A group of people in a meeting room, overlaid with a blue grid pattern. The scene is dimly lit with a strong blue color cast. Several individuals are visible, some looking at a laptop screen. The background shows framed artwork on the wall.

City of Grande Prairie 2018 Census Results

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City of Grande Prairie 2018 Census Results

The City of Grande Prairie began the 2018 Municipal Census in March of 2018. Residents could respond to the census in one of three ways, online, telephone, or when a neighborhood enumerator visited a residence.

The census was completed in July 2018 and resulted in a population count of:

69,088

Since the 2015 municipal census, Grande Prairie's population grew a total of **532 residents**, or **0.78%**.

In 2016, the City of Grande Prairie annexed 6,300 hectares of land from the County of Grande Prairie. The annexation impacted 300 properties and 200 property owners. The population of the annexed lands prior to annexation is unknown. The 2018 census reports a total of **803 residents** in the annexed lands.

Why Conduct a Census?

Governments may conduct a census periodically to garner an understanding of population changes, neighbourhood fluctuations, and overall demographics.

In Grande Prairie, residents use public services such as schools, roads, recreational facilities, emergency services, police services, and libraries. Current and reliable census data is essential to adapt to changing priorities. Basing decisions on regularly updated demographics also results in more efficient use of revenue and resources.

The results from the census are used to maximize per capita grant funding, aid in the development of programs and services and the planning and development of land.

Below are three reasons for conducting a municipal census:

a) Per Capita Grant Funding

Per capita grant funding increases the financial capacity of the City and is used to support our residents by enhancing programs and services. The City maximizes the amount of per capita grant funding received from the provincial and federal government when accurate and up-to-date population data is available. In essence, the more people the City of Grande Prairie identifies through the census, the more dollars the City of Grande Prairie will have access to.

b) Programs and Services

The City develops a wide variety of programming and services that support changing community needs and are essential to improving the quality of life experienced in our communities. The data collected in the census helps decision-makers and staff predict the type of services currently needed in the City and plan for future services.

c) Planning and Development

The demographics collected in a census are used to help plan neighbourhoods, commercial developments and infrastructure improvements. An example of the data applied to this purpose is population count by neighbourhood, age of resident by neighbourhood and commuter method.

2018 Census Highlights



69,088 residents in 2018

Who we are:



Median Age

The median age of residents in Grande Prairie is 31.9 years old.*

Largest Single Age Group

The largest single age group is the 30 to 34 age range, which accounts for 7,462 or 10.8% of the population.*



Gender Breakdown



Males
26,366 (38.16%)



Females
25,281 (36.59%)



No Response/Didn't wish to Respond
17,441 (25.25%)

Resident Response Breakdown



Enumerators
(door to door collection)
20,485 (64.32%)



Completed census online with PIN #
7,673 (24.09%)



Administrators
(called in to participate)
3,687 (11.58%)



Population Make-up

Out of the total number of respondents, 7,392 are comprised of naturalized Canadians, permanent residents or have work / student / visitor visas.*



Less than 2-year residency

Out of the total number of respondents, 6,149 of the population has lived in Grande Prairie for less than 2 years.*

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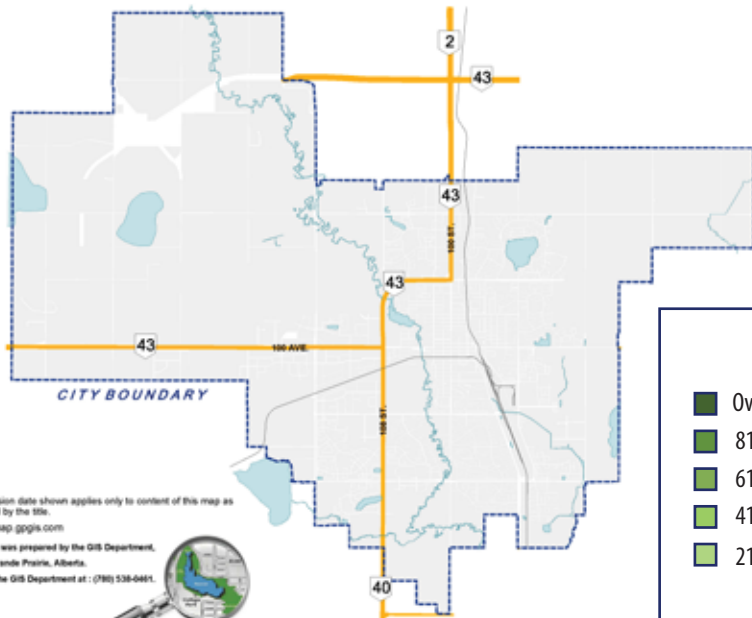
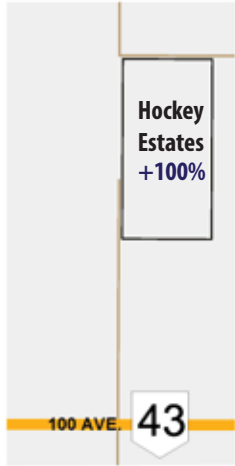
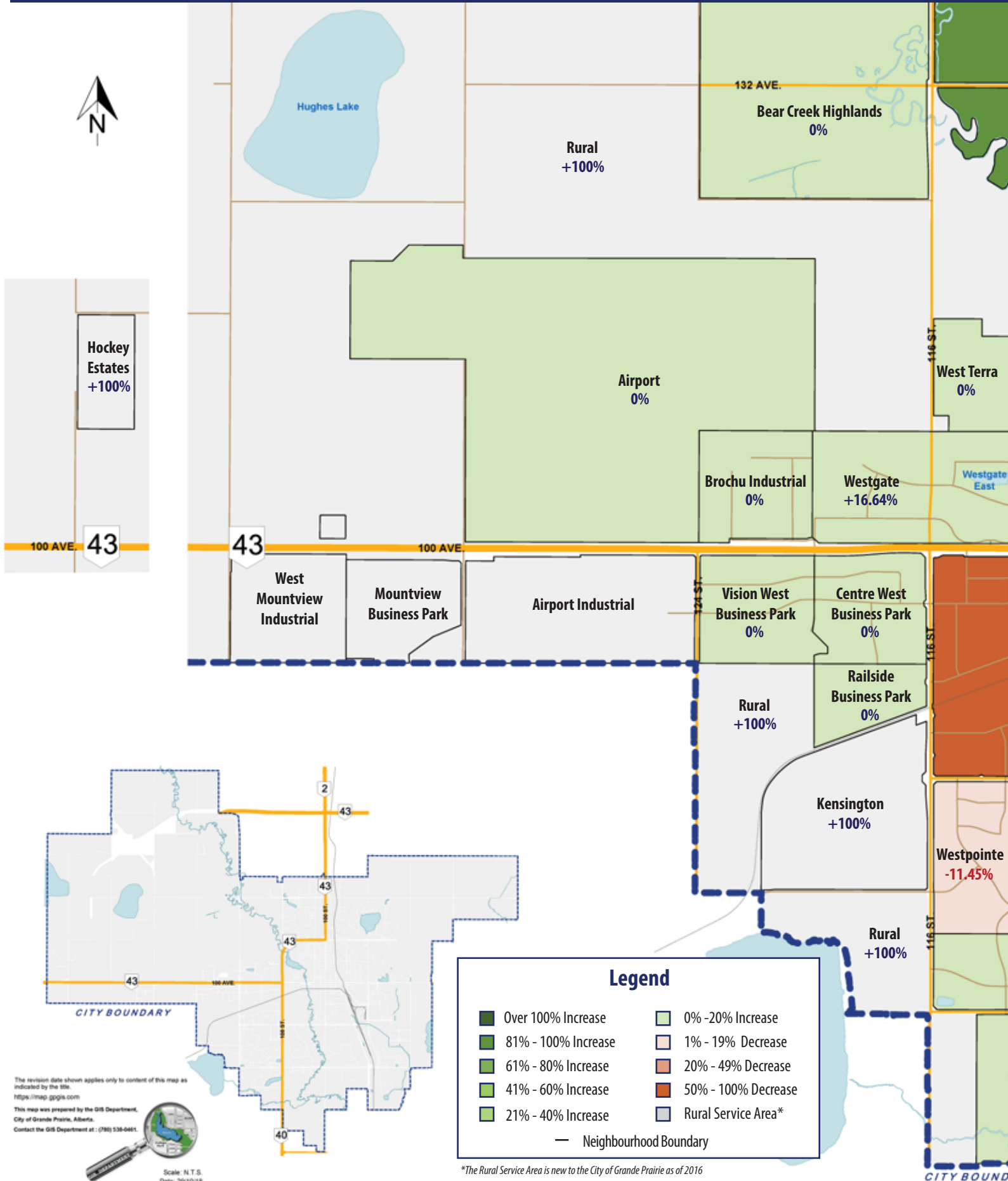
According to the 2018 Municipal Census, the majority of out of province residents migrated from British Columbia and Ontario.*

Second Largest Primary Language

Tagalog (Filipino) is the second largest primary language spoken at home at 1.6%, second only to English at 68.3%. French is the third at 1.0% and Spanish is the fourth at 0.4%.*



Neighbourhood Population Change



Legend

 Over 100% Increase	 0% - 20% Increase
 81% - 100% Increase	 1% - 19% Decrease
 61% - 80% Increase	 20% - 49% Decrease
 41% - 60% Increase	 50% - 100% Decrease
 21% - 40% Increase	 Rural Service Area*

— Neighbourhood Boundary

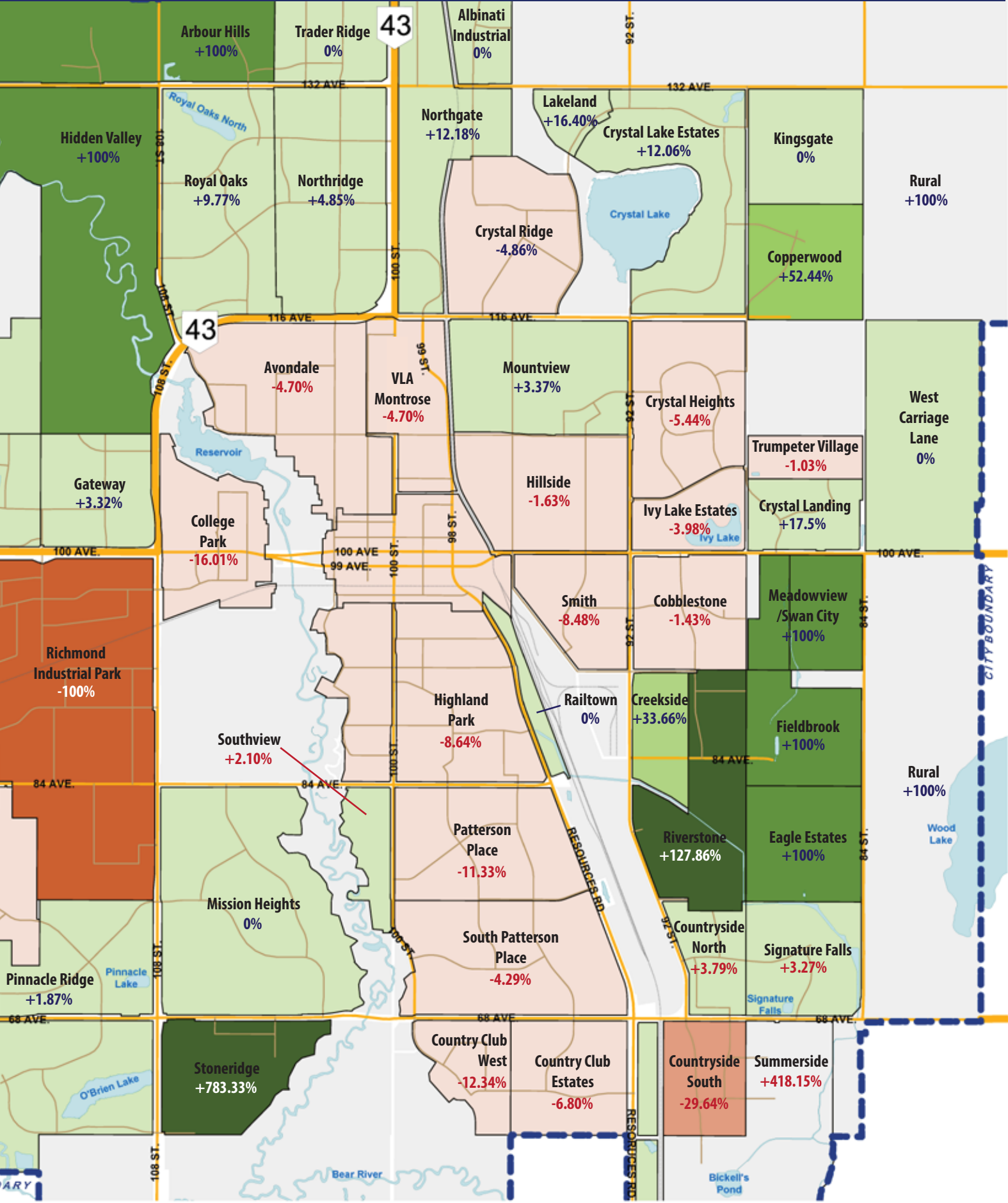
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*The Rural Service Area is new to the City of Grande Prairie as of 2016

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Historic Population Change

The results of the 2018 municipal census confirm that the City of Grande Prairie is resilient in changing, and sometimes challenging, economic times. The City of Grande Prairie saw a slight increase of 0.78% (532) in population from the 2015 municipal census, the results of the 2018 municipal census confirm Grande Prairie draws new residents.

City Growth From 1997 – 2018 | 20 Year Recap *Municipal Census*

Census Year	Population Count	Increase / Decrease	Growth / Decline (%)
1997	31,140	N/A	N/A
2000	35,962	4,822	15.48%
2003	40,226	4,264	11.86%
2005	44,631	4,405	10.95%
2007	50,227	5,596	12.54%
2015	68,556	18,329	36.49%
2018	69,088	532	0.78%





City Growth From 1996 – 2018 | 20 Year Recap

Federal Census

Census Year	Population Count	Increase / Decrease	Growth / Decline (%)
1996	31,353	N/A	N/A
2001	36,983	5,630	17.96%
2006	47,076	10,093	27.29%
2011	55,032	7,956	16.90%
2016	63,166	8,134	14.78%

Population by Neighbourhood

Neighbourhood	2015 Population	2018 Population	Difference	% of Increase / Decrease
Airport	0	0	0	0.00%
Airport Industrial	0	0	0	0.00%
Albinati Industrial	0	0	0	0.00%
Arbour Hills/Trader Ridge	0	77	77	100%
Avondale	2,385	2,273	-112	-4.70%
Bear Creek Highlands	0	0	0	0.00%
Brochu Industrial	0	0	0	0.00%
Central Business District	1,121	931	-190	-16.95%
Centre West Business Park	0	0	0	0.00%
Cobblestone	1,960	1,932	-28	-1.43%
College Park	937	787	-150	-16.01%
Copperwood	225	343	118	52.44%
Country Club Estates	1,837	1,712	-125	-6.80%
Country Club West	1,175	1,030	-145	-12.34%
Country Side North	1,347	1,425	78	5.79%
Country Side South	2,455	1,728	-727	-29.61%
Creekside	1,420	1,898	478	33.66%
Crystal Heights	2,537	2,399	-138	-5.44%
Crystal Lake	3,076	3,447	371	12.06%
Crystal Landing	915	1,071	156	17.05%
Crystal Ridge	1,975	1,879	-96	-4.86%
Dunvegan Gardens	0	6	6	100.00%
Eagles Estates	0	92	92	100.00%
Fairway	0	0	0	0.00%
Fieldbrook	0	16	16	100.00%
Gateway	1,356	1,401	45	3.32%
Hermit Lake	0	2	2	100.00%
Hidden Valley	0	2	2	100.00%
Highland Park	3,726	3,404	-322	-8.64%
Hillside	2,453	2,413	-40	-1.63%
Hockey Estates	0	13	13	100.00%
Hughes Lake	0	6	6	100.00%
Ivy Lake Estates	829	796	-33	-3.98%
Kennedy	0	0	0	0.00%
Kensington	0	2	2	100.00%
Kingsgate	0	0	0	0.00%
Lakeland	1,730	1,910	180	10.40%
Meadowview/Swan City	0	291	291	100.00%
Mission	4,129	4,129	0	0.00%

Neighbourhood	2015 Population	2018 Population	Difference	% of Increase / Decrease
Mountview	2,376	2,456	80	3.37%
Nordhagen	0	22	22	100.00%
Northgate	632	709	77	12.18%
Northridge	1,919	2,012	93	4.85%
O'Brien Lake	1,730	1,929	199	11.50%
Patterson Place	3,301	2,927	-374	-11.33%
Pinnacle Ridge	5,123	5,219	96	1.87%
Railside Business Park	0	0	0	0.00%
Railtown	0	0	0	0.00%
Richmond Industrial	6	0	-6	-100.00%
Riverstone	47	107	60	127.66%
Royal Oaks	2,263	2,484	221	9.77%
Rural	0	270	270	100.00%
Signature Falls	979	1,011	32	3.27%
Smith	2,369	2,168	-201	-8.48%
South Patterson Place	4,112	3,936	-176	-4.28%
Southview	713	728	15	2.10%
Stone Ridge	12	106	94	783.33%
Summerside	110	570	460	418.18%
Swanavon	887	864	-23	-2.59%
Trumpeter Village	487	482	-5	-1.03%
VLA Montrose	1,096	993	-103	-9.40%
Vision West Business Park	0	0	0	0.00%
West Carriage Lane	0	0	0	0.00%
West Mountview Industrial	0	4	4	100.00%
West Terra	0	0	0	0.00%
Westgate	739	859	120	16.24%
Westpoint	2,052	1,817	-235	-11.45%
New Address	15	0	-15	-100.00%
Grand Totals	68,556	69,088	455	0.78%

College Park | The 2018 Census started later than the 2015, therefore, the count for student residence was not realized during the census undertaking as the students had completed their studies for the year.

Subdivisions with significant growth realized new developments or annexation into the areas.

Subdivisions with a decrease, may not have people respond to the census or there has been a decrease in rentals.

For a detailed breakdown of neighbourhood population changes, please call the Citizen Contact Centre at **780-538-0300** and ask to speak to Legislative Services.



For more information, please visit
cityofgp.com/census

2018 Census Highlights

Significant Growth Neighbourhoods

Neighbourhood	2015 Population	2018 Population	Difference	% of Growth
Stoneridge	12	106	94	783.33%
Summerside	110	570	460	418.18%
Riverstone	47	107	60	127.66%
Copperwood	225	343	118	52.44%
Crystal Landing	915	1,071	156	17.05%
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Lakeland	1,730	1,910	180	10.40%

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