

Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of

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Welcome

The Council and Staff at the Municipal District of Willow Creek welcome you to "The Land of Endless Opportunities". Located along the foothills of the great Canadian Rockies, the M.D. boasts many opportunities for good country living, a strong economic base including agriculture, oil and gas exploration, wind power and a host of commercial activities along with a low crime rate, affordable properties and a clean environment.

There are five independent urban municipalities within the boundaries of the M.D. that offer educational, recreational and commercial services to the residents. Those towns include Nanton, Stavely, Claresholm, Granum and Fort Macleod. Also there are the tiny hamlets of Parkland, Moon River and Woodhouse where neighbours love to share a cup of coffee. History is preserved in all of these communities where country life reigns supreme.



Area Overview

[Take a look](#) The Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 is a rural municipality north of the city of Lethbridge.

Climate

[click here](#) to get all your local weather information.



Community Services

Each individual Community caters to its townspeople and their needs by supplying programs and organizations to accommodate them however possible.

Nanton

- Dressing Up Store
- Food Bank
- Nanton Chamber of Commerce
- Nanton Community Bus Society
- Nanton Emergency Services
- Nanton Environmental Action Society
- Nanton Fire Department (Volunteer)
- Project Read
- Thelma Fanning Library
- Nanton FCSS

Granum

- Granum FCSS
- Granum Educational Support Society
- Drop In Centre B
- lunden Centre

Claresholm

- Auxillary to Willow Creek Auxilliary Hospital
- Claresholm Community Centre Association
- Claresholm Food Bank
- Claresholm Low Vision Group
- Parents Conversation Corner
- u-Save Food Co-op
- Volunteer Fire Department

Fort Macleod

- Continuing Ed
- Adult Education Course
- R.C.M.P. Municipal Library

Stavely

- Stavely Municipal Library
- Stavely Community Chest
- Stavely Local Initiatives
- Stavely Community Hall Board

Community Lifestyle

Each town within the M.D. Provides all kinds of interesting events programs and groups for people to participate or view at any time of the year.

Organized Groups

Agricultural – Wild life /Town and Country

Nanton

- Ag Society
- Centennial Horse Club
- High School Rodeo
- Nantonite Rodeo
- Porcupine Hills Fish and Game
- 4H Beef Club

Claresholm

- Ag Society
- Claresholm Duck Unlimited
- Claresholm Farmers Market
- Claresholm Fish and Game Association
- Claresholm Rodeo Club 4H
- Claresholm Beef Club 4H
- Willow Creek Wranglers Light Horse Club

Granum

- Homesteader

Fort Macleod

- Midnight Stadium

Stavely

- Stavely and District Ag Societ
- Stavely Stampeders
- 4H Light Horse Club
- Stavely/Parkland
- 4H Beef Club
- Stavely Indoor Rodeo Association

Art/Culture/ Friends

Stavely

- Museum Society of Stavely and District
- Willow Creek Cowboy Poetry & Music Society

Claresholm

- Claresholm Historical Society
- Sons of Norway
- 4H Claresholm nimble Fingers Sewing club
- Claresholm Dance Troupe
- Claresholm Community Singers
- Chinook Camera Club
- Claresholm Potters Guild
- Wildrose Bluegrass & Contry Music Society

Fort Macleod

- Empress Theatre
- Fort Macleod Historical Society

Granum

- Willow Creek Gospel Music Jamboree
- Millenium Centre

Nanton

- Alpha Eta/ XI Chi Sorority
- Art Club
- Chinook Singers and Players
- Gamma XI
- Kozy Korner
- Nanton Lancaster Bomber Society
- Perceptor Sigma Sorority
- Rainbow Country Dancers
- Shady Grove Bluegrass & Old Tyme Music Festival
- Tap Town Trailer Club
- Willow Creek Historical Society

Church Organizations

Nanton

- A.C.W Anglican Church Woman
- A.O.T.S. (as one that serves)
- C.W.C.
- C.W.L
- U.C.W

Granum

- U.C.W

Claresholm

- C.W.L

- U.C.W

Fort Macleod

- A.C.W
- U.C.W

Stavely

- U.C. W

Sports Organizations/ Groups

Adult Sports

Nanton

- Commercial & Oldtime Hockey
- Curling Club
- Gymnastics Club
- Ladies Fastball
- Marlins Swim Club
- Men's Fastball
- Minor Hockey
- Nanton Golf Club
- Nanton minor Baseball/Softball
- Nanton Skating Club
- Nanton Soccer
- Rifle & Revolver Club
- Senior Hockey Sports
- Facility rentals
- Umpires

Granum

- Granview Recreation Park
- Granum Golf and Country Club

Claresholm

- Claresholm Curling Club
- Claresholm Golf Club
- Men's Hockey
- Co-Ed Slowpitch Society
- Trap Club
- Co-Ed Volleyball
- Walk in-doors
- Women's Running

Fort Macleod

- Hockey

- Figure Skating/Public Skating
- Curling
- Slo-pitch
- Hard ball
- Golf Club
- Swim Club
- Royal Life Saving Society Swimming Program
- Track and Field

Stavely

- Stavely Figure Skating
- Stavely Golf Club
- Stavely Minor Hockey

Youth Sports

Nanton

- Gymnastics Club
- Curling Club
- Marlins Swim Club
- Minor Hockey
- Nanton Golf Club
- Nanton minor Baseball/Softball
- Nanton Skating Club
- Nanton Soccer
- Rifle & Revolver Club

Granum

- Granview Recreation Park
- Granum Golf and Country Club

Fort Macleod

- Hockey
- Figure Skating/Public Skating
- Curling
- Slo-pitch
- Hard ball
- Golf Club
- Swim Club
- Royal Life Saving Society Swimming Program
- Track and Field

Stavely

- Stavely Figure Skating
- Stavely Golf Club

- Stavely Minor Hockey

Claresholm

- Bantam Football
- Claresholm Gymnastics
- Claresholm Kraken Summer Swim Club
- Claresholm Minor Hockey
- Claresholm Skating Club
- Minor Ball
- Tae Kwon Do
- Willow Creek Soccer League

Seniors

Nanton

- Silver Willow Lodge
- Madison Manor
- Kozy Korner

Granum

Unavailable

Fort Macleod

Unavailable

Stavely

- Stavely Golden Age Centre

Claresholm

- Wandering Willows
- Willow Creek Hospital
- Claresholm Care Centre

Economic Base

Banks

Financial Institution	ATB Financial	BMO – Bank of Montreal	CIBC	Macleod Savings and Credit Union
Claresholm	115- 49 Ave W. 625-4451	4901 1St Street. 625-3366	4821 1St Street. 625-3331	134 50 Ave. W. 625-4401
Fort Macleod	221 Macleod Blvd. 553-4444	X	X	2209 2nd Ave. 553-4414
Granum	210 Railway Ave. 687-3794	X	X	X
Nanton	2202 20th Street. 646-2207	X	1919 20th Ave. 646-2201	2014 21st Ave. 646-2610

[Click here](#) for a listing of all the Businesses in the Municipal District of Willow Creek

Economic Facts

Housing

Single Family	2004	2005	2004 YTD	2005 YTD	% Change
Average Sale Price	239,572	277,658	241,111	273,070	13.26%
Listings	3,008	3,051	14,106	14,064	-0.30%
Sales	1,906	2,358	8,435	9,603	13.85%
Dollar Volume	463,093,210	633,616,399	2,033,768,780	2,622,295,055	28.94%
Sales to Listing Ratio	64.26%	74.80%	59.80%	68.28%	14.19%
Median Price	221,700	244,900	220,000	241,000	9.55%
Condominium					
Average Sale Price	164,503	181,379	163,701	180,858	10.48%
Listings	1,089	1,094	5,196	5,247	0.98%
Sales	692	867	2,955	3,508	18.71%
Dollar Volume	113,836,194	157,255,743	483,735,165	634,449,383	31.16%
Sales to listing Ratio	63.55%	79.25%	56.87%	66.86%	17.56%
Median Price	150,000	165,000	148,000	162,000	9.46%
Mobile					
Average Sale Price (incl. In Residential)	37,865	35,831	46,443	37,096	-20.13%
Listings (incl. In Residential)	48	35	229	190	-17.03%
Sales (incl. In Residential)	17	24	68	71	4.41%
Dollar Volume (incl. In Residential)	643,700	859,950	3,158,143	62,633,796	-16.60%
Sales to Listing Ratio (incl. In Residential)	35.42%	68.57%	35.42%	37.37%	5.51%
Median Price	46,000	33,000	40,500	31,000	-23.46%
Rural w/Home					
Average Sale Price	431,794	487,938	440,839	505,208	14.60%
Listings	165	178	869	899	3.45
Sales	62	99	332	403	21.39%
Dollar Volume	26,771,200	48,305,872	146,358,533	203,598,810	39.11%
Sales to Listing Ratio	37.58%	55.62%	38.21%	44.83%	17.34%
Median Price	363,000	440,000	376,000	440,000	17.02%

Rural Land

Average Sale Price	233,867	291,674	237,882	263,528	10.78%
Listings	58	74	269	311	15.61%
Sales	24	31	74	117	58.11%
Dollar Volume	5,612,800	9,041,900	17,603,243	30,832,731	75.15%
Sales to Listing Ratio	41.38%	41.89%	27.51%	37.62%	36.76%
Median Price	170,000	178,000	175,000	175,000	0.00%

**Residential Combined
(single Family, Condo,
Mobile)**

Average Sale Price	218,612	249,522	219,991	247,260	12.40%
Listings	4,145	4,180	19,531	19,501	-0.15%
Sales	2,642	3,173	11,458	13,182	15.05%
Dollar Volume	577,573,104	791,732,092	2,520,662,088	3,259,378,234	29.31
Sales to Listing Ratio	63.74%	75.91%	58.67%	67.60%	15.22%
Median Price	202,500	222,000	202,000	220,000	8.91%

Total MLS

Average Sale Price	223,591	257,063	226,283	254,985	12.68%
Listings	4,368	4,432	20,669	20,711	0.20%
Sales	2,728	3,303	11,864	13,702	15.49%
Dollar Volume	609,957,104	849,079,864	2,684,623,864	3,493,809,775	30.14
Sales to Listing Ratio	62.45%	74.53%	57.40%	66.16%	15.26%

Education

M.D. of Willow Creek is part of the [Livingstone Range School Division #68](#), located in Claresholm

School	Location	Phone Number	Grades
A.B. Daley Community School	Nanton	(403)646-3161	K – Grade 6
Canyon Elementary	Pincher Creek	(403)627-3118	K-Grade 6
Claresholm Elementary School	Claresholm	(403)625-3371	K - Grade 3
Crowsnest Consolidated High School	Crowsnest Pass	(403)563-5651	Grades 7 - 12
F.P. Walshe School	Fort Macleod	(403)553-4411	Grades 8 - 12
G.R. Davis Elementary School	Fort Macleod	(403)553-3744	Grades 4 - 7
Horace Allan School	Crowsnest	(403)563-3998	K- Grade 3

Isabelle Sellon	Blairmore	(403)562-8815	Grades 4- 6
J.T. Foster High School	Nanton	(403)646-2264	Grades 7 - 12
Livingstone Colony School	Lundbreck	(403)628-2960	K- Grade 12
Matthew Halton Community School	Pincher Creek	(403)627-4414	Grades 7- 12
Stavely Elementary School	Stavely	(403)549-3757	K - Grade 7
W.A. Day Elementary School	Fort Macleod	(403)553-3362	K - Grade 7
West Meadow School	Claresholm	(403)625-4464	Grades 4- 6
Willow Creek Composite School	Claresholm	(403)625-3387	Grades 7-12

Emergency Services

Police Special Constable and RCMP

- Departments in: Vulcan, Fort Macleod, Claresholm, Granum, Nanton.

- Special Constable : M.D. – Constable Dave Furrrie Nanton: Constable George Woof

Hospital(s):

Fort Macleod, Claresholm.

Fire Department:

Volunteer – Claresholm, Stavely, Granum, Nanton, Fort Macleod, and Moon River Estates

Health Care

HOSPITALS

- Claresholm General Hospital - Claresholm
- Lethbridge General Hospital – Lethbridge
- Fort Macleod Hospital – Ft. Macleod
- Pincher Creek General – Pincher Creek
- Willow Creek Auxillary - Claresholm

LODGES

- Claresholm Care Centre - Claresholm
- Silver Willow Lodge - Nanton
- Madison Manor - Nanton
- Extencicare Fort Macleod - Fort Macleod
- Porcupine Hills Lodge - Claresholm

Key Contacts for Business Development

MUNICIPAL

Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26

Box 550

Claresholm, Alberta

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Phone: (403) 625-3351

Fax: (403) 625-3886

Administration Building – Highway 520 W. Claresholm, Alberta.

Evan Berger – Reeve

Cynthia Vizzutti – Chief Administrative Officer

Location

[click here](#) to see full details of our M.D. Map. Or you can come see us personally at our new location.



Come join us at our new location

Post Secondary Education

[Bow Valley College](#)

Blairmore Campus

Claresholm Campus

Pincher Creek Campus Lethbridge Campus

[Lethbridge Community College](#)

Fort MacLeod Campus

Lethbridge Community College

[Lethbridge University](#)

Taxation

What is a mill rate?

A mill rate is the rate used to calculate your annual tax levy. It is the amount of taxes to be raised for every \$1 of assessed value. For example; with a residential mill rate of 8.3720, a tax parcel valued at \$1,000 would have a tax levy of \$837.20. The mill rates are set every year by a bylaw approved by the M.D. Council.

How is the mill rate calculated?

The mill rates are calculated by dividing the amount of revenue required by the total assessment of all taxable property within the M.D. of Willow Creek. The tax levy is calculated by multiplying the mill rate by the property assessment.

When do I have to pay my taxes?

Property taxes are due October 31st of each year.

Are there Discounts for early Payment?

The M.D. does not offer any discounts for early payments.

How does a change of address impact my M.D. account?

A change of address must be given to the M.D. to allow prompt mail reception of Assessment/Tax notices from different departments that relate to your property or neighboring properties, and information letters sent by the M.D. to its ratepayers. Please note that the Land Titles Office (LTO) should also be notified of a change of address in order to update your title information and; in fact, notifying the LTO (call 297-6511 to learn how) will result in notification to the M.D. since LTO then sends that address change on to title to the M.D.

Why do I have to pay Education Taxes?

The M.D. of Willow Creek is required by legislation to collect taxes on behalf of the Provincial Government. Landowners must pay education taxes on property owned in every municipality in the Province. Inquiries pertaining to Education taxes should be directed to: Alberta School Foundation Fund Livingstone Range School Division #68

Do we have to fill out school support forms?

As the M.D. of Willow Creek only has a Public School District within their boundaries no school support forms need to be filled out. Alberta School Act provides that, where both a public and separate school district exist in the same area, all individuals who are Roman Catholic must direct their taxes in support of schools to the Catholic School District . All other individuals must direct their taxes in support of schools to the Public School District . These conditions only apply to property within the Separate School District . Education taxes on property outside of the Separate School District are directed to the Public School District . If this school support is undeclared, the Education portion of your property taxes will be directed to the Alberta School Foundation Fund and redistributed on an equal amount per student to Public and Separate school boards in Alberta .

Transportation

Driving Distance from Claresholm	km	miles	Time Required
Calgary (city centre)	122	76	1 hour, 15 minutes
Calgary International Airport	137	85	1 hour, 31 minutes
Edmonton, Alberta	393	244	4 hours, 15 minutes
Vancouver, British Columbia	696	433	12 hours, 43 minutes
Toronto, Ontario	2679	1665	34 hours, 42 minutes
United States Border (Coutts, Alberta crossing)	189	117.5	2 hours, 27 minutes
Lethbridge	92	57	55 minutes
Fort Macleod			24 minutes

	40	25	
Stavely	26	16	15 minutes
Parkland	35	22	21 minutes
Nanton	45	28	27 minutes

It is important to note that time required is calculated based on 'ideal' traffic and weather conditions.

The Greyhound bus runs through the various towns and cities within the MD. The Greyhound has stops in Claresholm, Fort Macleod and as well as the City of Lethbridge [click here](#) for more information.

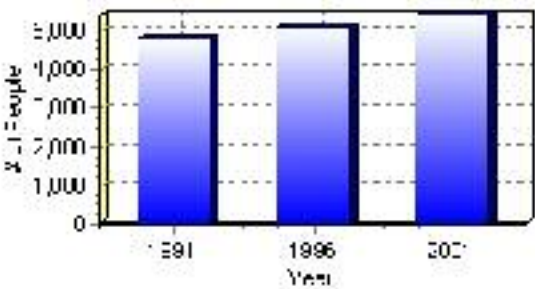
Population

Total Population

Population 2004*	5,412
Population 2003*	5,412
Population 2002*	5,412
Population 2001**	5,415
Population 2000*	5,091
Population 1996**	5,113
Population 1991**	4,764
Population % change 1991-1996	6.83%
Population % change 1996-2001	5.52%

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

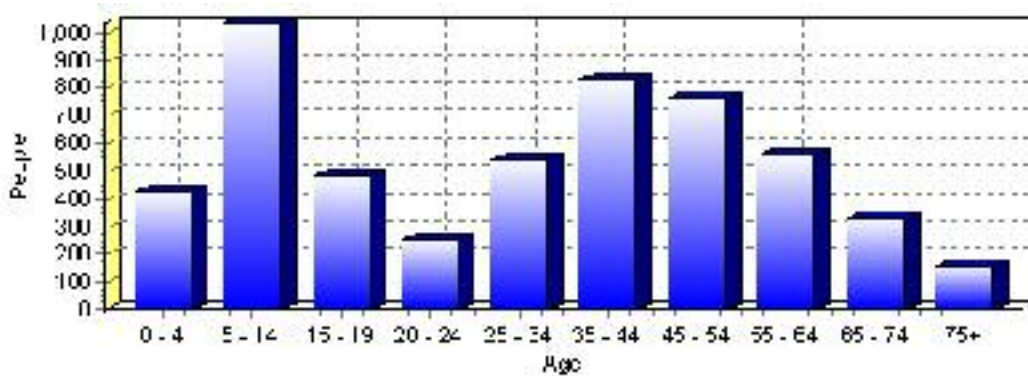
Total Population 1991-2001



Population by Age and Gender	1996 Male	1996 Female	1996 Total	2001 Male	2001 Female	2001 Total
Age 0 - 4	205	225	430	195	235	430
Age 5 - 14	575	460	1,035	530	505	1,035
Age 15 - 19	215	220	435	280	205	485
Age 20 - 24	145	115	260	125	125	250
Age 25 - 34	305	320	625	255	290	545
Age 35 - 44	435	415	850	415	415	830
Age 45 - 54	330	300	630	400	370	770
Age 55 - 64	225	205	430	300	260	560
Age 65 - 74	180	125	305	185	150	335
Age 75 and older	60	55	115	85	75	160
Total All Persons	2,675	2,435	5,110	2,780	2,635	5,415

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

Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of Population by Age Group (2001)

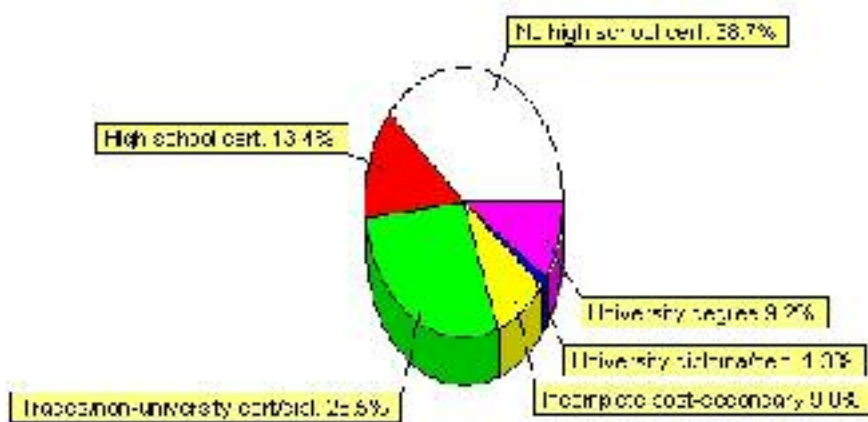


Education Statistics

Highest level of schooling for Population 20yrs and older	2001	%
People without high school certificates	1,330	38.72%
People with high school certificates	460	13.39%
People with trades or non-university certificate or diploma	980	28.53%
People with post-secondary education (not completed)	310	9.02%
People with university diploma/certificate	45	1.31%
People with university degree	315	9.17%
Total Population 20 years and older	3,435	100.00%

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

Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of Highest Level of Schooling 2001



Population with Post Secondary Qualifications	1996	%	2001	%
Agriculture and biological sciences	215	18.30%	290	21.56%
Commerce, management and business administration	195	16.60%	215	15.99%
Educational, recreational and counseling services	180	15.32%	165	12.27%
Engineering and applied science tech. and trades	255	21.70%	320	23.79%
Engineering and applied sciences	0	0.00%	15	1.12%
Fine and applied arts	60	5.11%	50	3.72%
Health professionals, science and technologies	135	11.49%	190	14.13%
Humanities and related fields	40	3.40%	20	1.49%
Mathematics and physical sciences	15	1.28%	15	1.12%
Social sciences and related fields	70	5.96%	60	4.46%
Other and/or no specialization	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Total people with post secondary qualifications	1,175	100.00%	1,345	100.00%
Females with post-secondary qualifications	580	49.36%	680	50.56%
Males with post-secondary qualifications	595	50.64%	665	49.44%

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

Labour Force

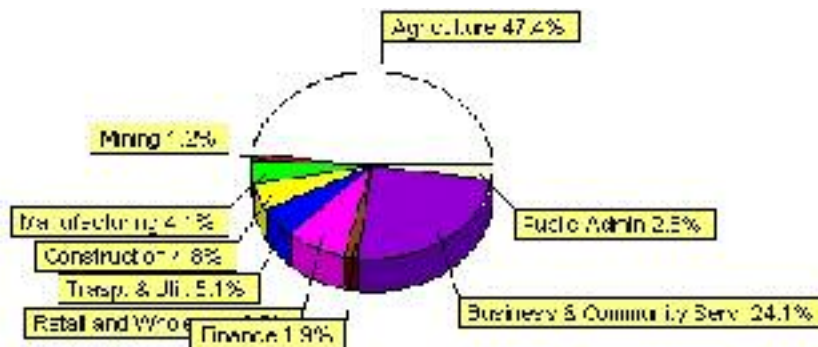
Labour force by activity	1996	2001
In the labour force, both sexes	2,975	2,945
Not in the labour force, both sexes	685	985
Total population 15 and over	3,660	3,925
Employed, both sexes	2,880	2,875
Unemployed, both sexes	95	70
Participation rate, both sexes	81.00%	75.00%
Unemployment rate, both sexes	3.00%	2.00%

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	1,640	55.59%	1,385	47.35%
Mining	20	0.68%	35	1.20%
Manufacturing	135	4.58%	120	4.10%
Construction	120	4.07%	140	4.79%
Transportation. & Utilities	115	3.90%	150	5.13%
Retail and Wholesale	265	8.98%	235	8.03%
Finance	70	2.37%	55	1.88%
Business & Community Services	460	15.59%	705	24.10%
Public Administration	25	0.85%	75	2.56%
Total All Industries	2,950	100.00%	2,925	100.00%

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

Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of Labour Force By Industry - 2001



Labour Force by Major Occupational Groups	1996	%	2001	%
Management occupations	90	3.05%	180	6.15%
Business, Finances and administrative occupations	315	10.66%	280	9.57%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	10	0.34%	55	1.88%
Health occupations	95	3.21%	125	4.27%
Occupations in social science; education; government and religion	110	3.72%	150	5.13%
Occupations in art; culture; recreation and sport	35	1.18%	30	1.03%

Sales and service occupations	460	15.57%	285	9.74%
Trades; transport; equipment operators and related occupations	315	10.66%	425	14.53%
Occupations unique to primary industry	1,485	50.25%	1,355	46.32%
Occupations unique to processing; manufacturing and utilities	40	1.35%	45	1.54%
Occupations not elsewhere classified	25	0.85%	20	0.68%
Total - All Occupations (major groups)	2,955	100.00%	2,925	100.00%
Females - All Occupations	1,290	43.65%	1,225	41.88%
Males - All Occupations	1,665	56.35%	1,695	57.95%

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	175	14.83%	125	11.11%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	405	34.32%	350	31.11%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	320	27.12%	310	27.56%
\$60,000 and over	280	23.73%	340	30.22%
Total number of families	1,180	100.00%	1,125	100.00%
Average family income	\$45,840		\$64,301	
Median family income	\$40,557		\$50,916	

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	295	20.42%	190	12.30%
\$20,000 - \$39,999	485	33.56%	440	28.48%
\$40,000 - \$59,999	355	24.57%	300	19.42%
\$60,000 and over	85	5.88%	610	39.48%
Total number of households	1,445	100.00%	1,545	100.00%
Average household income	\$42,252		\$61,242	
Median household income	\$37,623		\$48,096	

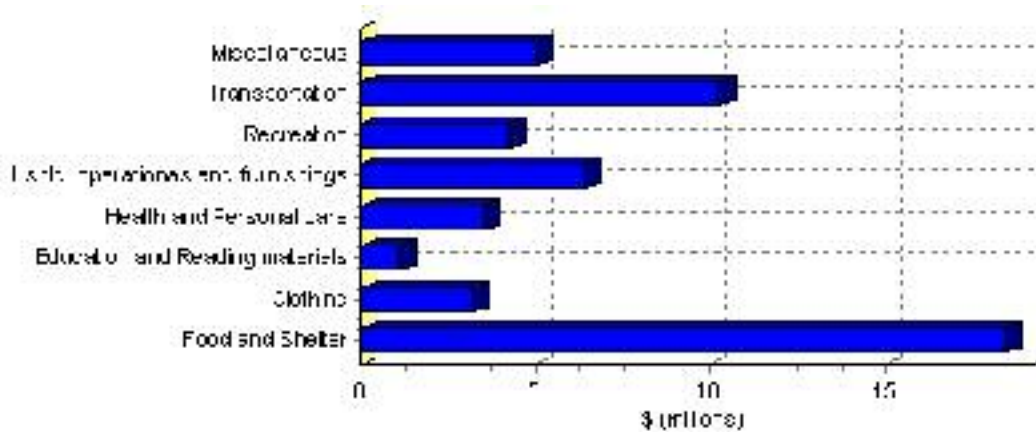
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Family Expenditure

Expenditure Category	1992	% of total	1996	% of total
Food and Shelter	\$14,923,135	37.08%	\$18,463,162	35.38%
Clothing	\$2,730,510	6.78%	\$3,200,458	6.13%
Education and Reading materials	\$827,965	2.06%	\$1,086,791	2.08%
Health and Personal care	\$2,501,355	6.21%	\$3,486,544	6.68%
Hshld. operations and furnishings	\$4,414,025	10.97%	\$6,396,042	12.26%
Recreation	\$3,252,985	8.08%	\$4,252,387	8.15%
Transportation	\$8,294,165	20.61%	\$10,241,928	19.63%
Miscellaneous	\$3,293,580	8.18%	\$5,053,613	9.68%
Total Current Consumption	\$40,249,690	100.00%	\$52,180,925	100.00%
Total # of Households	1,355		1,447	
Average Consumption per Household	\$29,705		\$36,061	

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

Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of Family Expenditures (1996)

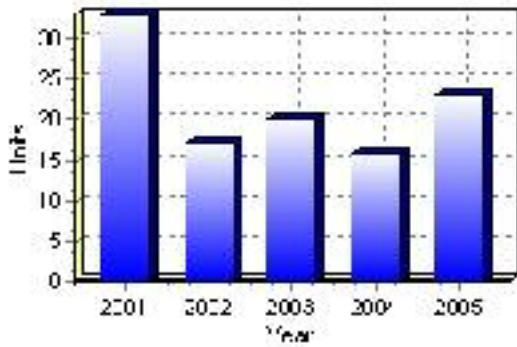


Building Permits

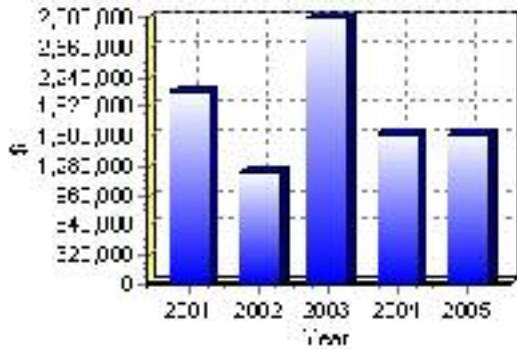
Total Building Permit Values	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Building Permits Value, Commercial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$60,000
Building Permits Value, Industrial	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0
Building Permits Value, Institutional	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0
Building Permits Value, Residential	\$2,076,000	\$1,223,000	\$2,844,000	\$1,599,000	\$1,563,000
Building Permits Value, Total	\$2,076,000	\$1,223,000	\$2,884,000	\$1,629,000	\$1,623,000
Total Housing Starts	33	17	20	16	23

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	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Detached Duplexes	0	0.00%	5	0.32%
Movable Dwellings	55	3.79%	75	4.82%
Other single attached house	0	0.00%	0	0.00%
Row and semi-detached house	10	0.69%	15	0.96%
Single-detached house	1,370	94.48%	1,465	94.21%
Total number of occupied private dwellings	1,450	100.00%	1,555	100.00%
Private dwellings, owned	1,080	74.48%	1,235	79.42%
Private Dwellings, rented	360	24.83%	305	19.61%

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	375	24.43%
Period of construction, 1946 - 1960	165	10.75%
Period of construction, 1961 - 1970	160	10.42%
Period of construction, 1971 - 1980	335	21.82%
Period of construction, 1981 - 1990	265	17.26%
Period of construction, 1991 - 2001	235	15.31%
Total number of private dwellings constructed	1,535	100.00%

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

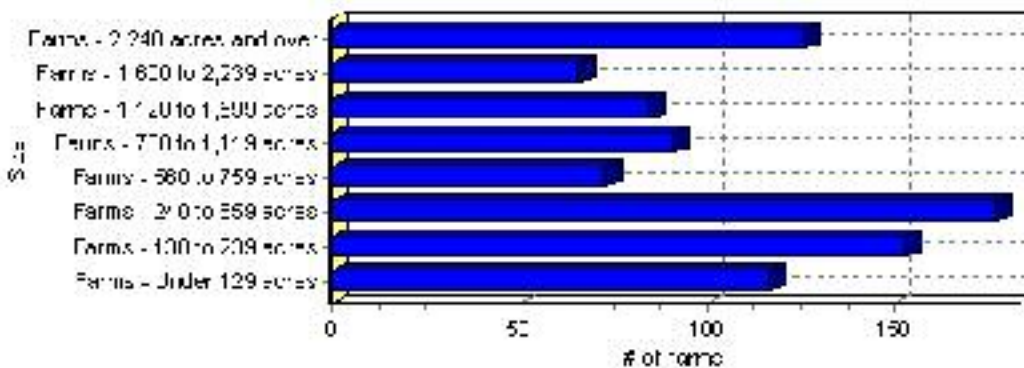
Farming

Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of Total Farm Area : 890 acres

Farms by Total Farm Area (2001)	# of Farms	% of total
Farms - Under 129 acres	117	13.18%
Farms - 130 to 239 acres	153	17.23%
Farms - 240 to 559 acres	177	19.93%
Farms - 560 to 759 acres	73	8.22%
Farms - 760 to 1,119 acres	91	10.25%
Farms - 1,120 to 1,599 acres	85	9.57%
Farms - 1,600 to 2,239 acres	66	7.43%
Farms - 2,240 acres and over	126	14.19%
Total number of farms reporting	888	100.00%

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

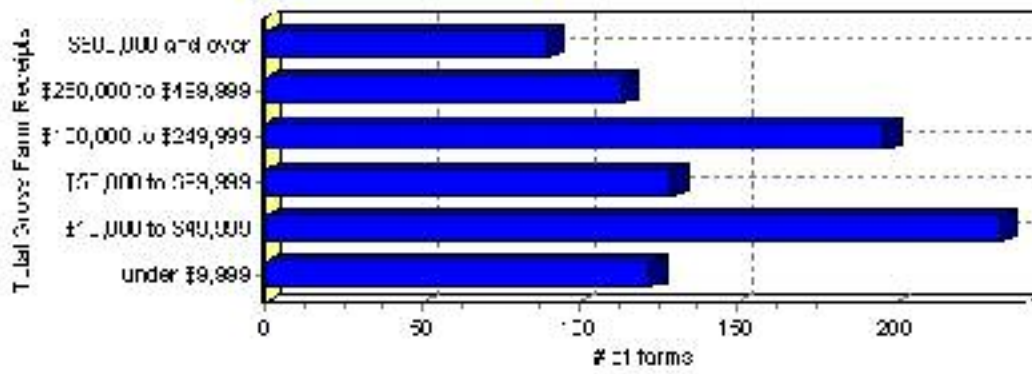
of Farms by Total Farm Area



Farms by Total Gross Farm Receipts - 2001	# of Farms	% of total
Farms gross farm receipts - under \$9,999	123	13.85%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$10,000 to \$49,999	234	26.35%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$50,000 to \$99,999	130	14.64%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$100,000 to \$249,999	197	22.18%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$250,000 to \$499,999	114	12.84%
Farms gross farm receipts - \$500,000 and over	90	10.14%
Total number of farms reporting	888	100.00%

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

Total Gross Farm Receipts

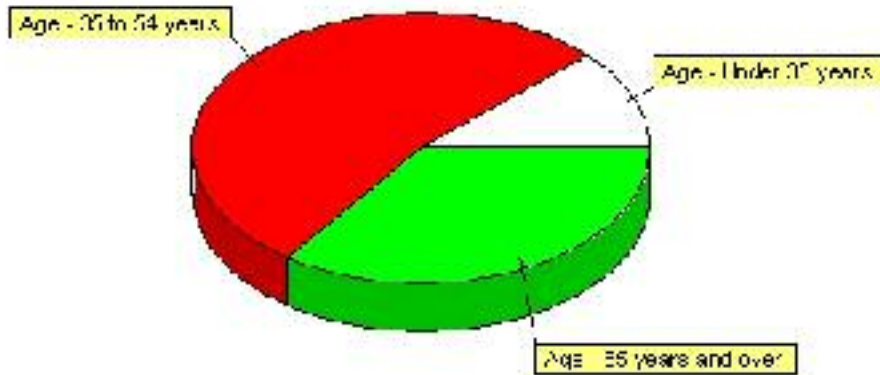


Farming, Continued

Characteristics of Farm Operators	#	%
Age - Under 35 years	150	12.05%
Age - 35 to 54 years	660	53.01%
Age - 55 years and over	435	34.94%
Average age of operators	50	
Number of operators - Female	355	28.51%
Number of operators - Male	890	71.49%
Total number of operators reporting	1,245	100.00%

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

Age of Farm Operators



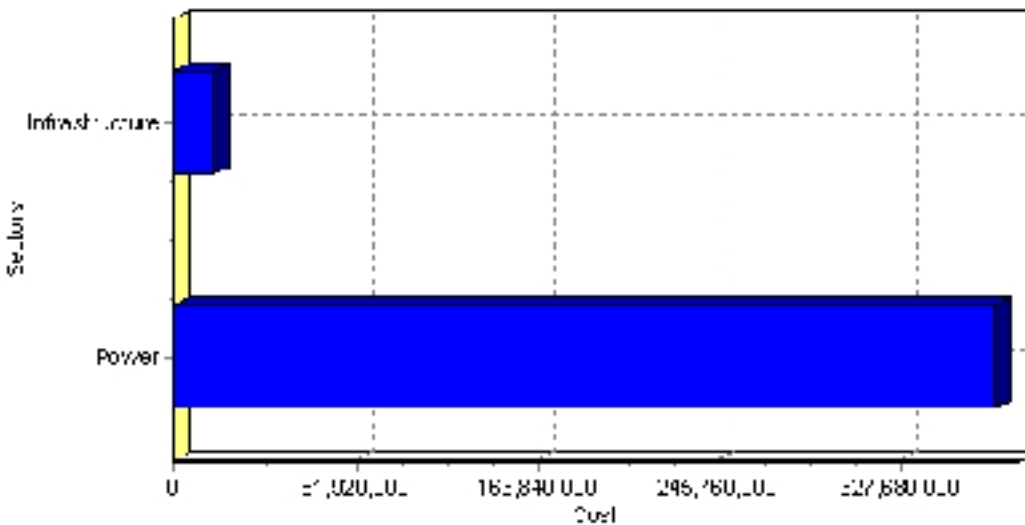
Projects

Summary of Projects in Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of as of September 2006

Project Sector	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Power	3	\$370,000,000
Infrastructure	4	\$18,100,000
Total	7	\$388,100,000

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Value of Projects by Sector (as of September 2006)



Project Status	Number of Projects	Project Cost
Completed	4	\$80,100,000
Proposed	2	\$108,000,000
Under Construction	1	\$200,000,000
Total	7	\$388,100,000

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Largest Projects in Willow Creek No. 26, M.D. of as of September 2006

Company Name	Project Description	Project Location	Project Cost	Construction Schedule	Status
Windrise Power Inc.	Wind Farm (99MW) Phases 1 and 2	MD of Willow Creek (S of Fort Macleod)	\$200,000,000	2006-2008	Under Construction
Vision Quest Windpower	'Blue Trail' Wind Power Project (60MW)	MD of Willow Creek (SW of Fort Macleod)	\$100,000,000	-	Proposed
GW Power Corp.	'Soderglen' Wind Power Project (75 MW)	MD of Willow Creek	\$70,000,000	2006-2006	Completed
Town of Claresholm	PINE COULEE WATER PIPELINE	MD of Willow Creek (Pine Coulee Reservoir to Claresholm)	\$8,000,000	-	Proposed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	SH 519 Widen and Base Pave	MD of Willow Creek (E of SH 811)	\$4,800,000	2005-2006	Completed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	Highway 3 Pave	MD of Willow Creek (W of SH810 to W of Hwy 2)	\$3,300,000	2006-2006	Completed
Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation	SH 785 Pave	MD of Willow Creek (Hwy 2 to Head Smashed In BJ)	\$2,000,000	2006-2006	Completed

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