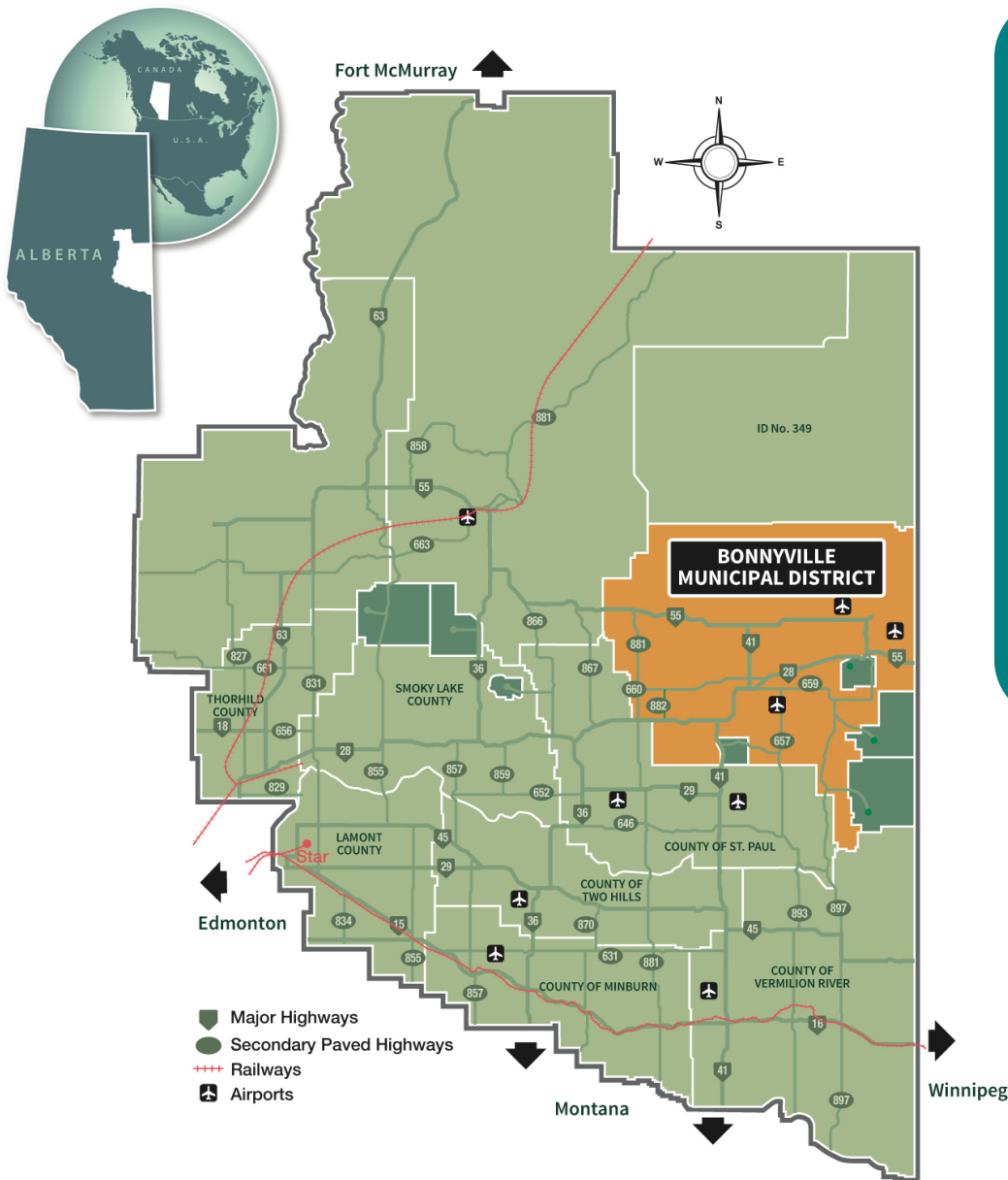


The M.D. of Bonnyville

CONNECTED TO GLOBAL MARKETS



The M.D. of Bonnyville has a strong diversified agricultural sector producing a variety of oilseed, cereal and pulse crops. Beef cattle and grain crops are now supplemented by forestry, wild game farming and specialty crops. Gross farm receipts were over \$102 million in 2016, a 48% increase since 2011.

The 2016 federal census shows close to 2,000 head of bison are raised in the M.D. The M.D. of Bonnyville also provides excellent soil and climatic growing conditions for Industrial Hemp. Hemp varieties can grow much taller plants and produce 20-30% higher yields.

The M.D. of Bonnyville connects to provincial, national and international markets with Highway 28, a main east/west corridor and highway 41, a north/south corridor.

Air service is available at the Bonnyville and Cold Lake Airports.

Farming Overview	2011*	2016*	% ±
Number of Farms	739	650	-12.04%
Total Land Area - km2	6,064.73	6,064.73	0.00%
Land in Crops	250,968	239,816	-4.44%
Natural land for pasture - acres	292,657	264,193	-9.73%
Number of Farm Operators	1,075	960	-10.70%
Number of Employees	443	197	-55.53%
Gross Farm Receipts	\$69,016,957	\$102,415,08	48.39%

*Source: Statistics Canada Census of Agriculture, and community information. Figures are based on number of farms reporting.

Crop Overview	2011*	2016*	% ±
Canola - acres	42,233	37,579	-11.02%
Wheat - acres	19,175	34,710	81.02%
Barley - acres	26,761	23,576	-11.90%
Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures - acres	108,934	86,459	-20.63%
All other tame hay and fodder crops - acres	28,213	19,570	-30.63%
Oats - acres	17,842	17,149	-3.88%
Dry field peas - acres	3,412	11,984	251.23%
Fruits, Berries and Nuts - acres	40	30	-25.00%
Lentils - acres	n/a	2,000	
Total rye - acres	305	n/a	
Flaxseed - Acres	0	n/a	
Vegetables - acres (excluding greenhouses)	7	7	0.00%
Total greenhouse area in use - square feet	444,000	33,632	-92.43%

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n/a - not available from Statistics Canada Census data; **community sourced

Agriculture Research: Located outside of Bonnyville is the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), is a research centre for specialty crops. LARA's goal is to conduct applied research, demonstrations and extension programs that provide valuable unbiased information to local producers.

Livestock Overview	2011*	2016*	% ±
Value of Livestock & Poultry	\$48,638,313	\$132,832,078	173.10%
Cattle and Calves #	63,418	60,842	-4.06%
Dairy Cows #	111	n/a	
Beef Cows #	26,508	n/a	
Heifers #	9,146	7,432	-18.74%
Calves #	22,080	21,237	-3.82%
Steers #	4,081	4,259	4.36%
Bulls #	1,492	1,787	19.77%
Pigs #	113	289	155.75%
Hens and Chickens #	3,788	n/a	
Sheep and Lambs #	920	962	4.57%

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Dry field peas (acres) showed significant growth of 251% from 2011 to 2016 demonstrating it to be an up and coming high-demand crop in the M.D.



The Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development lists the value of agricultural land in the M.D. as \$2,261/acre in 2021.

