*\* Source: Statistics Canada 1991, 1996, & 2001 Census

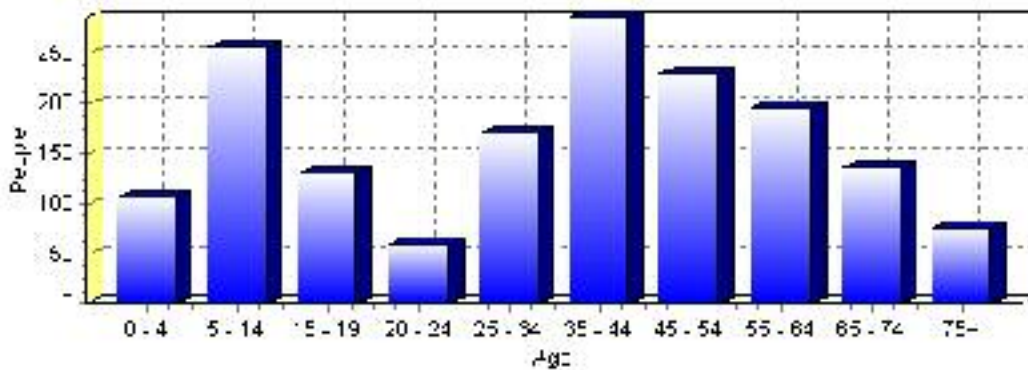
### Total Population 1991-2001



Population by Age and Gender	1996 Male	1996 Female	1996 Total	2001 Male	2001 Female	2001 Total
Age 0 - 4	50	40	90	50	55	105
Age 5 - 14	105	110	215	120	135	255
Age 15 - 19	55	60	115	65	65	130
Age 20 - 24	40	25	65	40	20	60
Age 25 - 34	100	70	170	95	75	170
Age 35 - 44	110	125	235	140	145	285
Age 45 - 54	90	75	165	125	105	230
Age 55 - 64	95	70	165	100	95	195
Age 65 - 74	55	45	100	85	50	135
Age 75 and older	20	25	45	45	30	75
Total All Persons	715	640	1,355	870	775	1,645

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

### Birch Hills County Population by Age Group (2001)

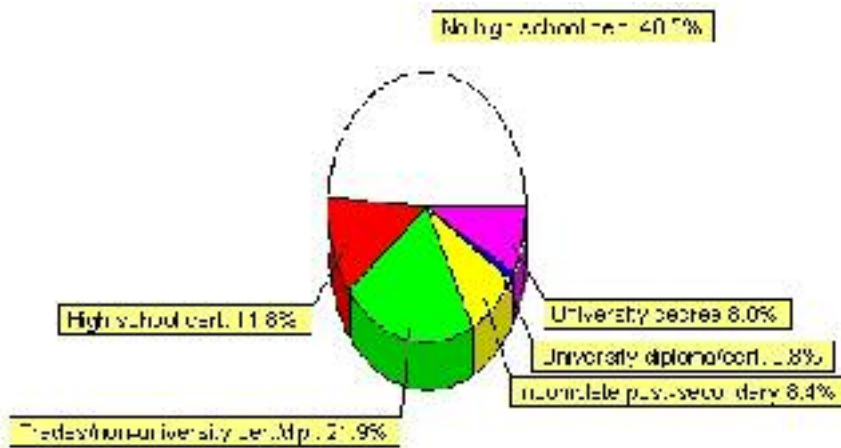


# Education Statistics

Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older	2001	%
People without high school certificates	575	48.52%
People with high school certificates	140	11.81%
People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma	260	21.94%
People with post-secondary education (not completed)	100	8.44%
People with university diploma/certificate	10	0.84%
People with university degree	95	8.02%
Total Population 20 years and older	1,185	100.00%

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

## Birch Hills County Highest Level of Schooling 2001



Population with Post Secondary Qualifications	1996	%	2001	%
Agriculture and biological sciences	55	22.92%	70	19.18%
Commerce, management and business administration	25	10.42%	40	10.96%
Educational, recreational and counseling services	30	12.50%	40	10.96%
Engineering and applied science tech. and trades	60	25.00%	120	32.88%
Engineering and applied sciences	10	4.17%	0	0.00%
Fine and applied arts	15	6.25%	15	4.11%
Health professionals, science and technologies	40	16.67%	40	10.96%
Humanities and related fields	10	4.17%	20	5.48%
Mathematics and physical sciences	10	4.17%	25	6.85%
Social sciences and related fields	10	4.17%	0	0.00%
Other and/or no specialization	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total people with post secondary qualifications	240	100.00%	365	100.00%
Females with post-secondary qualifications	140	58.33%	170	46.58%
Males with post-secondary qualifications	100	41.67%	195	53.42%

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

## Labour Force

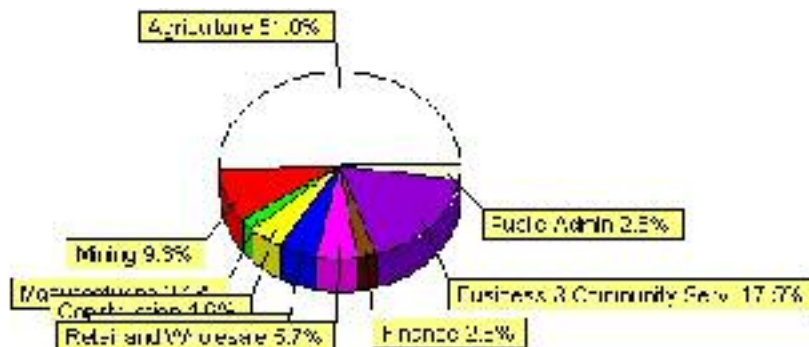
Labour force by activity	1996	2001
In the labour force, both sexes	785	970
Not in the labour force, both sexes	225	325
Total population 15 and over	1,010	1,300
Employed, both sexes	745	925
Unemployed, both sexes	35	50
Participation rate, both sexes	78.00%	75.00%
Unemployment rate, both sexes	5.00%	5.00%

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	500	63.69%	495	51.03%
Mining	20	2.55%	90	9.28%
Manufacturing	10	1.27%	20	2.06%
Construction	25	3.18%	45	4.64%
Transportation. & Utilities	55	7.01%	50	5.15%
Retail and Wholesale	50	6.37%	55	5.67%
Finance	10	1.27%	25	2.58%
Business & Community Services	70	8.92%	170	17.53%
Public Administration	0	0.00%	25	2.58%
Total All Industries	785	100.00%	970	100.00%

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

### Birch Hills County Labour Force By Industry - 2001



Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups	1996	%	2001	%
Management occupations	15	1.90%	45	4.64%
Business, Finances and administrative occupations	35	4.43%	90	9.28%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Health occupations	10	1.27%	10	1.03%
Occupations in social science; education; government and religion	15	1.90%	25	2.58%
Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport	10	1.27%	10	1.03%

Sales and service occupations	75	9.49%	135	13.92%
Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations	110	13.92%	120	12.37%
Occupations unique to primary industry	500	63.29%	500	51.55%
Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities	0	0.00%	50	5.15%
Occupations not elsewhere classified	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total - All Occupations (major groups)	790	100.00%	970	100.00%
Females - All Occupations	325	41.14%	405	41.75%
Males - All Occupations	465	58.86%	565	58.25%

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

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## Income

<b>Family Income (Number of Families)</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>%</b>
less than \$19,999	55	16.67%	60	12.90%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	125	37.88%	180	38.71%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	70	21.21%	85	18.28%
\$60,000 and over	80	24.24%	115	24.73%
Total number of families	330	100.00%	440	94.62%
Average family income	\$45,453		\$52,976	
Median family income	\$35,506		\$40,440	

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

<b>Household Income (Number of Households)</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>%</b>
less than \$19,999	155	33.70%	110	18.49%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	130	28.26%	210	35.29%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	85	18.48%	90	15.13%
\$60,000 and over	30	6.52%	180	30.25%
Total number of households	460	100.00%	595	100.00%
Average household income	\$38,747		\$51,082	
Median household income	\$28,743		\$37,204	

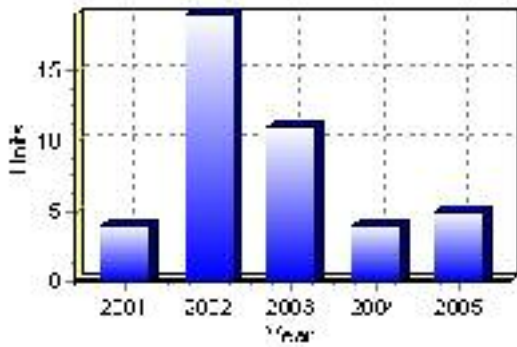
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# Building Permits

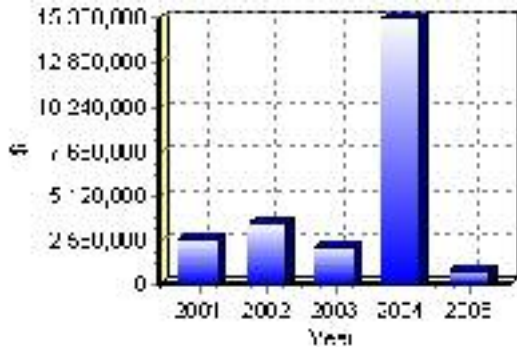
Total Building Permit Values	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Building Permits Value, Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$0
Building Permits Value, Industrial	\$2,030,000	\$190,000	\$877,000	\$15,000,000	\$26,000
Building Permits Value, Institutional	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Building Permits Value, Residential	\$615,000	\$3,140,000	\$1,220,000	\$305,000	\$728,000
Building Permits Value, Total	\$2,645,000	\$3,430,000	\$2,172,000	\$15,405,000	\$754,000
Total Housing Starts	4	19	11	4	5

Source: Statistics Canada 2000-2004 Building Permits (numbers may not add up due to rounding)

## Total Housing Starts



## Value of Building Permits



## Dwellings

<b>Occupied Private Dwellings by Type</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>% of total</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>% of total</b>
Apartments	0	0.00%	10	1.68%
Detached Duplexes	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Movable Dwellings	100	21.74%	130	21.85%
Other single attached house	0	0.00%	5	0.84%
Row and semi-detached house	0	0.00%	10	1.68%
Single-detached house	365	79.35%	440	73.95%
Total number of occupied private dwellings	460	100.00%	595	100.00%
Private dwellings, owned	415	90.22%	500	84.03%
Private Dwellings, rented	45	9.78%	90	15.13%

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

<b>Private Dwellings by Period of Construction</b>	<b># of Dwellings</b>	<b>% of total</b>
Period of construction, before 1946	40	6.78%
Period of construction, 1946 - 1960	140	23.73%
Period of construction, 1961 - 1970	85	14.41%
Period of construction, 1971 - 1980	130	22.03%
Period of construction, 1981 - 1990	135	22.88%
Period of construction, 1991 - 2001	60	10.17%
Total number of private dwellings constructed	590	100.00%

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



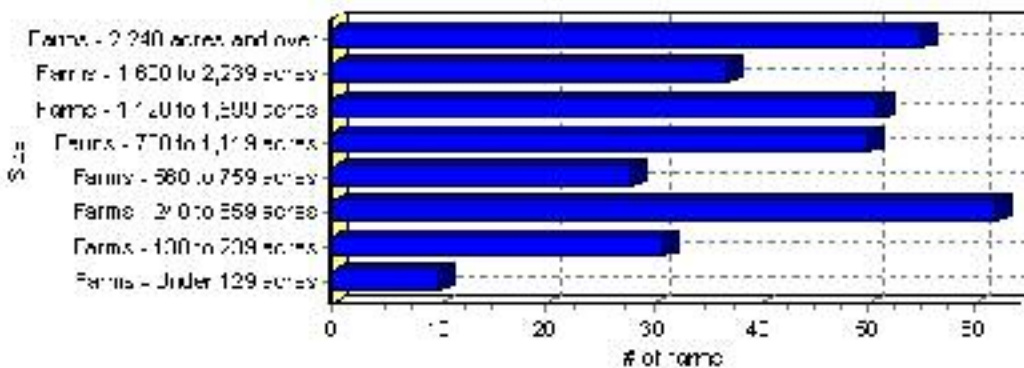
# Farming

Birch Hills County Total Farm Area : 325 acres

Farms by Total Farm Area (2001)	# of Farms	% of total
Farms - Under 129 acres	10	3.09%
Farms - 130 to 239 acres	31	9.57%
Farms - 240 to 559 acres	62	19.14%
Farms - 560 to 759 acres	28	8.64%
Farms - 760 to 1,119 acres	50	15.43%
Farms - 1,120 to 1,599 acres	51	15.74%
Farms - 1,600 to 2,239 acres	37	11.42%
Farms - 2,240 acres and over	55	16.98%
Total number of farms reporting	324	100.00%

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

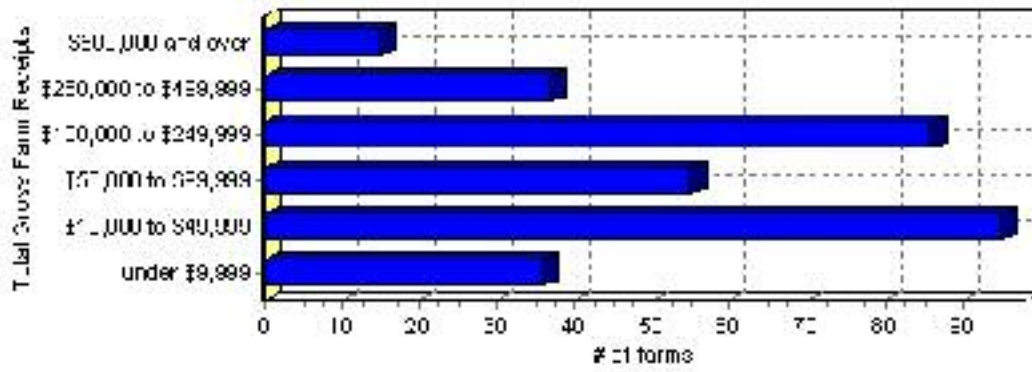
## # of Farms by Total Farm Area



Farms by Total Gross Farm Receipts - 2001	# of Farms	% of total
Farms gross farm receipts - under \$9,999	36	11.11%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$10,000 to \$49,999	95	29.32%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$50,000 to \$99,999	55	16.98%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$100,000 to \$249,999	86	26.54%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$250,000 to \$499,999	37	11.42%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$500,000 and over	15	4.63%
Total number of farms reporting	324	100.00%

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## Total Gross Farm Receipts

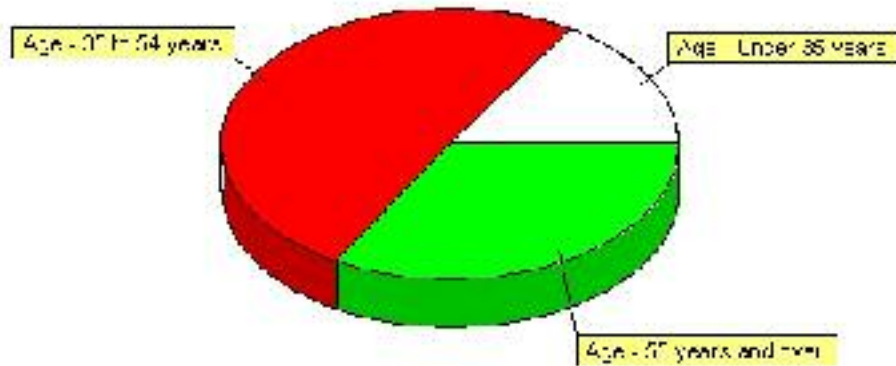


## Farming, Continued

Characteristics of Farm Operators	#	%
Age - Under 35 years	75	16.13%
Age - 35 to 54 years	235	50.54%
Age - 55 years and over	155	33.33%
Average age of operators	48	
Number of operators - Female	125	26.88%
Number of operators - Male	340	73.12%
Total number of operators reporting	465	100.00%

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

### Age of Farm Operators



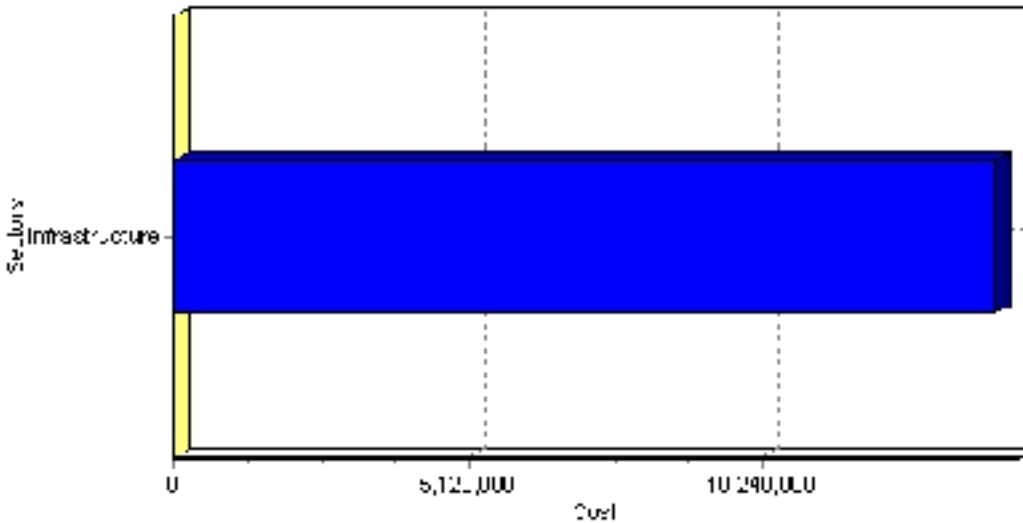
# Projects

## Summary of Projects in Birch Hills County as of September 2006

Project Sector	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Infrastructure	4	\$14,300,000
Total	4	\$14,300,000

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



Project Status	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Completed	2	\$5,500,000
Under Construction	2	\$8,800,000
Total	4	\$14,300,000

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## Largest Projects in Birch Hills County as of September 2006

Company Name	Project Description	Project Location	Project Cost	Construction Schedule	Status
Birch Hills County	REGIONAL WATER PROJECT	Birch Hills County	\$6,000,000	2006-2006	Under Construction
Birch Hills County	Twp Rd 784 Upgrades	Birch Hills County	\$2,800,000	2006-2006	Completed
Birch Hills County	Water Treatment Plant	Birch Hills County (Eaglesham)	\$2,800,000	2006-2007	Under Construction
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Highway 49 Pave	Birch Hills County (E of Wanham to W of Watino)	\$2,700,000	2006-2006	Completed

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