

BIG SKY... ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES



**Municipal District
of Acadia #34**

Invest In...

The Municipal District of Acadia



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.



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

Population	494 (2021)
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$178,702,000
Non-Residential Tax Rate	24.4067
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$5,440,600,000

Source: 2023-2024 Alberta Regional Dashboard



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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

	2021 Totals*	2021 %*
Demographics		
Population	494	
Median age of the population	40.4	
Total number of census families in private households	105	
Total number of private households by tenure	160	
Owner	135	84.38%
Renter	25	15.63%
Average value of dwellings (\$)	\$150,000	
Average income \$	\$48,400	
Average household total income \$	\$72,000	
Labour Force		
In the labour force	180	
Participation rate		65.60%
Unemployment rate		11.10%
Management occupations	0	0.00%
Business, finance and administration occupations	10	5.88%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	10	5.88%
Health occupations	0	0.00%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	20	11.76%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	0	0.00%
Sales and service occupations	30	17.65%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	35	20.59%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	65	38.24%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	0	0.00%
Education		
High school diploma or equivalent	110	40.00%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	125	45.45%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	35	12.73%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	55	20.00%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	20	7.27%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	0	0.00%

*Source: 2021 Statistics Canada Census

SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

Services	Providers*
Electrical Provider(s)	ATCO Electric
Natural Gas Provider(s)	Dry Country Gas CO-OP
Broadband Provider(s)	Xplore; Mascon
Water Management	M.D. of Acadia No. 34
Waste/Sewage Management	M.D. of Acadia No. 34

*Please contact Providers for pricing & capacity information



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