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## 2011 Official Census Results 43,155 people call Airdrie home

AIRDRIE, ALBERTA – The City of Airdrie's population is 43,155 - an increase of 3,333 people over last year's count of 39,822. The official 2011 census results indicate 8.37 per cent growth, almost double the 2010 growth rate of 4.54 per cent.

"Attracting 3,333 new residents certainly showcases Airdrie's attractiveness to new residents and businesses alike" says Mayor Peter Brown. "The census number also reflects the very real understanding that with substantive growth brings many opportunities and challenges."

New neighbourhoods experienced the greatest growth with 607 people moving into Windsong and 415 people moving into King's Heights.

Accurate census numbers are an important component in determining grant revenue from the provincial government. The 3,333 population increase represents a potential increase of \$312 per person or \$1,039,896 total in grant funds from the province.

"With 56 per cent of residents responding online and good door-to-door responses from Airdrie residents, the City achieved a complete and accurate number," says Sharon Pollyck, Manager of Legislative Services and Corporate Communications.

Complete census findings will be posted online at www.airdrie.ca this fall.

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