

TABLE 21
QUALITY OF LIFE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA AND MAPLE RIDGE

Climate -- Lower Mainland			
Average Daily Temperature (degrees Centigrade)	High	Low	Average
July	22	13	17
January	6	0	3
	Annual Average		
Rainfall	1,117 mm; 43 inches		
Snowfall	57 mm; 22 inches		
Wind Speed in Miles per Hour (Annual Average)	12 kph; 7.5 mph		
Hours of sunshine	Jan. 55 hrs	July 296 hrs	
Elevation (Mean Feet Above Sea Level)	15 metres; 49 feet		
Personal Income Tax (Rate in Ranges)	Rate Range		
Federal	15.25% - 29%		
BC Provincial	6.05% - 14.7%		
Local	There is no local personal income tax in BC		
Local Occupation Tax	Rate Range	Basis	
City Residents	not applicable		
Non-City Residents	not applicable		
Sales Tax			
Federal rate (GST)	6%		
Exemptions from GST	see notes in data sources		
Provincial rate (PST)	7%		
Exemptions from PST	see notes in data sources		
Local rate	none		
Housing			
	Single Family	Townhouses	Condominiums
Average Selling Price -- Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows (benchmark price in Dec. 06)	\$417,289	\$285,423	\$238,870

Number of Single Family Homes for Sale	400 active listings in Dec. 2006			
Under - \$150,000	na			
\$150,001 - \$200,000	na			
\$200,000 - \$250,000	na			
\$250,001 - Over	na			
Rentals	Average Monthly			
Executive Style 3,000 Sq. Ft. - 3 Bedroom Home				
New 2 Bedroom Apartmen				
Apartment Vacancy %				
Education -- Maple Ridge District 2005-2006				
Number of School Districts	1			
School District & Municipality	Maple Ridge			
Elementary School Enrollmen	8671			
Secondary School Enrollmen	7,050			
Spending per Studen				
Total	\$6,575			
Instructional	n/a			
Student Teacher Ratios (class size)				
Kindergarten	16.7:1			
Grades 1-3	21:01			
Grades 4-7	25.7:1			
Grades 8-12	25.1:1			
7th Grade Standard Achievement Test (FSA) Results 2005/2006	% Students meeting or exceeding expectations (public schools)			
	Maple Ridge	British Columbia		
Reading comprehension	72%	72%		
Writing	86%	87%		
Numeracy	82%	83%		
Grade 12 Provincial Exam	Mean score (public schools)			
	Maple Ridge	British Columbia		
English 12	68%	70%		
Principles of Math 12	70%	71%		
Biology 12	70%	69%		

ACT	n/a	n/a		
SAT	n/a	n/a		
Number of Provincial Merit Scholarships 2004/05	42	na		
Semifinalists	na	na		
Finalists	na	na		
Ratio of Merit Scholarships per 100 Graduating Seniors	3.2	3.8		
Semifinalists	na	na		
Finalists	na	na		
% of High School Seniors:				
Attending College	na	na		
Entering the Labor Market	na	na		
Mandatory Competency Testing for High School Graduation (Yes or No)	yes			
If Yes, % of Students Passing on First Attempt	n/a			
Science & Technology Magnet School	no			
Specialized High Schools	yes			
Tech Prep Programs	yes			
Occupational Clusters or Career Pathways	yes			
Vocational high Schools	yes			
Private Schools				
Elementary School Enrollment				
# of Schools				
Total Enrollment				
Average Annual Tuition				
Secondary School Enrollment				
# of Schools				
Total Enrollment				
Average Annual Tuition				
Higher Education (Provide for Each Institution)				
Institution Name	Address		City	

Full-Time Enrollment	<i>refer to Tables 7, 8 and 9</i>			
Annual Degrees Conferrec				
Undergraduate				
Graduate				
Curricula w/Masters Degrees (List)				
Curricula w/Doctorate Degrees (List)				
Community College(s) Name(s)	Address		City	
Full-Time Enrollmen				
Annual Degrees Conferrec				
Health Care				
Hospitals	# of Hospitals	# of Teaching Hospitals	# of Beds	
	1			
# of Outpatient Clinics				
# of Physicians & Dentists in BC 2005	Physicians	Dentists		
	8507	na		
Ratio per 100,000 Population 2005	199	na		
Crime Rate per 10,000 Inhabitants	Property	Violent	Total	
	623	121	745	
# of Enclosed Regional Malls	na	na	na	
# of Religious Institution:	Protestant	Catholic	Synagogues	Other
	na	na	na	na