

Legal

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Welcome

Welcome to our community, the Town that put "unity" back into community. We hope you find everything you need to know about the Town of Legal and all we have to offer you. Please refer to the key contacts for any further questions or comments you might have.



The new Town Flag was adopted in summer of 2004. The flag is designed around the "Therese Bugnet" Rose, our Town Flower. The flag also show our bilingual heritage and national Bilingual Status.



The Town of Legal logo shows our biggest landmark, the water tower, and our two main agriculture crops wheat and alfalfa. Also shown is the grain and alfalfa plants and our beautiful landscape.

Area Overview

The Town of Legal gives the best of both worlds for it's residents. It has the charm of small town with the peace and tranquility you'd expect with local stores and business to supplement this small town living.

The Town of Legal has land for development for industrial, commercial and residential use. Contact the Town office with any questions at 780-961-3773.

Located 50 km north of Edmonton on Highway 651, Legal is a prime agricultural region. Legal has witnessed remarkable growth in the past decade. Town councillors here are justifiably optimistic over the future of Legal, forecasting "more continued, steady growth" for the Town, based on the stability of the agricultural sector and the alternative lifestyle to Edmonton that is available.

The Town of Legal has 2 schools for local children in the area. Legal School offers education for children K-9 and the Ecole Citadelle offers a french curriculum for children K-9. The English students then would attend Morinville Community High 10 minutes south on highway 2. Francophone students can then attend Maurice Lavallee School in Edmonton with bus service provided. Legal offers preschool for children, the contact number is for the Legal School is (780) 961-3791 Ecole Citadelle is (780)961-3557.

Legal offers fully serviced lots starting at about \$15,000 which is a great incentive for young families wanting to own their own home

and have peace of mind knowing they are raising their families in a safe, quiet friendly community.

The town is full of heritage having added murals around town depicting it's rich heritage. Despite the changes and growth Legal has seen it's still large in it's francophone roots.

Our business licenses are set at a reasonable rates. They are due yearly and are as follows: For a commercial based business the fee is \$50.00 , for a homebased business it fee is \$75.00, for an out of town business the fee is \$100.00 and for a general contractor the fee is \$250.00.

The Town of Legal has a volunteer fire department and ambulance service. The members have extensive training and are highly dedicated to ensuring the highest quality of services they can.

The Town Office lists 31 clubs/organizations, volunteer groups as well as sporting groups. This updated list is available at the Town Office (780)961-3773.

Internet Services are available to the town residents through phone lines. As well; the town has a web site you can visit it at www.town.legal.ab.ca.

Community Services

Municipal

Town of Legal

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Administration

Public Works

Provincial

N/A

Federal

Canada Post

Community Lifestyle

Recreation

The rolling topography surrounding Legal makes for excellent facilities for outdoor sports such as cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and hiking.

The focal point of Legal's recreation facilities is Citadel Park, a 12-acre area that houses an indoor arena, 4-sheet curling rink, baseball diamonds, outdoor arena, and playgrounds. Other local facilities include a day-use park and fish pond. The Legal Recreation Programs Committee administers Legal's recreational facilities and organizes a variety of programs such as minor hockey and minor baseball. This past summer a pilot project was started for weekly roller blading. The month of July also seen the summer playground in operation. The playground was open to children ages 4-7 in the morning and children ages 8-12 in the afternoon. They offered arts, crafts, singing songs and lots more. The cost of this was very reasonable at \$1.00 a day or \$5.00 a week.

Community Organizations

- Recreation Programs Committee

- Club 60 Roses [seniors]
- Legal & District Lions Transportation Committee

Religious Services

- Catholic Churches and Institutions

Special Annual Events/Attractions

Legal is home to "Fete Au Village", an annual festival held the last weekend in July, reviving the French culture of Legal's pioneers. This celebration, which started in 1962, brings together people of varied nationalities who work for the good of the community through organizations and clubs. People come from across Alberta to participate in the festivities and enjoy French-Canadian cuisine and hospitality, there is also a kiddies parade, chilli cook-off, town parade , many other activities including the demolition derby. The "Fete AU Village" takes place the last week in July every year so watch the local papers for more information on that.

Hospitality

Accommodation

- Legal Hotel
- Lily Lake Resort

Restaurants

- New Diamond Restaurant
- Legal Family Restaurant
- Wheelers Restaurant

Economic Base

Originally a service centre for the surrounding agricultural community, today Legal also serves as a popular satellite community to Edmonton. Most of the Town's workforce commute to either Edmonton or St. Albert to work. However the local companies do employ a substantial amount of the town's residence.

Economic Facts

Major Businesses Products/Services

- Legal Alfalfa Pruducts Alfalfa Pellets
- Sturgeon Valley Fertilizer Fertilizer
- Legal Motors Garage/Car Dealership
- Legal Co-op Grocery/Bulk Fuel
- Legal Drugs Pharmacy
- Legal Liquor Store Liquor
- Legal Machine Shop Machining/Fabricating
- L.A. Confectionary Convenience Store
- L.A. Looks Beauty Salon

Financial Institutions

- Capital City Savings- Legal Branch

Education

Legal is part of the Greater St. Albert Catholic Regional Division No. 29, headquartered in St. Albert [Tel: 780-459-7711], , which offers a combined public/separate education program.

-Preschool for children ages 3-4

-La Petite Ecole [francophone playschool]

Public

N/A

Separate

There are two streams of education, K-9 in the English stream and K-9 in the francophone stream. English Senior high school students attend Morinville Community High School in Morinville. Francophone students can attend Maurice Lavallee School in Edmonton with bus service provided.

Private

N/A

Emergency Services

Fire Protection

Legal is pleased to have 9-1-1- as an emergency line. Legal is served by a volunteer fire department which services a 13 km radius of the Town

Police Services

Legal is served by the Morinville detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police [RCMP] [Tel: 780-459-7682].

Ambulance Services

The Legal Ambulance Service is staffed by volunteers and responds to emergencies within a 13 km radius of the Town [Tel: 780-961-3811].

Health Care

The nearest hospital facilities are at St. Albert. Also, Capital Health Services provides a wide array of health and medical services to Legal residents, including medical clinics, preschool clinics, home care programs and public health inspections. Capital Health offers traditional programs in neighbouring centres. The Associate Medical Clinic operates in Legal each Monday and Thursday, they can be contacted at 961-3991.

Housing for the elderly is provided at the Chateau Sturgeon Senior Citizens' Home, a lodge funded by the Sturgeon Foundation which provides individual rooms for seniors not requiring extensive nursing care. Sunset and Sunrise Villa self-contained units are open to seniors who want to maintain their independence while not having to be responsible for the maintenance and repairs of a home.

Key Contacts for Business Development

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Constituency Address

Address pending, Alberta

Location

The Town of Legal is located in the County of Sturgeon, 50 km north of Edmonton on Highway 651. It is just 3 km east of Highway 2, the province's main north-south artery.

Post Secondary Education

Residents of Legal have access to **Edmonton-based post-secondary** institutions such as :

- The University of Alberta
- Grant MacEwan College
- Norquest College
- Northern Alberta Institute of Technology [NAIT].

Taxation

Mill Rates [2005]

Residential - Public 14.20791

Non-Residential - Public 24.30352

	<u>Residential/Farmland</u>	<u>Non-Residential</u>
2005		
Municipal Tax Rate	10.5518	17.1518
Education - Alberta School Foundation Fund Tax Rate	3.5793	3.5793
Seniors Lodge Accommodation Tax Rate	.0768	.0768

Transportation

Air Services

Commercial and air freight services are at Edmonton International and Edmonton Municipal Airports.

Rail Services

Legal is served by a Canadian National Railway branch line.

Highways

The main connecting highways are Highway 2 and Secondary Highway 651. Legal is also accessible by Highway 28 and Secondary Highway 803.

Bus Services

Greyhound Bus Lines provides regularly scheduled inter-community service. The Legal & District Lions Transportation Committee offers a bus service for seniors and the handicapped.

Couriers and Taxis

Utilities

Electrical Power

Epcor
10065 Jasper Ave
Edmonton Alberta
T5J 3B1
Tel: 780-310-4300

Natural Gas

Direct Energy
420-5585
1-800-571-3447
PO Box 2427
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2V6

Telephone

Telus Communications Inc.
10020 - 100 Street
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Water Supply

The source of water is a direct water line from Edmonton. Waste Management Sewage treatment is provided by a lagoon consisting of 4 short and 2 long detention ponds.

Industrial, commercial and residential garbage is collected weekly. Commercial and residential recycling is collected weekly.

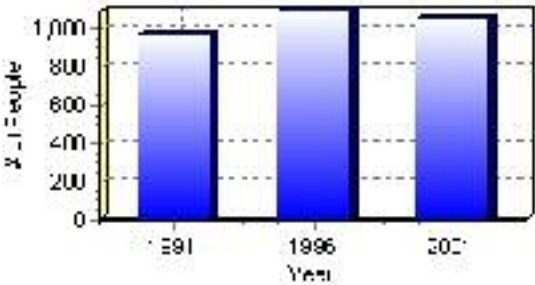
Population

Total Population

Population 2004*	1,058
Population 2003*	1,058
Population 2002*	1,058
Population 2001**	1,055
Population 2000*	1,095
Population 1996**	1,095
Population 1991**	973
Population % change 1991-1996	11.14%
Population % change 1996-2001	-3.50%

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

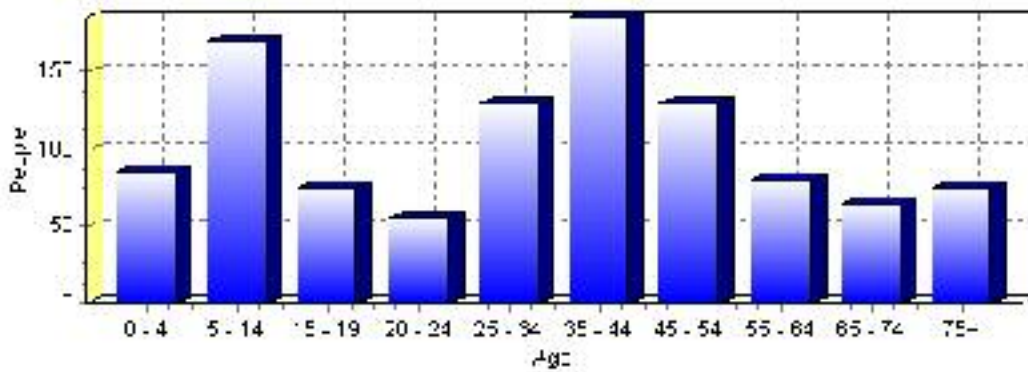
Total Population 1991-2001



Population by Age and Gender	1996 Male	1996 Female	1996 Total	2001 Male	2001 Female	2001 Total
Age 0 - 4	50	35	85	35	50	85
Age 5 - 14	80	95	175	90	80	170
Age 15 - 19	50	35	85	40	35	75
Age 20 - 24	25	35	60	25	30	55
Age 25 - 34	80	75	155	70	60	130
Age 35 - 44	105	80	185	95	90	185
Age 45 - 54	75	55	130	65	65	130
Age 55 - 64	40	30	70	45	35	80
Age 65 - 74	40	35	75	35	30	65
Age 75 and older	35	30	65	30	45	75
Total All Persons	580	515	1,095	540	520	1,060

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

Legal Population by Age Group (2001)

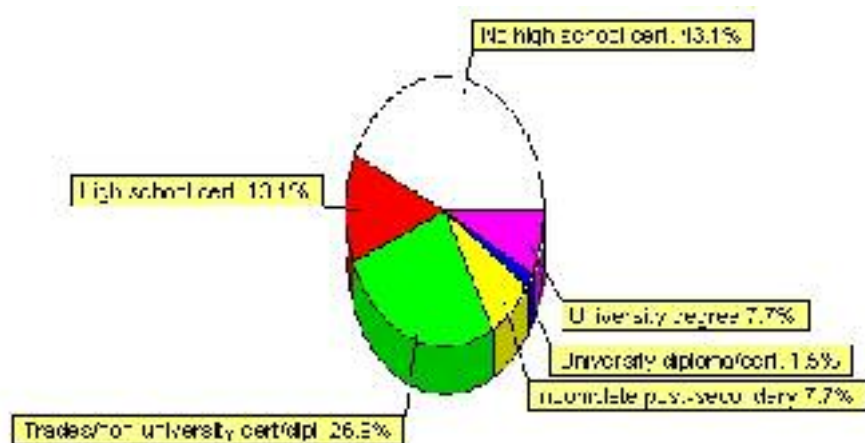


Education Statistics

Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older	2001	%
People without high school certificates	280	43.08%
People with high school certificates	85	13.08%
People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma	175	26.92%
People with post-secondary education (not completed)	50	7.69%
People with university diploma/certificate	10	1.54%
People with university degree	50	7.69%
Total Population 20 years and older	650	100.00%

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

Legal Highest Level of Schooling 2001



Population with Post Secondary Qualifications	1996	%	2001	%
Agriculture and biological sciences	0	0.00%	15	6.25%
Commerce, management and business administration	40	21.05%	25	10.42%
Educational, recreational and counseling services	0	0.00%	20	8.33%
Engineering and applied science tech. and trades	110	57.89%	90	37.50%
Engineering and applied sciences	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Fine and applied arts	10	5.26%	20	8.33%
Health professionals, science and technologies	15	7.89%	50	20.83%
Humanities and related fields	10	5.26%	0	0.00%
Mathematics and physical sciences	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Social sciences and related fields	0	0.00%	10	4.17%
Other and/or no specialization	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total people with post secondary qualifications	190	100.00%	240	100.00%
Females with post-secondary qualifications	90	47.37%	125	52.08%
Males with post-secondary qualifications	100	52.63%	115	47.92%

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	525	545
Not in the labour force, both sexes	210	200
Total population 15 and over	740	745
Employed, both sexes	465	495
Unemployed, both sexes	60	55
Participation rate, both sexes	71.00%	73.00%
Unemployment rate, both sexes	11.00%	10.00%

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	30	5.71%	20	3.67%
Mining	0	0.00%	10	1.83%
Manufacturing	70	13.33%	70	12.84%
Construction	40	7.62%	35	6.42%
Transportation. & Utilities	65	12.38%	50	9.17%
Retail and Wholesale	120	22.86%	95	17.43%
Finance	20	3.81%	15	2.75%
Business & Community Services	145	27.62%	215	39.45%
Public Administration	30	5.71%	25	4.59%
Total All Industries	525	100.00%	545	100.00%

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

Legal Labour Force By Industry - 2001



Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups	1996	%	2001	%
Management occupations	30	5.71%	60	10.91%
Business, Finances and administrative occupations	115	21.90%	85	15.45%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	10	1.90%	10	1.82%
Health occupations	15	2.86%	25	4.55%
Occupations in social science; education; government and religion	0	0.00%	20	3.64%
Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport	0	0.00%	0	0.00%

Sales and service occupations	135	25.71%	120	21.82%
Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations	135	25.71%	145	26.36%
Occupations unique to primary industry	35	6.67%	25	4.55%
Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities	50	9.52%	60	10.91%
Occupations not elsewhere classified	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total - All Occupations (major groups)	525	100.00%	550	100.00%
Females - All Occupations	250	47.62%	245	44.55%
Males - All Occupations	275	52.38%	300	54.55%

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	20	8.00%	35	14.00%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	90	36.00%	55	22.00%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	70	28.00%	80	32.00%
\$60,000 and over	70	28.00%	100	40.00%
Total number of families	250	100.00%	270	108.00%
Average family income	\$48,436		\$54,350	
Median family income	\$41,152		\$53,104	

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	70	20.29%	60	16.67%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	120	34.78%	85	23.61%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	85	24.64%	95	26.39%
\$60,000 and over	0	0.00%	120	33.33%
Total number of households	345	100.00%	360	100.00%
Average household income	\$42,162		\$51,455	
Median household income	\$36,853		\$50,225	

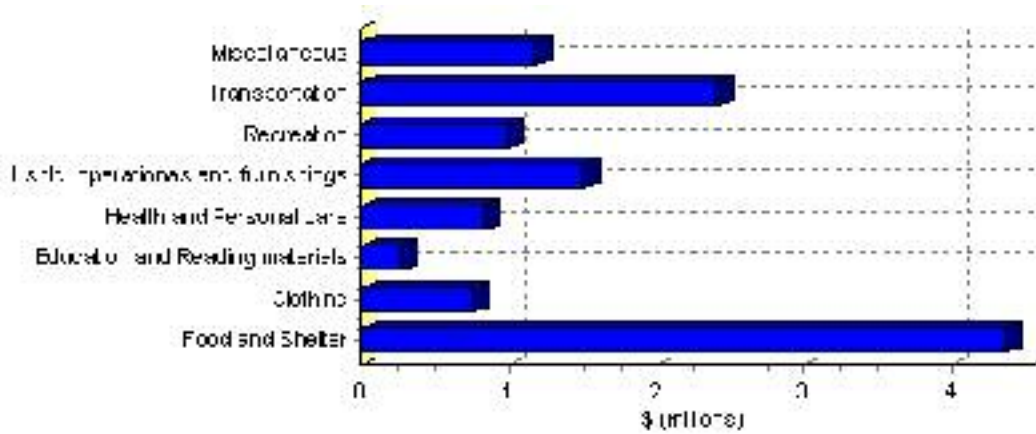
Source: Statistics Canada 1996 & 2001 Census (numbers may not add up due to rounding)

Family Expenditure

Expenditure Category	1992	% of total	1996	% of total
Food and Shelter	\$0	0.00%	\$4,362,359	35.47%
Clothing	\$0	0.00%	\$755,024	6.14%
Education and Reading materials	\$0	0.00%	\$265,347	2.16%
Health and Personal care	\$0	0.00%	\$826,098	6.72%
Hshld. operations and furnishings	\$0	0.00%	\$1,500,548	12.20%
Recreation	\$0	0.00%	\$988,799	8.04%
Transportation	\$0	0.00%	\$2,415,604	19.64%
Miscellaneous	\$0	0.00%	\$1,184,411	9.63%
Total Current Consumption	\$0	0.00%	\$12,298,190	100.00%
Total # of Households	0		345	
Average Consumption per Household	\$0		\$35,647	

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

Legal Family Expenditures (1996)

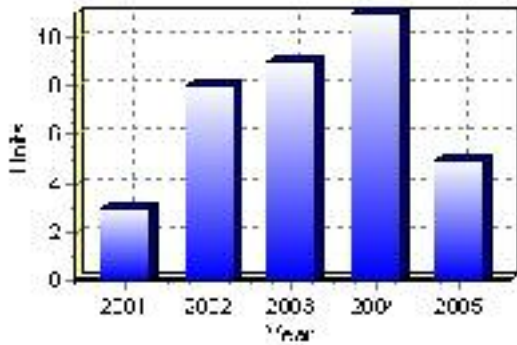


Building Permits

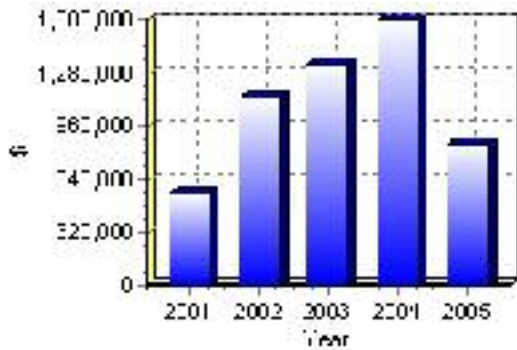
Total Building Permit Values	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Building Permits Value, Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$0
Building Permits Value, Industrial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Building Permits Value, Institutional	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Building Permits Value, Residential	\$555,000	\$1,136,000	\$1,332,000	\$1,599,000	\$856,000
Building Permits Value, Total	\$555,000	\$1,136,000	\$1,332,000	\$1,602,000	\$856,000
Total Housing Starts	3	8	9	11	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	20	5.80%	10	2.78%
Detached Duplexes	20	5.80%	5	1.39%
Movable Dwellings	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Other single attached house	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Row and semi-detached house	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Single-detached house	300	86.96%	345	95.83%
Total number of occupied private dwellings	345	100.00%	360	100.00%
Private dwellings, owned	290	84.06%	300	83.33%
Private Dwellings, rented	55	15.94%	55	15.28%

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	75	21.13%
Period of construction, 1946 - 1960	20	5.63%
Period of construction, 1961 - 1970	30	8.45%
Period of construction, 1971 - 1980	150	42.25%
Period of construction, 1981 - 1990	0	0.00%
Period of construction, 1991 - 2001	80	22.54%
Total number of private dwellings constructed	355	100.00%

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

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