

2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Pincher Creek No. 9	Alberta
Total Population	3,309	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	3,309	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	456	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,603	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	19,825	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	2,554,186	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	300,288	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	320,113	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	545	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	656	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	112	79
Number of Pigs (head)	1,069	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	236	51.8
Partnership	138	30.3
With Written Agreement	22	4.8
Without Written Agreement	116	25.4
Corporation	74	16.2
Family	66	14.5
Non-Family	8	1.8
Other*	8	1.8
Total Farms	456	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	8	1.8
10 to 129 Acres	60	13.2
130 to 239 Acres	62	13.6
240 to 399 Acres	55	12.1
400 to 559 Acres	35	7.7
560 to 759 Acres	31	6.8
760 to 1,119 Acres	40	8.8
1,120 Acres and Over	165	36.2
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	49	10.7
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	32	7.0
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	17	3.7
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	19	4.2
3,520 Acres and Over	48	10.5
Total Farms	456	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	2	0.5
Cattle (Beef)	305	70.1
Hog	3	0.7
Poultry and Egg	6	1.4
Wheat	2	0.5
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	25	5.7
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	27	6.2
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	1	0.2
Miscellaneous Specialty	45	10.3
Livestock Combination	8	1.8
Other Combination	11	2.5
Total Farms Classified	435	100.0

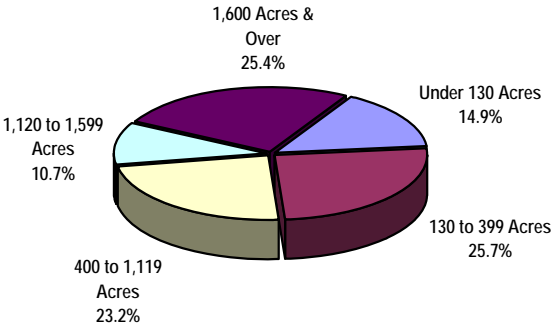
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	441	x	x
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	242	x	x
Rented/Leased from Government	112	122,065	16.7
Rented/Leased from Others	191	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	24	8,976	1.2
Total Area of Farms	456	730,926	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	359	195,739	26.8
Summerfallow	27	6,411	0.9
Total Pasture Land	...	473,803	64.8
Tame or Seeded Pasture	160	58,560	8.0
Natural Land for Pasture	388	415,243	56.8
All Other Land	292	54,973	7.5
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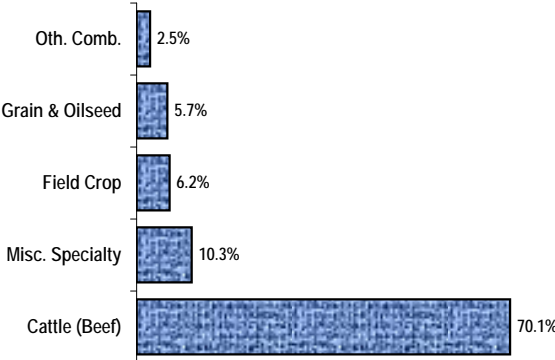
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	80	9,883	87.9
Seasonal or Temporary	91	1,356	12.1
Total Paid Labour	149	11,239	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	247	54.2
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	184	40.4

Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Size



Per Cent Distribution of Top Five Farm Types



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 * Institutions, Community Pastures, etc. ** Farms reporting total gross farm receipts greater than \$2,500. # "Farms" refers to number of farms reporting.
 Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture, and 2006 Census of Population Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.
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2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

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Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	24,495	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	320,113	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	456	85,803	7.4
Livestock and Poultry	414	81,643	7.0
Land and Buildings	456	997,263	85.6
Owned	441	718,127	61.7
Rented or Leased from Others	245	279,136	24.0
Total Farm Capital	456	1,164,709	100.0

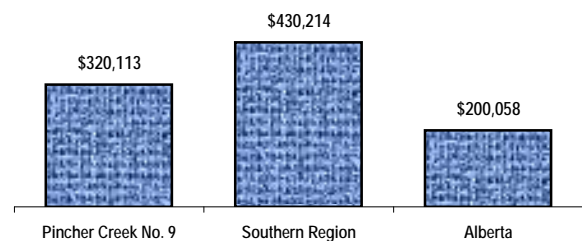
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	2	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	1	0.2
\$100,000 - \$199,999	9	2.0
\$200,000 - \$349,999	30	6.6
\$350,000 - \$499,999	44	9.6
\$500,000 - \$999,999	110	24.1
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	64	14.0
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	31	6.8
\$2,000,000 and Over	165	36.2
Total Farms	456	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	286	7,006	5.1
Custom and Contract Work	297	10,109	7.4
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	222	3,520	2.6
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	98	1,276	0.9
Wages and Salaries	149	5,942	4.3
Paid to Family Members	93	2,238	1.6
Paid to all Other Persons	86	3,704	2.7
All Fuel Expenses	427	5,490	4.0
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	418	5,084	3.7
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	245	4,334	3.2
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	205	1,820	1.3
Seed/Seedling Purchases	203	892	0.7
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	246	52,436	38.3
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	371	2,141	1.6
Feed and Supplement Purchases	340	20,624	15.1
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	419	2,615	1.9
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	395	1,996	1.5
All Other Expenses	428	11,646	8.5
Total Operating Expenses	456	136,931	100.0

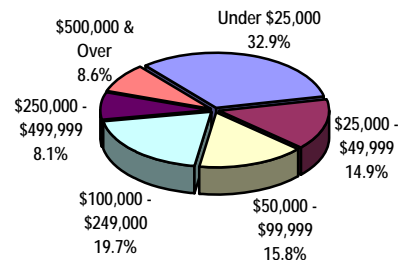
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	410	1,197	70,995
Total Farm Trucks	440	1,268	39,287
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	419	877	27,709
Other Farm Trucks	217	391	26,158
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	254	299	14,326
Swathers/Mower Cond.	255	387	18,546
Combines	106	139	51,899
Balers	249	335	16,056
Forage Harvesters	23	26	44,152
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	253	728	23,575
Irrigation Equipment	46	...	88,434
Other*	347	...	30,241

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
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Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	82	18.0
\$10,000 - \$24,999	68	14.9
\$25,000 - \$49,999	68	14.9
\$50,000 - \$99,999	72	15.8
\$100,000 - \$249,999	90	19.7
\$250,000 - \$499,999	37	8.1
\$500,000 - \$999,999	18	3.9
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	9	2.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	12	2.6
Total Farms	456	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 3. Livestock, Poultry and Farm Machinery

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	319	36,244	1.7
Dairy Cows	9	401	0.5
Beef Cows	319	35,843	1.8
Heifers	237	21,579	1.9
Bulls	262	1,755	1.6
Steers	140	17,857	1.8
Calves	318	33,623	1.6
Total Cattle and Calves	356	111,058	1.7

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	5	61	0.9
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	6	1,431	0.8
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	5	4,162	0.6
Grower and Finishing Pigs	10	7,177	0.6
Total Pigs	12	12,831	0.6

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	22	106	2.1
Ewes	26	2,441	2.4
Lambs	25	3,483	3.1
Total Sheep and Lambs	29	6,030	2.7

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	255	1,861	1.2
Goats	11	77	0.3
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	8	427	0.4
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	1	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	17	130	0.9
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

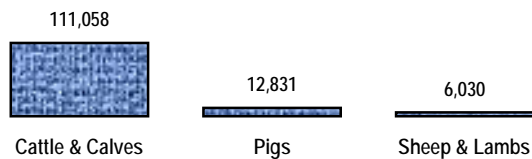
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	2	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	47	144,733	1.2
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	18	116,232	1.4
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	11	6,840	0.7
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	36	21,661	1.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	7	823	0.1
Other Poultry	9	3,034	1.4

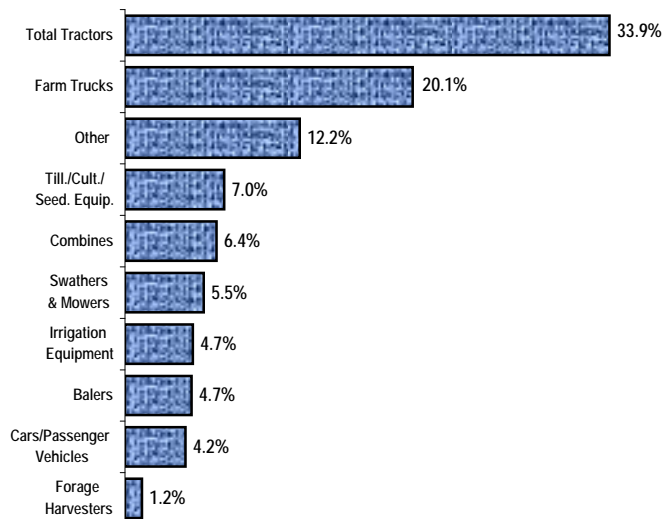
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.	
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	13	1,366,351	1.2	
Turkey Production	3	x	x	
		# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	x	

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	410	1,197	29,108
Total Farm Trucks	440	1,268	17,286
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	419	877	11,610
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Irrigation Equipment	46	...	4,068
Other*	347	...	10,494

**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



**Per Cent Distribution of Total Market Value of
Machinery and Equipment**



**Cattle Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	30	19,666	0.3
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	21	14,377	1.5
Durum Wheat	0	0	0.0
Winter Wheat	16	5,289	4.1
Oats	75	8,860	0.7
Barley	142	86,886	2.1
Mixed Grains	8	1,113	0.3
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	4	x	x
Fall Rye	4	x	x
Spring Rye	1	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	5	2,812	0.1
Flaxseed	1	x	x
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	3	x	x
Dry Field Peas	1	x	x
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	0	0	0.0
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	18	1,570	2.1
Forage Seed for Seed	4	1,162	0.5
All Other Field Crops	1	x	x

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	1	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	263	53,591	1.4
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	103	18,944	0.9

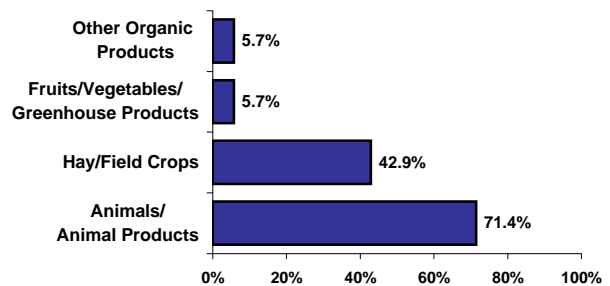
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	1	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	0	0	0.0
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	1	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	1	x	x
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	1	x	x
Dry Onions	0	0	0.0
Shallots, Green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

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	2	x	x
Saskatoons	0	0	0.0
Strawberries	1	x	x
Raspberries	0	0	0.0
Area of Nursery Products	2	x	x
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sales of Forest Products	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
	9	51,138	0.8

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	2	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	2	x	x
Flowers	2	x	x
Vegetables	1	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	0	0	0.0
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	35	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	15	42.9
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	5.7
Total Animals or Animal Products	25	71.4
Total Other Organic Products	2	5.7
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	5	14.3
Hay or Field Crops	3	8.6
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	5	14.3
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	0	0.0
Hay or Field Crops	0	0.0
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Not Certified Organic Products	30	85.7
Hay or Field Crops	12	34.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	5.7
Animals or Animal Products	20	57.1
Other Organic Products	2	5.7

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	456	730,926	100.0
Use of Irrigation	27	9,347	1.3
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	219	148,150	20.3
Use of Herbicides	170	113,545	15.5
Use of Insecticides	7	958	0.1
Use of Fungicides	4	3,466	0.5

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	240	134,487	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	117	32,952	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	90	81,464	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	51	20,071	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	368	80.7
Farms Applying Manure	224	49.1

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	74	5,022	0.7
Field Crop Land	40	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	29	...	...
Other Land	9	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	26	1,428	0.2
Field Crop Land	8	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	20	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	74	8,219	1.1
Field Crop Land	52	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	25	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	65	4,035	0.6
Field Crop Land	19	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	49	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	4	1,730	0.2
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	27	6,411	100.0
Chemical Only	6	x	x
Tillage Only	11	1,308	20.4
Tillage and Chemical Combination	11	x	x

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	197	43.2
Rotational Grazing	262	57.5
Winter Cover Crops	28	6.1
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	113	24.8
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	237	52.0
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	11	2.4

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	685	1.0

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	240 34.8
On Farms with Two or More Operators	450 65.2
Total Male Operators	470 68.6
Total Female Operators	220 32.1

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	53.8
On Farms with One Operator	55.0
On Farms with Two Operators	53.2

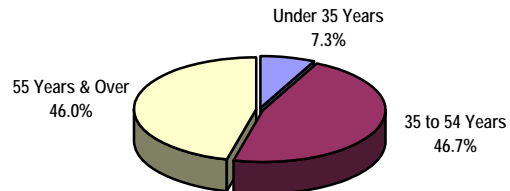
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	50	7.3
35 - 54 Years	320	46.7
55 Years and Over	315	46.0

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	330	48.5
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	350	51.5

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	205	29.7
20 - 40 Hours	195	28.3
More than 40 Hours	290	42.0

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	75	21.4
20 - 40 Hours	140	40.0
More than 40 Hours	135	38.6

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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