

Fall Creek, *Wisconsin*

Fall Creek, Wisconsin is known far and wide as Cricket Country, USA! The nickname cricket comes from the name adopted by the local high school for its various organizations and teams. The people of the Fall Creek area are proud of their community and the many accomplishments of their young people.

An integral part of the Eau Claire MSA, Fall Creek has grown significantly in the past decade while still offering a small town environment with the benefits of a larger city close by. Fall Creek is home to three village parks, providing ball fields, tennis courts, and picnic facilities. Only minutes from the Village is Beaver Creek Reserve and Hobbs Observatory, an outdoor environment education facility known throughout the upper Midwest.

Fall Creek's country atmosphere, fine school system, proximity to Eau Claire, excellent urban services, and the affinity among the people make it a prime location for residential living as well as an ideal place for business development.



Population

Place	1990	2000	2009
Fall Creek	1,080	1,236	1,328
Eau Claire County	85,183	93,142	98,286
Eau Claire MSA	137,543	148,337	158,742

Source: Wisconsin Department of Administration

Government Structure

The Village of Fall Creek is governed by a Village Board. The Board consists of a President and six Trustees who are all elected to two-year terms. Fall Creek provides a police department headed by a Police Chief along with one full-time officer and three part-time officers. The Village is served by a volunteer fire department. All emergency personnel are dispatched through the county wide Eau Claire Emergency Communications Center. In addition to standard services, the Village maintains the Fall Creek Public Library, which is part of the extensive (32 libraries) West-Central Wisconsin MORE public library system. Fall Creek has a fire rating of five.



Travel Time to Fall Creek

To and From Fall Creek	MILES	HOURS
Eau Claire, WI	9	0.25
La Crosse, WI	87	1.5
Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN	97	1.6
Wausau, WI	85	2
Superior, WI/Duluth, MN	166	3
Madison, WI	185	3
Green Bay, WI	187	3.5
Milwaukee, WI	237	4
Chicago, WI	313	5.2

Transportation

Highways

Fall Creek is located on U.S. Highway 12, and Country Road K; which is a direct connection to U.S. Highway 29, the main transportation route to Green Bay. Fall Creek is 12 miles from Interstate Highway 94, the main route between Chicago, Milwaukee, Madison, and Minneapolis/St. Paul.

Air

The Chippewa Valley Regional Airport, located in the northwest corner of the City of Eau Claire, meets the following specifications:

Elevation: 913 Feet

Lights: HIRL

Fuel: Jet A and 100LL

Runways: (2) 8, 101' X 150' and 4,999' X 100'

Surface: 04/22 - Concrete, 14/32 - Asphalt/Concrete

ATCT: Check the airport facility directory for frequencies and hours of operation.

NavAids: ILS, MALSR, NDB, REIL, PAPI/VASI, ASOS, VOR

United Airlines in Eau Claire connects with O'Hare International Airport in Chicago, offering several daily connecting flights. Heartland Aviation offers business and medical jet charter service. Aircraft tie-down/hangar facilities and aircraft repair are available. A full service restaurant and rental cars are available on site.

Rail

Union Pacific Transportation Company services the Eau Claire Area.

Freight & Cargo

Eau Claire County has a wide variety of express service carriers to accommodate regional, national, and international business.

Eau Claire County Financial Institutions

Institution	Number of County Locations	Deposits (in thousands)
Alliance Bank	2	\$53,657
Anchor Bank	1	\$47,306
Associated Bank	7	\$123,552
Bank Mutual	5	\$97,886
Charter Bank Eau Claire	1	\$420,869
Citizens Community Federal	4	\$162,019
M & I (Marshall & Ilsley) Bank	4	\$105,251
Mid-Wisconsin Bank	1	\$4,252
Northwestern Bank	1	\$24,535
Peoples Bank of Wisconsin	1	\$57,499
Pigeon Falls State Bank	1	\$14,801
Security Financial Bank	1	\$7,578
United Bank	1	\$20,115
Unity Bank	2	\$59,982
U.S. Bank	4	\$145,771
Wells Fargo Bank	4	\$157,680

Source: FDIC Deposit Market Share Reports, June 30, 2009

Taxes

2009-10 Property Taxes

Rate per \$1,000 equalized value

Municipality	7.09
County (Eau Claire)	3.63
School	9.34
Technical	1.66
Total Gross	21.72
State Credit	1.61
Net Tax Rate	20.11

Source: Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance

Utilities

Water and Sewer

The Village of Fall Creek is serviced by a municipal water system that has two wells and a 250,000 gallon water tower. The average usage of 80,000 gallons per day with the capacity to pump 446,400 gallons per day. The Village has a municipal sewage plant that is designed to handle 191,000 gallons per day with an average flow of 75,000 gallons per day.

Electricity & Natural Gas

Xcel Energy is the No. 1 renewable energy provider in Wisconsin and serves 240,000 electric and 100,000 natural gas customers in more than 200 communities in the northwestern part of the state. The company's power plants have become a model for creative use of fuels and are the nation's No. 1 provider of wind energy. For more information, please visit www.xcelenergy.com or call 1.800.895.4999.

Telecommunications/Cable

CenturyLink provides local telephone service and internet access in Fall Creek.

Phone: 1.800.201.4102

Web Site: www.centurylink.com

Packerland Broadband provides local cable and internet services in Fall Creek.

Phone: 1.800.236.8434

Labor

	March 2010 Labor Force	March 2010 Unemployment Rate
Eau Claire County	51,518	7.6%
Eau Claire MSA	81,301	8.5%

Source: Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development

Income

	2008 Estimated Median Household Income
Eau Claire County	\$48,308

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Housing

	Village of Fall Creek*	Eau Claire County
Total Housing	495	41,255
Owner Occupied	354	25,987
Renter Occupied	122	12,842
Total Occupied	476	38,829
% Occupied	96.20%	94.1%

U.S. Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey

*Fall Creek Data is from 2000 Census, no current data available

Home Sale Price Average 2010 Median 2010

	\$127,900	\$134,000
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Source: education.com/eppraisal.com, Realtors Assn. of Northwestern Wisconsin

Education

School District of Fall Creek

Public Schools	2008-2009 Enrollment
Fall Creek Elementary School	347
Fall Creek Middle School	201
Fall Creek High School	283

Source: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

Phone: 715.877.2123 Website: <http://www.fallcreek.k12.wi.us/>

Nearby Eau Claire is home to a four-year university and technical college.

The **University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire** is one of the best and most affordable public regional universities in the United States, according to U.S. News & World Report's annual college guide, Kiplinger's financial magazine and the Princeton Review. In addition, UW-Eau Claire ranks among the nation's leaders in Fulbright Scholars, service to the community, and the number of students who study abroad. UW-Eau Claire is leading the way with its innovative baccalaureate degree programs, which combine the broad-based liberal arts education employers are seeking with specialized study for 21st century careers.

Website: www.uwec.edu

Enrollment: 10,487 undergraduate and 559 graduate students

Chippewa Valley Technical College delivers superior, technical education that improves the lives of students, meets the workforce needs of the region, and enhances economic growth in the Chippewa Valley. Technical knowledge has become the key to productivity and competitiveness in any organization.

Website: www.cvtc.edu

Enrollment: Credit 8,126 Non-credit 11,641

Media

Newspapers

- Eau Claire Leader Telegram (Eau Claire Press Company): 28,056 weekday, 30,757 Saturday, 36,925 Sunday circulation
- The Country Today (Eau Claire Press Company): 23,000 weekly circulation

Television

WEAU-TV	Ch. 13	NBC	WKBT-TV	Ch. 8	CBS
WEUX-TV	Ch. 48	FOX	WQOW-TV	Ch. 18	ABC
WHWC-TV	Ch. 28	PBS			

Radio

WHWC -FM	88.3	WQRB-FM	95.1	WOGO-AM	680
WUEC-FM	89.7	WISM-FM	98.1	WAYY-AM	790
WHEM-FM	91.3	WDRK-FM	99.9	WMEQ-AM	880
WMEQ-FM	92.1	WBIZ-FM	100.7	WDVM-AM	1050
WECL-FM	92.9	WAXX-FM	104.5	WEAQ-AM	1150
WIAL-FM	94.1	WCRW-FM	105.7	WBIZ-AM	1400
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