

Wheatlanc County Alberta, Canada

Since the first cattlemen settled the area in the late 1800s, Wheatland County has become the breadbasket of southern Alberta.

Less than 30 minutes from Calgary International Airport, Wheatland County is in the heart of the Western Irrigation District which services an area of approximately 1,000,000 acres. The county's farmers cultivate 830,000 acres of field crops yearly including wheat, canola, barley, oats, field peas and lentils. There is also a large livestock industry with over 150,000 head of cattle and 95,000 pigs.

Getting your product to market is convenient in Wheatland County. We are located directly on Highway 1, a high load corridor that runs west to Calgary and on the CP Rail Calgary to Saskatoon line. We are also a short drive from Highway 2 that runs south to the US and forms part of the CANAMEX corridor.

With excellent transportation options, abundant feedstocks and the lowest cost of land in the region, Wheatland County is the natural location to grow your business!

Why Wheatland County?

Access to Land and Feedstock



1.3 M acres of farmland including dryland cropping and irrigated lands, on 825 farms



172,000 head of cattle and 208,307 pigs. There are also many feedlots providing finished cattle as well as speciality livestock breeders



233,000 acres of wheat, 260,000 acres of canola, 165,000 acres of barley, 82,000 acres of dry field peas and 8,107 acres of oats



An emerging area of the agri-food industry in Wheatland is organics. We are home to 8 certified organic farms

Supportive Business Environment

- Efficient and streamlined process to grant permits and approve applications
- Support available from municipal, provincial, and federal governments for eligible companies
- Canada's lowest corporate tax rate at 8%
- Canada is a party to 14 trade agreements that provide access to international markets including CETA, CUSMA, CAN-UK TCA, and CPTPP

Logistics

- 20 minute drive to Calgary border via Highway 1
- 30 minute drive to Calgary International Airport
- Calgary to Saskatoon CP rail line and a CN Rail spur at Lyalta
- Close to Highway 2 CANAMEX corridor
- 302 km to US border





Business Costs

- Lowest cost agricultural land in region
- Lowest cost industrial land in region
- Serviced lots available in Origin business park (light to medium industrial)
- Goldfinch Industrial ASP Area (heavy industrial) at Carseland
- Labour force of 4,240

Government Support for Businesses

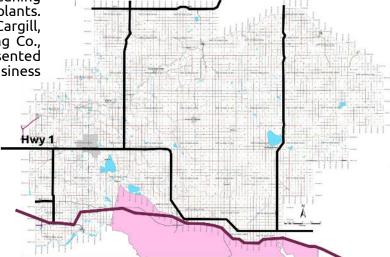
- Wheatland County municipal tax incentive
- Canada-Alberta Jobs Grant
- Canadian Agricultural Partnership
- Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Program
- Alberta Export Expansion Program

Agribusiness Companies in Wheatland County

Wheatland County has a well-developed value chain with ag-input suppliers, food and beverage processors, feedlots, machinery and equipment manufacturers, seed cleaning plants, grain handling companies and fertilizer plants. Many large agribusiness companies such as Cargill, Richardson Pioneer, Paterson Grain, Canada Malting Co., Viterra, Parish & Heimbecker, and Nutrien are represented in the county. For more information on the agribusiness value chain see the WC Mercantile website at infinitewc.ca/wc-mercantile

Opportunities

- Growing organic foods cluster
- Processing of canola, wheat, barley, oats, field peas and lentils
- Speciality meats processing
- Bio-industrials biofuel pellets, strawboard, biofuels
- Agricultural machinery dealership locations



Wheatland County Transportation Corridors

Start growing your business in Wheatland County

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