

OVERVIEW OF MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF

# ARGYLE

Located in Southwestern Nova Scotia, the Municipality of the District of Argyle encompasses an area of approximately 1,500 km2 and is home to a substantial Acadian population. The fishing industry has always been the mainstay of the local economy since its foundation. The village of West Pubnico has several food service businesses, in addition to fish plants and a major wind farm. It is important to note that residents of this area have preserved the unique pronunciation of their French dialect as inherited from their ancestors.

As of 2016, there were 7,900 residents in the Municipality of Argyle with 43.2% (corresponding to a little more than 3,200 individuals) self-identifying as French first-language speakers. In comparison, 3.2% of the population of Nova Scotia identified themselves as having French as their first-language.

Population Francophones ARGYLE 7.900 43 %

### SUPPORT AND INTEGRATION SERVICES FOR NEWCOMERS TO CANADA

Your integration into the Argyle region is important. There are many organizations whose mandate is to facilitate your economic and social integration.

If you are an employer who is interested in immigration programs as a means of recruiting new employees, the Economic Immigration Officer at the CDÉNÉ will provide you with general information on federal and provincial immigration programs and help you to identify qualified international candidates:

### agentimmigration@cdene.ns.ca

If you want to start a business or are interested in entrepreneurship, contact the Business Advisor for Immigrant Entrepreneurs at the CDÉNÉ:

### conseillerimmigration@cdene.ns.ca

You can also contact Immigration francophone de la Nouvelle-Écosse for settlement and social integration services:

immigrationfrancophonene.ca

### SELF-EMPLOYMENT AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

In the Municipality of Argyle, one can be self-employed, an entrepreneur, or even purchase an existing business. Self-employed persons include business owners, freelance workers, and fixed fee / contract workers. We encourage individuals to communicate with us so we may accompany them in their entrepreneurial planning and success.

The Argyle region offers numerous opportunities for newcomers to Canada. In addition to being a community where Individuals will find a pleasant quality of life with culture and nature abounding, there are also significant opportunities for business succession in Argyle. Please contact our CDÉNÉ representatives to learn more about these exciting possibilities.

#### FRANCOPHONE COMMUNITY

Community involvement in Argyle is very vibrant, as can be attested by the large number of community-initiated activities, whether cultural, sports-related, or those of community interest. There is also a significant number of French-language associations and committees in the area. The Conseil acadien de Par-en-Bas is the association which represents the francophone community in this region, with the aim of promoting cultural, linguistic, and community development for Acadians and Francophones in Argyle.

### FRANCOPHONE UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE CAMPUS

The Tusket campus of Université Sainte-Anne, the only francophone post-secondary institution in Nova Scotia, offers university and college programs and courses on a part- and full-time basis to students in southwest Nova Scotia and province-wide. Students in Argyle are able to participate in distance education courses offered through videoconferencing, while benefitting from their proximity to the institution's main campus at Church Point, with less than an hour of travel time between the two campuses.

Students at the Tusket campus are afforded access to the same services and resources provided to those attending the main campus: library, sports facilities, counselling services, and so on.

usainteanne.ca



## CONSEIL DE DÉVELOPPEMENT ÉCONOMIQUE DE LA NOUVELLE-ÉCOSSE

To learn more about economic development services available through the CDÉNÉ, please visit our website.

### cdene.ns.ca/en

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### **LOOKING FOR A JOB?**

The Conseil de développement économique de la Nouvelle-Écosse (CDÉNÉ) in conjunction with Nova Scotia Works offers the following services free of charge:

- Advice and orientation
- Labor market information
- Job search assistance

**Most prevalent jobs** 

- Networking opportunities within the business community
- Introducing clients to potential employers
- · Assistance with resume writing and interview preparation

### MOST PREVALENT OCCUPATIONS AND TRADES IN THE DISTRICT OF ARGYLE

according to the profession			in the service sector		
	22 %	Primary sector occupations	15 %	Wholesale and retail trade	
	19 %	Sales and services	13 %	Commercial services	
	12 %	Business, finances and administration	12 %	Other services	
	10 %	Trades, transport and equipment operators	11%	Health care, social services	
	9 %	Education, public administration, social sciences and religion			
	9 %	Processing, manufacturing and public utility			
	6 % Health				

**Most prevalent jobs** 

### **FRENCH IN ARGYLE**

1,880 people speak French at work

4,800 people claim they are able to communicate in French

### **FRENCH IN NOVA SCOTIA**

19,780 people speak French at work

 $96,085 \quad \text{people claim they are able} \\ \text{to communicate in French}$ 

### **INCOME IN ARGYLE**

MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS IN 2015

\$31,175

MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME OF ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN 2015

\$64,448

**MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME OF FAMILIES IN 2015** 

\$77,824

#### WHO ARE WE?

The Conseil de développement économique de la Nouvelle-Écosse (CDÉNÉ) is a not-for-profit provincial, French-language organization dedicated to the economic advancement of Acadian and Francophone communities across Nova Scotia. Founded in 1999, it is the only francophone provincial organization which operates specifically in the realm of economic development.

The CDÉNÉ is part of the economic development and employability network of Canada, the Réseau de développement économique et d'employabilité (RDÉE Canada). The RDÉE offers a wide range of support activities and services, with its presence in Nova Scotia being ensured through the CDÉNÉ.

The CDÉNÉ offers solutions to businesses, non-profit organizations, job seekers, newcomers to Canada, and community groups with the aim of fostering economic development. Our personalized approach, combined with the knowledge and expertise of our staff, allow us to collaborate to find the best possible solutions to support your successful initiatives.





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