



TOWN OF CARDSTON

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROFILE





WELCOME TO THE TOWN OF CARDSTON

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THE TOWN OF CARDSTON – OVERVIEW



On May 1, 1887, wagons belonging to Latter Day Saint immigrants from Utah, led by Charles O. Card, arrived in the Cardston area and set up camp along Lee Creek, starting the settlement that was named Cardston after the man who led the immigrants. While still crowded in their first mud-chinked log houses and barely able to eke out an existence, the settlers were making plans to build a great temple. And build it they did, first building a large church followed by a great brick tabernacle, and finally in 1913 started construction on the magnificent granite temple around which the town nestles today. It was the first Latter-day Saint temple built outside of the United States and above and beyond its architectural beauty and uniqueness it has enormous religious significance for Latter-day Saint church members. Cardston and the area provide a great place to live, work, and raise a family. This is a family-centered, safe community that provides a great quality of life for those who reside here.

CARDSTON FACTS

Cardston is situated in the low foothills of southwest Alberta, approximately 25 km (15.53 mi) north from the American state of Montana. On its north side, it borders the Kainai Nation (Blood Tribe) Reserve, one of the largest reserves in North America. 40 km (24.85 mi) to the west of Cardston are the Rocky Mountains of Waterton Lakes National Park. Cardston is 77 km (47.85 mi) southwest of Lethbridge and 234 km (145.40 mi) south of Calgary.

Cardston has a moderate continental climate with warm summers and mild winters influenced by Chinook winds. These Chinook winds result in the reduction of the severity and length of winter cold snaps. This area also receives high amounts of sunshine throughout the year.

Average seasonal temperatures are; January: -5°C (22.7°F); April: 3.9 °C (38.9°F); July: 18.5 °C (65.2 °F); October: 5.4 °C (41.7°F). Annual precipitations levels are; Rain: 33.7cm; Frost-free days: 111; Snow: 219.8cm: Hours of Sunshine throughout the year: 3299.16. Elevation: 1,134 m or 3,720 ft. Close to Amenities: Because of its proximity to Lethbridge and Calgary the Town of Cardston can maintain its small-town laid back feel while its residents can easily access the amenities available in the cities. Parks, Recreation and Nature: Cardston has many parks, trails, and playgrounds that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and fitness levels. The simple but dignified Lee Creek runs through the town with a scenic trail running parallel to it, offering great opportunities to view local wildlife and enjoy the great outdoors.

DEFINING TOWN OF CARDSTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN 21ST CENTURY?

Economic development refers to efforts that help local businesses thrive and grow while also attracting additional businesses, visitors, and residents to the region. This includes activities designed to expand an economy through increased employment and local income as well as improvements to the quality of an economy such as higher earnings and greater economic resilience.

No single activity is sufficient to provide for long-lasting economic development, and approaches typically are tailored to local circumstances with some focusing more on reducing barriers while others emphasize capitalizing on new opportunities. Regardless of the structure of the economic development organization, Town of Cardston economic development committee typically fulfills the following roles:

Investment attraction: involves practice of attracting existing firms from elsewhere to relocate or to expand facilities within another jurisdiction; often referred to as smokestack chasing. It has also evolved to include dimensions associated with investment aftercare, the implications of green technology and the emergence of advanced manufacturing. This model dominated economic development thinking from the 1920s to the 1970s.

Business retention and expansion (BR+E): involves a structured and action-oriented means of engaging with existing businesses within a community in order to identify their priorities, anticipate challenges, and encourage their growth. Based on a philosophy that growth occurs from within, and leading to economic development activity focused on corporate calling, business development and a focus on existing sectors of activity (such as tourism), this model dominated economic development approaches from the 1980s until the early 2000s.

Entrepreneurialism: involves support of entrepreneurial growth resulting in innovation (innovation can be technological, procedural or knowledge-based), and including activities such as knowledge infrastructure development, technology transfer, research and development capacity building, workforce development, incubation and acceleration. This model has been increasingly central to economic development practice over the past decade.

Community Economic Capacity

Development: involves economic development connecting and leveraging partnerships and program outcomes that will increase economic outreach such as working with larger companies to develop a local supply chain or bridging service gaps to ensure everything is not outsourced with little to no economic retention locally.

Workforce development: involves ensuring stakeholders are aware of the labour force needs of local businesses, possible shortages or surpluses in different sectors, possible gaps in availability or knowledge (i.e. skills), and supporting skills development and talent attraction to an area.

Incubation, acceleration & technology

transfer: involves ensuring communities remain competitive by encouraging and supporting institutional structures that facilitate innovation and knowledge sharing; finding locations that serve as ecosystems for resource-sharing, networking and scaling-up of operations; providing training or guidance to innovators that possess an entrepreneurial spirit.

Destination development: involves focus on place making investment (preservation, revitalization, beautification, arts, culture, creative industries, festivals and events), community focused marketing and promotion and storytelling (local champion testimonials)

STRATEGIC GOALS 2021 – 2025

Strategic goals are higher order objectives that must be accomplished for success of the vision; goals emphasize specific areas of focus over four years. Strategic goals are not comprehensive of all that we do, but highlight where focus is required. Outcomes are a description of the end result of what will occur when a goal is reached. Strategic initiatives are higher-level actions that move us toward the achievement of a goal. Council has set goals in the following areas:



Safety



Recreation



Utility Infrastructure



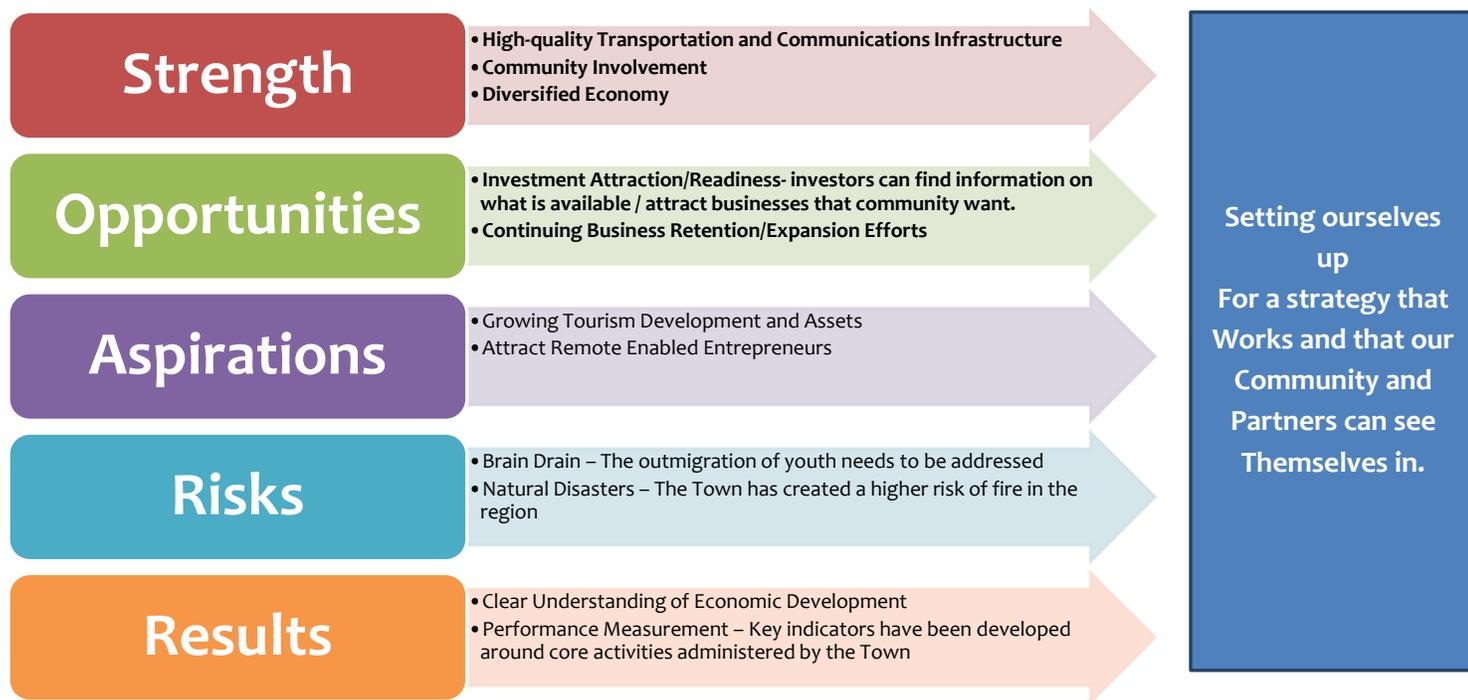
Community Development



Inter- government Relations

TOWN OF CARDSTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Strengths, Opportunities, Aspirations, Risks & Results (SOARR Assessment). A SOARR Assessment is a model for reflecting on a base line for strategic planning by studying identified strengths, opportunities, aspirations, risks and results (SOARR). It is a forward-looking model, taking elements of what would traditionally be affiliated with a strengths weaknesses opportunities and threats analysis and using insights gained through stakeholder consultations to inform what is desired for the future and how to know when our aspirations have been met. The key concepts underpinning the SOARR model are outlined in the figure below. The figure represents a summary of all the key learnings uncovered that will inform the Economic Development Strategy's action and implementation plan. This strategy is designed for maximum impact and actionability.



ACKNOWLEDGING SHARED OPPORTUNITIES

The Town of Cardston is a community made up of very different groups of people; families who have lived in the area for generations, transient workers on shifts, newcomers from urban centres, returning sons and daughters, seasonal residents, local business enterprises, community groups, retirees, and young families. All of these groups have needs and priorities. The Town of Cardston serves a diversity of interests, not a single uniform body of residents and taxpayers. Sometimes those interests can appear to be at odds when it comes to economic development strategies; however, there is a strong interconnection between the needs and wants of residents, independent entrepreneurs, transient workers, and visitors.

It is at the points of convergence, where the fringes of multiple sectors begin to merge, that a community has unique competitive advantages if these uniform needs are met. When one examines the needs of independent businesses more closely, it becomes obvious that they are similar to those of visitors, transient workers, and existing residents. The figure below highlights a few of the many priorities of four key populations that interact with the Town of Cardston. The common ground showcases the many areas of overlap these groups have. The most common areas these groups coalesce (combined) around are:

Independent Businesses
Natural Environment,
Broadband,
Proximity to Large Centre,
Transportation, Infrastructure,
Unique Retail, Restaurants and
Recreation

Existing Residents
Recreation, Education, broadband,
Healthcare, Restaurants, Retail,
Transportation and Infrastructure

Common Ground
Recreation,
Broadband,
Restaurants, Retail,
Natural Environment,
Transportation and
Infrastructure

Visitors
Recreation, Landscapes,
Unique Retail, Restaurants,
Events/Festivals,
Transportation and Infrastructure

Transient Workers
Job Stability, Recreation,
Rental Property, Transportation,
Infrastructure, Restaurants, Retail and
Broadband

TOWN OF CARDSTON

REASONS TO INVEST

Location: Town of Cardston is located within the popular tourism region of Southern Alberta, and is only two and half hours to the Calgary city and fifty minutes to Lethbridge City. Town of Cardston is closely connected to major highway road system and a connection to the USA boarder.

Affordability: Town of Cardston is an affordable place to live in comparison to many communities in southern Alberta. Town of Cardston has quickly become a destination of choice amongst those looking to retire, work remotely from the urban centres of southern Alberta and is an attractive place for young families because of the unmatched amenities offered locally and within the region.

Lifestyle: Town of Cardston offers a balance between work and pleasure in an awe-inspiring natural environment. For decades, people have been drawn by the natural beauty of the landscape, the water, and charming authenticity of its lay back feel. Town of Cardston's lifestyle offers more leisure time to enjoy a variety of recreational opportunities, and sceneries.

Arts & Culture: Town of Cardston is the cultural destination within Cardston County with the Remington Carriage Museum, Card Home and the Temple operating as the main attraction. The

Town of Cardston is a home to outstanding live theatre performances, rotating art displays, and enriching History of the early pioneers.

Tourism: Town of Cardston has a vibrant tourism economy with numerous outdoor activities and unbeatable festivals and events. Town of Cardston is well known for outstanding agri-tourism due to its unique growing opportunities and the beautiful trail systems attract visitors from all over the world.

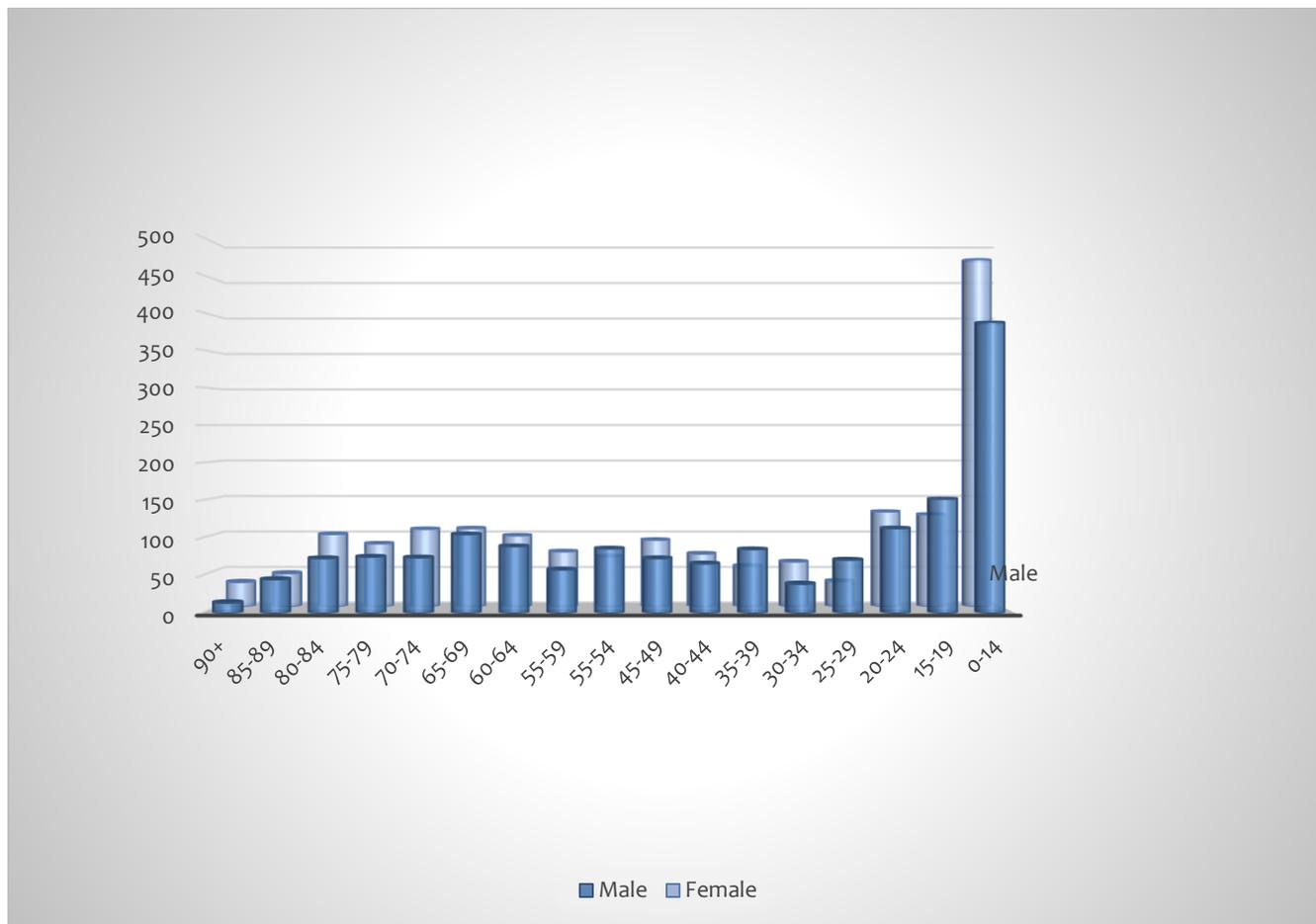
Education: There are a number of excellent secondary institutions, adult learning, and distance education opportunities available to the Town of Cardston residents.

Healthcare: Town of Cardston is proud to have a local hospital, Cardston Health Centre, Eye clinics and public Health Nursing Services that offer a wide range of specialty services

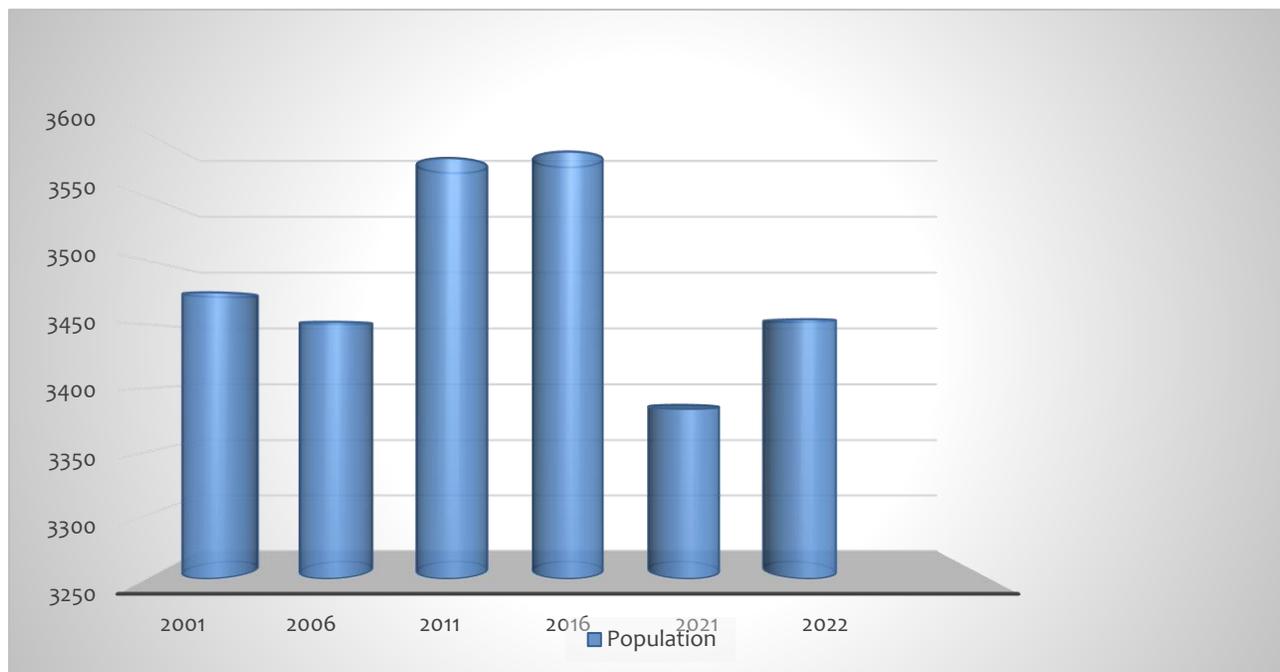
Agribusiness: Town of Cardston's geography and micro-climate allow it to produce a wide variety of agricultural products. The Farmers' and Summer Markets in Town of Cardston has allowed local producers to showcase their products and is a hub for collaboration and business exchange for local producers.

POPULATION GROWTH AND ANALYSIS

Historically, over the last 30 years, Cardston has experienced relatively flat population growth. Significant periods of growth occurred during the 1970s and early 1980s, but the growth rate has levelled off since. The graph below illustrates the population distribution as of 2021.



POPULATION



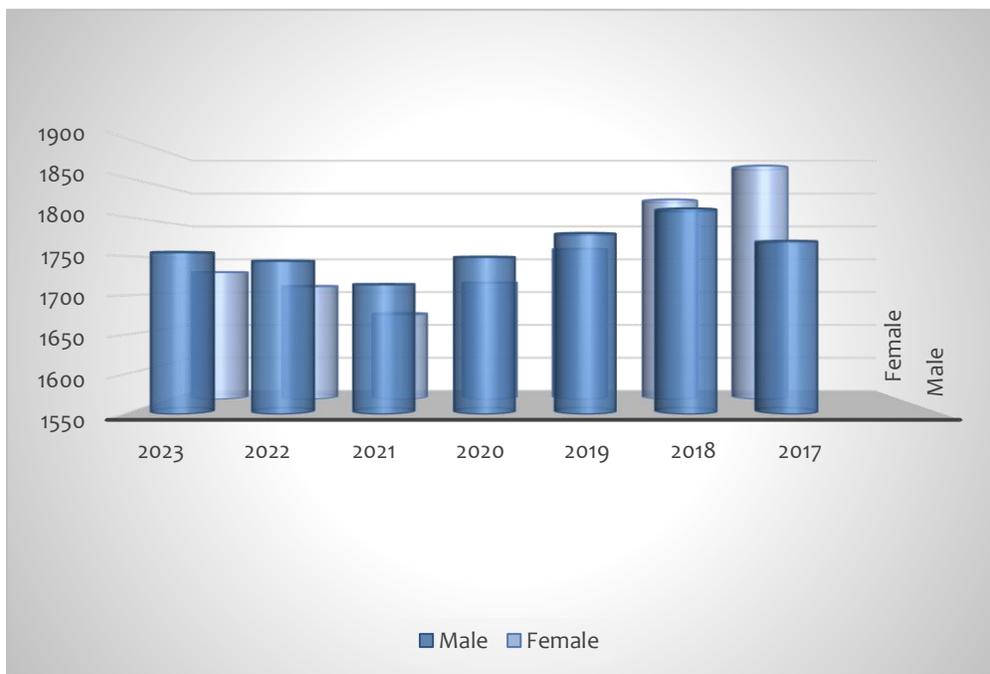
GROWTH RATE COMPARISONS 2016 - 2021

Town	2016 Population	2021 Population	Percent change (%)
Cardston	3657	3384	3.9%
Cardston County	4481	4856	8.4%
Magrath	2374	2481	4.5%
Raymond	3713	4199	13.1%
Pincher Creek	3642	3622	-0.5%
Fort Macleod	2967	3297	11.1%
Claresholm	3790	3804	0.4%
Taber	8428	8862	5.1%

The following figure demonstrates the population of the Town of Cardston, separated by age cohort. As shown, the Town of Cardston contains a relatively high proportion of young residents, particularly under the age of 35.

There is opportunity for the Town of Cardston to prioritize initiatives that attract younger families with children to ensure long term community growth. Furthermore, community facilities and amenities that reinforce the appeal of the Town of Cardston to the 50-74 age brackets should continue to be offered and enhanced to support growth from this age segment.

FIVE (5) YEAR POPULATION GROWTH OF MALE AND FEMALE



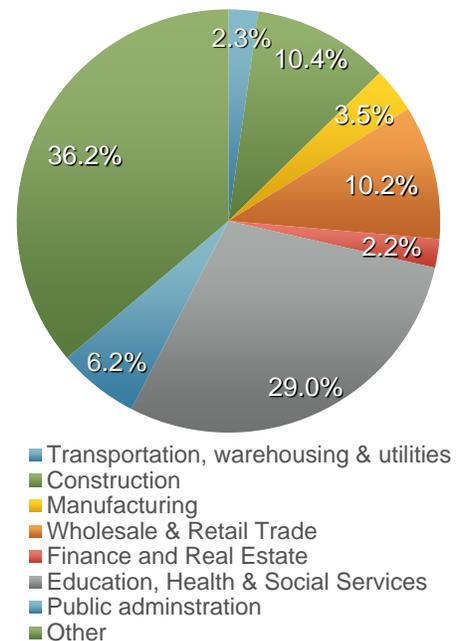
ECONOMIC INDICATORS

The Town of Cardston Experienced Workforce – 2021 graph’s information is drawn from Statistics Canada. Health care and educational jobs make up over 35.9% of the jobs in Cardston. It is interesting to note that in 2006 Cardston had a higher proportion of jobs in manufacturing than the provincial average. This trend was likely due to two large housing manufacturing companies that were located in Cardston in 2006. Since 2006 one of the companies has relocated to the United States, and the other has gone bankrupt. The company that moved to the United States was motivated to move by labour challenges. Currently their manufacturing facilities are used, but on a much smaller scale.

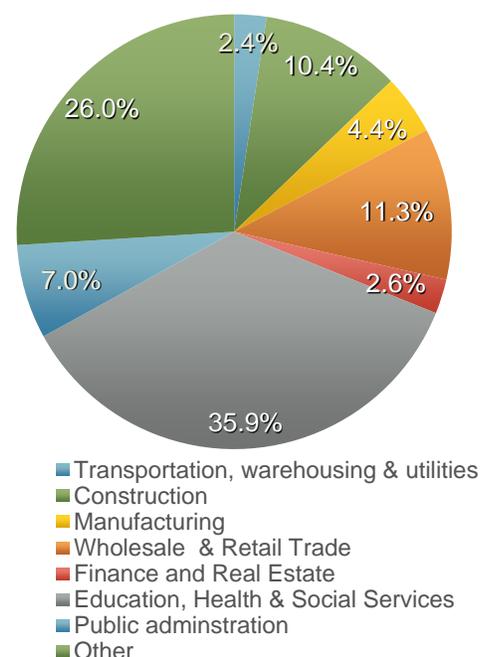
The Town and County Experienced Workforce - 2021 graph shows the labour force of the Town of Cardston and Cardston County combined. It shows that the largest proportion of jobs on the Education, Health and Social Services industry with 29.0% compared to the provincial average of 11.8%.

Currently the major economic sectors in Cardston and area are agriculture, tourism, public and business services (retail trade). Recently there has been an increase in oilfield exploration on the Blood Reserve and southeast of Cardston. In 2010 the Blood Tribe signed a \$50 million deal to allow drilling rights on the reserve to two drilling

Town and County Experienced Workforce

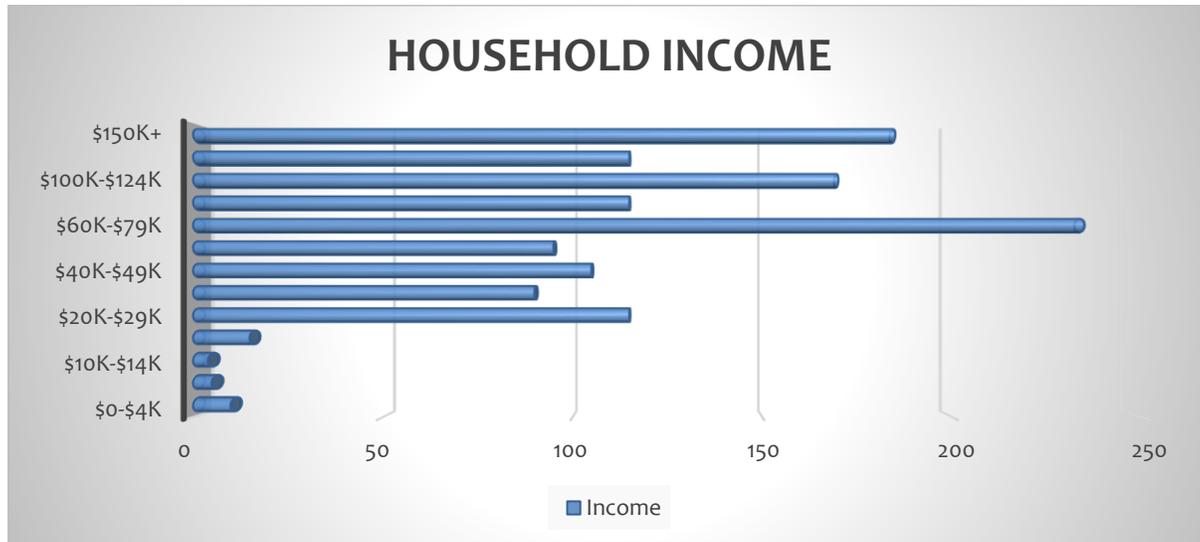


Cardston Experienced Workforce



companies. If initial wells are successful, Cardston will see an increase in local oilfield activity.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME



Key Metrics



Total Population **3,384**



Total Number of Visible Minorities **100**



Median Household Income

67,694



Median Age

40.8

Primary industries are Education, Health care, Entrepreneurship, Agriculture, and Tourism. Overall, the unemployment rate in Cardston as of 2021 was at 61% lower than the National average. The Cost of living and Rental prices in Cardston are 15% and 100% respectively lower than the Alberta average costs.

SECTOR OPPORTUNITIES IN TOWN OF CARDSTON

The Town of Cardston is easily accessible, and is defined in large part by its proximity to natural amenity, a rural town with unique lifestyle and affordable taxes. The Town of Cardston is also experiencing a relative population growth (i.e., in percentage growth terms). Town of Cardston has several public amenities that support the population, including recreation centres, Parks, emergency services and public schools. In varying capacities, these services appeal to a range of age groups in Town of Cardston. (i.e., support for senior's populations, younger family facilities, young adult engagement, etc.).

Low cost of living

The cost of living in the region is lower than in the larger or more similar Towns of Alberta, while still offering excellent employment opportunities in the retail and service sectors.

Change Your Viewpoint

Located in Southern Alberta, along two major highways, the region is within reach of some of Alberta's greatest attractions and breathtaking views: Crowsnest Pass, Waterton, Drumheller, Calgary and 25mins to the USA boarder.

Healthcare & Community Wellness

The Town offers a wide variety of health and wellness services to residents including primary care physicians, dentists, chiropractic services, optometrists, physiotherapy, supportive living facilities, as well as other health and wellness practitioners. Be sure to

check out the Town of Cardston Business Directory

Laid back Active Lifestyle

With many pedestrian trails throughout the Town or parks that keep you active and reconnect with the great outdoors. There's a variety of indoor and outdoor amenities to keep you and your family active, including: Ice arena, a pool with waterslide, Spray Park, outdoor pool to enjoy on those hot summer days, and a variety of sports fields.

And Don't Forget Family Fun!

This is a family-friendly community, with lots for young families to do! The parks here boast playgrounds, a spray park, tennis courts, Golf Course, Dog parks, ball diamonds and sports fields. Local businesses also offer programs and activities for all ages, such as swimming, gymnastics, dance classes and a fully-serviced public library.

TRANSPORTATION

	Contact	Phone
Cardston Airport	Doug Murray	403-653-2087

The Cardston County Airport does not host commercial services, but does provide a local air strip for private and non-commercial flights to land. Runway length for the County airport is 1,064 M or 3,489.92 Ft. The nearest commercial airport is Lethbridge County Airport found just outside of the City of Lethbridge along Highway 5, only 45 minutes northeast of Cardston.

Location	Phone	Hours
Carway	1-800-461-9999	7:00am to 11:00pm seven days a week.
Chief Mountain Highway	1-800-461-9999	May 15-May 31; 9:00am to 6:00pm seven days a week. June 1-September long weekend; 7:00am to 10:00pm seven days a week. September long weekend-September 30; 9:00am to 6:00pm seven days a week. October 1-May 14; CLOSED

ROADS

Cardston is accessible by two provincially-maintained highways. To the North, Calgary is a 2 ½ hour drive along Highway 2. This highway also runs through the community as Main Street. To the West, beautiful Waterton Lakes National Park is 35 minutes via Highway 5, and the City of Lethbridge is a 50 minute drive heading Northeast on Highway 5. Highway 5 also serves as the towns 1st Avenue.

In the future, the realignment is planned at Lethbridge for highways 3 and 4 as part of the Canada-America-Mexico (CANAMEX) Trade Corridor that stretches 6,000 kilometres from Alaska to Mexico City. This portion of the CANAMEX in Alberta is referred to as the North-South Trade Corridor (NSTC), which extends from the Canada-U.S. border at Coutts to the B.C. border west of Grande Prairie. The NSTC in Alberta is approximately 1,170 kilometres long. As of 2010, more than 92% of the NSTC has been completed to a 4-laned roadway.

COMMERCIAL TRUCKING / TRANSPORTATION

Cardston has daily delivery services from many companies. For standard small package service companies such as Purolator, UPS, CanPar, FedEx & Loomis are here daily. For larger commercial delivery, Cardston is serviced by companies such as Pedersen Transport, Highway 5 Trucking, and Greg's Transport.

UTILITIES

Company	Phone	Address	Services
ATCO Gas	403-653-3995 403-310-5678 1-800-511-3447	35 3rd Ave E	Natural Gas
Chief Mountain Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.	403-653-3011	190 1st St E	Natural Gas
Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority	403-653-2703	PO Box 1711, Cardston, AB T0K 0K0	Landfill
Enmax	403-310-2010		Electric Power
Telus Communications	403-310-2255		Phone, TV, and Internet
Town of Cardston	403-653-3366	67 3rd Ave W	Sewage Treatment and Water Supply (Treated Water Reservoir Capacity 9,000 m ³ from Lee Creek, Leavitt Irrigation District, and St. Mary's River.)

UTILITY RATES 2023 - 2024

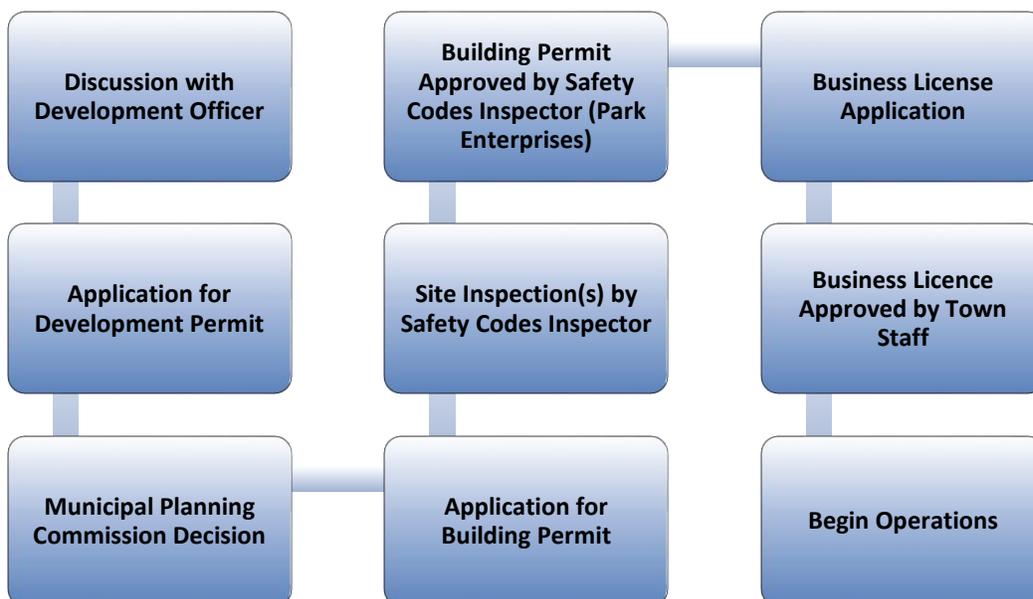
In Town Water Rates	Flat Rate 2023	Flat Rate 2024	Consumption 2023	Consumption 2024
Residential	\$26.00	\$28.10	\$1.29 m ³	\$1.39 m ³
Commercial / Industrial	\$26.00	\$28.10	\$1.29 m ³	\$1.39 m ³
Institutional	\$26.00	\$28.10	\$1.37 m ³	\$1.47 m ³
Bulk Water Fill Station	N/A	N/A	\$5.55 m ³	\$6.00 m ³

In Town Sewer Rates	Flat Rate 2023	Flat Rate 2024	Consumption Charge 2023	Consumption Charge 2024	
Residential	\$51.66	\$54.00	N/A	N/A	Note: For commercial and institutional users, there is a water loss factor that may be considered on the sewer billing. For example, a user may be a large water consumer for commercial or irrigation purposes, but not put much of that water back into the sewer system. Therefore, it may be reviewed and the customer may be able to apply for a water loss factor credit to be applied to the bill.
Commercial	\$51.66	\$54.00	20 - 50m ³ = \$1.85 Over 50m ³ = \$1.65	20 - 50m ³ = \$1.95 Over 50m ³ = \$1.75	

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TOWN OF CARDSTON

Based on the review of recent development permit applications in the Town of Cardston, we note that there is a steady development activity in the Town. The majority of this activity is related to minor household developments. The Town of Cardston contracts Parks Enterprises to issue building and other related permits; they also oversee and inspect construction within the Town limits.

TOWN OF CARDSTON - BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



TAXES

Please note that the following Mill Rates include the Municipal, School and Home for the Aged portions. -Information source: Town of Cardston Records

Year	Residential	Non-Residential
2018	10.1297	16.5276
2019	10.1402	16.4701
2020	10.2430	16.5670
2021	10.4483	16.8986
2022	10.1315	16.2900
2023	TBD	TBD

*****Information source: Town of Cardston Records

*****Note: the Town of Cardston does not have any local sales taxes or levies, or any additional business taxes.

AVAILABLE LAND

The Town of Cardston has Residential, Commercial and Industrial land for sale. For up to date or additional information please contact the Town of Cardston's Development Officer

Nolan Card

E-mail: nolan@cardston.ca

Office: 403-653-3366

Toll Free: 1-888-434-3366

Fax: 403-653-2499

Zoning*	Location	Land Attributes**	Assessed Value***	Notes
Institutional	180, 4th Ave W	Serviced & Accessible	\$94,480.00	177' x 286' Across from high school and temple
Institutional	174, 4th Ave W	Serviced & Accessible	\$103,370.00	281' x 286' Adjacent to above parcel. Needs to be subdivided as much of the parcel is the Lions Park hill.
Institutional	849 Main St	Serviced & Accessible	\$69,590.00	201' x 135'
Institutional	37, 9th Ave W	Serviced & Accessible	\$77,400	149' x 235' (Is adjacent to the parcel above (849 Main St))
Institutional	15, 9th Ave W	Un-serviced	\$37,610	Irregular x 135 (Is adjacent to parcel above)
Institutional	849 Main Street	Serviced & Accessible	\$69,590	171' x 135'
Institutional	846, 1st St W	Serviced & Accessible	\$68,650	139' x 280'
Institutional	70, 9th Ave W	Unserviced	\$62,220	Irregular x 281'
Industrial	781, 7th St E	Unserviced	\$37,170	474' x 383' Along east bypass road
Industrial	West area	Serviced & Accessible	TBD	66 acres on North-West border of Town close to highway 5
Industrial	West area	Serviced & Accessible	TBD	355' x 480' Adjacent to above parcel. Block 1 Lot 3
Industrial	West area	Serviced & Accessible	TBD	380' x 480' Adjacent to above parcel. Block 1 Lot 4

* - Zoning is listed as the parcel is currently. Zoning may be changed to accommodate the need of the purchaser.

** - Un-serviced parcels may be in close proximity to services. Please inquire as to the potential servicing of a parcel.

*** - Assessment is as per 2022 tax assessment. Note that tax assessment and market value are not the same, nor necessarily equal

TOWN OF CARDSTON - LOCAL SERVICES

Organization	Phone	Address	Information
Health Unit	403-653-5230	576 Main Street	
Children's Allied Health	403-388-6575	Lethbridge	Please call the Children's Allied Services out of Lethbridge 403-388-6575 to book an appointment at the Cardston Health Unit.
Public Health Nursing		576 Main Street, Cardston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicable disease information, • Maternity programs, • Immunization clinics, • Travel health program, • Infant and child health information and developmental screening, and • Injury prevention education.
Public Health Department	403-653-5231	576 Main Street, Cardston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of food establishment, institutions, personal care, recreation, housing, and communicable disease control. • Assessments of health risks • Community and environmental health needs, and • Regional Emergency Preparedness.
Mental Health	403-653-5115	576 Main Street, Cardston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free counselling services on bereavement, anger management, conflict in relationships, stress and relaxation
Seniors Mental Health Outreach	403-752-3316	Raymond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be referred by a family physician or specialist, be at least 55 years old (or functionally geriatric), medically stable, and have a primary health diagnosis.
Cardston Clinic	403-653-3331	34 2nd Ave W, Cardston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffed by 7 physicians, 6 nurses, and medical office assistants. • Offers a Lifestyles Program and Weight Management Program.
Laboratory Services	403-653-3331 Ext. 111		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk –in services. • Routine appointment bookings not accepted. • Arrangements for specialty testing may be requested.
Cardston Health Centre (Hospital)	403-653-5234	114 2nd St W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surgery, Obstetrics, Emergency, Continuing Care and consultations with other disciplines if necessary.
Westwind School Division	403-653-4991 800-655-4991	445 Main Street, Cardston	
Cardston Elementary School	403-653-4955	730 4 th Ave w	K - 5
Cardston Junior High School	403-653-4958	430 5 th Ave E	6 - 8
Cardston High School	403-653-4951	145 4 th Ave W	9 - 12

FINANCIAL SERVICES

	1st Choice Savings & Credit Union	ATB Financial	RBC Financial	TD Canada Trust
Phone	403-653-4473	403-653-3394	403-653-3321	403-653-4451
Address	60 3rd Ave W	24 2nd Ave W	204 Main Street	240 Main Street

TOWN COUNCIL FROM OCT 2021 - OCT 2025

	Phone	Email
Mayor Maggie Kronen	403-653-2553	m.kronen@cardston.ca
Cou. Paula Brown	403-659-8014	pm.brown@cardston.ca
Cou. Allan Burton	403-653-5046	a.burton@cardston.ca
Cou. Tim Court	403-634-8231	t.court@cardston.ca
Cou. John Grainger		j.grainger@cardston.ca
Cou. Marsha Jensen	403-653-1848	m.jensen@cardston.ca
Cou. Jared Kenly	587-220-6500	j.kenly@cardston.ca

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

	Address	Phone	Website	Email
Town of Cardston	67 3 rd Ave W	403-653-3366	Cardston.ca	info@cardston.ca
Peace Officer	67 3 rd Ave W	403-382-8614		shawn@cardston.ca
Cardston Cemetery	Range Road 255	403-653-3366	Cardston.ca	
Cardston County	1050 main street	403-653-4977	Cardstoncounty.com	cardcnty@telusplanet.net
Recycling Facilities	639 2 nd Ave E	403-653-3942		cdah@telus.net
Waste Transfer Station	1000 1 st Ave E	403-653-3366	Cardston.ca	
Jim and Mary Kearl Library	23 3 rd Ave W	403-653-4775	Cardstonlibrary.ca	libcard@chinook.ab.ca

PROVINCIAL SERVICES

	Government of Alberta	MLA Joseph Schow
Phone	310-4455	403-653-5070 780-638-1158
Fax	780-422-2852	
Mail	Government of Alberta P.O BOX 1333 Edmonton AB, T5J 2NL	BOX 1539 Cardston AB, T0K 0K0
Office		36 3 rd Ave W Cardston

FEDERAL SERVICES

	Canada Post	Government of Alberta	MP Glen Motz
Phone	403-653-3545		403-528-4698 613-996-0633
Fax			403-752-0330
Email			Glen.motz@parl.gc.ca
Website	www.canadapost.ca	www.canada.ca www.alberta.ca	www.Glenmotzmp.ca
Address	50 2 nd Ave W Cardston AB.		Suite 306, 2810-13 th Avenue SE Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 3P9

Name of Community	Time	Kilometers	Miles
Glacier National Park	30 Min	44	27.3
Waterton Lakes National Park	35 Min	56	36
Historic Fort Macleod	40 Min	61.4	38.2
City of Lethbridge	54 Min	79	49
Head Smashed in Buffalo Jump	58 Min	84	52.2
Pincher Creek	1hr. 30 Min	84.7	52.6
Frank Slide/Crowsnest Pass	1hr. 30 Min	128.4	79.7
City of Calgary	2hr. 27 Min	233.8	145.3
Kalispell, MT	2hr. 45 Min	187.1	116.3
Banff	3hr. 52 Min	361.2	224.4



WHAT CAN I DO IN THE REGION?

1. Raft or kayak on the St. Mary's River with Incept Adventure Co. 11 min from Cardston, 13 km / 8.01 miles
2. Saddle up and take in the awe-inspiring scenery around the Waterton River Valley with Waterton River Trail Rides. 30 min from Cardston, 41 km / 25.48 miles
3. Visit the majestic Unesco World Heritage Site Waterton Lakes National Park. 29 min from Cardston, 42 km / 26.1 miles
4. Visit The Fort—Museum of the North West Mounted Police in Ft. Macleod. 41 min from Cardston, 63 km / 39.2 miles
5. Travel to the remarkable Unesco World Heritage Site Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump and learn of aboriginal peoples of the Plains. 58 min from Cardston, 84 km / 52.2 miles
6. If you're around on a weekend, enjoy the music and kick up your heels at the Great Canadian Barn Dance. 45 km / 28 miles
7. Head south past the U.S. border to drive the infamous Going to the Sun Road in the stunning Glacier National Park. 37 min drive time from Cardston, 55 km / 34.2 miles (expect some delays at the border)
8. Did you know that Cardston is the southern entrance to the infamous Cowboy Trail? Saddle up and drive some or all of the remaining trail. Head west on Hwy 5



METRIC = IMPERIAL

Common Speed Limits
 100 km/h 62 mph
 70 km/h 43.5 mph
 50 km/h 31 mph
 30 km/h 18.6 mph

Single Unit Conversions
 1 km = 0.621 miles 1 mile = 1.609 km

LOCATION

	TIME	KM	MILES
Waterton Lakes National Park	29 min	42	26.1
Glacier National Park	37 min	55	34.2
Historic Fort Macleod	41 min	63	39.2
Lethbridge	55 min	79	49.1
Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump	58 min	84	52.2
Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park	2 hours	162	100.7
Calgary	2 hours	208	129.3
Banff	3 h 52 min	358	222.5

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