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INTRODUCTION

This report presents statistical profiles for Alberta's 83 **Provincial Electoral Divisions (PEDs)**, which are based on the electoral boundaries as defined by the Alberta Electoral Divisions Act, Chapter E-4.1, 2003. A PED is a territorial unit represented by an elected Member to serve in the Alberta Provincial Legislative Assembly.

Data in this report have been specially tabulated from Statistics Canada's 2006 Census of Canada, by geographic allocation of Statistics Canada enumeration areas to PEDs. The information contained in the 2008 PED Profiles report is based on 2006 Census of Canada releases 1 through 5, of 8 total modules to be released by May 2008. These data were produced from the 20% sample of households and include the following characteristics: age, sex, marital status, household types, language, ethnic origin, place of birth, mobility, and dwelling characteristics.

On some Indian reserves and Indian settlements in the 2006 Census, enumeration was either not permitted or interrupted before it could be completed. Data are therefore not available for the incompletely enumerated reserves and settlements, and thus are not included in the profiles. Three PEDs are affected: Foothills-Rocky View, Lac La Biche-St. Paul, and Lesser Slave Lake. Users are advised to refer to the appendices for further information regarding data quality, definitions and electoral maps.

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