

Invest In

Thorhild County



Thorhild County is a member of Alberta HUB, the regional economic development alliance of Northeast Alberta, which is the northern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.





ABOUT THORHILD COUNTY

Thorhild County is located about a 45 minute drive from Edmonton. Our progressive County features great opportunities for development, recreation, agriculture and affordable country living. Primary natural resources in the area include large deposits of natural gas, extensive areas of peat, and some forested areas suitable for logging. There are a number of lakes and natural areas attractive to vacationers and wildlife enthusiasts. We welcome investors, visitors and newcomers to explore the opportunities Thorhild County provides.

Community Snapshot

Population	3,157 (2021)
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$149,100,000 (2021)
Non-Residential Mill Rate	22.6 (2019)
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$2,965,200,000 (2021)

Source: Statistics Canada Census and Alberta Regional Dashboard















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OUR TOP INDUSTRIES



Agriculture

Agriculture is the largest occupational sector in Thorhild County at 40%. Agriculture in the County is comprised of mixed and crop farming with close to 171,000 acres (2021) in cultivated land. Most farms are sole proprietorships and are family owned. The County has gross farm receipts of over \$84 million and over \$36 million in livestock and poultry value (2021).



Tourism

Thorhild County is a year round recreation destination for winter or summer outdoor activities, historical or cultural exploration and local country fairs. Long Lake Provincial Park holds a variety of outdoor opportunities. Long Lake Ski Area is a popular spot for snowboarding, tobogganing, and skiing. The Hamlet of Thorhild has an outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts, and ball diamonds next to the Thorhild Centennial Park Campground. Thorhild County also features the Halfmoon Lake Campground, open annually between May and September with day use and camping.



Land Inventory or Land Held for Re-Sale

Thorhild County holds opportunities for many diverse lifestyles, from hamlet to acreage living to farm operations. The Thorhild Industrial Area Structure Plan encourages economic development throughout. It illustrates the general form of future industrial development in the plan area, both serviced and unserviced lots. For available lots, see "Business" on the County's website.



Transportation

Thorhild County is conveniently located. Highways 18, 28, 63, 827 and 831 all run through the County. Highway 63 is the gateway to the Fort McMurray region and Alberta's Industrial Heartland is within a 45 minute drive. Approximately 1,258 km of rural gravel roads and paved roads are well maintained by the County. The active CN Railway corridor passes through the Hamlet of Thorhild, connecting the City of Edmonton to the south, and Fort McMurray to the north.

COMMUNITY STATISTICS

	2021 Totals*	2021 %*
Demographics		
Population	3,157	
Median age of the population	52	
Total number of census families in private households	900	
Total number of private households by tenure	1,340	
Owner	1,135	85.02%
Renter	200	14.98%
Average value of dwellings (\$)	\$288,000	
Average income \$	\$48,440	
Average household total income \$	\$90,200	
Labour Force		
In the labour force	1,615	62.10%
Participation rate		62.10%
Unemployment rate		8.00%
Management occupations	15	0.58%
Business, finance and administration occupations	155	5.96%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	30	1.15%
Health occupations	70	2.69%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	90	3.46%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	10	0.38%
Sales and service occupations	310	11.92%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	435	16.73%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	345	13.27%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	120	4.62%
Education		
High school diploma or equivalent	965	37.12%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	1,080	41.54%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	420	16.15%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	475	18.27%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	50	1.92%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	15	0.58%

^{*}Source: 2021 Statistics Canada Census

SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

Electrical Provider(s)
Electrical Capacity
Natural Gas Provider(s)
Natural Gas Capacity
Water Capacity
Waste/Sewage Capacity
Broadband Provider(s)
Broadband Capacity

North Parkland Power, Fortis Alberta
North Parkland Power Ph. (780) 398-2000
Thorhild County Natural Gas Utility
Thorhild County; Ph. (780) 398-2811
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