



Prairie Ecozone

The Prairie Ecozone occupies a semi-circular area that has its base on the Canada-U.S. border and arcs from the western edge of Alberta to the eastern edge of Manitoba.

Climatic characteristics include over 400 mm of precipitation annually. The mean daily January temperatures of -22.5°C to -25°C and mean daily July temperatures of 15°C to 17.5°C .



Characteristic mammals of the Prairie Ecozone include mule and white-tailed deer, elk, coyote, pronghorn antelope, and white-tailed jack rabbit.

Unique bird species include ferruginous hawk, great prairie chicken, sage grouse, American avocet and burrowing owl.

This ecozone includes:

- [Elk Island National Park of Canada](#)
- [Grasslands National Park of Canada](#)

Reference: Lands Directorate, *Terrestrial Ecozones Of Canada*, Ecological Land Classification No. 19, 1986, p. 26.

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