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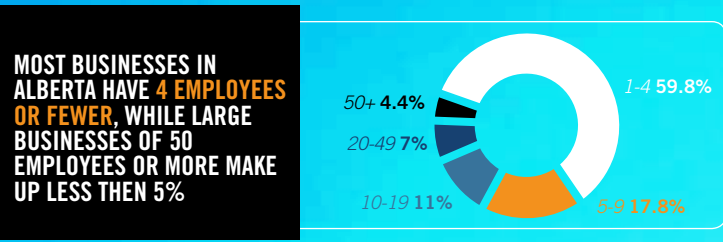
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ATB BRANCH LOCATION MAP

- Large Cities
- Highlighted towns/regions
- Smaller Municipalities
- Centre/Region Stats

Contact numbers for both Branches and Agencies (not shown on map) are listed to the right. For branch address & details go to www.atb.com/locator

GRANDE PRAIRIE

Grande Prairie sits at the centre of a trading area that includes more than a quarter million people.

Almost twice as many women as men work from home in Grande Prairie.

The CFIB named Grande Prairie the top entrepreneurial city in Canada in 2010.

WOOD BUFFALO

Wood Buffalo's population has grown by: **152%** Since 2001

Keyano College offers an **Aboriginal Entrepreneurship Program** that aims to provide education without forcing students to leave their jobs or families.

Average annual household income is **\$177,634** while average home price is **\$676,047**.

STRATHCONA COUNTY

Almost **51%** of households in Strathcona County earn **\$80,000** a year or more – **15%** higher than the rest of Alberta.

55.4% of businesses in Strathcona County are run solely by their owners.

There are **no business license fees** in Strathcona County.

ST. ALBERT

The St. Albert-based North American Business Incubator (NABI) counseled **161** businesses last year while operating at **99%** capacity.

St. Albert has the second-highest median annual family income in Alberta at **\$115,800**.

In the first quarter of 2011 St. Albert issued **1,020** home-based business licenses.

EDMONTON

Average cost of office space: **\$18/sq ft**

Median household income: **\$88,190**

9% of Edmonton's labour force is self-employed - over **67,000** people

Edmonton **does not** have:
Provincial Sales Tax
Capital Tax
Payroll Tax
Business Tax
Machinery & Equipment Tax

RED DEER

TWO MILLION people live within 160 km of Red Deer, making it the largest potential market on the prairies.

Municipal bylaws in Red Deer **permit entrepreneurs to house startups in garages** - provided the garage can still hold a car.

Business licenses in Red Deer start at: **\$55**

AIRDRIE

Airdrie issued **280** business permits in 2010.

There were **948** home-based businesses in Airdrie in 2010 – **70** more than 2009.

Airdrie has **won the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting** from the Government Financial Officers Association of Canada and the United States for three straight years. The award honours transparency in reporting government expenditure.

CALGARY

Small businesses per 1000 residents: **38.2** (Highest in Canada)

Small business growth rate from 2005-2009: **15.1%** (Second in Canada)

Number of small businesses as of 2009: **49,481**. The biggest industry is professional, scientific and technical services with **10,649**.

64.4% of small businesses in Calgary have four or fewer employees.

LETHBRIDGE

59% of the labour market in Lethbridge works for companies that employ fewer than 100 people.

Tecconnect, a government initiative designed to attract tech investment to Lethbridge, offers **10,000 square feet** of office space to entrepreneurs.

There is **no municipal tax or payroll tax** in Lethbridge.

MEDICINE HAT

The average lease price of retail space in Medicine Hat is: **\$10/sq ft**

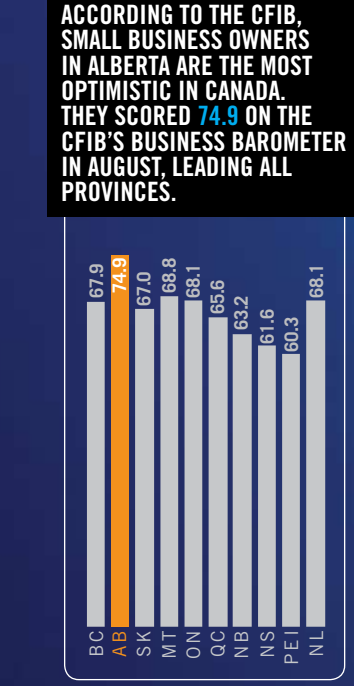
The city offers **interest-free loans of up to \$100,000** to businesses that move to its Downtown Redevelopment Area.

Medicine Hat College runs the **Entrepreneur Development Centre**, a consulting service available to students and alumni from all disciplines.

IN A 2010 CANADIAN FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT BUSINESS (CFIB) RANKING OF CANADA'S TOP ENTREPRENEURIAL CITIES, ALBERTAN CITIES TOOK FIVE OF THE TOP 10 SPOTS

GRANDE PRAIRIE
LLOYDMINSTER
SASKATOON
PRINCEALBERT
KELOWNA
EDMONTON
RED DEER
PARKSVILLE
SAINTE-GEORGE
WOOD BUFFALO

(BASED ON OVERALL SCORE)



IN AN ANGUS REID POLL, SMALL BUSINESS SCORED HIGHER FOR RESPECT ACROSS THE COUNTRY THAN EVERY OTHER INDUSTRY EXCEPT FARMING. (OUT OF 10)

FARMERS	8.7
SMALL BUSINESS	8.2
EDUCATION	7
HEALTHCARE	7
LEGAL SYSTEM	5.9
LARGE COMPANIES	5.6
BANKS	5.6
GOVERNMENT	5.3
LABOUR UNIONS	5.1

ATB supports small business in communities big and small. Agencies extend a range of essential banking services to 130 communities across Alberta.