alberta community profile

Name of Community: PINCHER CREEK

Region: LETHBRIDGE

=OVERVIEW ==

Population:

3800

As Of: 88.11.01

Distance From Major Centres:

192 KM (119 MI) SOUTH OF CALGARY

96 KM (60 MI) WEST OF LETHBRIDGE

Connecting Highway(s):

CROWSNEST HWY 3, HWY 6

Railway(s):

CANADIAN PACIFIC

Major Economic Base:

- AGRICULTURE

NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION

LOCATION

County/District: M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK #9

Census Division: 3

Elevation: 1152 Meters 3778.56 Feet

Latitude:

49 Deg. 29 Min. Longitude: 113 Deg.

57 Min.

CLIMATE

Temperature

Seasonal Averages:

January -10.2 C 13.6 F

April

3.4 C 32.0 F

July

16.5 C 38.1 F

October |

6.1 C 61.7 F

Annual Precipitation:

59 cm.

2.40 in.

Rain:

35 cm.

3.68 in.

Snow:

245 cm.

96.17 in.

Frost Free Days:

106

Hours Sunshine/Year:

2370





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTACTS

Municipal

ARIS, S.
CHRMN. PINCHER CREEK & DISTR. EC. DEV. BOARD
753 KETTLES STREET, P.O. BOX 2497
PINCHER CREEK, ALBERTA
TOK 1WO

Telephone: (403)627-4406

Alberta Economic Development & Trade Regional Office

JEFF MOTHERWELL AND RON WEGNER BUSINESS COUNSELLOR 249, 200 - 5 AVE. S. LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA TIJ 4C7

Telephone: (403)381-5414

As Of: 86.12.31

POPULATION —

	TOTAL MALE	COMMUNITY TOTAL FEMALE	TOTAL	COUNTY ===== TOTAL
1976	1725	1720	3445	7433
1981	1900	1855	3755	8471
1986	1905	1895	3800	7183
CURRENT ESTIMATE	1910	1890	3800	7183

POPULATION BREAKDOWN

AGE	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL
===	=====	======	====
0 - 4	150	150	300
5 - 9	145	135	280
10 - 14	150	130	280
15 - 19	165	150	315
20 - 24	185	150	335
25 - 34	315	315	630
35 - 44	225	230	455
45 - 54	175	170	345
55 - 64	175	175	0
65 +	220	290	0
TOTAL	1905	1895	3800

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_ LABOUR FORCE

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POTENTIAL LABOUR FORCE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
(15-65 YRS)	1255	1300	1420	1415	1435	1370
EMPLOYED	955	580	1155	720	1030	725
UNEMPLOYED	25	25	15	50	65	65
PARTICIPATION RATE	79	47	82	54	76	58
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	3	4	1	7	6	8

FAMILY UNITS AND AVERAGE INCOME ————

Average Individual Income: 18550

Families In Private Households: 1015

Average Income: 37737

One Person Households: 270

MAJOR AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT

INDUSTRY	LABOUR FORCE
PRIMARY INDUSTRY	185
MANUFACTURING	155
CONSTRUCTION	165
TRANSPORT, COMM. AND OTHER UTILITI	
TRADE	435
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	
COMMUNITY, BUSINESS AND PERSONAL S	
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND DEFENSE	90
EXPERIENCED LABOUR FORCE (ALL IND	

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MANUFACTURERS ————

Company: SHELL CANDA LTD.

Major Products:

- SULPHUR - PENTANES

- PROPANE

Exporter: Y Staff Range: 250-499

Company: TIGER BRAND KNITTING CO. LTD

Major Products:

- SPORTSWEAR

- T-SHIRTS

- GOLF SHIRTS

- JOGGING SUITS

Exporter: N Staff Range: 20 - 49

Company: W F C INDUSTRIES LTD

Major Products:

- WELDING

- OILFIELD MAINTENANCE

- PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION

Exporter: N Staff Range: 10 - 19

Company: LAZY P WESTERN WEAR

Major Products:

- CHILDREN'S WESTERN WEAR

Exporter: N Staff Range: 5 - 9

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MANUFACTURERS (CONTINUED)

Company: PINCHER CREEK MEAT PROCESSORS 1986 LTD.

Major Products:

- MEAT PATTIES - SAUSAGES

Exporter: N Staff Range: 5 - 9

Company: HOCHSTEIN WELDING

Major Products:

- CUSTOM WELDING

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 1 - 4

Company: GREEN FIELD INSTRUMENTATION LTD.

Major Products:

- INSTRUMENT DESIGN

Exporter: N

Staff Range:

Company: O'SULLIVAN REG CONSTRUCTION CO LTD

Major Products:

- READY MIX CONCRETE

Exporter: N

Staff Range:

Company: GLACIER AMMONIA

Major Products:

- ANHYDROUS AMMONIA FERTILIZER

Exporter: Y

Staff Range: 20-49

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ompany: KYLON IND	JSTRIES
Major Products:	
6.	- WELDING - OILFIELD MAINTENANCE
Exporter: N	Staff Range:
ompany: PINE CONE	CRAFTS
Major Products:	
	- CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS USING PINE CONES - WREATHES - BASKETS
Exporter: N	Staff Range: 5 -9

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TRANSPORTATION ——

CONNECTING HIGHWAYS LOAD LIMITS CONNECTING HIGHWAYS LOAD LIMITS

- HWY 3

N

- HWY 6

N

Truck Transport

- BYER'S TRANSPORT - MIKE'S TRANSPORT

- PINCHER COURIER

Available Warehouse and Terminal Facilities: YES, PINCHER CREEK MINI STORAGE

RAILWAYS

Railway Lines: CANADIAN PACIFIC

Spur Trackage: N

Intermodal Services: AT CALGARY, 192 KM (119 MI) NORTH

AIR SERVICES

Local Airstrip: Y

All Weather Facilities: Y

Nearest Airport: PINCHER CREEK AIRPORT

Longest Runway: 2011.68 M. 6598.31 FT.

Carriers (schedules/charter): DON HUGHES AIRCRAFT SERVICES LTD. AT LETHBRIDGE 96 KM (60 MI) EAST

Nearest Commercial Services: AT LETHBRIDGE

Nearest Air Freight Facilities: AT LETHBRIDGE

BUS SERVICES

Local: N

Intercommunity: REGULARLY SCHEDULED

= UTILITIES ——

Contact the Following for Service Rates and Details

ELECTRIC POWER

TRANSALTA UTILITIES CORP. 1022 MAIN ST. PINCHER CREEK, ALBERTA TOK 1WO (403)627-3190

NATURAL GAS

ICG UTILITIES (ALBERTA) LTD. 958 MAIN ST. PINCHER CREEK, ALBERTA TOK 1WO (403)627-3744

TELEPHONE

ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES 808 4 AVE. SOUTH LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA T1J OP2 (403)329-5911

WATER SUPPLY

Source of Water: PINCHER CREEK AND CASTLE RIVER

Reservoir Capacity - Treated Substance: 5,865 CU.M. 207,122.47 CU.FT.

Design Capacity: 6,284 CU.M. 221,919.46 CU.FT.

SEWAGE

Type of Treatment: LAGOON: 4 SHORT & 6 LONG DETENTION

Provision for Disposal of Chemicals:

NONE

UTILITIES (CONTINUED)

WATER ANALYSIS

For Surface Water Information, contact:

Alberta Environment
Pollution Control Division
Water Quality Control Branch
Edmonton: 427-5828
Calgary: 297-8271

For Drinking Water Information, contact:

Alberta Environment Pollution Control Division Municipal Engineering

Edmonton: 427-5837 Lethbridge: 381-5511 Grande Prairie: 538-5351 Red Deer: 340-5310

HAZARDOUS WASTE:

The Alberta Special Waste Management System undertakes the identification, receipt, movement, treatment and safe disposal of most hazardous wastes within the province. For further information, contact:

Alberta Environment Industrial Waste Branch 5th Floor, Oxbridge Place 9820-106 St. Edmonton, Alberta T5J-2J6

Phone: 427-5847

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MUNICIPAL SERVICES ——

GARBAGE

Method/Frequency of Collection

Industrial: THREE TIMES PER WEEK Commercial: THREE TIMES EPR WEEK Residential: WEEKLY

Fire Protection

VOLUNTEER FORCE

Police Protection

R.C.M.P.

Other Services

BLOCK PARENT COMMUNITY

MUNICIPAL FINANCE

Mill Rates (Year): 1986

Industrial/Commercial: 31.220

Residential: 26.660

Per Capita Debt: 397 Year: 1986

Year of Last General Assessment: 1981

Latest Total Assessment: 60,987,810

Equalized Assessment Per Capita: 5,698 Year: 1987

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As of November, 1988,

The town of Pincher Creek has one serviced industrial lot of 0.1 and 0.15 hectares (0.27 and 0.38 acres) available for sale. In addition 8 hectares (20 acres) of privatley held land east of the industrial park could be available for larger projects.

Several commercial industrial buildings are also available including:

- 836 square metres (9,000 square feet) cement block building, sectioned into 3 bays.
- 297 square metres (3,200 square feet) on 0.24 hectares (0.6 acres). Building dimensions 12.2 metres (40') x 2.4 metres (80').
- 245 square metres (2,640 square feet) metal building near railroad with fenced compound. Building dimensions 13.4 (44 feet) x 18.3 metres (60 feet).

= COMMERCIAL REALTORS =====

CENTURY 21 HEDDERICK REALTY
CASAL REAL ESTATE
CHIEF MOUNTAIN REALTY
RUYG & CO.
REALTY WORLD THOMPSON REAL ESTATE 1985
AMES INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE

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BUILDING PERMITS —

	VALUE (\$ 000)	% OF TOTAL	# PERMITS
RESIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTIONAL	611 419 24 13	57.3 39.3 2.2 1.2	7 N/A N/A N/A
TOTAL	1067	100.0	7

HOUSING —

Residential Lots - Availability

Single Detached Homes: AMPLE SUPPLY

Mobile Home Lots: LIMITED SUPPLY

3-Bdrm., 1200 Sq. Ft. Bungalow: - Sample

Average Cost (including land): 90000

Average Taxes (\$/year): 1214

Rental Accommodation

Apartments: 81 UNITS

Vacancy Rate - % 23.50 As of: 88.06.21

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= MEDICAL === Nearest Hospital: PINCHER CREEK Hospitals: 1 Number of Beds: 60 Number of Doctors: 5 Number of Surgeons: 2 Medical Clinics: 1 Ambulance Service: 1 Health Units: 1 Number of Dentists: Optometrists: 1 Number of Chiropractors: 1 Nursing Homes: O Senior Citizen Lodges: 1 Senior Citizen Housing: 1 = EDUCATION ———— Schools - Public and Private Boards Combined Day Care/Nursery: 2 Elementary: 2 Junior High: High School: 2 Vocational: Other: COMMUNITY SCHOOL IN CONJUNC-TION WITH MATTHEW HALTON HIGH SCHOOL CHINOOK EDUCATIONAL CONSORTIUM ADULT UPGRADING CORRESPONDENCE Additional Programs: NONE

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA CANADIAN IMPERIAL BANK OF COMMERCE TREASURY BRANCH PINCHER CREEK CREDIT UNION

⊢ COMMUNICATIONS ———

Newspapers:

For Newspaper Circulation (Advertising Areas of Influence) See DATA - Alberta Weekly Newspaper Association Yearly Publication

LETHBRIDGE HERALD (DAILY), PINCHER CREEK ECHO (WEEKLY)

Radio Stations:

LETHBRIDGE BROADCAST STATIONS

Television Stations:

LETHBRIDGE BROADCAST, CABLE T.V.

TOURIST/ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES

HOTELS: TOTAL: 2

- KING EDWARD HOTEL

- HERITAGE INN

MOTELS: TOTAL: 5

- PARKWAY MOTEL

- FOOTHILLS MOTEL

- STARDUST MOTEL

- BLUE MOUNTAIN MOTEL

MEETING FACILITIES

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEETING FACILITIES: 3

HERITAGE INN LIONS DEN HALL ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

=RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ===

GOLF COURSE & CLUBHOUSE 9 HOLE BALL PARKS (4), NEIGHBOURHOOD PARKS (4), CURLING RINK (4 SHEETS), TENNIS COURTS (4) GUEST RANCH, WEIGHT ROOM ARENA, SWIMMING POOL SQUASH COURTS (2) APLINE SKI (WESTCASTLE PARK) 6 LANE BOWLING ALLEY WESTCASTLE SKI HILL

- LIONS CLUB
 ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
 IOOF LODGE
 AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
 ALLIED ARTS COUNCIL
 MINOR BALL
 TOPS
 BROWNIES/GUIDES
 CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 ELKS CLUB
 MASONS FRATERNITY
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 HISTORICAL SOCIETY
 FILM SOCIETY
 MINOR HOCKEY
 SCOUTS/CUBS
 DRAMA CLUB
 4-H CLUBS, POST MASTER'S CLUB

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= REGIONAL RESOURCES ==

Resources Available Locally:

- NATURAL GAS

- LIVESTOCK

- HAY

- WILDERNESS

- FISHING

- FORESTS

- GRAINS

- COAL

- HUNTING AREAS

- RECREATION

Products: ANHYDROUS AMMONIA FERTILIZER

NATURAL GAS

CHILDREN'S WESTERN CLOTHING

SPORTSWEAR PROCESSED MEAT

∟HISTORY ——

The town of Pincher Creek owes its name to a party of absent-minded prospectors. In 1868, while the party was working beside the creek, a pair of pincers (a farrier's tool used for trimming horse's hooves) were lost. When they later returned to retrieve the pincers they left behind the commemorative name "Pincher Creek."

In 1874, when the Mounted Police came west, a half-dozen pioneers had settled along the creek. The N.W.M.P. Company in Fort Macleod established a ranch in the area to raise horses for the force. Although the ranch only operated until 1881, numerous members of the force remained in the area including Colonel Macleod.

Businesses began moving into town in 1883 and soon the largest mechandising businesses in southwestern Alberta were established by Charles Kettles. Numerous vestiges remain of this period in Pincher Creek's history including the Lebel Mansion which was transformed into St. Vincent's Hospital in 1924 and is now a designated historic site. Pincher Creek was granted town status in 1906. Climate and world events impacted the town with hard times in the thirties and both world wars claimed the services of many young men from the area. The post-war years brought prosperity in the farm and ranch sector as well as the emerging industrial sector. Gas fields south of town led to the establishement of two gas processing plants in the '50s.

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= GOVERNMENT =====

Municipal Office TOWN OF PINCHER CREEK

Administration Contact: MONTE CHRISTENSEN

Position: TOWN MANAGER

BOX 159

PINCHER CREEK, ALBERTA

TOK 1WO Telephone: (403)627-3156

Council: MAYOR DR. JUAN TERAN AND 6 COUNCILLORS

Next Election: 1989

Planning Authority

Contact:

Planning Authority:

OLDMAN RIVER REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

905 4 AVE. S.

LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA

TlJ 0P4 Telephone: (403)329-1344

Member of Parliament

KEN G. HUGHES

BAG 4

OKOTOKS, ALBERTA

TOL 1TO Telephone: (403)938-5005

Member of Legislative Assembly

FRED D. BRADLEY

611 LEGISLATURE ANNEX

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

T5K 1E4 Telephone: (403)427-1828

= PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL SERVICES =====

Provincial:

EDUCATION AGRICULTURE

ATTORNEY GENERAL (COURT) ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES

TRASNPORTATION RECREATION

SOCIAL SERVICES & COMMUNITY HEALTH

PUBLIC WORKS & SUPPLY

ENERGY SERVICES CONSERVATION BOARD

SOLICITOR GENERAL

HOME ECONOMIST, CROP & HAIL INSURANCE

DISTRICT AGRICULTURIST

Federal:

CANADA POST ENVIRONMENT-WEATHER INFO.

ALBERTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

Edmonton Office

6th Floor Sterling Place

9940 - 106 Street EDMONTON, Alberta Telephone: 427-5267 Telex: 037-42815