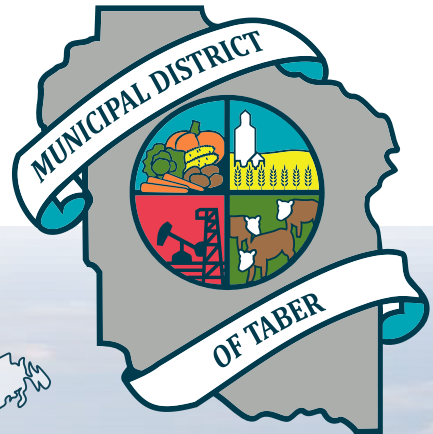
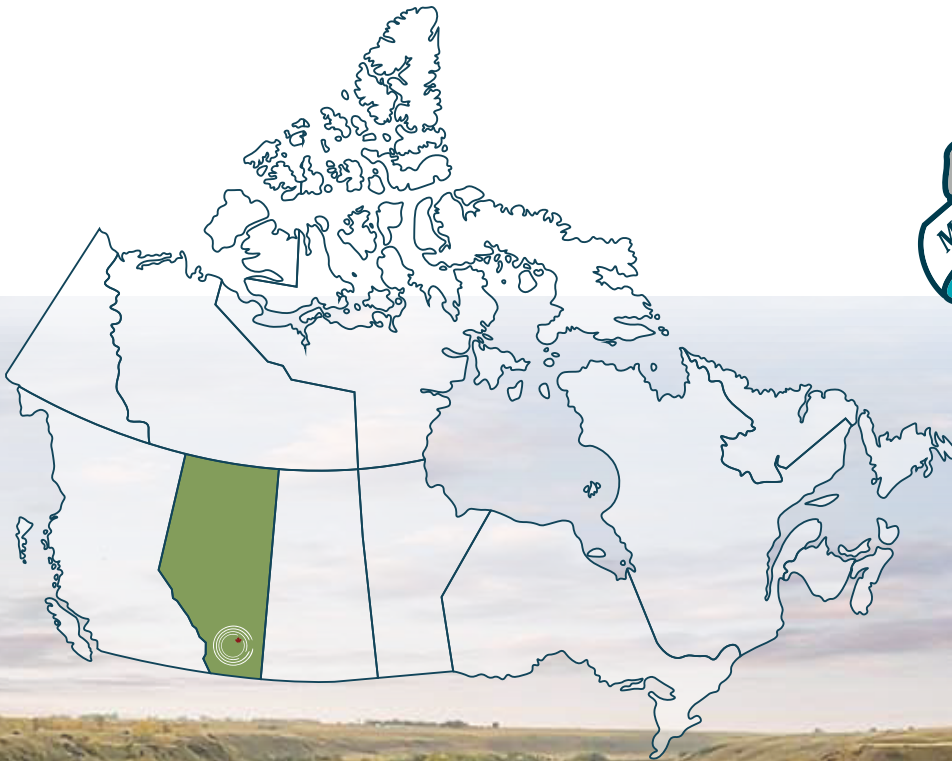




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# Community Profile



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# About our Community



## Most Competitive *SECTORS*

### **Agriculture**

- 1 There is abundant land (~971,000 acres) and water, and along with a near-perfect combination of heat and soil, creates optimal growing conditions for the 70+ crops grown in the MD.

### **Renewable Energy**

- 2 As a result of abundant sunshine and strong west winds, the municipality embraces clean technology and is home to four projects which provide 181MW to the grid.

### **Agriculture Processing**

- 3 Value-added Processing. The MD is home to numerous multinational commodity processors as well as niche innovators due to the variety and quantity of inputs.

# About our Community



Major

## EMPLOYERS



Major

## TRANSPORT ACCESS

**Roads:** major roadways include Hwy 3 (west-east), Hwy 36 (north-south). These roads connect directly to Saskatchewan and British Columbia as well as northern Alberta and south to the US border.

**Rail:** the CPKC line runs through the municipality and connects to their major US network.

**Air:** in addition to two local airports, the MD of Taber is 2.5 hours south of the Calgary International Airport.



# Speed of Doing Business



## Permitting & Zoning ***TIMELINES***

Development permits for permitted uses can be issued in less than 2 weeks.

Development permits for discretionary use typically take 4-6 weeks.

The Land Use Bylaw underwent a full review in 2024. Amendments can be made throughout the year as needed.

Special permits or variances are available for some projects, if an application is made to the Municipal Planning Commission requesting approval of variances to the Land Use Bylaw.

Refer to the Land Use Bylaw for Land Use Zoning details for any restrictions on type or size of the project.

To reach the Development Officer,  
please contact Administration at **403-223-3541**

# Talent

## Talent *PIPELINE*

Talent is recruited from the neighboring hamlets, villages, the Town of Taber, and the City of Lethbridge. Due to the affordability of the land in the smaller hamlets and large size lots, people are drawn to build their dream home. Average housing costs are \$1,380/month and rent are \$944/month.

Commuting time of under 23 minutes means people can make a good wage (\$80.9K median household income) and have enough disposable income to take advantage of the facilities and amenities that are in the municipality.

Lethbridge Polytechnic and the University of Lethbridge, are 30 minutes west of the municipality and Medicine Hat College is one hour east. They offer several certificates, diplomas and degrees related to agriculture.

Over 148K are employed in the region.

There is a 4.4% unemployment rate and a 64% participation rate.

Majority of workers are employed in the agriculture sector.

## Notable Statistics

Enrolment in schools remains steady. Household income is at \$81,000.





# Environmental, Social and Governance

The municipality places a high priority on ensuring they play a strong role in climate change mitigation.

There are several projects underway that emphasize this.

- Renuwell Project- converting abandoned oil well sites to solar. Click here for more info.

<https://mdtaber.ab.ca/p/renuwell-project>

- Wetland management and restoration- includes the addition of wetlands at the Horsefly Regional Emergency spillway Project and Taber Lake

- Shelterbelt program to reduce soil erosion and increase tree planting for greenhouse gas emission reductions.

- Commitment to renewable energy as evidenced by the four projects that are currently operating within the municipality and investigating additional opportunities.

## Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

With a large population of Mexican Mennonites, diversity is naturally occurring as they move to the municipality. Translation of key materials in Low-German is completed to support this population. A number of women hold Council and Leadership positions within the municipality which has been naturally occurring.



# Investment Opportunities



The MD of Taber is unique in its status of being an agricultural powerhouse and the irrigation infrastructure that exists. It provides a staggering amount of economic growth opportunities due to its wealth of natural assets, strategic location, and commitment to sustainability. In addition, the sense of community cohesion and a commitment to build those communities in a strategic and balanced manner provides a quality of life that resonates with its citizens.



If you're interested in learning about the latest investment opportunities, contact us at **[info@canadaspremierfoodcorridor.ca](mailto:info@canadaspremierfoodcorridor.ca)** or scan the QR code to visit our website.