

Appendix A

Investment Profile

Site Selection Information has been compiled based upon the International Economic Development and will begin on following page. For further information, please contact the Economic Development Department.



TABLE 2									
LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS -									
VANCOUVER CENSUS METROPOLITAN AREA AND MAPLE RIDGE DISTRICT									
Civilian Labor Force - Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001				
Unemployment Rate (for month & year use most recent information available and seasonally adjusted annual average)	5.7%	6.7%	7.3%	7.7%	6.6%				
Employment Reported by Place of Work - Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area	Total Number Employed (000)				% of Total Employed Persons				Proj. annual growth rate 2005-
	2005	2004	1990	2010	2005	2004	1990	2010	
Agriculture	12.2	11.5	6.0	13.1	1.1%	1.0%	0.7%	1.0%	1.0136
Forestry, Fishing, Mining, Oil and Gas	6.5	4.3	11.3	6.8	0.6%	0.4%	1.4%	0.5%	1.0101
Construction	80.4	73.9	64.4	92.8	7.0%	6.6%	7.8%	7.2%	1.0291
Manufacturing	104.3	111.5	90.0	115.6	9.0%	9.9%	10.9%	8.9%	1.0209
Utilities	5.7	4.9	6.9	6.0	0.5%	0.4%	0.8%	0.5%	1.0106
Transportation & Warehousing	70.0	66.4	55.3	78.8	6.1%	5.9%	6.7%	6.1%	1.0239
Wholesale Trade	53.9	42.5	34.6	56.9	4.7%	3.8%	4.2%	4.4%	1.0109
Retail Trade	129.8	128.3	110.4	146.3	11.2%	11.4%	13.4%	11.3%	1.0242
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	78.7	86.8	64.1	84.7	6.8%	7.7%	7.8%	6.5%	1.0147
Professional scientific and technical	110.8	103.0	63.6	na	9.6%	9.1%	7.7%		na
Other Services	457.5	447.5	276.9	na	39.6%	39.7%	33.6%		na
Government	45.9	47.0	40.0	na	4.0%	4.2%	4.9%		na
Total	1155.7	1127.6	823.5	1297.5	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	1.023
Employment by Occupation -- Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area	2005	1990							
Management	107.0	83.2							
Business, finance & administration	231.3	181.2							
Natural & applied science & related	83.2	47.0							
Health	60.6	44.3							
Soc. Science, govt. services & religious	48.5	24.7							
Education	50.4	26.9							
Arts, culture, rec. & sports	45.4	26.4							
Sales & service	298.1	198.5							
Trades, transportation & equip. ops., etc.	162.4	140.8							
Primary industries	19.9	15.8							
Processing, mfg. & utilities	48.9	34.8							

Total	1,155.7	823.6				
Employed Residents Working in 2001	Number	Percent (%)				
Worked outside Vancouver CMA	6,000	0.01				
Labor Participation Rate in Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area - 2005	Percentage (%)					
Male	72.3					
Female	62.1					
Total	67.2					
Education & Labor Force -- Maple Ridge	Enrollment 2005/06	Graduates 2004/05				
High School registration (Public/Private) Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows 2005/2006	7,050	971				
Education Attainment -- Maple Ridge	2006	% total				
Population 20 years+	53,961	100.0%				
Less than Grade 9	2,214	4.1%				
Grades 9-13 w/o certificate	10,399	19.3%				
Grades 9-13 with certificate	7,556	14.0%				
Trade certificate/diploma	8,351	15.5%				
Non-university w/o certificate/diploma	4,759	8.8%				
Non-university with certificate/diploma	10,956	20.3%				
University w/o degree	3,811	7.1%				
University w/o degree/certificate	2,440	4.5%				
University with certificate	1,371	2.5%				
University with degree	5,915	11.0%				
Military Presence -- Vancouver Census Metropolitan Area	Civilian Employment	Military Personnel	Annual # of Military Personnel Discharge	# of Military Dependents		
No major installations in VCMA	approx. 1,000 reserves	approx. 150	n/a	n/a		

**TABLE 3
LEADING EMPLOYERS BY SECTOR FOR MAPLE RIDGE DISTRICT**

Sector	Company	Product/Service	Function1	NAICS code	Employment	Union Affiliation	% of # of Union Workers
Government	School District #42 ¹	education	HQ & school district	6111	1,788	1,695	94.8%
	Ridge Meadows Hospital	health care	hospital	622	1,300	1,270	98%
	District of Maple Ridge	government	HQ	9139	400		
	Fraser Regional Corrections	correctional facility	462-9313 director of staff	9121	189		97%
Manufacturing	Interfor Ltd. Hammond Cedar Div.	cedar wood products	branch mfg. plant	321	323		95%
	NEC Moli Energy (Canada) Ltd. ²	lithium-ion rechargeable cells	Cdn. HQ & mfg. centre (parent co. in Taiwan)	3359	395	0	0
	Waldun Forest Products	shakes & shingles; lumber	HQ & mfg. centre	321	300+	0	0
	Southcoast Millworks (formerly Chasyn)	bldg. components, lumber, value-added wood products	HQ & mfg. centre	321	130-140	130-140	100%
	Pelton Reforestation ³	silvicultural services	HQ and operations	1114	55-240	35-220	65%-92%
Private Health Care	Arcus Community Resources	health care & support	regional office	623	250	238	95%
Retail	West Coast Ford Lincoln	automotive sales	branch office	4411	45	0	0%
Back Offices Across all Sector							

You may want to include hospitals, county, city, telephone company, school, city, government, county government, large hospital & largest university.

1 Headquarters, regional office, back office, distribution center, branch manufacturing plant, branch assembly plant and R & D center

2 Two digit SIC Code

1) Jan. 07: 1095 teachers, 65 princ. & VP; 28 other admin.; 600 CUPE

2) includes regular & casual; there are 500-600 regular workers (full and part time)

3) seasonal -- more employees in the summer

**COMPANIES NEW TO MAPLE RIDGE WITHIN THE LAST THREE YEARS
COMPANIES THAT HAVE EXPANDED IN THE AREA WITHIN THE LAST TWO YEARS
50 OR MORE EMPLOYEES**

Type & Year	Company	Location	Product/ Service	Function	Year	Employment	Union
New to the Area							
Last Year	Southcoast Millworks (formerly Chasyn)	Maple Ridge	value-added wood products	HQ & mfg. centre	2006-07	130-140	130-140
	Surround Technologies						
Two Years Ago	Insight Films				2005		no
Three Years Ago							
Expansions/New	Lordco - expansion		Auto parts	commercial	2006		
Last Year	Coopers - new store	Maple Ridge	grocery	retail stores	2006	70	no
Two Years Ago							
Downsizing/Closing/ Layoff	Chasyn - sold		sold			70	
	LCB Stores - 1 closed	Maple Ridge					
Last Year							
	Ellco Cedar Products	sold					
Two Years Ago	Southwest Roof	closed					
2004	Pacific Heritage	closed					

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CURRENT MAJOR EMPLOYERS IN MAPLE RIDGE 2006 (50+ EMPLOYEES)

Type & Year	Company	Product/ Service	Function1	Year Established	Employment	Union Affiliation
Private sector	Overwaitea Food Group	grocery	retail store		404	no
Private sector	E-One Moli Energy (Canada Ltd.)	battery	manufacturing plant		340	
Private sector	Canada Safeway	grocery	retail store		225	no
Private sector	West Coast Ford Lincoln	Auto Sales and Service	car dealership		200	no
Private sector	Interfor Ltd Hammond	manuf red cedar products	sawmill, shake & single		200	
Private sector	Overwaitea Food Group	grocery	retail store		200	no
Private sector	Arcus Community Resources Ltd.	specialized residential care facility	commercial		150	
Private sector	Fraser Cedar Products Ltd	sawmill, shake & shingle	Manufacturer		150	
Private sector	Zellers Inc	chain	retail		122	no
Private sector	Swiss Chalet	food	restaurant	1998	100	no

Private sector	McDonald's Restaurants	fast food	restaurant		98	no
Private sector	F S R Treatment Inc	wood/lumber	shake & shingle wholesaler		95	
Private sector	Canadian Tire	retail sales, housewares, garden, sporting goods	retail/auto service		88	no
Private sector	Simpower	generator/manufacture	machinery/equipment		85	
Private sector	MR Motors LP DBA	retail sales	car dealership		81	
Private sector	Royal Crescent Gardens				81	
Private sector	Red Robin		restaurant		79	
Private sector	Lordco Parts	auto parts	retail/wholesaler store		79	no
Private sector	McDonald's Restaurants	fast food	restaurant		76	
Private sector	PRT Pelton Nursery	nursery	wholesaler nursery		72	no
Private sector	Twin Rivers Cedar Products	sawmill	sawmill		70	
Private sector	Rona Inc	hardware	retail store		70	no
Private sector	Coopers	grocery	retail store		70	no
Private sector	The Keg	licensed food	restaurant		68	
Private sector	Can-Am	recycling shred clothing	recycling		65	
Private sector	Seascope Marine Builders	boat/ship building & repair	manufactures Yaughts		65	
Private sector	Andersen Pacific Forest Products Ltd	sawmill, shake & single	sawmill		64	
Private sector	Planet Ice	Arena/curling	recreational ice arena		62	no
Private sector	Simpson Strong-Tie Canada				61	
Private sector	Fitness Unlimited	fitness club	gym/fitness	1980	58	no
Private sector	Extra Foods	grocery	retail store		57	
Private sector	BW Creative Wood	spindles, rails & stair parts	manufacturer		55	
Private sector	Best Quality Cedar Product Ltd	sawmill, shake & single	sawmill		50	
Private sector	Steelform Contracting Co.	framing/forms	residential form work		50	
Private sector	Wendy's Restaurants of Canada	fast food	restaurant		50	
Private sector	Maple Leaf Shake & Shingle	sawmill, shake & single	manufacturer		50	
Private sector	A & W Restaurant	fast food	restaurant		50	no
Private sector	Maple Ridge Chrysler	Auto Sales and Service	car dealership	1972	63	no
Public Sector	School District #42		Institution		1795	1700 Union, 93 non union
Public Sector	Ridge Meadows Hospital		Hospital		1330	1300 union, 30 non-union
Public Sector	District of Maple Ridge	Customer Service	Municipal Offices		539	359 CUPE, 170 non-union

Public Sector	Fraser Regional Corrections		Correctional Institution		262	250 union, 12 non-union
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**TABLE 7
HIGHER EDUCATION RESOURCES NEAR MAPLE RIDGE: Public Universities and University Colleges**

Enrollment 04/05							
Name of Institution	Location		Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Under Graduate Full-Time	Graduate Full-Time
	City	Regional District					
University of British Columbia	Vancouver (1.5 hour commute)	Greater Vancouver	43,000			35,000	8,000
Simon Fraser University	Burnaby (45 minute commute)	Greater Vancouver	25,000	na	na	na	na
Kwantlen University College	Langley, Richmond, Surrey	Greater Vancouver	17,000	na	na	na	na
University College of Fraser Valley - degree & diploma programs	Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Mission (45+ min. commutes)	Fraser Valley	7,661	4,419	3,509	na	na

**TABLE 8
HIGHER EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES NEAR MAPLE RIDGE: Community Coll**

Name of Institution	Location		Annual Enrolment		
	City	Regional District	Total	Full-Time	Part-Time
University College of Fraser Valley - development programs	Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Mission (45+ min. commutes)	Fraser Valley	1,239	302	937
Douglas College, David Lam Campus	Coquitlam (15-30 min. commute)	Greater Vancouver	na	na	na
Sprott Shaw Community College	Maple Ridge and 9 other municipalities	Greater Vancouver, Fraser Valley	4,500	na	na

**TABLE 9
HIGHER ED. RESOURCES: VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL CENTRE RESOURCES**

Name of Institution	Location		Enrollment		
	City	Regional District	Total	Full-Time	Part-Time
University College of Fraser Valley -- vocational programs	Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Mission (45+ min. commutes)	Fraser Valley	999	999	0
BC Institute of Technology	Burnaby (45 min. commute)	Greater Vancouver	48,050	15,550	32,500
Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design	Vancouver	Greater Vancouver	3,530	1,330	2,200
Institute of Indigenous Government (2003)	Burnaby (45 min. commute)	Greater Vancouver	417	na	na
Justice Institute of British Columbia	Maple Ridge, New Westminster, Delta, Vancouver	Greater Vancouver	na	na	na

TABLE 11
AVERAGE GENERAL WAGE BY SELECTED OCCUPATION
Lower Mainland Southwest Development Region (2006 \$ Can.)

Occupation	Average Minimum	Average Median Wage	Average Maximum Wage
Professional			
Accountant	\$13.25	\$22.60	\$33.20
Management Trainee	na	na	na
Programmer/Analyst	\$12.75	\$23.50	\$33.06
Mechanical Engineer	\$21.03	\$36.05	\$41.75
Retail			
Retail Store Clerk	\$8.00	\$12.30	\$18.94
Stock Room Clerk	\$8.25	\$11.34	\$17.31
PR/communications clerk	\$14.25	\$22.80	\$34.20
Clerical			
Customer Service Rep. (financial)	\$9.60	\$14.93	\$21.63
Telesales Rep.	na	na	na
Data Entry Clerk	\$9.95	\$14.68	\$18.95
Executive Secretary	\$11.00	\$18.20	\$23.70
Accounting Clerk	\$11.20	\$16.20	\$20.50
General Office Clerk	\$10.00	\$15.65	\$21.85
Unskilled			
General Laborer	\$13.00	\$17.50	\$24.40
Parts Clerk	\$8.25	\$14.10	\$21.40
Hand Packer	na	na	na
Material Handler	\$8.75	\$14.26	\$22.33
Light Assembly	na	na	na
Semi-Skilled			
Heavy Equip. Operator (excl. cranes)	\$15.00	\$22.58	\$28.69
Fork Lift Operator	na	na	na
Skilled			
Machine Maintenance	na	na	na
Tool & Die	\$12.00	\$18.30	\$26.00
Machinist	\$14.30	\$19.70	\$30.00
Welder and Related Machine Operators	\$14.00	\$22.50	\$30.40
Technical			
Industr. Engineering & Mfg. Technologists & Technicians	\$14.00	\$16.50	\$27.80
Electrical and Electronics Engineering Technologists & Technicians	\$14.50	\$20.10	\$27.50
Medical Laboratory Technician	\$15.30	\$20.58	\$22.54
Network Technician	\$17.30	\$21.60	\$31.35
Average Work Week in Hours			
Annual Average Turnover %			

TABLE 12
WORKERS COMPENSATION & UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
British Columbia and Canada 2006

Workers Compensation 2006	
Average base rate for all sectors per \$100 Payroll	\$1.90
Average Rate for Office Workers (8810)	
Accounting	\$0.14
Business consulting	\$0.16
Real estate agency	\$0.22
Maximum Weekly Benefit	\$838.67
Unemployment Insurance 2006	
Prem. Rate per \$100 of insurable earnings	
Employee contributions	\$1.87
Employer contributions	\$2.62
Maximum Weekly Benefit	\$423.00

TRANSPORTATION IN, TO AND FROM MAPLE RIDGE

Major 2 or 4 Lane Highways Linking the Areas

Distance in Miles to the Five Nearest Metro Areas

Metro Area	Kilometres/miles
1 Langley	16/10
2 Surrey	21/13
3 Port Coquitlam	15/9
4 Abbotsford	20/13
5 Vancouver	39/24

Motor Carriers/Trucks

# of Common Carriers Serving the Area	<i>can be obtained from business licenses, or Canadian Automotive Fleet Fact Book, publ by BC Trucking Association</i>
# of Common Carriers with Local Terminals	

Railroads (by Rail Carrier)

Name	Canadian Pacific Railway
Main or Branch Line	Main line
Shortline or National	na
Nearest Switching Yard (miles)	CPR could not answer this CPR intermodal yards and distribution centre west of Pitt Meadows town centre are being expanded.

Commercial Airport

Name	Vancouver International Airport
Hub Status	yes
Distance from the Community in Kilometres & Miles	41 km / 26 miles
# of Runways	3
Runway Lengths	3354 m (11,003 ft); 2225 m (7299 ft); 3030 m (9940 ft)
Carriers (Names) Serving Airport	
Passenger -- domestic	Air Canada, Harmony Airways, Westjet & 19 others
passenger -- international	33 carriers excluding Air Canada, Harmony & Westjet
Charter	numerous
Air Cargo only	7
Approved Capital Expansion Plan	\$1.4-billion capital program announced June 2005
Approved New Service by Carrier (with Carrier & Start Date)	na
Number of aircraft movement (2006)	322,307
1 Domestic	Toronto, Calgary, Edmonton, Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Kelowna, Prince George, Victoria, Saskatoon
2 International	Hong Kong, Tokyo, Seoul, Frankfurt, Osaka, Amsterdam, Beijing
3 Trans-border	New York, Chicago, Dallas Ft. Worth, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, Honolulu, San Francisco, Portland, Denver, Seattle
# of Days Closed to Inclement Weather for the Last 3 Years	0

Distance to the Nearest General Aviation Airport

Name	Pitt Meadows Airport
Location/City	District of Pitt Meadows
Driving Distance from the Community in km/miles	5 km/ 3 miles
# of Runways	2
Runway Lengths	762 metre
Full Instrument Landing Capabilities	upgraded from non-instrument to non-precision instrument in 2006
Hours of Operation	7:00 am to 11:00 pm
# of Days Closed to Inclement Weather for the Last 3 Years	0
Ports	
Nearest Port (Name, City, Miles from Area)	Fraser River Port Authority -- Surrey, Annacis Island and Richmond properties; a future port terminal is planned for Pitt Meadows intermodal facility
River, Lake or Ocean	Maple Ridge is located on Fraser River; 15 km from Burrard Inlet of Pacific Ocean
Highways Serving Port	Surrey property -- Highway 1 and 1A; Annacis Island and Delta -- Highway 1A and 91/91A
Railways Serving Port	CPR and CN
NOTE: See Transportation map of Maple Ridge	

Corporate Income Tax/Franchise Tax as of January 1, 2006	Federal	Federal after Fed. Tax Abatement	Provincial
Canadian-controlled Private Corporations:			
General Corporate Income Tax Rate (over small bus. income)	38.00%	22.10%	12.00%
Small Business Corporate Income Tax Rate (to \$300,000)	38.00%	13.10%	4.50%
Investment Income	38.00%	35.80%	12.00%
Non-Canadian controlled Private Corporations			
General Corporate Income Tax Rate	38.00%	22.10%	12.00%
Small Business -- Mfg. & processing deduction	38.00%	22.10%	12.00%
Investment Income	38.00%	22.10%	12.00%
Formula	na		Sales & payroll
Tax deductions 2006			
Dividend tax credit as % of actual dividend	27.50%	na	17.40%
Small business dividend tax credits as % of actual dividend	16.67%	na	6.38%
Net tax rate on resource income (after adjustments)	21.57%		12.00%
Corporate capital tax rate	0.13%	na	0.00%
Tax credit for mineral exploration	15.00%	na	20.00%
Accelerated Depreciation Permitted (Yes or No)	yes*	na	na

TABLE 17 UTILITIES FOR DISTRICT OF MAPLE RIDGE			
Water & Sewer			
Water Availability			
Major Source	Coquitlam watershed		
% of Population Increase Served from the Source			
Water Treatment			
Name of Provider	Maple Ridge Water Service	Purchases from Greater Vancouver Water District	
Rated Capacity (cubic meters; million imperial gallons)	12.1 million cubic metres/year; 2.7 billion imperial gals/year		
Average Daily Demand (cubic meters per day; million imperial gallons per day)	33,150 cubic metres per day; 7.3 million imperial gals per da		
Peak Demand (mgd)	na		
Chemical Breakdown of Water	na		
Cost per cubic metre, per 1000 Gallons -- industrial	Sum of use rate (\$293), water consumption charge (\$.5026 per cubic m), and quarterly base rate which varies by connection size		
Water Connection Fee	\$1,150; \$1,350 with meter	flat rate for up to 20 mm diameter; over 20 mm diameter is estimated at cost plus 20%	
Sewer Treatment			
Name of Provider	District of Maple Ridge treatment plant		
Type of Service	na -- varies by development		
Rated Capacity (mgd)	"		
Average Daily Demand (mgd)	"		
Peak Demand (mgd)	"		
Cost per 1000 Gallons	72.82% of metre rate for water		
Sewer Connection Fee	flat rate for up to 100 mm diameter; over 100 mm diam. & connection of N/S slope interceptor shall be at cost plus 20%		
Electric Power			
Name of Company	British Columbia Hydro		
Communities Served	95% of BC communities		
Company-Net Importer or Exporter of Power	varies	BC Hydro imports for domestic use were 749 GWh in 3Q06; net exports were 679 GWh in same period	<i>see notes in data sources</i>
% of Reserve Margin Including Generation & Net Purchases	na		
Name of Power Pool Membership	BC system interconnected with system in Alta and western US		
Provincial Electric Power Deregulated	Provincial Crown corporation reporting to the BC Minister of Energy and Mines		
Rates and Average Cost per kWh (cents)			
	Small	Medium	Large
General Service (Commercial)	<35 kW for 2 mos.	35 kW + for 1 month	
Basic charge per month (C\$)	\$9.09 for 2 month period	\$4.55 month; first 35 kW for ni	na
Demand charge (C\$)	\$.0712 kWh	next 115 kW at \$3.64 per kW; all additional kW at \$6.99 per kW	na

Energy charge (C\$)	na	first 14,800 kWh \$0.0712 per kWh; all additional kWh \$0.0342 per kWh	na
Minimum charge (C\$)	\$13.41 for 2 months	greater of \$13.41/mo. Or 50% of highest max. demand charge billed in any month within an on-peak period during preceding 11 months	see data sources for weblink to discount information
Industrial			
Demand charge (C\$)	\$4.866 per kVA of billing demand; \$0.02569 per kWh applied to all kWh up to and including 90% of the customer's baseline load (CBL) in each billing year		
Energy charge (C\$)	\$0.054 per kWh applied to all kWh above 90% of the customer's baseline load (CBL) in each billing year		
Minimum charge (C\$)	\$4.866 per kVA of billing demand		
Natural Gas			
Name of Provider	Terasen Gas		
Rate Territory	Lower Mainland		
Type of Customer	General Firm Service (Rate Schedule 5)		
Firm Contract Rates (effective January 1, 2007)			
Basic charge per month	C\$542		
Demand Charge per 000 cubic feet (Mcf)	C\$13.543		
Delivery and Gas Charge	C\$8.69		
Telecommunications			
Provider	Telus		
Address	#5 - 3777 Kingsway Burnaby, BC V5H 3Z7		
Service Characteristics			
Switch Technology	Digital		
Fiber Service Provided	Yes		
100 Mbps LAN Service Available	Yes		
Monitoring	Remotely		
ISDN Available	Yes		
ADSL Available	Yes, in some parts of Maple Ridge - depends on location		
ADS2 Available from this Switch	Yes, in some parts of Maple Ridge - depends on location		
Central Office on Self-Healing Fiber Ring	na		
Dual Feed from 2 Separate Switching Offices Available	na		
Multiple Route Diversity	na		
Points of Presence (POPs) of Long Distance Carriers			
Carrier	City	County	Address
several			
Microwave or Hardwire	na		
Dual Fiber Fee from the Central Switching Office of the Local Exchange Carrier	na		
Diverse Routing Available	na		
Business Support Services (#)			
Metal	19		
Machine Shop	10		
Welding	4		
Office Equipment Service & Repair	1		
Temporary Employment Services	2		

*calc:

1 cubic m = 100kg = 220.4 gallons
imperial gallons/yr
cubic m/day
gallons/day

2,666,840,000

33,151

7,306,411

QUALITY OF LIFE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA AND MAPLE RIDGE

Climate -- Lower Mainland			
Average Daily Temperature (degrees Centigrade)	High	Low	Average
July	22	13	17
January	6	0	3
	Annual Average		
Rainfall	1,117 mm; 43 inches		
Snowfall	57 mm; 22 inches		
Wind Speed in Miles per Hour (Annual Average)	12 kph; 7.5 mph		
Hours of sunshine	Jan. 55 hrs	July 296 hrs	
Elevation (Mean Feet Above Sea Level)	15 metres; 49 feet		
Personal Income Tax (Rate in Ranges)	Rate Range		
Federal	15.25% - 29%		
BC Provincial	6.05% - 14.7%		
Local	There is no local personal income tax in BC		
Local Occupation Tax	Rate Range	Basis	
City Residents	not applicable		
Non-City Residents	not applicable		
Sales Tax			
Federal rate (GST)	6%		
Exemptions from GST	see notes in data sources		
Provincial rate (PST)	7%		
Exemptions from PST	see notes in data sources		
Local rate	none		
Housing			
	Single Family	Townhouses	Condominiums
Average Selling Price -- Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows (benchmark price in Dec. 06)	\$417,289	\$285,423	\$238,870
Number of Single Family Homes for Sale	400 active listings in Dec. 2006		

Under - \$150,000	na			
\$150,001 - \$200,000	na			
\$200,000 - \$250,000	na			
\$250,001 - Over	na			
Rentals	Average Monthly			
Education -- Maple Ridge District 2005-2006				
Number of School Districts	1			
School District & Municipality	Maple Ridge			
Elementary School Enrollmen	8671			
Secondary School Enrollmen	7,050			
Spending per Studen				
Total	\$6,575			
Instructional	n/a			
Student Teacher Ratios (class size)				
Kindergarten	16.7:1			
Grades 1-3	21:01			
Grades 4-7	25.7:1			
Grades 8-12	25.1:1			
7th Grade Standard Achievement Test (FSA) Results 2005/2006	% Students meeting or exceeding expectations (public schools)			
	Maple Ridge	British Columbia		
Reading comprehension	72%	72%		
Writing	86%	87%		
Numeracy	82%	83%		
Grade 12 Provincial Exam	Mean score (public schools)			
	Maple Ridge	British Columbia		
English 12	68%	70%		
Principles of Math 12	70%	71%		
Biology 12	70%	69%		
ACT	n/a	n/a		
SAT	n/a	n/a		
Number of Provincial Merit Scholarships 2004/05	42	na		
Ratio of Merit Scholarships per 100 Graduating Seniors	3.2	3.8		

Mandatory Competency Testing for High School Graduation (Yes or No)	yes			
Science & Technology Magnet School	no			
Specialized High Schools	yes			
Tech Prep Programs	yes			
Occupational Clusters or Career Pathways	yes			
Vocational high Schools	yes			
Higher Education (Provide for Each Institution)				
Institution Name	Address		City	
Full-Time Enrollment	<i>refer to Tables 7, 8 and 9</i>			
Health Care				
Hospitals	# of Hospitals	# of Teaching Hospitals	# of Beds	
	1			
# of Outpatient Clinics				
# of Physicians & Dentists in BC 2005	Physicians	Dentists		
	8507	na		
Ratio per 100,000 Population 2005	199	na		
Crime Rate per 10,000 Inhabitants	Property	Violent	Total	
	623	121	745	
# of Enclosed Regional Malls	na	na	na	
# of Religious Institution:	Protestant	Catholic	Synagogues	Other
	na	na	na	na