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Other major cities and towns in Alberta include Banff, Fort McMurray, Grande Prairie, Camrose, Lethbridge, Red Deer, Medicine Hat, and Lloydminster.

Across the country Alberta is the largest producer of crude oil, synthetic crude, natural gas and gas products. Two of the largest producers of petrochemicals in North America are located in central and north central [Alberta](http://www.pixibot.com/74-alberta). Both Edmonton and Red Deer have world class polyethylene and vinyl manufacturers that produce products shipped all over the world. Edmonton's oil refineries provide the raw materials for a large petrochemical industry to the east of Edmonton.

The Athabasca Oil Sands have estimated oil reserves that exceeds that of the

rest of the world. estimated to be 1.5 trillion barrels. With the increased producticity of extraction methods, bitumen and economical synthetic crude are produced at costs nearing that of conventional crude. This technology is helpgin Alberta grow and develop.

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