



**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTACTS**

**Municipal**

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Name of Community: PICTURE BUTTE

As Of: 86.12.31

**POPULATION**

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>COMMUNITY</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
			<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
1976		590		575	1165	62532
1981		690		710	1400	70565
1986		790		785	1575	75552
CURRENT ESTIMATE		769		785	1554	77508

**POPULATION BREAKDOWN**

<u>AGE</u>	<u>MALES</u>	<u>FEMALES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
0 - 4	70	65	135
5 - 9	65	60	125
10 - 14	85	75	160
15 - 19	55	65	120
20 - 24	60	40	100
25 - 34	125	110	235
35 - 44	90	100	190
45 - 54	60	60	120
55 - 64	75	70	0
65 +	115	150	0
TOTAL	790	785	1575

**LABOUR FORCE**

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	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
POTENTIAL LABOUR FORCE (15-65 YRS)	480	455	485	470	575	570
EMPLOYED	330	170	305	205	370	265
UNEMPLOYED	0	10	10	10	30	25
PARTICIPATION RATE	69	40	66	47	70	52
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	0	6	3	5	7	9

**FAMILY UNITS AND AVERAGE INCOME**

Average Individual Income:	15560		
Families In Private Households:	405	Average Income:	34432
One Person Households:	110		

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**MAJOR AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT**

<u>INDUSTRY</u>	<u>LABOUR FORCE</u>
PRIMARY INDUSTRY	100
MANUFACTURING	40
CONSTRUCTION	40
TRANSPORT, COMM. AND OTHER UTILITIES	90
TRADE	140
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	50
COMMUNITY, BUSINESS AND PERSONAL SERVICE	190
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND DEFENSE	30
EXPERIENCED LABOUR FORCE (ALL INDUSTRIES)	680

**MANUFACTURERS**

Company: BUTTE FEEDS LTD

Major Products:

- BROILER FEED
- LAYER FEED
- SWINE FEED
- CATTLE FEED

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 10 - 19

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Company: CIRCLE WOOD PRODUCTS LTD

Major Products:

- CABINETS
- FURNITURE

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 1 - 4

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Company: SOUTHLAND CONCRETE PRODUCTS

Major Products:

- PRECAST SIDEWALK BLOCKS
- HOG FEEDERS
- HOG SLATS

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 1 - 4

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Company: R C WOODCRAFTS

Major Products:

- OAK FURNITURE

Exporter: Y

Staff Range: 5-9

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**MANUFACTURERS (CONTINUED)**

Company: NOBLE CONCRETE 1987 LTD.

Major Products:

- CONCRETE

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 5-9

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Company: ALBERTA CULTURED MARBLE

Major Products:

- CULTURED MARBLE TUBS AND VANITIES

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 1-4

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Company: BUTTE WELDING & MANUFACTURING

Major Products:

- CUSTOM WELDING & FABRICATING
- LIVESTOCK PENS & GATES
- ROUND BALE FORKS

Exporter: N

Staff Range: 1 - 4

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**TRANSPORTATION**

<u>CONNECTING HIGHWAYS</u>	<u>LOAD LIMITS</u>	<u>CONNECTING HIGHWAYS</u>	<u>LOAD LIMITS</u>
- HWY 25	Y	- SR 519	N

Truck Transport

- |                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| - TURIN EXPRESS        | - JURIS LIVESTOCK |
| - BUTTE GRAIN MERCHANT | - JONES TRUCKING  |
| - VULCAN TRANSPORT     | - LOOMIS COURIER  |
| - PUROLATOR COURIER    |                   |

Available Warehouse and Terminal Facilities:  
YES

RAILWAYS

Railway Lines: CANADIAN PACIFIC, BRANCH LINE

Spur Trackage: Y

Intermodal Services: AT CALGARY, 200 KM (124 MI) N.W.

AIR SERVICES

Local Airstrip: N All Weather Facilities: Y

Nearest Airport: LETHBRIDGE AIRPORT, 25 KM (15 MI) SOUTH

Longest Runway: 1981.20 M. 6498.34 FT.

Carriers (schedules/charter): AT LETHBRIDGE 25 KM (15 MI) SOUTH

Nearest Commercial Services: AT LETHBRIDGE

Nearest Air Freight Facilities: AT LETHBRIDGE

BUS SERVICES

Local: N Intercommunity: NO



## UTILITIES

Contact the Following for Service Rates and Details

### ELECTRIC POWER

TRANSALTA UTILITIES CORP.  
BOX 570, 854 CRESCENT AVE.  
PICTURE BUTTE, ALBERTA  
TOK 1V0 (403)732-4495

### NATURAL GAS

CANADIAN WESTERN NATURAL GAS CO. LTD.  
852 CRESCENT AVE.  
PICTURE BUTTE, ALBERTA  
TOK 1V0 (403)732-5626

### TELEPHONE

ALBERTA GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES  
808 4 AVE. SOUTH  
LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA  
T1J 0P2 (403)329-5911

### WATER SUPPLY

Source of Water: KEHO LAKE  
Reservoir Capacity - Treated Substance: 2,496 CU.M. 88,146.24 CU.FT.  
Design Capacity: 1,591 CU.M. 56,186.16 CU.FT.

### SEWAGE

Type of Treatment: LAGOON: 3 AERATED & 1 SHORT 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

**MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

GARBAGE

Method/Frequency of Collection

Industrial: TWICE WEEKLY  
Commercial: TWICE WEEKLY  
Residential: WEEKLY

Fire Protection

VOLUNTEER FORCE

Police Protection

R.C.M.P. - LOCAL

Other Services

NONE

MUNICIPAL FINANCE

Mill Rates (Year): 1986  
Industrial/Commercial: 26.470

Residential: 22.980

Per Capita Debt: 921 Year: 1986

Year of Last General Assessment: 1983

Latest Total Assessment: 25,561,645

Equalized Assessment Per Capita: 4,707 Year: 1987

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**BUSINESS PROPERTIES**

As of November, 1988

The town of Picture Butte has 14 serviced industrial lots available. Lot sizes range from 0.24 to 0.85 ha. (0.6 to 2.09 acres) and are fully serviced.

Several lots are available for commercial development in the downtown area. Commercial space is also available for lease with property sizes ranging from 111 square metres (1,200 square feet) to 465 square metres (5,000 square feet).

Four building lots zoned for highway commercial development are also available.

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**COMMERCIAL REALTORS**

FOUR A AGENCIES  
WARREN BUTTE REALTY  
RE/MAX REAL ESTATE (PICTURE BUTTE )

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**BUILDING PERMITS**

	<u>VALUE (\$ 000)</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>	<u># PERMITS</u>
RESIDENTIAL	227	27.2	3
COMMERCIAL	608	72.8	N/A
INDUSTRIAL	0	0.0	0
INSTITUTIONAL	0	0.0	0
TOTAL	835	100.0	3

**HOUSING**

## Residential Lots - Availability

Single Detached Homes: AMPLE SUPPLY

Mobile Home Lots: AMPLE SUPPLY

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

Average Cost (including land): 55000 /

Average Taxes (\$/year): 1162

## Rental Accommodation

Apartments: NOT AVAILABLE

Vacancy Rate - % 0.00 As of: 88.09.01

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## MEDICAL

Nearest Hospital: PICTURE BUTTE

Hospitals:	1	Number of Beds:	25
Number of Doctors:	3	Number of Surgeons:	2
Medical Clinics:	2	Ambulance Service:	1
Health Units:	1	Number of Dentists:	2
Optometrists:	0	Number of Chiropractors:	1
Nursing Homes:	0	Senior Citizen Lodges:	1
Senior Citizen Housing:	1		

## EDUCATION

Schools - Public and Private Boards Combined

Day Care/Nursery:	0
Elementary:	2
Junior High:	1
High School:	1
Vocational:	0

Other: PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Additional Programs: NONE

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**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA  
TREASURY BRANCH

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Newspapers:

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

SUNNY SOUTH NEWS (WEEKLY), LETHBRIDGE HERALD (DAILY)

Radio Stations:

LETHBRIDGE BROADCAST STATIONS

Television Stations:

LETHBRIDGE BROADCAST STATIONS, CABLE T.V.



**TOURIST/ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES**

HOTELS: TOTAL: 1

- PICTURE BUTTE HOTEL

MOTELS: TOTAL: 0

**MEETING FACILITIES**

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEETING FACILITIES: 3

COMMUNITY HALL  
ELKS HALL  
NORTH COUNTY RECREATION COMPLEX

**RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

NORTH COUNTY RECREATION  
COMPLEX: SKATING RINK  
TEEN CENTRE, CURLING CLUB-  
(4 SHEETS), SWIMMING POOL-  
(OUTDOOR)  
PICTURE BUTTE & DISTRICT GOLF  
COURSE  
PICTURE BUTTE MUNCPL. LIBRARY  
TENNIS COURT, PLAYGROUND  
BALL PARK, SENIORS DROP IN

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## ORGANIZATIONS

- CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
- NORTH COUNTY 4-H COMMITTEE
- PICTURE BUTTE CHAMBER OF  
- COMMERCE
- PICTURE BUTTE FISH & GAME  
- ASSOCIATION
- PICTURE BUTTE LIONS CLUB
- PICTURE BUTTE VOLUNTEER FIRE  
- DEPARTMENT
- JAPANESE CANADIAN SOCIETY
- LEGION LADIES AUXILIARY
- PICTURE BUTTE AGRICULTURAL  
- SOCIETY
- PICTURE BUTTE ELKS
- PICTURE BUTTE HAPPY OLDTIMERS  
- ASSOCIATION
- PICTURE BUTTE BLOCK PARENTS
- ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
- ROYAL PURPLE

**REGIONAL RESOURCES**

## Resources Available Locally:

- |               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| - COAL        | - GRAINS |
| - LIVESTOCK   | - HAY    |
| - SUGAR BEETS | - OIL    |
| - GAS         |          |

Products: MILK  
CULTURED MARBLE  
WOOD FURNITURE AND CABINETS  
SOD  
LIVESTOCK FEED  
REDI-MIX CONCRETE

**HISTORY**

Two historic events were largely responsible for the founding and development of Picture Butte - the building of the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation System in 1923 and the building of a railroad which would provide access to markets in 1925. These two events precipitated an influx of settlers from the dryland areas of Southern Alberta. A post office was opened in the Koepke home in 1926, and the hamlet sprang to life. Another milestone was marked with the turning of sod for a sugar factory in 1935. In 1936, the Picture Butte Board of Trade, the forerunner of the present day Picture Butte and District Chamber of Commerce, was formed. In 1943, the hamlet attained village status and was incorporated as a town in 1960.

Today, Picture Butte has a population of more than 1,500, approximately 70 business establishments, excellent schools, churches of several denominations, medical, chiropractic and dental clinics, a modern hospital, two senior citizens' residences, banks, a library and a recreation complex. It is also the headquarters for the local R.C.M.P. detachment.

The Butte, after which Picture Butte was named, has long since disappeared in the name of progress; but, as the hub of an intensified, diversified farming area, the town continues to grow. Picture Butte has many attributes, among them a blending of cultures and an effervescent spirit that provides an atmosphere of neighbourly hometown living.

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**PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL SERVICES**

Provincial:

NONE

Federal:

CANADA POST

ALBERTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE

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EDMONTON, Alberta  
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