

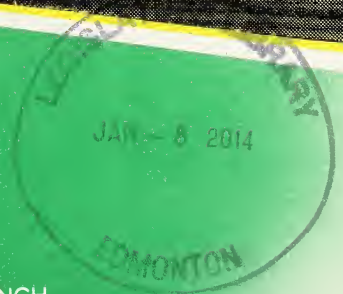
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# Survey of WAINWRIGHT



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# Town of Wainwright

(Revised July 1960)

## 1. LOCATION

Section 31-44-6-W4th in Census Division No. 7. This location is at mile 675, which is 127 miles southeast of Edmonton on the transcontinental line of the Canadian National Railway. It is also on Highway No. 14 where it joins with Highway No. 41, at a point 135 miles southeast of Edmonton.

2. ALTITUDE	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
2224.37 feet	52/50	110/52

## 3. TEMPERATURE

Average summer	55.6°F.
Average winter	17.5°F.
Average annual	34.0°F.

## 4. RAINFALL

Average rainfall	12.7 inches
Average snowfall	41.0 inches
Average annual precipitation	16.8 inches

NOTE: The foregoing averages regarding temperature and rainfall, are estimated from the records of surrounding weather stations; they cover a period of 21 years.

## 5. GEOLOGY

The bedrock of this area underlying the glacial deposits is the Belly River formation of the Upper Cretaceous period. This formation is a series of light colored sandstones and shales. This horizon in other parts of the province includes dinosaur beds and coal seams.

## 6. SOIL

Wainwright lies at the junction of two soil zones, the Shallow Black and Dark Brown. They are described as follows:

### Shallow Black — Profile:

The normal profile has an A horizon that averages about 10 inches in depth and which in its upper 3 to 6 inches is black in color. The remainder is usually dark brown. The B horizon is usually brown to dark brown and the lime horizon (Bca) is found at depths of 24 to 30 inches below the surface. Generally the depth of the lime layer is considered as indicative of the efficiency of rain penetration.

### Dark Brown — Profile:

In the normal profile, the surface A horizon averages about 7 inches in depth and is dark brown in color. The B horizon is brownish, and the lime layer (Bca) is found usually at depths of 20 to 24 inches below the surface. In this zone as in other zones, the B horizon, having received some finer materials from the A, is usually somewhat heavier and more compact than the A horizon.

### **Shallow Black — Fertility:**

Soils in this zone are usually fairly well supplied with nitrogen and organic matter. In any zone, exhaustive cropping depletes the soil's native food supply and fibre. A permanent system of cropping provides for the adequate replacement of depleted plant foods and the maintenance of organic matter.

### **Dark Brown — Fertility:**

Moisture continues to be the principal limiting factor in crop production. Soils in this zone are relatively low in nitrogen and organic matter, but are higher in these constituents than soils of the brown zone.

### **Shallow Black — Vegetation:**

Grassland in which bluffs of trees are found in places where moisture conditions are more favourable.

### **Dark Brown — Vegetation:**

Chiefly short prairie grass. The grass makes a denser cover and taller growth than in the brown zone.

### **Shallow Black — Land Use:**

A greater number of soil types can be considered arable than in the brown zones. Wheat is the principal crop grown, but considerably more diversification is possible and should be practised to maintain soil fertility. The non-arable land is generally very good pasture.

### **Dark Brown — Land Use:**

Only the better soil types can be considered arable. The remainder generally is good pasture land. Wheat is grown almost to the exclusion of all other crops. Cropping practices must provide for conservation of moisture and control of soil drifting. The best quality wheat in the province is grown in this and other grassland zones.



The office of the Municipal District of Wainwright, No. 61

## 7. HISTORY

The area surrounding Wainwright was settled by homesteaders in the years 1905-6. The majority of these early settlers were English speaking; they came from eastern Canada and the United States. A few were of French descent from Quebec.

This rolling land with its sparse tree growth appealed to early settlers because it would require less effort to clear and make ready for the plough. Three of the early pioneers who were mostly responsible for the development of this district were H. Y. Pawling, J. H. Dawson and M. L. Forster.

Population increased rapidly after the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway arrived in 1909, when Wainwright was established as a divisional point.

The town was named after Wm. Wainwright who at that time was second vice-president of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway. Prior to June 1, 1908, the post office was named Denwood.

Wainwright was erected as a village July 14, 1908, when J. H. Dawson was mayor and H. Fieldhouse, secretary. It was incorporated as a town July 14, 1910. The first town mayor was H. Y. Pawling, and the first councillors were R. Snyder, W. B. Crawford, W. E. Mills, W. J. Musson, C. T. Lally and G. H. Beaudry.

The first business enterprise on the new townsite was the old Wainwright hotel, built and operated by M. L. Forster. First public building was the town hall, built in 1910, and the next was the post office with Norman Culp as postmaster.

At 7:15 p.m. on November 22, 1909, the first regular train left Wainwright for Edmonton.

Wainwright Public School District No. 1658 was established June 25, 1907. It was included in Wainwright School Division No. 32 on January 1, 1941. Wainwright School Division No. 32 was established on September 20, 1938. Wainwright Roman Catholic Separate School District No. 31 was established on June 28, 1932; this district is independent of the school division.

Wainwright Municipal Hospital District No. 17 was established October 2, 1926. A 21 bed municipal hospital was opened on June 20, 1928, and a 30 bed addition placed in operation September 9, 1948.

The Dominion Government set aside 234 sections of land (234 square miles) which adjoined the town on the south, as a park and game preserve. It is known as "Wainwright Park" and proved to be a great tourist attraction. The policy when laying out this park was to keep the park in its natural state as near as possible. There were no graded roads, tourists travelled through the park over the original wagon trails.

In 1910 the reserve was completed and the first animals were brought in (740 buffalo). Other animals such as moose, elk and deer were brought in later. Great success was achieved in experimental cross breeding. In 1941 the animals were removed and the park transferred to the Department of National Defence.

This area that was once park, is now the second largest military training camp in Canada. It is administered by Headquarters Western Command. It has its own water and sewerage system. Water is obtained from a dam on the

Battle River, six miles north. A fully modern 100 bed hospital is operated and the camp is housed in fully insulated permanent buildings, many of steel construction. The camp is operated the year round for operational training of active force units, and seasonal training of reserve units. Approximately 100 modern family units are presently in use.

Oil and gas was found in the vicinity of Wainwright during 1924, when British Petroleum Ltd. did some exploratory drilling.

An oil refinery was built about four miles north of town in 1929. This refinery operated at its full capacity of 250 barrels per day; oil was hauled to the refinery in trucks from points nine miles southwest. However, the plant was soon removed to its present site one mile west of the town, when its capacity was increased to 3,000 barrels daily, and later 4,500 barrels.

In July 1929, fire destroyed the entire business section.

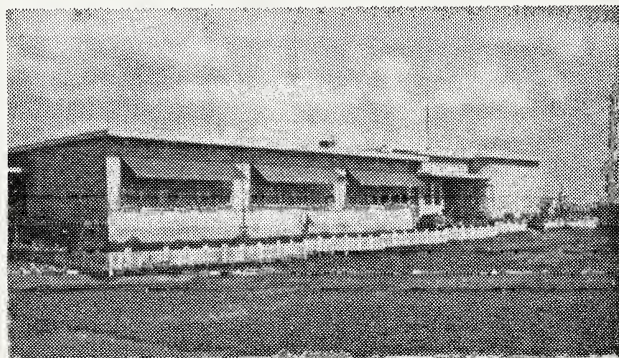
The Royal North West Mounted Police were established at Wainwright prior to 1917. From 1917 to 1932 the local detachment was a unit of the Alberta Provincial Police; in 1932 it was taken over by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Water works were installed in 1930 and considerably extended in 1950.

## 8. LIVING CONDITIONS

Wainwright lies 135 miles south east of Edmonton, surrounded by slightly rolling land which is studded with bluffs of poplar trees and willow brush. There are many trees throughout the town. Adjoining the town on its southern boundary is the second largest military training camp in Canada; it covers an area of 234 square miles. This camp is self-contained with its own utilities and a 100 bed hospital.

The town population is around 3,300. Permanent residents are mostly English speaking from eastern Canada, the British Isles and the United States.

A one hundred unit apartment development is located in the town, as is an auto court, equipped with water, laundry and sanitary facilities.



One of Wainwright's new school buildings.

Rent for a four-room bungalow runs between \$60 and \$75 per month. About 85% of residences are owner occupied.

There is transportation by train, plane, bus and truck, and communications by mail, telegraph and telephone.

Health services consist of a 51 bed hospital, five doctors, M.D., two dentists, a chiropractor, a sanitary inspector and two drug stores. There is also helath services in the military camp. Also Health Unit No. 12 with two nurses.

Excellent public schools and Roman Catholic separate school teach grades 1 to 12.

Utilities consist of three-phase 60 cycle electric power, natural gas, also central water and sewerage systems.

Natural gas is the chief fuel used for heating purposes; coal is available and there are ample supplies of liquid fuels such as gasoline, propane, diesel oil, and Bunker C fuel.

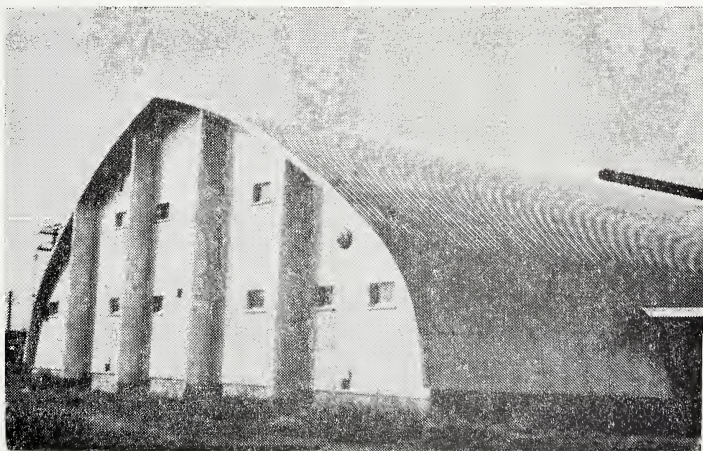
There is a public library, a progressive weekly newspaper whose circulation runs around 2,300 and two movie theatres and one drive-in.

Eight churches serve the spiritual needs of the community. One bank, a government treasury branch and one credit union provide financial facilities.

Two hotels with a total of 85 rooms, and two tourist camps provide accommodation for the traveller.

Several fraternal organizations, service clubs and various associations provide an outlet for public services and spare time activities.

There are facilities for almost every kind of summer and winter sport. They include tennis courts, shooting gallery, 9 hole golf course, four lane bowling alley, covered hockey rink, and a covered curling rink with five sheets of artificial ice.



Wainwright's Artificial Ice Curling Rink.

There is good hunting for geese, ducks and Hungarian partridge, with a few prairie chicken. Some of the lakes in the area provide a challenge for the angler.

## 9. ADMINISTRATION

The town is governed by a mayor elected for a two year term; and six councillors, two elected each year for a three year term. The secretary-treasurer administers the town's affairs in accordance with the policy set by the council.

## 10. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Five town constables.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Detachment — 1 corporal, 2 constables.

Two police magistrates.

### Building Regulations:

Plans for new buildings and major alterations must be approved by the town planning commission before any building is commenced.

Electrical installations must comply with the requirements of the Alberta Protection Act.

Sanitary installations must comply with the Provincial Health Regulations.

Gas installations must comply with the town by-law.

## 11. FIRE PROTECTION

The fire brigade consists of a fire chief and 18 volunteer firemen.

### Equipment:

1 — 500 GPM pumper with 80 gallon water tank.

1 — 625 GPM American Marsh Class A pumper with 500 gallon water tank.

200 feet booster hose.

3,000 feet 2½ inch hose.

800 feet 1½ inch hose.

2 — 2½ gallon chemical extinguishers.

2 — 2½ gallon soda extinguishers.

2 — 1 quart Pyrene extinguishers.

1 — 20 pound dry chemical.

1 — 20 gallon Foamite.

Foam, dry chemical, CO2 snow.

Latest fog equipment.

2 — 2½ inch mystery nozzle and playpipe.

3 asbestos suits.

Extension ladder, roof ladder, stretchers, rubber boots, coats, helmets, axes, shovels, etc.

### Water Supply:

Water is obtained from eight wells and is pumped into three reservoirs with a total capacity of 650,000 gallons. In case of electrical failure, 2 gas driven pumps are available. There are 48 fire hydrants conveniently located throughout the town.



**12. TAX STRUCTURE**

	<b>1960 Net Assessment</b>
Land, 100% of value	\$ 635,360
Improvements, 100% of fair value	2,743,395
Business	296,000
	\$3,674,755

**Mill Rate:**

<b>Municipal</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Hospital</b>	<b>Total</b>
30	35	3	68 mills

**13. AREAS**

- Total area of town — 980 acres
- Streets and lanes — 48 acres
- Parks and playgrounds — 40 acres

**Miles or roads, streets and lanes:**

	Asphalt	Gravel	Earth	Total
Provincial main	1			1
Streets and roads	2¼	5	12	19¼
Lanes and alleys			15	15
				35¼
	Total miles			35¼

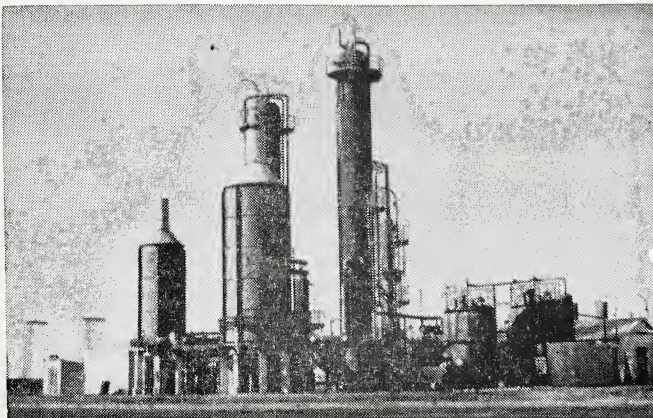
There are approximately 8 miles of concrete sidewalks.

**14. SEWER AND WATER MAIN MILEAGE**

- Storm sewers — nil
- Sanitary sewers — 46,000 feet
- Water mains — 45,000 feet

**15. POWER**

Three phase 60 cycle electric power is supplied by Calgary Power Ltd. at the following rates:



A part view of the plant of Wainwright Producers and Refiners.

### **Domestic Service:**

Available only for lighting, heating, cooking, domestic power and ordinary uses in private homes and apartments used exclusively for residential purposes.

First 20 kwh's (or less) per month — \$2.60 gross minimum, subject to 30 cents prompt payment discount making \$2.30 net minimum.

All over 20 kwh's used per month — 1.5c per kwh.

Discount as shown applies on all bills paid within 10 days of date rendered.

Connection charge for new customers — \$1.00

Reconnection charge — \$4.60

### **Commercial and General Service:**

Available for all purposes where other rates listed do not apply.

A Minimum Charge of \$2.30 per month for the first Kilowatt or fraction thereof of the Consumer's rated demand, including up to 20 kilowatt-hours per month; and \$0.50 per month for each additional ½ kilowatt or fraction thereof of the consumer's rated demand, including up to 5 kilowatt-hours per month; and

For the next 80 kilowatt-hours used per month per kilowatt of rated demand — Six (6.0c) Cents per kilowatt-hour.

For all additional electric energy used in any month — Two (2.0c) Cents per kilowatt-hour.

The "rated demand" shall be the consumer's average requirements for power, expressed in kilowatts, during the twenty-minute period in the preceeding twelve months for which such average was the maximum, and unless or until a suitable demand meter is installed to measure the consumer's demand the Company may estimate the same by test or from the consumer's connected load. The rated demand shall in no case be less than 1 Kilowatt.

Discount: The foregoing charges for Commercial and General Service are net rates, when the account is paid within ten days of date rendered. For billing purposes the net bill may be increased by approximately ten per cent but not less than 30 cents to arrive at the gross amount.

Consumer's Deposit: Twice the net minimum monthly charge, or, at the Company's option, twice the estimated bill.

Reconnection Charge: Twice the Net Minimum Monthly Charge.

### **Power Service:**

(A.C.) Available for motors, rectifiers, commercial heating apparatus, etc., in commercial establishments.

Service Charge — \$1.00 per month per kilovolt-ampere (kva) of installation (one horsepower or one kilowatt in heating apparatus to be considered equivalent to 1 kva).

Energy Charge — First 50 kwh's per month per kva of installation — 5c per kwh.

Next 50 kwh's per month per kva installation — 3 1/3c per kwh.

Over 100 kwh's per month per kva of installation — 1½c per kwh.  
Discount of 10% if paid within discount period — based on even dollars only of total bill, with minimum discount of 30c.

Minimum charge — \$3.30 gross, \$3.00 net per month.

Minimum deposit — \$2.00 per H.P. with minimum of \$6.00.

Reconnection charge — \$6.00.

## 16. WATER

Water is obtained from eight wells and is pumped into 3 reservoirs with a total capacity of 650,000 gallons. The water is then pumped into an eight foot by thirty-six foot hydropneumatic pressure tank by a 200 GPM Peerless turbine pump, which is controlled by a float operated switch. A stand-by gas pump is available in case of power stoppage. The hyrdo-pneumatic tank has a working capacity of around 7,000 gallons and the operating pressure varies from 38 to 43 p.s.i. The daily average water consumption is around 100,000 gallons.

The town bills for water every other month.

First 3,750 gallons or less used — \$5.25 every other month.

All over 3,750 gallons used — 25c per 100 cu. ft.

Discount — 25c if paid on or before due date.

### Industrial Rate:

Hospital — \$25.00 per month

Hotel — \$25.00 per month

Garages and restaurants — \$3.00 per month

### Water Analysis:

### Parts Per Million

Total Solids	1,026
Ignition Loss	62
Hardness	0
Sulphates	202
Chloride	7
Alkalinity	560
Nature of Alkalinity — Bicarbonate of Soda	
Nitrites	Trace
Nitrates	0.3
Iron	i

### Remarks:

This water contains 41.6 grains soda per gallon. Soda contents will corrode aluminum and makes water unfit for plants.

## 17. GAS

Natural gas is supplied by the Wainwright Gas Company under a franchise from local gas wells.

### Domestic Rate:

Minimum at \$2.50 for 3 mcf or less.

All additional mcf — 38c per mcf.

### **Commercial and Industrial Rate:**

To be classed as a commercial or industrial consumer, at least 5,000 cu. ft. must be consumed.

Monthly rate — 27c per mcf.

### **18. L.P. GAS**

Heat value — 2,521 b.t.u. per cu. ft. at 60°F.

100 lb. cylinder — \$6.50.

Bulk — 15c per gallon.

Storage facilities — 10,000 gallons.

### **19. DIESEL FUEL**

Heat value — 135,000 to 140,000 b.t.u. per gallon at 60°F.

Substantial quantities of diesel fuel are used in the district due to Wainwright being a refueling point for the Canadian National Railway, who purchase supplies from the refinery.

Winter grade — 16.1c per gallon.

Summer grade — 15.2c per gallon.

Storage capacity (not including refinery) — 15,000 gallons.

### **20. COAL**

No coal is used in the town. The majority of farmers truck their supply from the mine at Tofield.

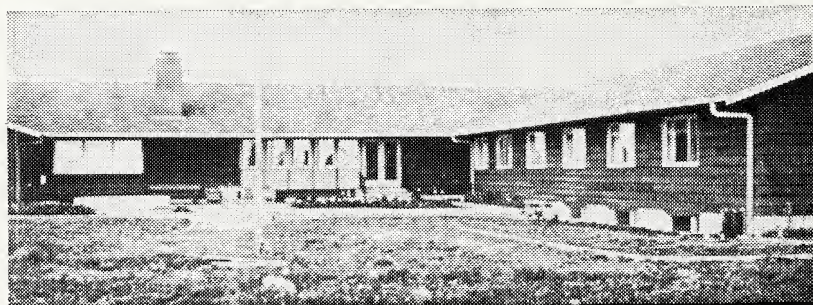
### **21. RESOURCES**

Wheat and coarse grains, dairy products, honey, livestock, poultry products, gas, oil — 20° A.P.I. gravity, sand — common, gravel, straw, wood fuel.

### **22. GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND SERVICES**

#### **Federal:**

Post Office, Department of Veteran's Affairs, Department of National Defence, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Detachment.



Battle River Lodge provides a home for fifty Senior Citizens.

## Provincial:

Police Magistrate, Liquor Store, Treasury Branch, Alberta Government Telephones, School Division Office No. 32, District Agriculturist, Health Unit.

## Municipal:

Town Hall, Town Clerk, Building Inspector, Utilities Supervisor, Public Library, Fire Hall, Plumbing Inspector, Gas Inspector, Garbage Collector, Police Barracks, Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61.

## 23. HEALTH SERVICES

The Wainwright Municipal Hospital is a fully modern hospital with the latest equipment. There are 51 beds in the hospital and the staff consists of a matron, 13 graduate nurses, 8 nurse's aides.

### Rates per Day:

Residents — \$1.60

Non-residents — \$11.50

A 100 bed military hospital is located at the camp.

The Minburn-Vermilion Health Unit maintains a sub-office in town.

### Other Health Services:

6 — doctors, M.D.

2 — dentists

2 — drug stores

1 — chiropractor

1 — optometrist calls twice weekly

1 — veterinary

## 24. PROFESSIONAL SKILLED PERSONAL SERVICE

(Excluding Health Services)

Type of Service	No. of Establishments
Auditors and accountants	1
Lawyers	1
Beauty parlors	3
Barbers	3
Jewellers	2

## 25. TRANSPORTATION

Excellent passenger service by the C.N.R. is available. Two trains each way daily. Wainwright being the divisional point, all trains stop for service and refueling.

Sunburst Motor Coach bus — daily to and from Edmonton.

Truck — daily service to Edmonton.

Taxi — 1 stand (2 cabs)

## 26. NEWSPAPERS

Wainwright Star-Chronicle (weekly)

## 27. COMMUNICATIONS

Canadian National Telegraph, Alberta Government Telephones, Post Office, Radio Stations at Edmonton, Red Deer, Lacombe, Camrose and Lloydminster.

## 28. FINANCIAL FACILITIES

Bank of Montreal, Treasury Branch, Credit Union.

## 29. HOTELS

	No. of Rooms	Single Rate	Beer License
Wainwright	60	\$2.50 up	yes
Park	25	\$3.00 up	yes

## 30. TOURIST CAMPS

	No. of Units	Grade	Rates
Park Cabins & Trailer Court	12	1 star	\$3.50 up
Wainwright Motel	6	3 star	
	16	2 star	\$4.00 up
Lazy T Motel	15	not graded	\$4.50 up
Harold's Trailer Park			

## 31. CHURCHES

Anglican, United, Presbyterian, Roman Catholic, Pentecostal, Nazarene, Lutheran, Gospel Mission.

## 32. LODGES

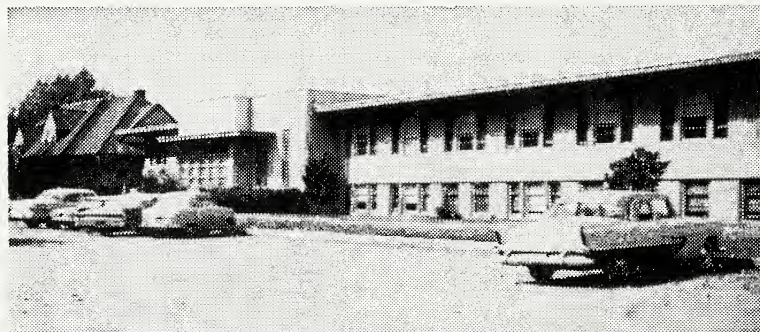
Masonic, I.O.O.F., Orange, B.P.O.E., Eastern Star, Rebekahs, Royal Purple, Knights of Columbus.

## 33. SERVICE CLUBS

Canadian Legion, Chamber of Commerce, Ladies' Hospital Guild, Ladies' Auxiliary to the Legion, Kinsmen, Lions, Kinettes.

## 34. SOCIETIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Wainwright Hockey Commission, Home and School Association, Red Cross Society, Fish and Game Association, Wainwright Athletic Association, Wainwright Curling Club Ltd., Wainwright Frontier and Exhibition (Stam-pede) Association.



Wainwright's modern Municipal Hospital.

### 35. EDUCATION

The Wainwright School District No. 1658 is part of the Wainwright School Division No. 32. Grades 1 to 12 are taught along with the following optional subjects: home economics, shop, commercial, drama, art and music. The public school population is made up as follows:

	Grades	No. of Pupils	No. of Teachers
Elementary	1 — 6	207	7
Junior High	7 — 9	195	6
High School	10 — 12	141	5

The Separate School District No. 31 teaches grades 1 to 12 along with the following optional subjects: typing, bookkeeping, music, french and art. The school population is made up as follows:

	Grades	No. of Pupils	No. of Teachers
Elementary	1 — 6	132	4
Junior High	7 — 9	38	2
High School	10 — 12	24	2

### 36. THEATRES AND HALLS

	Capacity	Stage	Piano
Drive-In Theatre	250 cars		
Elite Theatre	400	no	no
Four School Auditoriums	600	yes	yes
Alma Theatre	400	yes	yes
Exservicemen Hall	100	no	yes
Legion Hall	75	no	yes

### 37. CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The Wainwright Community Library is sponsored by the municipal district, town, government grant and membership fees. The library is open every Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m. and on Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m. There are more than 5,254 volumes in the library.

The town hires a full time recreation director who is responsible to the recreation board. A full list of activities is carried on.

The Wainwright Allied Arts Council sponsor art, drama and music activities in the community.

### 38. YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Boys: Sea Cadets, Wolf Cubs, Scouts, 4H Club.

Girls: C.G.I.T., Girl Guides, Brownies, 4H Club.

### 39. SPORTS

Baseball, softball, gun club, golf, tennis, hockey, bowling, curling.

#### Facilities:

Covered curling rink, 5 sheets artificial ice.

Covered arena for skating and hockey, natural ice.

Four lane bowling alley.

Nine hole golf course, sand greens.

Shooting range.  
Baseball diamond.  
Exhibition grounds.  
School playgrounds.

**40. FAIRS**

Wainwright Stampede, held in June.

**41. HISTORIC SITES**

Nil.

**42. CO-OPERATIVES**

Wainwright Livestock Co-op  
Alberta Wheat Pool  
United Grain Growers  
Co-op General Store  
Wainwright Grazing Co-op  
Canadian Co-op Implements Ltd.  
Maple Leaf Petroleum Co-op  
Wainwright Credit Union  
Wainwright Seed Cleaning Plant Ltd.



### 43. INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS

Type of Industry or Business	Number of Establishments	Producer or Manufacturer	Wholesale	Retail	Type of Industry or Business	Number of Establishments	Producer or Manufacturer	Wholesale	Retail
Accountants .....	1	—	—	—	Estate .....	3	—	—	—
Auto Accessories .....	1	—	—	1	Jewellers .....	3	—	—	3
Auto Body Shops .....	1	1	—	1	Law Offices .....	1	—	—	—
Auto Wreckers .....	1	—	—	1	Laundry — steam .....	2	2	—	2
Bakeries .....	1	1	1	1	Laundry Dry Cleaners .....	2	2	—	2
Banks .....	2	—	—	—	Lumber Yards .....	2	—	—	2
Barbers .....	3	—	—	—	Milk Distributors .....	1	1	1	1
Beauty Parlors .....	3	—	—	—	Mail Order Offices .....	2	—	—	2
Bowling Alley .....	1	—	—	—	Motels .....	3	—	—	—
Butchers .....	3	—	—	3	Oil Distributors .....	4	—	4	—
Building Contractors ..	3	—	—	—	Oil Refinery .....	1	1	1	—
Cartage Delivery .....	1	—	—	—	Optometrists .....	1	—	—	—
Chiropractor .....	1	—	—	—	(calling twice a week)				
Clothing — men's .....	1	—	—	1	Painters & Decorators ..	1	1	—	1
Clothing — Women's & Children	5	—	—	5	Paint Shop .....	2	—	—	—
Concrete Contractors ..	2	2	—	2	Photographers .....	1	1	—	1
Confectionery .....	1	—	—	1	Plumbers .....	1	—	—	—
Coal Dealers .....	1	—	1	1	Pool Room .....	1	—	—	—
Dentists .....	2	—	—	—	Printing & Publishing ..	1	1	1	1
Doctors, M.D. ....	6	—	—	—	Propane Agents .....	2	—	2	2
Drugs .....	2	—	—	2	Radio Repairs .....	3	—	—	—
Electrical Appliances	3	—	—	3	Restaurants .....	7	—	—	—
Electrical Contractors	2	—	—	—	Shoe Repairs .....	2	2	—	2
Florists .....	1	—	—	1	Shoe Store .....	1	—	—	1
Funeral Parlors .....	1	—	—	—	Sign Writers .....	1	1	1	1
Furniture .....	1	—	—	1	Tailors .....	1	1	—	1
Garage & Service Stations	10	—	—	10	Taxi .....	1	—	—	—
Grain Elevators .....	4	—	—	—	Theatres .....	3	—	—	—
(total capacity 240,000 bushels)					Tinsmith .....	1	1	—	1
Groceries .....	5	—	—	5	Tire Shop .....	1	1	—	1
General Stores .....	3	—	—	3	Transport .....	1	—	—	—
Hardware .....	4	—	—	4	Upholsterer .....	1	1	—	1
Hotels .....	2	—	—	—	Variety Stores .....	2	—	—	2
Implements — farm ...	5	—	—	5	Veterinary .....	1	—	—	—
Insurance & Real Estate					Welding & Machine Shops	2	2	—	2
					Woodworking .....	1	1	—	1

### 44. SITES

Residential and industrial sites can be purchased from the town at reasonable prices. The following size buildings can be purchased or rented:

#### Corner Lot:

Building, 50 x 130, archrib construction, garage or machine shop, modern.

Building, 50 x 110, store or warehouse, modern.

Building, 25 x 50, with living quarters, store or plumbing shop.

### 45. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Varying degrees of mixed farming — a combination of wheat growing and cattle raising — is practised in the Wainwright district. While toward the

eastern border of the province the emphasis is toward the production of livestock, the sale of cash crops is more important in other directions from the town. The local character of the land determines its use; rather sandy soils toward the east make ranching attractive in that area. The average size of farms in the district is close to eight hundred acres. One-half of farm operators own all the land they occupy, another 40 percent are part owners. A higher than average number — 17% in 1956 — do not reside on the land occupied. About 60 percent of all farms have high-line electric power.

The Wainwright Producer and Refinery is located one mile west of the town. The main products produced are asphalt and oil. The majority of the main line trains of the C.N.R. refuel at Wainwright. The refinery also produces 5,000 barrels of gasoline per day. There are 231 producing oil wells in the area and a number of gas wells.

The Wainwright military camp hires several hundred non-military personnel.

#### **46. TRADING AREA**

North — 20 miles  
West — 18 miles  
East — 25 miles  
South — military camp

#### **47. POPULATION**

Trading population, 1956 census — 5,812.  
Town population, 1956 census — 2,750.  
Town population, Dec. 31, 1959 — 3,300 estimate.



