

Trans Mountain Expansion Project

Annex 1: Socio-Economic Context Indicators - BC Interior Region

As of December 31, 2020

Based on government and public sources



Introduction

This report presents the context indicators associated with the TMEP BC Interior Region, updated to reflect the October to December (Q4) 2020 monitoring period. These data are from public and government sources. They reflect the overall socio-economic context within which Project construction is occurring and present a picture of the overall social and economic vulnerability or resiliency of the region related to the socio-economic monitoring topic areas. Data is being reported for the entire region, even though construction activity may only be occurring in a select portion of the region. These data will be updated during Project construction when new data becomes available. This report also provides a one-time update of select community-level data points for communities crossed by the Project footprint have been updated since the finalization of the Socio-Economic Effects Monitoring Plan based on the 2016 Census of Canada; this data is only updated every 5 years, so will not be updated during the Project construction period.

One-time Community Level Data

Community	Population			Housing			Labour Force			
	Population 2016 (No.)	Population Change from Last Census (2011) (%)	Percentage of Population that Identifies as Aboriginal (%)	Total Private Dwellings (No.)	Percentage of Private Dwellings Occupied by Usual Residents (%)	Average Value of Dwellings (\$)	Labour Force Size (No.)	Participation Rate (%)	Unemployment Rate (%)	Labour Force by Industry (%) (top 3 industries)
City of Kamloops	90280	5.4	9.5	39081	94.2	\$ 390,396.00	47825	65.2	7.5	Health care and social assistance (14.0%) Retail Trade (12.8%) Accommodation and food services (9.6%)
City of Merritt	7139	0.4	22.1	3176	94.0	\$ 264,033.00	3270	57.7	9.5	Health care and social assistance (12.7%) Retail Trade (11.0%) Accommodation and food services (9.8%)
Electoral Area P, Thompson-Nicola Regional District	3672	1.4	6.9	1738	88.3	\$ 453,714	1945	61.8	8	Construction (13.1%) Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting (9.8%) Retail Trade (8.2%)
Electoral Area J, Thompson-Nicola Regional District	1580	1.3	5.7	998	68.1	\$ 442,740	800	58.8	9.4	Construction (15.0%) Retail Trade (10.6%) Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting (9.4%)
Electoral Area M, Thompson-Nicola Regional District	1598	-12.3	12.2	1049	72.0	\$ 397,794	790	56	10.1	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting (17.1%) Retail trade (11.4%) Health care and social assistance (8.2%)
Electoral Area N, Thompson-Nicola Regional District	762	1.7	3.3	439	76.3	\$ 451,476	405	55.6	6.2	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting (18.5%) Construction (9.9%) Retail Trade, Other Services and Public Administration (8.6%)

Context Indicators

In this region, the Project is occurring in a rural area with a regional population of over 430,000 and a labour force of approximately 294,000 workers. There is other development in the region, with approximately \$1.9 billion of other capital projects under construction. The current and anticipated Project workforce is small in the context of this region.

Context Indicator	Date	Data Description
Population		
Population (No.)		
Thompson-Okanagan Economic Region ¹	Oct-20	The total population was 431,600, which is a 6.1% decrease from July 2020.
Labour Force		
Labour force size (No.)		
Thompson-Okanagan Economic Region	Oct-20	The labour force size was 293,900, which is a 0.4% increase from July 2020.

Context Indicator	Date	Data Description			
Participation Rate (%)					
Thompson-Okanagan Economic Region	Oct-20	The participation rate was 63.7%, which is higher than the participation rate reported in July 2020 (63.6%).			
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Thompson-Okanagan Economic Region	Oct-20	The unemployment rate was 8.1%, which is lower than the unemployment rate reported in July 2020 (10.3%).			
Major projects (\$ capital investment)	Q2 2020	In the communities in the BC Interior Region, 8 major projects were identified as under construction, with a total capital cost of approximately \$1.9 billion. The projects are located throughout the BC Interior Region. Key projects with large (>\$100 million) capital costs include the Sun Peaks Ski Resort (Sun Peaks), Sun Rivers Community residential development, Juniper West residential development, Orchards Walk residential development and the Royal Inland Hospital Patient Care Tower.			
Accommodation					
Rental vacancy rates (%)					
Kamloops	2019	The vacancy rate was 2.1% in private apartments.			
Rent by rental type (\$/month, by unit type)					
Kamloops	2019	The average rents for a private apartment range from \$801 for a bachelor, to \$1,203 for 3 bedroom +.			
Crime/Policing					
Incident Category		Rate per 1,000 population, by Police Service Area			
		Kamloops RCMP, municipal	Merritt RCMP, municipal	Merritt RCMP, rural	
Total violent Criminal Code Violations	2018	17.2	26.1	15.2	
Sexual assault, level 1, 2 and 3	2018	1.1	0.779	1.10	
Total commodification of sexual activity violations	2018	0.409	0.133	0.266	
Total Property Crime Violations	2018	65.0	85.4	39.7	
Total Other Criminal Code Violation (Except Traffic)	2018	21.8	29.4	10.4	
Total prostitution	2018	0.000	0.000	0.000	
Total Criminal Code Traffic Violations	2018	3.2	4.7	7.2	
Total Drug Violations	2018	6.8	6.9	6.9	
Traffic					
Monthly Average Daily Traffic Count – Location P-21-4EW, Highway 5/0	Jul-20	The MADT at this traffic count site was 19,498 in July 2020. From the staging areas located near Vavenby and Kamloops. Project vehicles may travel south on Highway 5 to access construction sites.			
Monthly Average Daily Traffic Count – Location P-17-8NS, Highway 5	Jul-20	The MADT at this traffic count site was 19,548 in July 2020. Project vehicles may travel south on Highway 5 from the staging area located near Kamloops or north on Highway 5 from the staging area located near Chilliwack to access construction sites.			
Communicable Diseases					
Disease	Surveillance Date	No. of Cases			
		Interior Health			
Coronavirus - COVID-19	2020 (as of Dec. 9)	636 (active) 2,339 (confirmed)			
	Thompson Cariboo Shuswap - Health Service Delivery Area (HSDA)				
Amoebiasis	Jan - Mar 2019	1			
Campylobacter Infection	Jan - Mar 2019	15			
Cryptosporidium Infection	Jan - Mar 2019	1			
Giardia Infection	Jan - Mar 2019	4			
Hepatitis A	Jan - Mar 2019	0			
Hepatitis B: Acute	Jan - Mar 2019	0			
Hepatitis B: Chronic Carriers	Jan - Mar 2019	1			
Hepatitis B: Undetermined	Jan - Mar 2019	0			
Hepatitis C: Acute	Jan - Mar 2019	0			
Hepatitis C: Chronic/Unknown	Jan - Mar 2019	29			
Malaria	Jan - Mar 2019	1			
Measles	Jan - Mar 2019	3			
Mumps	Jan - Mar 2019	1			
Pertussis	Jan - Mar 2019	4			
Salmonella Infection	Jan - Mar 2019	11			
Typhoid Fever	Jan - Mar 2019	0			
Yersinia Infection	Jan - Mar 2019	5			
Genital Chlamydia	2016	865 (386.5 per 100,000)			
Genital Gonorrhea	2016	179 (80.0 per 100,000)			
Infectious Syphilis	2016	8 (3.6 per 100,000)			

Methodology and Notes

Notes:

1 The Thompson - Okanagan Economic Region consists of: 31 regional district electoral areas; 9 cities, including Kamloops and Merritt; 10 district municipalities; 12 villages or towns; and 94 Indian Reserves.

All numbers are approximate. In certain instances (e.g., gender-based crimes), additional decimal spaces are shown in order to capture small numbers.

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