



Invest In Lac La Biche County



Lac La Biche County is a member of Alberta HUB, the regional economic development alliance of Northeast Alberta, which is the northern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.



ABOUT LAC LA BICHE COUNTY

Lac La Biche County is located in the northwest of the Alberta HUB region. Alberta HUB is a partnership of municipalities, First Nations, Metis Settlements, post-secondary educational institutions, and business/industry in northeastern Alberta meant to enhance the quality of life and economic interests of this region. Lac La Biche County is the primary economic service center for industrial activity in northern Alberta, and is the municipality of choice for commercial, retail, housing and lifestyle investment in the region. The history of the Lac La Biche region is rooted in its strategic location for the fur trade. Its location remains important in the present day. Intersected by three major arterial roads (Highway 36, Highway 55, and Highway 881), Lac La Biche County is centrally-located for development.

Community Snapshot

Population	8,155 (2021)
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$149,100,000 (2021)
Non-Residential Mill Rate	18.4 (2022)
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$2,965,200,000 (2021)

Source: Statistics Canada Census and Alberta Regional Dashboard



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OUR TOP INDUSTRIES



Oil and Gas

Lac La Biche County is strategically located at the gateway to the South Athabasca Oil Sands area, which has a projected production of over 3.4 million barrels of oil per day, of which over 1.2 million barrels are allocated to Lac La Biche County. Drilling, seismic, and pipeline construction contribute significantly to the local economy. Numerous opportunities exist for up-stream oil service companies to locate to Lac La Biche County.



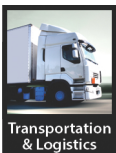
Tourism

Tourism has expanded as the demand for new services and unique wilderness opportunities have grown over the past several years. With more than 100 lakes and over 1,300 beach-side campsites and cabins, the Lac la Biche region is a little piece of paradise in Northeast Alberta. The region consistently attracts thousands of tourists annually to our pristine surroundings for outdoor activities year round.



Forestry

The old growth boreal forests in Lac La Biche County provide for tremendous opportunities in sustainable forestry. In fact, the forestry industry in the Lac La Biche region has increased substantially in recent years. The addition of a major pulp mill to this sector, Alberta Pacific Forest Industries, as well as a strong demand for wood products, has facilitated the development of a diversified forestry sector.



Transportation

Lac La Biche County is a logistics hub that serves all industries. Highways 36, 55, and 663 offer three main routes to get to Edmonton for global markets and Highway 881 is the only direct route to the South Athabasca Oil Sands. The regional airport has an all-weather 1,765 m paved, lighted runway, fixed wing aircraft and helicopter charter. CN provides rail transport through Lac La Biche County, which offers opportunities for rail-spurs.

COMMUNITY STATISTICS

Demographics

	2021 Totals*	2021 %*
Population	8,155	
Median age of the population	41.6	
Total number of census families in private households	2,205	
Total number of private households by tenure	2,950	
Owner	2,310	78.31%
Renter	640	21.69%
Average value of dwellings (\$)	\$430,000	
Average income \$	\$55,450	
Average household total income \$	\$111,500	

Labour Force

In the labour force	4,005	65.10%
Participation rate		65.10%
Unemployment rate		10.90%
Management occupations	35	0.57%
Business, finance and administration occupations	560	9.11%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	155	2.52%
Health occupations	275	4.47%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	450	7.32%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	55	0.89%
Sales and service occupations	850	13.82%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	975	15.85%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	345	5.61%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	205	3.33%

Education

High school diploma or equivalent	1,740	28.29%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	3,010	48.94%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	745	12.11%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	1,265	20.57%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	180	2.93%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	25	0.41%

*Source: 2021 Statistics Canada Census

SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

Electrical Provider(s)	Fortis Alberta
Electrical Capacity	Lac La Biche County; Ph. (780) 623-6731
Natural Gas Provider(s)	Lac La Biche District Natural Gas Co-Op Ltd.
Natural Gas Capacity	Lac la Biche County; Ph. (780) 623-6731
Water Capacity	www.laclabichecounty.com/our-services/utilities
Waste/Sewage Capacity	www.laclabichecounty.com/our-services/utilities
Broadband Provider(s)	Arrow, CCI, CCL Networks, MCSNet, XplorNet, Telus
Broadband Capacity	Up: To 5 Mb/s; Down: To 25 Mb/s

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