



Cariboo
Development Region

1	General Economy
<p>Regional Districts in Development Region: Cariboo, Fraser-Fort George</p> <p>The main economic activities include forestry, agriculture, mining and tourism. This area is home to many large lumber and pulp and paper mills, some of which have announced closures or output reductions. These mills rely on the large Timber Supply Areas in this region for timber. The Annual Allowable Cuts have been increased recently for these areas, in an effort to salvage Mountain Pine Beetle affected timber, but supplies are expected to be negatively impacted in the years to come. The area is home to several large mines and significant mining exploration activity. There are several other mining projects proposed for this area and mining and oil and gas exploration continues. The tourism and recreation industries are also growing. Beef cattle and horse ranching are also important local industries.</p>	

The notes above and later in this report on Demographics and Projections are the basis for BC Stats population projection P33 completed in the Summer of 2008. The projections are updated annually to reflect known demographic shifts and economic conditions. Full projections with "Components of Change", "Special Age Groups", "5 Year Age Cohorts by Sex", and accompanying notes are available for B.C., the 8 development regions, the 28 regional districts, the 79 local health areas (LHAs) and a number of "special areas" of local interest which are not part of a province-wide geocoding system. Individual areas, including age and sex detail, are modestly priced. Users requiring only total population projections are able to self serve for free from our population projection page: www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/pop/pop/popproj.asp The full B.C. level projection is available free on the above page.

2 Economic Structure - Number of Business Locations, by Sector, by Employment Size, December 2010

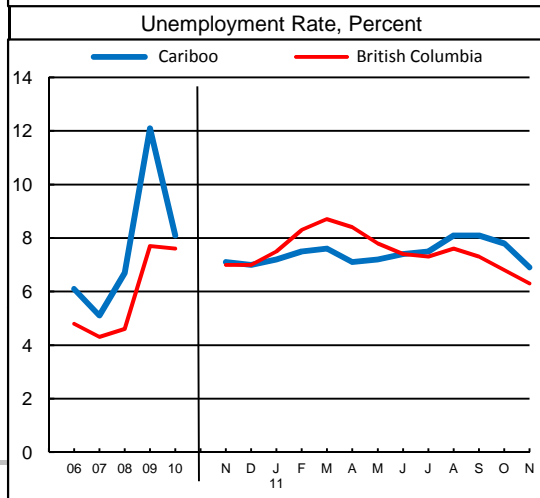
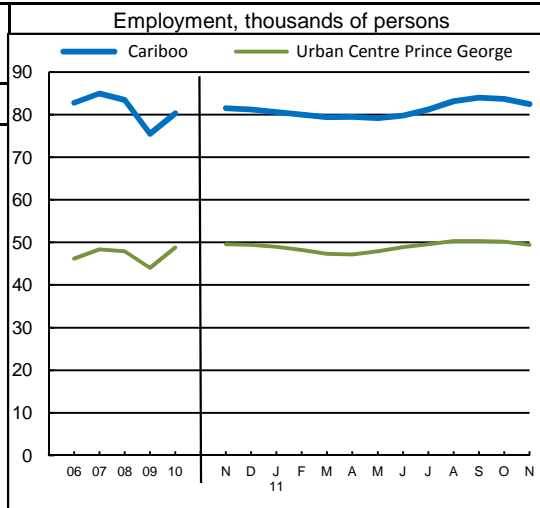
NAICS Code	Industry Sector based on NAICS Canada (North American Industrial Classification System)	Locations With No Employees	Cariboo						British Columbia	
			Firms with Employees						With Employees	
			Less Than 20	20 to 49	50 to 199	200 Plus	All Sizes with Emp.	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	All Sizes
	Total, All Industries	5,108	5,505	507	195	48	6,255	100.0%	100.0%	370,262
11	Agric., Forestry, Fishing & Hunt	801	560	47	19	2	628	10.0%	4.1%	15,134
21	Mining & Oil & Gas Extract.	21	22	3	1	1	27	0.4%	0.6%	2,220
22	Utilities	6	5	2	0	0	7	0.1%	0.1%	363
23	Construction	774	719	39	15	3	776	12.4%	14.0%	51,926
31	Manufacturing (31-33)	127	183	28	25	17	253	4.0%	3.2%	11,824
41	Wholesale Trade	131	262	42	5	0	309	4.9%	4.4%	16,471
44	Retail Trade (44-45)	272	691	69	32	5	797	12.7%	8.1%	30,041
48	Transp. & Warehousing (48-49)	432	421	29	10	2	462	7.4%	5.1%	18,964
51	Information & Cultural Indust.	27	37	4	5	0	46	0.7%	1.5%	5,509
52	Finance & Insurance	224	150	34	10	0	194	3.1%	5.4%	19,946
53	Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	682	206	4	0	2	212	3.4%	11.2%	41,389
54	Profes'nl, Scientif. & Tech. Srv	450	419	23	6	1	449	7.2%	13.1%	48,449
55	Mgmt. of Companies & Enter.	282	63	4	0	1	68	1.1%	3.9%	14,283
56	Admin. & Sup'rt, Waste Mgmt.	167	221	17	12	1	251	4.0%	4.5%	16,769
61	Educational Services	29	43	4	2	5	54	0.9%	1.2%	4,290
62	Health Care & Social Assistance	108	475	38	9	5	527	8.4%	5.6%	20,661
71	Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	55	88	12	5	1	106	1.7%	1.7%	6,187
72	Accom. & Food Services	159	339	77	25	0	441	7.1%	4.3%	15,964
81	Other Serv's (ex. Public Admin.)	361	589	19	0	1	609	9.7%	7.8%	28,939
91	Public Administration	-	12	12	14	1	39	0.6%	0.3%	933

Source: Statistics Canada, Business Register Division. Note: This table formerly identified **business establishments**.



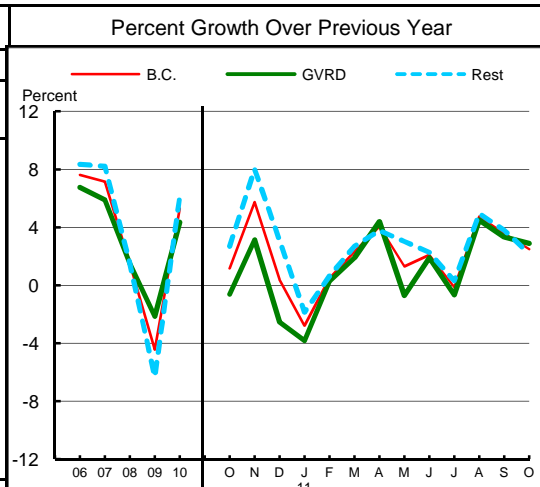
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3 Employment and Unemployment Rate, monthly data are 3-month moving average, actual, ending in stated month						
	Cariboo		Urban Centre Prince George		British Columbia	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
2001	79.2	9.7	43.4	9.6	1,919.7	7.7
2002	77.3	12.6	42.9	12.7	1,952.8	8.5
2003	77.3	11.0	43.5	10.9	1,998.0	8.0
2004	79.4	9.2	44.8	9.1	2,032.8	7.2
2005	79.3	7.4	45.3	8.1	2,091.9	5.8
2006	82.8	6.1	46.2	6.1	2,147.2	4.8
2007	85.0	5.1	48.4	5.3	2,222.6	4.3
2008	83.5	6.7	47.9	7.2	2,266.4	4.6
2009	75.5	12.1	44.0	11.7	2,217.9	7.7
2010	80.3	8.1	48.8	7.9	2,256.5	7.6
Jan	74.7	12.1	43.4	13.0	2,219.8	8.0
Feb	74.6	11.6	44.8	12.5	2,213.3	8.1
Mar	75.0	10.4	47.1	9.6	2,213.2	8.2
Apr	77.2	8.2	49.0	7.0	2,224.5	7.8
May	78.9	7.5	48.9	6.7	2,238.7	7.8
Jun	81.7	7.1	49.0	7.2	2,258.8	7.6
Jul	82.7	8.6	48.7	9.1	2,277.1	7.7
Aug	83.9	8.4	49.9	8.8	2,289.9	7.8
Sep	83.1	8.4	49.8	8.6	2,284.5	7.8
Oct	82.3	7.6	50.0	7.2	2,278.8	7.5
Nov	81.5	7.1	49.6	6.4	2,273.6	7.0
Dec	81.2	7.0	49.4	6.4	2,269.6	7.0
2011						
Jan	80.6	7.2	49.0	6.1	2,250.0	7.5
Feb	80.0	7.5	48.2	5.7	2,232.3	8.3
Mar	79.4	7.6	47.3	5.8	2,227.7	8.7
Apr	79.5	7.1	47.2	5.8	2,240.5	8.4
May	79.2	7.2	47.9	6.1	2,261.0	7.8
Jun	79.8	7.4	48.9	6.0	2,280.1	7.4
Jul	81.2	7.5	49.6	6.6	2,295.3	7.3
Aug	83.2	8.1	50.3	7.4	2,298.0	7.6
Sep	84.0	8.1	50.3	7.5	2,300.7	7.3
Oct	83.7	7.8	50.2	7.2	2,299.8	6.8
Nov	82.5	6.9	49.4	6.8	2,296.6	6.3
Dec						
Average:						
Jan-Nov10	80.1	8.4	! Caution		2,256.8	7.7
Jan-Nov11	81.1	7.5	Small		2,273.7	7.5
% Change	1.3		Sample		0.7	



Source: Labour Force Survey, Statistics Canada. Sub-provincial regions are development regions or census metropolitan areas.

4 Retail Sales - based on Statistics Canada monthly survey						
Year or Year/Year-to-Date	\$ millions of retail sales			Percent change on year ago		
	B.C.	Greater Vancouver	Rest of Province	B.C.	Greater Vancouver	Rest of Province
2006	53,133.4	24,301.6	28,831.9	7.6	6.7	8.3
2007	56,930.4	25,733.1	31,197.3	7.1	5.9	8.2
2008	57,783.0	26,116.0	31,667.0	1.5	1.5	1.5
2009	55,221.9	25,556.4	29,665.6	-4.4	-2.1	-6.3
2010	58,144.7	26,667.6	31,477.1	5.3	4.3	6.1
Jan-Sep 2010	42,773.1	19,620.4	23,152.6			
Jan-Sep 2011	43,551.2	19,871.0	23,680.1	1.8	1.3	2.3



Source: B.C. & GVRD data - Statistics Canada, CANSIM 080-0020, unadjusted data.



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Was 5 **Manufacturing Principal Statistics - Search at www.made-in-bc.ca for local firms, products and more**

This table is discontinued. Sub-provincial manufacturing principal statistics are no longer being produced.

The methodology used to generate Room Revenue estimates is being refined and as a result the regularly scheduled release of the data from April through August 2011 was interrupted. BC Stats will be publishing updated estimates, including revisions to previously-released data, in September of 2011. We apologize for any inconvenience to users.

5		Tourism Room Revenue (\$ Thousands)					Tourism Room Revenue Index 2004=100	
	Year	Total/YTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Index	
Cariboo Dev. Region	2006	54,701.0	9,414.0	13,900.0	19,507.0	11,880.0		
	2007	61,895.0	11,212.0	16,033.0	21,314.0	13,336.0		
	2008	62,202.0	11,764.0	16,955.0	21,286.0	12,197.0		
	2009	54,355.0	10,125.0	13,759.0	19,148.0	11,323.0		
	2010	44,855.0	10,950.0	15,006.0	18,899.0			
British Columbia	2006	1,807,466.0	366,131.0	450,720.0	652,402.0	338,213.0		
	2007	1,807,466.0	366,131.0	450,720.0	652,402.0	338,213.0		
	2008	1,977,385.0	435,234.0	503,243.0	687,790.0	351,118.0		
	2009	1,743,074.0	378,897.0	423,761.0	617,008.0	323,408.0		
	2010	1,594,984.0	502,294.0	441,819.0	650,871.0			
2009 Room Revenue by Accommodation Type (\$Thousands %Share)								
TOTAL	54,314.0	100.0%						
Fishing lodges	914.0	1.7%						
Hotels	29,771.0	54.8%						
1-75 Rooms	8,436.0	15.5%						
Motels	19,674.0	36.2%						
Vacation Rentals	1,547.0	2.8%						
Miscellaneous	2,408.0	4.4%						
asterisk before location denotes sub-area detail								

Source: Hotel tax database maintained by Consumer Taxation Branch, Ministry of Small Business and Revenue
 Published in detail monthly by BC Stats.

All room revenue data has been revised. For an explanation, see our periodical called *Tourism Sector Monitor*, April and May issues of 2009.
 Link to explanation of changes: http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/pubs/pr_tour.asp

6		Building Permits						Total Permits Index 2005=100	
Year	Total Building Permits	Non Residential				Residential	Units	Index	
		Total Non Res.	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional & Gov't			B.C.	Region
		<-- \$ Millions -->							
2003	125.4	89.6	6.5	52.0	31.2	35.8	204		
2004	121.2	59.6	16.2	32.3	11.1	61.6	362		
2005	203.0	130.4	38.0	30.3	62.0	72.6	404		
2006	170.3	76.8	7.2	36.2	33.4	93.5	487		
2007	257.4	103.6	10.4	53.3	39.9	153.8	607		
2008	238.4	111.3	6.2	35.1	70.0	127.1	522		
2009	158.6	58.8	3.0	32.1	23.8	99.8	357		
2010	213.8	103.1	6.7	25.9	70.4	110.7	455		
Jan-Oct 10	203.8	99.9	5.8	24.7	69.4	103.9	426		
Jan-Oct 11	156.0	71.1	14.0	29.3	27.7	84.9	308		

Not all projects require a building permit, and not all municipalities & regions report. Latest month preliminary, previous month is revised.
 Source: Statistics Canada (data collected from municipal and Regional District offices).



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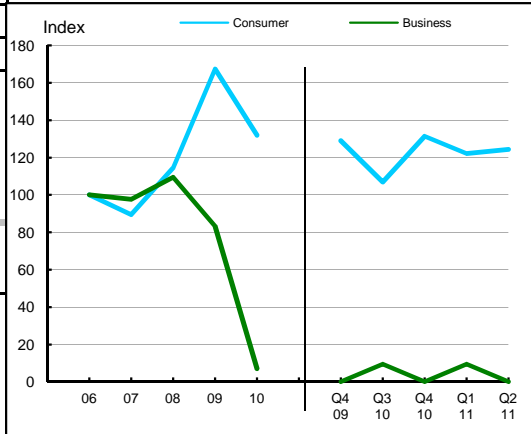
7 Business and Consumer Bankruptcies, Metro/Development Region

Year	Cariboo DR		British Columbia		Consumer	Business
	Consumer	Business	Consumer	Business		
2006	344	42	7,020	585		
2007	308	41	6,651	470		
2008	394	46	7,293	454		
2009	576	35	10,639	380		
2010	454	3	9,674	229		
YTD-10	249	2	5,023	132		
YTD-11	212	1	4,261	97		

Source: Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, Government of Canada
 Total bankruptcy index includes business and consumer bankruptcies.

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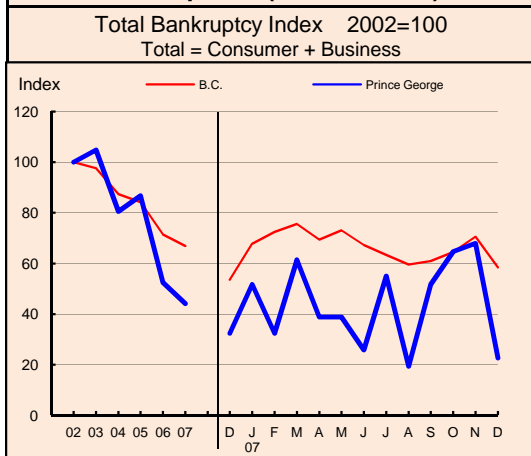


8 Incorporations

Year	Incorporations	Incorporations Index 2005=100	
		B.C.	Region
2003	344	100	100
2004	428	110	115
2005	511	100	100
2006	601	90	95
2007	560	100	60
2008	557	105	110
2009	453	95	80
2010	463	100	120
Jan-Sep 10	347	100	120
Jan-Sep 11	365	100	70

Source: Incorporations - (B.C.) Ministry of Finance

Bankruptcies (Discontinued)



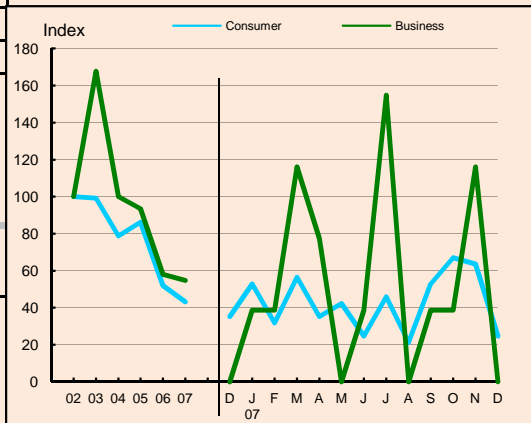
9 Business and Consumer Bankruptcies (Discontinued)

Year	Prince George		Williams Lake		Quesnel	
	Consumer	Business	Consumer	Business	Consumer	Business
2003	337	52	132	22	87	14
2004	268	31	85	16	73	9
2005	293	29	89	12	71	10
2006	177	18	82	14	58	10
2007	147	17	78	8	59	10
Jan-Dec 06	177	18	82	14	58	10
Jan-Dec 07	147	17	78	8	59	10

Source: Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, Government of Canada
 Total bankruptcy index includes business and consumer bankruptcies.

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Dependence on the Safety Net

10 Basic Income Assistance (Basic Income Assistance Recipients in Subject Group as a percent of Reference Group)							11 Employment Insurance (was UI) (EI beneficiaries as a percent of Reference Group)																				
Subject Group (receiving benefits)		All (0-64)	Children <19 yrs in Families	Young Adults (19-24)	'Mid' Group (25-54)	Single Parent Women	Working Age (19-64)	Young Adults (19-24)	'Mid' Group (25-54)	'Older' Workers (55-64)	Note Older Data																
Reference Group		Total Pop. 0-64	Total Pop. <19	Total Pop. 19-24	Total Pop. 25-54	Tot. Female 19-64	Total Pop. 19-64	Total Pop. 19-24	Total Pop. 25-54	Total Pop. 55-64																	
Cariboo Dev. Region	Sep '08	2.6	4.0	3.0	2.4	1.3	2.3	2.4	2.5	1.7	Sep '07																
	Dec '08	2.8	4.2	3.3	2.6	1.3	3.1	3.9	3.2	2.3	Dec '07																
	Mar '09	3.3	4.8	3.9	3.2	1.4	4.1	4.7	4.4	2.7	Mar '08																
	Jun '09	3.5	5.0	4.6	3.3	1.6	7.8	7.4	8.6	5.5	Jun '08																
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Duration of Dependence on Income Assistance (As of September 2010)		All* Income Assistance Recipients as % of Total Pop 0-64: Region Compared to B.C.					EI Beneficiaries Aged 19-64 as % of Working Age Population																				
Region		Percent					Percent																				
Total Number of Recipients	5,165																										
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<p>Source: Ministry of Social Development administrative files and BC Stats population estimates. These figures include only a subset of those receiving income assistance. Excluded are those on Continuous Assistance (disabled or with persistent multiple barriers to employment, children in the home of a relative, and OAS/seniors. A recipient is defined as 'each person living in a family or living alone that is receiving basic income assistance'. Data does not include Aboriginal people living on Reserve. Note: '-' Data too small to release.</p>							<p>Source: Ministry of Social Development and BC Stats population estimates.</p>																				
12 Dependence on Basic Income Assistance and/or Employment Insurance (Basic Income Assistance Recipients + Employment Insurance Recipients in Subject Group as a percent of Reference Group)																											
Subject Group (receiving assistance)		All (19-64)	Young Adults (19-24)	'Mid' Group (25-54)	'Older' Group (55-64)	All 'Safety Net' Recipients as % of Total Pop 19-64: Region Compared to B.C.																					
Reference Group		Total Pop. 19-64	Total Pop. 19-24	Total Pop. 25-54	Total Pop. 55-64	Percent																					
Cariboo Dev. Region	Sep '07	4.1	4.9	4.5	2.3																						
	Dec '07	5.0	6.6	5.3	3.1																						
	Mar '08	6.1	7.4	6.6	3.4																						
	Jun '08	9.8	10.3	10.8	6.3																						
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	Jun '09	9.9	11.7	10.9	5.6																						
	Sep '09	8.1	9.9	8.9	4.4																						

Note: This data should be revamped in early 2012 with EI data coming from Statistics Canada and IA data from Ministry of Social Development.



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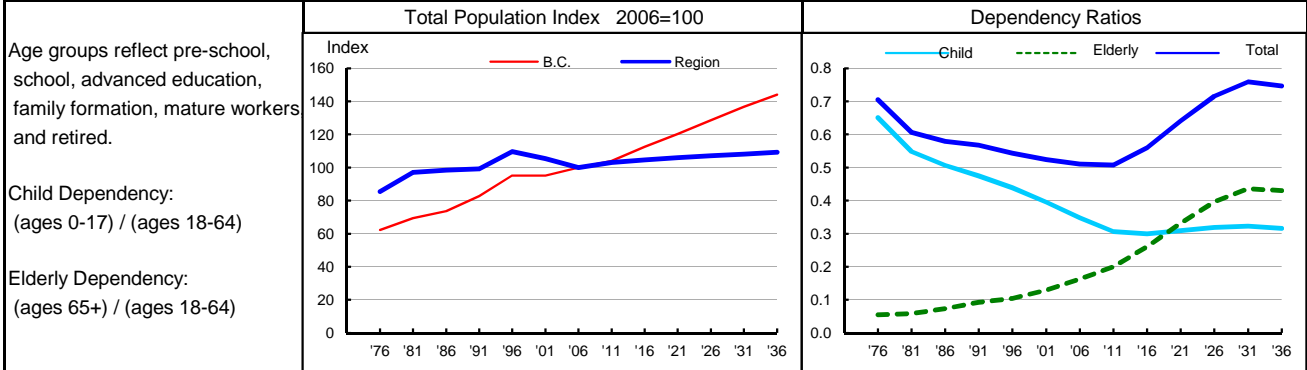
Cariboo has seen periods of growth as well as net loss of population since the mid 1980s. It has also experienced shifts in the structure of its population. Although it has aged, adding over 10.5 years to its median age since 1986, this is a relatively young population, with a median age over one year younger than the provincial median. The sex ratio is weighted in favour of males, in contrast to the province as a whole, where there are more females than males. This is likely due to the dependence on male-dominated resource industries. Consistent with its rural character, fertility has been higher than the provincial rate, despite having declined since the mid 1990s. Declining fertility contributes to a decrease in the ratio of children (17 years and under) to working age population (aged 18 to 64), although it remains higher than the provincial ratio. In contrast, there are proportionately fewer elderly people (aged 65 and older) than in the province as a whole although the elderly dependency ratio has doubled in the last twenty years. Dwindling fertility and an ageing population leads to a decline in the number of births and an increase in the number of deaths. As natural increase (the excess of births over deaths) diminishes, net migration becomes the more important driver of population growth. Despite continuing growth from natural increase, large net outflows in most years since 1997 have led to a 6 percent drop in population during that period.

14 Projection

Cariboo has generally experienced strong net outflows over the last decade or so. This trend is expected to continue over the first decade of the projection, after which the region will likely receive increasingly strong net inflows. Natural increase is expected to become negative halfway through the projection period as births decline and the population ages. Overall though, the area should see a marginal increase in its population, growing by almost 7,000 during the next 30 years. As the population continues to age, overall dependency is expected to increase significantly. By 2036, Cariboo will likely have about 7.5 dependents for every 10 people of working age, compared with a ratio of 5:10 in 2007.

15 Selected Demographic Characteristics

Year	Population by age group, Thousands of persons							Households (,000)	Dependency Ratios			Year
	0-4	5-17	18-24	25-44	45-64	65+	All Ages		Child	Elderly	Total	
1976	13.4	38.0	18.9	41.5	18.5	4.3	134.6	38.9	0.651	0.054	0.705	1976
1981	14.7	37.5	22.3	51.1	21.8	5.5	152.9	48.0	0.548	0.058	0.607	1981
1986	13.8	35.9	18.6	54.3	25.3	7.2	155.0	52.0	0.506	0.073	0.579	1986
1991	12.5	34.8	15.8	54.9	28.9	9.3	156.3	53.9	0.475	0.093	0.568	1991
1996	12.3	36.9	17.5	58.6	35.9	11.6	172.8	61.7	0.439	0.104	0.543	1996
2001	9.9	33.1	16.0	51.1	41.9	14.1	166.0	63.0	0.395	0.129	0.524	2001
2006	8.5	27.8	15.0	42.6	46.7	17.0	157.6	62.7	0.348	0.163	0.511	2006
2011	8.7	24.3	16.7	41.1	49.9	21.6	162.4	66.9	0.307	0.200	0.507	2011
2016	8.7	22.9	13.8	42.8	49.0	27.6	164.9	70.5	0.299	0.261	0.560	2016
2021	8.6	22.9	12.1	43.8	45.9	33.8	167.0	72.4	0.309	0.332	0.641	2021
2026	8.2	23.2	11.7	44.3	42.4	39.0	168.8	73.5	0.319	0.397	0.716	2026
2031	7.8	23.4	12.2	43.3	41.5	42.3	170.4	74.1	0.323	0.436	0.759	2031
2036	7.9	23.3	12.7	42.0	43.9	42.5	172.3	74.8	0.316	0.431	0.747	2036



Source: Population data are Projection P-36, run in Summer 2011. Figures are adjusted for Census undercount and are for July 1st of stated year.
 Note: Demographics and Projection notes in Tables 13 and 14 are from Projection P-33, run the Summer 2008.