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	Population 2021:	9,134 > 20% growth from 2016
	Median Age:	58.4
	Median Total Household Income in 2020:	\$63,600 > 18.3% growth from \$53,742 in 2015
	Median Home Price Resale:	N/A
	Median Home Price New:	N/A
	Major Industries Breakdown:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Construction 2. Real Estate and Rental and Leasing 3. Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
	Average Commute Time:	20.4 minutes

Business Count 2022

Without Employees

482

With Employees

262

Total

744



**WESTBANK
FIRST NATION**
(Tsinstikeptum 10)



Demographics

	Population 2021:	1,766 > 24.7% growth from 2016
	Median Age:	52.0
	Median Total Household Income in 2020:	\$90,000 > 16.5% growth from \$77,227 in 2015
	Median Home Price Resale:	N/A
	Median Home Price New:	N/A
	Major Industries Breakdown:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Real Estate and Rental and Leasing 2. Construction 3. Professional, Scientific and Technical Services
	Average Commute Time:	18.2 minutes

Business Count 2022

Without
Employees
146

With
Employees
54

Total
200

Source: [Census 2021](#)



Located in south-central British Columbia, Westbank First Nation (WFN) is one of eight Okanagan Nation communities, proudly upholding a rich syilx cultural heritage.

A division of the Interior Salish, the syilx traditional territories extend from the south-central interior of British Columbia to North Central Washington State. The syilx people speak the nsyilxcən language and have called this valley home for thousands of years, with their traditional territories spanning from the BC Interior to Washington State.

Offering a unique blend of natural beauty and traditional practices, WFN offers vibrant community experiences like Indigenous tours, art galleries, and outdoor activities. Stroll around the Kalamoior Regional Park or savour local flavours at Indigenous-owned businesses, [WFN](#) has something for everyone to enjoy.

Rather than being governed under Canada’s Indian Act, WFN has been governed under a modern and comprehensive set of community laws since 2005, with full jurisdictional control over its lands and resources. Being the first Reserve in Canada supported by Land Title Insurance, WFN’s pioneering land tenure system is guaranteed alongside a modern taxation system, ensuring safe investments.

WFN’s reserve lands are comprised of five land parcels totalling 5,340 acres next to the cities of Kelowna and West Kelowna. Forty percent of WFN lands are developed and are fully serviced with cable, water, sewer and other utilities. The remaining reserves are very desirable for future economic growth, as the area responds to increasing demands for development.

As a proud leader in Indigenous self-government, WFN and its administration champions progressive economic, cultural, and social services for its members, residents and businesses, while embracing the vital role of tourism in its economy.

Setting a remarkable example, WFN boasts Canada’s largest commercial development and a dynamic non-Indigenous population. The pioneering Westbank First Nation Economic Development Commission fosters a self-sufficient, business-oriented community, strengthening connections between government, members, and enterprises. WFN shines as a beacon of Indigenous excellence across Canada.

WFN stands out among First Nations across Canada. WFN has the largest commercial development, the highest non-Indigenous population and has created the first First Nation Economic Development Commission in Canada. With a vision of being a healthy, business-oriented community that is economically self-sufficient, WFN’s EDC prioritizes business retention, facilitation and attraction. It also provides linkages between government, members and businesses.

Key Facts

There are approximately 855 Westbank First Nation Members, the majority of whom reside on reserve along with 10,000 non-Member residents.

WFN supports 500 businesses on the reserve, including many international box stores and more than a dozen major financial institutions.

