

Dawson Creek, BC

<http://www.dawsoncreek.ca/>



Dawson Creek is a city located in the northeastern Peace Region of British Columbia. Home to approximately 11, 000 people, it is known as the "Capital of the Peace" City.

The city sits on historic "Mile 0" off the Alaska Highway. The "Mile 0" post still resides downtown and is an important part of Dawson Creek's heritage. Lots of annual events are hosted here, the largest of which are showcase art, music, and rodeo.

Weather

Dawson Creek has a moderate climate considering its north-central location. It gets an average of 200 sunny days per year.

Average Yearly Precipitation

Average Days with Rainfall per Year: 75
Average Days with Snowfall per Year: 61.4

Seasonal Average Temperatures (°C)

January: -6.8°C
April: 5.2°C
July: 16.3°C
October: 5.4°C



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Additional Information

For current information on annual climate data for Dawson Creek, please visit:

www.theweathernetwork.com/weather/cabc0076

Location



Dawson Creek is located in the northern Peace Region of British Columbia, minutes from the Alberta border.

Transportation

Air Service: Central Mountain Air provides regular scheduled flights in and out of the Lower Mainland from the Dawson Creek Airport. Visit their website at: <http://www.flycma.com/>

Ground Service: Regional and National bus services through Greyhound bus Services can be found at: <http://greyhound.ca/>. Local bus service is provided by BC Transit and can be viewed at: <http://www.transitbc.com/regions/daw/>

Driving Distances

Grande Prairie, AB.....132km (approx. 1 hour 31 minutes)
Peace River, AB.....234km (approx. hours 40 minutes)
Prince George, BC.....404km (approx. 5 hours)
Edmonton, AB.....590km (approx. 6 hours 6 minutes)



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Vancouver.....187km (approx. 14 hours)

Recreation

Recreation facilities include two ice hockey arenas, a curling rink, an indoor swimming pool, an outdoor ice rink, and a speed skating oval. The city also has exhibition grounds featuring an indoor rodeo arena and a 4,000-seat convention centre/ice arena with skyboxes. Nearby Bear Mountain, located south of the city, provides over 20 km (12 mi) of snowshoeing and cross-country skiing trails, areas for downhill skiing, and about 500 km (300 mi) of trails for snowmobiles, mountain bikes, and all-terrain vehicles.

Health Services

<http://www.dawsoncreek.ca/residents/health-medical-services/>

The centrally located Dawson Creek and District Hospital offers a wide range of services and is a centre of excellence in health care in Northeast British Columbia.

Integrated acute and community mental health programs operate in Dawson Creek through a partnership between the South Peace Health Council and the Peace Liard Health Services Society.

Addictions counseling and home and family support services are also readily available in Dawson Creek.

Dawson Creek's youngest citizens with special needs find quality care at the Child Development Centre.

Accommodation

Real Estate

Homes in the City run from about \$100,000 to \$575,000, depending on the area and the age and condition of the building. If you are looking for the wide open spaces, choose one of the acreages in a rural community or subdivision. Whether backing onto an open field or in the heart of the downtown core, most homes have large yards for children, pets, or a garden. Homeowners are never more than a few minutes from work, school, or a grocery store.



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You're always just a short walk from the downtown core, the hospital, or amenities.

Century 21: <http://www.century21.ca/energyrealty>
RE/MAX Dawson Creek Realty: <http://dawsoncreekrealty.com/>

Rental

Rental units range from \$850 for a 1 bedroom apartment to \$1700 for a three bedroom townhome.

For rental information, visit:

<http://www.gottarent.com/bc/dawson%20creek/Page/1>

Industry

Forestry: the 2.9-million-hectare Dawson Creek Forest District provides an estimated 1,700 jobs, ranging from truck drivers and equipment operators to camp crews. Species harvested include spruce, pine, balsam, and aspen, in quantities enough to build more than 33,000 houses annually! An extensive silviculture program is in place.



Agriculture: With close to 2.5 million acres in production, the Peace Region is the largest agricultural region in British Columbia, and home to some 1,800 farms, producing well over \$100 million worth of product annually.

Education

Elementary and Secondary:

School District #59 (Peace River South) provides residents with state-of-the-art education. All grades are provided through a network of 15 elementary, middle and secondary schools, which are located in the City of Dawson Creek and surrounding rural areas. Visit the School District #59 website at <http://www.sd59.bc.ca/>

Post-Secondary:

Northern Lights College: <http://www.nlc.bc.ca/>
University of Northern British Columbia: <http://www.unbc.ca/>



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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=4DE87E7EE0859251309F8142B9BD4824>



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