Economy & Industry Spotlight





About Camrose

The City of Camrose, located in the heart of Central Alberta with a population of approximately 20,000 people, is a unique city with a rich history and a modern vibrancy. Built upon Indigenous traditional hunting grounds and grown through a wave of Scandinavian immigration, Camrose became a confluence for railway goods and passenger transportation that still supports an extensive agriculture industry.

With a trading area of 130,000, the City is experiencing an unprecedented boom as existing businesses expand and new businesses are jumping on economic opportunities. Camrose has cemented its position as a regional hub for commerce, recreation, health care, and education.

Camrose is a city alive with activity. The diverse and thriving arts and culture scene offers entertainment and creative opportunities all year round. Two live production theatres host unique performances, providing a stage for everyone from local artisans to professional touring companies.

The gorgeous Stoney Creek river valley that winds through the City is a nature reprieve and playground for year-round outdoor enthusiasts who hike, mountain bike, paddle on the lake, and cross-country ski. Competitionlevel recreational facilities host everything from local club practices and tournament play to world class, televised events.

Between robust health care services and great schools, small town warmth and big city amenities, Camrose is an exceptional place to live and raise a family.



Camrose isn't just a great place for business. It's also a lovely place to live.









Construction

Health Care and Social Assistance

Retail Trade

Accommodation and Food Services

Manufacturing







EXPLORE OUR **TRAILS**



Health Care & Education

Health Care

The City of Camrose is a leader in rural health care with a network of innovative professionals. Camrose is one of the 44 communities in Alberta with a Primary Care Network (PCN) along with a major hospital, Covenant Health St. Mary's, and a robust selection of health clinics and support services.

Camrose demonstrates leadership in the rural health care sector by hosting numerous pilot projects in the community including: COPD Home Health Monitoring program, Hospitalists Program, Stroke Intervention Program, Community Cancer Centre, Community Paramedic Program, and the Nav-CARE Program.

23% of Camrosians are 65 years old and above. Retirees are migrating to Camrose because of the quality and density of health care services available along with robust recreational and entertainment options.

MAJOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS & RELATED BUSINESSES

- Covenant Health St. Mary's Hospital
- Camrose Primary Care Network
- Gemini Health Medical Clinic
- Smith Clinic and Walk-In Clinic
- The Bethany Group
- The Camrose Association for Community Living
- Healthy Living Centre

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Mental health support
- Mobile teams
- Off-site service facility (EKG, MRI, X-ray, Holter testing, stress testing, ultrasound)
- Food care specialist
- Rehabilitation facility

Education

The City of Camrose has over 3,000 students enrolled in K-12 studies. There are 11 schools located throughout the City, some offering French Immersion and other specialty programs.

There are over 1,000 students enrolled in postsecondary studies at the University of Alberta Augustana Campus and about 30 students attending the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute (CLBI) campus.







19% of people in Camrose are employed in Health Care and Social Assistance industries.



Retail & Tourism Cluster

Camrose has a small town warmth with big city amenities. Retail is a major employment sector, making up 16% of the jobs sector. From big box stores to unique boutiques, Camrose has it all! Businesses in Camrose include retail, professional and service sectors and range in size from one-person operations to companies employing many people. Camrose is a major regional shopping hub drawing consumers from over 100km away.

Shopping Hubs

Duggan Wellness Centre (formerly Duggan Mall) hosts a diverse range of businesses with a cinema, walk-in health care clinic, and a selection of clothing, jewelery, and local products. Weekly farmers markets bring the community together to connect producers and customers.

The historic downtown is known for hosting unique shopping experiences with everything from clothing and furniture to international grocery and specialty stores. Downtown Camrose has over 300 businesses waiting to be explored!

MAJOR RETAILERS

- Canadian Tire
- Home Hardware
- Rona
- Safeway
- Save-on-Foods
- Staples
- Superstore
- Walmart
- Wild Rose Co-Op
- Winners

RETAIL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Engineering & technology
- Legal & accounting
- Agronomy & agriculture related consulting services
- Computer system design
- Scientific research and development
- Specialized design or architectural services
- Entertainment & indoor recreation
- Adventure & camping specialty store
- Crafting supplies store

Tourism Investment Opportunities

WHO IS VISITING ALBERTA?

Alberta is outpacing the rest of Canada significantly with Alberta's international visitation a full 16% ahead of Canada's overall growth from these international markets. With initial market research completed, here are the top 10 tourism

investment opportunities in Camrose:

- Ag Tourism Family Destination
- **Boutique Retail**
- Family Sports Facility
- Golf Tour
- Nordic Spa
- Outdoor Gear Retail
- Summer Rental & Visitor Information Operations

- Transportation Services
- Viking Dinner Theatre
- Wedding Venue













Manufacturing & Construction @

Manufacturing

The manufacturing industry in Camrose is well positioned for growth with a steady population increase, significant trading area and exceptional quality of life. Demand for manufacturing services are growing as Camrose is a regional hub for agriculture and oil & gas sectors. With competitive land, construction, and tax costs as well as efficient development and building permit process, Camrose has made it easy for investors to enter the manufacturing industry.

Camrose is supported by a strong agriculture sector and is surrounded by 4.7 million acres of highly productive farmland. Agricultural manufacturing is highly sought after in this region and is an emerging sector supported by skilled workers from the oil & gas sector as well as the nearby post-secondary institutions.



- Align Builders
- Cargill Canola Processing
- Meridian Manufacturing
- Perma-Pipe Canada Ltd.
- Shaw Pipe Protection Ltd.
- Viterra Inc.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Agri-processing facility manufacturing
- Dynamic manufacturing
- Primary agriculture manufacturing
- Oil & gas manufacturing

Camrose is well connected with access to the US border in under six hours and access to CN and CP rail service.

Did you know: There is no Machinery and Equipment Municipal Tax in Camrose?







Construction

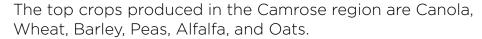
Construction companies operating in Camrose are busy! There is steady demand for residential single family, duplex, and apartment complex housing starts.

On top of the residential building demand, commercial and industrial renovations, expansions, and new developments are exceeding expectations. Recent municipal investments in infrastructure includes a new Wastewater Treatment Plant (\$44.2 million), a major renovation project on the Mayer Aquatic Centre (\$17.2 million), and many road and utilities modernization projects.

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Industry Spotlight

Camrose is integrally connected to the regional agriculture industry which is comprised of 4.7 million acres of farmland. There is a growing international market for value-added products with increased consumer demand for healthy, nutrient-rich, convenient products, combined with the global food demand expected to increase by 70% by 2050. Surrounded by rich cropland, Camrose already supports an emerging agri-manufacturing and agri-business industry with room for expansion and diversification. The agriculture community, generational knowledge of the agriculture industry, and well educated workforce make Camrose a prime location for value-added agriculture.







Location Advantages

HIGHWAY TRANSPORTATION

Camrose is located in East Central Alberta within Camrose County, 95km southeast of the provincial capital city, Edmonton. The City of Camrose is positioned along Highway 13, Highway 26, and Highway 833.

High Load Corridors

- 8.4km from Highway 21 (west)
- 41km from Highway 14 (north)
- 66km from Highway 36 (east)

RAIL SERVICE

Camrose is serviced by both major railway companies with interchange capability between them.

Canadian National Railway (CN) runs north/ south with primary connection points being Edmonton and Calgary. CN tracks feed directly into the Calgary CN Hub.

Canadian Pacific Railway (CPKC) runs east/ west through Camrose with connections to Edmonton and Calgary via Wetaskiwin. CPKC tracks feed directly into the Edmonton

MAJOR CROP AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCT AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

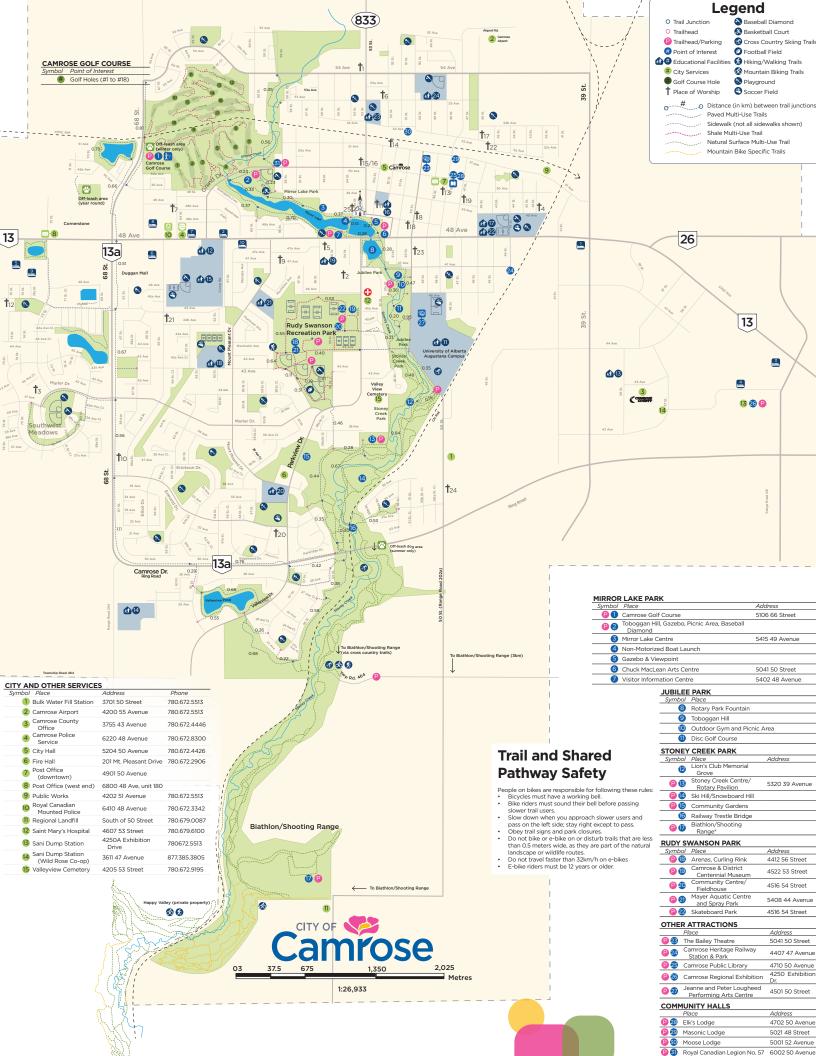
- Cargill (canola crush plant)
- Sodium Solutions
- Viterra Inc.
- UFA Farm & Ranch Supply Camrose is connected to the high load corridor, major highways, and CN and CP rail service.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Food & beverage manufacturing
- Cereal crop processing
- Meat processing
- Bakery
- Food ingredient processing Camrose has access to over 3.3 million Albertans within a 300km radius on major transportation corridors, making it an advantageous location for food distribution.

CPKC Hub. This rail line also branches west to the Saskatchewan border.

Battle River Railway (BRR) is a new generation cooperative, shortline railway, southeast 84 km (52 miles) from Camrose to Alliance. Battle River Railway serves its agriculture and industrial customers on a weekly basis with three core services: tourism, train car storage, and commodity transportation.



At a Glance

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\$276,000

median single family home price

326

sunny days per year

86%

workforce with education above high school

8,781

dwelling units

building starts

625,481

acres of cropland

20,587

people living in Camrose 2024

minute average commute

kilometers of trails

66%

home owners

36

new businesses

713

businesses

5.40%

unemployment rate April, 2025

1375m

Camrose Airport runway length

75

kilometers to YEG

(Edmonton International Airport)

9,245

labor force

+895

net commuter flow



130,600

estimated trading area

Alberta

\$77k

median household income

69%

labour force participation rate

April 2024

10.9

Mbps

Median Upload Speed

Mbps

Median Download Speed

milliseconds Average Latency

Railways

CPKC Interchanges Canadian National Railway Battle River Railway

