

Alberta Population Report

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Third Quarter, 2007

POPULATION ESTIMATES

Alberta continued to lead the provinces in population growth for the year ending October 1 of 2007, but at a slower growth rate than the previous year. As of October 1, 2007, Alberta's population was estimated to be 3,486,767, an increase of 78,498 persons (or 2.30%) from October 1, 2006.

Table 1 presents the population estimates and yearly growth rates for Alberta and Canada since October 1, 2003. Although the Alberta yearly growth rate of 2.30% was the lowest in three years, it was still more than double the national average of 1.03% in the current year.

TABLE 1: NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL POPULATION & GROWTH RATES, OCTOBER 1

October 1	Canada		Alberta	
	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
2003	31,775,637		3,174,572	
2004	32,095,827	1.01%	3,225,151	1.59%
2005	32,421,715	1.02%	3,302,849	2.41%
2006	32,755,248	1.03%	3,408,269	3.19%
2007	33,091,228	1.03%	3,486,767	2.30%

Source: Statistics Canada

Table 2 provides population estimates for October 1, 2007 for all provinces and territories and the growth rates since October 1, 2006. As shown in this table, Saskatchewan and British Columbia had the next highest growth rates among the provinces at 1.54% and 1.50% respectively.

TABLE 2: POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES AS OF OCT 1, 2007 & YEARLY GROWTH RATES SINCE OCT 1, 2006

	NL.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	YUKON	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	507,475	139,103	935,106	750,851	7,719,993	12,850,636	1,190,400	1,003,299	3,486,767	4,402,931	31,115	42,425	31,127
Growth Rate	-0.33%	0.70%	0.01%	0.32%	0.67%	0.87%	0.97%	1.54%	2.30%	1.50%	-0.01%	-0.14%	2.24%

Source: Statistics Canada

MIGRATION

In the third quarter of 2007 (July 1 to September 30), Alberta experienced a net loss of 3,300 persons in interprovincial migration, compared to a net gain of 7,400 people in the second quarter. This is Alberta's first interprovincial migration loss since the fourth quarter of 1994. However, the net outflow of Alberta's 3,300 interprovincial migrants was more than offset by the net inflow of 4,600 international migrants coming to Alberta during the third quarter.

As shown in Table 3, the substantial increase in the number of out-migrants to British Columbia and Saskatchewan was the main reason that Alberta had an interprovincial migration turnaround in the third quarter of 2007. The primary source of Alberta's interprovincial in-migrants during this quarter was Ontario, followed by British Columbia and Quebec.

NATURAL INCREASE

Between July 1 and September 30 of 2007, Alberta had a natural increase (births minus deaths) of 6,700 people. The province had 11,800 births and 5,100 deaths in the third quarter.

More details of the demographic data are available from Alberta Finance, Economics and Statistics.

**TABLE 3: ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS
JULY 1 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2007**

Origin	Destination												
	NL	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
Nfld and Lab.	0	30	572	218	71	963	50	98	857	166	0	37	16
Prince Edward I.	104	0	227	270	46	225	20	22	238	82	0	8	0
Nova Scotia	548	244	0	900	229	2,160	124	146	1,488	620	34	30	46
New Brunswick	205	113	782	0	831	1,423	141	55	1,167	329	0	9	0
Quebec	96	106	300	691	0	6,794	142	302	2,929	1,358	20	65	44
Ontario	1,415	263	1,989	1,481	5,245	0	1,584	1,125	10,192	5,431	54	150	104
Manitoba	49	0	135	105	208	1,523	0	794	1,928	1,297	37	34	36
Saskatchewan	32	6	141	43	89	757	902	0	2,853	1,201	24	31	0
Alberta	1,281	280	1,417	1,365	1,339	6,956	2,081	6,215	0	11,390	181	152	33
British Columbia	329	78	759	285	1,146	4,887	885	1,501	7,017	0	146	74	7
Yukon Territory	0	0	19	5	0	96	17	11	162	130	0	20	0
Northwest Terr.	33	0	41	9	16	56	99	126	503	120	39	0	40
Nunavut Terr.	70	0	0	0	81	60	36	8	40	79	0	135	0
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
In Migration	4,162	1,120	6,382	5,372	9,301	25,900	6,081	10,403	29,374	22,203	535	745	326
Out Migration	3,078	1,242	6,569	5,055	12,847	29,033	6,146	6,079	32,690	17,114	460	1,082	509
Net Migration	1,084	-122	-187	317	-3,546	-3,133	-65	4,324	-3,316	5,089	75	-337	-183

Source: Statistics Canada

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Alberta Migration by Quarter

Quarter	Interprovincial Migration			International Migration					Total	NPR*	Total+NPR
	In	Out	Net Interprovincial	Immigrants	Emigrants	Net Temporary Emigrants	Returning Emigrants	Net International Migration	Total Net Migration	Net Non-Permanent Residents	Net Migration Including Net NPR
2003											
Jan-Mar	14,036	11,453	2,583	3,105	695	610	610	2,410	4,993	665	5,658
Apr-Jun	16,180	13,199	2,981	4,296	848	663	880	3,665	6,646	474	7,120
Jul-Sep	18,554	15,549	3,005	4,573	1,966	926	1,322	3,003	6,008	1,100	7,108
Oct-Dec	10,715	9,030	1,685	3,861	1,064	670	558	2,685	4,370	-85	4,285
Total	59,485	49,231	10,254	15,835	4,573	2,869	3,370	11,763	22,017	2,154	24,171
2004											
Jan-Mar	13,869	10,671	3,198	4,072	940	633	530	3,029	6,227	464	6,691
Apr-Jun	17,684	14,966	2,718	4,605	1,184	703	918	3,636	6,354	504	6,858
Jul-Sep	21,696	14,993	6,703	4,521	1,974	946	1,428	3,029	9,732	1,029	10,761
Oct-Dec	15,371	8,642	6,729	3,274	1,052	675	597	2,144	8,873	243	9,116
Total	68,620	49,272	19,348	16,472	5,150	2,957	3,473	11,838	31,186	2,240	33,426
2005											
Jan-Mar	19,030	10,095	8,935	4,355	878	625	568	3,420	12,355	444	12,799
Apr-Jun	26,321	14,265	12,056	5,291	1,097	689	1,050	4,555	16,611	927	17,538
Jul-Sep	25,027	14,877	10,150	5,591	1,995	946	1,428	4,078	14,228	1,608	15,836
Oct-Dec	20,832	7,005	13,827	4,168	1,060	674	597	3,031	16,858	208	17,066
Total	91,210	46,242	44,968	19,405	5,030	2,934	3,643	15,084	60,052	3,187	63,239
2006											
Jan-Mar	23,159	10,849	12,310	4,727	883	624	568	3,788	16,098	1,383	17,481
Apr-Jun	22,816	13,308	9,508	5,445	1,104	687	1,050	4,704	14,212	2,159	16,371
Jul-Sep	47,351	22,816	24,535	5,713	2,015	949	1,428	4,177	28,712	2,419	31,131
Oct-Dec	28,596	16,783	11,813	4,832	1,067	674	597	3,688	15,501	996	16,497
Total	121,922	63,756	58,166	20,717	5,069	2,934	3,643	16,357	74,523	6,957	81,480
2007											
Jan-Mar	25,389	18,005	7,384	4,012	889	623	568	3,068	10,452	3,587	14,039
Apr-Jun	30,105	22,668	7,437	5,559	1,111	687	1,050	4,811	12,248	5,389	17,637
Jul-Sep	29,374	32,690	-3,316	6,166	2,035	949	1,428	4,610	1,294	4,750	6,044
Oct-Dec	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total	84,868	73,363	11,505	15,737	4,035	2,259	3,046	12,489	23,994	13,726	37,720

* Estimates of non-permanent residents (NPRs) represent the number of non-permanent residents living in Canada at July 1. The five following groups are referred to as NPRs: (1) persons residing in Canada claiming refugee status; (2) persons residing in Canada who hold a study permit; (3) persons residing in Canada who hold a work permit; (4) persons residing in Canada who hold a Minister's permit; (5) all non-Canadian born dependants of persons claiming refugee status, or of persons holding study permits, work permits or Minister's permits and living in Canada.

Source: Statistics Canada

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