

## COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



We are the Centre of the Lower Mainland!



### Transportation

#### Major Highways

Highway No. 7 (Lougheed Highway)

#### Major Connections

**Golden Ears Bridge** – new Fraser River Crossing connects Pitt Meadows to Langley and Surrey at 200<sup>th</sup> Street providing direct access to the TransCanada Highway No. 1

**Pitt River Bridge** – new Pitt River crossing replacing the existing crossing=s, opened fall 2009. Offers 3 westbound and 4 eastbound lanes and free-flow connections to the communities to the west

#### Rail Service in Community

CP Rail Intermodal Yard for Western Canada  
West Coast Express (Commuter Rail to Vancouver)

#### Public Transportation

TransLink (Regional Bus Services)

#### Local Airport

Pitt Meadows Regional Airport (CYPK)  
Runway length: 4,692 feet  
Runway expansion: 5,000 ft (will allow Dash 8's)  
Scheduled Air Service: Island Express and Chartered Service

#### Closest International Airport

Vancouver International (YVR) 45 minute drive  
Abbotsford International (YXX) 30 minute drive

### Closest Port

Port of Vancouver (direct access along the New South Fraser Perimeter Road (will complete in 2012)

### People

Local Population:	17,500
30 Minute Population:	1.5 million people
Local Workforce:	9,000
30 Minute Workforce:	800,000
Median Age:	38.3
Median Household Income:	\$64,748 (10% above BC average)
Education Attainment:	32% high school certificate/equivalent 50% post-secondary certificate, diploma, or degree

### Land

Land Area:	9,515 Hectares (including watercourses)
Urban %:	10.8%
Rural%:	89.2%
Total Commercial Land:	215 Hectares
Available Commercial:	52 Hectares
Total Industrial Land:	149 Hectares
Available Industrial Land:	81 Hectares

*Most recent sale of industrial land in Pitt Meadows was sale of 57 acres owned by Pitt Meadows Airport sold to Onni for \$18M for the Golden Ears Business Centre development.*

## Business & Industry

**Top Economic Sectors:** Transportation & Aviation, Clean Manufacturing, Agriculture and Agrifood Processing, Commercial/Retail, and Tourism

**Emerging Sectors:** Agrifood processing, Agritourism, aviation related business and manufacturing and distribution

**Major Exports:** Blueberries, Cranberries, Cedar Products, Roofing Products, Wireless Technologies

### Utilities

Electricity: Supplied by BC Hydro  
Natural Gas: Supplied by Terasen Gas  
Telecommunications: Supplied by Telus  
Cell Towers: Three service providers

## Current Development Projects

**Golden Ears Business Centre** - Onni Clean Industrial/Business Park, Build to suit up to 1.5M sq ft., first building opens spring 2011, 75,000 sq ft. Contact Chris MacCauley at 604-662-2667

**Solaris at Meadows Gate** - Commercial Retail & Office/Residential, Phase 1 open, Phase 2 now selling. Contact Craig Haziza at 604-640-5891

**Keystone** - Commercial/residential, space for lease. Contact Casey Pollard at 604-692-1440

**Osprey Village at Sawyer's Landing** - Commercial/residential, space for lease. Contact Jon Bennest at 604-685-3888

## Local Business Assistance Programs

- Pitt Meadows Economic Development Corporation  
- Chamber of Commerce serving Pitt Meadows & Maple Ridge

## Useful Websites

Pitt Meadows Economic Development  
City of Pitt Meadows  
Ridge Meadows Chamber of Commerce  
Tourism Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows  
Pitt Meadows Regional Airport  
Province of British Columbia  
Small Business BC

## Community Services & Amenities

### Hospitals

Ridge Meadows Hospital (Maple Ridge—approximately 6 kms (10 minutes by car))

### Post Secondary Schools or Colleges/Job Skills Training Programs

Ridge Meadows College and Sprott-Shaw Community College are located in neighbouring community Maple Ridge.

All Within 10-50km—Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Simon Fraser University, Trinity Western University, University of the Fraser Valley, University of British Columbia, Douglas College, Vancouver Community College, British Columbia Institute of Technology and the Justice Institute of British Columbia.

### Top Regional Recreational Amenities

- Golf Courses
- Dyke Trail Network
- Pitt Lake
- Golden Ears Provincial Park

### Accommodations

- Ramada Hotel
- Various Bed & Breakfasts

### Beaches & Resorts

- Pitt Lake (largest intertidal lake in North America)
- Multiple River Accesses

### Golf Courses

- Pitt Meadows Golf Club
- Meadow Gardens Golf Club
- Golden Eagle Golf Club
- Swan-e-Set Bay Resort and Country Club
- Meadows Golf and Baseball Centre – Driving Range

### Housing

Housing Costs (2010): \$541,599 (Detached)  
\$247,594 (Attached)

### Taxation (Mill) Rate

Residential (Class 1): 3.4738 (2010)  
Industrial (Class 6): 11.6567 (2010)

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