



**Alberni-Clayoquot  
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<b>1</b>	<b>General Economy</b>
<p>Municipalities in Regional District: Port Alberni, Tofino, Ucluelet</p> <p>The main economic activities of this regional district are forestry and tourism. The forestry industry has been important for the area historically. It is home to several lumber mills and a pulp and paper production facility. Some lumber mills have announced closures or output reductions as a result of the high dollar and lower demand from the U.S. The Arrowsmith TSA, located partially in this region, had its annual allowable cut increased in 2004. The area has a growing tourism industry that is helping reduce its reliance on resource extraction. The area is well known for its outdoor activities and coastal communities. Both Tofino and Ucluelet have recently been undergoing development expansions with several resort expansions either proposed or underway. The area has both a commercial and sport fishery and both shell fish and fin fish farming exist along it's the western coast.</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](http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/pop/pop/popproj.asp) The full B.C. level projection is available free on the above page.

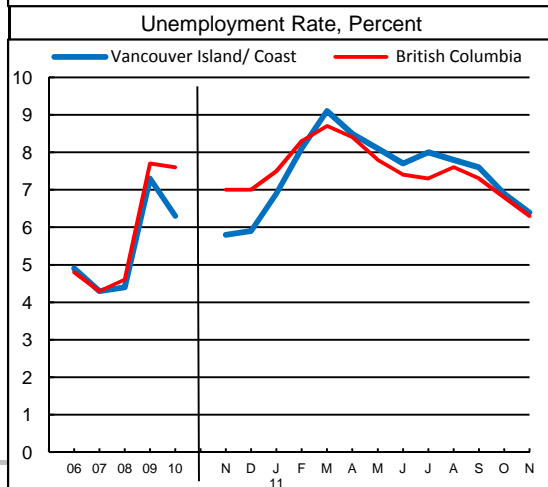
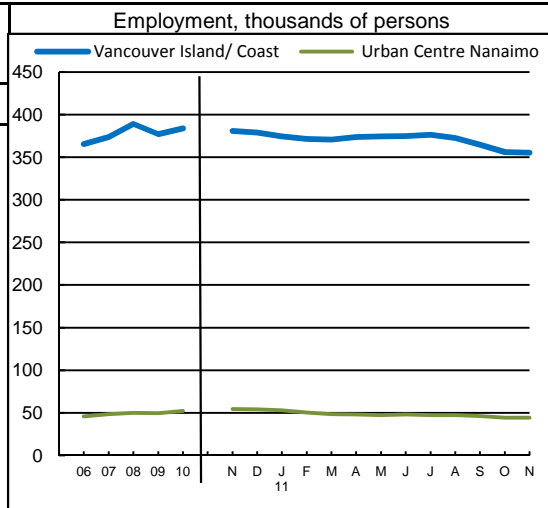
<b>2</b>		<b>Economic Structure - Number of Business Locations, by Sector, by Employment Size, December 2010</b>									
NAICS Code	Industry Sector based on NAICS Canada (North American Industrial Classification System)	Alberni-Clayoquot							British Columbia		
		Locations With No Employees	Firms with Employees						With Employees		
			Less Than 20	20 to 49	50 to 99	200 Plus	All Sizes with Emp.	Percent of Total	Percent of Total	All Sizes	
	Total, All Industries	947	1,079	86	32	5	1,202	100.0%	100.0%	370,262	
11	Agric., Forestry, Fishing & Hunt	126	71	5	2	1	79	6.6%	4.1%	15,134	
21	Mining & Oil & Gas Extract.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	0.6%	2,220	
22	Utilities	3	1	0	0	0	1	0.1%	0.1%	363	
23	Construction	133	140	3	0	0	143	11.9%	14.0%	51,926	
31	Manufacturing (31-33)	27	28	8	4	2	42	3.5%	3.2%	11,824	
41	Wholesale Trade	18	32	2	1	0	35	2.9%	4.4%	16,471	
44	Retail Trade (44-45)	62	161	14	8	0	183	15.2%	8.1%	30,041	
48	Transp. & Warehousing (48-49)	59	58	6	1	0	65	5.4%	5.1%	18,964	
51	Information & Cultural Indust.	5	10	1	0	0	11	0.9%	1.5%	5,509	
52	Finance & Insurance	37	31	5	1	0	37	3.1%	5.4%	19,946	
53	Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	142	50	0	0	0	50	4.2%	11.2%	41,389	
54	Profes'nl, Scientif. & Tech. Srv	61	72	0	0	0	72	6.0%	13.1%	48,449	
55	Mgmt. of Companies & Enter.	51	14	0	0	0	14	1.2%	3.9%	14,283	
56	Admin. & Sup'rt, Waste Mgmt.	27	52	5	2	0	59	4.9%	4.5%	16,769	
61	Educational Services	9	14	2	1	1	18	1.5%	1.2%	4,290	
62	Health Care & Social Assistance	38	107	4	2	0	113	9.4%	5.6%	20,661	
71	Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	19	24	2	1	0	27	2.2%	1.7%	6,187	
72	Accom. & Food Services	73	93	18	7	0	118	9.8%	4.3%	15,964	
81	Other Serv's (ex. Public Admin.)	54	115	3	0	0	118	9.8%	7.8%	28,939	
91	Public Administration	-	6	8	2	1	17	1.4%	0.3%	933	

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



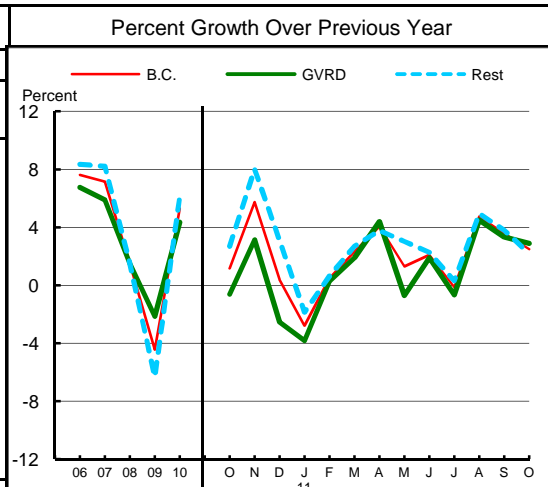
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<b>3 Employment and Unemployment Rate, monthly data are 3-month moving average, actual, ending in stated month</b>						
	Vancouver Island/ Coast		Urban Centre Nanaimo		British Columbia	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
2001	307.4	9.2	38.0	12.7	1,919.7	7.7
2002	316.8	8.7	43.3	9.4	1,952.8	8.5
2003	319.0	8.6	40.6	9.8	1,998.0	8.0
2004	333.3	7.9	41.0	7.9	2,032.8	7.2
2005	348.5	6.3	46.3	6.8	2,091.9	5.8
2006	365.5	4.9	45.7	6.7	2,147.2	4.8
2007	373.9	4.3	48.2	6.0	2,222.6	4.3
2008	389.3	4.4	50.0	6.6	2,266.4	4.6
2009	377.0	7.3	49.6	7.6	2,217.9	7.7
2010	383.8	6.3	52.1	7.8	2,256.5	7.6
Jan	375.6	8.3	49.1	8.7	2,219.8	8.0
Feb	378.2	8.1	49.0	8.8	2,213.3	8.1
Mar	380.4	7.5	48.5	9.0	2,213.2	8.2
Apr	385.8	6.6	49.7	8.0	2,224.5	7.8
May	388.8	5.8	49.9	9.1	2,238.7	7.8
Jun	389.7	5.5	51.4	7.9	2,258.8	7.6
Jul	388.5	5.9	52.1	9.2	2,277.1	7.7
Aug	387.0	6.4	54.2	8.6	2,289.9	7.8
Sep	386.1	6.3	54.6	7.9	2,284.5	7.8
Oct	382.2	6.2	54.3	7.2	2,278.8	7.5
Nov	381.1	5.8	54.3	5.9	2,273.6	7.0
Dec	379.0	5.9	53.9	6.1	2,269.6	7.0
2011						
Jan	374.7	6.9	52.8	8.2	2,250.0	7.5
Feb	371.7	8.1	50.4	11.6	2,232.3	8.3
Mar	370.9	9.1	48.2	16.0	2,227.7	8.7
Apr	373.7	8.5	48.1	16.3	2,240.5	8.4
May	374.5	8.1	47.3	16.0	2,261.0	7.8
Jun	375.0	7.7	48.1	14.9	2,280.1	7.4
Jul	376.5	8.0	47.2	14.5	2,295.3	7.3
Aug	372.7	7.8	47.1	12.3	2,298.0	7.6
Sep	364.7	7.6	46.1	9.8	2,300.7	7.3
Oct	356.1	6.9	44.2	7.5	2,299.8	6.8
Nov	355.3	6.4	44.1	6.6	2,296.6	6.3
Dec						
Average:						
Jan-Nov10	384.3	6.4	! Caution		2,256.8	7.7
Jan-Nov11	367.6	7.8	Small		2,273.7	7.5
% Change	-4.3		Sample		0.7	



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

<b>4 Retail Sales - based on Statistics Canada monthly survey</b>						
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](http://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	
Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District	2006	43,911.0	6,045.0	10,263.0	20,853.0	6,750.0		
	2007	49,866.0	6,160.0	12,018.0	23,870.0	7,818.0		
	2008	48,859.0	6,410.0	11,692.0	23,496.0	7,261.0		
	2009	47,103.0	5,624.0	11,151.0	22,819.0	7,509.0		
	2010	40,406.0	5,831.0	11,292.0	23,283.0			
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	47,036.0	100.0%						
Hotels	13,526.0	28.8%						
Motels	4,144.0	8.8%						
*Vacation Rentals	16,901.0	35.9%						
*City of Port Alberni	4,058.0	8.6%						
*District Municipality of	35,326.0	75.1%						
*District Municipality of	6,499.0	13.8%						

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.

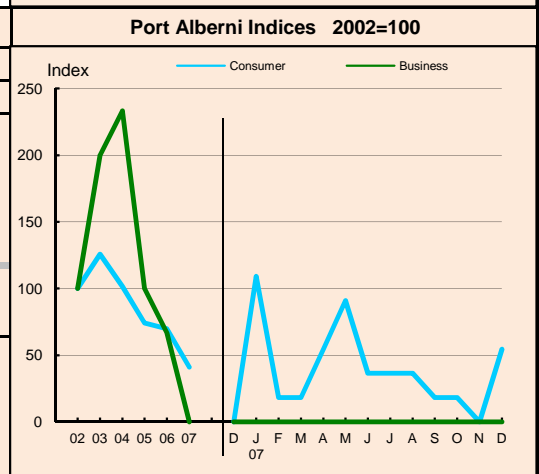
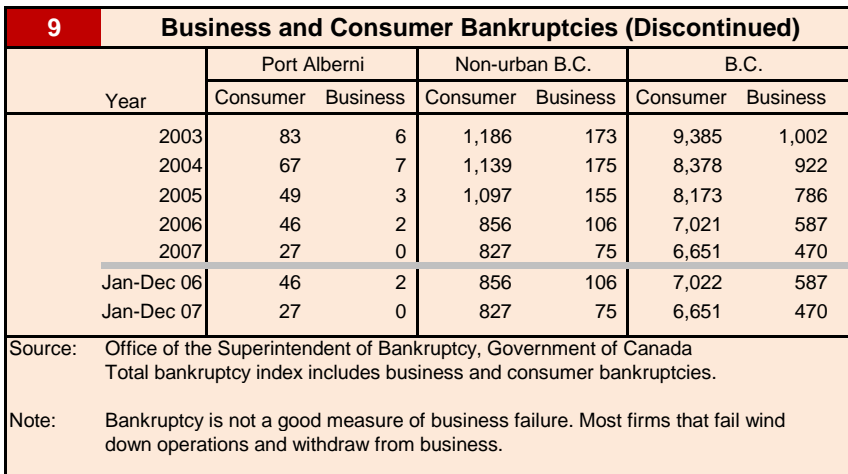
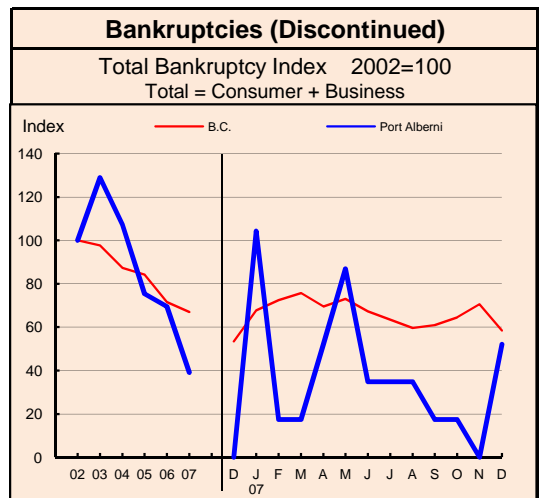
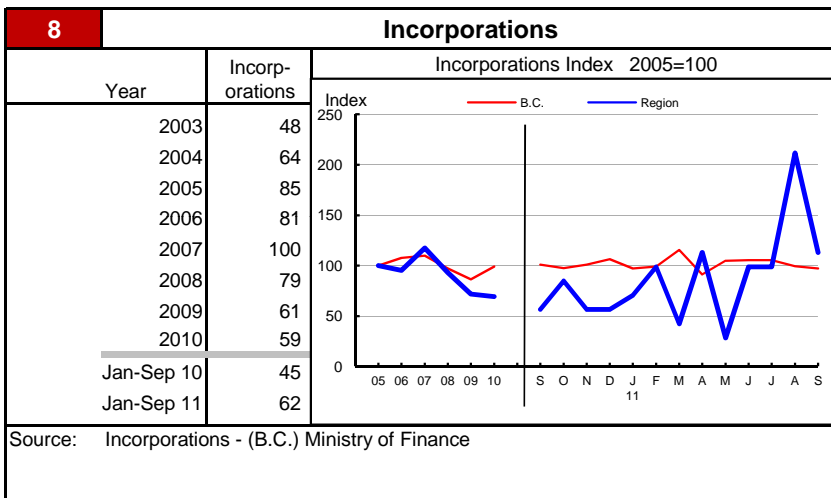
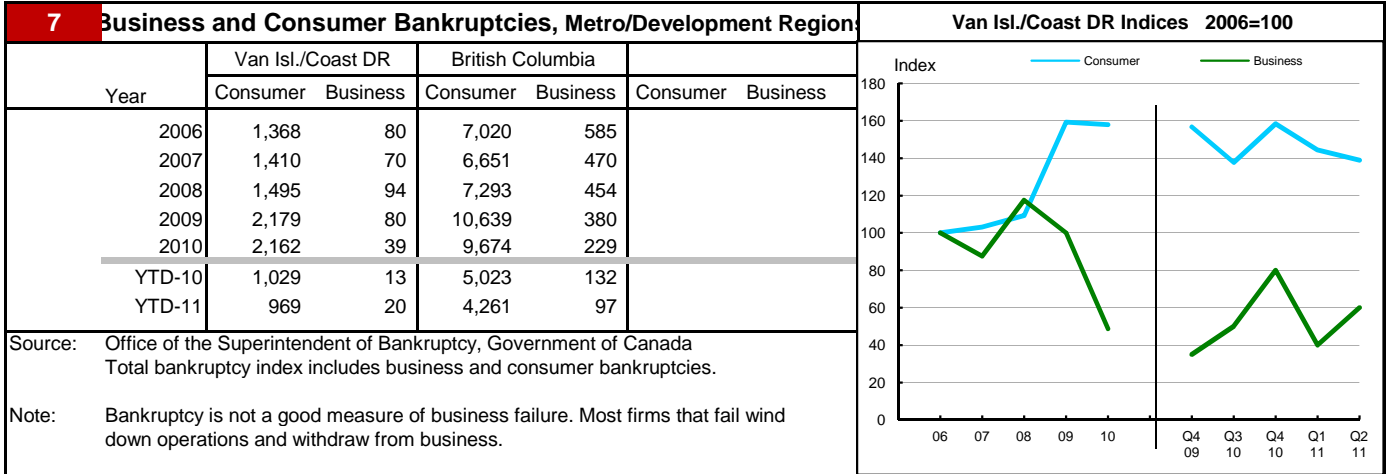
All room revenue data has been revised. For an explanation, see our periodical called Tourism Sector Monitor, April and May issues of 2009.  
 Link to explanation of changes: [http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/pubs/pr\\_tour.asp](http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/pubs/pr_tour.asp)

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	21.9	9.2	1.0	7.7	0.4	12.7	83		
2004	48.4	27.2	0.9	22.6	3.7	21.2	144		
2005	43.5	15.9	1.2	7.8	6.9	27.6	132		
2006	72.6	28.9	1.1	27.4	0.4	43.7	251		
2007	46.7	14.4	0.9	11.2	2.4	32.3	127		
2008	45.6	11.5	1.0	2.6	7.9	34.1	121		
2009	46.2	20.9	1.2	19.0	0.7	25.3	91		
2010	59.8	20.5	0.7	12.3	7.6	39.3	161		
Jan-Oct 10	57.4	20.1	0.6	11.9	7.6	37.3	153		
Jan-Oct 11	65.5	44.8	0.2	10.8	33.8	20.7	73		

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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**Dependence on the Safety Net**

<b>10 Basic Income Assistance</b> (Basic Income Assistance Recipients in Subject Group as a percent of Reference Group)							<b>11 Employment Insurance (was UI)</b> (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						
Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District	Sep '08	3.9	5.7	5.4	3.8	1.6	2.6	1.8	3.2	1.6	Sep '07					
	Dec '08	4.1	5.8	6.1	4.1	1.6	4.3	4.3	5.0	2.3	Dec '07					
	Mar '09	4.8	6.7	6.6	4.9	1.6	4.6	5.0	5.4	2.5	Mar '08					
	Jun '09	5.3	7.5	7.6	5.3	1.8	4.4	5.1	5.0	2.6	Jun '08					
	Sep '09	5.3	8.4	7.0	5.0	2.0	2.2	2.1	2.5	1.4	Sep '08					
	Dec '09	5.9	8.7	8.1	5.8	2.1	4.8	4.9	5.5	2.9	Dec '08					
	Mar '10	5.8	8.2	8.3	5.9	2.0	7.7	7.6	8.9	4.9	Mar '09					
	Jun '10	5.5	7.8	8.3	5.4	1.8	5.0	4.7	5.8	3.2	Jun '09					
	Sep '10	5.1	7.8	6.5	5.0	1.9	3.8	2.7	4.5	2.5	Sep '09					
<b>Duration of Dependence on Income Assistance (As of September 2010)</b>		<b>All* Income Assistance Recipients as % of Total Pop 0-64: Region Compared to B.C.</b>					<b>EI Beneficiaries Aged 19-64 as % of Working Age Population</b>									
Region		Percent					Percent									
B.C.		Region					B.C.					Region				
Total Number of Recipients	1,243	75,506														
Percent Distribution by Duration																
<1 Year	50.7	56.9														
1-2 Years	25.0	24.5														
>2 Years	24.3	18.6														
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.							Source: Ministry of Social Development and BC Stats population estimates.									
<b>12 Dependence on Basic Income Assistance and/or Employment Insurance</b> (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										
Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District	Sep '07	5.4	6.3	6.4	2.4											
	Dec '07	7.2	8.8	8.4	3.2											
	Mar '08	7.9	9.4	9.3	3.4											
	Jun '08	7.7	10.2	8.9	3.4											
	Sep '08	5.4	7.4	6.3	2.3											
	Dec '08	8.2	10.7	9.4	3.9											
	Mar '09	11.7	13.9	13.6	6.0											
	Jun '09	9.4	12.1	10.9	4.4											
	Sep '09	8.0	9.4	9.4	3.7											

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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**13 Demographics**

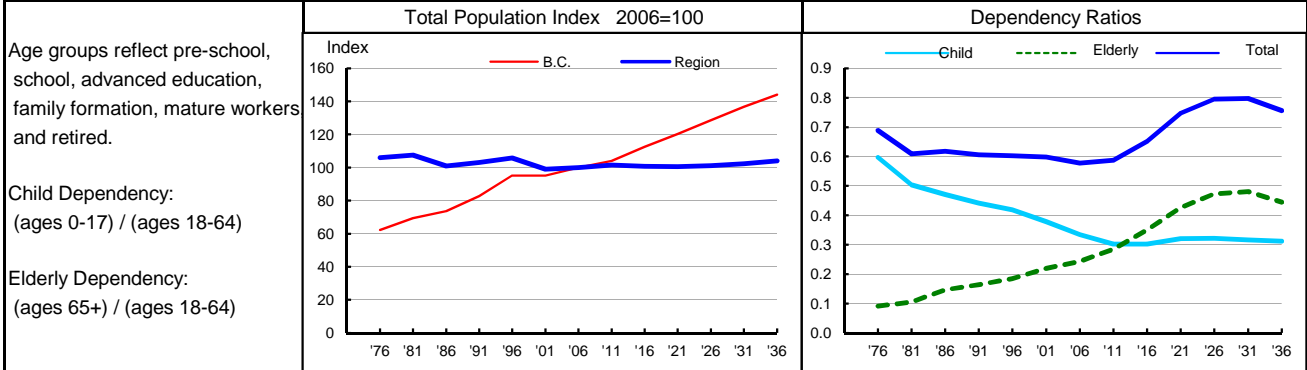
This region has generally been a net loser of migrants. Overall, Alberni-Clayoquot has seen very little growth over the last twenty years. However, its structure has undergone substantial change as the population has aged relatively quickly. This region added 11.3 years to its median age since the mid 1980s, compared to a provincial gain of only 7.2 years. A year and a half younger than the B.C. population in 1986, by 2007 this region's median age was about 2.5 years older. Fertility rates have been variable over the last two decades, but show an overall downward trend. However, total fertility rates remain higher than the corresponding provincial rates. Although it has decreased over time, higher fertility means that child dependency in this region continues to be higher than in the province as a whole. Elderly dependency ratios have been on the rise, and became higher than the corresponding provincial ratios by the late 1990s. The sex ratio for this region is weighted in favour of males, in contrast to the province as a whole, which has more females than males. This is likely due to the nature of the economy and the dependence on resource-based employment. The number of births barely outnumbers deaths and natural increase now makes a minimal contribution to population growth. Patterns of population change are largely determined by recent movements of people in and out of the region. In a reversal of the net population losses of the late 1990s, this region has experienced some minimal growth over the last five years, mainly due to some small net migration inflows.

**14 Projection**

It is projected that net migration outflows will be the norm in this region for the short-term, due to constraints in the resource sectors. Although there are plans to further develop the tourist industry and to attract more retirees to the region, the number of jobs in the service sector supported by these activities is less than those supported by the forest sector. This means that it will take more than one tourism job to achieve the same spin-off benefits of one forest job. Net migration will become positive after the first decades or so, but increasingly negative natural increase will offset these net inflows for the most part. Overall, this region will likely see a population decline in the order of 1,300 people over the next 30 years. The population will continue to age and, by 2036, this region will likely have over 7.5 dependents for every 10 people of working age, and most of these dependents will be seniors.

**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	2.8	8.9	4.6	9.1	5.8	1.8	33.0	10.0	0.598	0.091	0.689	1976
1981	2.7	7.8	4.7	10.0	6.0	2.2	33.4	11.1	0.504	0.106	0.609	1981
1986	2.4	6.7	3.3	9.8	6.2	2.8	31.3	11.4	0.471	0.147	0.618	1986
1991	2.4	6.5	3.1	10.2	6.7	3.3	32.1	11.9	0.442	0.164	0.606	1991
1996	2.2	6.4	3.0	9.9	7.6	3.8	32.8	12.7	0.418	0.185	0.603	1996
2001	1.6	5.7	2.6	8.2	8.5	4.2	30.8	12.5	0.378	0.220	0.598	2001
2006	1.5	5.0	2.5	7.5	9.7	4.8	31.1	12.9	0.334	0.244	0.578	2006
2011	1.7	4.3	3.0	7.1	9.8	5.7	31.6	13.4	0.303	0.284	0.587	2011
2016	1.6	4.1	2.5	7.4	9.1	6.6	31.3	13.6	0.302	0.350	0.652	2016
2021	1.5	4.2	2.1	7.5	8.2	7.6	31.2	13.8	0.321	0.427	0.747	2021
2026	1.5	4.1	2.3	7.7	7.5	8.3	31.4	14.0	0.322	0.473	0.795	2026
2031	1.6	4.1	2.5	8.2	7.0	8.5	31.8	14.3	0.317	0.480	0.797	2031
2036	1.6	4.1	2.5	8.6	7.3	8.2	32.3	14.5	0.312	0.445	0.757	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.