

Medicine Hat, AB

<http://www.city.medicine-hat.ab.ca/>
<http://www.tourismmedicinehat.com/>



Medicine Hat is Canada's sunniest city with an impressive 2513 hours annually and whether your stay in Medicine Hat is long or short there is always something going on. From festivals to fairs, from sports events to parades; Medicine Hat has something for everyone. Local events and attractions include: the Spectrum Sunshine Festival, Medicine Hat JazzFest, Tongue on the Post Folk Festival, Canada Day and the Sandfly Festival, Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede, Medicine Hat Speedway and the Medicine Hat Motorplex, Police Point Park and the Family Leisure Centre to name just a few.

Medicine Hat is a great place to live, work and raise your family. With a population of over 61,000 people it is a growing community with a small town feel. Medicine Hat offers a vast array of amenities to the residents along with the surrounding areas.

Weather

Medicine Hat has a semi-arid, continental climate, with cold, dry winters and warm to hot summers.

Average Days with Precipitation per Year

Average Days with Rainfall per Year (>0.2mm): 60.81
Average Days with Snowfall per Year (>0.2cm): 44.26



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Seasonal Average Temperatures (°C)

January: -4.5°C
April: 13.7°C
July: 26.9°C
October: 14°C

Additional Information

For further information on annual climate data for Medicine Hat, please visit:
<http://origin.weather.ca/weather/caab0211>

Accommodation

Medicine Hat has very reasonable housing costs. The average home price as of September 2012 was \$258,535.

The average apartment rental is the lowest of Alberta urban centers at just \$661 per month.

For more information on real estate and rentals in Medicine Hat, please visit the following links:



<http://medicinehat.houseme.ca/>
<http://www.gottarent.com/ab/medicine%20hat/>
<http://www.medicinehatrealestateinfo.com>
<http://www.bhgressmedicinehat.ca/>

Location

Medicine Hat is situated on the Trans-Canada Highway, the eastern terminus of the Crowsnest Highway, and the South Saskatchewan River. Nearby communities considered part of the Medicine Hat area include the Town of Redcliff (located immediately adjacent to the city's northwest boundary) and the hamlets of Desert Blume, Dunmore, Irvine, Seven Persons, and Veinerville. The Cypress Hills (including Cypress Hills Interprovincial Park) is a relatively short distance (by car) to the southeast of the city.



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Driving Distances

Lethbridge.....	170km (approx. 1 hour 52 minutes)
Swift Current.....	222km (approx. 2 hours 16 minutes)
Calgary.....	294km (approx. 2 hours 52 minutes)
Banff.....	415km (approx. 4 hours 5 minutes)
Regina.....	466km (approx. 4 hours 36 minutes)

Transportation

The City of Medicine Hat operates a public transportation system, which is available and accessible to all residents of the community - <http://www.letsbusit.com/MHT2011/>

Medicine Hat Regional Airport has several daily flights to Calgary with Air Canada with connections to many other Canadian cities, U.S and International destinations. <http://www.medicinehat.ca/index.aspx?page=167>

Industry



Historically, Medicine Hat has been known for its large natural gas fields. Major industries have included chemical plants, a tire and rubber plant, greenhouses and numerous oil and gas related companies.



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Health Services

Medicine Hat Regional Hospital

666 5 Street SW | Medicine Hat | Alberta | T1A 4H6

Tel: 403-529-8000

<http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/facilities.asp?pid=facility&rid=1000474>

Medicine Hat Community Health Services

2948 Dunmore Road SE | Medicine Hat | Alberta | T1A 8E3

Tel: 403-502-8200

<http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/facilities.asp?pid=facility&rid=3454>

Education

There are a number of elementary and secondary schools in the Medicine Hat area falling under the school district no 76. For more information, please see their website; <http://www.sd76.ab.ca/>

Medicine Hat College provides a wide range of course in their campus on the outskirts of town - <http://www.mhc.ab.ca/>

Recreation

Often called the "Oasis of the Prairies," Medicine Hat has more than 90 km of hiking/biking



trails linking five major parks and many of the city's municipal parks that dot the South Saskatchewan River valley.

Medicine Hat has numerous sporting events held throughout the year in ice-hockey, baseball, car racing, chuckwagon racing, and rodeos. There are also historic sites and attractions to visit such as the Historic Clay District, Saamis Tepee, Historic Downtown, and the Esplanade Arts and Heritage Centre.



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Taxes

Alberta has low personal and corporate income taxes, the lowest fuel taxes among provinces, no capital tax, no payroll tax, no health premiums, and no sales tax. For information on Alberta's tax scheme, visit:

http://www.finance.alberta.ca/business/tax_rebates/index.html



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