

## **Introduction**

### **The Municipal Profile Project**

This is one of a series of profiles produced in collaboration with the Federation of PEI Municipalities, the member municipalities, and Human Resources Development Canada.

Information for the 30 municipal profiles was gathered from interviews with municipal administrators, from Statistics Canada Census data, from PEI Government publications, and from many other helpful individuals and agencies.

Contact information for this municipality, Human Resources Development Canada, and the Federation of PEI Municipalities may be found at the end of the profile. A list of all 30 municipal profiles is attached in **Appendix I**.

### **Interpretation of Census Data**

The 1996 Census data were collected either from 100 % of the population or on a sample basis (i.e. from a random sample of one in five households) with the data weighted up to provide estimates for the entire population.

For all census products released, procedures are applied to prevent the possibility of associating statistical data with any identifiable individual. The data are randomly rounded and they are suppressed for certain geographic areas. Random rounding is a method whereby all figures in a tabulation, including totals, are randomly rounded (either up or down) to a multiple of “5” and in some cases “10”. This technique provides strong protection against disclosure, without adding significant error to census data.

Census terms referred to in this document can be found in **Appendix II**.

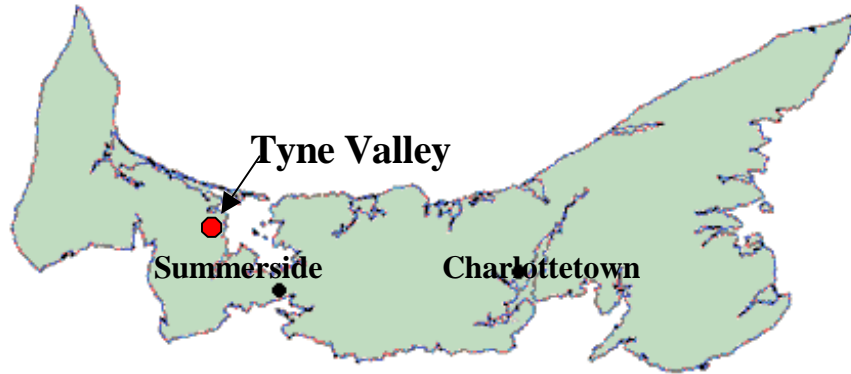
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## Municipal Profile: Tyne Valley, Prince Edward Island

Tyne Valley is located near the western shores of Malpeque Bay, along the Lady Slipper Scenic Drive (Route 12). The community encompasses a land area of 1.02 square km.

### Prince Edward Island



Tyne Valley is part of the federal electoral riding of Egmont and the provincial electoral district #23, Cascumpec-Grand River.

The community is located in Prince County, at the junction of routes 12 and 167, east off the provincial highway Route 2 which is the main artery through the Island. The nearest large service centre is the City of Summerside.

In 1765, the Tyne Valley area was known as “The Landing”, as lumber floated up the Trout River from the shipyards at Bideford and Port Hill. The community was named Tyne Valley in 1868, after the River Tyne in England. At that time, the community’s economy was bustling, with a blacksmith, cheese factory, tannery, tailor, carriage shop, plasterer, shoemaker, grist mills, and saw mills. The area’s shipbuilding history is commemorated in nearby Green Park Provincial Park. This, in addition to a local theatre group and an annual folk music festival contribute to keeping Tyne Valley’s cultural life rich and vital.

| Distances                                  |        |
|--|--------|
| Charlottetown                              | 106 km |
| Confederation Bridge<br>(to New Brunswick) | 62 km  |
| Summerside                                 | 35 km  |
| Wood Islands Ferry<br>(to Nova Scotia)     | 167 km |

## Population

The 1996 Census reports the population of Tyne Valley to be 231, which marks a 7.4% increase since 1991. This growth is greater than the increase in the provincial population, which was 3.7%. 50% of the population of Tyne Valley is male and 50% is female. Tyne Valley has a higher than average proportion of people aged 15-24 and of people aged 65 and over, approximately 8% higher in each of these two categories.

## Language and Ethnic Origin

All residents of Tyne Valley indicated in the 1996 Census that their mother tongue was English. 9% of the population knows both English and French.

Many residents of Tyne Valley have ancestry from the British Isles. 68% of the population has some Scottish ancestry. 59% have some English, and 25% have some Irish heritage. 55% indicated Canadian origins.

## Education

The following table represents the highest level of education obtained by Tyne Valley residents 15 years of age and older.

| <b>Population by Highest Level of Schooling</b> |                         |                        |            |
|---|-------------------------|------------------------|------------|
|   | <b>Number of People</b> | <b>% of Population</b> | <b>PEI</b> |
| Less than Grade 9                               | 10                      | 6%                     | 13%        |
| Grade 9 to 12                                   | 90                      | 51%                    | 28%        |
| High School Diploma                             | 0                       | 0%                     | 5%         |
| Some Post-Secondary                             | 65                      | 37%                    | 33%        |
| University Degree                               | 10                      | 6%                     | 21%        |

Source: 1996 Census

Of Tyne Valley's working age population, 15 years of age and older, 57% have less than Grade 12 education and 43% possess a high school diploma or higher. 6% of the working age population have obtained a university degree. Compared to the province as a whole, Tyne Valley residents have lower levels of education. Provincially, 41% have less than Grade 12 education.

## Labour Force Activity

The Census reference week was the week of May 5, 1996. The labour force activity

reported refers to the conditions during that week. In P.E.I., May is the month in which seasonal activity is beginning to increase as farmers prepare the land, fishers gear up, construction activity picks up and tourism operators begin to prepare for the coming season. Employment reaches its peak in August and remains high through to and including October. During the Census reference week in May 1996, Tyne Valley had a working age population of 175. The labour force counted 95 people and of these, 55 were employed.

## Major Industries and Occupations

### Labour Force by Industry

Tyne Valley has a labour force of 100. The following industries are those with which the Tyne Valley labour force is associated: fishing and trapping industries; accommodation, food and beverage service industries; other service industries; agricultural and related service industries; transportation and storage industries; retail trade industries; government service industries; and educational service industries.

### Agriculture

Agriculture is an important economic activity in and around Tyne Valley. The following table presents the value of farm activity in and around Tyne Valley. Due to confidentiality constraints, Census of Agriculture data was only available for the large area, Lot 13 that includes Tyne Valley as well as other surrounding communities and unincorporated areas.

|                           | <b>Lot 13</b>  | <b>Provincial Total</b> |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| Total number of farms     | 41             | 2,217                   |
| Total area of farms       |                |                         |
| Acres                     | 10,808         | 655,365                 |
| Hectares                  | 4,374          | 265,217                 |
| Total farm capital        | \$20.5 million | \$1,417 billion         |
| Total gross farm receipts | \$6.0 million  | \$349.2 million         |
| Total farm expenses       | \$4.6 million  | \$288.6 million         |

Source: 1996 Census of Agriculture, Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada.

This area has approximately 1.8% of the total number of farms in PEI and represents approximately 1.6% of the total provincial acreage. Total gross farm receipts in the area were about 1.7% of the provincial total.

### Labour Force by Occupation

According to the 1996 Census, the following occupations were held by Tyne Valley's labour force: sales and service occupations; occupations unique to primary industry; management occupations; occupations in social science, education, government service

and religion; and trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations.

## **Business and Commerce**

At the time of this report, the following businesses were operating in Tyne Valley:

### **Accommodations**

The Doctor's Inn Bed & Breakfast  
Valleyview Bed & Breakfast  
Ford's Bed & Breakfast

### **Food and Beverage**

Doctor's Inn  
Shipwright's Café  
Tyne Valley Dairy Bar

### **Retail – Service - Other**

Eastern Overhead Doors PEI Ltd.  
Ferguson's Funeral Home  
Kevin Kadey Accounting Services  
MacNeill's Convenience Store (grocery,  
pizza, café, movie rentals)  
Organic Market Garden  
Rafferty Septic Tank Cleaning Star  
Rural Realty Co. Ltd.  
S.P. Dubey (architect)  
Shear Image (hairstylist)  
Shoreline Sweaters  
Tyne Valley Drug Mart  
Tyne Valley Fireman's Club  
Tyne Valley Irving  
Tyne Valley Liquor Store  
Tyne Valley Play School  
Tyne Valley Fire Hall Complex (houses Fire  
Department as well as bowling lanes)  
Tyne Valley Studio and Gallery

## **Transportation**

Tyne Valley is located at the junction of Routes 12 and 167, approximately 5 km from the provincial main highway, Route 2. This highway is the primary link between Tyne Valley and the nearest city, Summerside, as well as the Confederation Bridge which connects the Island with the mainland.

Tyne Valley has an airstrip at the former Mount Pleasant Flying Club.

## **Housing and Real Estate**

According to the 1996 Census, there are 75 occupied private dwellings in Tyne Valley. 80% of these are single-detached houses and 20% are apartment units. P.E.I. Housing has 11 seniors apartment units in Tyne Valley. There are also a number of privately owned seniors units. The average Multiple Listing Service list prices for homes in the East Prince region, as of March 1998 are:

\$54,638 for a 1 or 2 bedroom home;  
\$91,755 for a 5 (or more) bedroom home;  
\$69,333 overall average.

Source: PEI Real Estate Association

## Education

### Pre-school

Tyne Valley Play School  
First Step Kindergarten of Ellerslie Inc.

### Elementary

Nearby Ellerslie Elementary School teaches grades 1 through 6 and has an enrolment of 234. <http://www.edu.pe.ca/ellerslie>

### Intermediate

Intermediate school students (grades 7 through 9) attend Hernewood Junior High; enrolment 430.

### Secondary

High school students attend Westisle High School which teaches grades 10 through 12 and has a student population of 748. <http://www.itas.net/westislercmp/index.htm>

### Post-Secondary

Adjacent Ellerslie is host to a Holland College campus offering programs in aquaculture technology at its on-site fish and shellfish hatchery on Malpeque Bay.

## Health Care Facilities

Tyne Valley's hospital is the Stewart Memorial Hospital. This facility has adjoined the Stewart Memorial Manor and Acute Care, a long term care facility. The Tyne Valley clinic houses 2 doctors. The community also has a pharmacy and is served by West Prince Ambulance out of O'Leary. For dental and other medical or health services, area residents travel to Wellington, O'Leary, or Summerside.

## Points of Service

### Access PEI

Access PEI is the regional services centre covering the East Prince area. Located in Summerside, its offices include the following provincial departments and community organizations:

- Agriculture and Forestry
- Apprenticeship Training
- Client Services
- Crown Attorney
- Culture, Heritage and Recreation
- Emergency Measures
- Enterprise PEI
- Family Support Order Program
- Highway Safety Division
- Licenses and Permits
- Planning and Inspection services
- Prince County Premiers Office
- Probation Services
- Provincial Treasury
- Staffing and Classification
- Tax Payments

### Community Access Program

The Community Access Program (CAP) makes available to the general public computers with internet access. Tyne Valley has a CAP site at the public library. There is also a CAP site at the Ellerslie School.

Canada Post offers its usual range of services at the Tyne Valley Post Office.

## **Municipal Services**

The Community of Tyne Valley provides sewer services for some properties. Most properties have their own wells. Waste pickup and disposal is handled by the East Prince Waste Management Commission.

Fire protection is provided by the Tyne Valley Fire Department and police protection is provided by the RCMP.

### **Tax rates**

Municipal Tax Rates for Tyne Valley in 1998 are \$0.45 per \$100 of assessment for commercial properties and \$0.35 for non-commercial properties. The annual sewer rates are \$60.00.

## **Recreation Facilities and Programs**

Tyne Valley Community Sports Centre – the rink offers minor hockey program, rec. hockey, senior hockey, figure skating.

Ball field -- minor ball program

Adult and children's bowling leagues

The Old Tyne Valley Downs race track is now used by locals for training their horses

Privately operated cod-jigging tours

Palmyra Nature Trail is a local trail looping off the Confederation Trail, through forested areas and around the pond in Tyne Valley.

In and around the Tyne Valley area, anglers can fish for brook trout in several locations, including: Milligan's Pond, Grigg's (Ellerslie) Pond, Hanson's Pond, Robinson's Pond, the Enmore River, the Foxley River, and the Trout River.

There is duck hunting in areas near the community.



## Cultural Facilities and Events

- **Brittania Hall Theatre:** The Tyne Valley Players, a local theatre group stages two shows per year, in spring and in autumn. Britannia Hall Young Players stage a spring production. There is a summer theatre school. Other shows and events are on a booking basis.
- **Historic Yeo House** shipbuilding museum in nearby Green Park in Port Hill. The park puts on activities and programs, including the Green Park Music Festival, and Canada Day celebrations.
- **Oyster museum** at the Ellerslie fishery station
- **Larry Gorman Folk Music Festival**
- **Tyne Valley Oyster Festival**

## Churches

There are two churches in Tyne Valley – United and Presbyterian. Adjacent Ellerslie has an Anglican church.

## Meeting Facilities

Meeting space is available at the Fire Hall, the Village Office, and the Ellerslie Legion.

## Community Organizations

The following lists some of the organizations active in the community of Tyne Valley.

- Boy Scouts and Girl Guides
- Britannia Hall Young Players
- Community school
- Interdenominational youth group
- Legion Ladies Auxiliary
- Lioness Club
- Tyne Valley Development Corporation
- Tyne Valley Players
- Women's Institute
- Youth Service Canada/Tyne Valley Development

## Contact Information

To find out more about the community of Tyne Valley, contact one of the following organizations:

### The Community of Tyne Valley

P.O. Box 39,  
Tyne Valley, PEI  
C0B 2C0

Tel: (902) 831-2719 (Chair)

Office hours: No fixed hours

Council meeting: Second Tuesday of month, 8:00PM

Incorporated: 1966

Chairperson: Rod J. MacNeill

Administrator: Marie Barlow

Councillors: Paul Biggar  
Frank Hansen

## Federation of PEI Municipalities

The Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities is a body formed for the purpose of representing in one organization the various cities, towns, resort municipalities, and incorporated communities within the Province of Prince Edward Island.

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Web site: <http://www.munisource.org/fpeim/>

## **Human Resources Development Canada**

Tyne Valley is served by the Summerside Human Resource Centre. For information on programs and services offered by HRDC, you may visit our website at:

<http://www.pe.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/common/>

This site also contains links to other sites of interest.

### **Summerside Human Resource Centre**

PO Box 2000

243 Harbour Drive

Summerside, Prince Edward Island

Canada CIN 5P5

The Summerside Human Resource Centre provides a full line of Human Resources Development Canada service in both official languages to the Eastern portion of Prince County from the community of Tyne Valley in the West to the Prince and Queens County line in the East, including lot 20 in Queens County. The area has a labour force of 16,000 people.

#### Hours of operation:

8.30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday to Friday

#### Telephone Numbers:

Employment Insurance Inquiries: 902-432-6835

Long Distance Exchanges (English): 1-800-206-7218,

(French): 1-800-808-63 52

Job lines-. 902-432-6812, 902-432-6813, 902-432-6834

#### Employment Services:

General enquiries: 902-432-6804 Employer Job Orders: 902-432-6823

#### Records of Employment:

Enquiries: 902-432-6840

Orders: 902-432-6805 Toll Free: 1-800-578-6821

#### Income Security Programs:

(Canada Pension/Old Age Security)

English: 1-800-277-9914

French: 1-800-277-9915

Human Resource Centre for Students: (May to August) 432-6890

## Appendix I

The following municipalities are members of the Federation of Prince Edward Island Municipalities. A profile of each municipality was created during the Municipal Profile Project between February and June, 1998.

City of Charlottetown  
City of Summerside  
Town of Alberton  
Town of Cornwall  
Town of Georgetown  
Town of Kensington  
Town of Montague  
Town of Souris  
Town of Stratford  
Community of Abrams Village  
Community of Borden-Carleton  
Community of Brudenell  
Community of Cardigan  
Community of Central Bedeque  
Community of Crapaud  
Community of Kinkora  
Community of Miscouche  
Community of Morell  
Community of Murray Harbour  
Community of New Haven-Riverdale  
Community of North Rustico  
Community of O’Leary  
Community of Resort Municipality  
Community of St. Louis  
Community of St. Peter’s Bay  
Community of Tignish  
Community of Tyne Valley  
Community of Victoria  
Community of Wellington  
Community of Winsloe South

## Appendix II

### Census Definitions

The following definitions are provided to assist readers in understanding the terminology used in the census data in this report. For further explanation or details please contact the Labour Market Information unit of Human Resource Development Canada.

**Average Employment Income of Individuals** - is calculated from unrounded data by dividing the aggregate employment income of a specified group of individuals by the number of individuals with employment income in that group. It refers to individuals 15 years and over who reported employment income for the calendar year 1995.

**Census Family** - refers to:

- 1) a now married couple (with or without never -married sons and /or daughters of either or both spouses), or
- 2) a couple living common-law (with or without never-married sons and/or daughters of either or both spouses ), or
- 3) a lone parent of any marital status, with at least one never-married son or daughter living in the same dwelling.

**Census reference date** - May 14, 1996

**Census reference week** - The census reference week was the week prior to enumeration.

**Employed** - includes all persons who worked for pay or in self-employment in the paid labour force in the week prior to enumeration. This includes all persons working for wages or salaries, all self-employed persons (with or with out paid help) working in their own business, farm or professional practice, and all persons working without pay in a family farm or business during the reference week. (The “employed “ also includes persons who were absent from their job or business for a variety of reasons.)

**Employment income by work activity** - refers to total income received by persons 15 years of age and over during the calendar year 1995 as wages and salaries; net income from non-farm unincorporated business and /or professional practice and net farm self-employment income for all jobs held. Included in this is both full time work (i.e. 30 hours or more per week) and part time (less than 30 hours per week) as well as those who worked full year (49- 52 weeks of the year ) or part of the year ( less than 49 weeks per year) .

**Ethnic origin** - refers to the ethnic or cultural group(s) to which the respondents ancestors belonged. (An ancestor was defined as someone from whom a person is descended and is usually more distant than grandparent). Respondents were asked to specify as many groups as applicable.

**Knowledge of Official Languages** - refers to the ability to conduct a conversation in English only, in French only, in both English and French or in neither of the official languages of Canada.

**Knowledge of Non-official Languages** - Refers to languages, other than English or French, in which the respondent can conduct a conversation.

**Labour Force** - refers to those persons 15 years of age and older, excluding institutional residents who were employed or unemployed during the week (Sunday to Saturday) prior to census day

**Mother tongue** - refers to the first language learned at home in childhood and still understood by the individual at the time of the census.

**Participation rate** - refers to the total labour force in the week (Sunday to Saturday) prior to Census day, expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over, excluding institutional residents.

**Unemployed** - refers to persons 15 years of age and over, excluding institutional residents, who, during the week (Saturday to Sunday) prior to Census Day, were without paid work and were available for work and either; 1) had actively looked for work in the past four weeks; or 2) were on temporary lay-off and expected to return to their job ; or 3) had definite arrangements to start a new job in four weeks or less.

**Unemployment rate** - refers to the unemployed labour force expressed as a percentage of the total labour force in the week (Sunday to Saturday) prior to Census Day. Data are available for persons 15 years of age and over, excluding institutional residents.

**Visible minority** - the employment equity act definition was used. It defines Visible minorities as persons (other than Aboriginal Persons) who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in color.

**Working age population** - refers to the number of persons in the total population who are 15 years of age and over, excluding institutional residents.