

Population Outlook 2013-2018

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Seniors Lead The Way

The city of Calgary's population was estimated at 1,149,552 persons as of April 2013. Strong net migration to Alberta continues as development in Fort McMurray enters its next phase. Traditionally Calgary receives about one third of the net migration to Alberta but that did not happen this year. This year Calgary's share was just over 22 per cent while centers in northern Alberta also received about 19,000 net migrants. Next year we anticipate a return to normal migration flows as projects in the north return to their normal growth patterns.

The Calgary population is projected to increase to 1,273,800 when the census is taken in 2017, and to 1,370,500 when the census is taken in 2022. On average, the forecast calls for Calgary to experience an average of 2 per cent growth per year for the next 10 years.

Seniors are the fastest growing segment of the population of Calgary. By 2022 we anticipate 67 per cent more Seniors in Calgary than there are today. Currently representing just over 10 per cent of the population, 14.4 per cent of Calgarians will be Seniors by 2022.

Calgary's youth population, however, is not growing significantly. The forecast calls for the youth population of Calgary (age 7 to 17) to peak in 2025 at 189,900 and then decline to 180,000 by 2040. Thereafter we anticipate the next wave of the baby boomer cycle will begin to enter their household formation years and the population of youth in Calgary will begin to grow again.

Chart 1. City of Calgary total population (2012-2042)

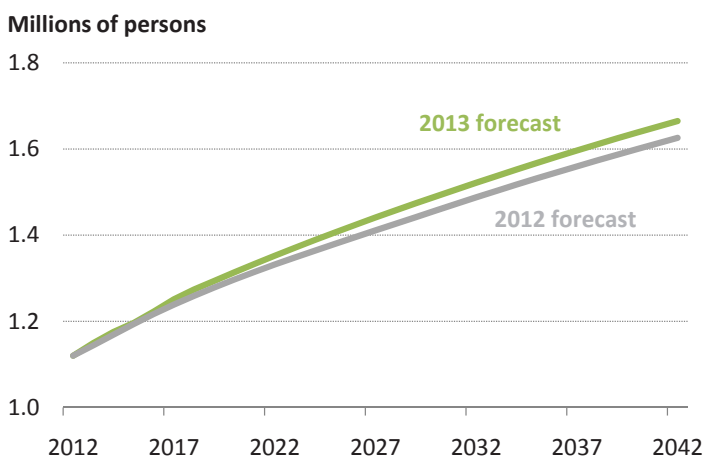
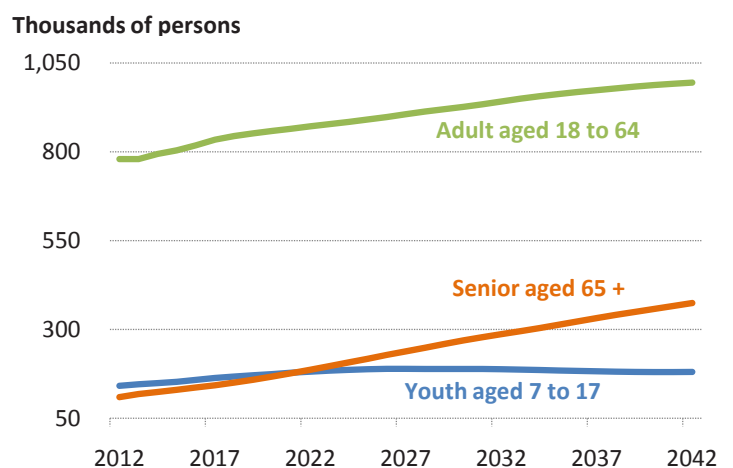


Chart 2. Population for major age groups (2012-2042)



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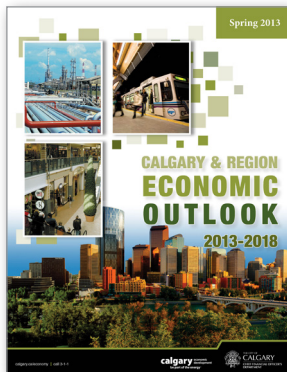
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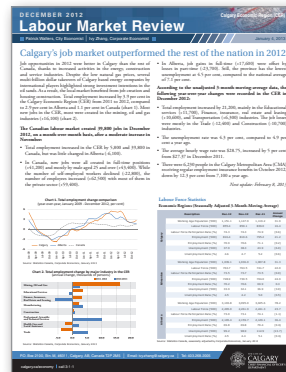
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