

# Alberta's opportunities your future

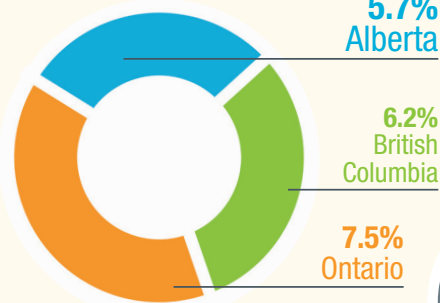
Albertans from many ethnic and cultural backgrounds have worked together to build a strong, diverse province with a high standard of living. Alberta's stable economy and innovative business spirit make it an ideal place to work and live. And the overall cost of living in Alberta is one of the lowest in Canada giving you more disposable income to enjoy the recreational activities we have to offer.



**Check these facts and figures  
to see if Alberta is in your future.**

**LOW  
UNEMPLOYMENT**

## Unemployment rates by province



Source: Statistics Canada, seasonally adjusted, June 2015

## Unemployment rates by industry

● Alberta ● British Columbia ● Ontario

\* Areas with low unemployment may indicate a greater demand for labour.

Sources: Statistics Canada, Labour force survey estimates (LFS), by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 2015. Wanted Analytics, May - July 2015.



**LOTS OF  
JOBS**

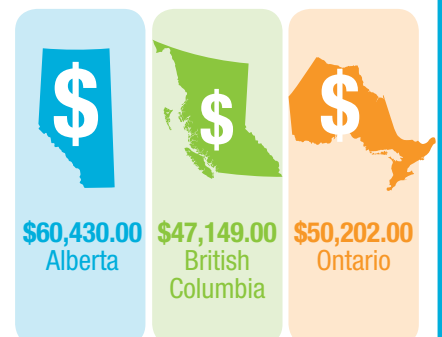
**60,811**

Total Number of Job Postings in Alberta (May - July 2015)

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

Alberta leads the country in economic growth and job creation

## Average yearly earnings by province

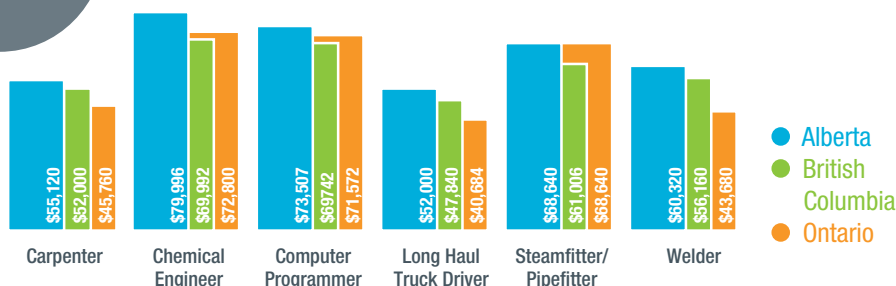


Sources: Statistics Canada, Earnings, average, by province and territory, 2015







**HIGH  
WAGES**

## Sample occupations and average salaries










Source: Government of Canada, Wage Report (2013). For more occupations, see [http://www.jobbank.gc.ca/wage-outlook\\_search-eng.do?reportOption=wage](http://www.jobbank.gc.ca/wage-outlook_search-eng.do?reportOption=wage)



## HOUSING

	ALBERTA	BRITISH COLUMBIA	ONTARIO
Average rent per month for a two-bedroom apartment:	 <b>\$1,319</b> Calgary	 <b>\$1,345</b> Vancouver	 <b>\$1,269</b> Toronto
	<b>\$1,250</b> Edmonton	<b>\$1,105</b> Victoria	<b>\$1,159</b> Ottawa
	<b>\$1,216</b> Grande Prairie	<b>\$893</b> Kamloops	<b>\$815</b> Windsor
Average price of a newly constructed single-detached or semi-detached house:	 <b>\$684,073</b> Calgary	 <b>\$1,727,199</b> Vancouver	 <b>\$1,617,589</b> Toronto
	<b>\$502,379</b> Edmonton	<b>\$694,167</b> Victoria	<b>\$546,839</b> Ottawa
	<b>\$448,580</b> Grande Prairie	<b>\$423,602</b> Kamloops	<b>\$352,651</b> Windsor

## TAXES Combined federal and provincial taxes

Two income family of four earning \$100,000	 <b>\$21,111</b>	 <b>\$23,779</b>	 <b>\$24,716</b>
Two income family of four earning \$200,000	 <b>\$51,180</b>	 <b>\$54,801</b>	 <b>\$59,304</b>
Sales Taxes	 <b>5%</b>	 <b>12%</b>	 <b>13%</b>

Housing Source: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Rental Market Statistics (Spring 2015), Housing Information Monthly (July 2015).  
Taxes Source of basic information: Alberta Treasury Board and Finance, Highlights of the Alberta Economy 2014

**GASOLINE** per litre




**\$1.11**  
CALGARY

Vancouver **\$1.35**  
Toronto **\$1.18**




Source: Statistics Canada, Average Retail Prices for Gasoline, June 2015

## LOW COST OF LIVING

### CHILDCARE (per month)

ALBERTA	BRITISH COLUMBIA	ONTARIO
 <b>\$790-900</b>	 <b>\$761-1,047</b>	 <b>\$835-1,152</b>

### HEALTH CARE (per month)

 <b>FREE</b>	 <b>\$69.25</b>	 <b>FREE</b>
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Childcare Source: Child Care Canada, Early Childhood Education and Care in Canada 2012.  
Health Care Sources: Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan (AHCIPI), British Columbia Medical Service Premium (BCMSP), Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP), 2013.

## DID YOU KNOW?



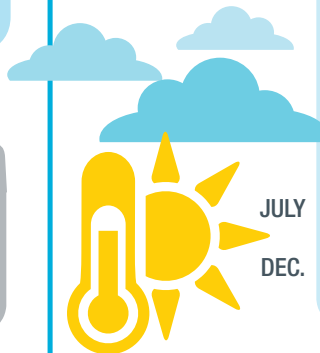
Alberta is home to the third-most ethnically diverse city in Canada, Calgary.

## SUNNIEST PROVINCE







### AVERAGE SUNSHINE HOURS PER DAY

Alberta has more sunshine annually than any other province or territory in Canada (312 days)

Source: Travel Alberta



JULY  
DEC.

 <b>Calgary, ALBERTA</b>	 <b>Vancouver, BRITISH COLUMBIA</b>	 <b>Toronto, ONTARIO</b>
 <b>10.2 hrs</b>	 <b>9.5 hrs</b>	 <b>8.9 hrs</b>
<b>3.6 hrs</b>	<b>1.8 hrs</b>	<b>2.4 hrs</b>

Source: Living in Canada, Hours of Sunshine For Canadian cities (2014)

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