

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 4 WATERTON

Community Overview

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Executive Summary

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton is a very small and sparsely populated community whose recent profile combines population recovery with a narrow household and employment structure. After a long decline from the early 2000s to a low point in 2011, the total population rose again in the first half of the 2020s, though with noticeable year to year movement rather than steady growth. The number of people living in private households also increased strongly over the decade, and the age profile shifted back toward younger adults after a brief aging phase in 2016. By 2021, the median age had fallen below its 2011 level, and the largest age groups were concentrated in the late 20s, early 30s, and early 60s. Even with that growth, density remained extremely low.

Households in Waterton were small in scale and concentrated in simpler living arrangements. One-person households became the largest household type by 2021, with two-person households also common, while larger households and more complex family forms were limited or absent in the census profile. The tenure mix was fairly balanced between owners and renters, although ownership increased over the five years while renting was unchanged. The dwelling stock was led by single-detached homes, with a smaller apartment presence and little variety beyond that. Several parts of the housing and income picture are notably thin in the available data: median dwelling value was recorded at \$0 across the census years shown, and household income groups were recorded as zero in every category in 2021. Shelter costs, where reported, were higher for owners than renters.

The 2021 social profile appears highly concentrated in several respects. The population in private households was entirely non-immigrant, no visible minority groups were recorded, and English overwhelmingly dominated mother tongue, with only a very small Ukrainian presence. Educational attainment was centered on bachelor's degrees and high school completion. Labour market patterns were more mixed: the employment rate declined sharply from earlier census years, but remained mid-range relative to some nearby communities. At the same time, local employment in 2025 was heavily concentrated in accommodation and food services, with much smaller counts in retail, recreation, transportation, public administration, and health care. The result is a community that remains small and volatile, but increasingly shaped by household growth, smaller living arrangements, and a strongly service-based job base.

Median Age

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton’s median age was 36.8 years in 2021, down 25.66% from 2016’s 49.5 years. It remained below 2011’s 41.0 years, showing a younger midpoint over the decade.

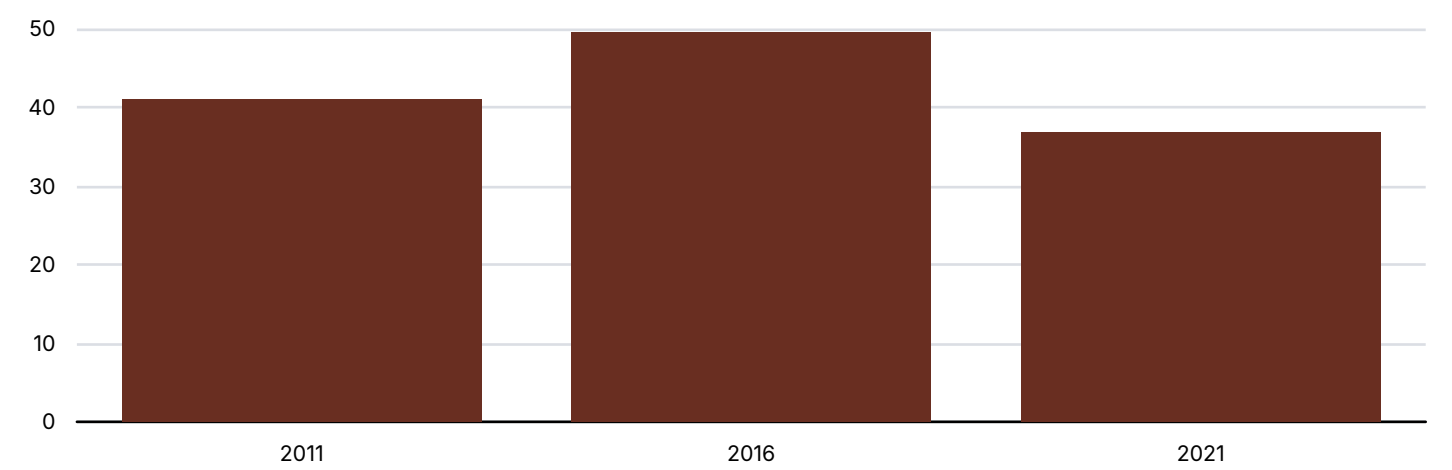
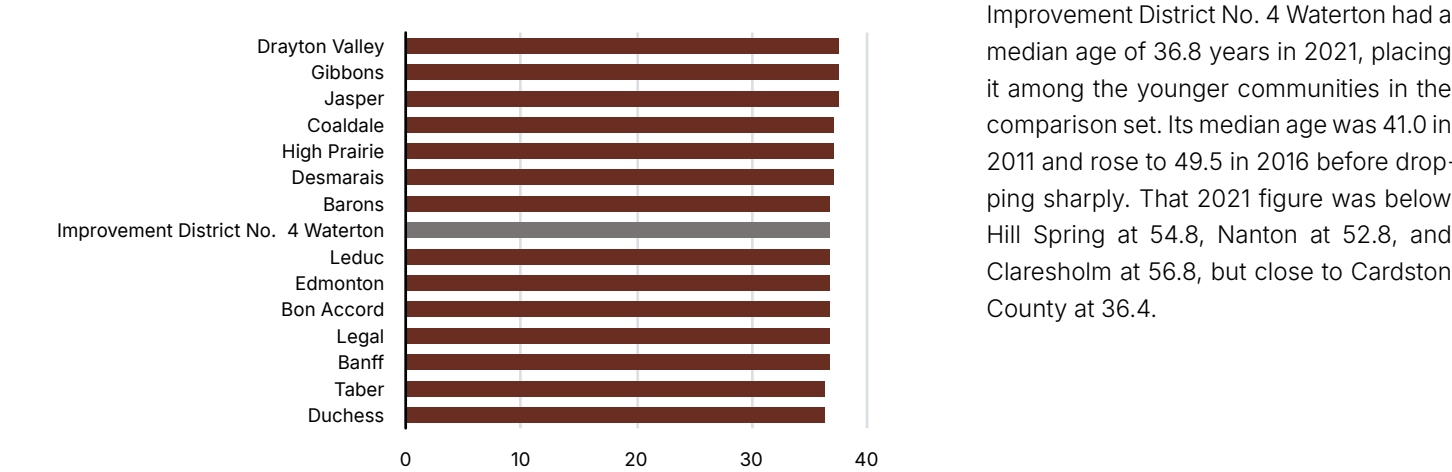


Figure 1.1: Shows the median age of residents. It helps indicate whether the population skews younger or older at the midpoint of the age distribution. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2011-2021)¹

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton’s median age has shifted noticeably over time, moving from an older profile in 2016 to a younger one in 2021. The midpoint of the population age distribution was 41 years in 2011, rose to 49.5 years in 2016, then fell to 36.8 years in 2021. That means the five-year change was 20.7% in the earlier period and -25.7% in the later one. Taken together, the series shows a sharp reversal rather than a steady trend. In 2021, the median age sat below the 2011 level, suggesting the age structure became younger again after a brief aging period.



Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had a median age of 36.8 years in 2021, placing it among the younger communities in the comparison set. Its median age was 41.0 in 2011 and rose to 49.5 in 2016 before dropping sharply. That 2021 figure was below Hill Spring at 54.8, Nanton at 52.8, and Claresholm at 56.8, but close to Cardston County at 36.4.

Figure 1.2: Comparison of Median Age with other locations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

Immigrant Status

Non-immigrants were the largest group in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton in 2021, at 120 people, up 26.3% since 2016. Immigrants fell to zero from 10, while non-permanent residents remained at zero.

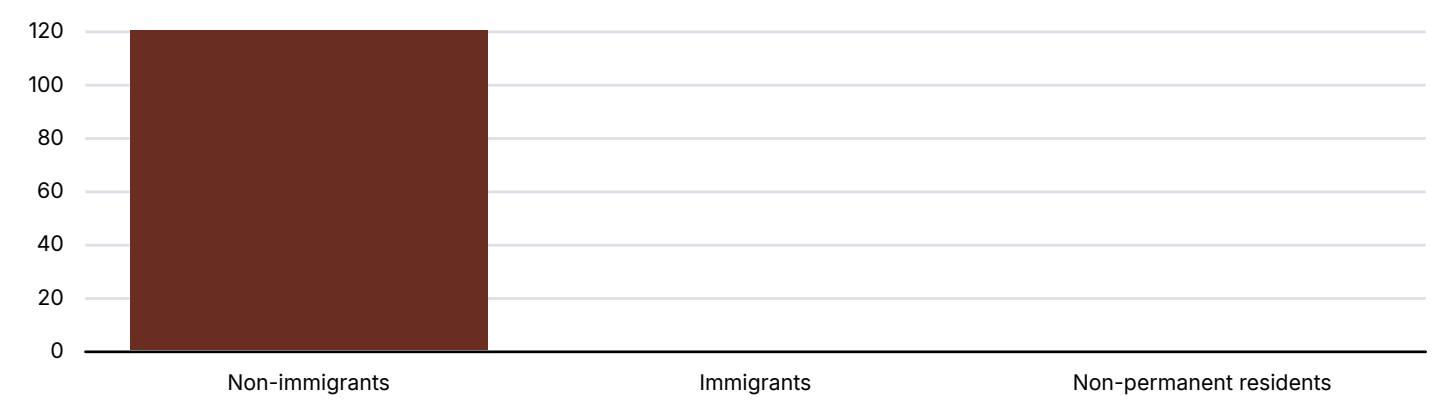


Figure 2.1: Shows whether residents are immigrants, non-permanent residents, or non-immigrants. It helps indicate the role of immigration in community growth and composition. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, immigrant status in 2021 was dominated by non-immigrants. The census profile counts 120 non-immigrants in the population living in private households, up 26.3% over five years. By contrast, the community recorded no immigrants and no non-permanent residents. That pattern leaves the local population profile entirely concentrated among non-immigrants, with no visible immigrant or temporary resident presence in the data provided.

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton’s immigrant status profile was entirely made up of non-immigrants in the population in private households. The community recorded 120 non-immigrants, with no immigrants and no non-permanent residents. That mix was unchanged in its basic structure, though the non-immigrant count was up 26.3% over five years. At the descendant dissemination area level, the pattern was similar: 120 non-immigrants, 0 immigrants, and 0 non-permanent residents, with non-immigrants rising 33.3% over the same period.

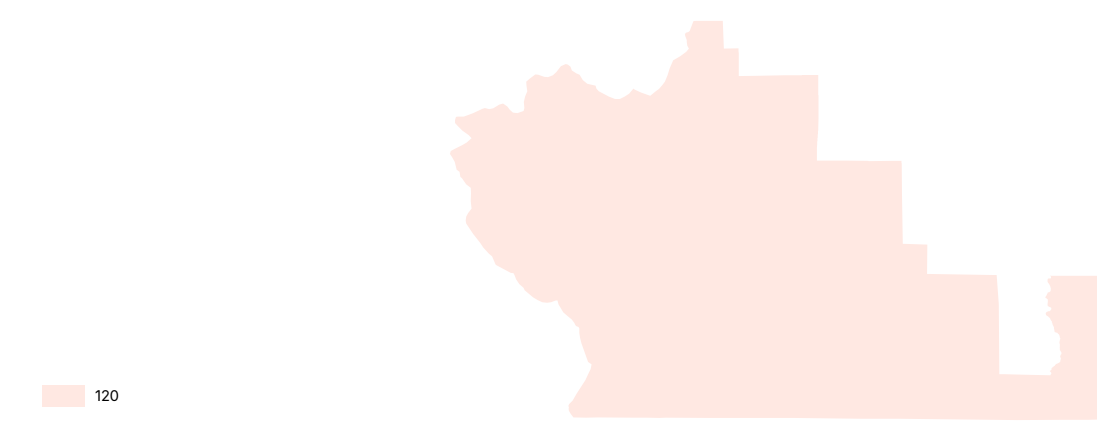


Figure 2.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Immigrant Status - Non-immigrants (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Total Population

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton's population was 141 in 2025, down from 144 in 2024 but up 50.0% from 2020. The series peaked at 164 in 2006 and bottomed at 91 in 2011.

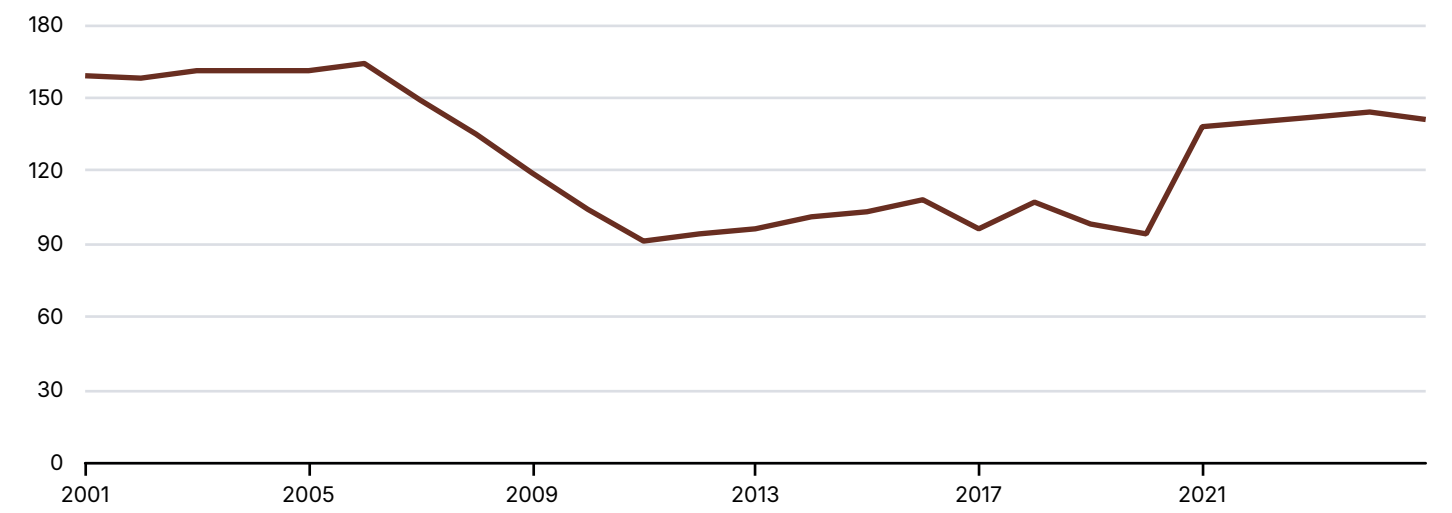
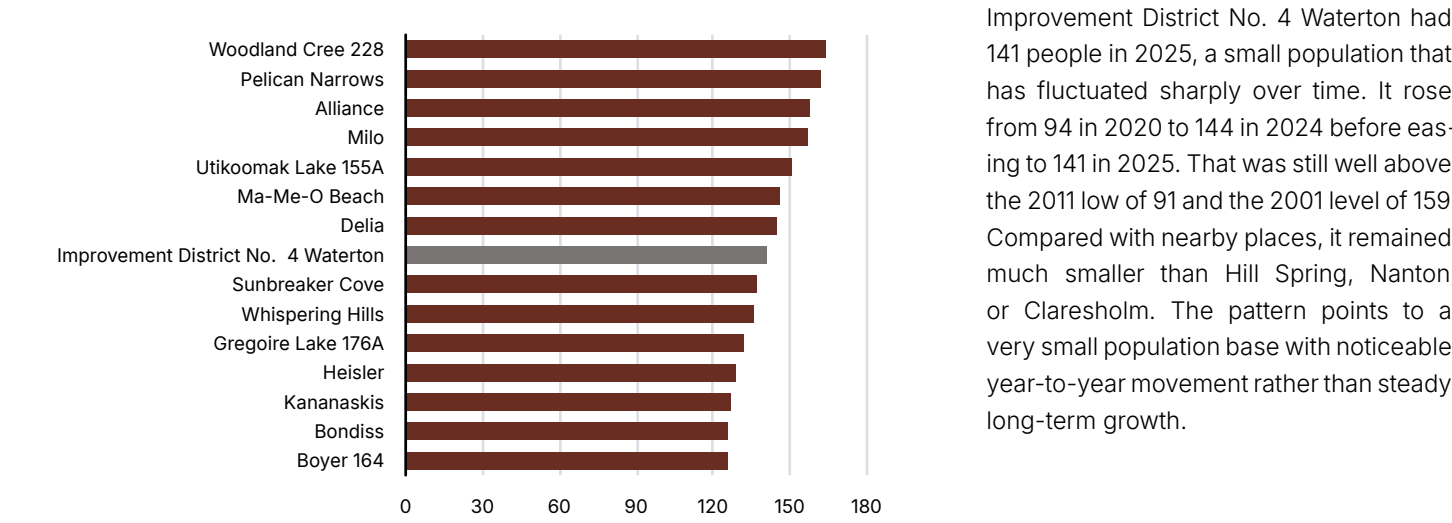


Figure 3.1: Shows the total number of people living in the area. It provides the basic population benchmark used across many other indicators. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2001-2025)²

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton's total population has been volatile over the 2001 to 2025 period, with a long decline followed by a partial recovery. The series begins at 159 people in 2001 and falls to 91 in 2011, before climbing again in recent years. Recent figures show 138 in 2021, 144 in 2024, and 141 in 2025. That is above the 2020 low of 94, but still below the early-2000s level. The pattern suggests a small population base with noticeable year-to-year movement rather than steady growth.



Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had 141 people in 2025, a small population that has fluctuated sharply over time. It rose from 94 in 2020 to 144 in 2024 before easing to 141 in 2025. That was still well above the 2011 low of 91 and the 2001 level of 159. Compared with nearby places, it remained much smaller than Hill Spring, Nanton, or Claresholm. The pattern points to a very small population base with noticeable year-to-year movement rather than steady long-term growth.

Figure 3.2: Comparison of Total Population with other locations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2025)²

Median Dwelling Value

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton recorded a median dwelling value of \$0 in 2021, unchanged from 2016 and 2011. The series shows no variation across the three census years.

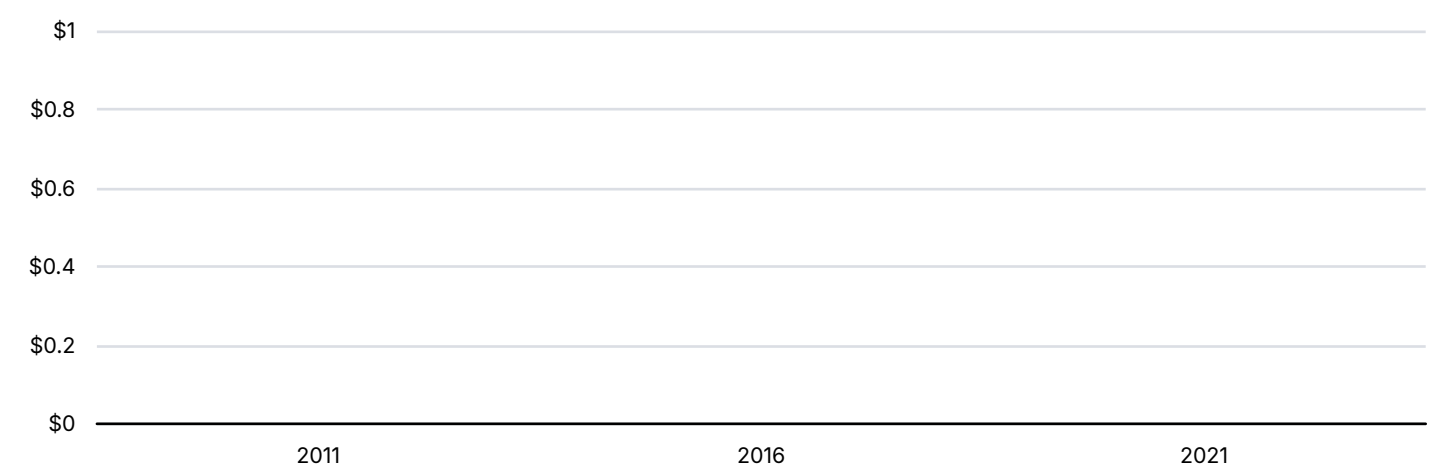


Figure 4.1: Shows the median value of residential dwellings. It helps indicate the typical price point in the local ownership housing market. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2011-2021)¹

Median dwelling value in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton was reported at \$0 in each of the three census years shown: 2011, 2016 and 2021. Within the ownership housing market for non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings, there was no change across the period, and the series remains flat at zero. That leaves no evidence in the dataset of movement upward or downward over time. The pattern is notable less for variation than for its consistency, which suggests the available figures do not show a measurable typical dwelling price for these years.



Improvement District No. 4 Waterton's median dwelling value was recorded at \$0 in 2011, 2016 and 2021 for owner households in non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings. That places it below every comparable municipality with a non-zero value. Nearby values in 2021 ranged from \$150,000 in Cowley to \$400,000 in Pincher Creek No. 9. Several peers were near \$250,000 to \$300,000, including Claresholm at \$250,000 and Nanton at \$300,000. The repeated zero suggests no reported median for this area in the census series, rather than a typical market value.

Figure 4.2: Comparison of Median Dwelling Value with other locations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

Household Type

One-person households were the largest group in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton in 2021, rising to 30 households from 10 in 2016. Couple-family households without children were next at 20, and with children at 10.

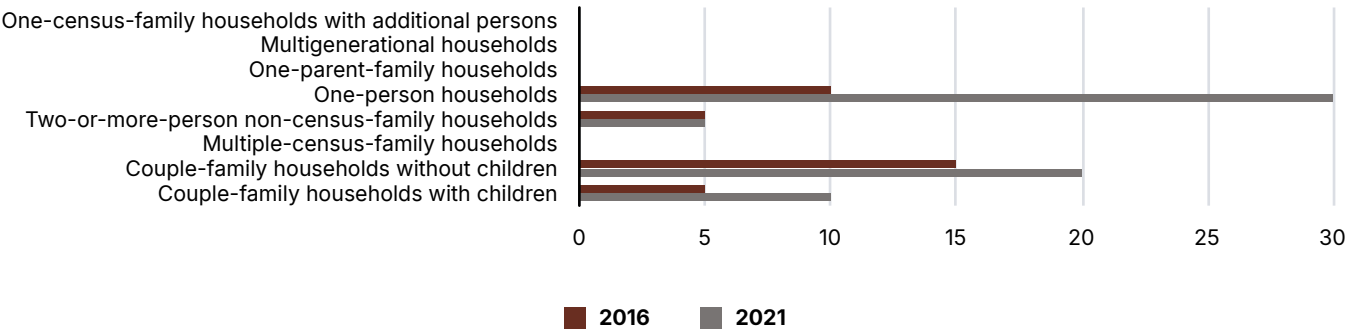


Figure 5.1: Shows the mix of household types, including one-person, family, and non-family households. It helps indicate how residents are organized across living arrangements. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2016-2021)¹

In 2021, household types in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton were concentrated in a few categories, with one-person households the largest group at 30 and couple-family households without children next at 20. Couple-family households with children numbered 10, while two-or-more-person non-census-family households totaled 5. The clearest trend is recent growth in the main household types: one-person households were up 200% over five years, couple-family households with children rose 100%, and couple-family households without children increased 33.3%. Other household forms remained at zero.

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton's private households were concentrated in a few forms, with one-person households the largest category and several family types limited in number. One-person households numbered 30, followed by couple-family households without children at 20 and couple-family households with children at 10. Two-or-more-person non-census-family households accounted for 5, while one-parent-family, multigenerational, multiple-census-family, and one-census-family households with additional persons were all 0. This mix suggests a small household base with a noticeable share of single-person living arrangements and relatively few larger or more complex household types.

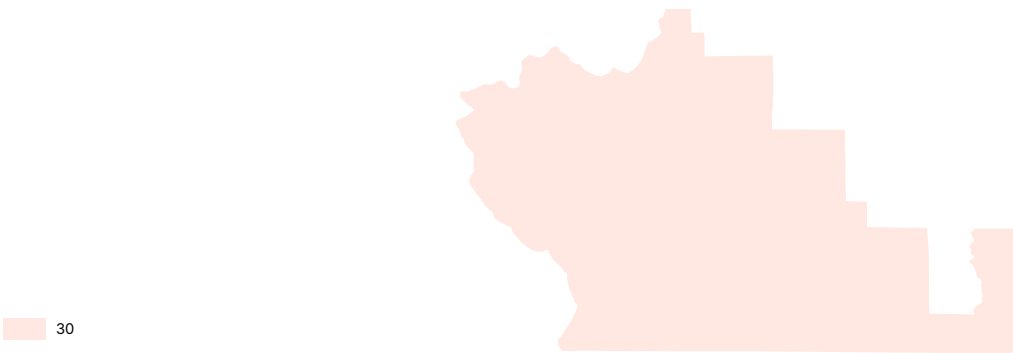


Figure 5.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Household Type - One-person households (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Dwelling Structure Type

Single-detached houses were the largest dwelling type in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton in 2021, at 40.0% of occupied private dwellings, up from 35.0% in 2016. Apartments under five storeys followed at 20.0%.

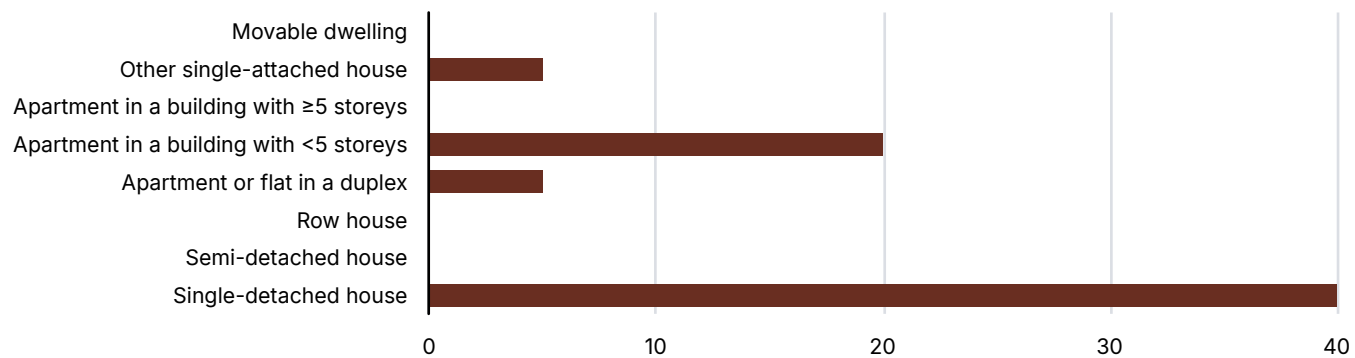


Figure 6.1: Shows the mix of dwelling structure types, such as detached homes, apartments, and other forms. It helps indicate the physical form of the housing stock. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton's occupied private dwellings were mostly single-detached houses, with 40 units, alongside 20 apartments in buildings with fewer than five storeys. Smaller counts were recorded for apartment or flat in a duplex and other single-attached houses, at 5 units each. The only reported time trend was for single-detached houses, which were up 14.3% over five years. The other structure types showed no reported change in the dataset.

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, the occupied private dwelling stock in 2021 was mixed but clearly led by single-detached houses. There were 40 single-detached homes, 20 apartments in buildings with fewer than five storeys, 5 apartments in duplexes, and 5 other single-attached houses. Semi-detached houses, row houses, apartments in buildings with at least five storeys, and movable dwellings were all at zero. The five-year change was strongest for single-detached houses, up 14.3%, while other single-attached houses were unchanged. The pattern points to a small, low-rise housing mix.

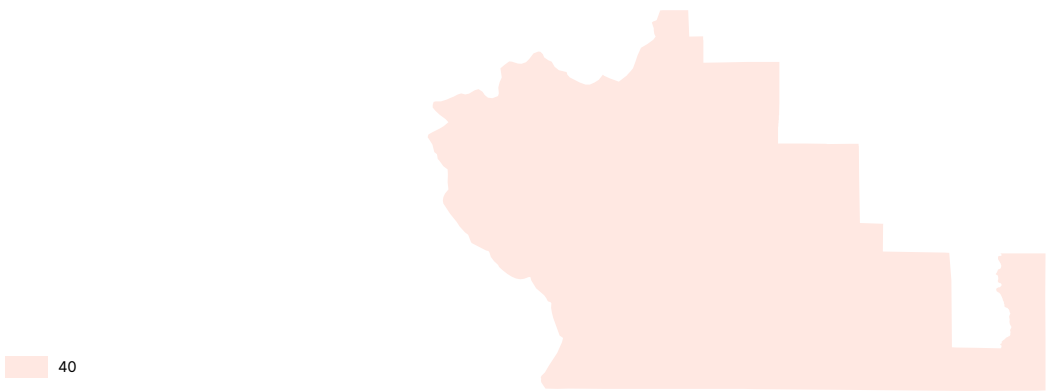


Figure 6.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Dwelling Structure Type - Single-detached house (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Housing Tenure

Owner households were the largest tenure group in 2021 at 35 households, matching renters at 30 households. Owner households rose 75% from 2016, while renter households were unchanged.



Figure 7.1: Shows whether households own or rent their homes. It helps indicate the balance between ownership and rental housing in the community. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, housing tenure in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton was split between 35 owner households and 30 renter households, with no households recorded in dwellings provided by the local government, a First Nation or an Indian band. The ownership side showed the clearest change over time, rising by 75 over five years, while renter households were unchanged. That pattern points to a tenure mix that is still fairly balanced, but with ownership gaining ground.

In 2021, housing tenure in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton was split fairly evenly between owners and renters among private households. Owners numbered 35 households, while renters totaled 30, and there were no households living in dwellings provided by the local government, First Nation or Indian band. The ownership count rose by 75 over five years, while renting was unchanged. The pattern suggests a small tenure mix with a notable increase in ownership, but the dataset does not explain why.

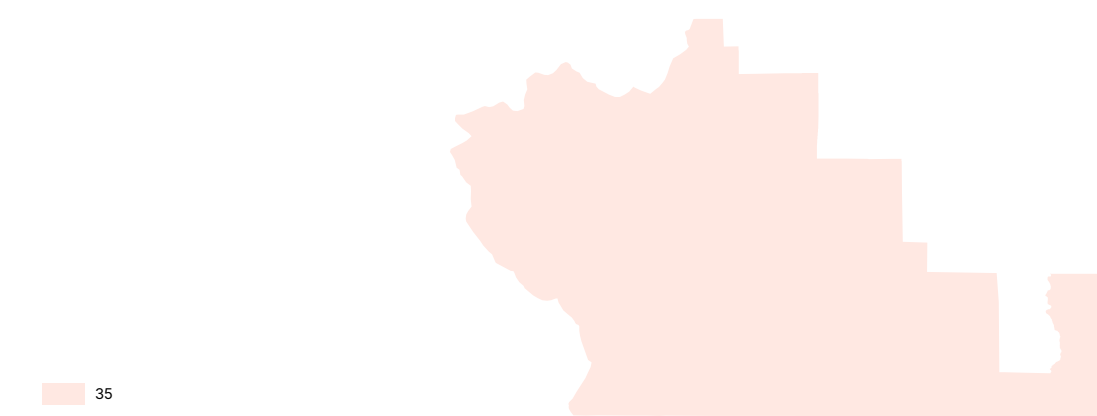


Figure 7.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Housing Tenure - Owner (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Household Total Income Groups

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had no households recorded in any income group in 2021. The largest group was \$90,000 to \$99,999, but it also had 0 households, matching 2016.

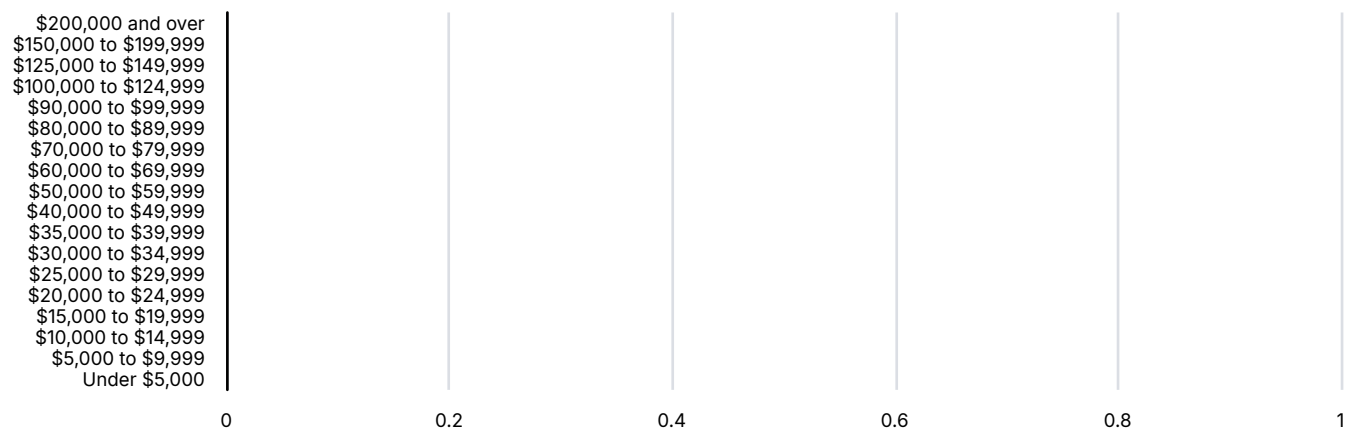


Figure 8.1: Shows households across total income groups. It helps indicate how household incomes are distributed from lower- to higher-income ranges. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton shows no private households recorded in any total income group. Every income band, from under \$5,000 through \$200,000 and over, is listed at zero households. That leaves the income distribution without a visible profile in the dataset. There are no counts in the lower, middle, or higher ranges to compare, and no category stands out above the others. Because all reported values are zero, the table does not provide enough detail to describe household income structure for this location. The data can only support the conclusion that no households are captured in these income groups for the 2021 census profile.

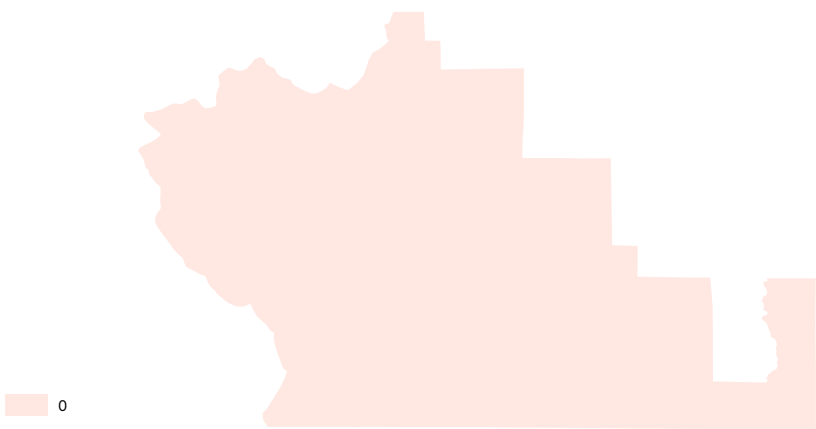


Figure 8.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Income Group Household - Under \$5,000 (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

In 2021, private households in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton are shown as zero across every household total income group. That makes the income distribution flat rather than concentrated in any band. All 18 income categories, from under \$5,000 to \$200,000 and over, record 0 households. The same zero pattern appears in the descendant dissemination area. With no households counted in any bracket, there is no income mix to describe within the dataset. The result is a complete absence of observed household income distribution for this location.

Average Shelter Costs

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, owners had the highest average monthly shelter costs at \$850 in 2021, compared with \$480 for renters. Both tenure groups were recorded at \$0 in 2016.

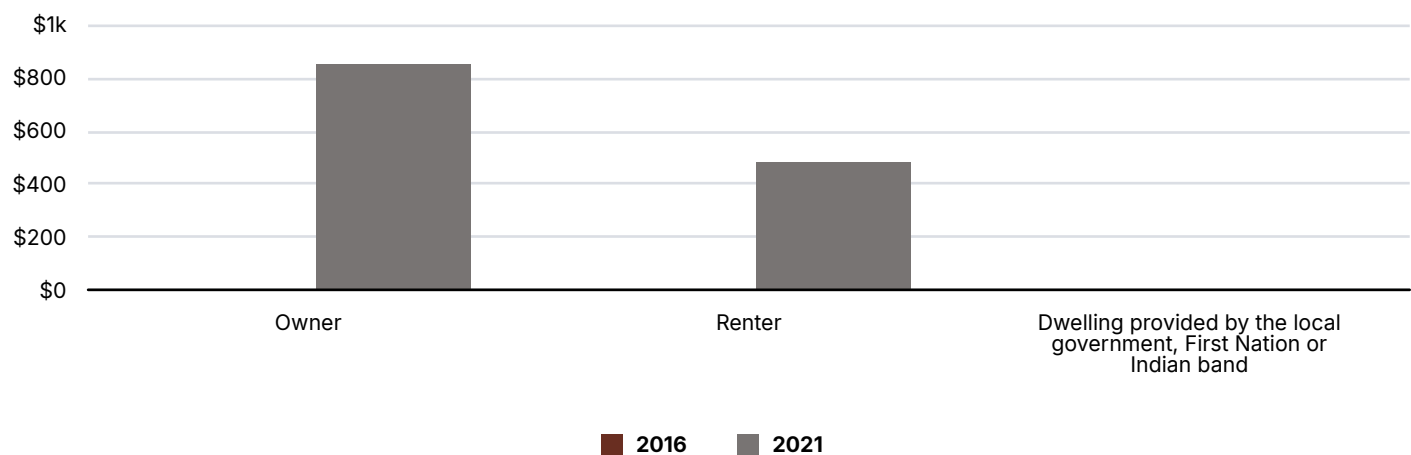
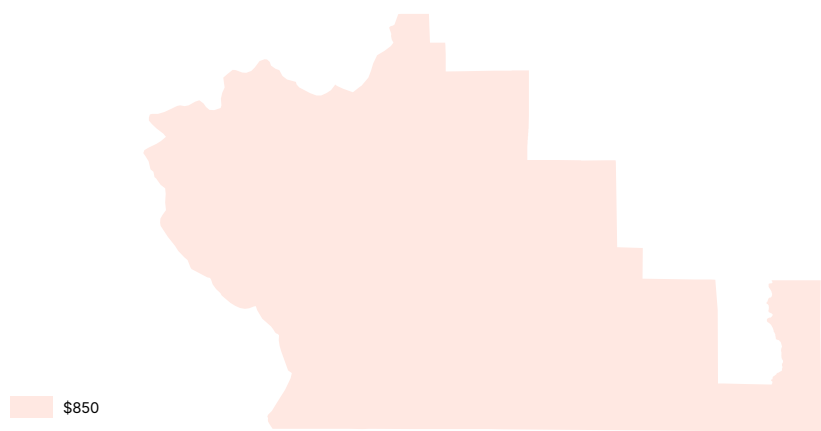


Figure 9.1: Shows the average monthly shelter costs paid by households. It helps indicate typical housing expenses faced by owners and renters. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2016-2021)¹

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, average monthly shelter costs in 2021 were modest and varied by housing tenure. Owner households paid \$850 per month, while renter households paid \$480. Households living in dwellings provided by the local government, First Nation or Indian band reported no shelter cost. The data show a clear gap between owners and renters, with owner costs about \$370 higher than renter costs. Because only one year is provided, the dataset does not show a time trend for how these costs changed. It does, however, show a simple cost structure in which ownership carried the highest monthly expense among the reported tenures.



In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, average monthly shelter costs in 2021 were \$850 for owner households and \$480 for renter households. Households living in dwellings provided by the local government, First Nation or Indian band reported \$0. The gap between owners and renters is the main feature of the data, showing a higher cost burden for owners within the scope of owner and tenant households in non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings.

Figure 9.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Housing Tenure - Owner (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Population in Private Households

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had 120 people in private households in 2021, up 50.0% from 2016. The count also rose from 65 in 2011 to 120, nearly doubling over five years.

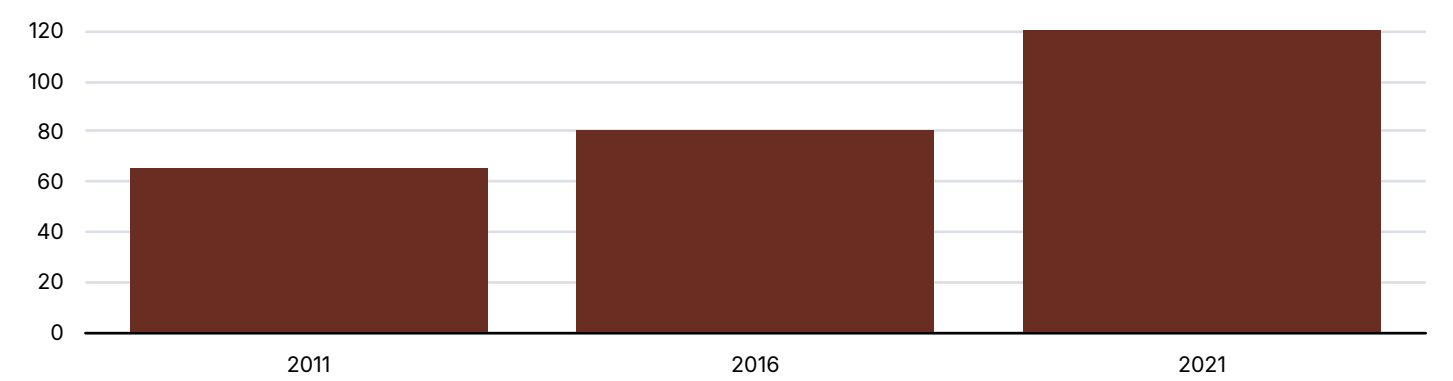


Figure 10.1: Shows the number of people living in private households. It helps indicate how much of the population lives in standard household settings rather than collective dwellings. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2011-2021)¹

Population in private households in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton rose steadily across the census years, moving from 65 people in 2011 to 80 in 2016 and then to 120 in 2021. The increase was modest at first, then much stronger in the later period. That pattern means the 5-year change accelerated from 23.1% to 50.0%. The 2021 count was nearly double the 2011 level. The data points to sustained growth in the private-household population over the decade, with the later rise contributing most of the increase.

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had 120 people living in private households in 2021. That was a small base, but it marks a clear rise from 65 in 2011 and 80 in 2016. The five-year change was 50% in 2021, after 23.1% growth in the prior period. Among nearby places, this was stronger recent growth than most small communities in the comparison set. By 2021, Waterton still remained below larger neighbours such as Claresholm, Cardston County and Willow Creek No. 26. The pattern suggests steady household-population growth from a very low starting point, with recent gains outpacing several regional comparators.

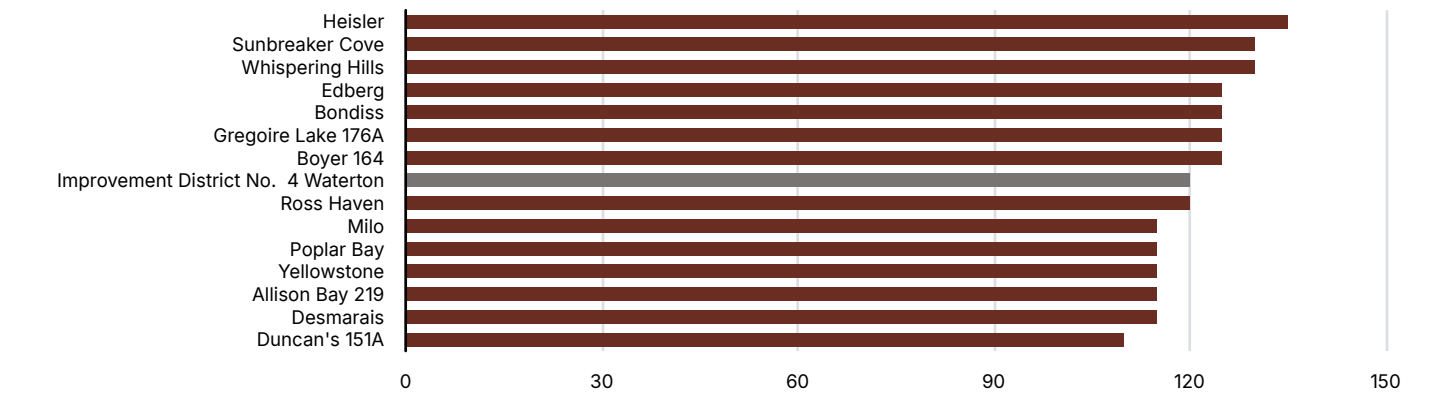


Figure 10.2: Comparison of Population in Private Households with other locations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

Employment Rate

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton’s employment rate was 60.9% in 2021, down from 90.0% in 2016 and 100.0% in 2011, with a 32.3% decline over five years.

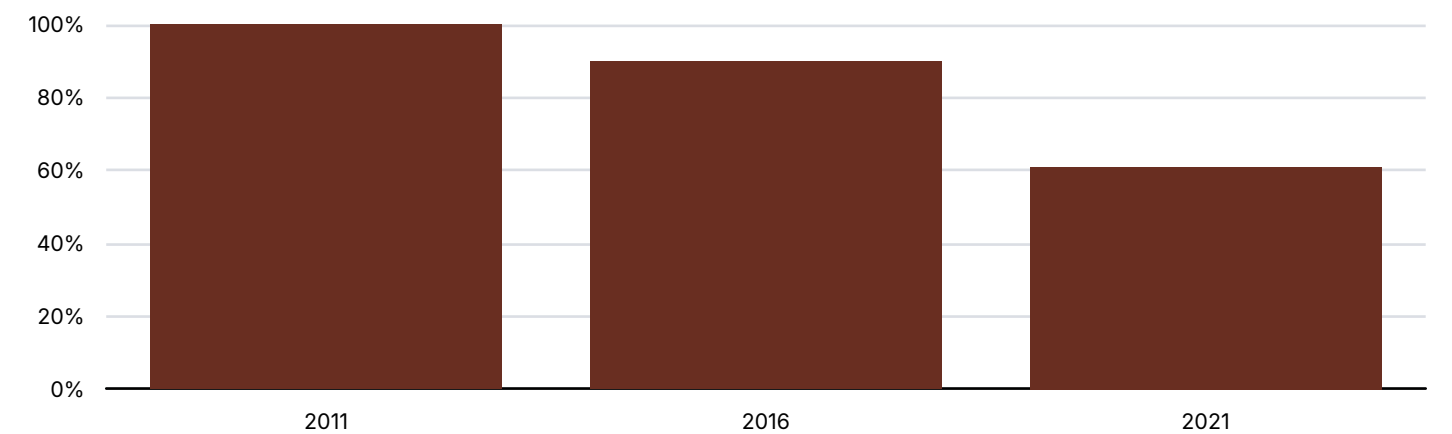


Figure 11.1: Shows the share of the working-age population that is employed. It helps indicate overall labour market health and how fully local talent is being used. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2011-2021)¹

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, the employment rate for the labour force aged 15 years and over declined across the last three census points. It was 100% in 2011, then fell to 90% in 2016 and 60.9% in 2021. The five-year change was -10 percentage points in 2016 and -32.3 points in 2021, pointing to a sharper recent drop than earlier in the decade. Source: Statistics Canada, Census Profile.

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton’s employment rate was 60.9% in 2021, down from 90.0% in 2016 and 100.0% in 2011. That left it above several nearby places, including Claresholm at 47.2%, Pincher Creek at 53.0%, and Nanton at 58.4%, while still below Cardston County’s 65.1%. The pattern is one of a sharp decline after an exceptionally high level in 2011, followed by a 32.3% five-year drop to 2021. In the local context, the rate remained mid-range rather than among the strongest performers.

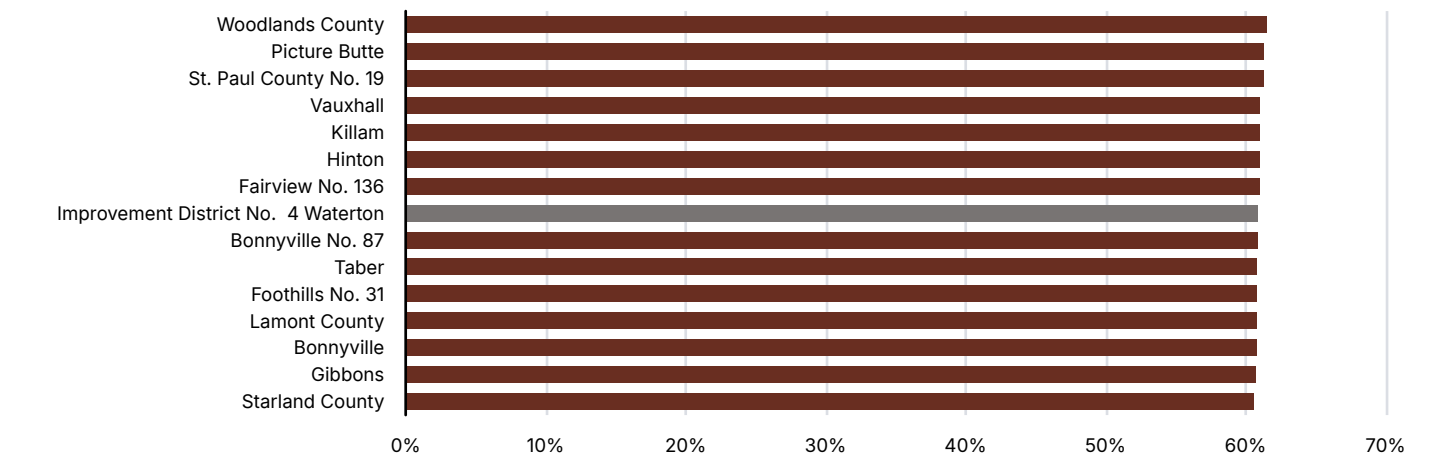


Figure 11.2: Comparison of Employment Rate with other locations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

Household Size

Single-person households were the largest group in 2021 at 30, up from 10 in 2016, a 200.0% increase. Two-person households followed at 25, while 3- and 4-person households were 5 each.

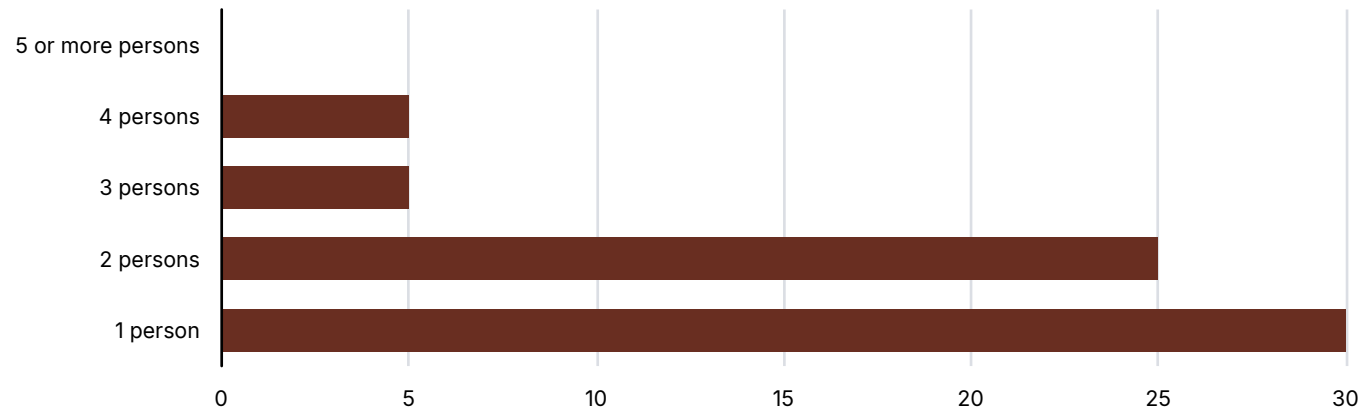
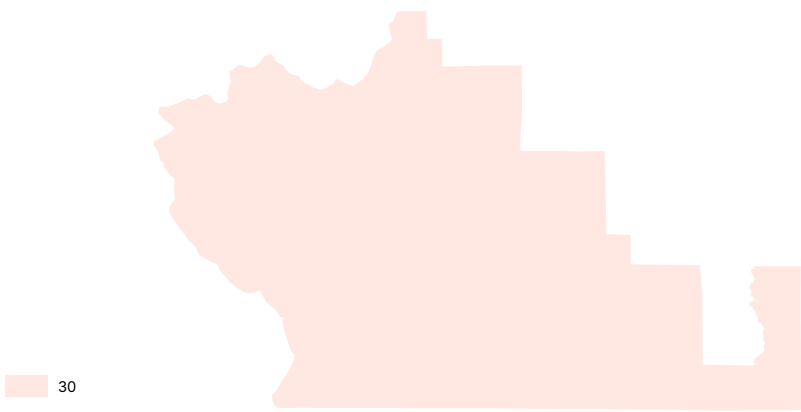


Figure 12.1: Shows the number of people living in households. It helps indicate common household arrangements and likely housing needs. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

Household size in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton in 2021 was concentrated in smaller households. Single-person households were the largest group at 30 households, followed by two-person households at 25. Three-person and four-person households were much less common, with 5 households each, and there were no households with five or more people. The 5-year change points to growth at the smaller end of the distribution. One-person households were up 200%, while two-person households increased 66.7%. Four-person households were unchanged, and the absence of five-person-or-more households left that category with no measurable change. This pattern suggests a household structure dominated by smaller living arrangements, with recent expansion most visible among single-person and two-person homes.



In 2021, private households in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton were concentrated at the small end of the scale. One-person households were the largest group at 30 households, followed by two-person households at 25. Three-person and four-person households were much smaller, at 5 each, and there were no households with five or more people. Compared with five years earlier, one-person households were up 200% and two-person households rose 66.7%, while four-person households were unchanged.

Figure 12.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Household Size - 1 person (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Highest Education Level

Bachelor’s degree holders were the largest group in 2021 at 45 people, up 50% from 2016. High school diploma holders rose to 30, while apprenticeship credentials fell to zero, down 100%.

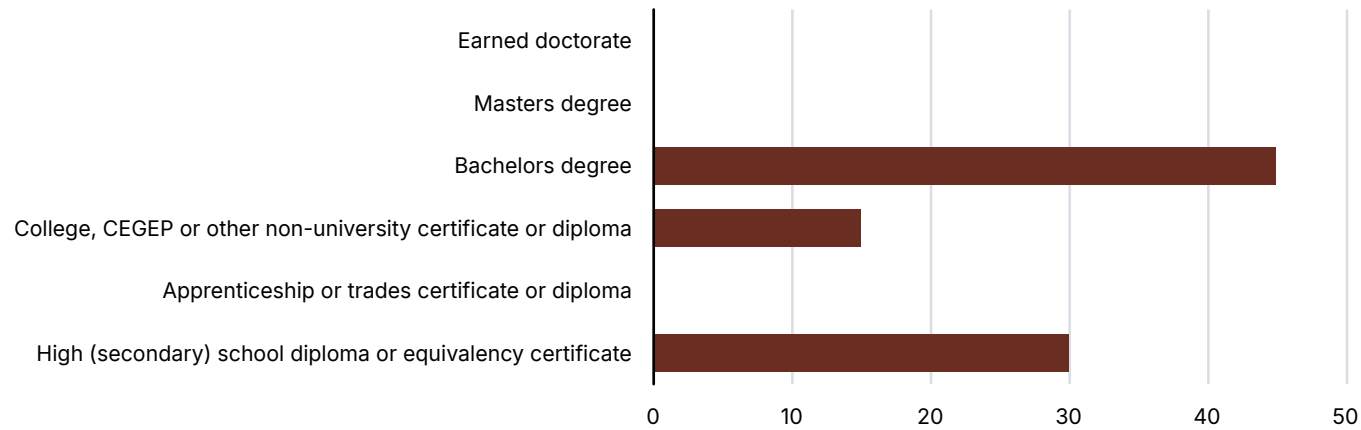
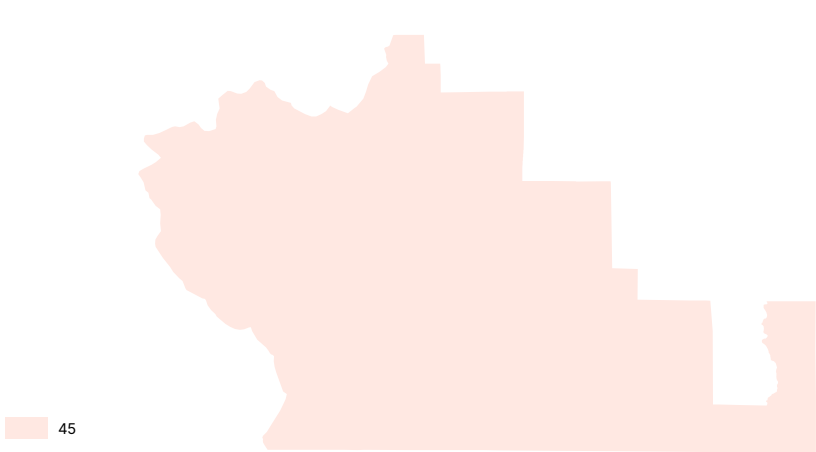


Figure 13.1: Shows the highest level of education completed by residents. It helps indicate the overall educational profile of the population. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, the highest education profile in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton was centered on two groups: 45 residents with a bachelor’s degree and 30 with a high school diploma or equivalency. Another 15 people held a college, CEGEP, or other non-university certificate or diploma. The remaining categories were small or absent. Apprenticeship or trades certificates and master’s degrees were both reported at 0, while earned doctorates were also 0. The 5-year changes point in different directions. Bachelor’s degrees and high school diplomas were both up 50, while apprenticeships and master’s degrees fell 100, indicating a shifting mix rather than a single dominant credential tier.



In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, the education profile for residents age 15 and over in private households is concentrated in a few credentials. In 2021, 45 people held a bachelor’s degree, while 30 had a high school diploma and 15 had a college or non-university certificate. Apprenticeship, master’s, and doctorate levels each recorded 0.

Figure 13.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Education Credential Ca - Bachelors degree (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Population Density

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton’s population density reached 0.3 people per square kilometre in 2021, up 50.0% from 2016. It was unchanged at 0.2 in 2011 and 2016.

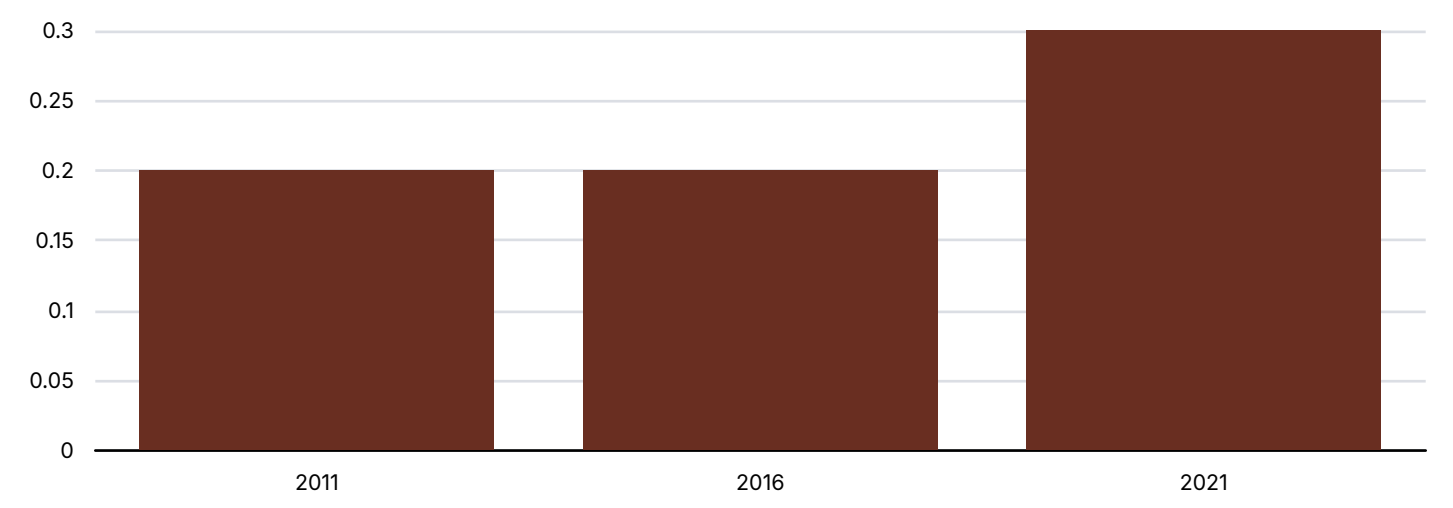
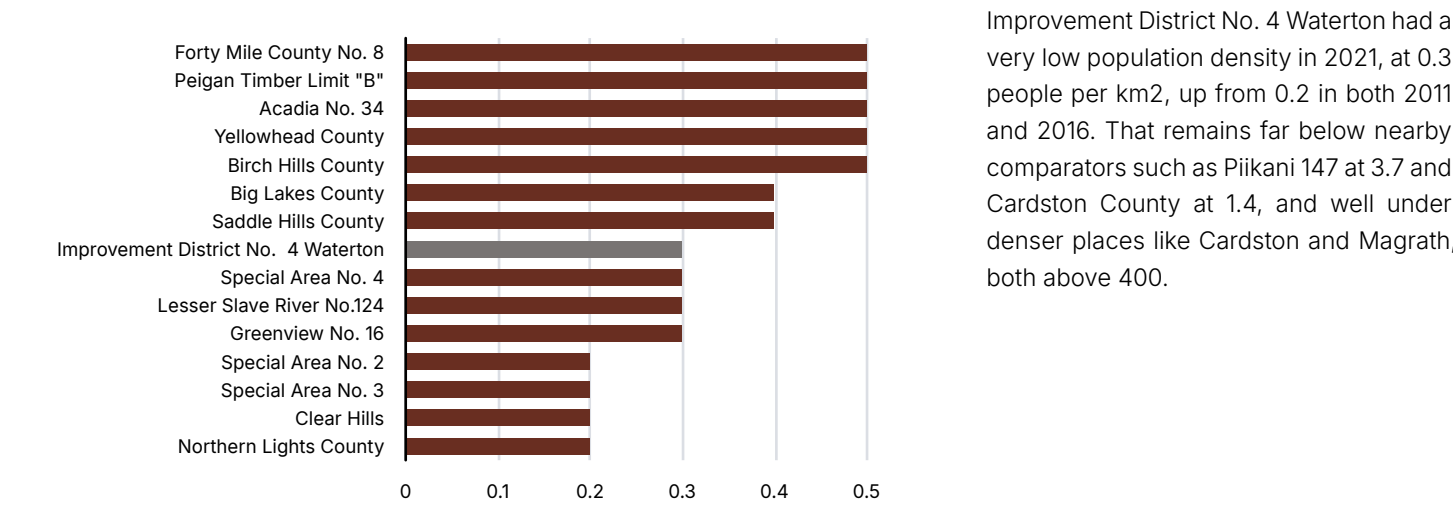


Figure 14.1: Shows how many people live per unit of land area. It helps indicate how compact or spread out the population is. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2011-2021)¹

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had extremely low population density across the 2011 to 2021 census periods, measured in people per square kilometre. The pattern is stable at first, then slightly higher in the latest count. Density was 0.2 people per km2 in 2011 and remained at 0.2 in 2016. By 2021, it had risen to 0.3 people per km2, a 50% increase from 2016, though still a very small absolute level. The time trend shows little change for most of the decade, followed by a modest uptick. Even with that increase, the area remained sparsely populated by any standard supported by the data.



Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had a very low population density in 2021, at 0.3 people per km2, up from 0.2 in both 2011 and 2016. That remains far below nearby comparators such as Piikani 147 at 3.7 and Cardston County at 1.4, and well under denser places like Cardston and Magrath, both above 400.

Figure 14.2: Comparison of Population Density with other locations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

Mother Tongue

English was the largest and most changed mother tongue in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton in 2021, at 150 people, up 66.7% over five years. Ukrainian followed with 5 people.

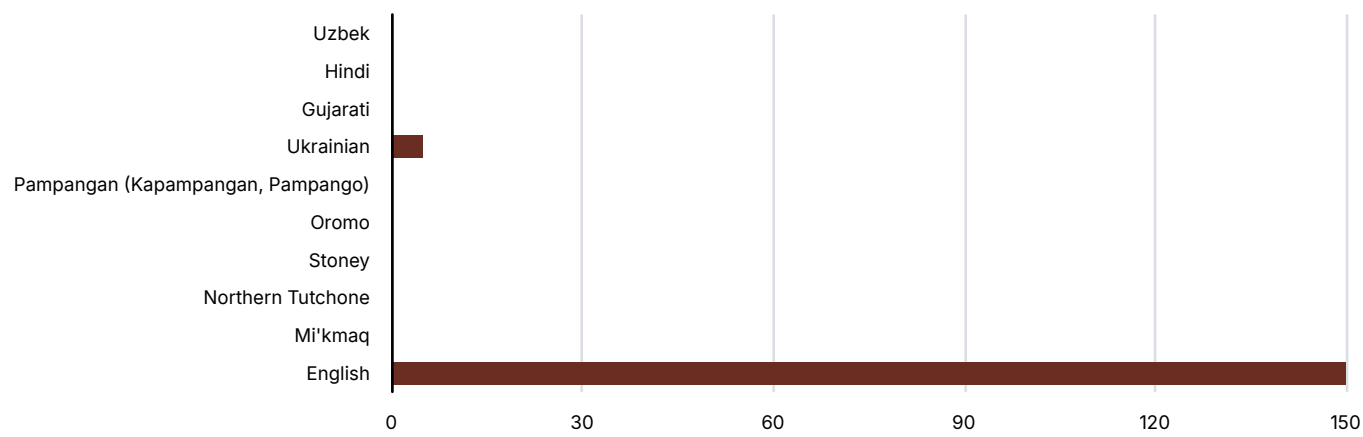


Figure 15.1: Shows the first language learned and still understood by residents. It helps indicate the linguistic roots of the population. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, mother tongue data for 2021 shows a very concentrated linguistic profile. English is the clear dominant first language still understood by residents, while Ukrainian appears in a much smaller count. Several other listed languages record no residents at all. English is reported for 150 people, with a 66.7% five-year increase. Ukrainian is reported for 5 people. Mi'kmaq, Northern Tutchone, Stoney, Oromo, Pampangan, Gujarati, Hindi, and Uzbek are all at zero. The pattern points to a small population with limited language diversity and a sharp recent rise in English mother tongue counts. Source: Statistics Canada, Census Profile.

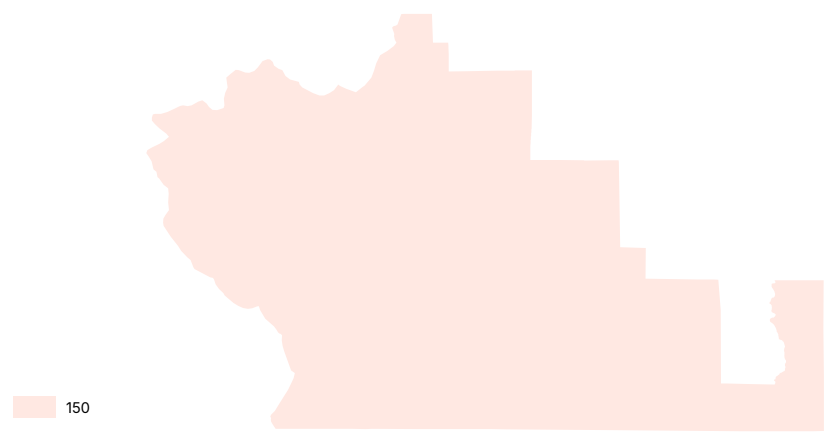


Figure 15.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Language - English (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, mother tongue is overwhelmingly concentrated in English. In 2021, 150 residents reported English as their first language learned and still understood, while Ukrainian was reported by 5 people. The remaining languages listed in the profile were recorded at zero. That pattern points to a very narrow linguistic mix in the resident population excluding institutional residents. English accounts for nearly all reported mother tongues here, with only a small recorded presence of another language.

Visible Minority

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had no visible minority group counts in 2021. In 2016, Southeast Asian was largest at 25 people, while Filipino and Latin American each counted 10.

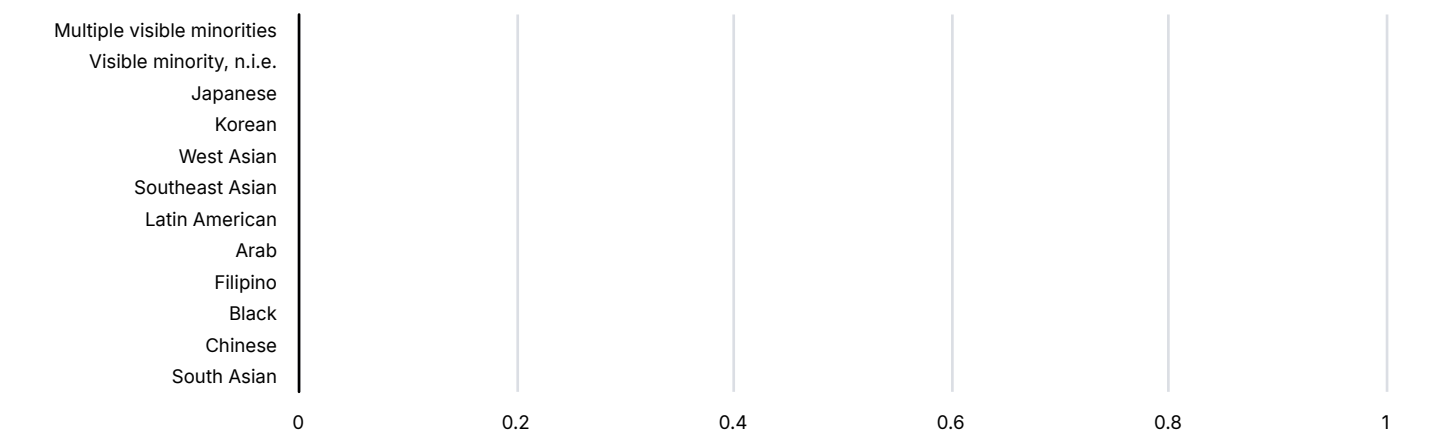


Figure 16.1: Shows residents who identify as belonging to visible minority groups. It helps indicate racialized population diversity in the community. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton recorded no residents in any visible minority category within the population in private households. Every listed group, including South Asian, Chinese, Black, Filipino, Arab, Latin American, Southeast Asian, West Asian, Korean, Japanese, visible minority not included elsewhere, and multiple visible minorities, was reported at 0 people. The pattern is uniform rather than mixed: there were no counts to distinguish one group from another, and the 5-year change shown for the few categories with prior values also points to zero remaining. For this topic, the data presents a location with no recorded visible minority population in the census profile.



Figure 16.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Visible Minority - South Asian (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton recorded no visible minority residents in private households. Every visible minority category in the census profile was at zero, including South Asian, Chinese, Black, Filipino, Arab, Latin American, Southeast Asian, West Asian, Korean, Japanese, visible minority not included elsewhere, and multiple visible minorities. The pattern is also unchanged in the descendant dissemination area, where each category was likewise zero. The data point to no measured visible minority presence in this census snapshot.

Age Groups

Improvement District No. 4 Waterton's population was largest among those aged 30 to 34 years at 25 people in 2021, up 400.0% from 5 in 2016. Ages 20 to 24 and 25 to 29 also grew to 15 and 20 people.

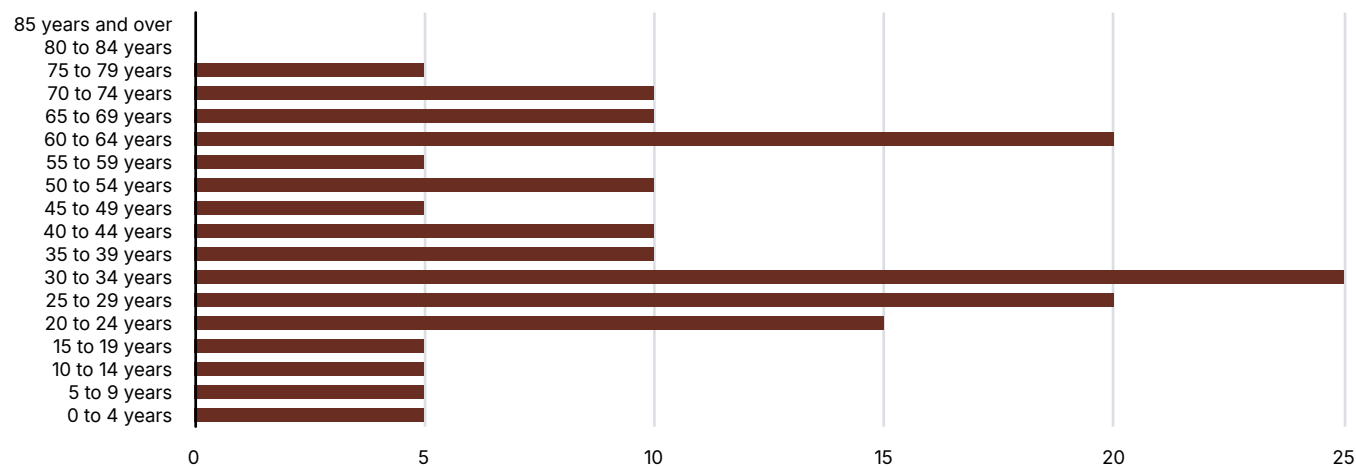
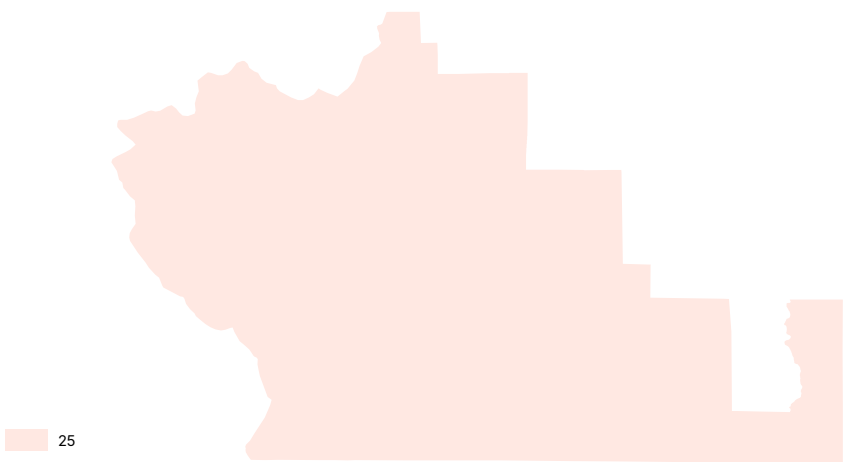


Figure 17.1: Shows how the population is distributed across age groups. It helps explain the community's age structure and stage of life profile. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had a small and uneven age profile, with the largest groups concentrated in mid-adulthood and later working ages. The biggest cohort was people aged 30 to 34 years at 25 people, followed by 25 to 29 years and 60 to 64 years at 20 each. Children aged 0 to 4 years numbered 5, down 50% over five years, while ages 20 to 24 rose to 15, up 200%, and ages 30 to 34 increased 400%. Several older groups were stable or small, including 80 to 84 years at 0, down 100%.



In 2021, Improvement District No. 4 Waterton had a small, mixed-age population, led by ages 30 to 34 at 25 people and 60 to 64 at 20. Younger children and older seniors were limited, with 0 to 4 years at 5 and both 80 to 84 and 85+ at 0.

Figure 17.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Age Group - 30 to 34 years (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Family Type

Married couple without children remained the largest family type in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton at 15 people in 2021, unchanged from 2016. Married couples with children doubled to 10 people.

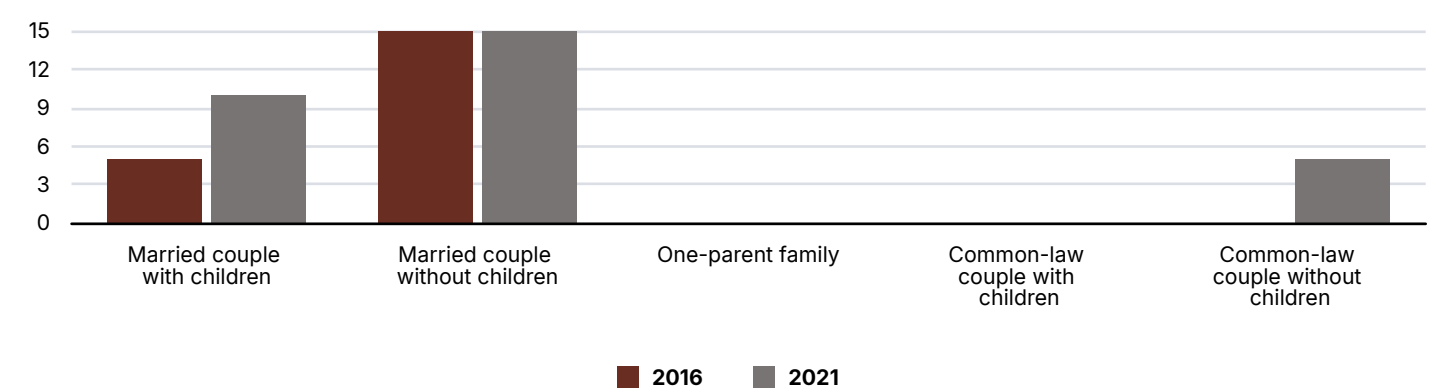


Figure 18.1: Shows the mix of family types, such as couple families and lone-parent families. It helps indicate the structure of family life in the community. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2016-2021)¹

In 2021, family type in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton was concentrated among couple families in private households. Married couples without children accounted for 15 people, while married couples with children totalled 10. Smaller counts appeared among common-law couples without children at 5 people, and there were no common-law couples with children or one-parent families. The 5-year change points to growth in married couples with children, which rose by 100%, while married couples without children were unchanged. Source: Statistics Canada, Census Profile.

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, family type is concentrated among couple families in 2021. Married couples without children are the largest group at 15 people, followed by married couples with children at 10 and common-law couples without children at 5. No one-parent families or common-law couples with children are recorded. The pattern is narrow and stable, with a 5-year change of 0 for married couples without children and 100 for married couples with children. With only 30 census family members counted in this profile, the family structure is small and largely centered on married couple households.

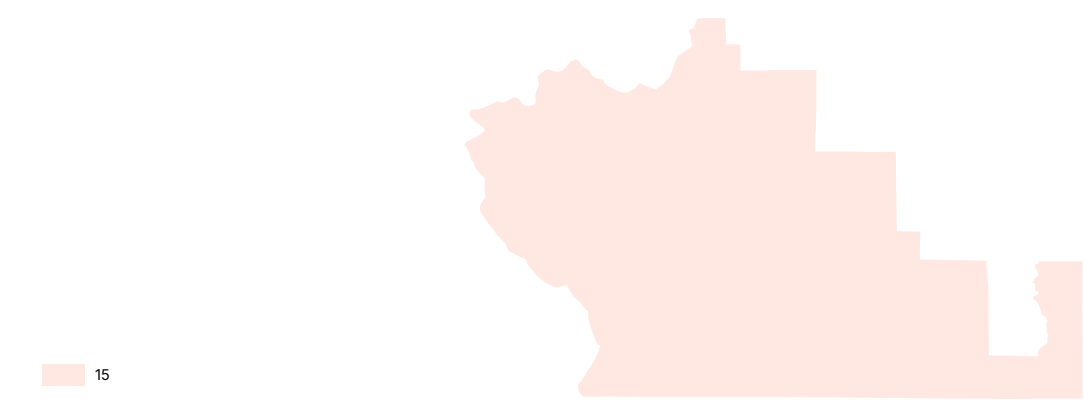


Figure 18.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Family Type - Married couple without children (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Ethnic Origin

English is the largest ethnic origin in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton at 50 people. German rose the most over five years, doubling to 45, while Canadian reached 30 and Scottish 40.

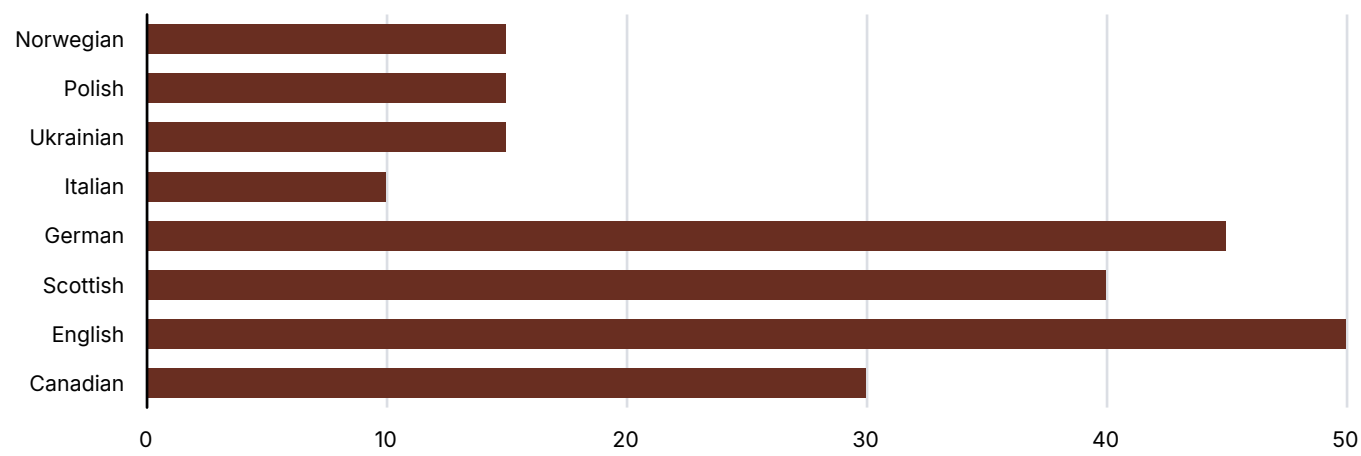
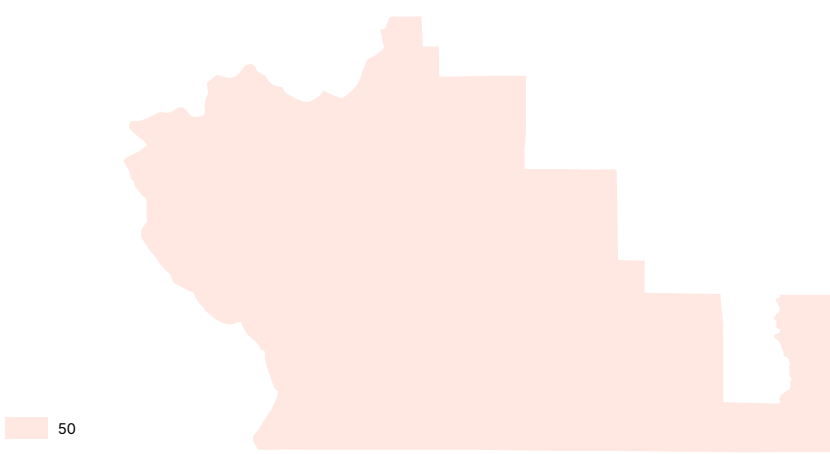


Figure 19.1: Shows the ethnic or cultural origins reported by residents. It helps indicate ancestry patterns and the community's cultural makeup. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, ethnic origin patterns in 2021 were concentrated in a small set of reported ancestries, with Canadian, English, Scottish, and German appearing most often. Canadian was reported by 30 people, followed by English at 50, Scottish at 40, and German at 45. Smaller counts were recorded for Italian, Ukrainian, Polish, and Norwegian, each at 10 to 15 people. The five-year change points to growth in several of the larger origins: Canadian rose by 200, German by 200, and English and Scottish each by 100. Ukrainian and Norwegian increased by 50, while Italian and Polish had no reported change.



In Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, reported ethnic origin in 2021 was concentrated in a small set of ancestries, with English at 50 people, German at 45, Scottish at 40 and Canadian at 30. Smaller groups included Ukrainian, Polish and Norwegian at 15 each, while Italian was reported by 10 people. The pattern suggests a mixed but fairly compact ancestry profile, with a few origins accounting for most responses.

Figure 19.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Ethnic Origin - English (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

Employment by Sector

Accommodation and food services remained the largest employer in 2025 with 330 people, down 9.8% from 2024 but up 31.0% over five years. Health care rose to 10 people, up 900.0% year over year.

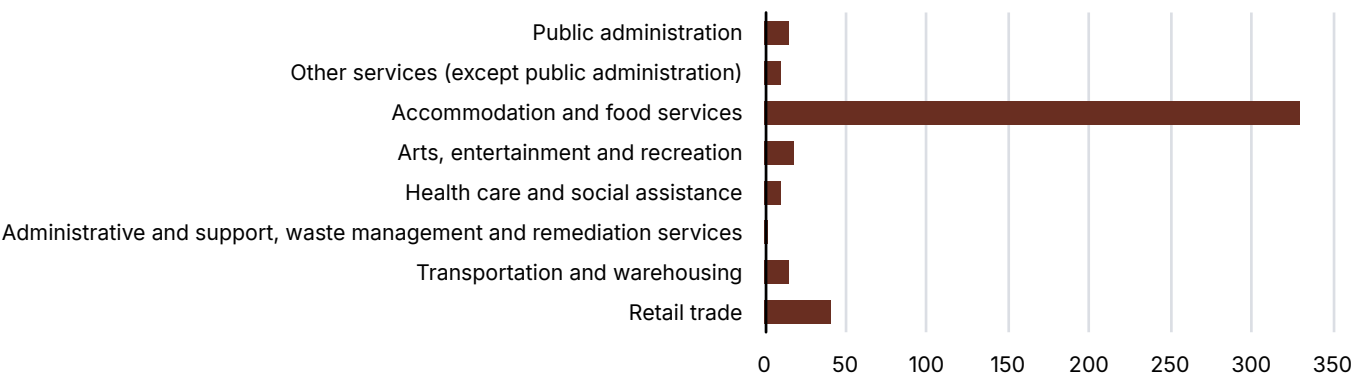


Figure 20.1: Shows how employment is distributed across industry sectors. It helps indicate which sectors account for the largest share of local jobs. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2025)³

In 2025, employment in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton was concentrated in a few sectors, with accommodation and food services clearly dominating at 330 people. Retail trade followed at 41, while arts, entertainment and recreation accounted for 18 and transportation and warehousing for 15. Over time, accommodation and food services was still above its 5-year level, up 31%, despite a 9.8% dip in the past year. Retail trade also edged higher over both periods.

Employment in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton is concentrated in accommodation and food services, which accounts for 330 people in 2025. Retail trade follows with 41, while arts, entertainment and recreation has 18 and transportation and warehousing 15. Health care and social assistance is 10 after a sharp 900% increase, while public administration is also 15. Arts and other services declined. The pattern points to a service-heavy job mix, with hospitality clearly dominating local employment.

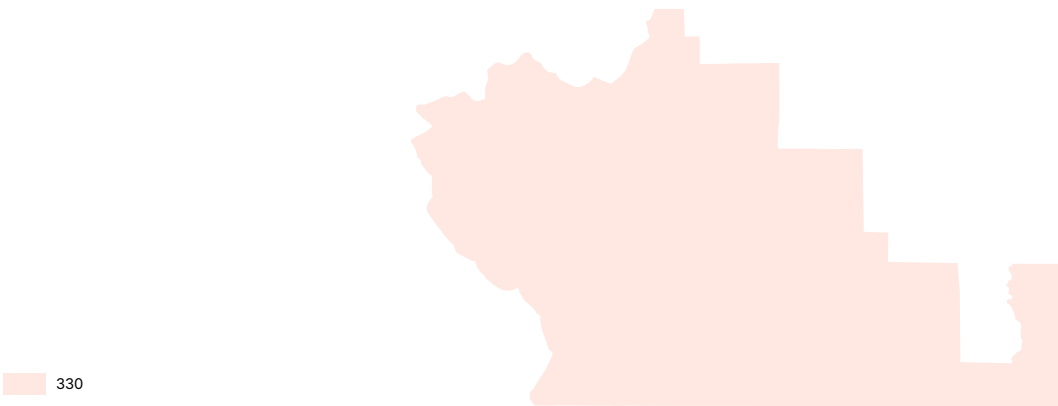


Figure 20.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Naics - Accommodation and food services (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)³

Employed Residents by Occupation

In 2021, business, finance and administration occupations were the largest group at 20 people, tied with sales and service occupations. Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations fell to zero from 15 in 2016.

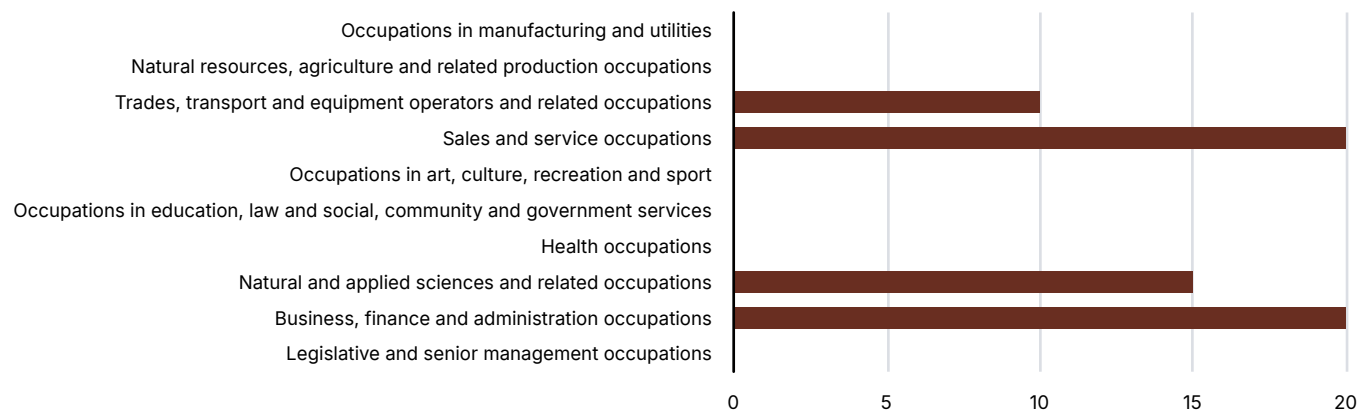


Figure 21.1: Shows the occupations held by employed residents. It helps indicate the community's skill mix and the kinds of work people do. (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton, 2021)¹

In 2021, employed residents in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton were concentrated in a small set of occupations, with the largest counts in sales and service occupations and business, finance and administration occupations, at 20 people each. Natural and applied sciences and related occupations followed with 15 people, while trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations accounted for 10. Several other occupation groups recorded no employed residents. The 5-year changes were mixed. Sales and service occupations rose by 100%, while business, finance and administration occupations fell by 20%. Legislative and senior management occupations, education, law and social, community and government services, and natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations each declined to zero.

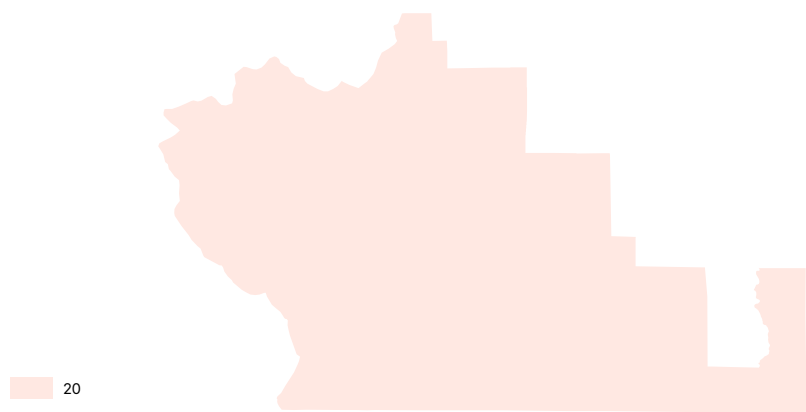


Figure 21.2: Distribution of Largest Group: Occupation - Business, finance and administration occupations (Improvement District No. 4 Waterton)¹

In 2021, employed residents in Improvement District No. 4 Waterton were concentrated in a few occupation groups, with sales and service occupations and business, finance and administration occupations each at 20 people. Natural and applied sciences and related occupations followed at 15, while trades, transport and equipment operators accounted for 10. Several other groups, including management, health, education, and natural resources, recorded no employed residents. The pattern suggests a small, narrow occupational mix.

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