

2001 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Provost	Alberta
Total Population	2,635	2,974,807
Urban Population	0	2,405,160
Rural Population	2,635	569,647
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>19</i>
Number of Farms (1)	494	53,652
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,809	970
Average Per Reporting Farm	Dollars	
Net Farm Operating Income (2)	56,376	23,764
Farm Capital	1,279,281	1,029,903
Farm Operating Expenses	228,935	166,043
Gross Farm Receipts	278,062	184,885
Area in Crops (acres)	746	522
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	487	439
Number of Beef Cows (head)	106	74
Number of Pigs (head)	406	757

Farm Operating Arrangements (3)	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	312	63.2
Partnership	107	21.7
With Written Agreement	15	3.0
Without Written Agreement	92	18.6
Corporation	72	14.6
Family	65	13.2
Non-Family	7	1.4
Other*	3	0.6
Total Farms	494	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	2	0.4
10 to 129 Acres	20	4.0
130 to 239 Acres	46	9.3
240 to 399 Acres	43	8.7
400 to 559 Acres	27	5.5
560 to 759 Acres	27	5.5
760 to 1,119 Acres	55	11.1
1,120 Acres and Over	274	55.5
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	78	15.8
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	71	14.4
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	48	9.7
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	26	5.3
3,520 Acres and Over	51	10.3
Total Farms	494	100.0

Farms by Type (4)	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	1	0.2
Cattle (Beef)	262	54.0
Hog	3	0.6
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	50	10.3
Grain and Oilseed (Except Wheat)	113	23.3
Field Crop (Except Grain and Oilseed)	15	3.1
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	1	0.2
Miscellaneous Speciality	23	4.7
Livestock Combination	9	1.9
Other Combination	8	1.6
Total Farms Classified	485	100.0

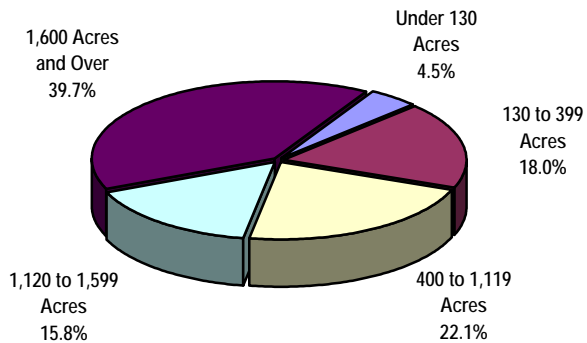
Land Tenure (5)	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	475	581,476	65.1
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	294	312,050	34.9
Rented/Leased from Government	139	135,791	15.2
Rented/Leased from Others	187	123,898	13.9
Crop Shared from Others	67	52,361	5.9
Total Area of Farms	494	893,526	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	456	340,338	38.1
Summerfallow	245	75,766	8.5
Total Pasture Land	...	448,173	50.2
Tame or Seeded Pasture	264	108,783	12.2
Natural Land for Pasture	361	339,390	38.0
All Other Land (6)	325	29,249	3.3
Total Area of Farms	494	893,526	100.0

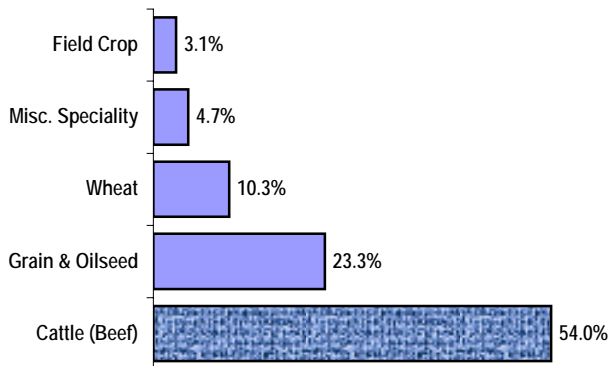
Paid Agricultural Labour (7)	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	142	10,296	79.1
Seasonal or Temporary	159	2,714	20.9
Total Paid Labour	260	13,010	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	
Number of Farms Reporting Use	194
% of Total Farms	39.3

Distribution of Farms by Size



Top Five Farm Types



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*Institutions, Community Pastures, etc. "% Distr." refers to % of total ...not available

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2001 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Provost	Alberta
Number of Farms	494	53,652
Average Per Reporting Farm		
	Dollars	
Net Farm Operating Income (2)	56,376	23,764
Farm Capital	1,279,281	1,029,903
Farm Operating Expenses	228,935	166,043
Farm Interest Expenses	16,896	14,319
Gross Farm Receipts	278,062	184,885

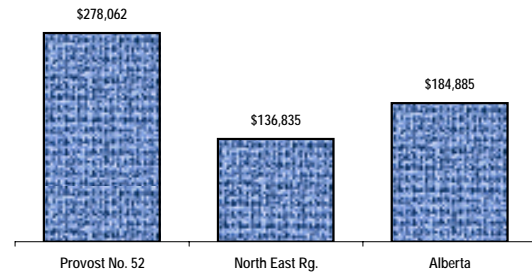
Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment (8)	494	104,360	16.5
Livestock and Poultry	405	124,656	19.7
Land and Buildings (9)	494	402,949	63.8
Owned	476	309,063	48.9
Rented or Leased from Others	294	93,885	14.9
Total Farm Capital	494	631,965	100.0

Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	2	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	7	1.4
\$100,000 - \$199,999	32	6.5
\$200,000 - \$349,999	55	11.1
\$350,000 - \$499,999	50	10.1
\$500,000 - \$999,999	142	28.7
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	84	17.0
\$1,500,000 and Over	122	24.7
Total Farms	494	100.0

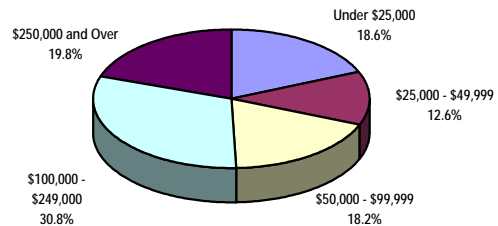
Farm Operating Expenses (10)	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	362	6,117	5.4
Custom and Contract Work	328	3,228	2.9
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	239	1,524	1.3
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	108	707	0.6
Wages and Salaries	260	5,720	5.1
Paid to Family Members	208	3,581	3.2
Paid to all Other Persons	109	2,138	1.9
All Fuel Expenses	482	4,909	4.3
Repair/Maint. to Mach./Equip./Vehicles	479	4,587	4.1
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	337	5,589	4.9
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	319	3,534	3.1
Seed/Seedling Purchases	311	1,440	1.3
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	319	51,026	45.1
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	374	1,770	1.6
Feed and Supplement Purchases	371	13,214	11.7
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	464	1,563	1.4
Repair/Maint. to Farm Bldgs./Fences	423	1,580	1.4
All Other Expenses	472	6,588	5.8
Total Operating Expenses	494	113,094	100.0

Owned and Leased Machinery	Total	Owned Number	Leased
Tractors	1,673	1,665	9
Farm Trucks	1,616	1,603	13
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	1,019	1,010	9
Other Farm Trucks	597	593	4
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	310	306	4
Combines	382	x	x
Swathers/Mower Conditioners	665	x	x
Balers	368	x	x
Forage Harvesters	56	56	0
Tillage/Cult./Seed./Plant. Equip.	1,117	x	x
		\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts (11)		137,362	1.4
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts		# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$25,000		92	18.6
Under \$10,000		35	7.1
\$10,000 - \$24,999		57	11.5
\$25,000 - \$49,999		62	12.6
\$50,000 - \$99,999		90	18.2
\$100,000 and Over		250	50.6
\$100,000 - \$249,999		152	30.8
\$250,000 - \$499,999		61	12.3
\$500,000 and Over		37	7.5
Total Farms		494	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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2001 Agriculture Profile - 3. Crops and Land Management

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	224	108,993	1.6
Spring Wheat (Excl. Durum) (12)	221	101,237	1.7
Durum Wheat	16	5,633	0.6
Winter Wheat (13)	7	2,123	2.6
Oats	211	40,597	3.0
Barley	217	66,209	1.4
Mixed Grains	52	14,490	3.6
Corn for Grain	1	x	x
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	36	5,992	5.1
Fall Rye (13)	31	4,867	5.4
Spring Rye	8	1,125	4.1

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	120	33,561	1.3
Flaxseed	4	411	1.0
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	1	x	x
Safflower	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops* (14)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	1	x	x
Dry Field Peas	18	3,699	0.6
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Total Dry Field Beans	1	x	x
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	1	x	x
Other Dry Beans	0	0	0.0
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Triticale	3	1,100	1.6
Forage Seed for Seed	0	0	0.0
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops* (14)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	3	95	0.3
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	226	46,804	1.2
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	74	18,276	0.8

Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale (15)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	0	0	0.0
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	0	0	0.0
Cabbage	0	0	0.0
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	0	0	0.0
Carrots	0	0	0.0
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	0	0	0.0
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuces	0	0	0.0
Squash, Pumpkins and Zucchini	0	0	0.0
Total Vegetables	2	x	x

Fruits, Berries and Nuts	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Grown For Sale (16)			
Producing Area of Fruits/Berries/Nuts	3	7	0.3
Producing Area of Strawberries	1	x	x
Producing Area of Raspberries	0	0	0.0
Area of Nursery Products	2	x	x
Area of Christmas Trees			
Grown For Sale (17)	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	4	x	x

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	2	x	x
Area in Use on May 15, 2001	2	x	x
Flowers	2	x	x
Vegetables	0	0	0.0
Other Greenhouse Products	0	0	0.0

Mushroom Houses	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Number of Farms	494	893,526	1.7
Use of Irrigation	3	x	x
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	303	228,998	1.4
Use of Herbicides (18)	297	217,211	1.3
Use of Insecticides (18)	34	11,286	1.3
Use of Fungicides (18)	15	9,355	0.7

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Area Prepared for Seeding	403	289,345	1.6
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	225	105,762	1.5
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	169	125,104	1.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	74	58,479	1.2

Manure Application (19)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Using a Solid Spreader	144	15,574	1.5
Using an Irrigation System	0	0	0.0
Using a Liquid Spreader (On Surface)	6	875	0.5
Using a Liquid Spreader (Injected)	1	x	x

Forms of Weed Control Use on Summerfallow Land	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Summerfallow Land	245	75,766	2.5
Chemical Only	47	13,638	1.9
Tillage Only	122	30,091	2.5
Tillage and Chemical Combination	103	32,037	2.8

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices (20)	# Farms	% of Total Farms
Crop Rotation	333	67.4
Permanent Grass Cover	218	44.1
Winter Cover Crops	23	4.7
Contour Cultivation	25	5.1
Strip-Cropping	20	4.0
Grassed Waterways	43	8.7
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	72	14.6

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2001 Agriculture Profile - 4. Livestock, Poultry and Farm Machinery

Cattle and Calves (21)	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	349	36,677	1.7
Dairy Cows	11	212	0.3
Beef Cows	345	36,465	1.7
Heifers	234	20,712	1.8
Bulls	307	1,939	1.7
Steers	104	21,469	2.2
Calves	350	33,878	1.6
Total Cattle and Calves	373	114,675	1.7

Pigs (22)	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	6	40	0.4
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	8	659	0.3
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	6	2,618	0.4
Grower and Finishing Pigs	16	3,592	0.3
Total Pigs	17	6,909	0.3

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	16	28	0.4
Ewes	20	893	0.7
Lambs	19	1,309	0.8
Total Sheep and Lambs	20	2,230	0.7

Other Livestock (23)	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	181	1,823	1.1
Goats	3	x	x
Rabbits	0	0	0.0
Mink	1	x	x
Fox	1	x	x
Bison (Buffalo)	3	151	0.2
Deer (Excluding Wild Deer)	2	x	x
Elk	7	251	0.8
Llamas and Alpacas	5	59	0.5
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

Colonies of Bees (24)	# Farms	Colonies	% Alta.
Alberta	467	209,821	100.0
North East Region	1	x	x

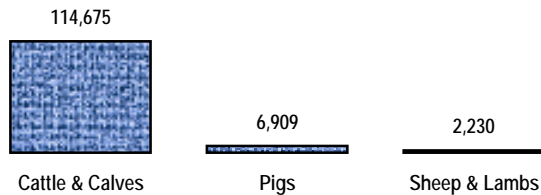
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	27	35,735	0.3
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	14	27,879	0.3
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	11	2,578	0.2
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	23	5,278	0.2
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	9	770	0.1
Other Poultry	8	1,663	0.8

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	4	x	x
Turkey Production	4	4,069	0.0

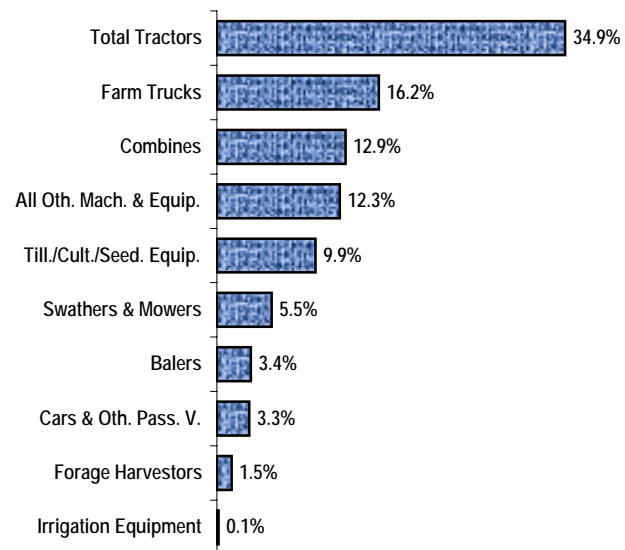
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	0.0

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment (8)	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	441	1,673	36,437
Total Farm Trucks	480	1,616	16,938
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	468	1,019	10,296
Other Farm Trucks	335	597	6,642
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	265	310	3,393
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	369	665	5,739
Combines	290	382	13,453
Balers	285	368	3,544
Forage Harvestors	58	56	1,555
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	374	1,117	10,294
Irrigation Equipment	7	n/a	154
Other*	380	n/a	12,852

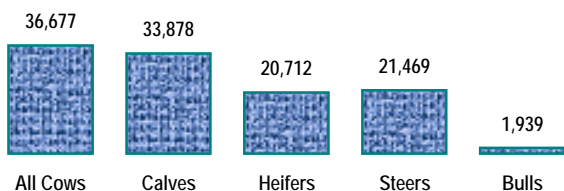
Livestock Inventory, May 15, 2001
(Number of Head)



Per Cent Distribution of Total Market Value of Machinery and Equipment



Cattle Inventory, May 15, 2001
(Number of Head)



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