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## ACCESS TO LABOUR

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 Almost 50,000 people live in Vegreville and the surrounding communities and provide a stable work force. Commuters from the Edmonton Capital Region, travelling on a four-lane divided highway, provide supplemental labour force.
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 The population of Vegreville has been stable over time increasing from 5,519 residents in 2006 to 5,708 in 2016, a growth of 3%.
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 47% of the local labour force has completed a post-secondary credential with 13% being either journeymen or apprentices.
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 Vegreville's median age is 43 yrs. making it a young community with 2,800 residents or 48% between the ages of 20 and 65.
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 The local workforce is diverse by occupation with 30% in business and management occupations, 19% in health and other public services, 18% in sales and service and 19% in trade and transport related fields, 14% other fields.

Vegreville 2013 Census and Stats Canada 2016

### A Town of Many Talents

Total labour force population aged 15 years and over by occupation	2,870
Management occupations	320
Business, finance and administration occupations	505
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	110
Health occupations	225
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	245
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	40
Sales and service occupations	565
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	565
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	95
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	95

Source: 2016 Statistics Canada Census





## Access to Government, Business and Industry Support

## Quality of Life – Housing, Health, Education, Recreation, Taxes

- ✓ Vegreville Economic Development services include orientation to the business community, liaison to businesses, industry resources and inventory of available industrial and commercial sites. The office is located in the Town Administration Building at 4829 – 50 Street.
- ✓ The Chamber of Commerce, provides valuable contacts to the local business community, and works closely with Community Futures Elk Island Region, providing business advisory, training and lending programs. Their office is located at 5122 – 50 Street.
- ✓ The Town of Vegreville offers local incentive programs for businesses upgrading or expanding at their location.
- ✓ Vegreville has 2,430 single housing units, with 86% constructed prior to 1990. 37% of total

- units are rental accommodation. Housing is competitively priced based on regional and provincial comparisons.
- ✓ As a hub for seniors housing and health services, Vegreville has a broad range of options from adult condominiums to long-term care facilities. St. Joseph's General Hospital provides 24/7 emergency services as well as in-patient, out-patient and diagnostic services.
- ✓ There are two elementary and two high schools in town, operated by the Elk Island Public and Elk Island Catholic schools systems.
- ✓ Recreation facilities include a swimming pool, ice arena, curling rink, and outdoor facilities including playgrounds, spray park, walking trails, ball diamonds and soccer pitches.



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