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Quesnel, BChttp://www.quesnel.ca/

Quesnel is a small city located just west of the Rocky Mountains in beautiful British Columbia. The city has approximately 10,000 residents, plus about 13,000 living outside of city limits.

The city provides an ideal combination of city living and natural beauty. Lots of amenities, beautiful wilderness, and low cost of living make Quesnel an amazing place to live and work.

Weather

The weather in Quesnel is fairly dry and mild. The average temperature in winter is -5 $^{\circ}$ C and 16 $^{\circ}$ C in summer.

Average Yearly Precipitation

Average Days with Rainfall per Year (> 0.2mm): 105.1 Average Days with Snowfall per Year (> 0.2cm): 52.4

Seasonal Average Temperatures (°C)

January: -8.6°C April: 6.3°C July: 16.7°C October: 5.4°C

Additional Information

For current information on weather in Elkford, please visit:

http://www.theweathernetwork.com/weather/cabc0244



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Location



Quesnel is located approximately 122 kilometers south of Prince George on the Cariboo Highway (#97).

Driving Distances

Prince George	122km (approx. 1 hour 29 minutes)
Kamloops	405km (approx. 4 hours 30 minutes)
Jasper, AB	485km (approx. 6 hours)
Vancouver	664km (approx. 7 hours 35 minutes)
	850km (approx. 9 hours 49 minutes)

Transportation

Airport

The closest major airport to Quesnel is the Prince George International Airport (YXS), which serves flights to and from Vancouver and Calgary. It is a 90 minute drive north from Quesnel.

To visit the Prince George International Airport's website, visit: http://www.pgairport.ca/



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Transit

BC Transit operates five bus routes in Quesnel. To see routes and maps, visit:

http://www.busonline.ca/regions/que/

Accommodation

Quesnel is known as one of the most affordable cities in Canada. In 2009, the average price of a detached family home in Quesnel was \$189,450.00 (source). In 2011, the average cost of renting a two bedroom apartment in Quesnel was \$594.00 per month (source).

For more informationg about real estate and rental properties in Quesnel, please visit:

http://northcariboorealty.com/propertymanagement.html

Industry

Quesnel is the commercial centre of the North Cariboo region with a trading population of approximately 25,000 within 60 kilometers of the city. The economy is driven primarily by agriculture, forestry, mining, oil and gas, tourism, and poultry.

Health Services

Health Services in Quesnel are provided by British Columbia's Northern Health Authority.

For information on health service providers in Quesnel, visit:

http://www.northernhealth.ca/FindUs/ContactUs/LocalContactsFacilities/NorthernInterior/Quesnel.aspx

Education

Elementary and High School education in Quesnel is provided by British Columbia's School District #28.

Post-Secondary programs in Quesnel are available at the <u>University of Northern British Columbia</u> and the <u>College of New Caledonia</u>.



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Recreation

Quesnel offers lots of amenities and recreational activities. It has creature comforts like movie theatres and recreation centres as well as excellent venues for outdoor activities like golf, skiing, hiking, and mountain biking. There are also leagues for many team sports.

With an average of 2025 hours of sunshine a year (a lot), There is lots of time to enjoy the region's beautiful wilderness.

For more information on Quesnel's recreational activities, visit:

http://www.quesnel.ca/Guide.html

Taxes

British Columbia has some of the lowest tax rates among Canadian provinces. To see how taxes compare across Canadian provinces and territories, visit:

http://www.taxtips.ca/taxrates/taxcomparison/taxcomparison2012.htm

For detailed information on taxes in BC, visit:

http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/theme.page?id=4DE87E7EE0859251309F8142B 9BD4824



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