

Sparwood District Municipality

1	General
<p>Incorporated in 1966, Sparwood has a total land area of 177.71 square km (2006 Census). The District is 32 km northeast of Fernie by highway. Sparwood is in the East Kootenay Regional District.</p>	

2	Population Estimates				Age Distribution				
Annual Estimates					2011 Census			% Distribution, 2011 *	
Year	Sparwood	% Change Prev. Year	BC	% Change Prev. Year	Sparwood	Male	Female	Sparwood	BC
					All ages	1,910	1,760	100.0	100.0
2007	3,704	n/a	4,309,632	n/a	0 - 14	335	320	17.9	15.4
2008	3,780	2.1	4,384,047	1.7	15 - 24	260	230	13.2	12.6
2009	3,809	0.8	4,459,947	1.7	25 - 44	490	460	25.8	26.3
2010	3,770	-1.0	4,529,647	1.6	45 - 64	615	540	31.7	30.0
2011	3,778	0.2	4,573,321	1.0	65 +	210	220	11.6	15.7

Source: Statistics Canada (as of July 1, includes estimate of Census undercount)

* based on published totals, both sexes

2006 Census Profiles can be found on our Website at <http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/census.asp>

3	Selected Census Characteristics						
			Sparwood			British Columbia	
Characteristics	2001	2006	% Change	% Change	2001	2006	
Population	3,812	3,618	- 5.1	5.3	3,907,738	4,113,487	
Population (by citizenship)	3,810	3,615	- 5.1	5.3	3,868,875	4,074,385	
Non-immigrant	3,435	3,340	- 2.8	2.9	2,821,870	2,904,240	
Immigrant	380	275	- 27.6	10.8	1,009,820	1,119,215	
Labour force (15+ yrs.)	2,080	1,935	- 7.0	8.1	2,059,950	2,226,380	
Employees	1,930	1,755	- 9.1	9.2	1,715,600	1,873,050	
Self-employed	110	170	54.5	7.4	291,455	313,000	
Participation rate [ppt.=percentage points]	69.8%	66.4%	-3.4 ppt.	0.4 ppt.	65.2%	65.6%	
Unemployment rate	10.3%	5.2%	-5.1 ppt.	-2.5 ppt.	8.5%	6.0%	
Total population 25 to 64 years	2,145	2,095	- 2.3	6.5	2,144,050	2,284,465	
No certificate, diploma or degree	540	365	- 32.4	- 40.1	471,470	282,200	
High school certificate or equivalent	510	695	36.3	27.7	462,925	591,275	
Apprenticeship/trades certificate or diploma	535	490	- 8.4	- 7.4	295,180	273,450	
College, CEGEP or other cert. or diploma	375	360	- 4.0	11.3	401,760	447,005	
University certificate, diploma or degree	195	185	- 5.1	34.7	512,715	690,535	
Bachelor's degree	120	105	- 12.5	23.0	282,800	347,715	
Census families	1,110	1,075	- 3.2	6.9	1,086,030	1,161,420	
Lone-parent families	140	130	- 7.1	4.0	168,420	175,165	
Households	1,540	1,555	1.0	7.1	1,534,335	1,643,150	
1-family households	1,105	1,045	- 5.4	6.1	1,012,925	1,074,850	
Multi-family households	-	15	-	18.4	35,050	41,510	
Non-family households	435	500	14.9	8.3	486,355	526,785	
Median Income (2000 & 2005)	\$ 23,613	\$ 26,472	12.1	12.5	\$ 22,095	\$ 24,867	
Males	\$ 47,902	\$ 55,333	15.5	9.0	\$ 28,976	\$ 31,598	
Females	\$ 13,048	\$ 18,032	38.2	14.0	\$ 17,546	\$ 19,997	
Median Family Income (2000 & 2005)	\$ 62,521	\$ 76,624	22.6	20.0	\$ 54,840	\$ 65,787	
Economic Families	1,105	1,070	- 3.2	6.5	1,044,850	1,112,810	
2001 Incidence, low income	8.5%	15.0%	6.5 ppt.	-0.6 ppt.	13.9%	13.3%	
2006 Prevalence, low income							
Unattached persons, 15+	495	535	8.1	4.7	576,825	603,880	
Incidence, low income	33.4%	22.4%	-11.0 ppt.	-1.4 ppt.	38.1%	36.7%	
Population in private hh.	3,795	3,615	- 4.7	5.1	3,785,270	3,978,215	
Incidence, low income	11.5%	15.4%	3.9 ppt.	-0.5 ppt.	17.8%	17.3%	
Dwellings	1,540	1,555	1.0	7.1	1,534,335	1,643,150	
Owned	1,125	1,145	1.8	12.5	1,017,485	1,145,045	
Rented	420	405	- 3.6	- 3.6	512,360	493,995	
Average gross rent	\$ 509	\$ 574	12.8	10.4	\$ 750	\$ 828	
Average owners' payments	\$ 683	\$ 679	- 0.6	17.1	\$ 904	\$ 1,059	
Avg. value, owned dwell.	\$ 97,375	\$ 158,017	62.3	81.5	\$ 230,645	\$ 418,703	

Source: Statistics Canada. Notes: incomes are for 2005 and 2000; rent/owner's payments are restricted to non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings.

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4		Labour Force by Industry (NAICS)					
		Sparwood			BC	% Distribution, 2006	
Industry		2001	2006	% Change	% change	Sparwood	BC
Total labour force		2,080	1,935	- 7.0	8.1	100.0	100.0
Industry - Not applicable		30	10	- 66.7	- 26.6	0.5	1.5
All industries (Experienced LF)		2,050	1,925	- 6.1	8.9	99.5	98.5
111-112 Farms		-	10	-	5.2	0.5	1.8
113 Forestry and logging		20	30	50.0	- 10.0	1.6	1.0
114 Fishing, hunting and trapping		-	-	-	1.3	-	0.2
1151/2 Support activities for farms		-	-	-	11.3	-	0.1
1153 Support activities for forestry		10	-	- 100.0	- 21.5	-	0.3
21 Mining and oil and gas extraction		660	570	- 13.6	42.6	29.5	0.9
22 Utilities		-	-	-	- 3.4	-	0.5
23 Construction		55	120	118.2	39.9	6.2	7.5
31-33 Manufacturing		125	60	- 52.0	- 2.7	3.1	8.5
311 Food manufacturing		-	-	-	3.6	-	1.0
321 Wood product manufacturing		45	-	- 100.0	- 16.1	-	1.7
322 Paper manufacturing		-	-	-	- 13.5	-	0.6
41 Wholesale trade		120	80	- 33.3	11.6	4.1	4.1
44-45 Retail trade		165	270	63.6	6.9	14.0	11.2
441 Motor vehicle and parts dealers		25	100	300.0	9.0	5.2	1.1
445 Food and beverage stores		85	70	- 17.6	8.4	3.6	2.9
448 Clothing & clothing accessories		-	15	-	9.2	0.8	1.1
452 General merchandise stores		10	15	50.0	6.5	0.8	1.2
48-49 Transportation & warehousing		85	95	11.8	0.6	4.9	5.2
51 Information and cultural industries		30	-	- 100.0	- 5.3	-	2.6
52 Finance and insurance		55	40	- 27.3	4.5	2.1	3.8
53 Real estate & rental/leasing		15	90	500.0	22.1	4.7	2.3
54 Prof'sonal, scientific & tech. serv.		50	25	- 50.0	18.6	1.3	7.3
55 Mgmt. of companies/ent'prises		-	-	-	126.6	-	0.1
56 Admin+support, waste mgmnt srv.		60	60	-	20.4	3.1	4.4
61 Educational services		155	115	- 25.8	9.2	5.9	6.9
62 Health care and social assistance		110	95	- 13.6	6.5	4.9	9.6
71 Arts, entertainment and recreation		25	15	- 40.0	11.3	0.8	2.3
72 Accommodation and food services		150	100	- 33.3	7.7	5.2	8.1
721 Accommodation services		60	15	- 75.0	2.5	0.8	1.7
722 Food services & drinking places		90	85	- 5.6	9.2	4.4	6.4
81 Other services (excl. public admin.)		90	85	- 5.6	11.8	4.4	4.9
91 Public administration		65	70	7.7	- 2.0	3.6	5.0
Special Aggregations	Agriculture, Food and Beverage	-	-	-	5.8	-	2.9
	Fishing and Fish Processing	-	-	-	- 3.3	-	0.5
	Logging and Forest Products	75	30	- 60.0	- 14.7	1.6	3.7
	Mining and Mineral Products	690	595	- 13.8	17.1	30.7	2.1

Source: Statistics Canada. Industry according to NAICS version used in each census. Unpublished data.

5		Business Locations- Number of Firms by Employment Size Range								
		Firms with no employees		Firms with employees		% change	E kootenay RD			
		E kootenay RD	BC	E kootenay RD	BC	E kootenay RD	1 to 19	20 to 49	50-199	200 Plus
2008		1,974	185,879	2,397	175,003	-	2,109	182	85	21
2009		2,048	186,541	2,459	176,124	2.6	2,169	198	73	19
2010		2,250	194,349	2,708	175,913	10.1	2,407	208	75	18
2011		2,231	195,290	2,662	173,589	- 1.7	2,376	195	75	16

Source: Business Register, Statistics Canada. In some areas, boundary changes/geocoding changes may cause large changes.

6		Municipal Residential Taxes and Charges on a Representative House					
		Sparwood					
		House Value		Taxes & Charges			
Year	\$	% change	\$	% change			
2008	180,068		1,756				
2009	181,518	0.8	1,877	6.9			
2010	209,353	15.3	1,994	6.2			
2011	211,152	0.9	2,047	2.6			
2012	215,300	2.0	2,125	3.8			

Source: Ministry of Community, Sport & Cultural Development http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/infra/statistics_index.htm (No RD level figures)

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7 Values of Building Permits									
Year	Residential				Non-Residential		Total		Year
	Number of Units		Value \$'000		Value \$'000		Value \$'000		
	Sparwood	BC	Sparwood	BC	Sparwood	BC	Sparwood	BC	
2007	5	40,932	1,404	8,611,723	1,010	3,932,968	2,414	12,544,691	2007
2008	4	30,110	1,497	6,899,289	1,715	3,677,866	3,212	10,577,155	2008
2009	6	18,607	1,790	4,491,075	1,365	3,138,810	3,155	7,629,885	2009
2010	76	28,984	15,273	6,705,888	425	3,017,921	15,698	9,723,809	2010
2011	15	25,745	4,571	6,113,406	2,380	3,136,361	6,951	9,249,767	2011

Source: Statistics Canada

Note: Detailed non-residential permits data can be found on our Website: www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca

A dash can indicate a nil report, a value of less than \$500, or non-reporting. P indicates 'preliminary'.

8 Personal Taxation Statistics						Percent Change in Avg. Income	
Total Income of All Returns							
Year	All Returns (number)		Average Income (\$)		% Change avg. income		
	Sparwood	BC	Sparwood	BC	Sparwood	BC	
2005	2,970	3,154,090	38,319	35,601	n/a	n/a	
2006	2,990	3,165,750	40,266	38,523	5.1	8.2	
2007	3,130	3,287,750	43,565	40,802	8.2	5.9	
2008	3,130	3,383,640	48,240	40,736	10.7	-0.2	
2009	3,120	3,406,860	48,259	39,754	0.0	-2.4	
Taxation data available at : http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/dd/income.asp							

Source of Total Income 2009				% Distribution, Total Income					
	Sparwood		BC						
	\$Thousands	% of Total							
Employment	124,082	82.4	63.7						
Pension	12,134	8.1	13.8						
Investment	4,201	2.8	9.8						
Self-Employed	1,079	0.7	5.3						
Other	6,806	4.5	5.3						
Tax Exempt	2,265	1.5	2.0						
Total	150,568	100.0	100.0						

Source : Canada Revenue Agency. Areas are defined by postal codes and may not match municipal boundaries.

9 Dependency on the Safety Net						Total Beneficiaries by Age Group, % (Basic BC Assistance & EI)		
Percentage of Population by Age Receiving Benefits - September 2009								
Age Group	BC Basic* Income Assistance Recipients (%)		Employment Insurance Beneficiaries (%)		Total of BC Basic Income Assistance & EI Beneficiaries (%)			
	E Kootenay	BC	E Kootenay	BC	E Kootenay	BC		
	Under 19	2.6	2.7					
19-24	2.3	2.1	3.9	2.6	6.0	4.6		
25-54	1.7	1.9	3.6	3.1	5.1	4.9		
55-64	0.4	0.7	1.9	2.0	2.3	2.6		
19-64	1.4	1.7	3.2	2.8	4.6	4.4		

* On temporary assistance only. Excluded are those on Continuous Assistance, aboriginals living on reserve, seniors/OAS, & children living with relatives.

Source: BC Stats (using administrative files from the BC Ministry of Housing & Social Development, and Human Resources & Social Development Canada)

Note: EI Beneficiaries reports now include regular, fishing and employment benefits, work sharing and support measures. The reports exclude sickness, maternity and parental benefits.

10 Business Formations and Failures									
Incorporations				Bankruptcies					
Year	Number		Year	Cranbrook		Kootenay DR		BC	
	Sparwood	BC		Business	Consumer	Business	Consumer	Business	Consumer
2007	6	34,036	2005	2	62	n.a.	n.a.	786	8,168
2008	9	30,085	2006	8	46	31	224	585	7,020
2009	4	26,431	2007	1	33	14	197	470	6,651
2010	8	30,305	2008	3	36	16	180	454	7,293
2011	3	30,844	2009	1	69	9	339	380	10,639

Source: BC Ministry of Finance

Source: Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, Government of Canada

Incorporations are counted in municipality of the registered office address which may differ from the actual business location.

Note: Bankruptcy is by urban postal code forward sortation area and is counted where it is filed.