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Mirabel, Quebec

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The Belle-Rivière Estate in Sainte-Scholastique, built in 1804

Mirabel is a city in Quebec, Canada. It is an off-island suburb north-west of Montreal.

Mirabel is also the name of a territory equivalent to a regional county municipality (TE) and census division (CD) of Quebec, coextensive with the city of Mirabel. [3] Its

geographical code is 74. Prior to 2002, Mirabel was not only a city but also comprised the Mirabel Regional County Municipality.

Mirabel's population was 41,957 as of the Canada 2011 Census. It is currently the fastest growing city in Canada, [citation needed] with a growth rate of 21.2% in the 2011 census.^[3]

The city is home to Montréal-Mirabel International Airport.

A recreation and tourist project, named Lac-Mirabel, will be located in Mirabel. It will be an investment of \$350 million and will create some 3200 jobs.

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History

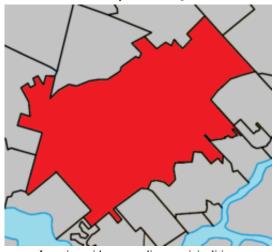
See also: Montréal-Mirabel International Airport#Development

Mirabel was formed through the expropriation of private lands and the merger of 8 municipalities in 1971. The former municipalities were (with their individual founding dates in brackets): Saint-Augustin (1855); Saint-Benoît (1855); Saint-Hermas (1855); Saint-Janvier-de-Blainville (1855); Sainte-Scholastique (1855); Saint-Canut (1857); Sainte-Monique (1872), and Saint-Janvier-de-la-Croix (1959). Initially called Ville de Sainte-Scholastique and renamed to Mirabel in 1973, the city was

Mirabel



Location in province of Quebec.



Location with surrounding municipalities.



Location in central Quebec.

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planned to become a vast transportation and industrial hub for eastern Canada with Montréal-Mirabel International Airport at its centre.^[4]

The airport, which opened in 1975, never became a major aviation hub and the industrial parks never materialized, and in 2004 the airport closed to all passenger traffic.

In 2000, about 10 square kilometers of Mirabel's territory was annexed by Lachute.

Communities

Province Quebec Region Laurentides **RCM** None Constituted January 1, 1971 City Hall^[2] 14111, rue Saint-Jean, Mirabel Government^[2] Hubert Meilleur • Mayor Federal riding Argenteuil—Papineau— Mirabel • Prov. riding Mirabel Area[2][3] 486.80 km² (187.95 sq mi) • Total 485.59 km² (187.49 sq mi) • Land Population $(2011)^{[3]}$ • Total 41.957 • Density 86.4/km² (224/sq mi) • Pop 2006-2011 **1** 21.2% • Dwellings 16,374 Time zone EST (UTC-5) • Summer (DST) EDT (UTC-4) Postal code(s) J7J, J7N Area code(s) 450 and 579 **Highways** Route 117 Route 148 Route 158 Website www.ville.mirabel.qc.ca (http://www.ville.mirabel.qc.ca)

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Country

- La Belle-Rivière
- La Chapelle
- Mirabel-en-Haut
- Petit St-Charles
- Saint-Augustin
- Saint-Benoît

- Saint-Canut
- Sainte-Monique
- Saint-Hermas
- Saint-Janvier
- Sainte-Scholastique

Demographics

Population trend:^[5]

- Population in 2011: 41957 (2006 to 2011 population change: 21.2%)
- Population in 2006: 34,626 (2001 to 2006 population change: 26.8%)
- Population in 2001: 27,330
- Population in 1996: 22,689 (or 22,626 when adjusted for current boundary)
- Population in 1991: 17,971

Private dwellings occupied by usual residents: 15763 (total dwellings: 16374)

Mother tongue:

English as first language: 1.5%
 Franch as first language: 96%

■ French as first language: 96%

• English and French as first language: 0.5%

• Other as first language: 2%

Economy

When Nolisair (Nationair) was in existence, its headquarters were in the Nationair Building on the property of Montréal-Mirabel International Airport. [6]

Sister cities

• Châlons-en-Champagne (France)[citation needed]

See also

Mirabel Aerospace Centre

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External links

Ville de Mirabel Website (French only) (http://ville.mirabel.qc.ca)

Adjacent Subdivisions

Adjacent Counties & Equivalent Territories

Categories: Cities and towns in Quebec | Census divisions of Quebec | Territories equivalent to a regional county municipality | Incorporated places in Laurentides | Greater Montreal

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