

Parties, Polling Places, Policy

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Alberta population, 1935: 772,782
 William Aberhart's Sunday afternoon radio audiences, 1935: 350,000
 CFCN's percentage share of Calgary radio audience as measured on April 14, 1935:
 19 [hourly average]
 60 [for Aberhart's program]
 Number of years the Sexual Sterilization Act was in force in Alberta: 44 [1928–1972]
 Total number of sterilizations carried out under Act: 2,822
 Average number per year this represents: 64
 Year the Roman Catholic men's club Knights of Columbus urged repeal of Act: 1946
 Number of years Ernest Manning was Premier of Alberta: 25 [1943–1968]
 Average per cent share of seats Social Credit won in six elections 1944–1967: 85
 Smallest percentage of seats won in any of those six elections: 60 [1955]
 Largest percentage of seats won in any of those six elections: 95 [1963]
 Percentage of seats Social Credit held after Lougheed win of 1971: 33; by 1982: 0

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Highest and lowest percentage voter turnouts in Alberta history: 80 [1935], 41 [2008]
 Highest and lowest percentage voter turnouts in 2008, by constituency: 54 [Dunvegan–
 Central Peace], 21 [Fort McMurray–Wood Buffalo]
 Number of hits at www.elections.ab.ca on election day, 2008: 630,000
 Number of hours the website was “down”: 2.5
 Population increase in Alberta between 2005 and 2008 elections: 299,555
 At June 2007 byelections, estimated percentage of voters list that was inaccurate: 25
 At March 2008 general election, estimated percentage of voters list that was inaccurate: 50
 Number of people not on the voter's list who had to be sworn in on election day: 257,176
 Number of people who left chaotic polling stations rather than line up to be sworn
 in or to vote: unknown
 Months before the 2004 election that Returning Officers (ROs) were hired: 13;
 weeks before the 2008 election most ROs were hired: 2–6
 Percentage of 2008 ROs who had close ties to the PC party: 50

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Of Fraser Institute 2007 gross revenue of \$12.7-million, percentages that came from:
 foundations, 53
 organizations and corporations, 34
 individuals, 13
 Of Pembina Institute 2007 gross revenue of \$4.3-million, percentages that came from:
 grants and sponsorship, 50
 fees, fundraising, donations, sales, interest, et cetera, 50
 Of Canada West Foundation 2007 revenue of \$2.7-million, percentages that came from:
 corporations and foundations, 53
 government, individuals and non-profits, 47
 Number of publications, 2007, from the Fraser Institute: 76;
 from the Pembina Institute: 365;
 from the Canada West Foundation: 32 (including 3 issues of *Dialogues* magazine);
 from the Manning Centre for Building Democracy: 76

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