

Cost of Living in Alberta (as of Feb 2020)

The cost of living in Alberta varies across the province. It is generally more expensive to live in bigger cities like Calgary and Edmonton than in rural areas, with the exception of Fort McMurray.

➤ Income:

- Minimum hourly wage in Alberta (as of February 2020)
 - For general workers: \$15.00
 - For students under 18 years of age: \$13.00

➤ Expenses:

- Average Monthly Rent (as of February 2020)

	One-bedroom apartment	Two-bedroom apartment
<input type="checkbox"/> Calgary	\$1,227	\$1,448
<input type="checkbox"/> Fort McMurray	\$1,246	\$1,363
<input type="checkbox"/> Grande Prairie	\$1,042	\$1,214
<input type="checkbox"/> Edmonton	\$1,036	\$1,254
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Deer	\$945	\$1,024
<input type="checkbox"/> Lethbridge	\$924	\$1,026

- Retail foods (as of June 2019; published Feb 2020):

	Eggs (Grade A, Large, Dozen)	Milk (1% partly skim, 2 litre)	Bread (Whole-wheat, 680 g)	Apples (kg)
<input type="checkbox"/> Calgary	\$2.88	\$3.92	\$2.97	\$5.10
<input type="checkbox"/> Fort McMurray	\$3.15	\$3.96	\$3.06	\$5.16
<input type="checkbox"/> Grande Prairie	\$3.03	\$3.93	\$3.51	\$4.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Edmonton	\$2.81	\$3.91	\$2.89	\$5.04
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Deer	\$3.49	\$3.96	\$4.49	\$5.47
<input type="checkbox"/> Lethbridge	\$2.79	\$3.96	\$2.69	\$5.49

- Monthly Transit Pass (as of Feb 2020):

	Youth	Adult
<input type="checkbox"/> Calgary	\$77	\$109
<input type="checkbox"/> Fort McMurray	\$41	\$54
<input type="checkbox"/> Grande Prairie	\$54	\$69
<input type="checkbox"/> Edmonton	\$75	\$97
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Deer	\$62	\$72.5
<input type="checkbox"/> Lethbridge	\$62	\$77

➤ **References:**

Average Rent (as of February 2020): <https://rentals.ca/national-rent-report>

Alberta Retail Food Prices – June 2019 (published Feb 2020):

<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/b4f477b4-a3a5-40cc-bd5f-b1e14e88e329/resource/2058319c-b3b5-4b3a-9567-b8da4809fbfa/download/af-alberta-retail-food-prices-selected-communities-2019-06.pdf>

Updated “Alberta Retail Food Prices: Selected Communities”, please visit:

<https://open.alberta.ca/publications/1484-2432>

Transit Passes:

- Calgary: <https://www.calgarytransit.com/fares-passes>
- Fort McMurray: http://www.rmwb.ca/Municipal-Government/municipal_departments/Public-Operations/Wood-Buffalo-Transit/Fares.htm
- Grande Prairie: <https://www.cityofgp.com/roads-transportation/public-transit/fares>
- Edmonton: <https://www.edmonton.ca/ets/fares-passes.aspx>
- Red Deer: <https://www.reddeer.ca/city-services/transit/fares-and-passes/>
- Lethbridge: <https://www.lethbridge.ca/living-here/getting-around/Transit/Pages/TicketsPasses.aspx>