

COMMUNITY PROFILE

HERBERT

SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA





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HERBERT, SASKATCHEWAN

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Population: 812

Mayor

His Worship Albert Kildaw

Town Administrator

Susan Chase

Councillors

Clifford Belter

Brad Cornelson

Michael Dzaman

Ellery Janz

Ken Mathies

Connie Redekop

Town Office Hours

Monday to Friday

8:30am to 12:00pm & 1:00pm to 4:30pm

Town Council Meetings

2nd and 4th Monday of each month

Member of Legislative Assembly

Lyle Stewart – Thunder Creek Constituency
207 310 Main Street North, Moose Jaw SK S6H 3K1
Phone: (306) 693-3229 Fax: (306) 693-3251
Email: lylestewart@canada.com

Member of Parliament

David Anderson, Cypress Hills-Grasslands Constituency
Toll Free: 1-800-567-6646



HERBERT, SASKATCHEWAN

RURAL MUNICIPALITIES

RM of Morse # 165

P.O. Box 340

Morse, Saskatchewan

S0N 3C0

Phone: (306) 629-3282

Fax: (306) 629-3212

Email: rm165@sk.sympatico.ca

Population: 522

Reeve

Peter C. Unger

Administrator

Mark Wilson

Councillors

Paul Dyck

Bruce Gall

Robert Moss

Glen Solberg

Jason Spate

Don Voth

Lee Wepler

Council Meeting

Every 2nd Tuesday of each month

HISTORY

The Town of Herbert was named after Sir Michael Henry Herbert, an English diplomat who became the British Ambassador to the United States. In 1903 the Canadian government opened much of its land in the area for settlement. It was advertised as 'The World's Choicest Wheat Lands'. These lands were part of the great buffalo grazing grounds of South West Saskatchewan. Herbert is located along the Eastern edge of the Great Plains of North America, also known as the Alberta Plain.

Many settlers did not really know exactly what they were coming to. They did not realize how barren and treeless the prairies were, how windy this flat country could be in both summer and winter, how very cold and sometimes dangerous a prairie winter could be, or how hot the summers could be. One of the biggest attractions to the area was the offer of 160 acres of prime wheat growing farmland for \$10.00. People sometimes left good jobs, comfortable homes, and families behind just for excitement and something new. Because everyone in the community originated from somewhere else, the town was a patchwork of many nationalities and religious backgrounds. This diversity bred a feeling of closeness that still exists in Herbert today. Though much has changed in Herbert's history, a great deal remains the same. The prairies still seem to stretch on forever, and as long as they do, Herbert will remember its heritage and friendly way of treating people.

"The year 1912 was a banner year for the village of Herbert. In an official census taken in the spring and summer of that year, it was reported that the village 'contained 709 persons residing therein'...On August 27 a vote was taken of the electors of the village of Herbert, asking their endorsement of a resolution of the village council, that the village become a town. The resolution was passed by more than a 2/3 majority."

Source: www3sk.sympatico.ca/capone

*On lonely farms, remote and bleak, when homesteads
here were new,
On winter eves with snow piled high, when all the
chores were through,
'Twas then the family thanked the Lord for simple
things they had,
The lamp was lit, all gathered around and waited until
Dad
Took down the Bible from the shelf and read from
well thumbed page
Those words so ancient, yet so new, so wise in any
age.
Two books alone were on the shelf, precious and used
with care-
The Good Book and The Catalogue supplied their
reading fare,
And all thanked good Tim Eaton for sending twice
each year
His hefty book of merchandise that brought the family
cheer,
And Mother used the Catalogue to teach the young to
read,
To figure, spell, and draw and trace, it met their
every need.
Long hours were spent in homes remote, pouring o'er
each pictured page.
It brought such dreams and such delight, to folk of
every age.
And as the young knelt down to pray, when winter's
day was through
"God bless our family" each one said, "and Old Tim
Eaton too".*

*A .S. Humphries
(edited)*

This was the way of life for many years on the prairies and describes how many people went about their lives.

LOCATION

Herbert is located in South Central Saskatchewan along the Trans Canada Highway, 45 km East of Swift Current and 120 km West of Moose Jaw.

Map of Herbert Area



Source: Becquet's Custom Programming, 1999

Herbert in Relation to Major Centers
(distance in kilometers and miles)

Swift Current, SK	Medicine Hat, AB	Saskatoon, SK	Regina, SK
45 km, 28 mi	249 km, 156 mi	192 km, 120mi	184km, 115mi

Source: Natural Resources Canada, 2002

The total land area of Herbert is 3.77 square kilometers according to the Statistics Canada 1996 data collected.

CLIMATE & PRECIPITATION

Herbert's seasonal average temperatures are as follows:

Spring	> 3.7C or 38.66F	Summer	> 17.16C or 62.88F
Fall	> 4.3C or 39.74	Winter	> -11.13C or 11.96F

Herbert's average annual precipitation is as follows:

Rain	> 24.75 cm or 9.74 in	Snow	> 127.8 cm or 50.31 in
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Herbert has 115 frost-free days per year and 2,347.5 hours of sunshine per year.

Source: Environment Canada, 2004

POPULATION

HERBERT POPULATION PROFILE: LANGUAGES & MOBILITY

CHARACTERISTICS	HERBERT			SASKATCHEWAN		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Language(s) first learned and still Understood						
Total – All Persons	715	330	385	963,150	475,020	488,125
English only	525	245	275	817,955	405,630	412,325
French only	0	0	0	17,775	8,575	9,200
Both English and French	0	0	0	1,375	740	640
Other languages	195	85	110	126,040	60,080	65,965
Mobility Status – Place of Residence 1 Year Ago						
Total Population 1 year and over	720	335	385	951,870	469,380	482,490
Lived at the same address 1 year ago	665	310	355	814,685	402,240	412,440
Lived within the same province/territory 1 year ago, but changed address	50	25	25	120,340	58,540	61,795
Lived in different province/territory or country 1 year ago	10	0	0	16,845	8,595	8,250
Mobility Status – Place of Residence 5 Years Ago						
Total population 5 years and over	700	320	380	901,900	444,060	457,840
Lived at the same address 5 years ago	515	230	285	556,015	276,085	279,925
Lived within the same province/territory 5 years ago, but changed address	155	75	80	293,965	141,930	152,035
Lived in a different province/territory or country 5 years ago	25	15	15	51,920	26,050	25,880

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001

HERBERT POPULATION PROFILE: POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

CHARACTERISTICS	HERBERT			SASKATCHEWAN		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Age characteristics of the population						
Total – All Persons	815	365	445	978,930	481,750	497,185
Age 0-4	25	10	15	60,940	31,040	29,905
Age 5-14	90	45	45	146,285	74,785	71,500
Age 15-19	50	30	25	78,320	40,215	38,105
Age 20-24	30	15	15	65,920	33,305	32,620
Age 25-44	150	70	75	264,460	130,490	133,965
Age 45-54	105	55	45	130,880	65,970	64,905
Age 55-64	75	30	50	84,560	41,805	42,750
Age 65-74	110	55	55	72,580	34,675	37,905
Age 75-84	90	35	60	53,895	22,430	31,465
Age 85 & over	90	25	65	21,090	7,030	14,060
Median age of the population	50.5	46.8	55.2	36.7	35.8	37.6
% of the population ages 15 & over	85.3	84.9	86.5	78.8	78.0	79.6
Common-law Status						
Total – Population 15 years & over	690	310	385	771,710	375,935	395,775
Not in a common-law relationship	675	300	375	722,305	351,265	371,040
In a common-law relationship	15	5	10	49,405	24,665	24,740
Legal Marital Status						
Total – Population 15 years & over	695	310	385	771,705	375,930	395,775
Single	150	80	70	243,585	133,735	109,850
Married	380	190	190	404,175	202,165	202,050
Separated	15	10	5	19,245	8,710	10,535
Divorced	35	15	15	46,945	21,375	25,570
Widowed	115	15	100	57,760	9,950	47,810

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001

ECONOMIC BASE

Herbert's economic stability is derived primarily from the agricultural industry. This also includes supporting agricultural based services and businesses. In addition, health care and educational institutions add important economic value to the community.

HERBERT EMPLOYER PROFILE

INDUSTRY	NAIC RANGE	NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS BY EMPLOYEE SIZE RANGE					TOTAL
		1 to 4	5 to 19	20 to 49	50 to 199	200 plus	
Primary Industries and Utilities	11 - 22	6	0	0	0	0	6
Construction	23	3	0	0	0	0	3
Manufacturing	31-33	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trade	41-45	7	3	0	0	0	10
Transportation & Warehousing	48-49	0	0	0	0	0	0
Information, Culture & Recreation	51,71	2	0	0	0	0	2
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	52-53	1	1	0	0	0	2
Professional, Scientific & Technical Services	54	2	0	0	0	0	2
Management, Administrative & Other Support	55-56	1	0	0	0	0	1
Educational Services	61	0	0	0	1	0	1
Health Care & Social Assistance	62	1	2	0	2	0	5

To understand the NAIC Range please go to the website <http://eire.census>.

Source: Human Resources Development Canada, 2001

INCOME

The average income for persons participating in the Herbert Labour Force was \$14,603.00 while the average income for persons participating in the Saskatchewan Labour Force was \$19,636.00. The average total income in Herbert was 0.7% lower than the total average income in Saskatchewan in 1996.

HERBERT INCOME STATISTICS

CHARACTERISTICS	HERBERT	SASKATCHEWAN
Income		
Persons 15 years of age and over with income	585	722,760
Median total income of persons 15 years of age and over (\$)	14,603	19,636
Composition of total income (100%)	100.0	100.0
Earnings- % of income	61.4	73.6
Government transfers- % of income	30.0	14.7
Other money- % of income	8.4	11.7

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Source: Statistics Canada, 2001

EDUCATION

Herbert is home to one school, the Herbert School, located on Connaught Avenue and houses students from kindergarten to grade 12.

SCHOOL DIVISION

Herbert School Division #79
P.O. Box 100, 501 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2433
Fax: (306) 784-3565
Director of Education: Kelly Clenchy

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Herbert School
P.O. Box 670, Connaught Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2454 or (306) 784-3107
Fax: (306) 784-3101
Principal: George Janzen

HIGH SCHOOLS

Herbert School
P.O. Box 670, Connaught Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2454 or (306) 784-3107
Fax: (306) 784-3101
Principal: George Janzen

SEPARATE SCHOOLS

There is no separate school division in Herbert.

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION

Cypress Hills Regional College
Swift Current (Beatty) Campus
129 2nd Avenue North East
Swift Current, SK S9H 2C6
Phone: (306) 773-1531
Fax: (306) 773-2384

HERBERT EDUCATION STATISTICS

CHARACTERISTICS	HERBERT			SASKATCHEWAN		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
School Attendance						
Age group 15-19 attending full time	30	10	20	52,510	26,675	25,835
Age group 20-24 attending full time	0	0	0	22,185	10,350	11,830
Age 15-19 attending part-time	10	10	0	2,245	1,030	1,215
Age 20-24 attending part-time	10	0	0	4,575	2,225	2,350
Highest level of schooling						
Total population aged 20-34	85	40	45	179,530	88,560	90,970
% of the population 20-34 of age with less than a high school certificate	29.4	25.0	33.3	21.8	25.4	18.3
% of the population 20-34 years of age with a high school graduation and/or some postsecondary	23.5	25.0	22.2	32.5	34.0	31.0
% of the population aged 20-34 with a trades certificate or diploma	23.5	0.0	44.4	13.7	15.8	11.7
% of the population aged 20-34 with a university certificate, diploma or degree	11.8	0.0	0.0	16.6	13.7	19.4
Total population aged 35-44	75	40	40	148,010	72,770	75,240
% population aged 35-44 with less than a high school certificate	20.0	37.5	0.0	25.5	29.3	21.9
% of population aged 35-44 with high school certificate or some postsecondary	40.0	25.0	50.0	23.6	22.7	24.4
% of the population 35-44 with trades certificate or diploma	13.3	25.0	0.0	17.3	21.6	13.1
% of group 35-44 with a college certificate or diploma	20.0	25.0	25.0	17.0	11.8	21.9
% aged 35-44 with a university diploma or degree	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	14.6	18.6
Total population aged 45 –64	205	95	105	213,530	106,750	106,78
% of the population with less than a high school certificate	41.5	26.3	52.4	34.0	36.0	32.0
% of the population with high school an/or some postsecondary	22.0	26.3	19.0	18.7	18.4	19.0
% of population with a trades certificate or diploma	22.0	21.1	23.8	15.1	18.6	11.6
% of the population with college or diploma	4.9	10.5	9.5	13.7	8.6	18.8
% of the population with university, diploma, or degree	4.9	15.8	0.0	18.4	18.4	18.5

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Source: Statistics Canada, 2001

TAXATION

RESIDENTIAL TAXATION RATE (2003)	\$100.00 base for land \$300.00 base for building
MILL RATE (2003)	12.00 (Municipal) 23.35 (School)
Take 70% of the estimated value.	

BUSINESS INCENTIVES

There is no business tax within the Town of Herbert and RM of Morse #165.

HOUSING

AVERAGE STARTER HOMES \$35,000.00 up to \$60,000.00

VACANCY RATES

The number of vacant homes in Herbert is approximately 5% (September 2003). This figure includes both vacant homes and apartments within the Town of Herbert.

Source: Herbert Town Office

TOWN LOTS

Residential Lots

	Serviced	Un-Serviced
Number of Available Lots	Information Not Available	Information Not Available
Average Lot Size	50 x 100 ft	50 x 100 ft

Commercial Lots

	Serviced	Un-Serviced
Number of Available Lots	Information Not Available	Information Not Available
Average Lot Size	50 x 100 ft	50 x 100 ft

WATER & SEWER RATES

Water Rates \$26.50/month for first 3,500 gallons
 \$2.00/every 1000 gallons over first 3,500 gallons

Sewer Rates \$12.00/month

LANDFILL & PESTICIDE CONTAINER SITES

The Herbert Landfill site and Eco-Centre is located 1/4 mile (.40 kilometers) West of Herbert.

HERBERT DWELLING & FAMILY STATISTICS

CHARACTERISTICS	HERBERT	SASKATCHEWAN
Selected family characteristics		
Total number of families	210	265,620
Number of married- couple families	180	198,300
Average number of persons in married couple families	3.0	3.1
Number of common-law families	0	25,255
Average number of persons in common law couple families	0.0	2.9
Number of lone-parent families	30	42,065
Average number of persons in lone-parent families	2.6	2.7
Number of female lone-parent families	20	34,160
Average number of persons in female lone-parent families	0.0	2.7
Number of male lone-parent families	0	7,910
Average number of persons in male lone parent families	0.0	2.5
Selected household characteristics		
Households containing a couple (married or common-law) with children	75	110,975
Households containing a couple (married or common-law) without children	110	108,210
One person households	110	105,150
Other household types	30	55,350
Selected occupied private dwelling characteristics		
Total number of dwellings	320	379,680
Number of owned dwellings	280	268,790
Number of rented dwellings	40	101,815
Number of dwellings constructed before 1991	320	349,635
Number of dwellings constructed between 1991 & 2001	0	30,045

Source: Statistics Canada, 2002

Please note that all statistics for the Town of Herbert will be updated, as 2002 data is made available.

QUALITY OF LIFE

COMMUNITY GROUPS & CLUBS

Herbert Community Groups include: Herbert Lions Club, Herbert Lioness Club, Herbert Hospital Auxiliary, Herbert Chamber of Commerce, and the Herbert Heritage Association.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Herbert offers the following recreational facilities:

- New Horizons Drop-In Centre
- Lions Community Hall
- Swimming Pool
- Regional Library
- Sports Complex
- Ball Park

SERVICES

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Ambulance	Herbert & District Ambulance Emergency 911 Service (PA dispatched)
Fire Department	14 on-call volunteer operating firefighters 2 pumper trucks and 1 utility van Emergency 911 Service
Police	RCMP Morse Detachment 400 McCurdy Street Morse, SK S0H 3C0 Phone: (306) 629-4100 Emergency 911 Service

HEALTH CARE

Health District	Cypress Hills Health Region 2 1061 Central Avenue North Swift Current, SK S9H 4Y9 Phone: (306) 773-2224 Fax: (306) 773-0033 Toll Free: 1-888-461-7443
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Hospitals

Herbert-Morse Union Hospital
303 Brownlee Street
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2202
Fax: (306) 784-3257

The Herbert Hospital offers the following health services to patients:

Inpatient Services

- blood & delivery care
- nursing & medical treatment
- palliative care & some respite care
- minor surgery

Outpatient Services

- emergency care treatment &/or diagnostic services
- laboratory & x-ray

Medical Clinics

Herbert Medical Clinic
515 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2577
Fax: (306) 784-2888
Current Physician: Dr. Suresh Kasset

Pharmacy

Herbert Pharmacy
715 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2288
Fax: (306) 784-2288

Dentists

N/A

Nursing Homes

Herbert Nursing Home
405 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2466
Fax: (306) 784-2449
Level 4 care, 53 beds

Herbert Heritage Manor
1329 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-3167 (business office)
Fax: (306) 784-3564
Level 3 care, 38 beds

Herbert Group Home
309 Neidpath Street
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-3433
Special Needs Care, 6 beds
Office: 303 Brownlee Street
Phone: (306) 784-5113

The Herbert Group Home provides physical care by professional nurses and trained care aides. There are support services and departments, as well as activity programming and exercise programs offered to patients.

TRANSPORTATION

Airports

Swift Current Airport
Phone: (306) 773-6322

Regina International Airport
TRANSWEST AIR
Phone: 1-800-667-9356

Highways

Connecting highways include the 612 and the 645 North. Highway 1 is the main East-West route connecting Regina to Calgary.

Railways

Canadian Pacific Rail
Railway Emergencies: 1-800-795-7851
Transportation Service Center: 1-800-704-4000

Bus

Greyhound Canada
Bus-Courier Info
32 Shaw Street
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2233

Saskatchewan Transportation Company
143-4th Avenue North West
Swift Current, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 773-8555

UTILITIES

Energy

SaskEnergy

- 24-hour Natural Gas Emergency & Safety
Phone: 1-888-700-0427
- Customer Services
Phone: 1-800-567-8899
- TTY Deaf and Hard of Hearing Access
Phone: 1-800-792-6665

Power

SaskPower

- Inquiries/Service Applications, Swift Current
Phone: 1-888-757-6937
- Emergencies/ Power Outages
Call no charge: 310-2220

Water

Town of Herbert Water Plant
218 Dennis Street
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-3115

COMMUNICATIONS

Postal Service

Herbert Post Office
610 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2611

Telephone

SaskTel
Phone: 310-7253

Television

Regional Cable Television, serving Herbert and District
Phone: 1-800-465-1000

Newspapers

Herbert Herald
P.O. Box 399, 716 Herbert Avenue
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2422
Fax: (306) 784-3246

Newspaper published Tuesdays; classified advertisement deadline is preceding Friday by 12:00pm.

Swift Current Booster (weekly)
30 4th Avenue North West
Swift Current, SK S9H 0T5
Phone: (306) 773-9321

Regina Leader Post (daily)
1964 Park Street
Regina, SK S4N 7M5
Phone: (306) 565-8211

Radio

CKSW 570/CJSN 1490
134 Central Avenue North
Swift Current, SK S9H 0L1
Phone: (306) 773-4605
Fax: (306) 773-6390

Eagle 94.1 FM
134 Central Avenue North
Swift Current, SK S9H 0L1
Phone: (306) 773-4605
Fax: (306) 773-6390

FINANCIAL SERVICES

Financial service offered in the Town of Herbert includes one Credit Union offering financial assistance with loans, mutual funds, and insurance.

SHOPPING & AMENITIES

There are many shopping amenities in the Town of Herbert, including: 1 grocery store, 1 pharmacy, 2 plumbing and heating service providers, 3 truck and auto centers, and 1 hunting and fishing supply store.

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotels Herbert Motor Hotel
Highway 1 West
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2559

Lone Eagle Motel 83
Highway 1 West
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2223

Bed & Breakfasts The Quiet Place
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
Phone: (306) 784-2275

Campgrounds Lone Eagle Campground
Herbert, SK S0H 2A0
R.V. Campground

ATTRACTIONS

FASPA

Faspa is the German tradition of “throwing together” a lunch for visitors, which allows and supports the Mennonite custom of unannounced visiting.

HERBERT FERRY PARK

The Herbert Ferry Park is recognized as a regional park in Saskatchewan. There is a great boating and fishing area, plenty of room for hiking and just relaxing. There are 30 campsites and all for a great price.

ANNUAL HERBERT STAMPEDE/RODEO

The Herbert rodeo occurs every year at the beginning of August. It is a great attraction for all ages. There is a full weekend of riding and entertainment.

Other Local attractions to Herbert are the many area ranches and farms, the Poker Skidoo Derby (late winter), the fully restored CPR Heritage Station with caboose, Alpaca farm, and the Main Centre Hutterite colony (West of Herbert).

Source: www3sk.sympatico.ca/capone

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