

General Overview

Why should You Live, Work & Play in The Central Okanagan?

The Central Okanagan will help you find the perfect balance between the demanding work as a physician with the recreational lifestyle and culture that is unique to this region.

Want to catch a glimpse of what we mean? Watch <u>this video</u> showcasing a little bit about the Okanagan region; one of the most sought-after destinations in Canada and even the world. It's nice, we know. But how **livable** is it, will I want to establish my career here and is it a **good place to raise a family**? The answer to both is an undeniable "Yes!"

The four distinct seasons of the Okanagan facilitates **an active lifestyle**, and outdoor pastime and local arts and cultural events in each and every season. There are many **opportunities to focus your practice** in areas of medicine that you find appealing. With options for quality education, from preschool to post-graduate, and numerous spousal career opportunities, both you and your family can continue to build upon your education, training and career. You and your family will love it here; **come for lifestyle and stay for the medicine**.

The Central Okanagan includes the following cities and municipalities:

- Lake Country
- Kelowna
- Region of West Kelowna
- West Bank First Nations
- Peachland

Weather

This region is one of the most livable in Canada with regards to weather. With four distinct seasons, you can enjoy snowy winters, without dipping too far into the negatives. In the summer, enjoy a bug-free sunshine, with refreshing lakes and trees surrounding you.

- Average Hours of Sunshine: over 2000 per year
- Average Snowfall: 139.8cm in the valleys (varies by city). Up to 644cm on the mountains
- Frost Free Days: 120-175 days annually
- Average maximum temperature (summer): 28.4 C/84 F (it is not unusual for summer temperatures to reach well above 30C/86 F)
- Average minimum temperature (winter): -8.8 C/16 F
- More interesting facts about Okanagan region



Major Industries

- o Tourism
- o Fresh fruit and by-products
- Wineries
- Forestry
- o Mining
- Light industry
- o Agriculture

Housing

- The average sale price of a home in the Okanagan is currently: \$464,916
- Mortgage Interest Rate in %: 3.56 (yearly)

Rental Prices:

| Apartment (1 bedroom) in City Centre | 933.33 C\$ |
|------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Apartment (1 bedroom) Outside of Centre | 800.00 C\$ |
| Apartment (3 bedrooms) in City Centre | 1,600.00 C\$ |
| Apartment (3 bedrooms) Outside of Centre | 1,287.50 C\$ |

Real Estate

- Looking for a comprehensive house listing?
 - o MLS Listings
 - o By Area Listing
 - o For Sale by Owner

Cost of Living