

# Invest In Whitefish Lake First Nation



Whitefish Lake First Nation #128 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 WHITEFISH LAKE FIRST NATION

Whitefish Lake First Nation #128 is located in the northwest of the Alberta HUB region. Alberta HUB is a partnership of municipalities, First Nations, Metis Settlements, postsecondary educational institutions, and business/industry in northeastern Alberta meant to enhance the quality of life and economic interests of this region. Whitefish Lake First Nation covers 50 square kilometres and is just 220 kilometres northeast of Edmonton. With a rich history of resiliency and determination, we have embraced the challenge of economic renewal as an opportunity to enrich the lives and brighten the futures of each and every member of the community. We have developed strong working relationships with partners in industry to support each of the community's needs.

## Community Snapshot

Population	1,618 (2017 Municipal Census*)
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$149,100,000 (2021)
Non-Residential Mill Rate	0
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$2,965,200,000 (2021)

Source: Statistics Canada Census and Alberta Regional Dashboard. \*On-Reserve/Crown Land



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COMMUNITY STATISTICS

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**OUR TOP INDUSTRIES** 

#### Oil & Gas



Alberta's economic base is defined primarily by the oil and gas industry and Whitefish Lake First Nation is strategically located in close proximity to the South Athabasca Oil Sands and the Cold Lake Oil Sands. The First Nation is located strategically near Highway 36, the High Load Corridor for major oil development products. Drilling, seismic, and pipeline construction contribute significantly to the local economy.



#### Service Industry (Oil and Gas)

With Highway 36, a north/south High Load Corridor leading to major oil and gas developments in the Athabasca and Cold Lake Oil Sands, Whitefish Lake First Nation is ideally located for companies servicing the oil/gas industry. Whitefish Lake First Nation offers a work force with welding and metal fabrication skills. Whitefish Lake First Nation is open to partnerships in creating businesses to serve all industries in the region.



# Tourism

The beauty of the natural areas in and around Whitefish Lake First Nation make the area a natural fit for tourism, which is becoming a significant growth industry for the region. With nearby attractions like the Paradise Cove Resort, Lac La Biche and Lakeland Provincial Park, there are ample opportunities for outdoor tourism ventures. Opportunities also exist for eco-tourism ventures coupled with aboriginal heritage teachings from First Nation members.



#### Transportation

Whitefish Lake First Nation has excellent access to Highway 36 on the west side of the community connecting south to Highway 28 and north to Highway 55. Secondary Highway 866 runs north/south on the east side of the community also connecting to Highway 28 and 55. Air service is close by with airports in Lac La Biche and St. Paul.

	2021 Totals*	2021 %*
Demographics		
Population	1,093	
Median age of the population	25.0	
Total number of census families in private households	255	
Total number of private households by tenure	280	
Owner	75	100.00%
Renter	0	0.00%
Average value of dwellings (\$)		
Average income \$	\$39,300	
Average household total income \$	\$93,000	
Labour Force		
In the labour force	395	54.10%
Participation rate		54.10%
Unemployment rate		21.50%
Management occupations	10	1.38%
Business, finance and administration occupations	30	4.14%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	0	0.00%
Health occupations	10	1.38%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	75	10.34%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	10	1.38%
Sales and service occupations	70	9.66%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	95	13.10%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	30	4.14%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	25	3.45%
Education		
High school diploma or equivalent	210	28.97%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	295	40.69%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	110	15.17%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	130	17.93%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	10	1.38%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	0	0.00%

\*Source: 2021 Statistics Canada Census

## SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

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