



**Municipal District
of Acadia #34**



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The Municipal District of Acadia



ABOUT THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF ACADIA

The Municipal District of Acadia is located in the Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP) region of Alberta. PEP is a regional alliance of communities and agencies in Alberta Southeast that work together to enhance the area's economic well-being. The MD of Acadia is situated in southeastern Alberta conveniently along Highway 41. The area is largely agricultural and boasts a strong and vibrant petroleum service sector that creates numerous employment and business investment opportunities. Acadia Valley is an ideal place to live whether to raise a family, to enjoy a quiet retirement or to start a new business. We are proud of our community and the people who live, work, and do businesses here.

Community Snapshot

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| Population | 493 |
| Value of all Regional Building Permits | \$197,900,000 |
| Non-Residential Mill Rate | 18.7916 (2017) |
| Value of Major Projects in the Region | \$8,800,000,000 |

Source: 2016 Alberta Regional Dashboard

The Municipal District of Acadia is a member of Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP), which is the economic development alliance for Southeast Alberta. The Municipal District of Acadia is located in the southern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.



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OUR TOP INDUSTRIES



Agriculture

There are approximately 276,000 acres of arable land cultivated in the region. With most farms being mixed use ranching and grain production. Dry land farming is most common and accounts for approximately 177,000 acres of cultivated land. Another 1,200 acres are irrigated. The average farm has approximately 1,500 acres and 75 head of cattle and grain production accounts for a large percentage of acreage use.



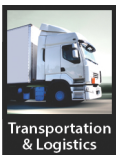
Oil and Gas

Highway 41 is a major distribution route leading to major oil and gas developments in the oil sands and runs directly through the MD of Acadia. Additionally, major and secondary paved highways supplement the area. Our region is ideally situated for oil and gas industry transportation and servicing. In addition, the region is well served by pipeline corridors with enviable utility and communications service.



Tourism

Tourism is a significant growth industry for the MD of Acadia. As a community within the Canadian Badlands, we boast several prospects for tourism entrepreneurs. The Canadian Badlands is a destination choice for hundreds of thousands of tourists each year. In addition, the region is full of history, museums, scenery, fishing holes and campgrounds to attract both visitors and new tourism enterprises.



Transportation

The MD of Acadia is located in southeastern Alberta approximately 150 kilometres north of the City of Medicine Hat. Highway 41 runs north and south through the region and is a major distribution route. Connecting highways include Highways 570 and 562. Residents have access to air strips in the neighbouring towns of Oyen and Empress with the nearest freight and passenger service available in Medicine Hat.

COMMUNITY STATISTICS

Demographics

| | 2016 Totals* | 2016 %* |
|---|--------------|---------|
| Population | 493 | |
| Median age of the population | 40.8 | |
| Total number of census families in private households | 105 | |
| Total number of private households by tenure | 180 | |
| Owner | 145 | 80.56% |
| Renter | 35 | 19.44% |
| Average value of dwellings (\$) | \$189,782 | |
| Average income \$ | \$42,766 | |
| Average household total income \$ | \$85,614 | |

Labour Force

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| In the labour force | 280 | 73.70% |
| Participation rate | | 73.70% |
| Unemployment rate | | 12.50% |
| Management occupations | 100 | 35.71% |
| Business, finance and administration occupations | 20 | 7.14% |
| Natural and applied sciences and related occupations | 10 | 3.57% |
| Health occupations | 0 | 0.00% |
| Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services | 15 | 5.36% |
| Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport | 10 | 3.57% |
| Sales and service occupations | 40 | 14.29% |
| Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations | 70 | 25.00% |
| Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations | 15 | 5.36% |
| Occupations in manufacturing and utilities | 0 | 0.00% |

Education

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| High school diploma or equivalent | 140 | 31.11% |
| Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree | 155 | 34.44% |
| Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma | 65 | 14.44% |
| College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma | 60 | 13.33% |
| University certificate or diploma below bachelor level | 10 | 2.22% |
| University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above | 20 | 4.44% |

*Source: 2016 Statistics Canada Census

SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

Services

Electrical Provider(s)
 Natural Gas Provider(s)
 Broadband Provider(s)
 Water Management
 Waste/Sewage Management

Providers*

ATCO Electric
 Dry Country Gas CO-OP
 XplorNet; Netago
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*Please contact Providers for pricing & capacity information

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