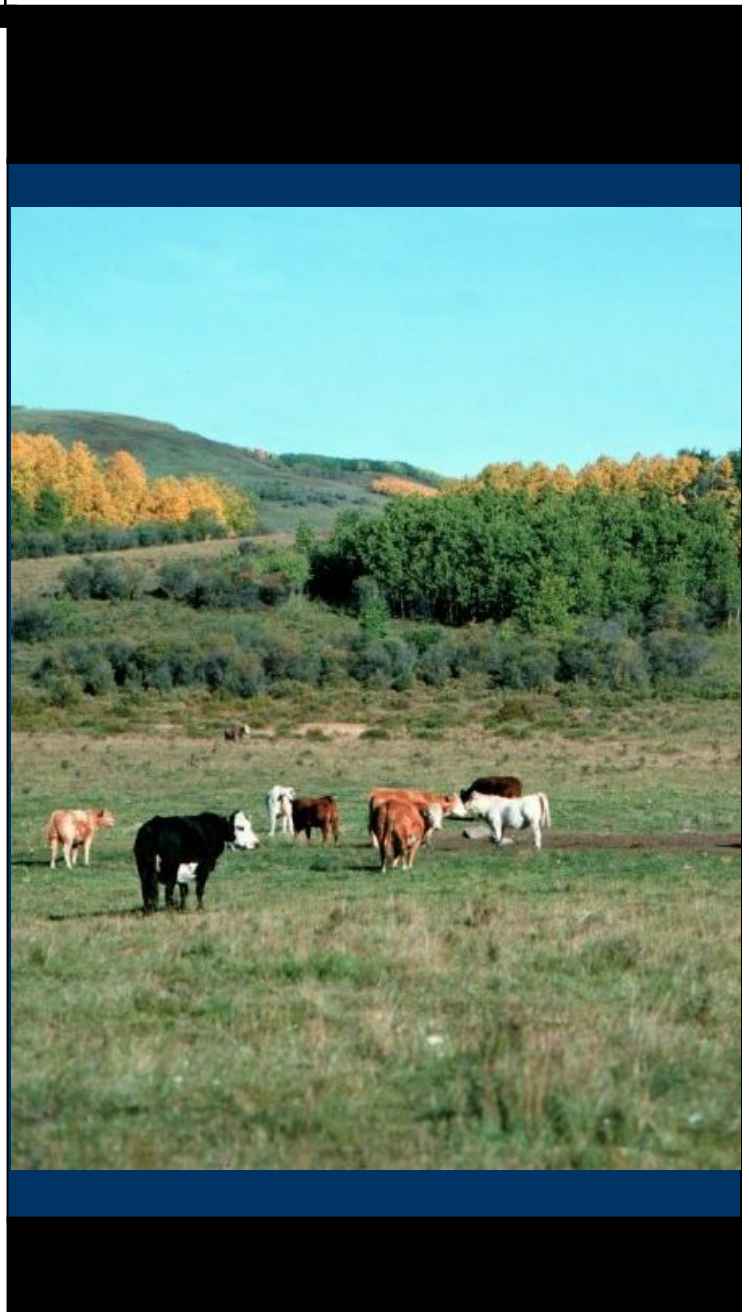


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PEACE REGION

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Introduction

This publication builds on an earlier release by the Statistics and Data Development Branch entitled "2006 Census of Agriculture for Alberta, I.D., M.D., and County Data by Region". In that publication, data were presented by grouping Improvement District, Municipal District and County data for selected farm variables. This latest publication goes a step further in restructuring the same farm variable information with the objective of building individualized Improvement District, Municipal District and County profiles.

The data used in this publication was from a special custom run obtained from Statistics Canada, based on the 2006 Census of Agriculture, conducted on May 16, 2006. For more information about the Census of Agriculture, readers are encouraged to visit the **Statistics Canada** website at www.statcan.ca, or the **Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development** website at www.agric.gov.ab.ca.

The "Alberta Municipality Profile – 2006 Census of Agriculture" consists of five publications which are based on the former five ARD agricultural administrative regions (Southern, Central, North East, North West and Peace). It is important to note that while **ARD no longer uses the agricultural administrative regions**, these have been maintained for the convenience of users to facilitate data comparisons with some of the previous Census years.

Also worth noting, is that data confidentiality (as designated by an "x") at the Municipality level has resulted in some regional totals not adding up to the provincial total due to data suppression.

Users are encouraged to refer to the section on the Census definitions and notes for explanations of terms used in this report. Also, for spatial data interpretation, users are advised to refer to the Alberta map with its regional boundaries, and Alberta Municipalities Classified by Region.

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Census Definitions and Notes

General Notes

Conversion Factors

1 acre = 0.404 685 6 hectares
 1 hectare = 2.471 05 acres
 1 square foot = 0.092 903 04 square meters
 1 square meter = 10.763 91 square feet
 1 kilogram = 2.204 622 6 pounds
 1 pound = 0.453 592 4 kilograms

Rounding

Totals may not equal the sum of their parts due to the use of conversion factors or the rounding of fractions to whole numbers. The "random rounding" procedure was applied to all data appearing in the farm operator tables. Employing this technique, all figures, including totals, were randomly rounded either up or down to a multiple of 5.

Geographic Amalgamations

Due to confidentiality constraints, agricultural data for subdivisions with very few farms were combined with data from adjacent areas. Following are the amalgamations for the 2006 Census of Agriculture:

Census Division	2006 I.D.	Amalgamations & Components
C.D. No. 5	482005031	Starland County
	482005031	Starland County
	482005026	Drumheller
C.D. No. 12	486012005	Lakeland County
	486012005	Lakeland County
	4816	Wood Buffalo (Division # 16)
C.D. No. 15	483015045	Ranchland No. 66
	483015045	Ranchland No. 66
	483015013	Kananaskis
	483015032	Improvement District No. 9
	483015037	Improvement District No. 12
C.D. No. 17	487017033	Lesser Slave River No. 124
	487017033	Lesser Slave River No. 124
	487017031	Opportunity No. 17

Data are not available for:

(due to minimal or no agricultural activity)

- Improvement District No. 4 (Waterton Park)
- Improvement District No. 13 (Elk Island)
- Improvement District No. 25 (Willmore Wilderness Park)
- Jasper Improvement District

Headquarters Rule

Many agricultural operations in Canada are composed of numerous parcels of land in a number of locations. These different locations are often situated in several geographic areas (such as townships or counties). In these situations, the "headquarters rule" assigns all data collected for the agricultural operation to the geographic area where the farm headquarters is located.

Incomplete Enumeration of Indian Reserves and Indian Settlements

On some Indian reserves and Indian settlements in the 2006 Census, enumeration was not permitted or was interrupted before it could be completed. Moreover, for some Indian reserves and Indian settlements, the quality of the enumeration was considered inadequate. These geographic areas are called incompletely enumerated Indian reserves and Indian settlements.

Data for census farms located on these incompletely enumerated reserves and settlements are therefore not available. The impact of the missing data is very small for higher-level geographic areas (Canada, provinces, and census agricultural regions). However, the impact is more significant for those smaller areas (census divisions and census consolidated subdivisions) in which the affected reserves and settlements are located.

For a listing of the names and locations of the incompletely enumerated Indian reserves and Indian settlements, please refer to the Statistics Canada web site at <http://www.statcan.ca>.

What's new for 2006?

Although no topics on the 2006 Census of Agriculture questionnaire are entirely new, several questions have been added or changed. Most notable are:

Bees

Selling bees and their pollination services is a growing agricultural activity. Leafcutter bees, as well as other varieties, are becoming increasingly important for pollinating crops such as alfalfa and blueberries, as well as in greenhouses. In 2006, the question on bees asked about numbers of colonies of honeybees as well as numbers of other bees used exclusively for pollination. Pollinating bees are reported in "gallons".

Conservation Practices and Features

In 2006, *Permanent grass cover*, *Contour cultivation*, *Grassed waterways*, *Strip-cropping* and *Mechanical or hand weeding of crops* were dropped. *Rotational grazing for soil conservation* and *Buffer zones around water bodies* were added to this category.

Fruits, Berries and Nuts

The *Producing area* column that had been added for all fruit trees and nuts in 2001 was dropped for 2006.

Hay and Field Crops

Triticale was again added as a variable in 2006, after having been reported under other field crops in 2001.

Injuries

In past censuses, farm-related injuries could only be reported for the farm operator. For 2006, this section was expanded to include farm-related injuries to anyone working on the farm.

Irrigation

In 2006, farm operators could report the use of an irrigation system, as well as the land that was irrigated. In 2001, irrigation was one of many possible land management practices.

Land Tenure

In 2006, the category *Other areas USED by the operation*, (Examples: *land trading, rent free, etc.*) was added to the question on *area sharecropped, rented or leased from others* as well as to the question on *area sharecropped, rented or leased to others*.

Land Use

For 2006, reporting for *All Other Land* is further broken down to *Area in Christmas trees, woodlands and wetlands*, and *All other land*.

Manure

In 2001, the only question asked was if manure was applied. For 2006, an initial question asked whether manure was produced or used on the operation. If the answer to either was 'yes', several options were listed to indicate how it was used. A third question determined the method of manure application, the area on which each method was used, and how the land on which the manure was applied was used.

Organic Production

In 2001, operators could only report their certified-organic products produced for sale. For 2006, producers could report products for sale that were organic but not certified, or were in transition to becoming certified. Space was also provided to identify the certifying agency if certified or transitional products were produced.

Use of Computer

Desktop publishing and *Banking applications used* were added to the choice of computer applications used in 2006.

Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment

The 2001 questions *Number Owned*, and *Number Leased* were consolidated into *Number owned and leased* in 2006.

The 2001 category *Tractors Under 100hp* was split to *Tractors under 60hp* and *Tractors 60–90hp* in 2006.

Vegetables Grown for Sale

In 2006, pumpkins are reported separately from squash and zucchini. *Rhubarb* has been removed as a separate variable and is reported under *Other vegetables* in 2006.

Deleted Topics

Capital Purchases

Beginning with the 2001 Census of Agriculture, the entire topic was excluded now more complete information is available through the Farm Financial Survey, which is conducted annually.

Definitions

All Other Land

All other land includes land on which farm buildings, barnyards, lanes, home gardens, greenhouses and mushroom houses are located; idle land; woodlots; sugarbush; tree windbreaks; bogs; marshes; sloughs; etc. Since 1996, "All Other Land" also includes Christmas tree area.

Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies

Areas along natural watercourses left with natural vegetation (unfarmed) and designed to prevent erosion, especially in stream channels that become wider and shallower, to preserve wildlife habitat and fish stocks, and protect water quality for livestock and people. Also referred to as riparian areas, i.e., land bordering a stream or body of water.

Corn for Silage

Corn in which the entire plant, including the cob, is chopped up and stored in upright silos, bunker silos or plastic bags, and used for animal feed.

Corporation

An incorporated business registered with a provincial or federal agency as a legal entity separate from the owner. **Family corporation:** an incorporated business operation where an individual or members of a family own the majority of the corporation shares. **Non-family corporation:** an incorporated business operation where a group of unrelated individuals owns the majority of the corporation shares.

Crop Rotation

Changing the type of crop grown on the same land from year to year or periodically to control weeds, insects, disease, and replenish soil nutrients or reduce erosion.

Crop Share

An agreement between the landowner and the person operating the land (the share cropper), in which the crop is shared, rather than cash rent being paid. Cropping expenses may or may not be shared. The person who does not own the land but operates it reports any areas being crop-shared.

Custom Work

Work done somewhere other than on the agricultural operator's operation using his/her equipment in return for money or other payment. Includes custom plowing or combining, trucking, drying grain, cleaning seed, spreading fertilizer, spraying crops, cleaning feedlots, etc.

Farm (Census Farm)

Over time, the definition of a farm has changed. In 1971 and 1976, a farm was defined as an agricultural holding of one acre or more with sales of agricultural products of \$50 or more. In 1981 and 1986, the minimum sales requirement was increased to \$250. In 1991, a farm was referred to as a census farm, ranch or other agricultural holding which produces at least one of the following products intended for sale (no minimum sales requirement): crops, livestock, poultry, animal products, greenhouse or nursery products, mushrooms, sod or honey.

The 1996 definition was expanded to include commercial poultry hatcheries and operations that produced only Christmas trees.

Since 1996, a census farm has been defined as an agricultural operation that produces at least one of the following products intended for sale: crops (hay, field crops, tree fruits or nuts, berries or grapes, vegetables, seed); livestock (cattle, pigs, sheep, horses, game animals, other livestock); poultry (hens, chickens, turkeys, chicks, game birds, other poultry, commercial poultry hatcheries); animal products (milk or cream, eggs, wool, furs, meat); or other agricultural products (Christmas trees, greenhouse or nursery products, mushrooms, sod, honey, maple syrup products).

Farm Capital

Farm capital includes the value of all farmland, buildings, farm machinery and equipment (including passenger vehicles used in the farm business) and livestock and poultry. Respondents report the value of their land, buildings, farm machinery and equipment as of Census Day. Values for livestock and poultry inventories reported in the census are calculated using data on average farm prices for the various types of livestock and poultry. Farm capital does not include the value of crops in the field or in storage, or farm inputs on hand, such as fertilizer and seed.

Farm Operators

Since 1991 farm operators have been defined as those persons responsible for the day-to-day management and/or financial decisions made in the operation of a farm or an agricultural operation. Up to three farm operators could be reported per farm, including owners, tenants or hired managers, if they are responsible for management decisions for particular aspects of the farm, such as planting and harvesting, capital purchases, and marketing. This is a count of distinct operators; hence, operators of two or more separate farms are included only once in the total. Prior to the 1991 Census of Agriculture, the farm operator referred to only one person responsible for the day-to-day decisions made in running an agricultural operation.

Farm Operating Expenses

Any cost associated with producing crops or livestock, except the purchase of land, buildings or equipment. Includes the cost of seed, feed, fuel, fertilizers, etc.

Refers to gross operating expenses of the operation in the previous calendar year, or for the last complete accounting (fiscal) year, and excludes depreciation and capital cost allowance.

Farm Type

For this publication, each census farm is classified according to the predominant type of production. This is done by estimating the potential receipts from the inventories of crops and livestock reported on the questionnaire and determining the product or group of products that make up the majority of the estimated receipts. The commodity or group of commodities that account for 51 per cent or more of the total potential receipts determines the farm type. This farm type classification, referred to as "historical," is based on the Standard Industrial Classifications (SIC).

Grain and Oilseed farm type includes the following farm types: oilseed, corn for grain, dry field pea and bean, and other small grain.

Field Crops farm type includes hay and fodder crops, forage seed for seed, tobacco, potato and other field crops, excluding grains and oilseeds.

Miscellaneous Specialty farm type includes the following farm types: sheep and lamb, goat, horse and pony, fur, other livestock specialty, mushroom, greenhouse products, nursery products and sod, maple, and Christmas tree.

Livestock combination farm type includes cattle and hog farms, cattle, hog and sheep farms, and other livestock combination farms.

Other Combination farm type includes other field crop combination farms, fruit and vegetable combination farms, and all other types of farms.

For 2006 and 2001, a new farm type classification, based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS), has been included by Statistics Canada, in addition to the historical classification used in previous censuses. For farm types classified by NAICS, please visit the Statistics Canada website at www.statcan.ca.

Field Crops

Includes hay, alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures, wheat (spring, durum, winter), oats, barley, mixed grains, corn (grain and silage), rye (fall and spring), canola, soybeans, flaxseed, dry field peas, chick peas, lentils, beans (dry white and other beans), forage seed, potatoes, mustard seed, sunflowers, canary seed, tobacco, ginseng, buckwheat, sugar beets, caraway seed, triticale, and other field crops such as solin, safflower, coriander and other spices, etc.

Fodder Crops

Includes alfalfa, barley, clover, corn and sorghum and any other crops in which the whole plant is used to feed cattle, sheep and other ruminants.

Forage Seed

Seed from fodder crops grown commercially for seed. Includes timothy, fescue, clover, alfalfa, wheat grass, and turf grass seed.

Fungicide

A chemical used to control, suppress or kill fungi that severely interrupt normal plant growth.

Green Manure Crops for Plough Down

Young green plants, such as buckwheat and red clover, incorporated into the soil to improve fertility. Usually grown only to improve the soil. Plowing down green crops: when a crop such as winter wheat, fall rye, buckwheat or red clover is planted but "plowed under" before it can be harvested.

Gross Farm Receipts

Farm receipts measure the gross revenue generated by agricultural holdings. They are not a direct measure of profit since operating expenses have not been deducted. The data for receipts were collected for the previous calendar year, or for the last complete accounting (fiscal) year.

Gross Receipts include:

- receipts from all agricultural products sold
- marketing board payments received
- program and rebate payments received
- GST refunds received
- dividends received from co-operatives
- receipts from maple syrup and Christmas tree sales
- custom work and all other farm receipts

Gross Receipts do not include:

- receipts from the sale of capital items (e.g. land, buildings or machinery)
- receipts from the sale of goods bought only for retail sales
- receipts from the sale of forest products (firewood, pulpwood, logs, fence posts, pilings and standing timber)

NOTE: Farm receipts data from the Census of Agriculture are not directly comparable with the similarly named series derived on an annual basis by Statistics Canada (published in Catalogue No. 21-603, "Agriculture Economic Statistics"). Census data includes inter-farm transactions, i.e., the value of agricultural products (livestock and poultry, seed and seedlings and feed) sold from one farm to another within the same province. The annual series excludes inter-farm sales.

Herbicide

A chemical used to control, suppress, or kill plants or severely interrupt their normal growth.

Hired Paid Labour

Paid farm work done on the operation during the previous calendar year, either on a year-round, or seasonal or temporary basis. This includes work done by family members who were paid a salary or wage. The total value of wages and salaries paid are included in Farm Operating Expenses.

Insecticide

A substance or mixture of substances intended to prevent, destroy, repel or minimize the effect of any insects that may be present.

Interest Expenses

Refers to interest on operating debt and on all other debts (e.g., machinery or mortgage debt) for the previous calendar year or for the last complete accounting (fiscal) year. Interest expenses do not include payment of principal or amount of debt outstanding. Interest expenses as a percent of total expenses is used as a proxy for debt since actual debt levels are not reported in the census.

Land Use

The sum of the following classifications of land use is equal to the total land area of Alberta farms:

Total Land in Crops: all areas reported for field crops, including grains and oilseeds, fruits, vegetables, nursery products and sod.

Summerfallow: land on which no crops will be grown during the year but on which weeds will be controlled by cultivation or application of chemicals.

Tame or Seeded Pasture: land that has been cultivated and seeded, or drained, irrigated, fertilized or controlled for brush or

weeds; does not include areas to be harvested for hay, silage or seed.

Natural Land for Pasture: areas used for pasture that have not been cultivated and seeded, drained, irrigated or fertilized.

All other land: land on which farm buildings, barnyards, lanes, home gardens, greenhouses and mushroom houses are located; idle land; woodlots; sugarbush; tree windbreaks; bogs; marshes; sloughs; woodland; wetland; etc. The total for All Other Land includes Christmas tree area.

Livestock Inventory

Includes all animals on the farm, regardless of ownership, and any animals owned but pastured on a community pasture, grazing co-op or public land. Livestock on farms exclude animals owned but kept on a farm, ranch, or feedlot operated by someone else.

Livestock data from the census are used as the basis for annual estimates and for estimating inventories, production and future supplies of animals and animal products for domestic consumption and export. Farmers use census estimates to make production and marketing decisions while government departments, private companies and farm media use census information in market analysis and formulation of agricultural outlooks.

Natural Land for Pasture

Areas used for pasture that have not been cultivated and seeded, or drained, irrigated or fertilized. Includes native pasture/hay (indigenous grass suitable as feed for livestock and game); rangeland (land with natural plant cover, principally native grasses or shrubs valuable for forage); grazeable bush (forest land and bushy areas used for grazing, not land cultivated for crops or with dense forest), etc.

Non-workable land

Includes land such as natural pastureland, woodland, wetlands, ponds, bogs, sloughs, barnyards, lanes, and land on which farm buildings are located.

Organic Certifying Agency

This is a co-operative association or incorporated entity with the authority to give accreditation to organic agricultural operators. Organic certification is based on the Organic Agriculture Standard put out by the Canadian General Standards Board.

Organic Products

Products from farm operations operated according to a set of organic production principles.

Certified organic product: an agricultural product that meets organic standards at each production/processing stage and is certified by a recognized certifying agency.

Organic but not certified: an agricultural commodity produced and processed using organic practices but not officially certified. Operations that opt not to go through the certification process may consider themselves organic but not certified.

Transitional: commonly used by certifying agencies to indicate fields in transition to becoming certified organic. It means the operator is actively adopting practices that comply with organic standards. Certification can take up to four years.

Paid on a Year-Round Basis

An employee who is paid on a year-round basis is employed either part time or full time twelve months of the year.

Paid on a Seasonal or Temporary Basis

An employee who is paid on a seasonal or temporary basis is employed part time or full time for only part of the year.

Partnership With or Without a Written Agreement

A partnership with or without a written agreement is an agricultural operation where the business is owned and operated jointly by two or more persons with or without a written agreement and where risks and profits are shared. The partners may or may not own the land, buildings, machinery, etc.

Pesticide

Any chemical used for controlling, suppressing or killing insects, weeds or fungi. Includes fungicides, herbicides, and insecticides.

Present Market Value

The present market value is the amount of money a property should bring in if it were sold in today's market.

Rotational Grazing

A practice allowing forages to recover after each grazing period. Includes alternating two or more pastures at regular intervals or using temporary fences within pastures to prevent overgrazing.

Silage

A crop, such as corn and sorghum or other green crops with sufficient moisture, that has been preserved by partial fermentation in a silo, pit, stack, plastic bag or wrap for animal feed, and is usually chopped. Often called "hay crop silage" or "haylage" when made from forage crops such as hay or alfalfa. This is also referred to as ensilage and baleage.

Sole Proprietorship Operation

A sole proprietorship operation is an agricultural operation where one person owns the non-incorporated business. The person who owns the business may or may not own the land, buildings, machinery, etc. There may be multiple operators (persons responsible for the day-to-day management decisions) such as husband and wife, father and son, etc.

Summerfallow Land

Involves keeping normally cultivated land free of vegetation throughout one growing season by cultivating (plowing, discing, etc.) and/or applying chemicals to destroy weeds, insects and soil-borne diseases and allow a buildup of soil moisture reserves for the next crop year. Includes chemfallow, tillage, and/or a combination of chemical and tillage weed control on the same land.

Tame or Seeded Pasture

Grazeable land that has been improved from its natural state by seeding, draining, irrigating, fertilizing or weed control. Does not include areas of land harvested for hay, silage or seed.

Tillage

Tillage is the practice of working the soil for the purpose of bringing about the more favourable conditions for plant growth. **Conventional tillage** incorporates most of the crop residue into the soil while **minimum-till** retains most of the crop residue on the surface. **No-till** or **zero-till** includes direct seeding into stubble or sod.

Value of Farm Land and Buildings

Refers to the present market value of land and buildings on the operation on Census Day. It includes the value of all houses that are part of the operation; the value of fixed equipment/machinery such as bulk tanks, farrowing pens, etc., found in farm buildings on the operation. It includes land and buildings that are rented or leased from others, but does not include the value of any land and buildings rented or leased to others.

Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment

Refers to the present market value of all farm machinery and equipment that was owned or leased on Census Day.

Windbreaks or Shelterbelts

Rows of natural or planted trees or hedges along field edges that stop prevailing winds from eroding the soil. Used more frequently in Western Canada where farmland is more susceptible to wind action and where trapping snow for moisture is important.

Winter Cover Crops

A crop, such as red clover, fall rye, etc., seeded in the fall to protect the soil from water and wind erosion during the winter and from heavy rains and run-off in the spring.

Woodlands and Wetlands

Woodlands include non-workable land such as woodlots, sugarbushes, tree windbreaks and bush that is not used for grazing. Wetlands include ponds, bogs, marshes, sloughs, etc.

Workable Land

All arable or cleared lands including area in hay, crops, summerfallow, and tame or seeded pasture land.

Notes on 2006 Census Data

Wheat

Spring Wheat (including utility and prairie spring wheats).

Winter Wheat/Fall Rye

Winter wheat or fall rye to be harvested in 2006.

Vegetables Grown for Sale

Excludes greenhouse vegetables.

Livestock

Chicks and poultry hatched refers to those hatched in commercial poultry hatcheries in the calendar year prior to the census.

Poultry production (broilers, roasters and Cornish) refers to production for the calendar year prior to the census.

Other poultry includes geese, ducks, roosters, ostriches, emus, pheasants, quail, wild turkey, etc.

Honey and Other Pollinating Bees

As in previous censuses, some undercoverage, primarily of smaller operations with honeybees occurred in 2006. However, the data are comparable with previous censuses. Other pollinating bees is new for 2006, hence no comparison is available.

Herbicide/Insecticide/Fungicide Use

The area of land that has been treated with herbicides, insecticides and fungicides is under-reported. However, the data are comparable with previous censuses.

Manure Application

New questions were asked for 2006; therefore comparison with 2001 is not possible.

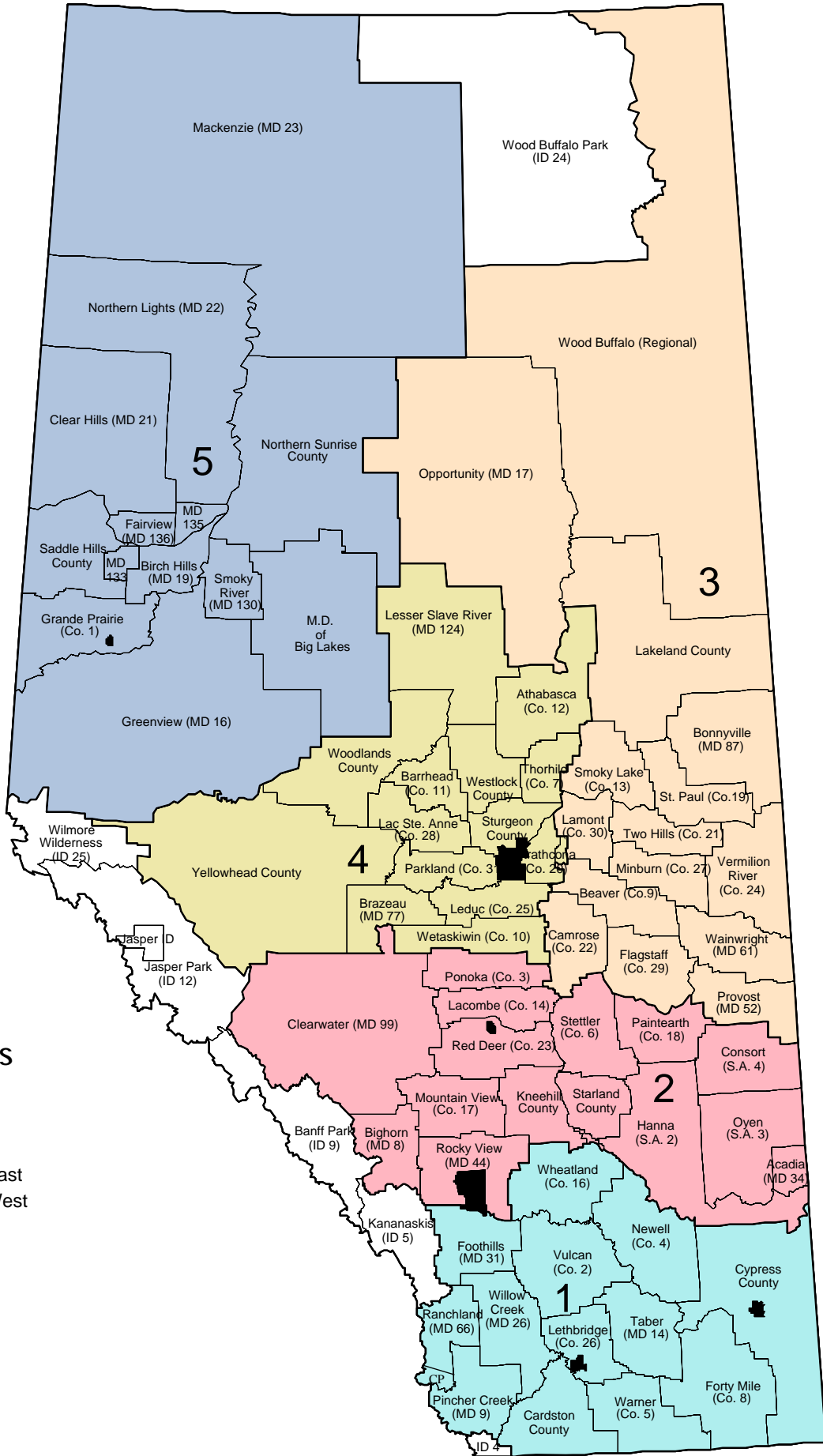
The total number of farms reporting does not equal the sum of the parts because a farm could report more than one category.

Tenure

Includes land **used** through arrangements other than renting, leasing or crop sharing, such as land trading or rent free.

Source: *Statistics Canada*
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/agcensus2006/index.htm>

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ARD Regions

- 1 South
- 2 Central
- 3 North East
- 4 North West
- 5 Peace

Alberta Municipalities Classified by Region

South Region*	No. of Farms**	C.D.
Cardston County.....	547	3
Crowsnest Pass (CP).....	27	15
Cypress County.....	934	1
Foothills No. 31.....	1,405	6
Forty Mile County No. 8.....	602	1
Lethbridge County.....	1,058	2
Newell County No. 4.....	806	2
Pincher Creek No. 9.....	456	3
Ranchland No. 66.....	52	15
Taber	768	2
Vulcan County.....	653	5
Warner County No. 5.....	532	2
Wheatland County.....	873	5
Willow Creek No. 26.....	808	3

North West Region*	No. of Farms**	C.D.
Athabasca County No. 12.....	906	13
Barrhead County No. 11.....	828	13
Brazeau No. 77.....	527	11
Edmonton.....	170	11
Lac Ste. Anne County.....	1,070	13
Leduc County	1,438	11
Lesser Slave River No. 124.....	177	17
Parkland County.....	979	11
Strathcona County.....	772	11
Sturgeon County.....	967	11
Thorhild County No. 7.....	490	13
Westlock County.....	892	13
Wetaskiwin County No. 10.....	1,207	11
Woodlands County.....	290	13
Yellowhead County.....	785	14

Central Region*	No. of Farms**	C.D.
Acadia M.D. 34	94	4
Bighorn No. 8.....	51	15
Calgary.....	112	6
Clearwater County.....	1,209	9
Kneehill County.....	813	5
Lacombe County.....	1,219	8
Mountain View County.....	1,837	6
Paintearth County No. 18.....	434	7
Ponoka County.....	1,233	8
Red Deer County.....	1,751	8
Rocky View No. 44.....	1,551	6
Special Area No. 2.....	514	4
Special Area No. 3.....	416	4
Special Area No. 4	278	4
Starland County.....	364	5
Stettler County No. 6.....	793	7

Peace Region*	No. of Farms**	C.D.
Big Lakes.....	436	17
Birch Hills County.....	268	19
Clear Hills No. 21.....	495	17
Fairview No. 136.....	260	19
Grande Prairie County No. 1.....	1,371	19
Greenview No. 16.....	721	18
Mackenzie No. 23.....	647	17
Northern Lights No. 22.....	541	17
Northern Sunrise County.....	217	17
Peace No. 135.....	201	19
Saddle Hills County.....	498	19
Smoky River No. 130.....	391	19
Spirit River No. 133.....	158	19

North East Region*	No. of Farms**	C.D.
Beaver County.....	795	10
Bonnyville No. 87	853	12
Camrose County No. 22.....	1,149	10
Flagstaff County.....	790	7
Lakeland County	349	12
Lamont County.....	851	10
Minburn County No. 27.....	685	10
Provost No. 52.....	451	7
Smoky Lake County.....	495	12
St. Paul County No. 19.....	833	12
Two Hills County No. 21.....	600	10
Vermilion River County No. 24.....	1,137	10
Wainwright No. 61.....	551	7

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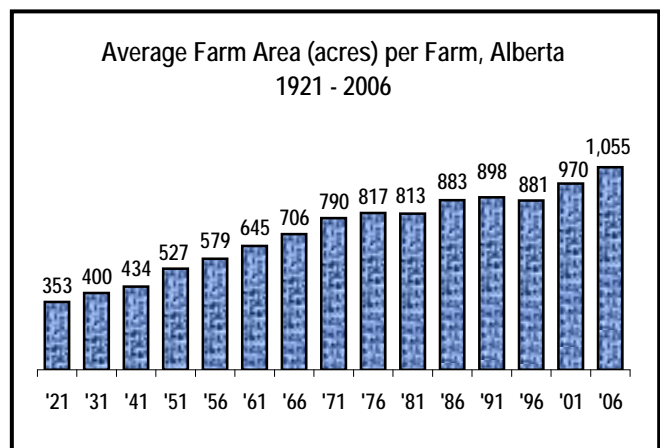
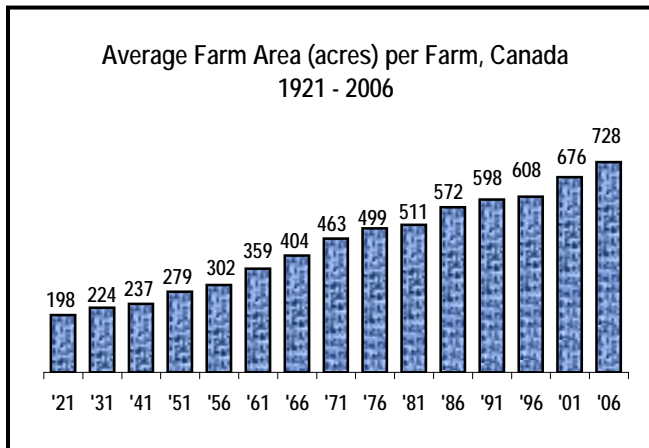
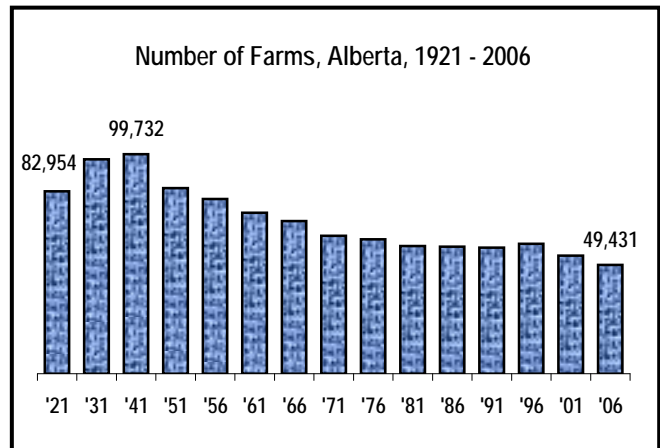
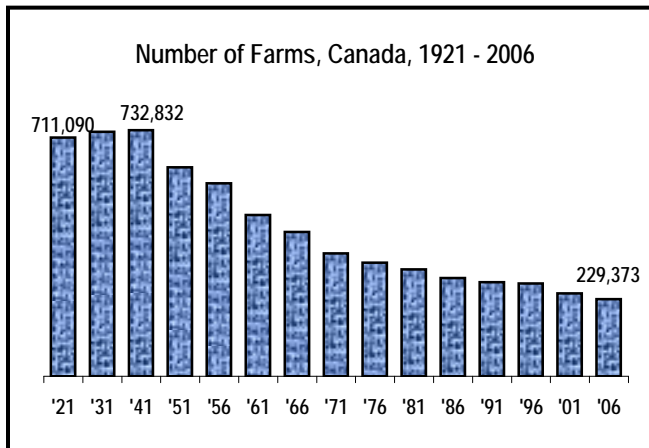
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Table 1: Number of Farms, Canada and Provinces, 1921-2006

	CANADA	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1921	711,090	...	13,701	47,432	36,655	137,619	198,053	53,252	119,451	82,954	21,973
1931	728,623	...	12,865	39,444	34,025	135,957	192,174	54,199	136,472	97,408	26,079
1941	732,832	...	12,230	32,977	31,889	154,669	178,204	58,024	138,713	99,732	26,394
1951	623,087	3,626	10,137	23,515	26,431	134,336	149,920	52,383	112,018	84,315	26,406
1956	574,993	2,387	9,432	21,075	22,116	122,617	140,602	49,201	103,391	79,424	24,748
1961	480,877	1,752	7,335	12,518	11,786	95,777	121,333	43,306	93,924	73,212	19,934
1966	430,503	1,709	6,357	9,621	8,706	80,294	109,887	39,747	85,686	69,411	19,085
1971	366,110	1,042	4,543	6,008	5,485	61,257	94,722	34,981	76,970	62,702	18,400
1976	338,552	878	3,677	5,434	4,551	51,587	88,801	32,104	70,958	61,130	19,432
1981	318,361	679	3,154	5,045	4,063	48,144	82,448	29,442	67,318	58,056	20,012
1986	293,089	651	2,833	4,283	3,554	41,448	72,713	27,336	63,431	57,777	19,063
1991	280,043	725	2,361	3,980	3,252	38,076	68,633	25,706	60,840	57,245	19,225
1996	276,548	742	2,217	4,453	3,405	35,991	67,520	24,383	56,995	59,007	21,835
2001	246,923	643	1,845	3,923	3,034	32,139	59,728	21,071	50,598	53,652	20,290
2006	229,373	558	1,700	3,795	2,776	30,675	57,211	19,054	44,329	49,431	19,844

Nfld. - Newfoundland and Labrador; P.E.I. - Prince Edward Island; N.S. - Nova Scotia; N.B. - New Brunswick; Que. - Quebec; Ont. - Ontario; Man. - Manitoba; Sask. - Saskatchewan; Alta - Alberta; B.C. - British Columbia.



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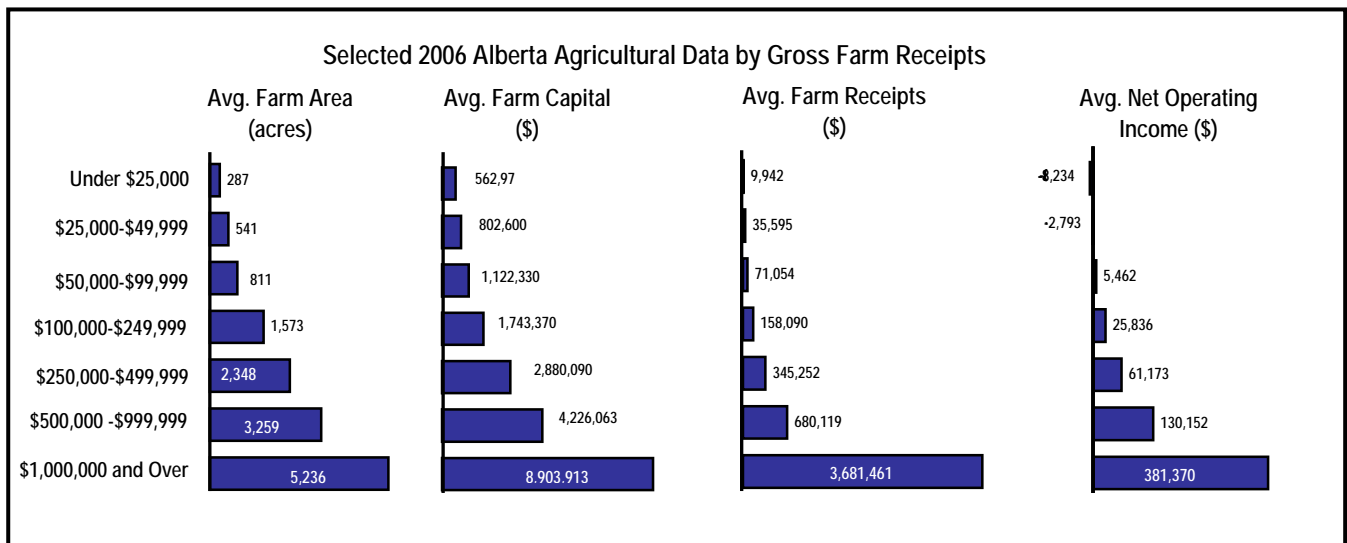
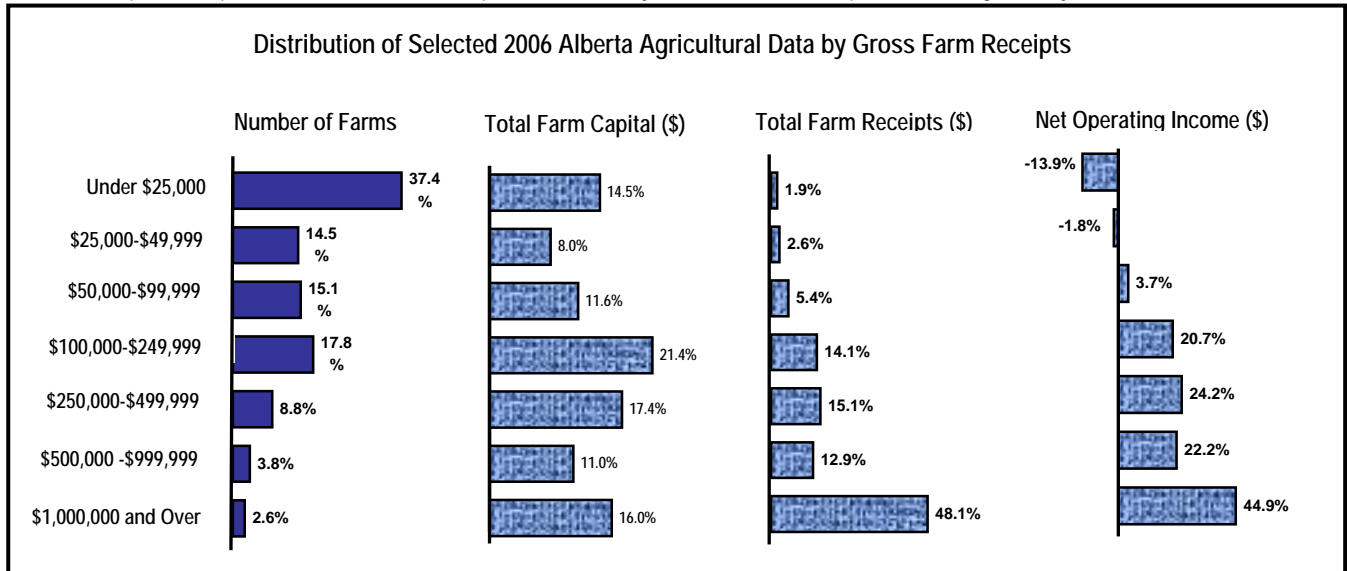
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Table 2: Selected 2006 Alberta Agricultural Data Classified by Gross Farm Receipts

	Number of Farms	Total Area of Farms	Total Farm Capital	Total Gross Farm Receipts*	Total Farm Operating Expenses	Total Net Operating Income
Gross Farm Receipts:		Acres	\$	\$	\$	\$
Under 25,000	18,511	5,313,028	10,417,926,606	184,028,383	336,447,937	-152,419,554
25,000 to 49,999	7,170	3,882,254	5,754,641,542	255,214,361	275,239,836	-20,025,475
50,000 to 99,999	7,448	6,039,238	8,359,115,388	529,211,190	488,527,028	40,684,162
100,000 to 249,999	8,805	13,852,353	15,350,373,203	1,391,981,397	1,164,498,676	227,482,721
250,000 to 499,999	4,333	10,173,853	12,479,429,695	1,495,976,909	1,230,912,392	265,064,517
500,000 to 999,999	1,871	6,097,393	7,906,964,699	1,272,503,025	1,028,987,886	243,515,139
1,000,000 and Over	1,293	6,769,738	11,512,759,235	4,760,129,280	4,267,018,359	493,110,921
TOTAL	49,431	52,127,857	71,781,210,368	9,889,044,545	8,791,632,114	1,097,412,431

Data for receipts and expenses were collected for the previous calendar year, or for the last complete accounting (fiscal) year.



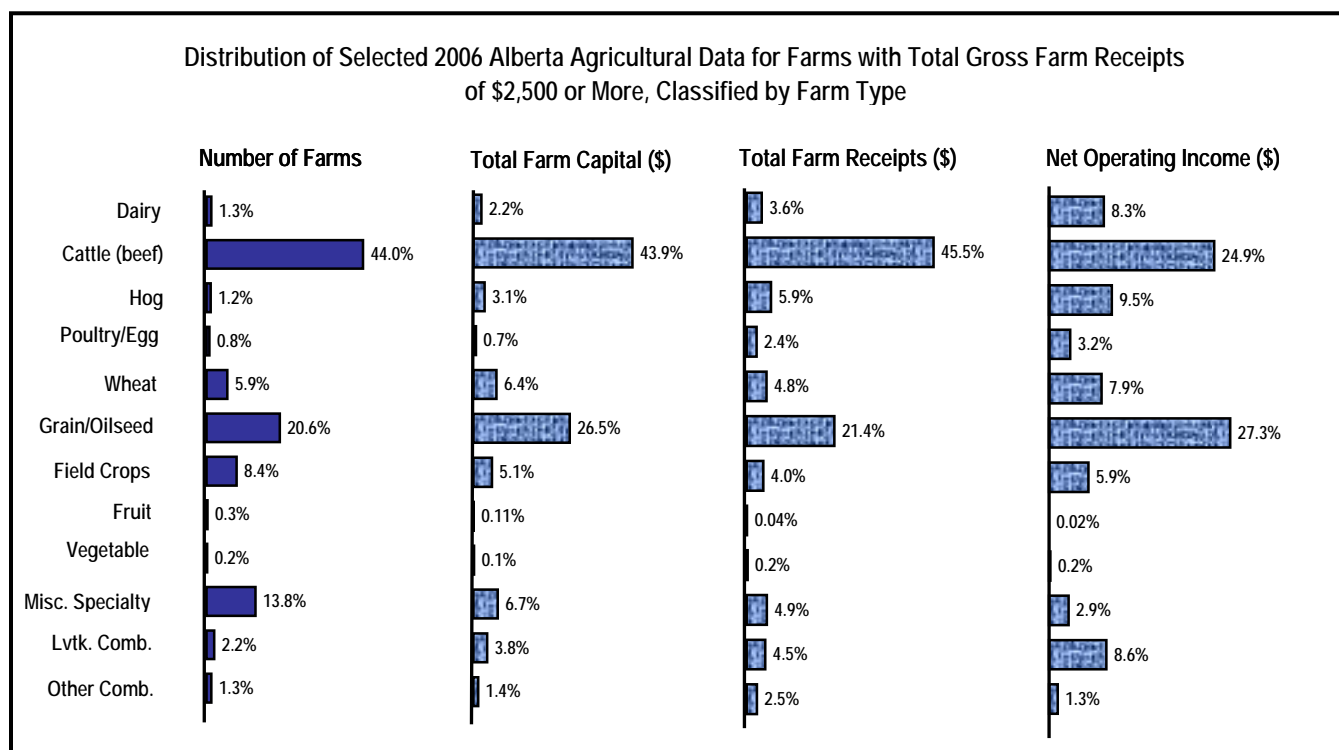
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Table 3: Selected 2006 Alberta Agricultural Data for Farms with Total Gross Farm Receipts of \$2,500 or More, Classified by Farm Type

	Number of Farms	Total Area of Farms	Total Farm Capital	Total Gross Farm Receipts	Total Farm Operating Expenses	Total Net Operating Income
		Acres	\$	\$	\$	\$
Dairy	627	448,981	1,554,569,849	360,653,734	267,957,941	92,695,793
Cattle (beef)	20,474	26,802,401	30,914,835,670	4,502,158,808	4,222,781,344	279,377,464
Hog	565	856,132	2,153,570,676	584,831,223	478,620,259	106,210,964
Poultry and Egg	375	106,401	490,152,961	235,979,457	200,066,768	35,912,689
Wheat	2,733	4,023,021	4,493,808,165	476,970,324	388,107,605	88,862,719
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	9,568	13,527,175	18,704,569,290	2,115,889,663	1,809,564,431	306,325,232
Field Crops (except grain and oilseed)	3,923	1,794,264	3,576,402,949	399,486,369	333,119,509	66,366,860
Fruit	136	13,270	77,486,104	3,856,023	3,651,063	204,960
Vegetable	96	22,378	97,880,848	21,708,593	19,435,318	2,273,275
Miscellaneous Specialty	6,403	1,599,501	4,748,087,615	486,365,235	453,569,046	32,796,189
Livestock Combination	1,019	1,714,482	2,700,422,010	449,412,874	352,771,182	96,641,692
Other combination	627	654,874	957,287,854	248,348,918	233,936,975	14,411,943
Total	46,546	51,562,880	70,469,073,991	9,885,661,221	8,763,581,441	1,122,079,780

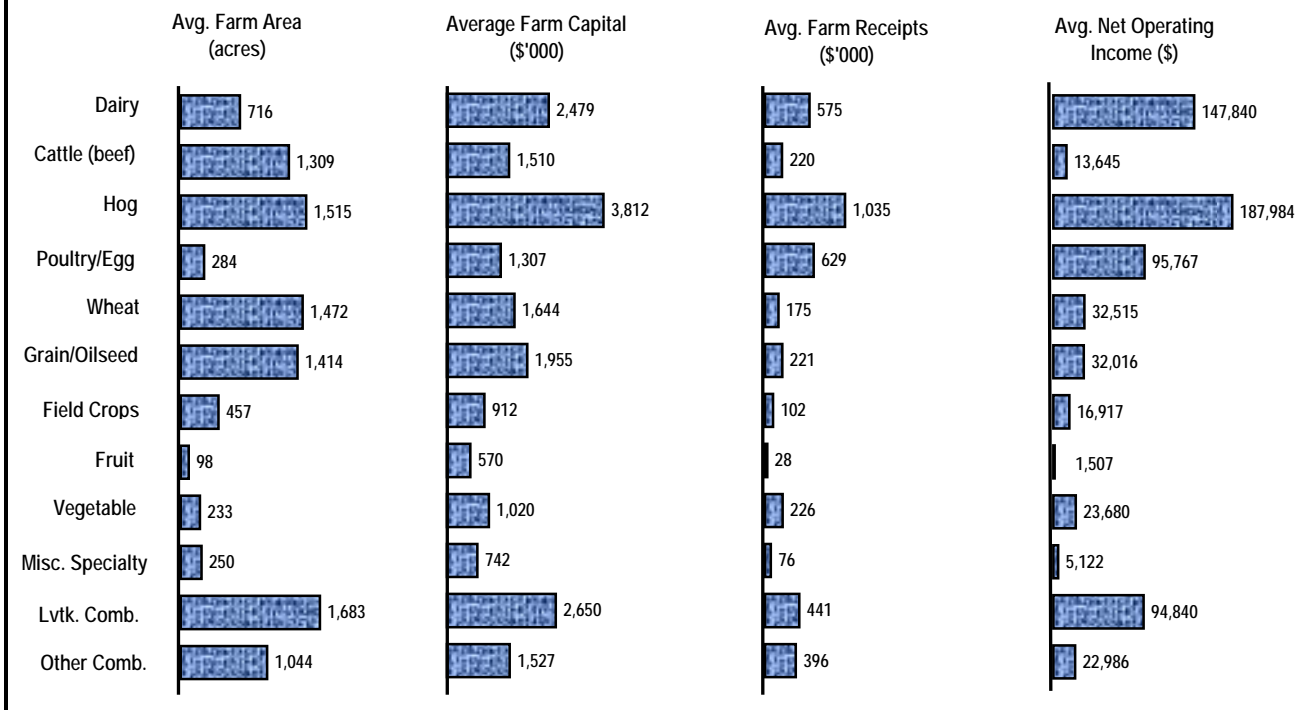
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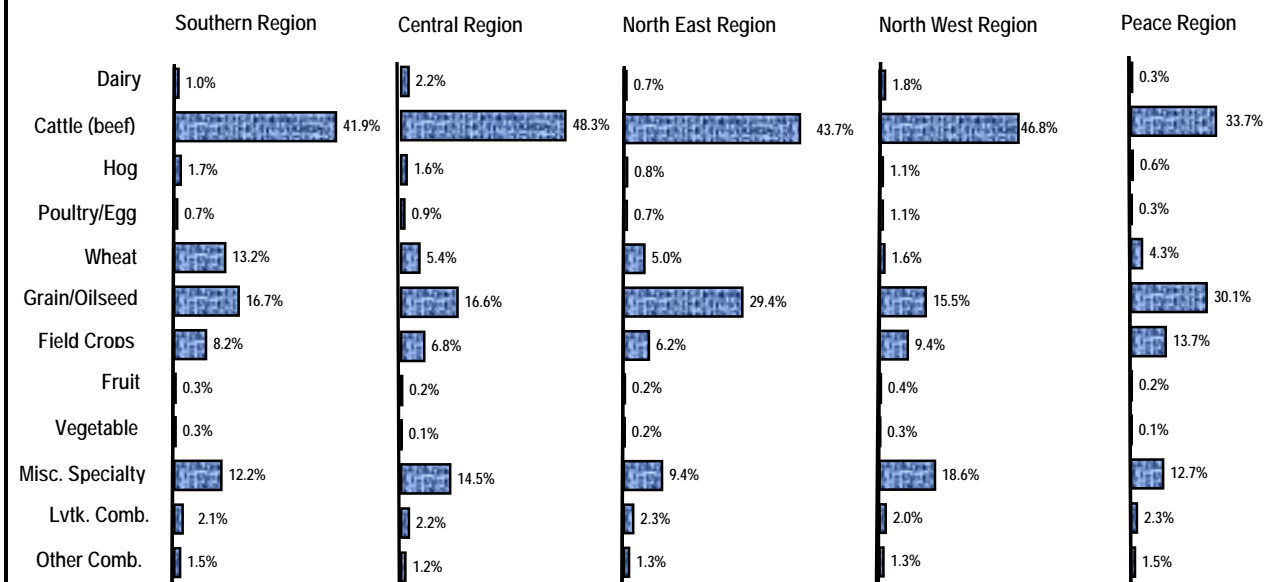
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Averages for Alberta Farms with Total Gross Farm Receipts of \$2,500 or More, Classified by Farm Type, 2006



Distribution of Farms with Total Gross Farm Receipts of \$2,500 or More, Classified by Farm Type, Alberta Agricultural Regions 2006

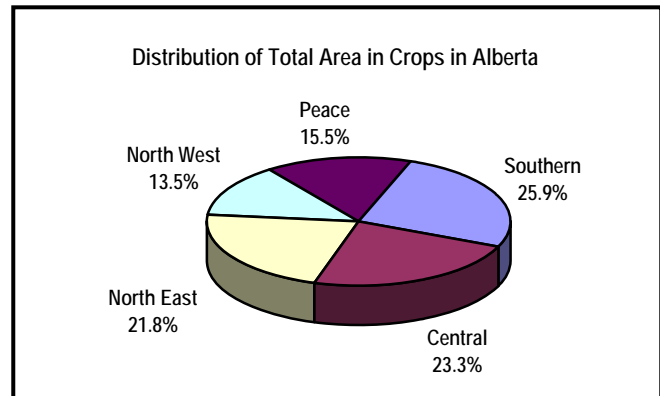
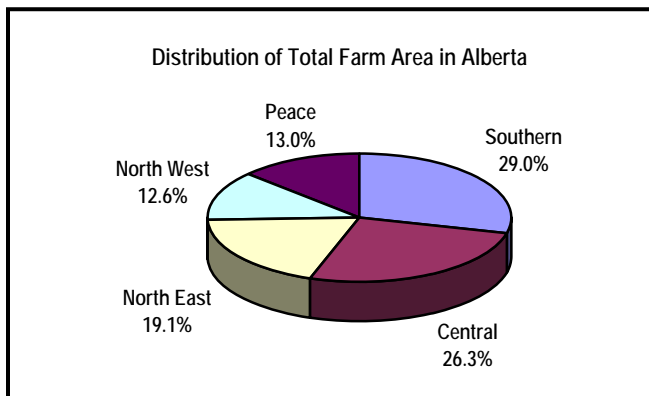
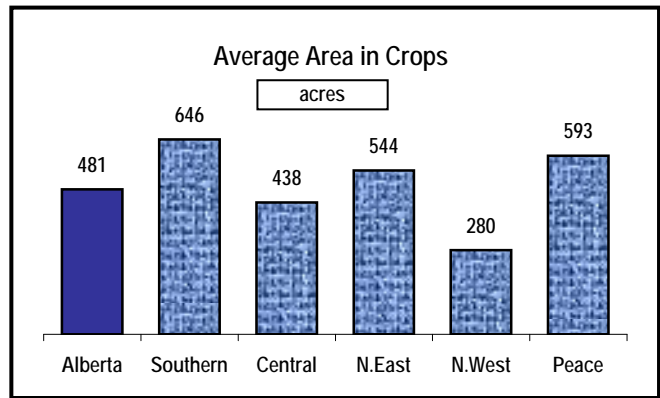
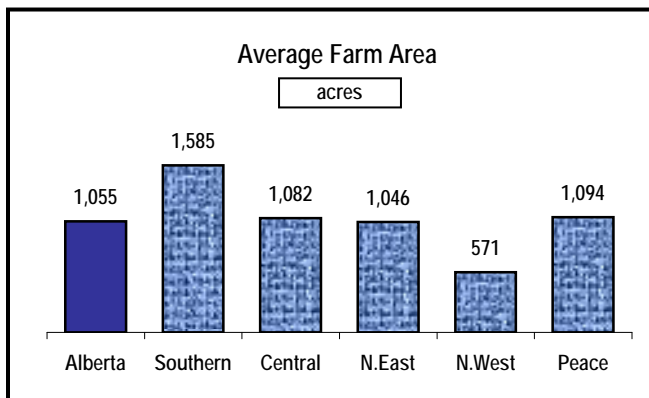


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Table 4a: 2006 Alberta Agriculture Profile - Farms and the Land

	Alberta	Southern	Central	North East	North West	Peace
Number of Farms	49,431	9,521	12,669	9,539	11,498	6,204
Average Farm Size (Acres)	1,055	1,585	1,082	1,046	571	1,094
Land Tenure		Acres				
Area Owned	30,033,280	7,116,033	5,788,223	5,985,538	3,131,273	4,243,428
Area Rented, Leased or Cop Shared	22,094,577	6,344,151	3,773,768	3,989,404	2,051,878	2,543,703
Rented or Leased From Governments	9,959,049	4,087,453	2,931,611	577,526	323,080	1,097,566
Rented or Leased From Others	10,534,234	2,388,375	2,594,381	1,356,258	664,923	1,329,720
Crop Shared From Others	1,601,294	259,845	519,690	357,620	133,852	116,417
Total Area of Farms	52,127,857	15,093,380	13,712,384	9,974,942	6,560,020	6,787,131
Land Use		Acres				
Total Land in Crops	23,775,509	6,154,448	5,543,161	5,185,185	3,216,415	3,676,300
Summerfallow	2,239,633	937,228	637,896	271,926	117,949	274,047
Total Pasture Land	22,273,008	7,589,398	6,775,402	3,685,752	2,317,634	1,904,822
Tame or Seeded Pasture	6,137,362	1,133,223	1,726,948	1,328,834	1,179,338	769,019
Natural Land for Pasture	16,135,646	6,456,175	5,048,454	2,356,918	1,138,296	1,135,803
All Other Land	3,839,707	397,268	746,492	832,079	908,022	931,962
Total Area of Farms	52,127,857	15,093,380	13,712,384	9,974,942	6,560,020	6,787,131
Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management						
Number of Farms Reporting Use	23,410	5,315	6,420	4,129	4,979	2,567
% of Total Farms	47.4	55.8	50.7	43.3	43.3	41.4

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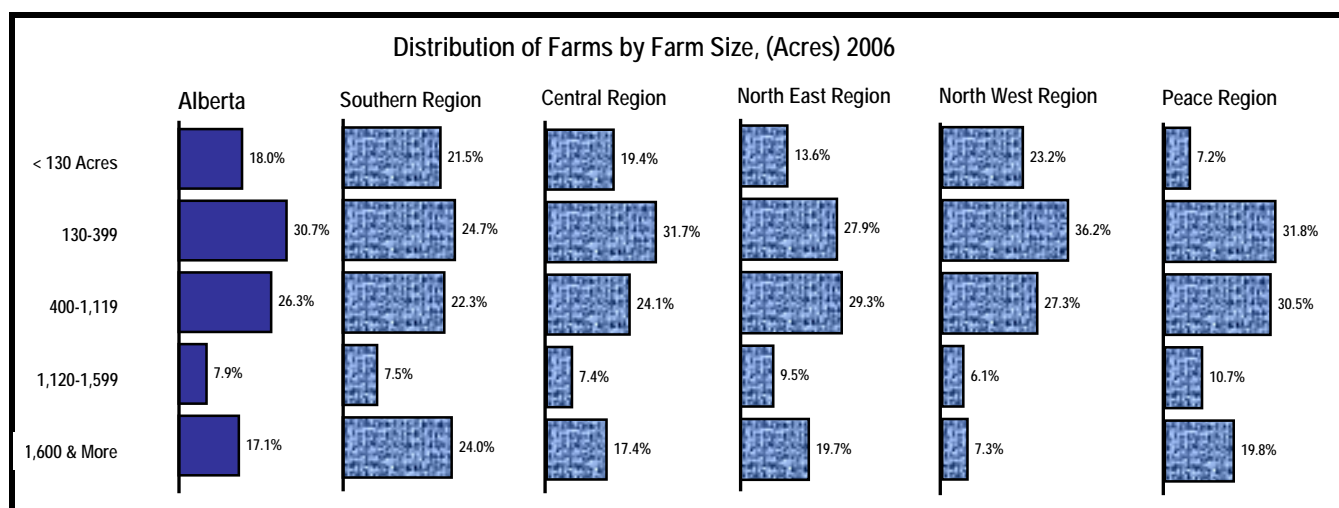


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Table 4b: 2006 Alberta Agriculture Profile - Farms and the Land

	Alberta	Southern	Central	North East	North West	Peace
Farm Operating Arrangements						
Number of Farms						
Sole Proprietorship	27,815	4,850	6,881	5,746	6,585	3,753
Partnership	13,920	2,273	3,873	2,527	3,565	1,682
With Written Agreement	1,458	336	463	220	289	150
Without a Written Agreement	12,462	1,937	3,410	2,307	3,276	1,532
Corporation	7,411	2,267	1,856	1,229	1,326	733
Family	6,714	2,050	1,699	1,131	1,168	666
Non-family	697	217	157	98	158	67
Other (institution/Community Pasture, etc.)	285	131	59	37	22	36
Total Farms	49,431	9,521	12,669	9,539	11,498	6,204
Farms by Total Farm Area						
Number of Farms						
Under 130 Acres	8,918	2,048	2,459	1,296	2,669	446
130 - 399 Acres	15,164	2,349	4,021	2,660	4,159	1,975
400 - 1,119 Acres	12,995	2,125	3,054	2,791	3,135	1,890
1,120 - 1,599 Acres	3,924	716	936	910	700	662
1,600 & More Acres	8,430	2,283	2,199	1,882	835	1,231
Total number of farms	49,431	9,521	12,669	9,539	11,498	6,204
Farms by Type						
Number of Farms						
Dairy	627	95	259	60	193	20
Cattle (Beef)	20,474	3,808	5,797	3,983	4,928	1,958
Hog	565	153	190	73	114	35
Poultry and Egg	375	65	108	67	118	17
Wheat	2,733	1,203	649	460	172	249
Grain and Oilseed (Except Wheat)	9,568	1,517	1,991	2,677	1,634	1,749
Field Crop (Except Grain and Oilseed)	3,923	745	819	565	996	798
Fruit	136	28	29	20	46	13
Vegetable	96	28	16	16	28	8
Miscellaneous Specialty	6,403	1,109	1,735	860	1,960	739
Livestock Combination	1,019	194	268	211	213	133
Other Combination	627	139	142	118	139	89
Total Farms Classified	46,546	9,084	12,003	9,110	10,541	5,808

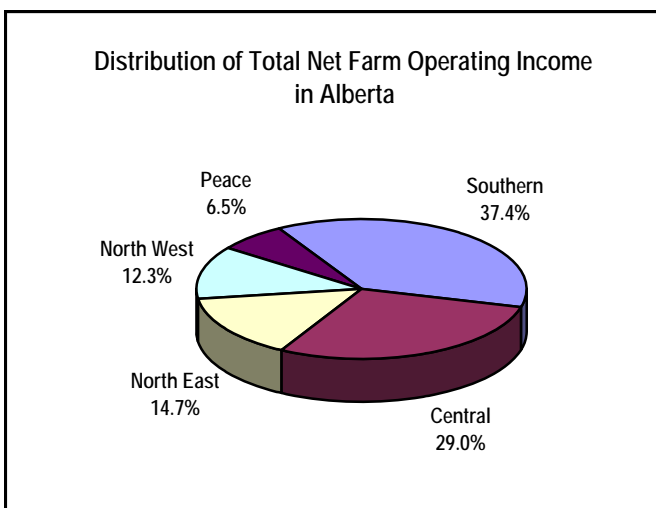
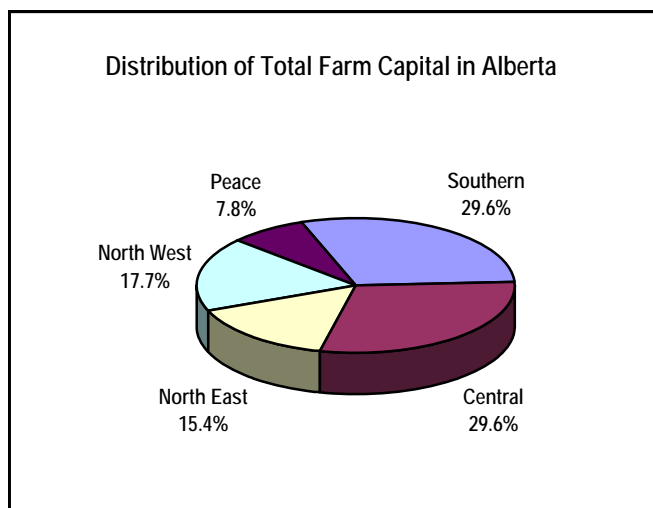
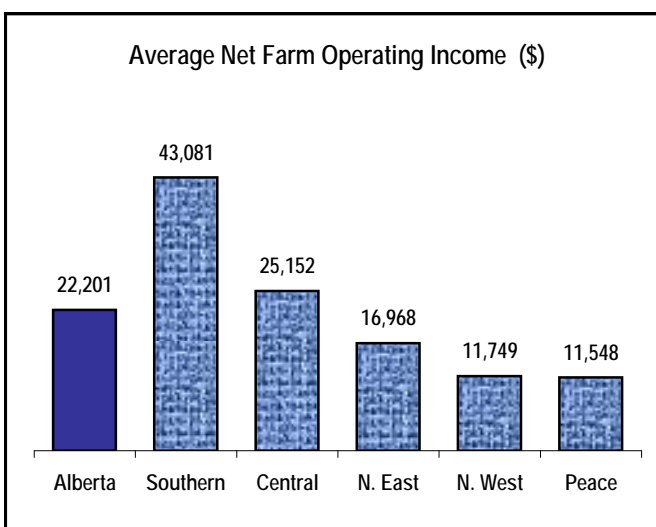
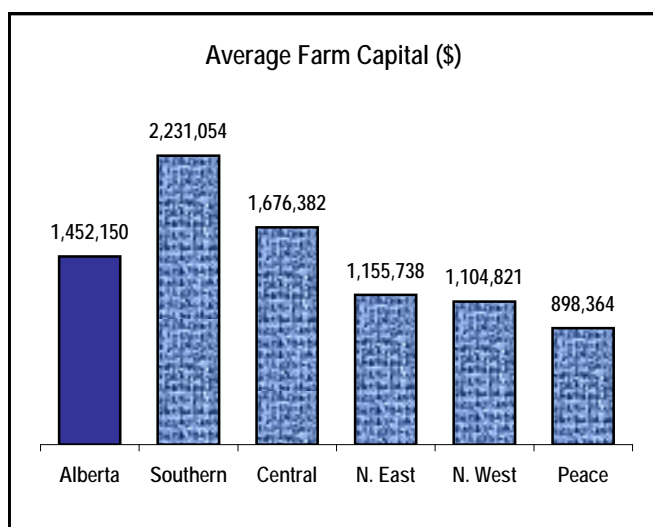


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Table 5a: 2006 Alberta Agriculture Profile - Financial Characteristics

	Alberta	Southern	Central	North East	North West	Peace
Average Per Reporting Farm						
		Dollars per Farm				
Net Farm Operating Income	22,201	43,081	25,152	16,968	11,749	11,548
Farm Capital	1,452,150	2,231,054	1,676,382	1,155,738	1,104,821	898,364
Farm Operating Expenses	177,857	387,133	157,636	137,259	100,950	102,936
Farm Interest Expenses	14,607	22,154	15,028	12,494	11,317	10,348
Gross Farm Receipts	200,058	430,214	182,788	154,227	112,698	114,484
Farm Capital		\$'000				
Machinery and Equipment	9,680,138	2,596,377	2,348,154	1,897,440	1,707,200	1,130,969
Livestock and Poultry	4,999,727	1,783,117	1,313,253	816,738	750,553	336,065
Land and Buildings	57,101,345	16,862,367	17,576,678	8,310,404	10,245,478	4,106,418
Owned	41,405,895	12,335,365	12,636,285	6,000,723	7,217,677	3,215,845
Rented or Leased from Others	15,695,450	4,527,002	4,940,393	2,309,681	3,027,801	890,573
Total Farm Capital	71,781,210	21,241,861	21,238,085	11,024,582	12,703,231	5,573,452

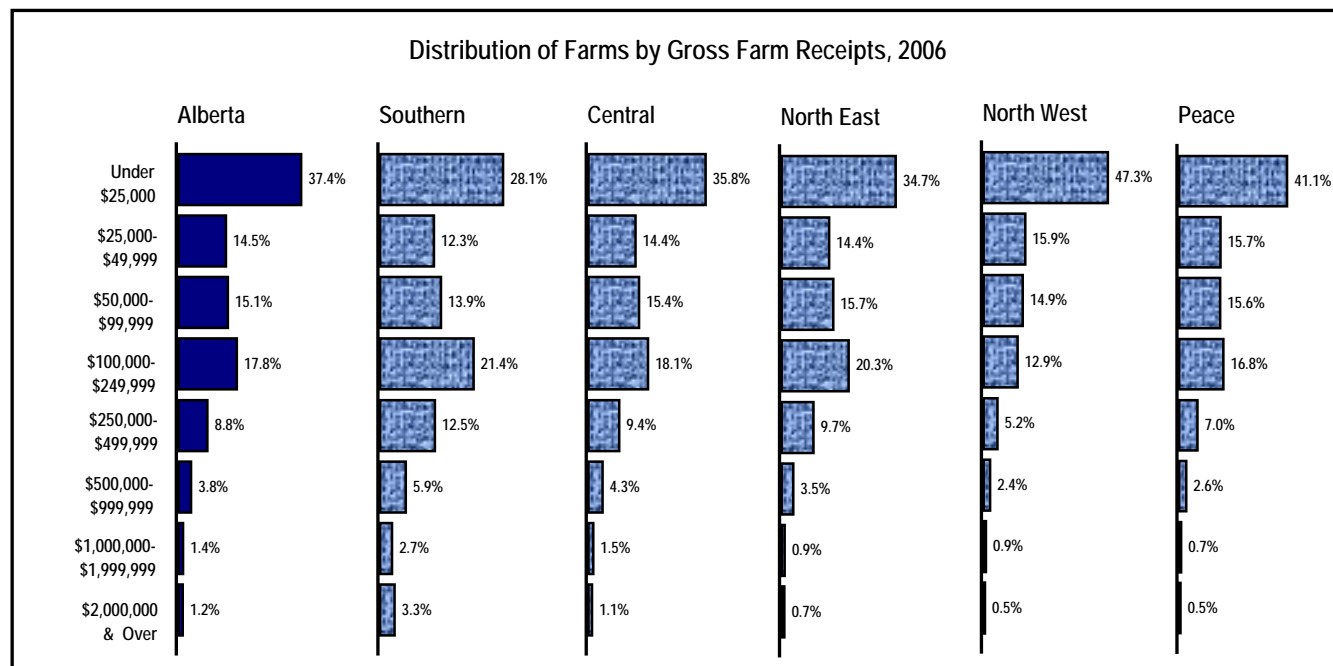
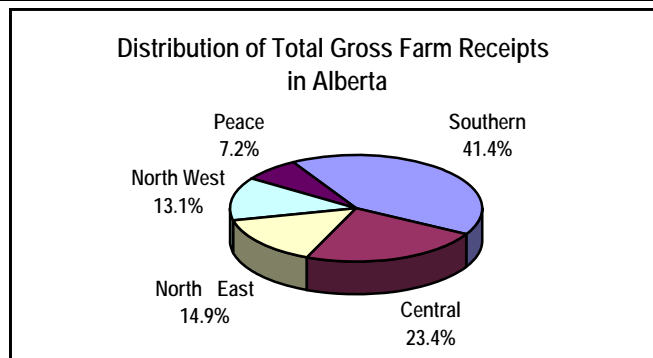
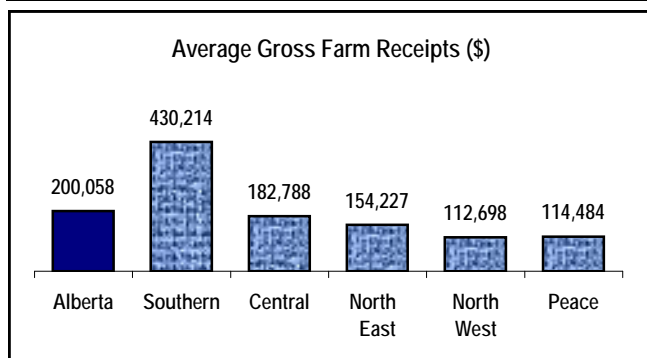


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Table 5b: 2006 Alberta Agriculture Profile - Financial Characteristics

	Alberta	Southern	Central	North East	North West	Peace
Farms Classified by Gross Farm Receipts		Number of Farms				
Under \$25,000	18,511	2,673	4,538	3,310	5,440	2,550
\$25,000-\$49,999	7,170	1,173	1,823	1,374	1,823	977
\$50,000-\$99,999	7,448	1,321	1,952	1,499	1,711	965
\$100,000-\$249,999	8,805	2,035	2,299	1,941	1,487	1,043
\$250,000-\$499,999	4,333	1,189	1,189	925	598	432
\$500,000 and over	3,164	1,130	868	490	439	237
\$500,000 to \$999,999	1,871	557	541	331	279	163
\$1,000,000 to \$1,999,999	688	259	190	88	105	46
\$2,000,000 and Over	605	314	137	71	55	28
Total Farms	49,431	9,521	12,669	9,539	11,498	6,204
		\$'000				
Total Farm Operating Expenses	8,791,632	3,685,895	1,997,096	1,309,309	1,160,720	638,613
Total Gross Farm Receipts	9,889,045	4,096,070	2,315,742	1,471,170	1,295,804	710,258
Total Net Farm Operating Income	1,097,412	410,175	318,647	161,861	135,085	71,645

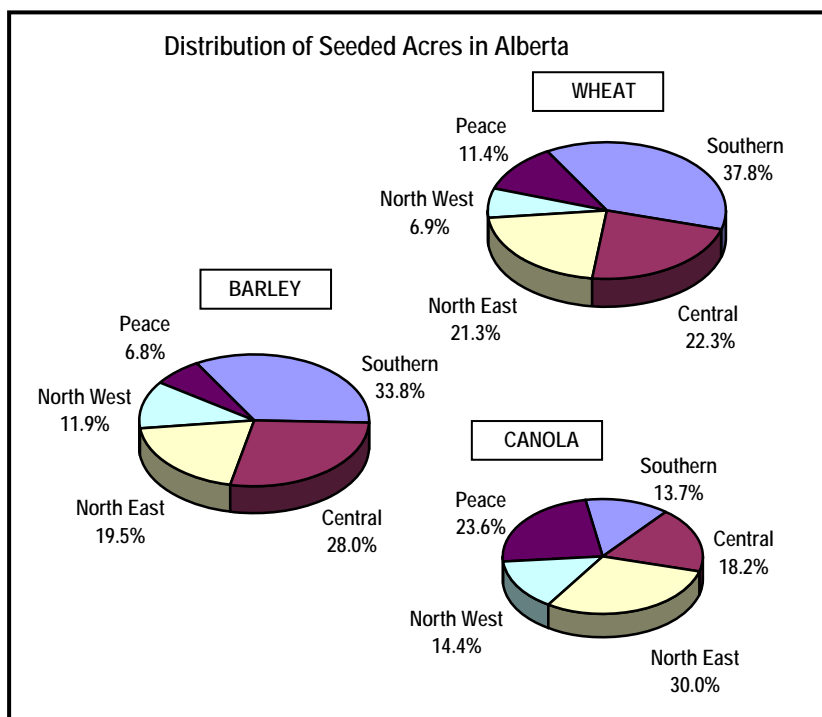
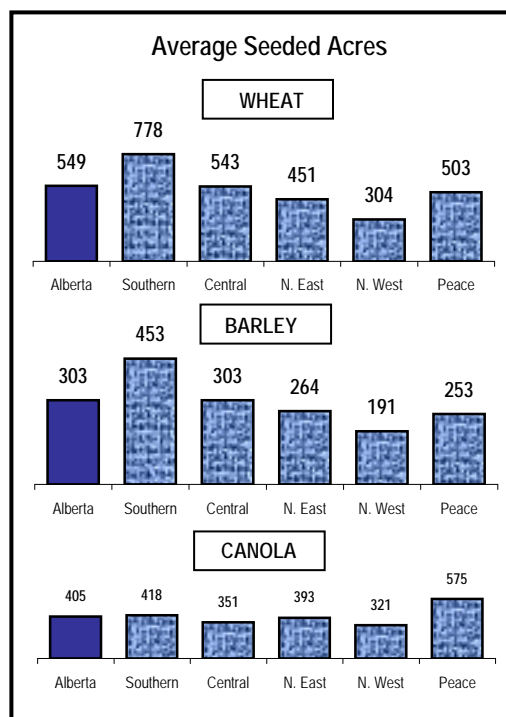


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Table 6: 2006 Alberta Agriculture Profile - Crops

	Alberta	Southern	Central	North East	North West	Peace
Crops	Seeded Area - Acres					
Total Wheat	6,467,628	2,445,364	1,444,861	1,374,449	447,067	739,471
Spring Wheat (Excl. Durum)	5,768,705	1,891,651	1,252,098	1,355,693	432,918	722,815
Durum Wheat	570,771	453,395	84,242	10,258	3,690	11,599
Winter Wheat	128,152	99,820	9,346	2,524	2,222	5,057
Oats	1,269,229	112,156	285,419	366,083	259,586	245,985
Barley	4,094,689	1,383,906	1,146,380	796,882	488,218	279,303
Mixed Grains	373,005	34,637	146,039	117,844	58,449	13,217
Total Rye	118,399	40,700	39,609	24,135	8,536	3,757
Canola	4,068,511	559,311	739,986	1,220,776	587,528	960,910
Flaxseed	60,372	23,169	13,083	8,291	1,496	10,828
Mustard Seed	62,538	40,186	21,790	0	0	x
Potatoes	54,759	43,053	4,704	119	6,464	246
Dry Field Peas	587,263	229,829	101,834	147,378	23,445	73,178
Lentils	10,825	6,261	3,325	x	427	x
Chick Peas	40,749	36,390	2,270	1,569	x	x
Dry Field Beans	62,039	50,507	1,348	x	2,380	4,789
Sugar Beets	38,803	38,803	0	0	0	0
Forage Seed for Seed	244,615	30,373	8,838	11,376	9,562	178,560
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	3,935,022	691,997	994,783	767,431	822,813	657,998
All Other Tame Hay and Fodder Crops	2,060,967	273,417	520,433	323,602	466,333	477,182
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale						
Sweet Corn	4,582	4,351	10	101	60	60
Green Peas	4,101	3,224	37	472	66	177
Green or Wax Beans	247	191	6	2	37	5
Carrots	1,003	736	82	42	132	12



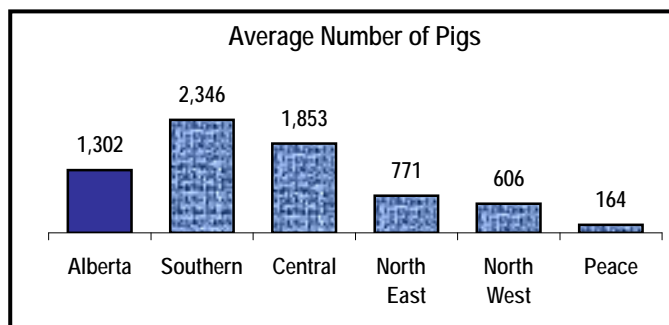
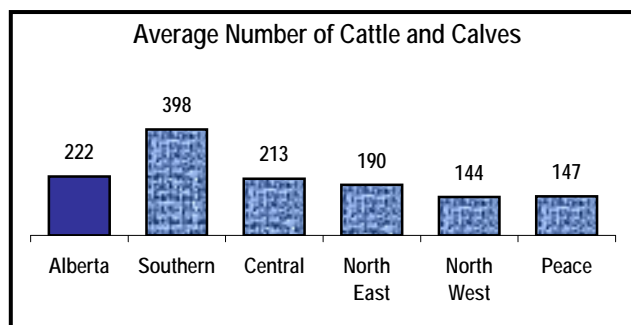
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Table 7: 2006 Alberta Agriculture Profile - Livestock and Poultry

	Alberta	Southern	Central	North East	North West	Peace
Cattle and Calves						
Number of Head						
Total Cows	2,114,716	482,023	627,674	439,186	386,011	179,822
Dairy Cows	78,875	21,707	30,624	5,328	19,112	1,404
Beef Cows	2,035,841	453,240	493,788	433,858	311,190	178,418
Bulls	109,753	24,704	36,893	22,618	18,331	9,074
Heifers	1,119,315	521,489	274,704	167,402	126,610	42,396
Steers	974,559	551,314	202,101	106,630	86,655	30,164
Calves	2,050,773	608,542	576,669	396,235	326,771	142,556
Total Cattle and Calves	6,369,116	2,188,108	1,700,547	1,132,071	944,378	404,012
Pigs						
Boars	7,101	2,781	2,096	771	1,102	351
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	188,703	76,967	61,529	19,505	19,206	9,936
All Other Pigs	1,856,263	703,548	648,163	193,333	189,792	32,769
Total Pigs	2,052,067	788,203	699,340	213,609	211,469	37,757
Total Sheep and Lambs	222,340	69,672	53,602	31,746	47,973	19,347
Horses and Ponies	155,533	31,976	45,490	22,679	39,306	16,082
Goats	29,113	6,801	6,784	3,484	7,194	4,791
Bison (Buffalo)	97,366	9,089	17,945	17,000	21,348	30,005
Deer	8,965	950	3,705	1,207	1,712	255
Elk	33,783	1,255	5,236	6,582	10,279	9,101
Poultry Inventory						
Number of Birds						
Total Hens and Chickens	11,757,860	3,520,788	3,328,085	1,715,752	2,906,736	286,499
Broilers, Roasters and Cornish	8,546,758	2,267,827	2,481,448	1,271,447	2,241,484	103,087
Pullets - Under 19 Weeks, Intended for Laying	983,648	389,241	311,832	69,576	170,184	3,266
Laying Hens - 19 Weeks and Over	2,227,454	863,720	534,805	262,774	495,068	71,087
Laying Hens in Hatchery Supply Flock	391,592	x	143,810	81,100	11,016	0
Turkeys	703,462	206,355	104,150	91,514	291,356	10,087
Other Poultry	211,749	99,486	48,035	21,384	29,967	11,075
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	63,625,470	x	x	x	20,894,491	x
Poultry Production						
Kilograms						
Broiler, Roaster & Cornish	115,766,269	30,457,530	34,920,747	18,111,804	29,884,014	1,442,297
Turkey	16,054,282	5,483,628	2,991,045	1,669,420	5,616,421	293,768
Bee Inventory						
Number of Colonies						
Bees	230,894	58,307	23,395	18,529	56,082	68,499
Number of Gallons						
Other Pollinating Bees	89,580	83,833	177	x	x	3,240



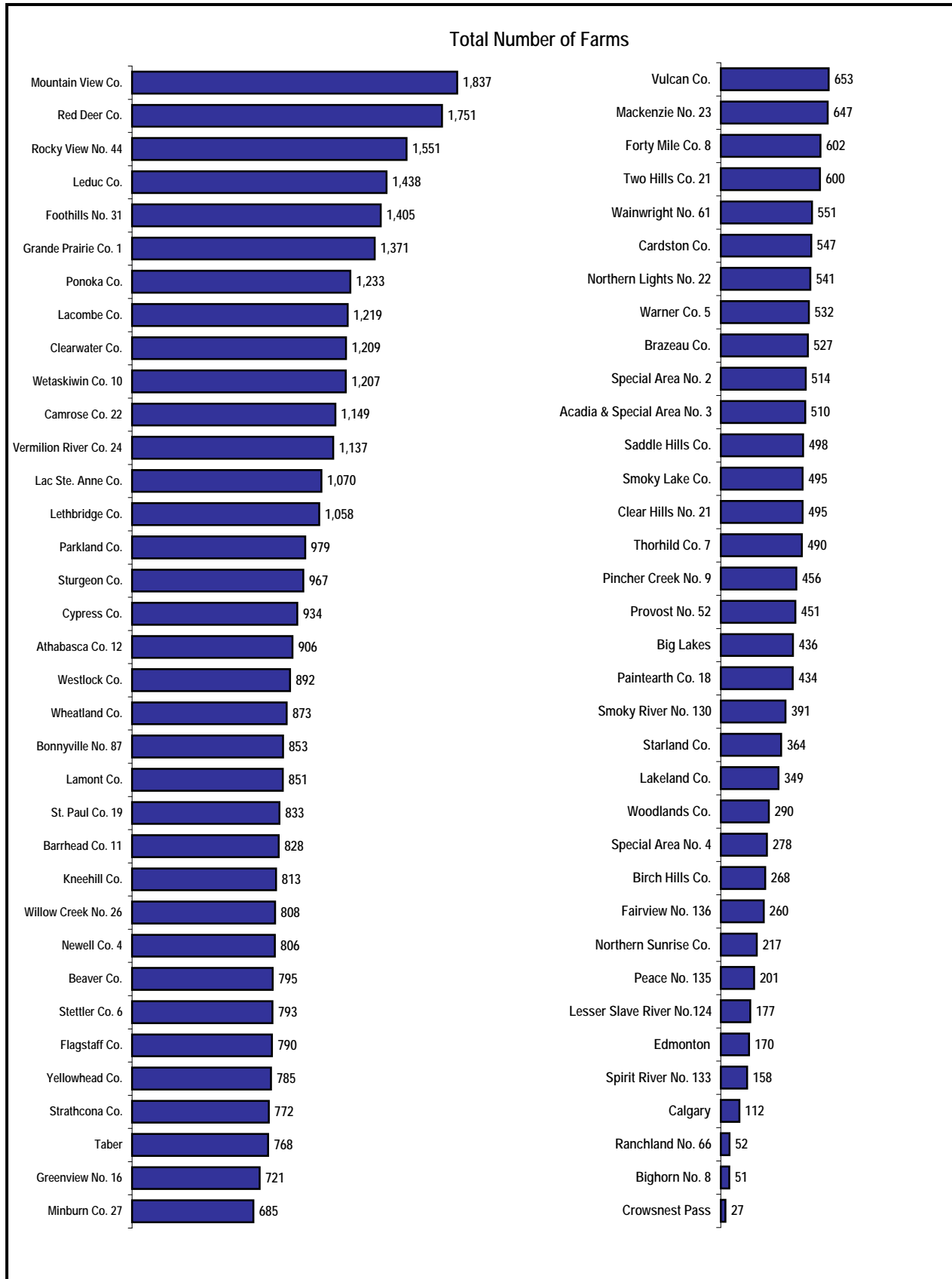
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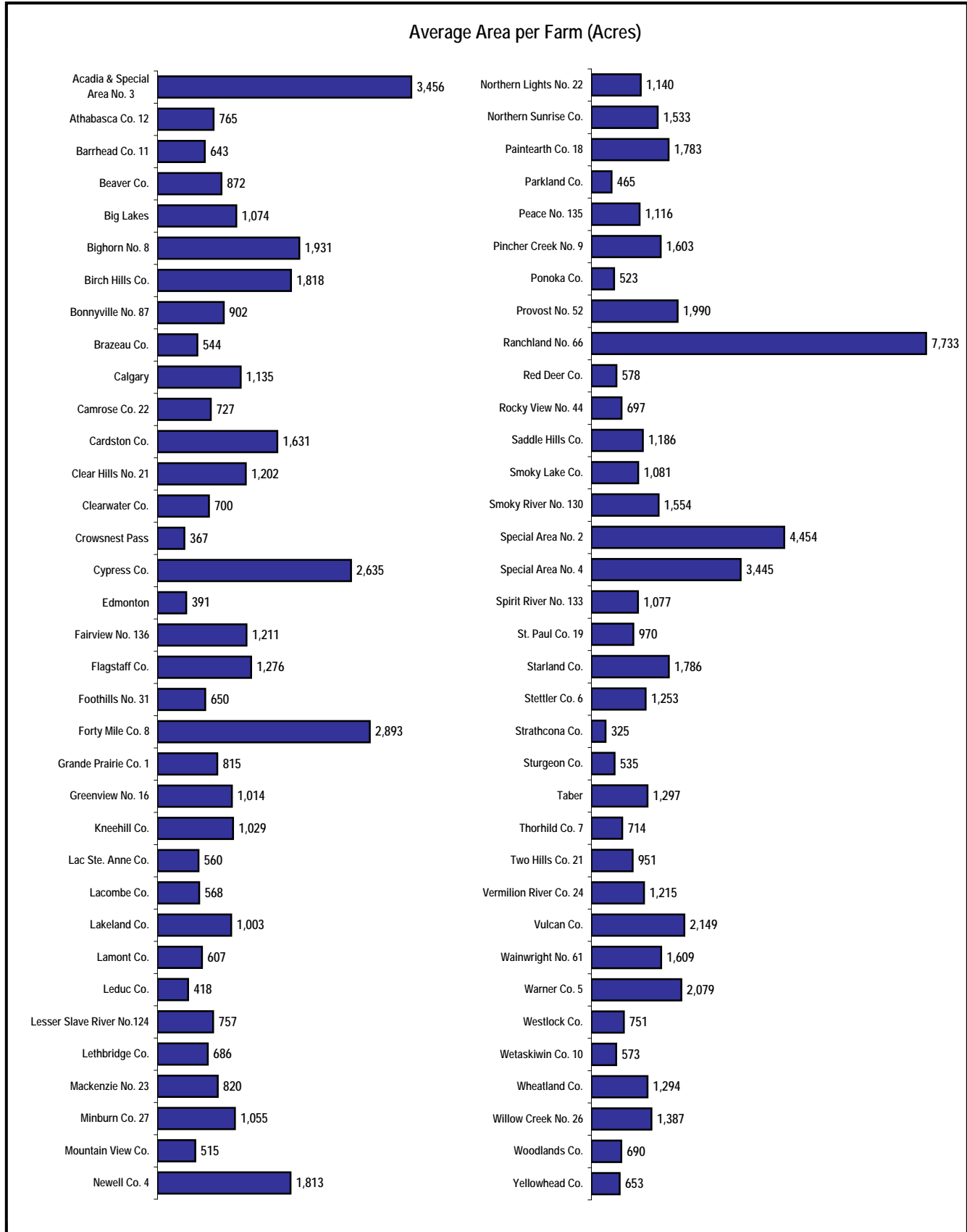
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Average Area per Alberta Farm by Municipality, 2006

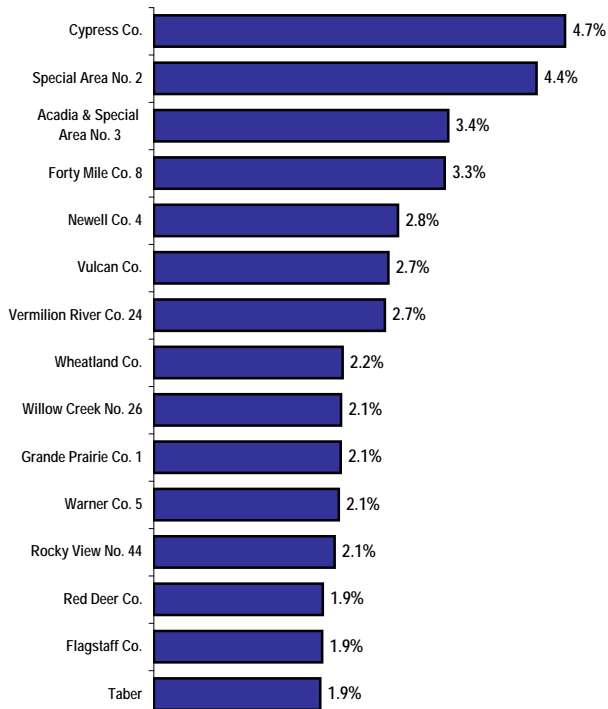


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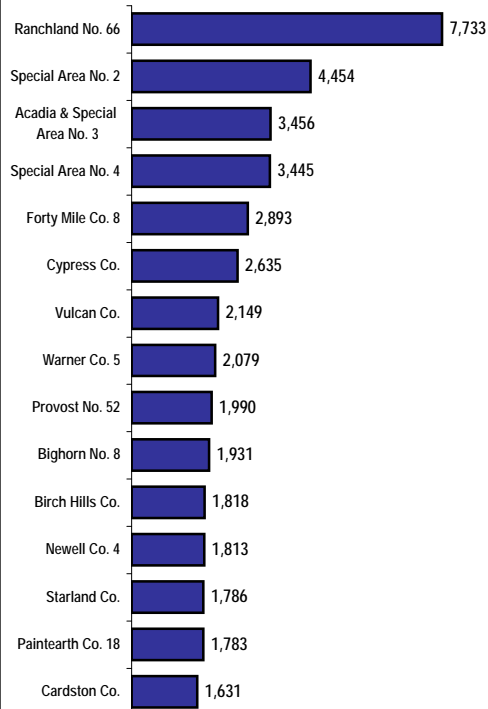
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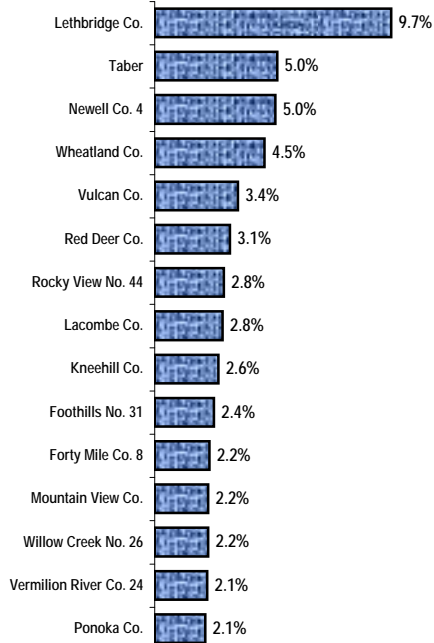
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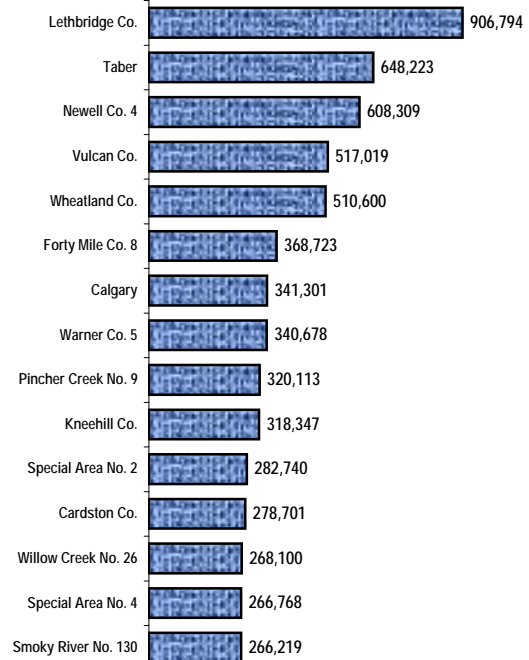
Average Farm Area (Acres)



Distribution of Total Gross Farm Receipts in Alberta



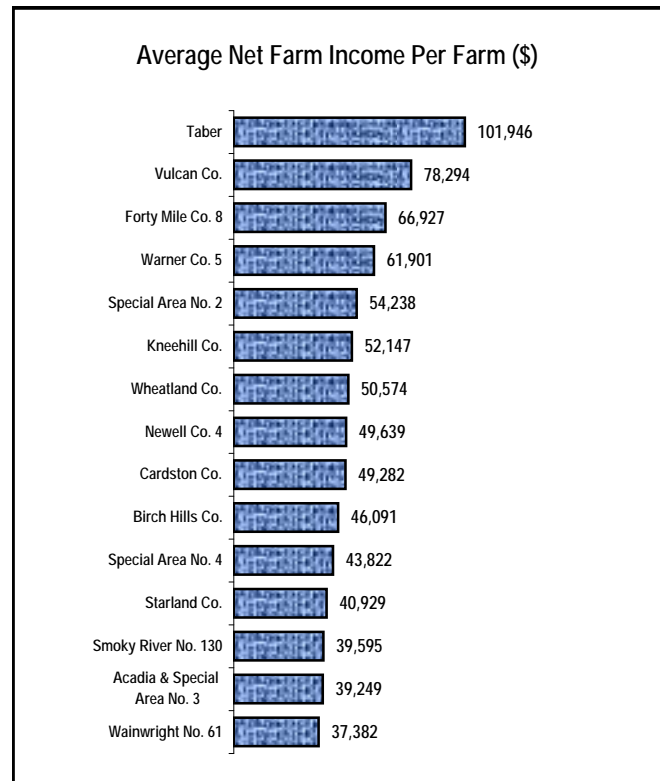
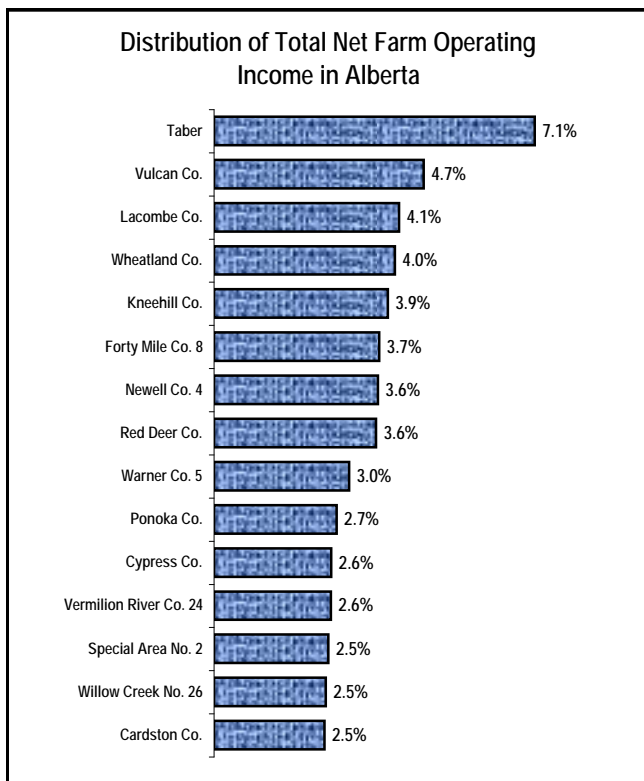
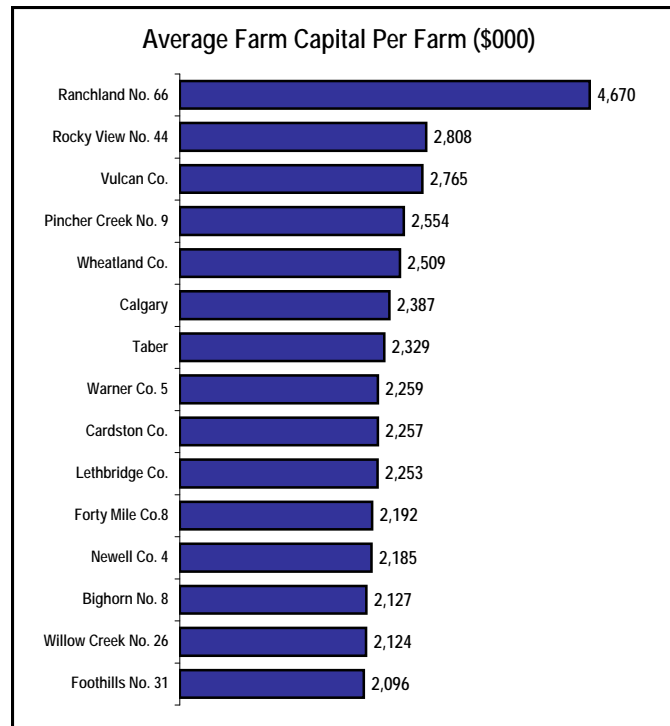
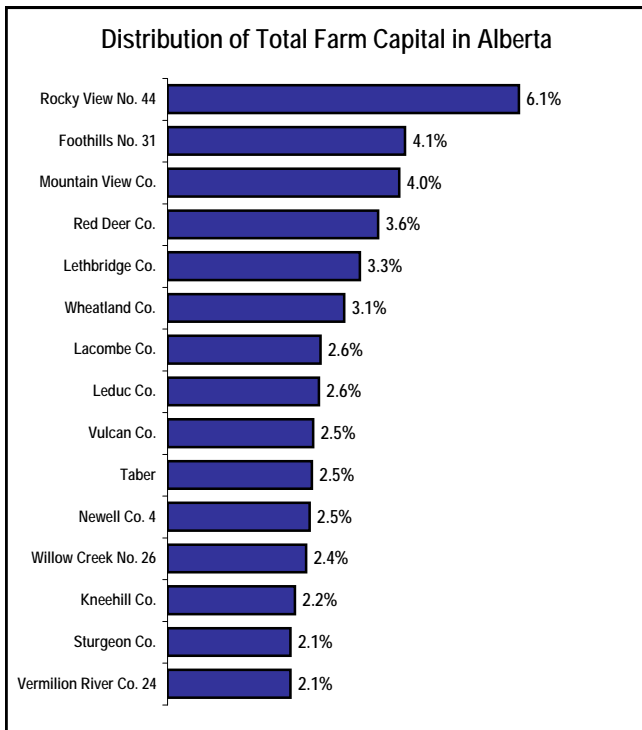
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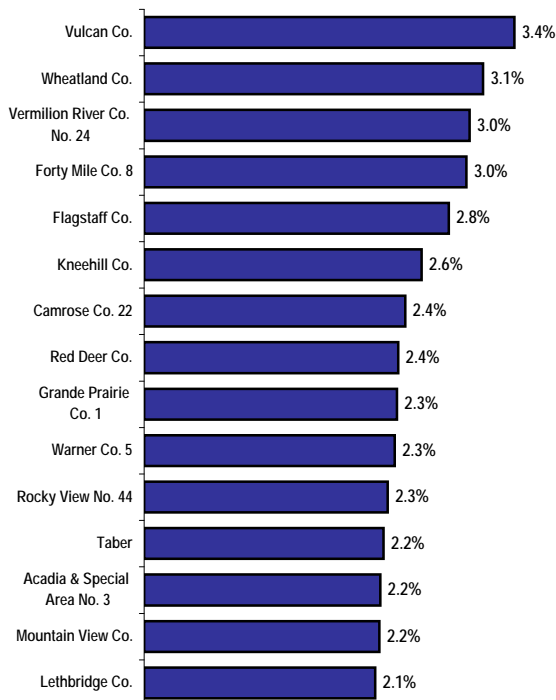


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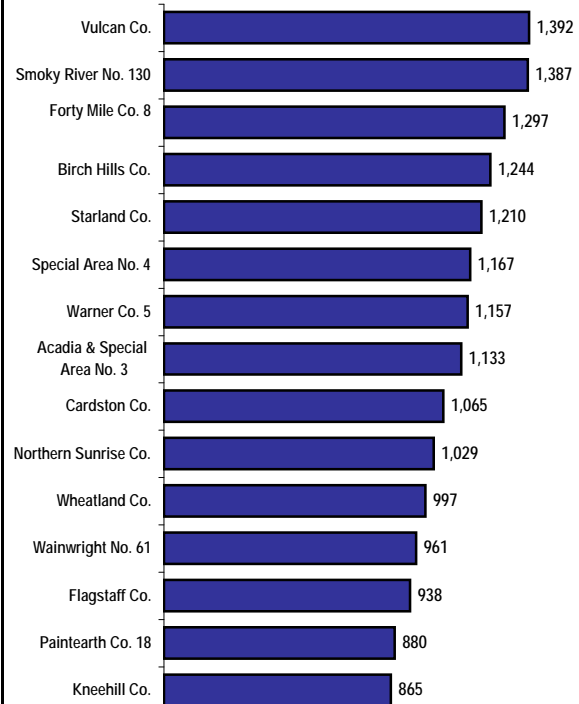
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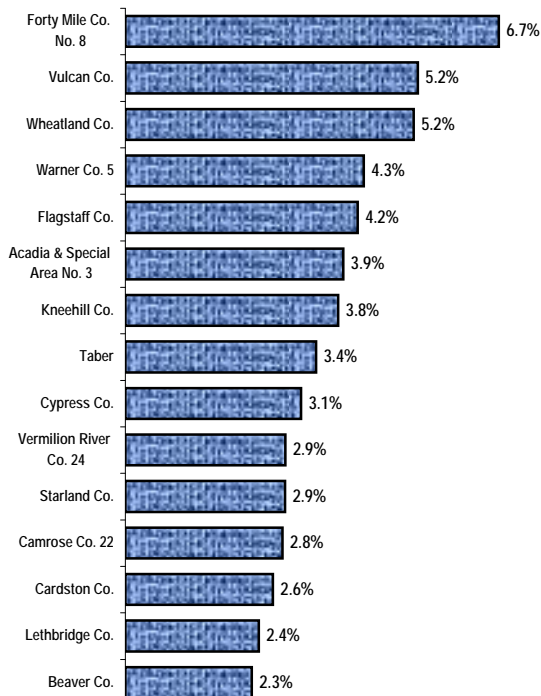
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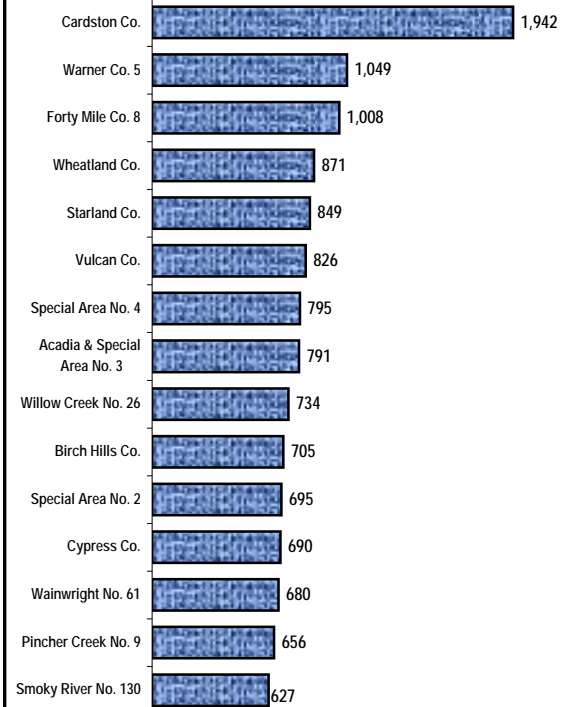
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Distribution of Total Wheat Area in Alberta



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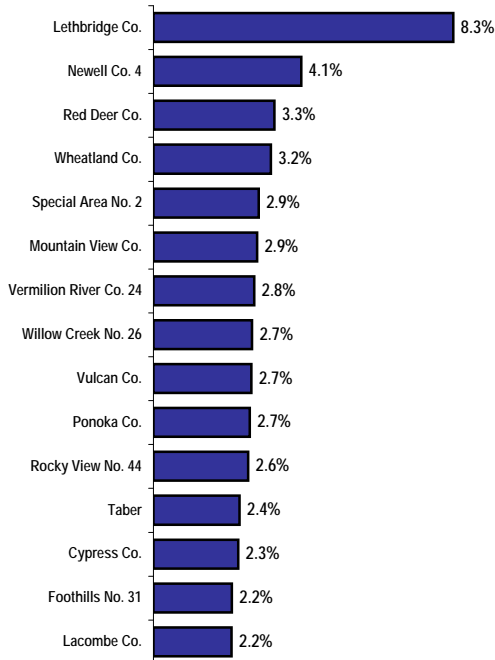


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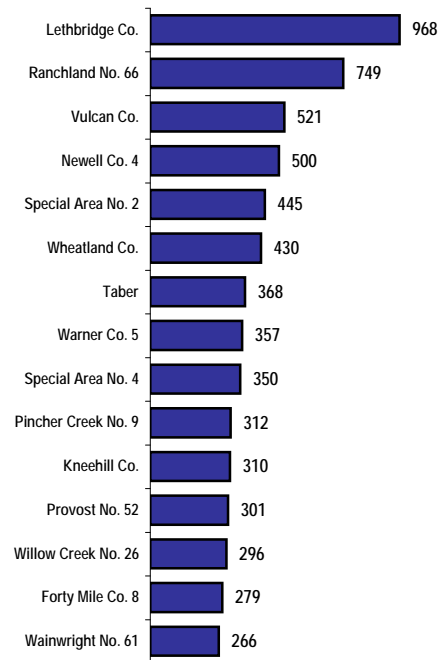
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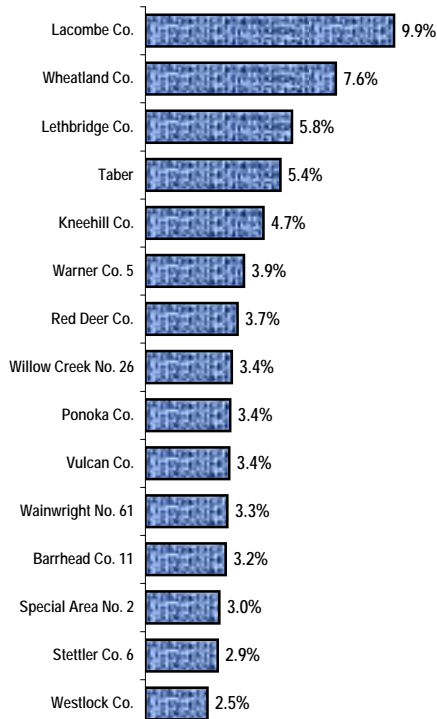
Distribution of Total Cattle & Calves in Alberta



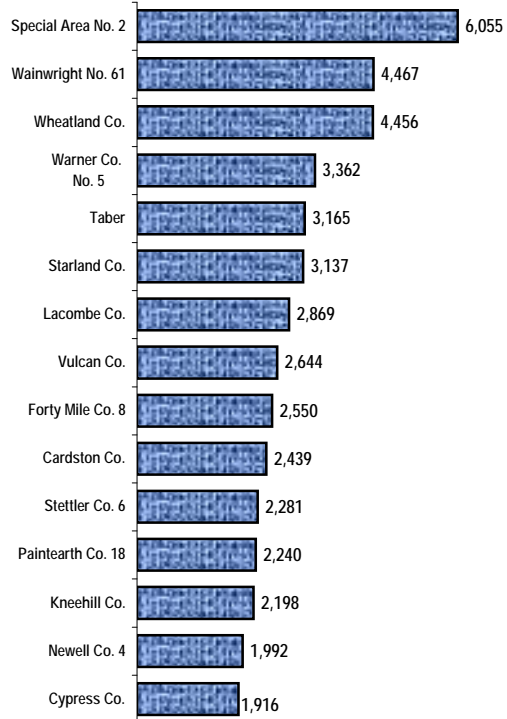
Average Number of Cattle and Calves Per Farm



Distribution of Total Pigs in Alberta



Average Number of Pigs Per Farm

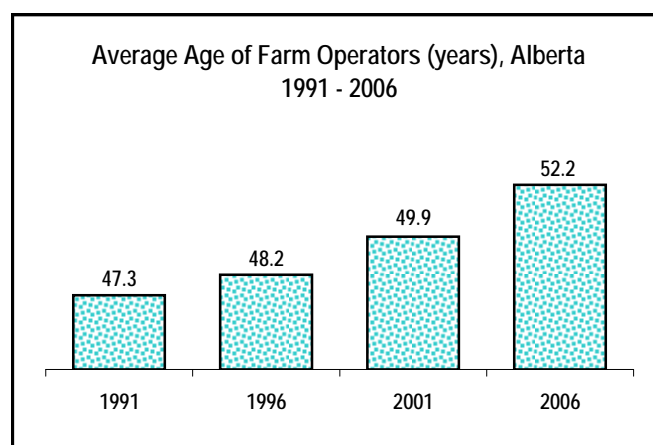
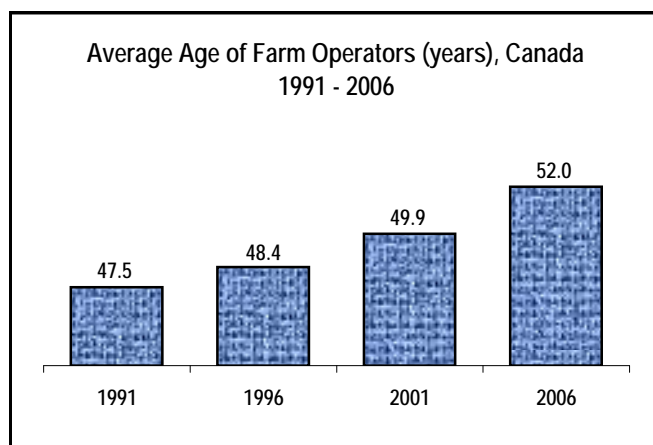
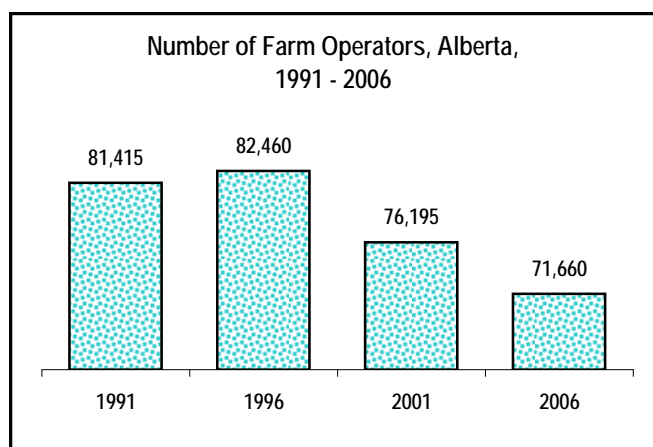
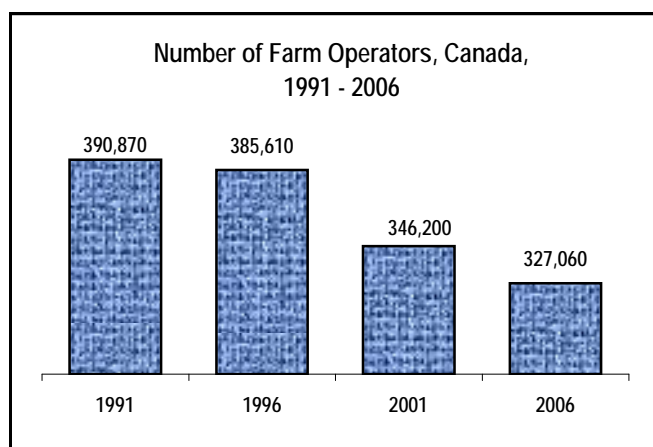


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Table 8: Farm Operators, Canada and Provinces, 1991-2006

	CANADA	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Number of Operators											
1991	390,870	900	3,130	5,165	4,235	53,350	100,910	34,780	78,025	81,415	28,955
1996	385,610	925	2,930	5,725	4,340	53,155	96,940	33,255	72,925	82,455	32,950
2001	346,200	785	2,455	5,085	3,900	47,385	85,015	28,790	66,275	76,195	30,320
2006	327,060	710	2,330	5,100	3,695	45,470	82,410	26,625	59,185	71,660	29,870
Per Cent Change from Previous Census Year											
1996	-1.3	2.8	-6.4	10.8	2.5	-0.4	-3.9	-4.4	-6.5	1.3	13.8
2001	-10.2	-15.1	-16.2	-11.2	-10.1	-10.9	-12.3	-13.4	-9.1	-7.6	-8.0
2006	-5.5	-9.6	-5.1	0.3	-5.3	-4.1	-3.1	-7.5	-10.7	-6.0	-1.5
Average Age of Farm Operators (years)											
1991	47.5	46.2	47.6	48.3	48.1	44.3	48.3	47.4	48.2	47.3	48.9
1996	48.4	47.7	48.0	49.1	49.4	45.2	49.4	47.7	49.2	48.2	49.4
2001	49.9	50.5	49.3	51.0	51.0	47.0	50.7	49.0	50.5	49.9	51.4
2006	52.0	52.3	51.4	53.2	52.8	49.3	52.6	51.2	52.6	52.2	53.6



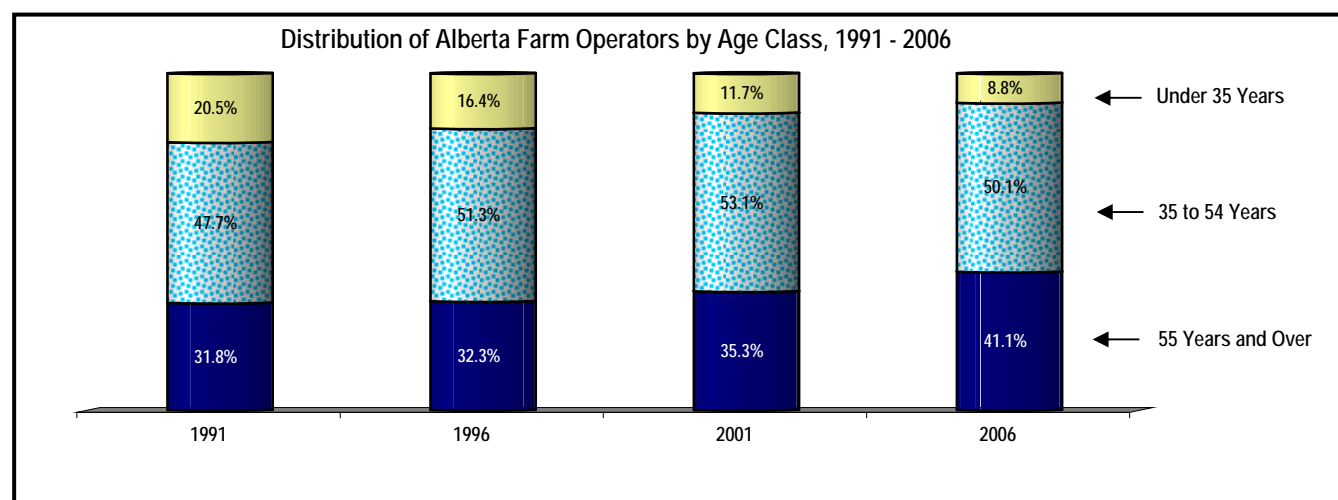
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Table 9: Farm Operators by Age Class, Canada and Provinces, 1991-2006

	CANADA	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Per Cent of All Operators Under 35 years of Age											
1991	19.9	15.2	20.1	16.8	16.4	25.3	18.3	20.7	20.0	20.5	14.4
1996	15.8	12.9	16.7	13.4	12.1	20.2	14.3	17.8	15.6	16.4	11.5
2001	11.5	6.4	10.8	9.3	9.0	13.7	10.6	13.4	12.3	11.7	7.9
2006	9.1	6.3	9.0	7.1	7.3	11.3	8.6	10.7	10.0	8.8	5.9
Per Cent of All Operators 35 to 54 Years of Age											
1991	48.0	59.6	46.6	50.5	52.5	52.3	47.6	46.8	44.6	47.7	51.5
1996	51.9	59.7	51.8	53.8	54.3	57.2	50.5	51.2	49.1	51.3	55.1
2001	53.6	62.4	56.6	52.5	54.9	60.4	51.9	53.8	51.1	53.1	54.0
2006	50.2	54.5	51.8	47.6	49.2	56.4	48.9	50.9	47.9	50.1	48.7
Per Cent of All Operators 55 Years of Age and Over											
1991	32.1	25.3	33.2	32.7	31.1	22.4	34.2	32.5	35.4	31.8	34.1
1996	32.3	27.4	31.5	32.8	33.6	22.6	35.2	31.1	35.3	32.3	33.5
2001	34.9	31.2	32.8	38.1	36.0	25.9	37.5	32.8	36.7	35.3	38.1
2006	40.7	39.2	39.1	45.3	43.5	32.3	42.5	38.4	42.1	41.1	45.3

Alberta Farm Operators by Age Class, 1991- 2006

	1991	1996	2001	2006
Number of Operators				
All Operators	81,420	82,455	76,195	71,660
Age - Under 35 years	16,660	13,485	8,900	6,290
Age - 35 to 54 years	38,845	42,315	40,430	35,935
Age - 55 years and over	25,910	26,655	26,875	29,440

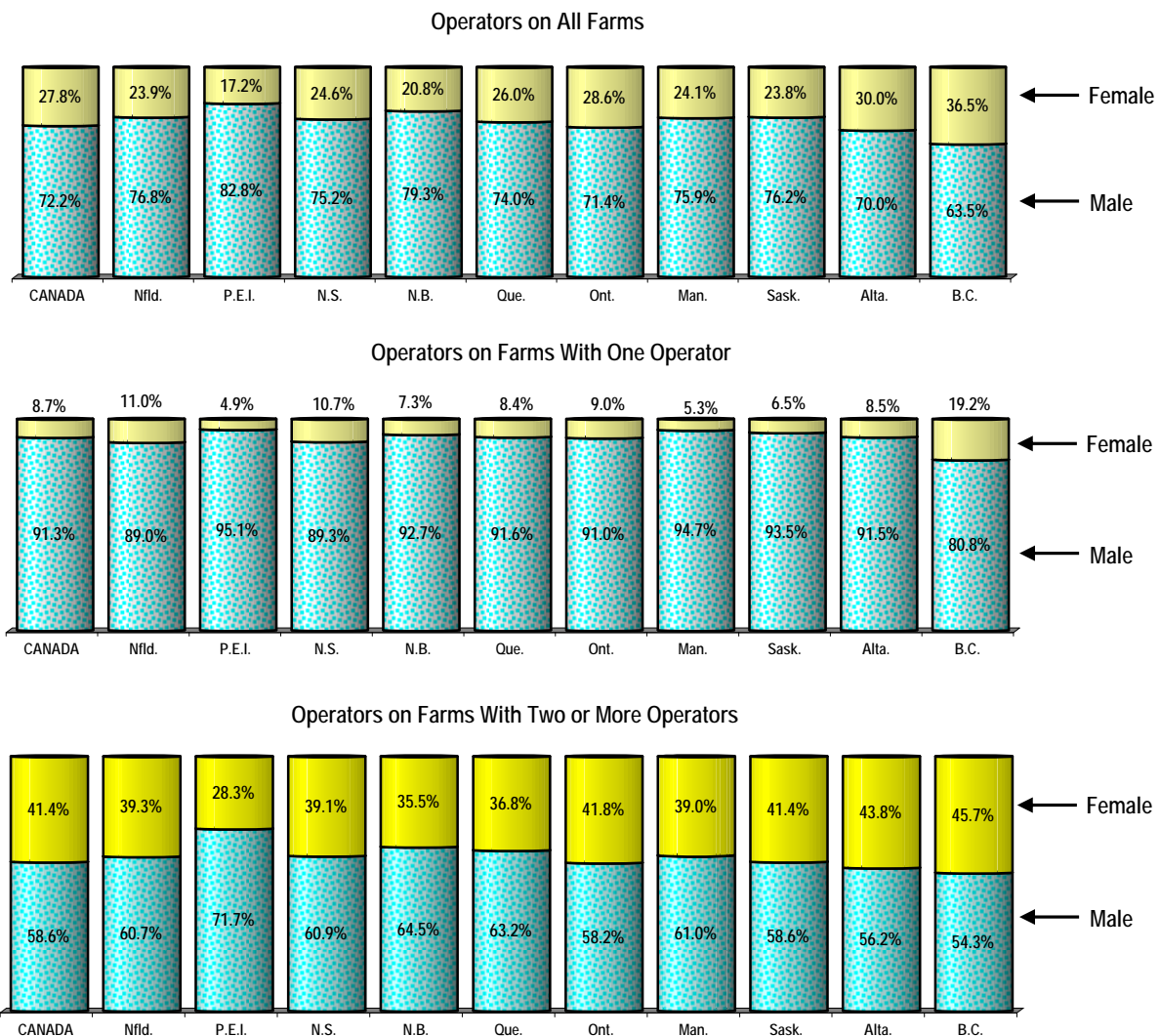


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Table 10: Farm Operators by Sex and Number of Operators Per Farm, Canada and Provinces, 2006

	CANADA	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Number of Operators on All Farms											
Total Male	236,220	545	1,930	3,835	2,930	33,645	58,875	20,210	45,100	50,190	18,955
Total female	90,840	170	400	1,255	770	11,825	23,530	6,415	14,090	21,470	10,910
Number of Operators on Farms With One Operator											
Male	124,645	365	1,070	2,295	1,780	15,895	30,225	11,165	27,840	25,670	8,350
Female	11,855	45	55	275	140	1,465	2,980	625	1,920	2,370	1,990
Number of Operators on Farms With Two or More Operators											
Male	111,570	185	860	1,545	1,145	17,755	28,650	9,050	17,260	24,525	10,605
Female	78,980	120	340	990	630	10,355	20,560	5,785	12,175	19,095	8,920

Distribution of Male and Female Operators on Farms, Canada and Provinces, 2006



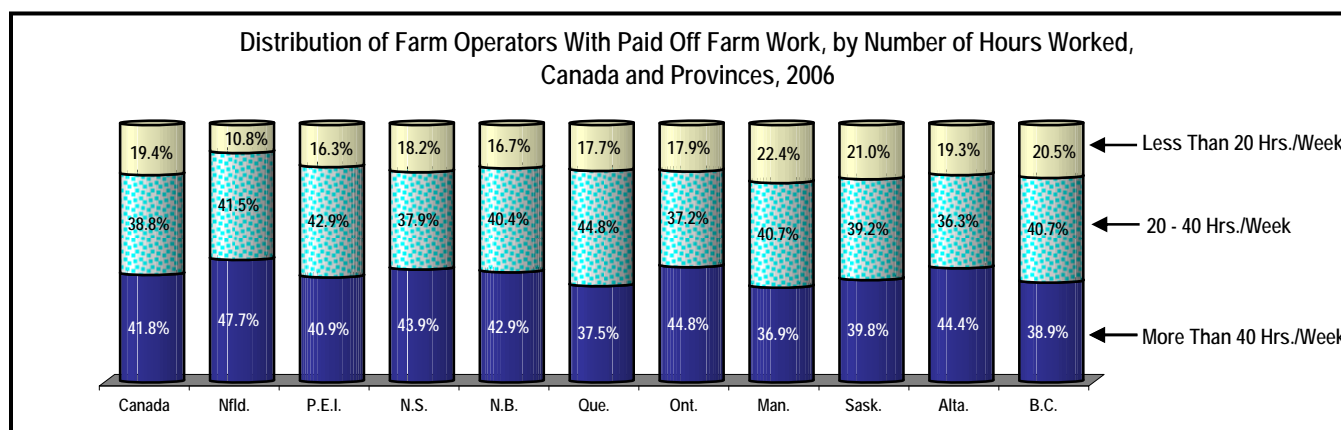
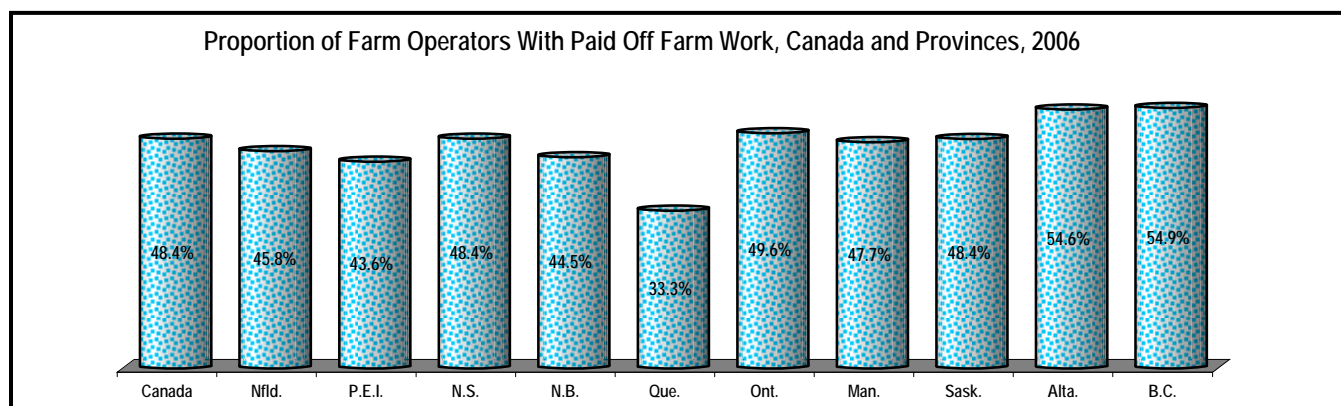
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Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Agriculture, 1991 - 2006

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Table 11: Farm Operators With Paid Off Farm Work, Canada and Provinces, 2006 Census of Agriculture

	CANADA	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
	Number of Operators										
All Farm Operators	327,060	710	2,330	5,100	3,695	45,470	82,410	26,625	59,185	71,660	29,870
Total Operators With Paid Non-Farm Work	158,255	325	1,015	2,470	1,645	15,125	40,850	12,695	28,625	39,105	16,395
Average Hours of Non-Farm Work Per Week:											
Less Than 20 Hours	30,715	35	165	450	275	2,680	7,325	2,845	6,005	7,560	3,360
20 to 40 Hours	61,380	135	435	935	665	6,775	15,205	5,165	11,215	14,190	6,665
More Than 40 Hours	66,160	155	415	1,085	705	5,670	18,320	4,685	11,405	17,355	6,370
	Per Cent of All Farm Operators										
Total Operators With Paid Off Farm Work	48.4%	45.8%	43.6%	48.4%	44.5%	33.3%	49.6%	47.7%	48.4%	54.6%	54.9%
Average Hours of Non-Farm Work Per Week:											
Less Than 20 Hours	9.4%	4.9%	7.1%	8.8%	7.4%	5.9%	8.9%	10.7%	10.1%	10.5%	11.2%
20 to 40 Hours	18.8%	19.0%	18.7%	18.3%	18.0%	14.9%	18.5%	19.4%	18.9%	19.8%	22.3%
More Than 40 Hours	20.2%	21.8%	17.8%	21.3%	19.1%	12.5%	22.2%	17.6%	19.3%	24.2%	21.3%



Note: Beginning with 1991, the Census allowed reporting of more than one farm operator per farm, therefore, results from 1991 on cannot be compared directly to data from previous censuses. Random rounding has been applied to farm operator data. See Notes and Definitions for more information.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Alberta	Canada
Total Population	3,290,350	31,612,897
Urban Population	2,699,851	25,350,743
Rural Population	590,499	6,262,154
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>17.9</i>	<i>19.6</i>
Number of Farms	49,431	229,373
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,055	728
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	22,201	25,093
Farm Capital (\$)	1,452,150	1,082,593
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	177,857	158,852
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	200,058	183,945
Area in Crops (acres)	577	456
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	549	399
Number of Beef Cows (head)	79	61
Number of Pigs (head)	1,302	1,308

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	27,815	56.3
Partnership	13,920	28.2
With Written Agreement	1,458	2.9
Without Written Agreement	12,462	25.2
Corporation	7,411	15.0
Family	6,714	13.6
Non-Family	697	1.4
Other*	285	0.6
Total Farms	49,431	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	1,063	2.2
10 to 129 Acres	7,855	15.9
130 to 239 Acres	8,778	17.8
240 to 399 Acres	6,386	12.9
400 to 559 Acres	4,209	8.5
560 to 759 Acres	3,979	8.0
760 to 1,119 Acres	4,807	9.7
1,120 Acres and Over	12,354	25.0
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	3,924	7.9
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	3,012	6.1
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	1,681	3.4
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	1,064	2.2
3,520 Acres and Over	2,673	5.4
Total Farms	49,431	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	627	1.3
Cattle (Beef)	20,474	44.0
Hog	565	1.2
Poultry and Egg	375	0.8
Wheat	2,733	5.9
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	9,568	20.6
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	3,923	8.4
Fruit	136	0.3
Vegetable	96	0.2
Miscellaneous Specialty	6,403	13.8
Livestock Combination	1,019	2.2
Other Combination	627	1.3
Total Farms Classified	46,546	100.0

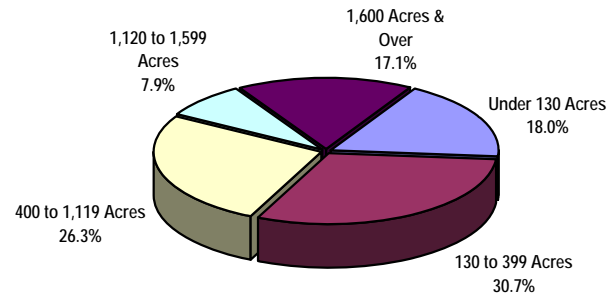
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	47,463	30,033,280	57.6
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	23,069	22,094,577	42.4
Rented/Leased from Government	6,537	9,959,049	19.1
Rented/Leased from Others	18,241	10,534,234	20.2
Crop Shared from Others	3,564	1,601,294	3.1
Total Area of Farms	49,431	52,127,857	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	41,172	23,775,509	45.6
Summerfallow	8,390	2,239,633	4.3
Total Pasture Land	...	22,273,008	42.7
Tame or Seeded Pasture	22,997	6,137,362	11.8
Natural Land for Pasture	27,466	16,135,646	31.0
All Other Land	36,206	3,839,707	7.4
Total Area of Farms	49,431	52,127,857	100.0

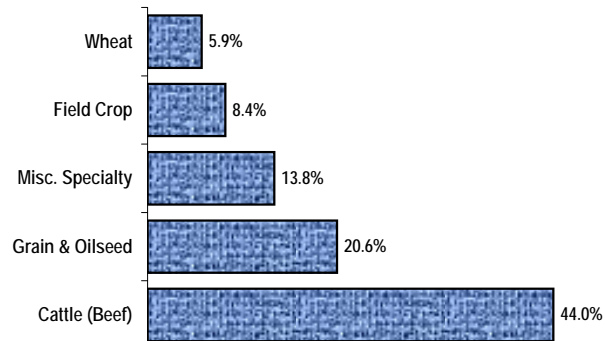
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	8,754	709,025	73.9
Seasonal or Temporary	10,872	250,206	26.1
Total Paid Labour	17,195	959,231	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	23,410	47.4
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	17,195	34.8

Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Size



Per Cent Distribution of Top Five Farm Types



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Alberta	Canada
Number of Farms	49,431	229,373
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	22,201	25,093
Farm Capital (\$)	1,452,150	1,082,593
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	177,857	158,852
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	14,607	15,412
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	200,058	183,945

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	49,431	9,680,138	13.5
Livestock and Poultry	36,909	4,999,727	7.0
Land and Buildings	49,431	57,101,345	79.5
Owned	47,664	41,405,895	57.7
Rented or Leased from Others	23,223	15,695,450	21.9
Total Farm Capital	49,431	71,781,210	100.0

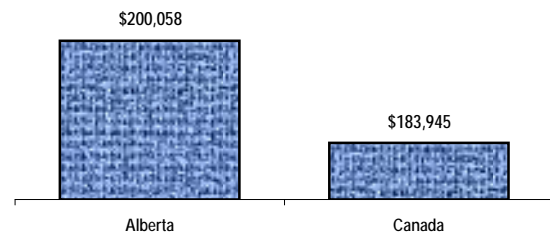
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	164	0.3
\$50,000 - \$99,999	429	0.9
\$100,000 - \$199,999	2,326	4.7
\$200,000 - \$349,999	6,615	13.4
\$350,000 - \$499,999	6,639	13.4
\$500,000 - \$999,999	13,776	27.9
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	6,666	13.5
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	3,810	7.7
\$2,000,000 and Over	9,006	18.2
Total Farms	49,431	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	30,202	441,157	5.0
Custom and Contract Work	29,694	446,134	5.1
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	19,309	260,832	3.0
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	9,072	65,136	0.7
Wages and Salaries	17,195	537,119	6.1
Paid to Family Members	12,395	263,241	3.0
Paid to all Other Persons	9,229	273,878	3.1
All Fuel Expenses	47,158	566,700	6.4
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	45,486	479,523	5.5
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	26,012	613,351	7.0
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	23,816	384,019	4.4
Seed/Seedling Purchases	25,141	202,774	2.3
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	19,658	2,235,305	25.4
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	31,892	146,980	1.7
Feed and Supplement Purchases	31,197	1,260,756	14.3
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	45,081	211,676	2.4
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	39,095	154,645	1.8
All Other Expenses	46,249	785,524	8.9
Total Operating Expenses	49,431	8,791,632	100.0

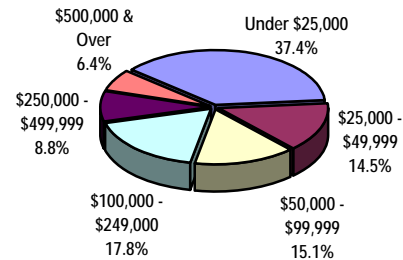
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	45,723	162,321	65,620
Total Farm Trucks	46,407	141,359	37,726
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	44,336	86,692	24,357
Other Farm Trucks	28,407	54,667	23,616
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	25,257	30,256	15,427
Swathers/Mower Cond.	30,739	46,952	16,999
Combines	21,899	28,417	51,625
Balers	25,901	34,433	12,572
Forage Harvesters	3,700	4,022	23,165
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Eq	33,117	118,386	27,601
Irrigation Equipment	3,812	...	90,546
Other*	37,100	...	32,770

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Cdn.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	9,889,045	23.4
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	9,791	19.8
\$10,000 - \$24,999	8,720	17.6
\$25,000 - \$49,999	7,170	14.5
\$50,000 - \$99,999	7,448	15.1
\$100,000 - \$249,999	8,805	17.8
\$250,000 - \$499,999	4,333	8.8
\$500,000 - \$999,999	1,871	3.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	688	1.4
\$2,000,000 and Over	605	1.2
Total Farms	49,431	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Cdn.
Total Cows	26,236	2,114,716	34.8
Dairy Cows	1,107	78,875	7.9
Beef Cows	25,665	2,035,841	40.1
Heifers	17,757	1,119,315	45.3
Bulls	22,014	109,753	40.8
Steers	9,975	974,559	54.6
Calves	26,033	2,050,773	39.7
Total Cattle and Calves	28,751	6,369,116	40.4

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Cdn.
Boars	789	7,101	20.9
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	913	188,703	12.2
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	778	645,867	12.3
Grower and Finishing Pigs	1,245	1,210,396	14.8
Total Pigs	1,576	2,052,067	13.6

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Cdn.
Rams	1,533	5,134	20.0
Ewes	2,030	103,603	17.6
Lambs	1,689	113,603	21.5
Total Sheep and Lambs	2,181	222,340	19.5

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Cdn.
Horses and Ponies	17,219	155,533	34.3
Goats	1,220	29,113	16.4
Mink	2	x	x
Fox	12	32	0.3
Bison (Buffalo)	869	97,366	49.7
Deer (excluding wild deer)	108	8,965	19.2
Elk	352	33,783	48.8
Llamas and Alpacas	1,680	14,734	46.5
Wild Boars	53	2,608	12.5

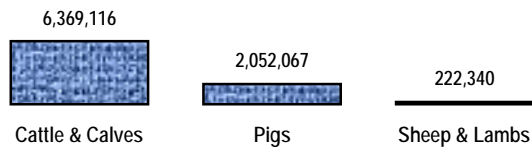
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Cdn.
Colonies of Bees	417	230,894	41.7
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bee	113	89,580	22.4

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Cdn.
Total Hens and Chickens	3,935	11,757,860	9.4
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	1,615	8,546,758	9.8
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks)	768	983,648	8.4
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	3,119	2,227,454	8.6
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Farms)	35	391,592	8.7
Turkeys	652	703,462	9.1
Other Poultry	1,081	211,749	4.1

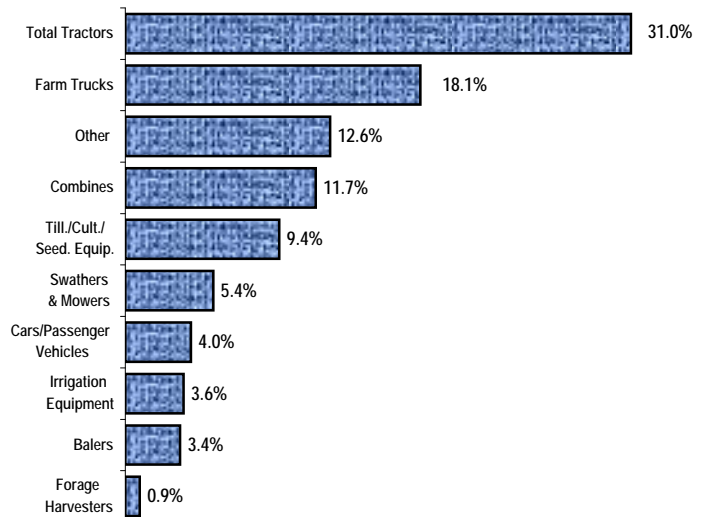
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Cdn.	
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	711	115,766,269	9.8	
Turkey Production	307	16,054,282	8.5	
		# Farms	Number	% Cdn.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	11	63,625,470	9.2	

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	45,723	162,321	3,000,357
Total Farm Trucks	46,407	141,359	1,750,744
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	44,336	86,692	1,079,891
Other Farm Trucks	28,407	54,667	670,853
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	25,257	30,256	389,633
Swathes and Mower Conditioners	30,739	46,952	522,533
Combines	21,899	28,417	1,130,540
Balers	25,901	34,433	325,619
Forage Harvesters	3,700	4,022	85,711
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equipment	33,117	118,386	914,058
Irrigation Equipment	3,812	...	345,163
Other*	37,100	...	1,215,779

**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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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Cdn.
Total Wheat	11,791	6,467,628	26.7
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	11,330	5,768,705	30.8
Durum Wheat	1,292	570,771	14.9
Winter Wheat	414	128,152	7.5
Oats	10,154	1,269,229	24.9
Barley	13,529	4,094,689	44.9
Mixed Grains	2,047	373,005	44.9
Corn for Grain	56	4,326	0.2
Buckwheat	4	169	0.5
Total Rye	961	118,399	22.3
Fall Rye	854	105,059	21.5
Spring Rye	123	13,340	30.7

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Cdn.
Canola	10,058	4,068,511	32.7
Flaxseed	379	60,372	3.0
Soybeans	17	2,677	0.1
Mustard Seed	203	62,538	18.6
Sunflowers	29	1,792	0.8

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Cdn.
Potatoes	402	54,759	13.6
Dry Field Peas	2,141	587,263	18.8
Lentils	55	10,825	0.8
Dry White Beans	56	7,616	3.9
Chick Peas	131	40,749	12.7
Other Dry Beans	289	54,423	20.8
Canary Seed	23	3,317	1.0
Sugar Beets	212	38,803	80.6
Caraway Seed	18	1,437	7.2
Triticale	610	76,299	49.9
Forage Seed for Seed	1,046	244,615	37.0
All Other Field Crops	194	30,916	10.4

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Cdn.
Corn for Silage	586	70,411	10.2
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	22,211	3,935,022	31.4
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	12,204	2,060,967	28.8

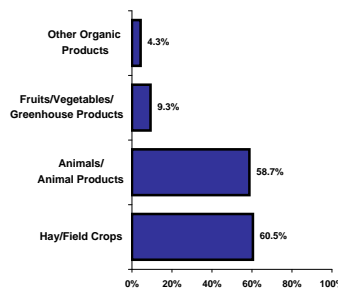
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Cdn.
Sweet Corn	196	4,582	6.1
Tomatoes	148	49	0.2
Cucumbers	189	146	2.0
Green Peas	220	4,101	9.9
Green or Wax Beans	189	247	0.9
Cabbage	128	372	3.5
Cauliflower	91	177	3.3
Broccoli	94	47	0.4
Carrots	244	1,003	4.1
Rutabagas and Turnips	55	161	3.4
Beets	188	67	2.2
Radishes	112	111	6.6
Dry Onions	163	987	6.9
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	86	72	2.9
Lettuce	148	38	0.4
Celery	25	44	1.9
Pumpkins, Squash and Zucchini	160	454	2.8

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For	# Farms	Acres	% Cdn.
Total Fruits/Berries	593	2,934	1.1
Saskatoons	394	1,587	49.2
Strawberries	184	317	2.5
Raspberries	207	239	2.7
Area of Nurseries	573	8,955	14.5
Area of Christmas Trees	119	1,272	1.7
Sod Grown for Christmas Trees	46	9,402	13.6
# Farms		Dollars	% Cdn.
Sales of Forest Products	537	6,616,275	6.1

Greenhouse	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Cdn.
Total Area Under Glass	522	12,582,590	5.3
Area in Use or Occupied	522	12,432,719	5.3
Flowers	346	5,794,901	5.8
Vegetables	219	4,729,622	4.2
Other Greenhouse	64	1,908,196	8.4
Mushroom Houses	6	497,304	7.3

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic	2,629	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	1,591	60.5
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse	245	9.3
Total Animals or Animal Products	1,544	58.7
Total Other Organic	112	4.3
Farms Reporting Certified Organic	230	8.7
Hay or Field Crops	193	7.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse	31	1.2
Animals or Animal Products	84	3.2
Other Organic Products	13	0.5
Farms Reporting Not Certified Organic	26	1.0
Hay or Field Crops	19	0.7
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse	3	0.1
Animals or Animal Products	6	0.2
Other Organic Products	1	0.0
Farms Reporting Organic (Total)	2,405	91.5
Hay or Field Crops	1,388	52.8
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse	212	8.1
Animals or Animal Products	1,455	55.3
Other Organic Products	98	3.7

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to per cent of total farms reporting organic products. * seeded a
 Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.
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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	49,431	52,127,857	100.0
Use of Irrigation	3,817	1,325,929	2.5
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	23,443	17,211,462	33.0
Use of Herbicides	20,482	15,858,085	30.4
Use of Insecticides	2,895	1,218,789	2.3
Use of Fungicides	2,309	1,613,958	3.1

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	30,725	18,726,144	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	15,930	4,589,714	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	8,956	5,185,594	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	9,121	8,950,836	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	30,723	62.2
Farms Applying Manure	18,581	37.6

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	6,076	378,975	0.7
Field Crop Land	3,911	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2,190	...	...
Other Land	473	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	3,051	149,523	0.3
Field Crop Land	564	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2,373	...	...
Other Land	249	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	6,628	596,145	1.1
Field Crop Land	5,223	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1,586	...	...
Other Land	220	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	3,943	282,540	0.5
Field Crop Land	1,036	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2,993	...	...
Other Land	169	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	844	188,431	0.4
Field Crop Land	775	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	136	...	...
Other Land	14	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	385	57,214	0.1
Field Crop Land	177	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	264	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	26	3,909	0.0
Field Crop Land	13	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	14	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	8,390	2,239,633	100.0
Chemical Only	2,068	1,004,373	44.8
Tillage Only	4,020	611,550	27.3
Tillage and Chemical Combination	2,759	623,710	27.8

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	29,332	59.3
Rotational Grazing	21,609	43.7
Winter Cover Crops	1,943	3.9
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	9,147	18.5
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	24,810	50.2
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	2,803	5.7

Farm Operators*	Number	% Cdn.
Total Operators	71,660	21.9
Total Operators:		% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	28,045	39.1
On Farms with Two or More Operators	43,620	60.9
Total Male Operators	50,190	70.0
Total Female Operators	21,470	30.0

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	52.2
On Farms with One Operator	53.8
On Farms with Two Operators	51.2

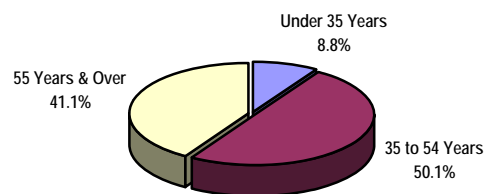
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	6,290	8.8
35 - 54 Years	35,935	50.1
55 Years and Over	29,440	41.1

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	32,560	45.4
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	39,105	54.6

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	20,465	28.6
20 - 40 Hours	19,970	27.9
More than 40 Hours	31,225	43.6

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	7,560	10.5
20 - 40 Hours	14,190	19.8
More than 40 Hours	17,355	24.2

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Peace Region	Alberta
Total Population	57,425	3,290,350
Urban Population	2,963	2,699,851
Rural Population	54,462	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>94.8</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	6,204	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,094	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	11,548	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	898,364	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	102,936	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	114,484	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	667	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	503	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	70	79
Number of Pigs (head)	164	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	3,753	60.5
Partnership	1,682	27.1
With Written Agreement	150	2.4
Without Written Agreement	1,532	24.7
Corporation	733	11.8
Family	666	10.7
Non-Family	67	1.1
Other*	36	0.6
Total Farms	6,204	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	52	0.8
10 to 129 Acres	394	6.4
130 to 239 Acres	1,123	18.1
240 to 399 Acres	852	13.7
400 to 559 Acres	607	9.8
560 to 759 Acres	545	8.8
760 to 1,119 Acres	738	11.9
1,120 Acres and Over	1,893	30.5
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	662	10.7
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	503	8.1
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	259	4.2
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	162	2.6
3,520 Acres and Over	307	4.9
Total Farms	6,204	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	20	0.3
Cattle (Beef)	1,958	33.7
Hog	35	0.6
Poultry and Egg	17	0.3
Wheat	249	4.3
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	1,749	30.1
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	798	13.7
Fruit	13	0.2
Vegetable	8	0.1
Miscellaneous Specialty	739	12.7
Livestock Combination	133	2.3
Other Combination	89	1.5
Total Farms Classified	5,808	100.0

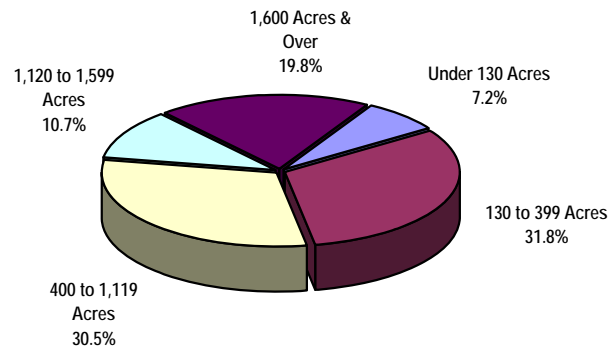
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	6,033	4,243,428	62.5
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	2,774	2,543,703	37.5
Rented/Leased from Government	986	1,097,566	16.2
Rented/Leased from Others	2,147	1,329,720	19.6
Crop Shared from Others	298	116,417	1.7
Total Area of Farms	6,204	6,787,131	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	5,515	3,676,300	54.2
Summerfallow	1,432	274,047	4.0
Total Pasture Land	...	1,904,822	28.1
Tame or Seeded Pasture	2,554	769,019	11.3
Natural Land for Pasture	2,546	1,135,803	16.7
All Other Land	4,931	931,962	13.7
Total Area of Farms	6,204	6,787,131	100.0

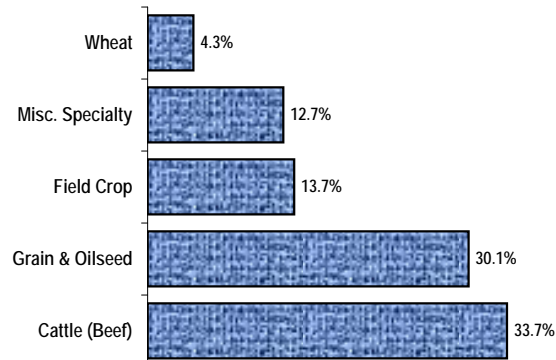
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	831	52,818	67.5
Seasonal or Temporary	1,338	25,415	32.5
Total Paid Labour	1,950	78,233	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	2,567	41.4
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	1,821	29.4

Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Size



Per Cent Distribution of Top Five Farm Types



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. x - confidential ... not available
 * 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

	Peace Region	Alberta
Number of Farms	6,204	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	11,548	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	898,364	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	102,936	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	10,348	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	114,484	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	6,204	1,130,969	20.3
Livestock and Poultry	3,824	336,065	6.0
Land and Buildings	6,204	4,106,418	73.7
Owned	6,056	3,215,845	57.7
Rented or Leased from Others	2,787	890,573	16.0
Total Farm Capital	6,204	5,573,452	100.0

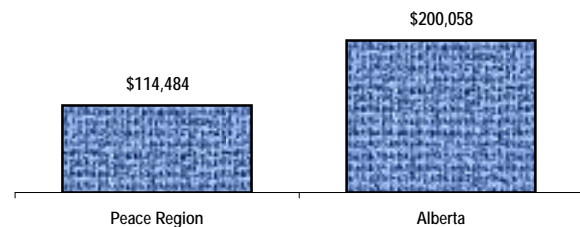
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	24	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	87	1.4
\$100,000 - \$199,999	487	7.8
\$200,000 - \$349,999	1,120	18.1
\$350,000 - \$499,999	1,063	17.1
\$500,000 - \$999,999	1,795	28.9
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	748	12.1
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	334	5.4
\$2,000,000 and Over	546	8.8
Total Farms	6,204	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	3,950	40,875	6.4
Custom and Contract Work	3,484	30,758	4.8
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	2,297	24,558	3.8
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	1,089	5,356	0.8
Wages and Salaries	1,950	40,843	6.4
Paid to Family Members	1,352	21,034	3.3
Paid to all Other Persons	1,052	19,809	3.1
All Fuel Expenses	5,982	69,892	10.9
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	5,787	57,269	9.0
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	3,166	89,143	14.0
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	3,030	49,394	7.7
Seed/Seedling Purchases	3,177	27,236	4.3
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	1,749	54,975	8.6
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	3,010	7,535	1.2
Feed and Supplement Purchases	3,121	36,088	5.7
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	5,695	19,950	3.1
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	4,660	13,140	2.1
All Other Expenses	5,852	71,599	11.2
Total Operating Expenses	6,204	638,613	100.0

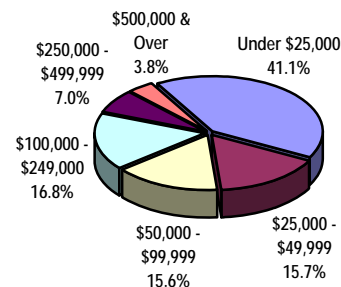
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	5,782	20,677	56,266
Total Farm Trucks	5,831	18,061	35,366
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	5,560	10,320	22,752
Other Farm Trucks	3,923	7,741	20,321
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	2,984	3,507	15,667
Swathers/Mower Cond.	4,312	6,007	14,999
Combines	3,426	4,512	44,705
Balers	3,015	3,775	10,958
Forage Harvesters	392	424	12,286
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	4,642	18,899	30,233
Irrigation Equipment	75	...	44,384
Other*	4,669	...	32,836

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	710,258	7.2
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	1,359	21.9
\$10,000 - \$24,999	1,191	19.2
\$25,000 - \$49,999	977	15.7
\$50,000 - \$99,999	965	15.6
\$100,000 - \$249,999	1,043	16.8
\$250,000 - \$499,999	432	7.0
\$500,000 - \$999,999	163	2.6
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	46	0.7
\$2,000,000 and Over	28	0.5
Total Farms	6,204	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	2,572	179,822	8.5
Dairy Cows	72	1,404	1.8
Beef Cows	2,545	178,418	8.8
Heifers	1,749	42,396	3.8
Bulls	2,154	9,074	8.3
Steers	995	30,164	3.1
Calves	2,492	142,556	7.0
Total Cattle and Calves	2,749	404,012	6.3

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	99	351	4.9
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	129	9,936	5.3
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	97	9,899	1.5
Grower and Finishing Pigs	163	22,870	1.9
Total Pigs	230	37,757	1.8

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	144	448	8.7
Ewes	188	9,837	9.5
Lambs	140	9,062	8.0
Total Sheep and Lambs	205	19,347	8.7

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	1,934	16,082	10.3
Goats	148	4,791	16.5
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	209	30,005	30.8
Deer (excluding wild deer)	13	255	2.8
Elk	84	9,101	26.9
Llamas and Alpacas	152	1,262	8.6
Wild Boars	12	971	37.2

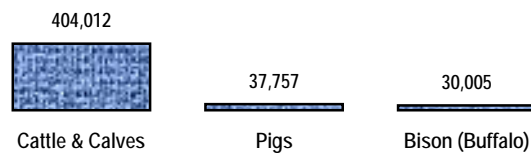
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	81	68,499	29.7
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	10	3,240	3.6

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	477	286,499	2.4
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	237	103,087	1.2
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	111	3,266	0.3
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	364	71,087	3.2
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	79	10,087	1.4
Other Poultry	115	11,075	5.2

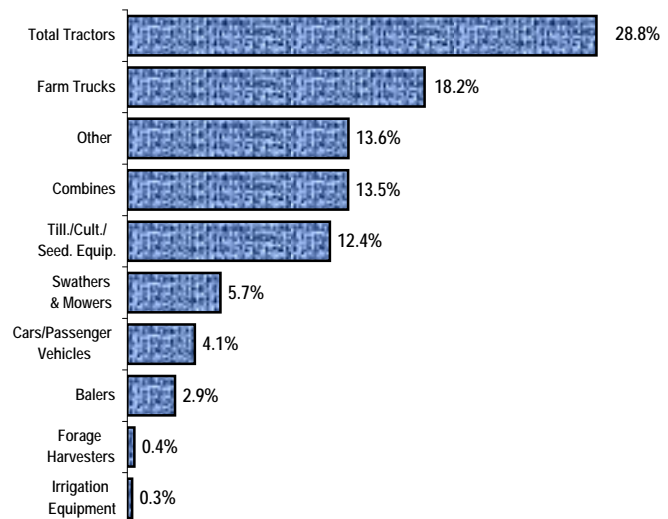
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.	
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	58	1,442,297	1.2	
Turkey Production	23	293,768	1.8	
		# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	1	x	x	

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	5,782	20,677	325,332
Total Farm Trucks	5,831	18,061	206,221
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	5,560	10,320	126,500
Other Farm Trucks	3,923	7,741	79,721
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	2,984	3,507	46,749
Swathes and Mower Conditioners	4,312	6,007	64,675
Combines	3,426	4,512	153,159
Balers	3,015	3,775	33,038
Forage Harvesters	392	424	4,816
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	4,642	18,899	140,341
Irrigation Equipment	75	...	3,329
Other*	4,669	...	153,309

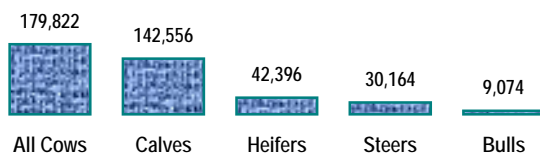
**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



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



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



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	1,470	739,471	11.4
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	1,431	722,815	12.5
Durum Wheat	31	11,599	2.0
Winter Wheat	21	5,057	3.9
Oats	1,517	245,985	19.4
Barley	1,104	279,303	6.8
Mixed Grains	82	13,217	3.5
Corn for Grain	3	400	9.2
Buckwheat	1	x	x
Total Rye	45	3,757	3.2
Fall Rye	40	1,623	1.5
Spring Rye	5	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	1,671	960,910	23.6
Flaxseed	54	10,828	17.9
Soybeans	4	711	26.6
Mustard Seed	3	x	x
Sunflowers	3	x	x

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	29	246	0.4
Dry Field Peas	354	80,186	13.7
Lentils	2	x	x
Dry White Beans	4	598	7.9
Chick Peas	1	x	x
Other Dry Beans	19	4,191	7.7
Canary Seed	2	x	x
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	6	240	16.7
Triticale	18	1,153	1.5
Forage Seed for Seed	630	178,560	73.0
All Other Field Crops	53	6,868	22.2

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	33	860	1.2
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	2,619	657,998	16.7
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	1,959	477,182	23.2

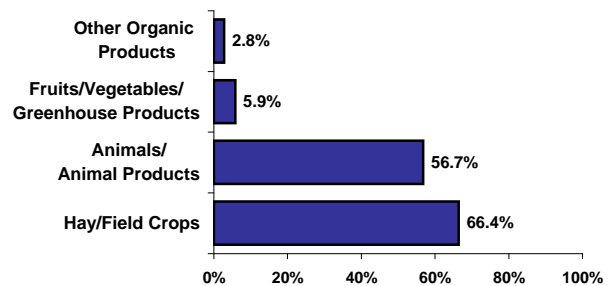
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	17	60	1.3
Tomatoes	12	5	9.2
Cucumbers	15	14	9.4
Green Peas	16	177	4.3
Green or Wax Beans	18	5	2.1
Cabbage	12	x	x
Cauliflower	9	4	2.0
Broccoli	10	3	6.0
Carrots	21	12	1.2
Rutabagas and Turnips	6	1	0.4
Beets	11	x	x
Radishes	7	1	0.8
Dry Onions	15	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	4	x	x
Lettuce	8	1	2.9
Celery	1	x	x
Pumpkins, Squash and Zucchini	17	7	1.5

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	60	223	7.6
Saskatoons	36	166	10.5
Strawberries	20	62	19.6
Raspberries	15	8	3.2
Area of Nursery Products	24	319	3.6
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	11	304	23.9
Sod Grown for Sale	8	946	10.1
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	125	1,949,854	29.5

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	43	978,474	7.8
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	43	962,822	7.7
Flowers	30	506,739	8.7
Vegetables	21	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	7	x	x
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	393	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	261	66.4
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	23	5.9
Total Animals or Animal Products	223	56.7
Total Other Organic Products	11	2.8
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	59	15.0
Hay or Field Crops	53	13.5
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	5	1.3
Animals or Animal Products	14	3.6
Other Organic Products	3	0.8
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	7	1.8
Hay or Field Crops	6	1.5
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	0.3
Animals or Animal Products	1	0.3
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Not Certified Organic Products	338	86.0
Hay or Field Crops	208	52.9
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	17	4.3
Animals or Animal Products	208	52.9
Other Organic Products	8	2.0

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.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	6,204	6,787,131	100.0
Use of Irrigation	49	3,576	0.1
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	2,781	2,481,667	36.6
Use of Herbicides	2,415	2,130,933	31.4
Use of Insecticides	611	332,525	4.9
Use of Fungicides	171	159,978	2.4

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	3,932	2,615,282	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	2,239	726,712	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	1,279	1,031,001	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	855	857,569	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	2,898	46.7
Farms Applying Manure	1,289	20.8

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	502	31,207	0.5
Field Crop Land	238	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	241	...	...
Other Land	63	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	220	9,768	0.1
Field Crop Land	26	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	171	...	...
Other Land	25	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	382	31,552	0.5
Field Crop Land	219	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	167	...	...
Other Land	31	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	280	21,499	0.3
Field Crop Land	36	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	237	...	...
Other Land	16	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	30	4,997	0.1
Field Crop Land	20	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	7	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	8	x	x
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	4	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	1,432	274,047	100.0
Chemical Only	170	41,857	15.3
Tillage Only	760	118,092	43.1
Tillage and Chemical Combination	554	110,301	40.2

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	3,931	63.4
Rotational Grazing	2,228	35.9
Winter Cover Crops	223	3.6
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	1,368	22.1
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	3,391	54.7
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	669	10.8

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	8,825	12.3

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	3,680 41.8
On Farms with Two or More Operators	5,120 58.2
Total Male Operators	6,235 70.7
Total Female Operators	2,590 29.3

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	...
On Farms with One Operator	...
On Farms with Two Operators	...

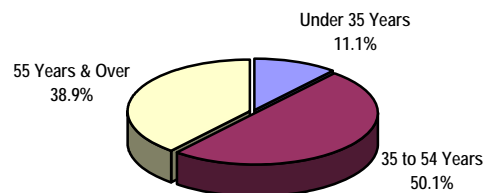
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	975	11.1
35 - 54 Years	4,410	50.1
55 Years and Over	3,425	38.9

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	3,390	38.5
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	5,425	61.5

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	2,535	28.7
20 - 40 Hours	2,620	29.6
More than 40 Hours	3,690	41.7

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	1,005	18.5
20 - 40 Hours	1,905	35.1
More than 40 Hours	2,515	46.4

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Big Lakes	Alberta
Total Population	5,805	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	5,805	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	436	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,074	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	7,580	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	738,918	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	67,886	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	75,466	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	491	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	347	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	x	79
Number of Pigs (head)	136	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	279	64.0
Partnership	105	24.1
With Written Agreement	7	1.6
Without Written Agreement	98	22.5
Corporation	50	11.5
Family	43	9.9
Non-Family	7	1.6
Other*	2	0.5
Total Farms	436	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	4	0.9
10 to 129 Acres	22	5.0
130 to 239 Acres	78	17.9
240 to 399 Acres	53	12.2
400 to 559 Acres	50	11.5
560 to 759 Acres	51	11.7
760 to 1,119 Acres	47	10.8
1,120 Acres and Over	131	30.0
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	56	12.8
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	24	5.5
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	20	4.6
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	8	1.8
3,520 Acres and Over	23	5.3
Total Farms	436	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	207	51.4
Hog	3	0.7
Poultry and Egg	1	0.2
Wheat	4	1.0
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	61	15.1
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	67	16.6
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	1	0.2
Miscellaneous Specialty	49	12.2
Livestock Combination	8	2.0
Other Combination	2	0.5
Total Farms Classified	403	100.0

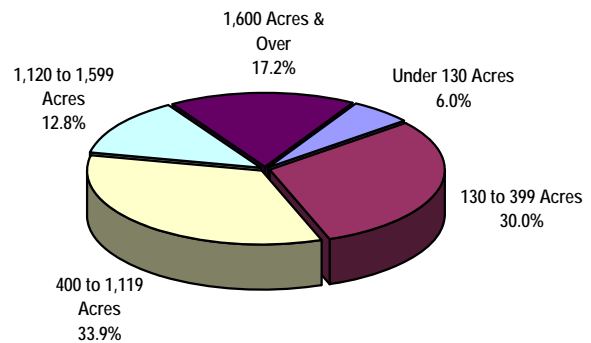
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	430	273,962	58.5
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	207	194,166	41.5
Rented/Leased from Government	114	x	x
Rented/Leased from Others	142	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	18	6,082	1.3
Total Area of Farms	436	468,128	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	367	180,205	38.5
Summerfallow	76	8,440	1.8
Total Pasture Land	...	191,628	40.9
Tame or Seeded Pasture	213	74,533	15.9
Natural Land for Pasture	233	117,095	25.0
All Other Land	352	87,855	18.8
Total Area of Farms	436	468,128	100.0

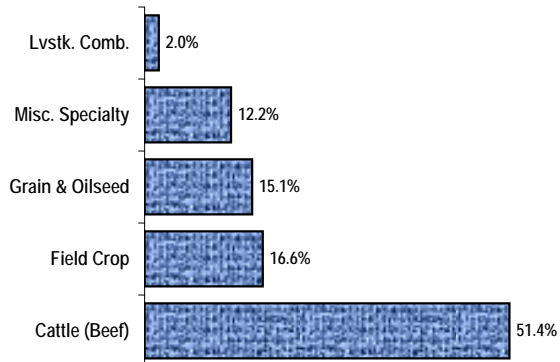
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	47	2,468	71.4
Seasonal or Temporary	78	987	28.6
Total Paid Labour	109	3,455	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	175	40.1
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	116	26.6

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

	Big Lakes	Alberta
Number of Farms	436	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	7,580	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	738,918	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	67,886	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	7,797	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	75,466	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	436	65,791	20.4
Livestock and Poultry	312	32,034	9.9
Land and Buildings	436	224,343	69.6
Owned	430	178,982	55.6
Rented or Leased from Others	210	45,361	14.1
Total Farm Capital	436	322,168	100.0

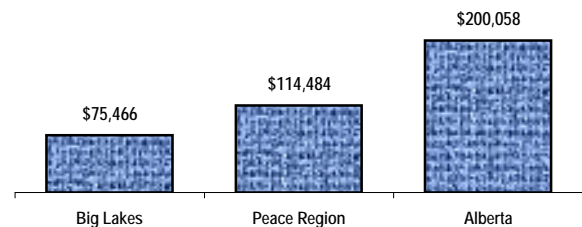
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	3	0.7
\$50,000 - \$99,999	6	1.4
\$100,000 - \$199,999	32	7.3
\$200,000 - \$349,999	83	19.0
\$350,000 - \$499,999	87	20.0
\$500,000 - \$999,999	133	30.5
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	51	11.7
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	16	3.7
\$2,000,000 and Over	25	5.7
Total Farms	436	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	258	2,012	6.8
Custom and Contract Work	221	1,498	5.1
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	165	998	3.4
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	77	296	1.0
Wages and Salaries	109	1,657	5.6
Paid to Family Members	76	1,065	3.6
Paid to all Other Persons	60	592	2.0
All Fuel Expenses	416	4,074	13.8
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	408	3,029	10.2
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	145	2,377	8.0
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	131	1,162	3.9
Seed/Seedling Purchases	199	933	3.2
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	151	3,373	11.4
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	259	520	1.8
Feed and Supplement Purchases	248	1,621	5.5
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	397	1,254	4.2
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	323	708	2.4
All Other Expenses	411	4,086	13.8
Total Operating Expenses	436	29,598	100.0

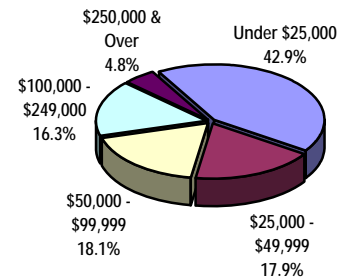
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	404	1,384	53,986
Total Farm Trucks	404	1,119	31,998
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	382	684	24,097
Other Farm Trucks	254	436	14,654
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	189	216	14,259
Swathers/Mower Cond.	307	464	12,066
Combines	215	264	26,135
Balers	271	345	12,728
Forage Harvesters	34	36	8,704
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	307	1,343	21,351
Irrigation Equipment	6	...	23,517
Other*	312	...	27,544

	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	32,903	0.3
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts		
Under \$10,000	104	23.9
\$10,000 - \$24,999	83	19.0
\$25,000 - \$49,999	78	17.9
\$50,000 - \$99,999	79	18.1
\$100,000 - \$249,999	71	16.3
\$250,000 - \$499,999	12	2.8
\$500,000 - \$999,999	8	1.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	0	0.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	1	0.2
Total Farms	436	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	232	20,839	1.0
Dairy Cows	1	x	x
Beef Cows	232	x	x
Heifers	152	4,480	0.4
Bulls	212	1,024	0.9
Steers	98	2,425	0.2
Calves	228	15,329	0.7
Total Cattle and Calves	249	44,097	0.7

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	12	25	0.4
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	13	196	0.1
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	12	603	0.1
Grower and Finishing Pigs	11	1,357	0.1
Total Pigs	16	2,181	0.1

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	8	32	0.6
Ewes	8	330	0.3
Lambs	8	284	0.2
Total Sheep and Lambs	10	646	0.3

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	141	1,298	0.8
Goats	7	216	0.7
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	4	136	0.1
Deer (excluding wild deer)	1	x	x
Elk	4	179	0.5
Llamas and Alpacas	5	12	0.1
Wild Boars	2	x	x

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	14	6,245	2.7
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	25	1,625	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	9	465	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	7	305	0.0
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	22	855	0.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	5	35	0.0
Other Poultry	11	130	0.1

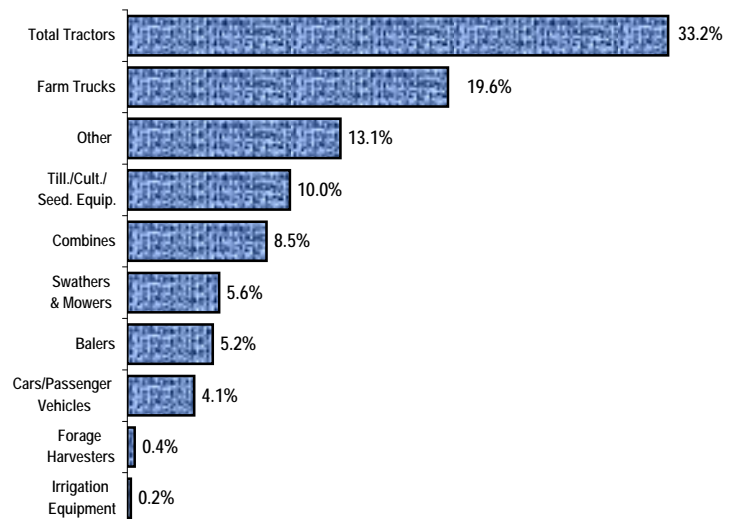
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	3	476	0.0
Turkey Production	1	x	x
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	404	1,384	21,810
Total Farm Trucks	404	1,119	12,927
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	382	684	9,205
Other Farm Trucks	254	436	3,722
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	189	216	2,695
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	307	464	3,704
Combines	215	264	5,619
Balers	271	345	3,449
Forage Harvesters	34	36	296
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	307	1,343	6,555
Irrigation Equipment	6	...	141
Other*	312	...	8,594

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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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	40	13,872	0.2
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	38	13,242	0.2
Durum Wheat	0	0	0.0
Winter Wheat	3	630	0.5
Oats	103	16,640	1.3
Barley	70	15,825	0.4
Mixed Grains	7	1,227	0.3
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	6	815	0.7
Fall Rye	5	x	x
Spring Rye	1	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	56	17,631	0.4
Flaxseed	0	0	0.0
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	1	x	x
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	1	x	x
Dry Field Peas	15	x	x
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	1	x	x
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	1	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	1	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	14	x	x
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	2	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	169	48,654	1.2
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	199	59,273	2.9

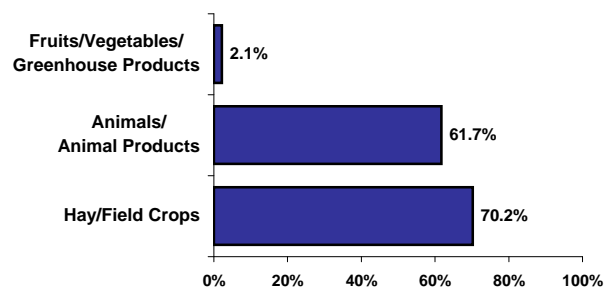
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	2	x	x
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	2	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	2	x	x
Cabbage	2	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	2	x	x
Carrots	2	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	1	x	x
Beets	2	x	x
Radishes	2	x	x
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed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

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	4	3	0.1
Saskatoons	1	x	x
Strawberries	2	x	x
Raspberries	1	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	2	x	x
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	2	x	x
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	13	219,023	3.3

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	1	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	1	x	x
Flowers	0	0	0.0
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	47	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	33	70.2
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	2.1
Total Animals or Animal Products	29	61.7
Total Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	7	14.9
Hay or Field Crops	7	14.9
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	2.1
Animals or Animal Products	3	6.4
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	1	2.1
Hay or Field Crops	1	2.1
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	41	87.2
Hay or Field Crops	26	55.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	26	55.3
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. * seeded acreage x - confidential
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	436	468,128	100.0
Use of Irrigation	5	546	0.1
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	112	68,250	14.6
Use of Herbicides	100	55,716	11.9
Use of Insecticides	5	x	x
Use of Fungicides	6	2,930	0.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	220	86,168	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	139	37,727	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	57	26,899	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	46	21,542	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	262	60.1
Farms Applying Manure	111	25.5

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	42	3,027	0.6
Field Crop Land	19	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	24	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	23	1,007	0.2
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	19	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	34	3,361	0.7
Field Crop Land	16	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	22	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	17	926	0.2
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	12	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	2	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	76	8,440	100.0
Chemical Only	9	x	x
Tillage Only	51	4,643	55.0
Tillage and Chemical Combination	19	x	x

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	213	48.9
Rotational Grazing	198	45.4
Winter Cover Crops	21	4.8
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	108	24.8
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	258	59.2
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	59	13.5

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	610	0.9

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	270 44.3
On Farms with Two or More Operators	340 55.7
Total Male Operators	445 73.0
Total Female Operators	165 27.0

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	52.2
On Farms with One Operator	55.0
On Farms with Two Operators	49.9

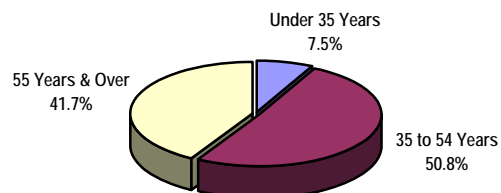
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	45	7.5
35 - 54 Years	305	50.8
55 Years and Over	250	41.7

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	240	39.3
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	370	60.7

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	165	27.0
20 - 40 Hours	190	31.1
More than 40 Hours	255	41.8

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	65	17.6
20 - 40 Hours	140	37.8
More than 40 Hours	165	44.6

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Birch Hills County	Alberta
Total Population	1,470	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	1,470	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	268	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,818	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	46,091	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	1,276,485	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	199,819	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	245,909	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	1,244	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	705	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	x	79
Number of Pigs (head)	x	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	149	55.6
Partnership	64	23.9
With Written Agreement	9	3.4
Without Written Agreement	55	20.5
Corporation	49	18.3
Family	44	16.4
Non-Family	5	1.9
Other*	6	2.2
Total Farms	268	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	1	0.4
10 to 129 Acres	10	3.7
130 to 239 Acres	27	10.1
240 to 399 Acres	24	9.0
400 to 559 Acres	24	9.0
560 to 759 Acres	22	8.2
760 to 1,119 Acres	33	12.3
1,120 Acres and Over	127	47.4
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	31	11.6
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	31	11.6
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	20	7.5
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	15	5.6
3,520 Acres and Over	30	11.2
Total Farms	268	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	1	0.4
Cattle (Beef)	74	28.2
Hog	1	0.4
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	22	8.4
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	113	43.1
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	30	11.5
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	1	0.4
Miscellaneous Specialty	14	5.3
Livestock Combination	3	1.1
Other Combination	3	1.1
Total Farms Classified	262	100.0

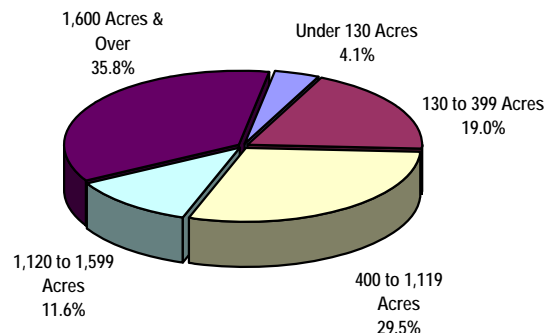
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	254	298,008	61.1
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	149	189,348	38.9
Rented/Leased from Government	50	97,262	20.0
Rented/Leased from Others	121	89,244	18.3
Crop Shared from Others	11	2,842	0.6
Total Area of Farms	268	487,356	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	250	310,938	63.8
Summerfallow	46	8,893	1.8
Total Pasture Land	...	119,533	24.5
Tame or Seeded Pasture	88	37,927	7.8
Natural Land for Pasture	79	81,606	16.7
All Other Land	215	47,992	9.8
Total Area of Farms	268	487,356	100.0

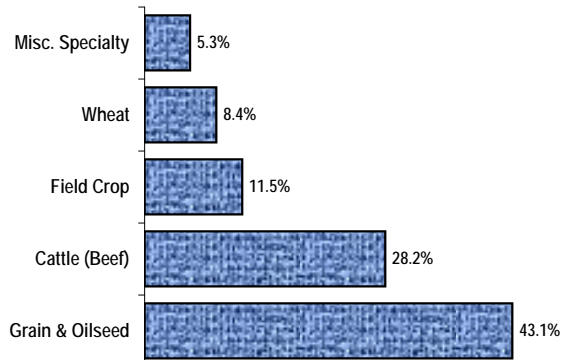
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	50	3,274	76.3
Seasonal or Temporary	73	1,018	23.7
Total Paid Labour	108	4,292	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	124	46.3
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	97	36.2

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

	Birch Hills County	Alberta
Number of Farms	268	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	46,091	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	1,276,485	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	199,819	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	15,162	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	245,909	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	268	79,393	23.2
Livestock and Poultry	130	19,226	5.6
Land and Buildings	268	243,479	71.2
Owned	256	185,880	54.3
Rented or Leased from Others	149	57,599	16.8
Total Farm Capital	268	342,098	100.0

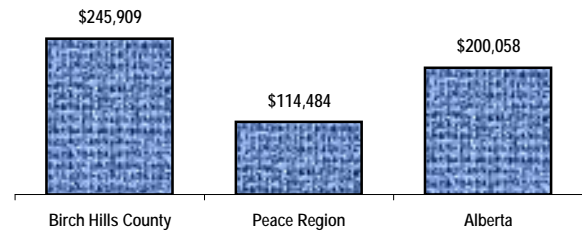
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	0	0.0
\$50,000 - \$99,999	4	1.5
\$100,000 - \$199,999	13	4.9
\$200,000 - \$349,999	35	13.1
\$350,000 - \$499,999	32	11.9
\$500,000 - \$999,999	74	27.6
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	40	14.9
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	27	10.1
\$2,000,000 and Over	43	16.0
Total Farms	268	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	215	3,260	6.1
Custom and Contract Work	184	2,082	3.9
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	145	2,116	4.0
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	59	283	0.5
Wages and Salaries	108	2,593	4.8
Paid to Family Members	77	1,731	3.2
Paid to all Other Persons	62	862	1.6
All Fuel Expenses	257	5,200	9.7
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	255	4,202	7.8
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	184	9,991	18.7
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	184	5,334	10.0
Seed/Seedling Purchases	171	3,079	5.7
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	61	4,071	7.6
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	107	568	1.1
Feed and Supplement Purchases	109	3,421	6.4
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	249	1,276	2.4
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	186	653	1.2
All Other Expenses	256	5,421	10.1
Total Operating Expenses	268	53,551	100.0

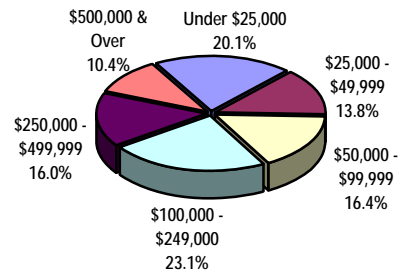
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	251	1,033	82,300
Total Farm Trucks	251	1,061	50,700
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	241	576	27,819
Other Farm Trucks	189	485	31,859
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	118	148	18,841
Swathers/Mower Cond.	203	287	26,284
Combines	186	270	82,162
Balers	115	141	14,415
Forage Harvesters	14	16	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	199	916	61,189
Irrigation Equipment	2	...	x
Other*	218	...	41,421

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	65,904	0.7
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	32	11.9
\$10,000 - \$24,999	22	8.2
\$25,000 - \$49,999	37	13.8
\$50,000 - \$99,999	44	16.4
\$100,000 - \$249,999	62	23.1
\$250,000 - \$499,999	43	16.0
\$500,000 - \$999,999	16	6.0
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	8	3.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	4	1.5
Total Farms	268	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	88	9,853	0.5
Dairy Cows	3	x	x
Beef Cows	87	x	x
Heifers	57	2,172	0.2
Bulls	78	467	0.4
Steers	35	984	0.1
Calves	90	9,479	0.5
Total Cattle and Calves	94	22,955	0.4

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	4	85	1.2
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	5	944	0.5
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	2	x	x
Grower and Finishing Pigs	4	x	x
Total Pigs	8	x	x

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	5	22	0.4
Ewes	7	716	0.7
Lambs	5	690	0.6
Total Sheep and Lambs	7	1,428	0.6

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	67	642	0.4
Goats	2	x	x
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	4	x	x
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	4	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	3	x	x
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

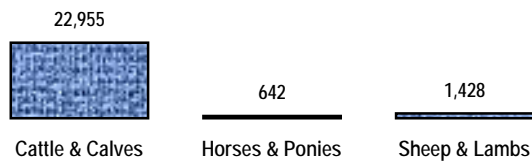
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	3	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	12	x	x
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	9	x	x
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	1	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	9	x	x
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	2	x	x
Other Poultry	2	x	x

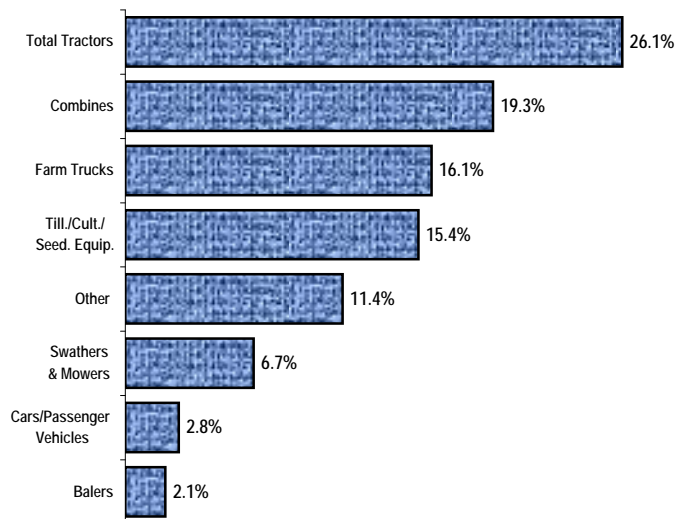
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	1	x	x
Turkey Production	0	0	0.0
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	251	1,033	20,657
Total Farm Trucks	251	1,061	12,726
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	241	576	6,704
Other Farm Trucks	189	485	6,021
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	118	148	2,223
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	203	287	5,336
Combines	186	270	15,282
Balers	115	141	1,658
Forage Harvesters	14	16	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	199	916	12,177
Irrigation Equipment	2	...	x
Other*	218	...	9,030

**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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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	127	89,549	1.4
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	124	87,886	1.5
Durum Wheat	2	x	x
Winter Wheat	3	x	x
Oats	54	10,544	0.8
Barley	76	29,007	0.7
Mixed Grains	1	x	x
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	2	x	x
Fall Rye	2	x	x
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	125	112,608	2.8
Flaxseed	3	315	0.5
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	2	x	x
Dry Field Peas	18	3,899	0.7
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	1	x	x
Triticale	0	0	0.0
Forage Seed for Seed	43	14,038	5.7
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	1	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	119	40,335	1.0
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	43	10,305	0.5

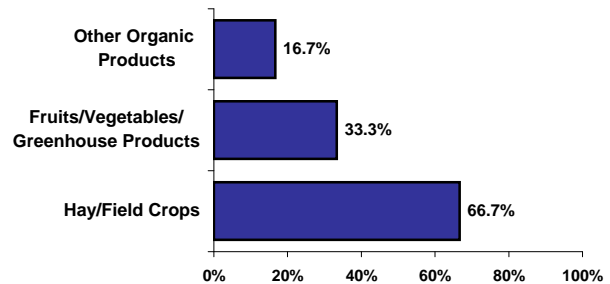
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	0	0	0.0
Cabbage	0	0	0.0
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	0	0	0.0
Carrots	0	0	0.0
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	0	0	0.0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

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

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	1	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	1	x	x
Flowers	1	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	6	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	4	66.7
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	33.3
Total Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Total Other Organic Products	1	16.7
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	2	33.3
Hay or Field Crops	2	33.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	1	16.7
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	2	33.3
Hay or Field Crops	2	33.3
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	4	66.7
Hay or Field Crops	2	33.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	33.3
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

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.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	268	487,356	100.0
Use of Irrigation	1	x	x
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	181	235,092	48.2
Use of Herbicides	168	220,240	45.2
Use of Insecticides	59	46,227	9.5
Use of Fungicides	21	20,118	4.1

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	215	261,407	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	87	54,948	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	99	127,662	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	47	78,797	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	100	37.3
Farms Applying Manure	46	17.2

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	17	1,371	0.3
Field Crop Land	9	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	10	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	8	542	0.1
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	7	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	14	1,310	0.3
Field Crop Land	9	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	5	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	9	481	0.1
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	7	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	2	x	x
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	46	8,893	100.0
Chemical Only	8	1,386	15.6
Tillage Only	22	4,132	46.5
Tillage and Chemical Combination	19	3,375	38.0

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	216	80.6
Rotational Grazing	65	24.3
Winter Cover Crops	11	4.1
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	63	23.5
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	167	62.3
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	30	11.2

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	390	0.5

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	155 40.8
On Farms with Two or More Operators	225 59.2
Total Male Operators	280 71.8
Total Female Operators	105 26.9

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	50.1
On Farms with One Operator	51.0
On Farms with Two Operators	49.5

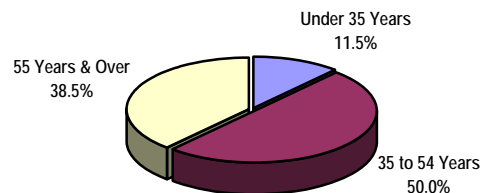
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	45	11.5
35 - 54 Years	195	50.0
55 Years and Over	150	38.5

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	205	53.2
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	180	46.8

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	80	20.5
20 - 40 Hours	95	24.4
More than 40 Hours	215	55.1

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	40	22.2
20 - 40 Hours	55	30.6
More than 40 Hours	85	47.2

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Clear Hills No. 21	Alberta
Total Population	2,714	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	2,714	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	495	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,202	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	5,800	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	764,211	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	74,945	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	80,744	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	599	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	416	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	61	79
Number of Pigs (head)	208	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	335	67.7
Partnership	110	22.2
With Written Agreement	8	1.6
Without Written Agreement	102	20.6
Corporation	47	9.5
Family	43	8.7
Non-Family	4	0.8
Other*	3	0.6
Total Farms	495	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	1	0.2
10 to 129 Acres	17	3.4
130 to 239 Acres	88	17.8
240 to 399 Acres	74	14.9
400 to 559 Acres	43	8.7
560 to 759 Acres	40	8.1
760 to 1,119 Acres	62	12.5
1,120 Acres and Over	170	34.3
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	57	11.5
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	49	9.9
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	22	4.4
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	12	2.4
3,520 Acres and Over	30	6.1
Total Farms	495	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	1	0.2
Cattle (Beef)	188	40.2
Hog	4	0.9
Poultry and Egg	1	0.2
Wheat	5	1.1
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	112	23.9
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	77	16.5
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	1	0.2
Miscellaneous Specialty	50	10.7
Livestock Combination	14	3.0
Other Combination	15	3.2
Total Farms Classified	468	100.0

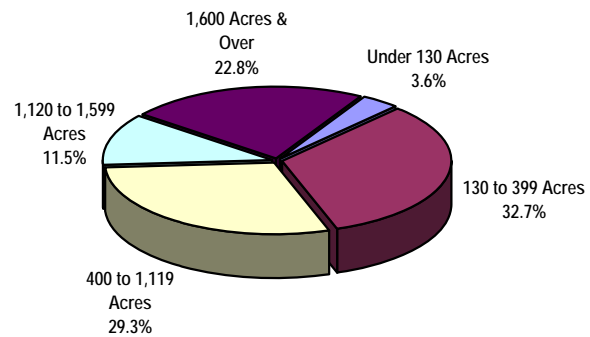
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	483	x	x
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	206	x	x
Rented/Leased from Government	114	143,486	24.1
Rented/Leased from Others	119	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	17	6,815	1.1
Total Area of Farms	495	595,075	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	444	266,145	44.7
Summerfallow	128	25,932	4.4
Total Pasture Land	...	231,127	38.8
Tame or Seeded Pasture	225	81,918	13.8
Natural Land for Pasture	244	149,209	25.1
All Other Land	376	71,871	12.1
Total Area of Farms	495	595,075	100.0

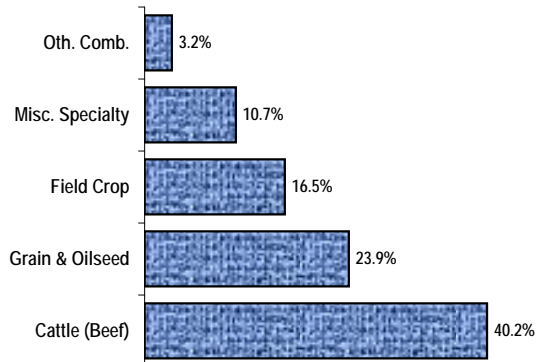
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	60	2,772	65.5
Seasonal or Temporary	80	1,460	34.5
Total Paid Labour	130	4,232	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	152	30.7
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	109	22.0

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

	Clear Hills No. 21	Alberta
Number of Farms	495	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	5,800	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	764,211	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	74,945	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	9,082	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	80,744	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	495	83,429	22.1
Livestock and Poultry	339	26,649	7.0
Land and Buildings	495	268,207	70.9
Owned	485	223,335	59.0
Rented or Leased from Others	207	44,871	11.9
Total Farm Capital	495	378,285	100.0

Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	3	0.6
\$50,000 - \$99,999	15	3.0
\$100,000 - \$199,999	56	11.3
\$200,000 - \$349,999	109	22.0
\$350,000 - \$499,999	78	15.8
\$500,000 - \$999,999	123	24.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	60	12.1
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	20	4.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	31	6.3
Total Farms	495	100.0

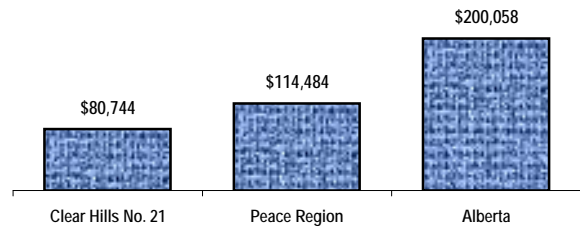
Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	310	2,815	7.6
Custom and Contract Work	277	1,797	4.8
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	159	1,211	3.3
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	73	299	0.8
Wages and Salaries	130	1,880	5.1
Paid to Family Members	84	1,082	2.9
Paid to all Other Persons	70	798	2.2
All Fuel Expenses	479	5,236	14.1
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	458	3,683	9.9
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	230	4,922	13.3
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	218	2,516	6.8
Seed/Seedling Purchases	232	1,382	3.7
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	172	2,760	7.4
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	273	416	1.1
Feed and Supplement Purchases	275	1,846	5.0
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	458	1,369	3.7
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	394	946	2.5
All Other Expenses	464	4,020	10.8
Total Operating Expenses	495	37,098	100.0

Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	463	1,678	54,798
Total Farm Trucks	464	1,436	33,045
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	446	862	23,588
Other Farm Trucks	302	574	15,936
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	253	287	15,022
Swathers/Mower Cond.	360	528	12,794
Combines	269	364	39,823
Balers	282	346	9,693
Forage Harvesters	25	30	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	380	1,553	24,601
Irrigation Equipment	1	...	x
Other*	363	...	31,032

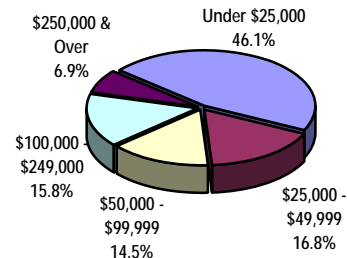
	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	39,968	0.4

Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	121	24.4
\$10,000 - \$24,999	107	21.6
\$25,000 - \$49,999	83	16.8
\$50,000 - \$99,999	72	14.5
\$100,000 - \$249,999	78	15.8
\$250,000 - \$499,999	22	4.4
\$500,000 - \$999,999	9	1.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	3	0.6
\$2,000,000 and Over	0	0.0
Total Farms	495	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	253	15,489	0.7
Dairy Cows	5	8	0.0
Beef Cows	252	15,481	0.8
Heifers	167	3,952	0.4
Bulls	207	825	0.8
Steers	90	2,877	0.3
Calves	244	11,491	0.6
Total Cattle and Calves	265	34,634	0.5

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	13	x	x
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	15	x	x
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	8	x	x
Grower and Finishing Pigs	19	2,192	0.2
Total Pigs	22	4,586	0.2

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	9	36	0.7
Ewes	11	495	0.5
Lambs	8	508	0.4
Total Sheep and Lambs	13	1,039	0.5

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	175	1,648	1.1
Goats	13	128	0.4
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	11	1,926	2.0
Deer (excluding wild deer)	1	x	x
Elk	6	1,185	3.5
Llamas and Alpacas	10	61	0.4
Wild Boars	2	x	x

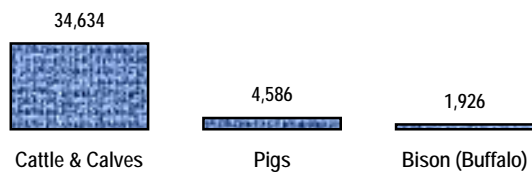
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	3	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	48	3,190	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	26	1,556	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	12	465	0.0
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	34	1,169	0.1
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	8	77	0.0
Other Poultry	8	84	0.0

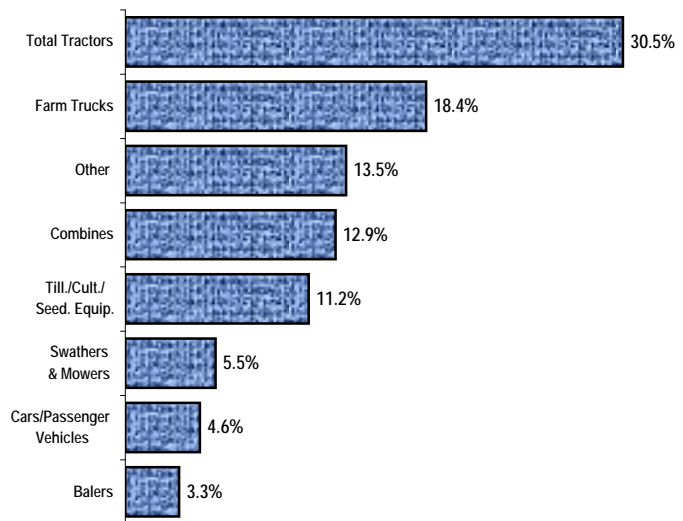
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	5	1,037	0.0
Turkey Production	2	x	x
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
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Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
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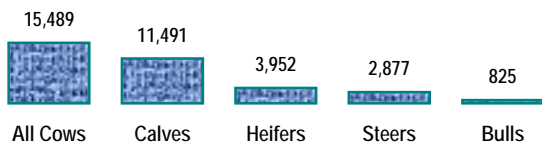
**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



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	60	24,970	0.4
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	58	x	x
Durum Wheat	1	x	x
Winter Wheat	1	x	x
Oats	147	27,468	2.2
Barley	108	26,899	0.7
Mixed Grains	9	1,586	0.4
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	2	x	x
Fall Rye	2	x	x
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	91	55,288	1.4
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	1	x	x
Dry Field Peas	32	8,434	1.4
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	1	x	x
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	1	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	1	x	x
Triticale	2	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	55	20,971	8.6
All Other Field Crops	2	x	x

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	0	0	0.0
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	203	47,054	1.2
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	201	51,984	2.5

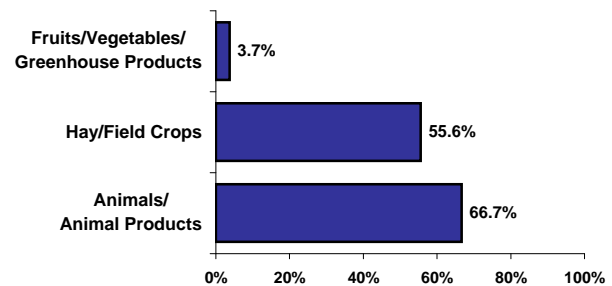
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	2	x	x
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	1	x	x
Cabbage	0	0	0.0
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	0	0	0.0
Carrots	1	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots,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

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	1	x	x
Saskatoons	1	x	x
Strawberries	1	x	x
Raspberries	0	0	0.0
Area of Nursery Products	0	0	0.0
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	13	307,899	4.7

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	1	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	1	x	x
Flowers	0	0	0.0
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	27	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	15	55.6
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	3.7
Total Animals or Animal Products	18	66.7
Total Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	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 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	27	100.0
Hay or Field Crops	15	55.6
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	3.7
Animals or Animal Products	18	66.7
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. * seeded acreage x - confidential
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	495	595,075	100.0
Use of Irrigation	2	x	x
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	206	167,691	28.2
Use of Herbicides	154	119,648	20.1
Use of Insecticides	18	4,847	0.8
Use of Fungicides	1	x	x

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	302	168,903	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	199	75,283	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	83	67,771	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	42	25,849	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	243	49.1
Farms Applying Manure	102	20.6

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	43	3,313	0.6
Field Crop Land	16	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	21	...	...
Other Land	9	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	11	377	0.1
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	9	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	30	2,021	0.3
Field Crop Land	13	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	11	...	...
Other Land	7	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	20	1,226	0.2
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	15	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	128	25,932	100.0
Chemical Only	19	4,733	18.3
Tillage Only	58	9,467	36.5
Tillage and Chemical Combination	57	11,732	45.2

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	316	63.8
Rotational Grazing	182	36.8
Winter Cover Crops	11	2.2
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	96	19.4
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	254	51.3
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	51	10.3

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	700	1.0

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	300 42.9
On Farms with Two or More Operators	400 57.1
Total Male Operators	495 70.7
Total Female Operators	205 29.3

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.6
On Farms with One Operator	53.7
On Farms with Two Operators	50.0

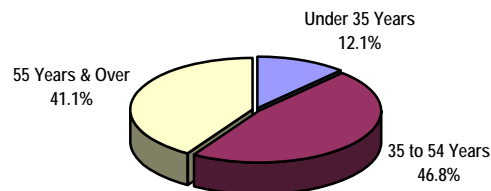
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	85	12.1
35 - 54 Years	330	46.8
55 Years and Over	290	41.1

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	250	35.5
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	455	64.5

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	200	28.4
20 - 40 Hours	225	31.9
More than 40 Hours	280	39.7

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	80	17.6
20 - 40 Hours	155	34.1
More than 40 Hours	220	48.4

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Fairview No. 136	Alberta
Total Population	1,432	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	1,432	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	260	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,211	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	16,201	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	975,867	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	137,157	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	153,359	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	807	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	561	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	75	79
Number of Pigs (head)	1,370	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	146	56.2
Partnership	74	28.5
With Written Agreement	8	3.1
Without Written Agreement	66	25.4
Corporation	38	14.6
Family	37	14.2
Non-Family	1	0.4
Other*	2	0.8
Total Farms	260	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	1	0.4
10 to 129 Acres	14	5.4
130 to 239 Acres	41	15.8
240 to 399 Acres	30	11.5
400 to 559 Acres	24	9.2
560 to 759 Acres	18	6.9
760 to 1,119 Acres	34	13.1
1,120 Acres and Over	98	37.7
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	33	12.7
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	27	10.4
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	11	4.2
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	12	4.6
3,520 Acres and Over	15	5.8
Total Farms	260	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	78	31.6
Hog	5	2.0
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	11	4.5
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	104	42.1
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	23	9.3
Fruit	1	0.4
Vegetable	2	0.8
Miscellaneous Specialty	15	6.1
Livestock Combination	3	1.2
Other Combination	5	2.0
Total Farms Classified	247	100.0

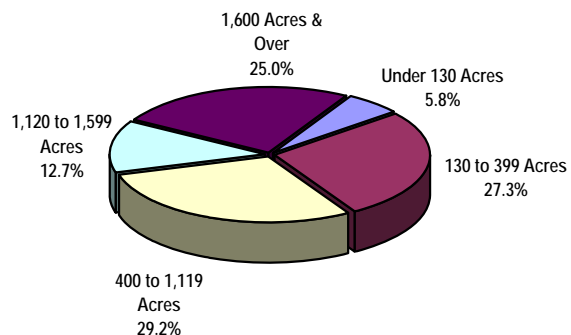
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	253	x	x
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	144	x	x
Rented/Leased from Government	53	37,379	11.9
Rented/Leased from Others	111	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	16	5,950	1.9
Total Area of Farms	260	314,796	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	243	196,102	62.3
Summerfallow	63	12,081	3.8
Total Pasture Land	...	76,600	24.3
Tame or Seeded Pasture	102	36,478	11.6
Natural Land for Pasture	92	40,122	12.7
All Other Land	194	30,013	9.5
Total Area of Farms	260	314,796	100.0

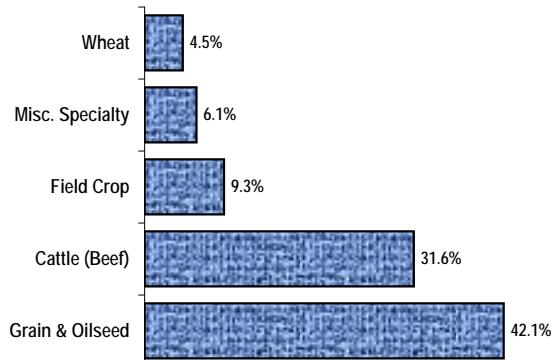
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	42	2,553	60.5
Seasonal or Temporary	68	1,665	39.5
Total Paid Labour	101	4,218	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	127	48.8
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	90	34.6

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

	Fairview No. 136	Alberta
Number of Farms	260	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	16,201	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	975,867	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	137,157	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	8,861	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	153,359	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	260	57,093	22.5
Livestock and Poultry	146	18,641	7.3
Land and Buildings	260	177,992	70.2
Owned	256	135,570	53.4
Rented or Leased from Others	144	42,422	16.7
Total Farm Capital	260	253,725	100.0

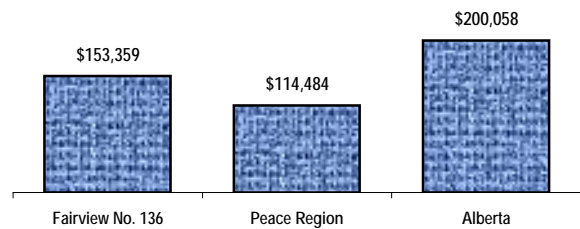
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	1	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	2	0.8
\$100,000 - \$199,999	15	5.8
\$200,000 - \$349,999	37	14.2
\$350,000 - \$499,999	52	20.0
\$500,000 - \$999,999	71	27.3
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	37	14.2
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	12	4.6
\$2,000,000 and Over	33	12.7
Total Farms	260	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	193	1,710	4.8
Custom and Contract Work	171	1,960	5.5
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	131	1,408	3.9
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	44	173	0.5
Wages and Salaries	101	2,214	6.2
Paid to Family Members	70	1,141	3.2
Paid to all Other Persons	53	1,072	3.0
All Fuel Expenses	249	3,217	9.0
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	248	2,370	6.6
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	161	6,041	16.9
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	172	3,172	8.9
Seed/Seedling Purchases	151	1,599	4.5
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	69	4,011	11.2
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	128	281	0.8
Feed and Supplement Purchases	121	2,130	6.0
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	238	991	2.8
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	194	594	1.7
All Other Expenses	250	3,791	10.6
Total Operating Expenses	260	35,661	100.0

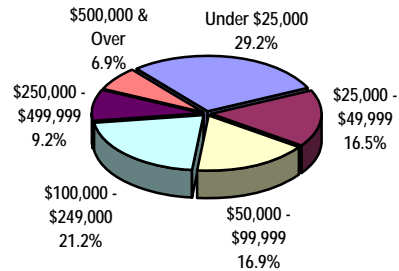
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	240	962	67,297
Total Farm Trucks	250	847	38,086
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	238	447	22,118
Other Farm Trucks	185	401	23,014
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	134	162	16,680
Swathers/Mower Cond.	194	256	18,152
Combines	166	211	58,025
Balers	119	147	10,438
Forage Harvesters	18	19	11,767
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	204	840	33,853
Irrigation Equipment	5	...	11,900
Other*	204	...	37,312

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	39,873	0.4
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	35	13.5
\$10,000 - \$24,999	41	15.8
\$25,000 - \$49,999	43	16.5
\$50,000 - \$99,999	44	16.9
\$100,000 - \$249,999	55	21.2
\$250,000 - \$499,999	24	9.2
\$500,000 - \$999,999	10	3.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	7	2.7
\$2,000,000 and Over	1	0.4
Total Farms	260	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	110	8,153	0.4
Dairy Cows	3	4	0.0
Beef Cows	109	8,149	0.4
Heifers	75	2,379	0.2
Bulls	92	379	0.3
Steers	50	2,835	0.3
Calves	99	6,519	0.3
Total Cattle and Calves	113	20,265	0.3

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	4	29	0.4
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	5	1,202	0.6
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	5	4,720	0.7
Grower and Finishing Pigs	9	7,751	0.6
Total Pigs	10	13,702	0.7

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	5	x	x
Ewes	12	x	x
Lambs	5	x	x
Total Sheep and Lambs	12	x	x

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	65	372	0.2
Goats	5	14	0.0
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	7	559	0.6
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	1	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	6	27	0.2
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	4	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

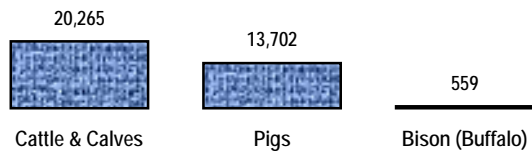
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	11	536	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	6	176	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	4	147	0.0
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	8	213	0.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	0	0	0.0
Other Poultry	3	112	0.1

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	0	0	0.0
Turkey Production	0	0	0.0

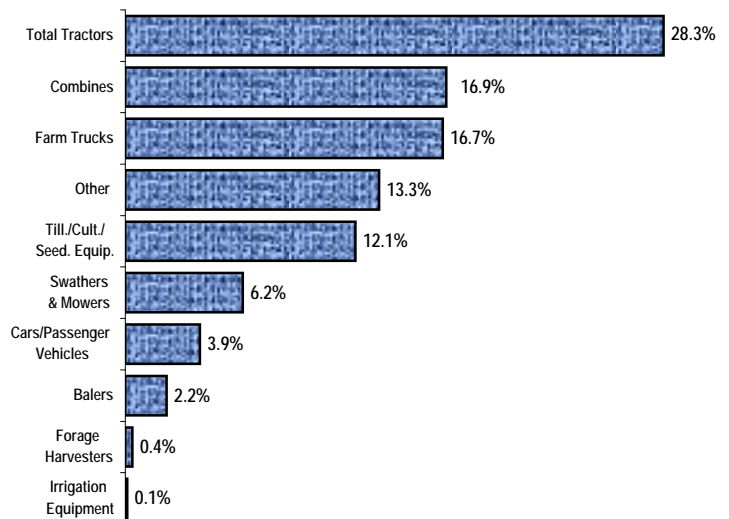
	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	240	962	16,151
Total Farm Trucks	250	847	9,522
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	238	447	5,264
Other Farm Trucks	185	401	4,258
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	134	162	2,235
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	194	256	3,521
Combines	166	211	9,632
Balers	119	147	1,242
Forage Harvesters	18	19	212
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	204	840	6,906
Irrigation Equipment	5	...	60
Other*	204	...	7,612

**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)**



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. x - confidential ... not available

"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	82	46,039	0.7
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	81	x	x
Durum Wheat	1	x	x
Winter Wheat	0	0	0.0
Oats	56	11,938	0.9
Barley	76	20,962	0.5
Mixed Grains	3	x	x
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	4	175	x
Fall Rye	4	175	0.2
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	100	61,853	1.5
Flaxseed	4	456	0.8
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	3	11	0.0
Dry Field Peas	25	7,180	1.2
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	1	x	x
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	3	x	x
Canary Seed	1	x	x
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	1	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	48	12,266	5.0
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	3	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	95	22,209	0.6
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	69	11,724	0.6

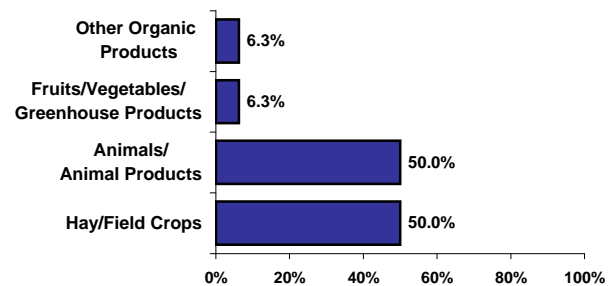
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	2	x	x
Cucumbers	2	x	x
Green Peas	1	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	1	x	x
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	1	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots, Green or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

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	2	x	x
Saskatoons	2	x	x
Strawberries	1	x	x
Raspberries	0	0	0.0
Area of Nursery Products	0	0	0.0
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	4	100,574	1.5

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

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	16	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	8	50.0
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	6.3
Total Animals or Animal Products	8	50.0
Total Other Organic Products	1	6.3
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	3	18.8
Hay or Field Crops	1	6.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	6.3
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	1	6.3
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	13	81.3
Hay or Field Crops	7	43.8
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	8	50.0
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

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.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.
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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	260	314,796	100.0
Use of Irrigation	2	x	x
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	147	155,097	49.3
Use of Herbicides	136	138,151	43.9
Use of Insecticides	38	27,343	8.7
Use of Fungicides	12	8,158	2.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	195	161,896	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	84	23,682	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	77	55,965	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	70	82,249	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	116	44.6
Farms Applying Manure	60	23.1

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	24	1,969	0.6
Field Crop Land	16	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	9	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	12	739	0.2
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	10	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	7	785	0.2
Field Crop Land	7	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	17	1,576	0.5
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	13	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	6	1,107	0.4
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	2	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	63	12,081	100.0
Chemical Only	12	2,672	22.1
Tillage Only	20	3,088	25.6
Tillage and Chemical Combination	34	6,321	52.3

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	189	72.7
Rotational Grazing	94	36.2
Winter Cover Crops	13	5.0
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	62	23.8
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	153	58.8
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	19	7.3

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	365	0.5

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	155 43.1
On Farms with Two or More Operators	205 56.9
Total Male Operators	270 74.0
Total Female Operators	100 27.4

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.4
On Farms with One Operator	52.8
On Farms with Two Operators	50.3

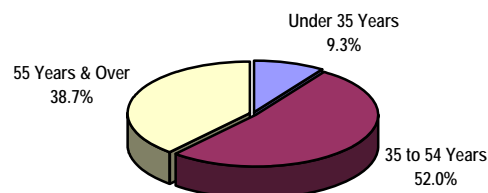
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	35	9.3
35 - 54 Years	195	52.0
55 Years and Over	145	38.7

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	135	36.5
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	235	63.5

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	90	24.0
20 - 40 Hours	100	26.7
More than 40 Hours	185	49.3

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	50	21.3
20 - 40 Hours	95	40.4
More than 40 Hours	90	38.3

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Grande Prairie County No. 1	Alberta
Total Population	17,970	3,290,350
Urban Population	1,508	2,699,851
Rural Population	16,462	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	91.6	17.9
Number of Farms	1,371	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	815	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	6,214	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	964,253	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	86,953	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	93,167	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	468	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	381	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	58	79
Number of Pigs (head)	336	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	802	58.5
Partnership	416	30.3
With Written Agreement	34	2.5
Without Written Agreement	382	27.9
Corporation	147	10.7
Family	133	9.7
Non-Family	14	1.0
Other*	6	0.4
Total Farms	1,371	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	16	1.2
10 to 129 Acres	130	9.5
130 to 239 Acres	346	25.2
240 to 399 Acres	198	14.4
400 to 559 Acres	123	9.0
560 to 759 Acres	108	7.9
760 to 1,119 Acres	135	9.8
1,120 Acres and Over	315	23.0
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	115	8.4
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	86	6.3
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	48	3.5
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	34	2.5
3,520 Acres and Over	32	2.3
Total Farms	1,371	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	1	0.1
Cattle (Beef)	414	32.8
Hog	9	0.7
Poultry and Egg	4	0.3
Wheat	40	3.2
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	316	25.0
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	182	14.4
Fruit	3	0.2
Vegetable	2	0.2
Miscellaneous Specialty	242	19.2
Livestock Combination	31	2.5
Other Combination	18	1.4
Total Farms Classified	1,262	100.0

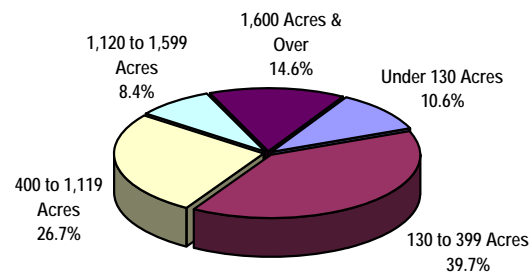
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	1,334	644,726	57.7
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	593	473,160	42.3
Rented/Leased from Government	151	x	x
Rented/Leased from Others	496	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	80	x	x
Total Area of Farms	1,371	1,117,886	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	1,192	557,893	49.9
Summerfallow	324	55,784	5.0
Total Pasture Land	...	356,803	31.9
Tame or Seeded Pasture	600	138,167	12.4
Natural Land for Pasture	629	218,636	19.6
All Other Land	1,083	147,406	13.2
Total Area of Farms	1,371	1,117,886	100.0

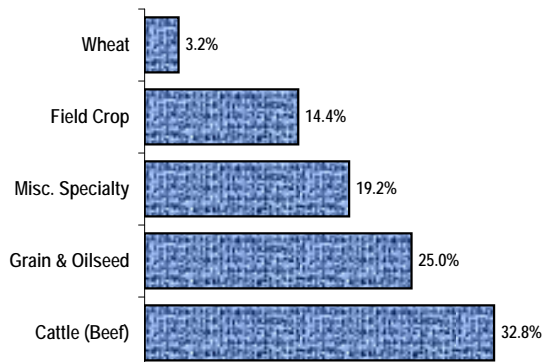
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	166	9,511	62.0
Seasonal or Temporary	272	5,832	38.0
Total Paid Labour	396	15,343	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	571	41.6
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	413	30.1

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

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Grande Prairie County No. 1	Alberta
Number of Farms	1,371	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	6,214	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	964,253	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	86,953	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	7,975	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	93,167	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	1,371	214,900	16.3
Livestock and Poultry	914	69,471	5.3
Land and Buildings	1,371	1,037,620	78.5
Owned	1,340	781,855	59.1
Rented or Leased from Others	594	255,765	19.3
Total Farm Capital	1,371	1,321,991	100.0

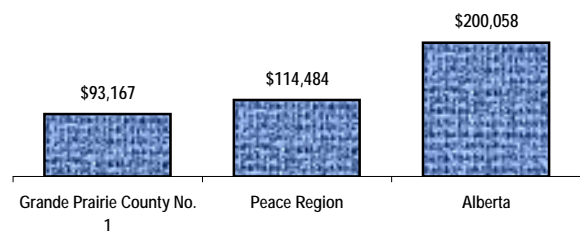
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	3	0.2
\$50,000 - \$99,999	20	1.5
\$100,000 - \$199,999	74	5.4
\$200,000 - \$349,999	215	15.7
\$350,000 - \$499,999	253	18.5
\$500,000 - \$999,999	403	29.4
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	173	12.6
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	88	6.4
\$2,000,000 and Over	142	10.4
Total Farms	1,371	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	821	6,547	5.5
Custom and Contract Work	708	5,214	4.4
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	440	3,297	2.8
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	221	877	0.7
Wages and Salaries	396	7,442	6.2
Paid to Family Members	279	4,096	3.4
Paid to all Other Persons	207	3,347	2.8
All Fuel Expenses	1,327	12,749	10.7
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	1,260	11,111	9.3
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	670	13,514	11.3
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	612	7,011	5.9
Seed/Seedling Purchases	640	3,764	3.2
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	417	18,533	15.5
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	713	1,613	1.4
Feed and Supplement Purchases	743	8,289	7.0
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	1,237	3,894	3.3
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	1,042	2,789	2.3
All Other Expenses	1,289	12,568	10.5
Total Operating Expenses	1,371	119,212	100.0

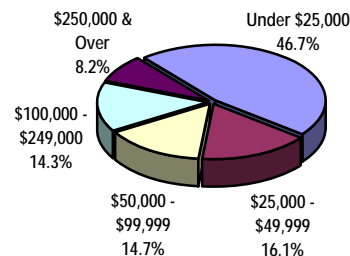
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	1,264	4,291	50,148
Total Farm Trucks	1,265	3,587	33,169
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	1,209	2,127	22,933
Other Farm Trucks	791	1,459	17,995
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	612	698	15,596
Swathers/Mower Cond.	903	1,229	12,771
Combines	672	829	39,225
Balers	666	835	10,341
Forage Harvesters	71	76	11,869
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	992	3,916	24,623
Irrigation Equipment	15	...	35,710
Other*	1,035	...	28,431

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	127,731	1.3
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	350	25.5
\$10,000 - \$24,999	290	21.2
\$25,000 - \$49,999	221	16.1
\$50,000 - \$99,999	202	14.7
\$100,000 - \$249,999	196	14.3
\$250,000 - \$499,999	81	5.9
\$500,000 - \$999,999	20	1.5
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	5	0.4
\$2,000,000 and Over	6	0.4
Total Farms	1,371	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	549	31,550	1.5
Dairy Cows	7	13	0.0
Beef Cows	543	31,537	1.5
Heifers	378	8,441	0.8
Bulls	449	1,944	1.8
Steers	208	8,372	0.9
Calves	539	27,577	1.3
Total Cattle and Calves	598	77,884	1.2

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	17	55	0.8
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	24	1,036	0.5
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	23	3,308	0.5
Grower and Finishing Pigs	29	10,705	0.9
Total Pigs	45	15,104	0.7

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	28	65	1.3
Ewes	38	1,135	1.1
Lambs	26	1,110	1.0
Total Sheep and Lambs	42	2,310	1.0

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	503	4,547	2.9
Goats	33	2,013	6.9
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	71	13,547	13.9
Deer (excluding wild deer)	3	x	x
Elk	26	1,922	5.7
Llamas and Alpacas	50	554	3.8
Wild Boars	2	x	x

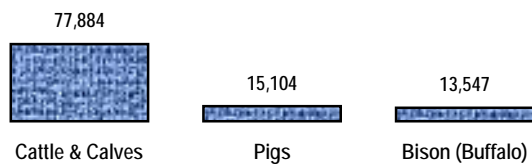
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	14	7,068	3.1
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	2	x	x

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	95	55,431	0.5
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	37	x	x
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	17	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	82	6,807	0.3
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	15	570	0.1
Other Poultry	27	x	x

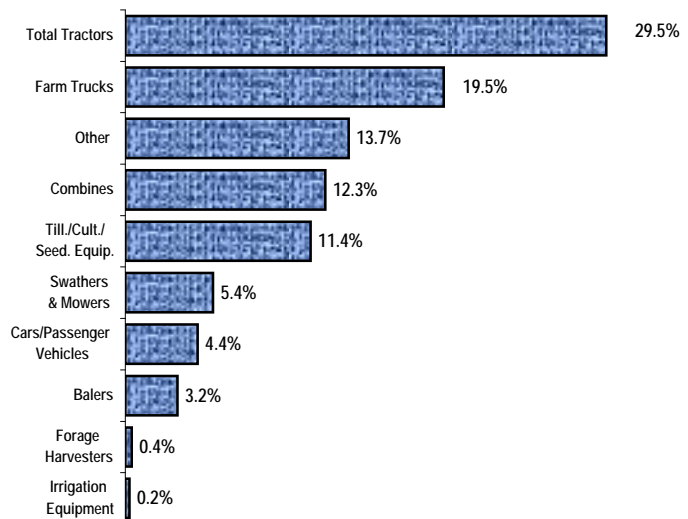
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.	
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	10	x	x	
Turkey Production	5	12,835	0.1	
		# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	1	x	x	

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	1,264	4,291	63,387
Total Farm Trucks	1,265	3,587	41,959
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	1,209	2,127	27,726
Other Farm Trucks	791	1,459	14,234
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	612	698	9,545
Swathes and Mower Conditioners	903	1,229	11,532
Combines	672	829	26,359
Balers	666	835	6,887
Forage Harvesters	71	76	843
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	992	3,916	24,426
Irrigation Equipment	15	...	536
Other*	1,035	...	29,426

**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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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	233	88,687	1.4
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	225	85,767	1.5
Durum Wheat	7	2,752	0.5
Winter Wheat	3	168	0.1
Oats	307	36,765	2.9
Barley	283	72,908	1.8
Mixed Grains	14	2,845	0.8
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	8	599	0.5
Fall Rye	7	x	x
Spring Rye	1	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	292	122,493	3.0
Flaxseed	3	550	0.9
Soybeans	2	x	x
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	3	12	0.0
Dry Field Peas	64	12,196	2.1
Lentils	1	x	x
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	4	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	4	231	0.3
Forage Seed for Seed	122	28,159	11.5
All Other Field Crops	4	336	1.1

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	8	280	0.4
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	609	121,233	3.1
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	390	68,556	3.3

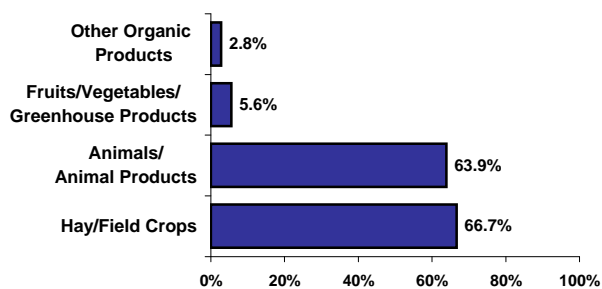
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	2	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	3	2	0.6
Cabbage	2	x	x
Cauliflower	2	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	3	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	2	x	x
Beets	2	x	x
Radishes	2	x	x
Dry Onions	3	0	0.0
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuce	2	x	x
Celery	0	0	0.0
Pumpkins, Squash and Zucchini	3	1	0.1

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	9	65	2.2
Saskatoons	6	51	3.2
Strawberries	0	0	0.0
Raspberries	2	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	12	235	2.6
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	3	52	4.1
Sod Grown for Sale	3	330	3.5
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	13	310,908	4.7

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	19	843,613	6.7
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	19	830,113	6.7
Flowers	14	x	x
Vegetables	8	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	4	x	x
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	72	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	48	66.7
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	4	5.6
Total Animals or Animal Products	46	63.9
Total Other Organic Products	2	2.8
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	6	8.3
Hay or Field Crops	5	6.9
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	2	2.8
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	67	93.1
Hay or Field Crops	43	59.7
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	4	5.6
Animals or Animal Products	44	61.1
Other Organic Products	2	2.8

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	1,371	1,117,886	100.0
Use of Irrigation	12	1,606	0.1
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	584	368,911	33.0
Use of Herbicides	496	309,801	27.7
Use of Insecticides	44	16,572	1.5
Use of Fungicides	30	29,293	2.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	776	383,364	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	441	110,477	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	286	181,670	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	142	91,217	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	705	51.4
Farms Applying Manure	320	23.3

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	121	4,695	0.4
Field Crop Land	55	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	59	...	...
Other Land	16	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	52	2,712	0.2
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	45	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	121	9,337	0.8
Field Crop Land	75	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	46	...	...
Other Land	13	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	62	4,119	0.4
Field Crop Land	9	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	53	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	4	775	0.1
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
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	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	324	55,784	100.0
Chemical Only	45	11,181	20.0
Tillage Only	162	20,424	36.6
Tillage and Chemical Combination	124	24,179	43.3

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	771	56.2
Rotational Grazing	525	38.3
Winter Cover Crops	43	3.1
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	289	21.1
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	673	49.1
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	97	7.1

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	1,955	2.7

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	805 41.2
On Farms with Two or More Operators	1,150 58.8
Total Male Operators	1,355 69.3
Total Female Operators	600 30.7

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.9
On Farms with One Operator	52.6
On Farms with Two Operators	51.4

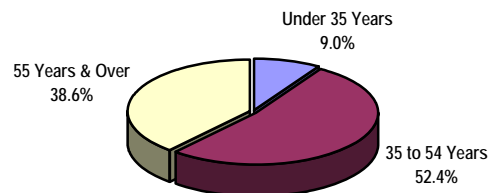
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	175	9.0
35 - 54 Years	1,020	52.4
55 Years and Over	750	38.6

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	725	37.0
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	1,235	63.0

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	680	34.7
20 - 40 Hours	585	29.8
More than 40 Hours	695	35.5

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	230	18.6
20 - 40 Hours	420	34.0
More than 40 Hours	585	47.4

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Greenview No. 16	Alberta
Total Population	5,464	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	5,464	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	721	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,014	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	7,265	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	783,577	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	70,483	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	77,748	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	473	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	618	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	80	79
Number of Pigs (head)	26	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	408	56.6
Partnership	249	34.5
With Written Agreement	21	2.9
Without Written Agreement	228	31.6
Corporation	59	8.2
Family	53	7.4
Non-Family	6	0.8
Other*	5	0.7
Total Farms	721	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	4	0.6
10 to 129 Acres	46	6.4
130 to 239 Acres	150	20.8
240 to 399 Acres	125	17.3
400 to 559 Acres	57	7.9
560 to 759 Acres	67	9.3
760 to 1,119 Acres	93	12.9
1,120 Acres and Over	179	24.8
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	59	8.2
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	52	7.2
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	22	3.1
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	11	1.5
3,520 Acres and Over	35	4.9
Total Farms	721	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	334	49.9
Hog	0	0.0
Poultry and Egg	2	0.3
Wheat	11	1.6
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	72	10.8
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	97	14.5
Fruit	1	0.1
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	120	17.9
Livestock Combination	22	3.3
Other Combination	10	1.5
Total Farms Classified	669	100.0

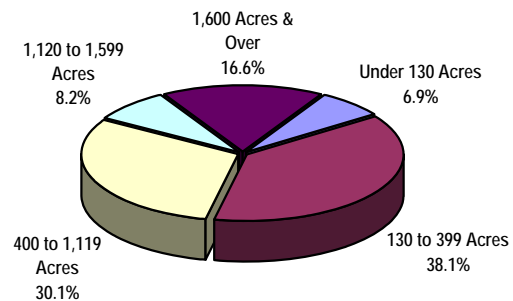
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	700	x	x
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	287	x	x
Rented/Leased from Government	134	167,356	22.9
Rented/Leased from Others	199	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	32	9,585	1.3
Total Area of Farms	721	731,147	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	611	288,724	39.5
Summerfallow	96	18,284	2.5
Total Pasture Land	...	297,377	40.7
Tame or Seeded Pasture	378	125,852	17.2
Natural Land for Pasture	382	171,525	23.5
All Other Land	605	126,762	17.3
Total Area of Farms	721	731,147	100.0

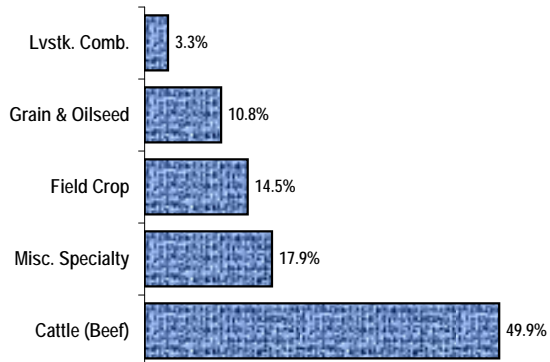
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	81	4,096	70.4
Seasonal or Temporary	123	1,723	29.6
Total Paid Labour	186	5,819	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	307	42.6
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	213	29.5

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

	Greenview No. 16	Alberta
Number of Farms	721	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	7,265	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	783,577	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	70,483	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	8,228	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	77,748	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	721	98,888	17.5
Livestock and Poultry	543	48,802	8.6
Land and Buildings	721	417,268	73.9
Owned	701	354,701	62.8
Rented or Leased from Others	287	62,567	11.1
Total Farm Capital	721	564,959	100.0

Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	3	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	8	1.1
\$100,000 - \$199,999	62	8.6
\$200,000 - \$349,999	160	22.2
\$350,000 - \$499,999	134	18.6
\$500,000 - \$999,999	207	28.7
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	75	10.4
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	25	3.5
\$2,000,000 and Over	47	6.5
Total Farms	721	100.0

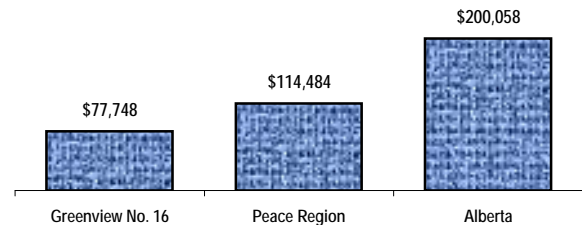
Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	424	3,489	6.9
Custom and Contract Work	368	2,765	5.4
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	245	1,591	3.1
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	116	353	0.7
Wages and Salaries	186	2,986	5.9
Paid to Family Members	130	1,598	3.1
Paid to all Other Persons	94	1,389	2.7
All Fuel Expenses	690	6,429	12.7
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	662	4,893	9.6
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	223	4,477	8.8
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	212	2,710	5.3
Seed/Seedling Purchases	270	1,421	2.8
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	237	5,803	11.4
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	427	828	1.6
Feed and Supplement Purchases	449	3,735	7.3
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	661	2,057	4.0
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	557	1,545	3.0
All Other Expenses	675	5,736	11.3
Total Operating Expenses	721	50,818	100.0

Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	672	2,303	44,724
Total Farm Trucks	673	1,775	30,779
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	632	1,103	22,309
Other Farm Trucks	392	673	16,876
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	331	367	14,560
Swathers/Mower Cond.	454	632	11,373
Combines	301	390	28,853
Balers	405	500	10,686
Forage Harvesters	62	66	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	509	2,049	18,015
Irrigation Equipment	9	...	x
Other*	528	...	25,768

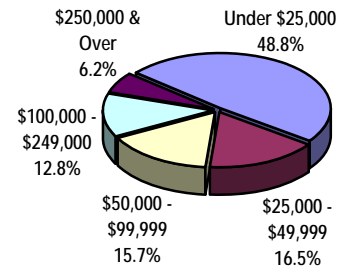
	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	56,056	0.6

Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	195	27.0
\$10,000 - \$24,999	157	21.8
\$25,000 - \$49,999	119	16.5
\$50,000 - \$99,999	113	15.7
\$100,000 - \$249,999	92	12.8
\$250,000 - \$499,999	30	4.2
\$500,000 - \$999,999	11	1.5
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	2	0.3
\$2,000,000 and Over	2	0.3
Total Farms	721	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	384	30,837	1.5
Dairy Cows	7	165	0.2
Beef Cows	383	30,672	1.5
Heifers	259	7,122	0.6
Bulls	327	1,460	1.3
Steers	158	3,634	0.4
Calves	370	22,678	1.1
Total Cattle and Calves	411	65,731	1.0

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	9	14	0.2
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	13	92	0.0
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	4	243	0.0
Grower and Finishing Pigs	15	239	0.0
Total Pigs	23	588	0.0

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	29	87	1.7
Ewes	34	1,581	1.5
Lambs	28	1,461	1.3
Total Sheep and Lambs	37	3,129	1.4

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	297	2,484	1.6
Goats	24	462	1.6
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	26	4,320	4.4
Deer (excluding wild deer)	3	255	2.8
Elk	9	452	1.3
Llamas and Alpacas	20	142	1.0
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	9	2,738	1.2
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

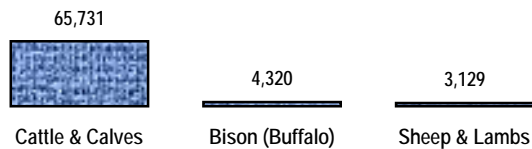
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	51	78,530	0.7
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	19	73,782	0.9
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	12	510	0.1
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	41	4,238	0.2
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	5	x	x
Other Poultry	19	2,107	1.0

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	3	1,212,500	1.0
Turkey Production	1	x	x

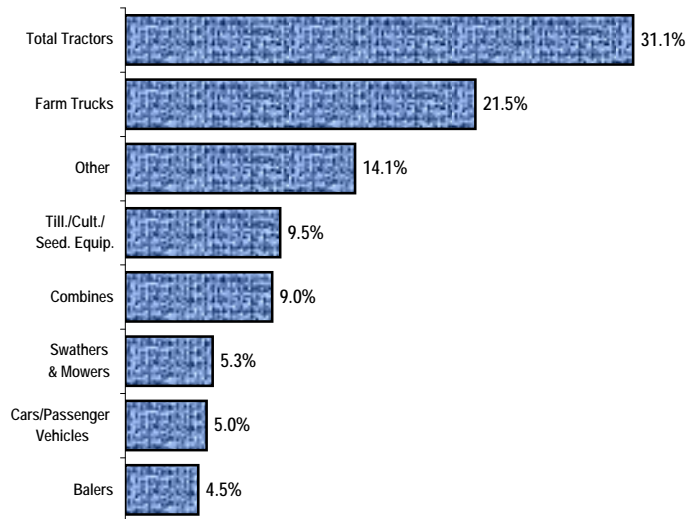
	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	672	2,303	30,055
Total Farm Trucks	673	1,775	20,715
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	632	1,103	14,099
Other Farm Trucks	392	673	6,615
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	331	367	4,819
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	454	632	5,163
Combines	301	390	8,685
Balers	405	500	4,328
Forage Harvesters	62	66	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	509	2,049	9,170
Irrigation Equipment	9	...	x
Other*	528	...	13,605

**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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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	60	37,098	0.6
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	59	x	x
Durum Wheat	0	0	0.0
Winter Wheat	1	x	x
Oats	221	31,910	2.5
Barley	70	14,253	0.3
Mixed Grains	16	3,315	0.9
Corn for Grain	1	x	x
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	3	375	0.3
Fall Rye	3	375	0.4
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	65	38,958	1.0
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	2	x	x
Dry Field Peas	17	3,797	0.6
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	1	x	x
Other Dry Beans	3	122	0.2
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	2	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	46	16,009	6.5
All Other Field Crops	6	1,221	3.9

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	1	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	296	65,110	1.7
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	304	75,481	3.7

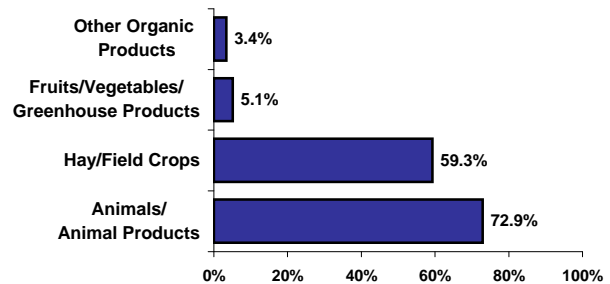
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	2	x	x
Green Peas	3	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	3	1	0.5
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	3	1	0.1
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	1	x	x
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuce	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	9	45	1.5
Saskatoons	6	41	2.6
Strawberries	2	x	x
Raspberries	2	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	3	x	x
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	2	x	x
Sod Grown for Sale	3	x	x
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	21	315,408	4.8

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	3	3,160	0.0
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	3	3,160	0.0
Flowers	1	x	x
Vegetables	1	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	1	x	x
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	59	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	35	59.3
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	3	5.1
Total Animals or Animal Products	43	72.9
Total Other Organic Products	2	3.4
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	4	6.8
Hay or Field Crops	4	6.8
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	1.7
Animals or Animal Products	2	3.4
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	55	93.2
Hay or Field Crops	31	52.5
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	3.4
Animals or Animal Products	41	69.5
Other Organic Products	2	3.4

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	721	731,147	100.0
Use of Irrigation	4	14	0.0
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	174	136,605	18.7
Use of Herbicides	136	103,372	14.1
Use of Insecticides	15	8,196	1.1
Use of Fungicides	2	x	x

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	376	149,397	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	277	59,341	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	88	67,873	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	32	22,183	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	436	60.5
Farms Applying Manure	192	26.6

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	82	6,418	0.9
Field Crop Land	42	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	38	...	...
Other Land	9	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	25	753	0.1
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	19	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	59	5,413	0.7
Field Crop Land	31	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	27	...	...
Other Land	6	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	44	3,423	0.5
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	42	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	96	18,284	100.0
Chemical Only	8	1,912	10.5
Tillage Only	61	10,882	59.5
Tillage and Chemical Combination	30	5,490	30.0

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	362	50.2
Rotational Grazing	368	51.0
Winter Cover Crops	32	4.4
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	197	27.3
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	415	57.6
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	94	13.0

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
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Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	345 31.2
On Farms with Two or More Operators	760 68.8
Total Male Operators	695 62.6
Total Female Operators	415 37.4

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
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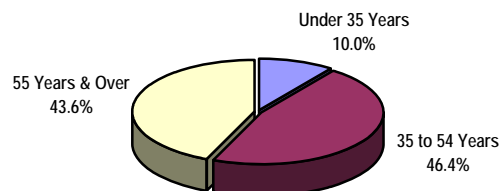
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Under 35 Years	110	10.0
35 - 54 Years	510	46.4
55 Years and Over	480	43.6

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	415	37.6
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Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Mackenzie No. 23	Alberta
Total Population	10,002	3,290,350
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Other*	1	0.2
Total Farms	647	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	5	0.8
10 to 129 Acres	47	7.3
130 to 239 Acres	119	18.4
240 to 399 Acres	101	15.6
400 to 559 Acres	82	12.7
560 to 759 Acres	68	10.5
760 to 1,119 Acres	83	12.8
1,120 Acres and Over	142	21.9
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	65	10.0
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	38	5.9
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	15	2.3
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	8	1.2
3,520 Acres and Over	16	2.5
Total Farms	647	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	9	1.5
Cattle (Beef)	146	24.4
Hog	4	0.7
Poultry and Egg	5	0.8
Wheat	32	5.3
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	268	44.7
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	71	11.9
Fruit	2	0.3
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	34	5.7
Livestock Combination	17	2.8
Other Combination	11	1.8
Total Farms Classified	599	100.0

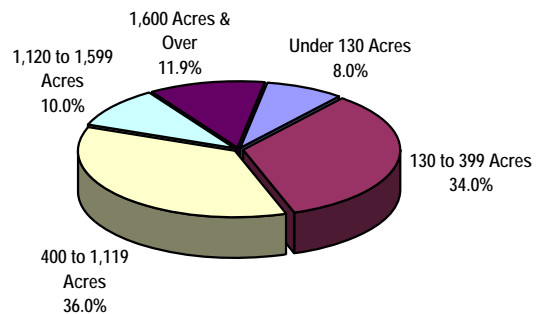
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	635	372,642	70.2
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	228	157,999	29.8
Rented/Leased from Government	62	x	x
Rented/Leased from Others	187	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	21	6,886	1.3
Total Area of Farms	647	530,641	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	597	297,222	56.0
Summerfallow	207	37,851	7.1
Total Pasture Land	...	101,031	19.0
Tame or Seeded Pasture	226	39,574	7.5
Natural Land for Pasture	195	61,457	11.6
All Other Land	535	94,537	17.8
Total Area of Farms	647	530,641	100.0

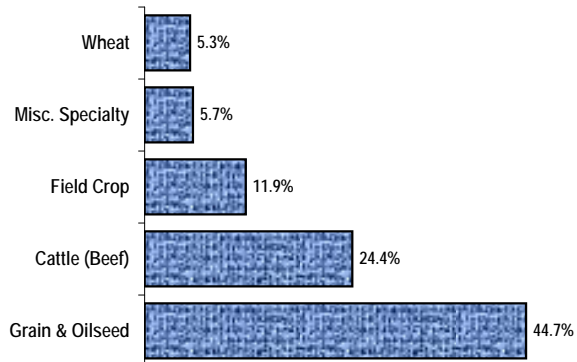
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	65	1,889	55.2
Seasonal or Temporary	132	1,534	44.8
Total Paid Labour	180	3,423	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	159	24.6
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	90	13.9

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

	Mackenzie No. 23	Alberta
Number of Farms	647	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	2,653	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	603,731	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	63,015	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	6,242	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	65,668	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	647	87,346	22.4
Livestock and Poultry	389	15,274	3.9
Land and Buildings	647	287,993	73.7
Owned	637	240,276	61.5
Rented or Leased from Others	230	47,718	12.2
Total Farm Capital	647	390,614	100.0

Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	6	0.9
\$50,000 - \$99,999	11	1.7
\$100,000 - \$199,999	69	10.7
\$200,000 - \$349,999	151	23.3
\$350,000 - \$499,999	127	19.6
\$500,000 - \$999,999	186	28.7
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	63	9.7
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	16	2.5
\$2,000,000 and Over	18	2.8
Total Farms	647	100.0

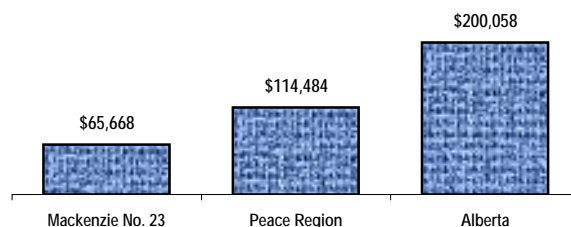
Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	398	2,484	6.1
Custom and Contract Work	379	2,246	5.5
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	199	1,480	3.6
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	91	410	1.0
Wages and Salaries	180	1,651	4.0
Paid to Family Members	128	1,008	2.5
Paid to all Other Persons	88	643	1.6
All Fuel Expenses	614	5,811	14.3
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	599	4,674	11.5
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	376	6,378	15.6
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	378	4,429	10.9
Seed/Seedling Purchases	392	2,098	5.1
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	171	1,085	2.7
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	239	226	0.6
Feed and Supplement Purchases	299	1,110	2.7
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	585	1,593	3.9
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	453	1,005	2.5
All Other Expenses	596	4,089	10.0
Total Operating Expenses	647	40,771	100.0

Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	604	2,030	43,790
Total Farm Trucks	609	1,690	26,666
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	572	966	17,005
Other Farm Trucks	413	724	15,770
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	354	416	13,189
Swathers/Mower Cond.	420	587	11,584
Combines	390	518	31,429
Balers	262	324	8,604
Forage Harvesters	39	39	7,394
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	486	1,798	21,717
Irrigation Equipment	8	...	15,288
Other*	463	...	20,836

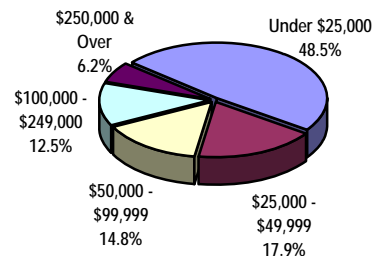
	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	42,487	0.4

Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	168	26.0
\$10,000 - \$24,999	146	22.6
\$25,000 - \$49,999	116	17.9
\$50,000 - \$99,999	96	14.8
\$100,000 - \$249,999	81	12.5
\$250,000 - \$499,999	32	4.9
\$500,000 - \$999,999	8	1.2
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	0	0.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	0	0.0
Total Farms	647	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	270	9,977	0.5
Dairy Cows	27	x	x
Beef Cows	261	x	x
Heifers	192	2,094	0.2
Bulls	208	495	0.5
Steers	82	847	0.1
Calves	257	7,192	0.4
Total Cattle and Calves	291	20,605	0.3

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	18	27	0.4
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	26	147	0.1
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	28	655	0.1
Grower and Finishing Pigs	36	460	0.0
Total Pigs	57	1,289	0.1

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	12	24	0.5
Ewes	17	246	0.2
Lambs	10	177	0.2
Total Sheep and Lambs	17	447	0.2

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	173	752	0.5
Goats	27	877	3.0
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	10	381	0.4
Deer (excluding wild deer)	2	x	x
Elk	2	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	7	13	0.1
Wild Boars	1	x	x

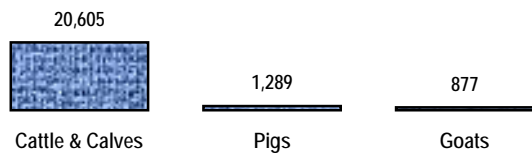
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	4	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	121	30,672	0.3
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	91	25,614	0.3
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	32	1,199	0.1
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	69	3,859	0.2
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	23	1,147	0.2
Other Poultry	14	1,674	0.8

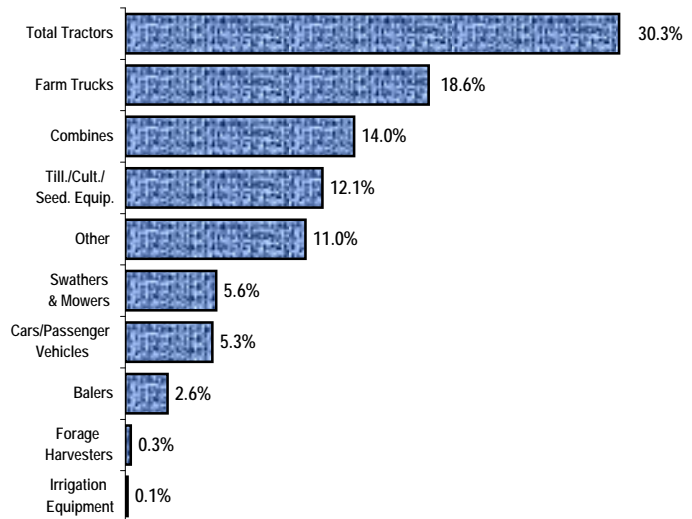
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	29	227,757	0.2
Turkey Production	10	3,862	0.0
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	604	2,030	26,449
Total Farm Trucks	609	1,690	16,240
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	572	966	9,727
Other Farm Trucks	413	724	6,513
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	354	416	4,669
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	420	587	4,865
Combines	390	518	12,257
Balers	262	324	2,254
Forage Harvesters	39	39	288
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	486	1,798	10,554
Irrigation Equipment	8	...	122
Other*	463	...	9,647

**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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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	202	65,995	1.0
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	199	64,801	1.1
Durum Wheat	4	1,194	0.2
Winter Wheat	0	0	0.0
Oats	156	21,354	1.7
Barley	87	13,395	0.3
Mixed Grains	7	1,146	0.3
Corn for Grain	1	x	x
Buckwheat	1	x	x
Total Rye	7	383	0.3
Fall Rye	7	383	0.4
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	266	100,564	2.5
Flaxseed	10	1,352	2.2
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	1	x	x
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	3	8	0.0
Dry Field Peas	65	12,156	2.1
Lentils	1	x	x
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	1	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	2	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	29	4,908	2.0
All Other Field Crops	27	4,527	14.6

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	2	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	318	52,939	1.3
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	135	17,827	0.9

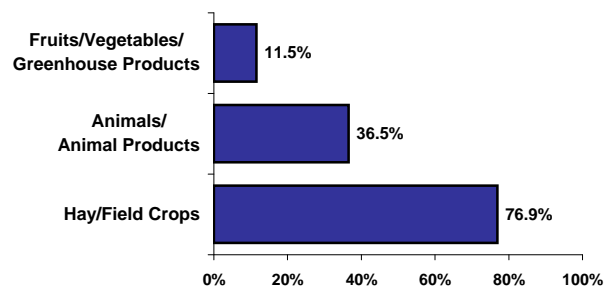
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	1	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	2	x	x
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	2	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	1	x	x
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	1	x	x
Dry Onions	2	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed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

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	13	23	0.8
Saskatoons	7	9	0.6
Strawberries	8	12	3.9
Raspberries	3	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	0	0	0.0
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	19	241,707	3.7

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	5	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	5	x	x
Flowers	4	x	x
Vegetables	3	1,560	0.0
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	52	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	40	76.9
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	6	11.5
Total Animals or Animal Products	19	36.5
Total Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	21	40.4
Hay or Field Crops	21	40.4
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	3.8
Animals or Animal Products	1	1.9
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	4	7.7
Hay or Field Crops	3	5.8
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	1.9
Animals or Animal Products	1	1.9
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Not Certified Organic Products	33	63.5
Hay or Field Crops	19	36.5
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	3	5.8
Animals or Animal Products	17	32.7
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

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.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	647	530,641	100.0
Use of Irrigation	6	407	0.1
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	311	203,892	38.4
Use of Herbicides	290	189,513	35.7
Use of Insecticides	200	78,565	14.8
Use of Fungicides	18	8,532	1.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	461	241,447	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	273	86,753	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	118	57,639	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	111	97,055	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	239	36.9
Farms Applying Manure	93	14.4

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	39	1,922	0.4
Field Crop Land	21	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	12	...	...
Other Land	7	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	22	694	0.1
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	15	...	...
Other Land	4	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	19	1,062	0.2
Field Crop Land	8	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	12	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	16	539	0.1
Field Crop Land	5	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	10	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	207	37,851	100.0
Chemical Only	15	4,919	13.0
Tillage Only	142	21,911	57.9
Tillage and Chemical Combination	61	11,021	29.1

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	455	70.3
Rotational Grazing	147	22.7
Winter Cover Crops	19	2.9
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	121	18.7
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	383	59.2
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	98	15.1

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	830	1.2

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	470 57.0
On Farms with Two or More Operators	355 43.0
Total Male Operators	650 78.3
Total Female Operators	180 21.7

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	45.2
On Farms with One Operator	45.3
On Farms with Two Operators	45.2

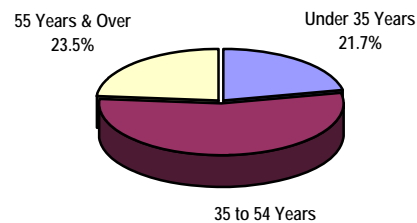
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	180	21.7
35 - 54 Years	455	54.8
55 Years and Over	195	23.5

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	220	26.8
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	600	73.2

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	235	28.3
20 - 40 Hours	255	30.7
More than 40 Hours	340	41.0

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	100	16.7
20 - 40 Hours	220	36.7
More than 40 Hours	280	46.7

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Northern Lights No. 22	Alberta
Total Population	3,772	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	3,772	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	541	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,140	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	3,904	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	775,280	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	94,279	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	98,183	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	663	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	526	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	69	79
Number of Pigs (head)	26	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	346	64.0
Partnership	139	25.7
With Written Agreement	9	1.7
Without Written Agreement	130	24.0
Corporation	54	10.0
Family	48	8.9
Non-Family	6	1.1
Other*	2	0.4
Total Farms	541	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	6	1.1
10 to 129 Acres	25	4.6
130 to 239 Acres	79	14.6
240 to 399 Acres	69	12.8
400 to 559 Acres	64	11.8
560 to 759 Acres	56	10.4
760 to 1,119 Acres	53	9.8
1,120 Acres and Over	189	34.9
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	69	12.8
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	53	9.8
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	25	4.6
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	12	2.2
3,520 Acres and Over	30	5.5
Total Farms	541	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	163	32.5
Hog	2	0.4
Poultry and Egg	1	0.2
Wheat	10	2.0
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	158	31.5
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	73	14.6
Fruit	1	0.2
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	72	14.4
Livestock Combination	14	2.8
Other Combination	7	1.4
Total Farms Classified	501	100.0

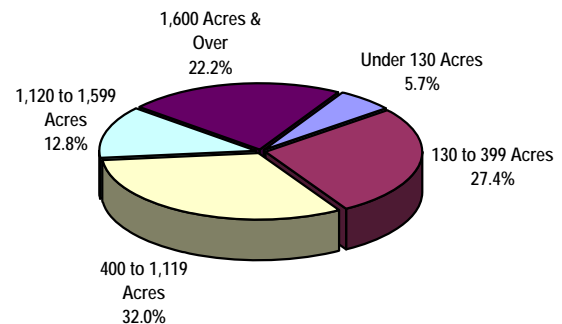
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	524	420,822	68.2
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	242	195,815	31.8
Rented/Leased from Government	82	83,285	13.5
Rented/Leased from Others	192	102,797	16.7
Crop Shared from Others	31	9,733	1.6
Total Area of Farms	541	616,637	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	473	313,638	50.9
Summerfallow	154	36,884	6.0
Total Pasture Land	...	169,379	27.5
Tame or Seeded Pasture	209	76,767	12.4
Natural Land for Pasture	225	92,612	15.0
All Other Land	438	96,736	15.7
Total Area of Farms	541	616,637	100.0

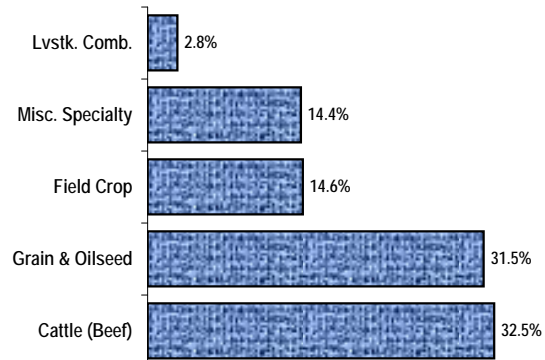
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	73	3,815	60.4
Seasonal or Temporary	124	2,503	39.6
Total Paid Labour	182	6,318	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	252	46.6
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	172	31.8

Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Size



Per Cent Distribution of Top Five Farm Types



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Northern Lights No. 22	Alberta
Number of Farms	541	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	3,904	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	775,280	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	94,279	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	10,389	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	98,183	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	541	97,722	23.3
Livestock and Poultry	309	27,122	6.5
Land and Buildings	541	294,583	70.2
Owned	526	242,192	57.7
Rented or Leased from Others	245	52,392	12.5
Total Farm Capital	541	419,427	100.0

Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	1	0.2
\$50,000 - \$99,999	9	1.7
\$100,000 - \$199,999	49	9.1
\$200,000 - \$349,999	107	19.8
\$350,000 - \$499,999	87	16.1
\$500,000 - \$999,999	161	29.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	66	12.2
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	25	4.6
\$2,000,000 and Over	36	6.7
Total Farms	541	100.0

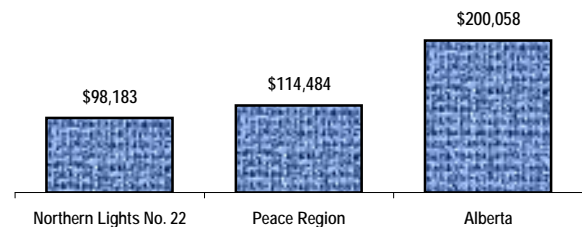
Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	332	3,449	6.8
Custom and Contract Work	289	2,075	4.1
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	207	1,858	3.6
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	107	698	1.4
Wages and Salaries	182	3,449	6.8
Paid to Family Members	128	1,808	3.5
Paid to all Other Persons	94	1,641	3.2
All Fuel Expenses	525	5,954	11.7
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	507	4,290	8.4
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	268	7,463	14.6
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	252	4,326	8.5
Seed/Seedling Purchases	290	2,204	4.3
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	133	3,971	7.8
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	253	521	1.0
Feed and Supplement Purchases	259	2,146	4.2
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	507	1,642	3.2
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	404	1,150	2.3
All Other Expenses	515	5,810	11.4
Total Operating Expenses	541	51,005	100.0

Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	506	1,818	55,713
Total Farm Trucks	515	1,625	36,542
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	496	934	23,833
Other Farm Trucks	353	692	19,825
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	245	288	16,450
Swathers/Mower Cond.	393	545	13,781
Combines	313	411	38,856
Balers	273	348	10,690
Forage Harvesters	26	28	9,584
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	432	1,752	28,674
Irrigation Equipment	8	...	7,329
Other*	410	...	32,903

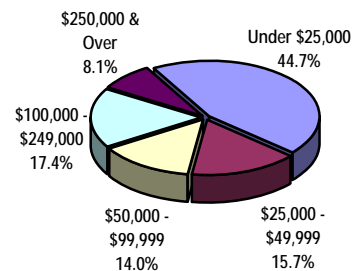
Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	53,117	0.5

Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	123	22.7
\$10,000 - \$24,999	119	22.0
\$25,000 - \$49,999	85	15.7
\$50,000 - \$99,999	76	14.0
\$100,000 - \$249,999	94	17.4
\$250,000 - \$499,999	26	4.8
\$500,000 - \$999,999	12	2.2
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	5	0.9
\$2,000,000 and Over	1	0.2
Total Farms	541	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	208	14,383	0.7
Dairy Cows	4	10	0.0
Beef Cows	207	14,373	0.7
Heifers	146	3,678	0.3
Bulls	184	806	0.7
Steers	85	2,191	0.2
Calves	204	13,679	0.7
Total Cattle and Calves	221	34,737	0.5

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	6	8	0.1
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	7	66	0.0
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	4	67	0.0
Grower and Finishing Pigs	10	166	0.0
Total Pigs	12	307	0.0

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	13	40	0.8
Ewes	15	800	0.8
Lambs	11	886	0.8
Total Sheep and Lambs	17	1,726	0.8

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	154	1,212	0.8
Goats	16	367	1.3
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	23	3,499	3.6
Deer (excluding wild deer)	1	x	x
Elk	13	2,817	8.3
Llamas and Alpacas	13	129	0.9
Wild Boars	3	436	16.7

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	3	1,032	0.4
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

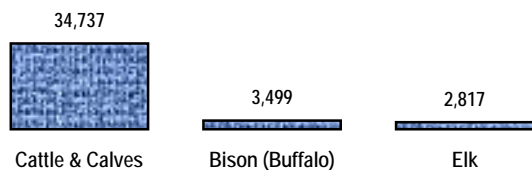
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	30	1,740	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	13	727	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	9	320	0.0
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	23	693	0.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	10	88	0.0
Other Poultry	15	516	0.2

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	1	x	x
Turkey Production	0	0	0.0

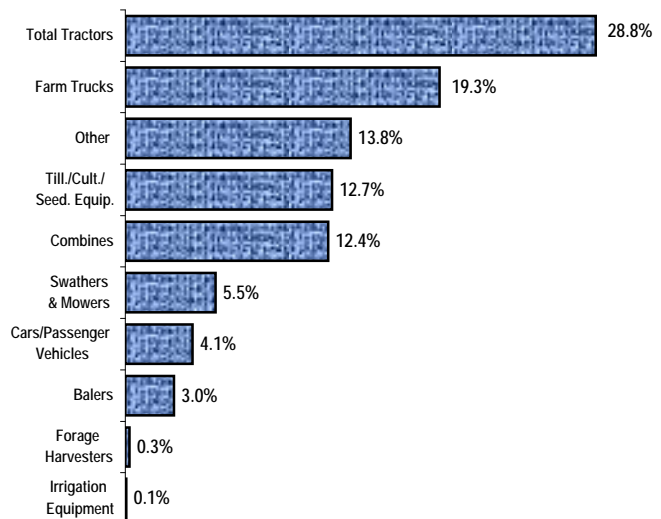
	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	506	1,818	28,191
Total Farm Trucks	515	1,625	18,819
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	496	934	11,821
Other Farm Trucks	353	692	6,998
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	245	288	4,030
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	393	545	5,416
Combines	313	411	12,162
Balers	273	348	2,918
Forage Harvesters	26	28	249
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	432	1,752	12,387
Irrigation Equipment	8	...	59
Other*	410	...	13,490

**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	113	59,388	0.9
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	110	57,748	1.0
Durum Wheat	3	x	x
Winter Wheat	1	x	x
Oats	119	19,083	1.5
Barley	102	32,248	0.8
Mixed Grains	6	1,040	0.3
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	7	690	0.6
Fall Rye	7	690	0.7
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	136	76,673	1.9
Flaxseed	6	2,350	3.9
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	2	x	x

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	3	8	0.0
Dry Field Peas	28	6,440	1.1
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	2	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	2	x	x
Triticale	0	0	0.0
Forage Seed for Seed	45	10,094	4.1
All Other Field Crops	5	338	1.1

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	10	440	0.6
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	251	59,822	1.5
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	170	44,514	2.2

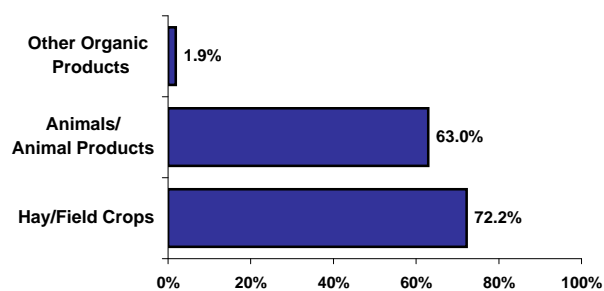
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	2	x	x
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	1	x	x
Cabbage	2	x	x
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	3	1	0.1
Rutabagas and Turnips	1	x	x
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	2	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuce	0	0	0.0
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	5	10	0.3
Saskatoons	3	3	0.2
Strawberries	2	x	x
Raspberries	2	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	0	0	0.0
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	2	x	x
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	12	177,499	2.7

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	7	57,001	0.5
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	7	55,201	0.4
Flowers	6	52,761	0.9
Vegetables	3	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	1	x	x
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	54	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	39	72.2
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Total Animals or Animal Products	34	63.0
Total Other Organic Products	1	1.9
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	6	11.1
Hay or Field Crops	6	11.1
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	2	3.7
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	48	88.9
Hay or Field Crops	33	61.1
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	32	59.3
Other Organic Products	1	1.9

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	541	616,637	100.0
Use of Irrigation	4	212	0.0
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	228	214,123	34.7
Use of Herbicides	192	180,046	29.2
Use of Insecticides	41	28,084	4.6
Use of Fungicides	17	17,975	2.9

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	333	222,515	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	191	58,947	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	97	86,430	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	72	77,138	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	239	44.2
Farms Applying Manure	112	20.7

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	47	3,578	0.6
Field Crop Land	22	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	21	...	...
Other Land	7	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	24	870	0.1
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	17	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	36	3,636	0.6
Field Crop Land	24	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	14	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	21	2,253	0.4
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	21	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	154	36,884	100.0
Chemical Only	17	5,949	16.1
Tillage Only	90	16,258	44.1
Tillage and Chemical Combination	54	14,677	39.8

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	350	64.7
Rotational Grazing	205	37.9
Winter Cover Crops	20	3.7
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	146	27.0
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	329	60.8
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	64	11.8

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	760	1.1

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	335 44.1
On Farms with Two or More Operators	425 55.9
Total Male Operators	540 71.1
Total Female Operators	215 28.3

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.8
On Farms with One Operator	53.0
On Farms with Two Operators	50.9

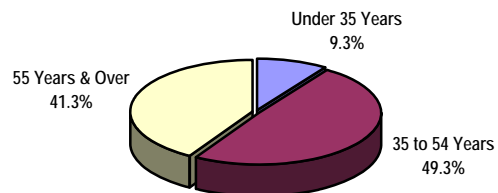
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	70	9.3
35 - 54 Years	370	49.3
55 Years and Over	310	41.3

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	290	38.2
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	470	61.8

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	220	28.6
20 - 40 Hours	215	27.9
More than 40 Hours	335	43.5

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	90	19.1
20 - 40 Hours	145	30.9
More than 40 Hours	235	50.0

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Northern Sunrise County	Alberta
Total Population	1,747	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	1,747	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	217	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,533	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	30,489	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	952,406	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	167,732	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	198,221	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	1,029	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	581	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	x	79
Number of Pigs (head)	x	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	125	57.6
Partnership	56	25.8
With Written Agreement	5	2.3
Without Written Agreement	51	23.5
Corporation	34	15.7
Family	31	14.3
Non-Family	3	1.4
Other*	2	0.9
Total Farms	217	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	0	0.0
10 to 129 Acres	10	4.6
130 to 239 Acres	36	16.6
240 to 399 Acres	22	10.1
400 to 559 Acres	29	13.4
560 to 759 Acres	18	8.3
760 to 1,119 Acres	26	12.0
1,120 Acres and Over	76	35.0
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	23	10.6
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	21	9.7
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	6	2.8
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	2	0.9
3,520 Acres and Over	24	11.1
Total Farms	217	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	2	1.0
Cattle (Beef)	51	24.9
Hog	0	0.0
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	12	5.9
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	78	38.0
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	27	13.2
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	30	14.6
Livestock Combination	3	1.5
Other Combination	2	1.0
Total Farms Classified	205	100.0

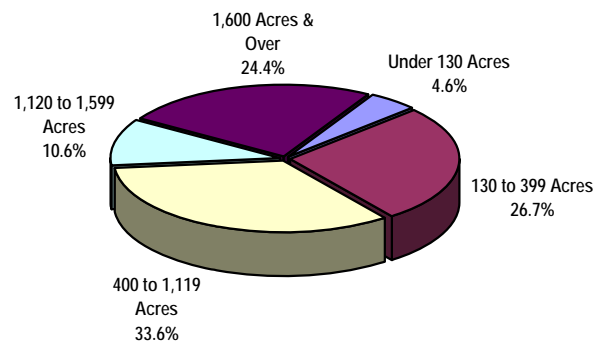
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	210	177,782	53.4
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	100	154,868	46.6
Rented/Leased from Government	21	61,379	18.5
Rented/Leased from Others	83	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	11	x	x
Total Area of Farms	217	332,650	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	195	200,563	60.3
Summerfallow	48	10,545	3.2
Total Pasture Land	...	60,775	18.3
Tame or Seeded Pasture	73	28,405	8.5
Natural Land for Pasture	63	32,370	9.7
All Other Land	172	60,767	18.3
Total Area of Farms	217	332,650	100.0

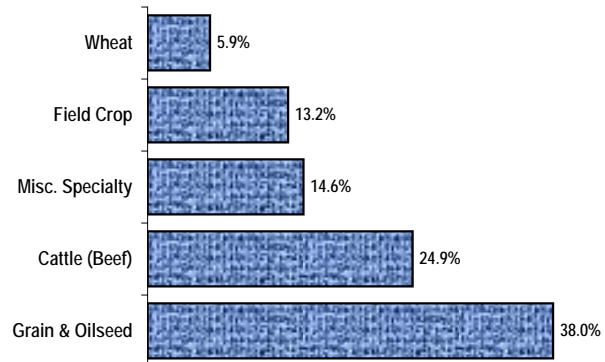
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	35	4,129	61.5
Seasonal or Temporary	54	2,585	38.5
Total Paid Labour	79	6,714	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	108	49.8
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	73	33.6

Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Size



Per Cent Distribution of Top Five Farm Types



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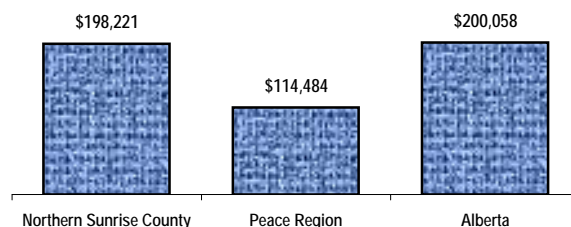
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\$500,000 - \$999,999	66	30.4
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\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	11	5.1
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Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
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Feed and Supplement Purchases	82	1,779	4.9
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	202	926	2.5
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	152	462	1.3
All Other Expenses	206	4,261	11.7
Total Operating Expenses	217	36,398	100.0

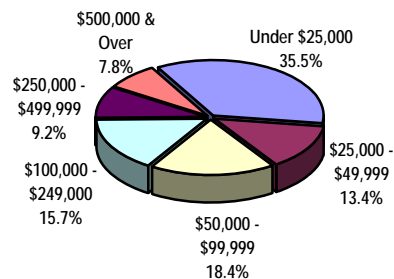
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	202	805	66,542
Total Farm Trucks	204	726	38,641
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	200	384	20,480
Other Farm Trucks	152	342	24,914
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	112	136	16,811
Swathers/Mower Cond.	155	223	20,262
Combines	127	183	61,766
Balers	91	131	15,496
Forage Harvesters	12	14	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	160	785	51,522
Irrigation Equipment	3	...	x
Other*	176	...	46,063

	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	43,014	0.4
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts		
Under \$10,000	42	19.4
\$10,000 - \$24,999	35	16.1
\$25,000 - \$49,999	29	13.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	40	18.4
\$100,000 - \$249,999	34	15.7
\$250,000 - \$499,999	20	9.2
\$500,000 - \$999,999	11	5.1
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	1	0.5
\$2,000,000 and Over	5	2.3
Total Farms	217	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. x - confidential ... not available

"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	62	4,949	0.2
Dairy Cows	2	x	x
Beef Cows	60	x	x
Heifers	43	1,191	0.1
Bulls	48	160	0.1
Steers	26	881	0.1
Calves	60	3,716	0.2
Total Cattle and Calves	65	10,897	0.2

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	1	x	x
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	1	x	x
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	1	x	x
Grower and Finishing Pigs	1	x	x
Total Pigs	2	x	x

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	7	10	0.2
Ewes	9	214	0.2
Lambs	6	162	0.1
Total Sheep and Lambs	9	386	0.2

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	56	709	0.5
Goats	6	244	0.8
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	17	1,784	1.8
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	1	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	5	15	0.1
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	2	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

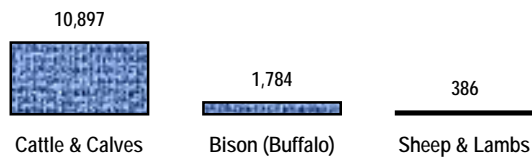
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	10	232	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	6	x	x
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	2	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	7	93	0.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	0	0	0.0
Other Poultry	3	33	0.0

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	0	0	0.0
Turkey Production	0	0	0.0

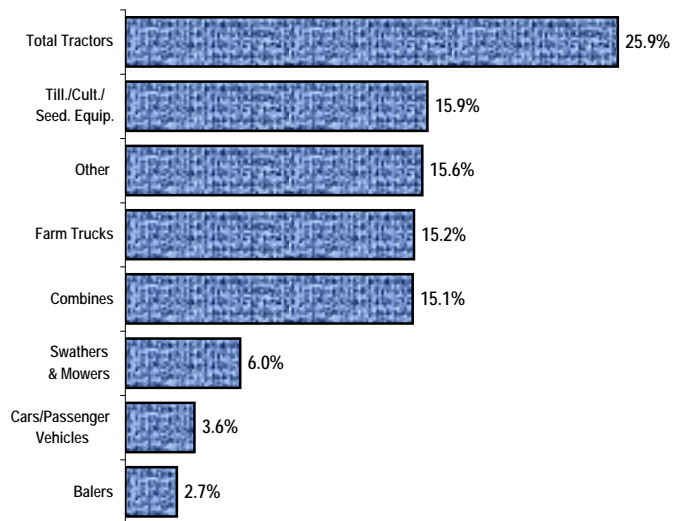
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	202	805	13,441
Total Farm Trucks	204	726	7,883
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	200	384	4,096
Other Farm Trucks	152	342	3,787
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	112	136	1,883
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	155	223	3,141
Combines	127	183	7,844
Balers	91	131	1,410
Forage Harvesters	12	14	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	160	785	8,244
Irrigation Equipment	3	...	x
Other*	176	...	8,107

**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)**



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. x - confidential ... not available

"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	73	42,395	0.7
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	68	x	x
Durum Wheat	5	1,490	0.3
Winter Wheat	1	x	x
Oats	29	5,059	0.4
Barley	21	4,620	0.1
Mixed Grains	1	x	x
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	0	0	0.0
Fall Rye	0	0	0.0
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	80	55,969	1.4
Flaxseed	0	0	0.0
Soybeans	1	x	x
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	0	0	0.0
Dry Field Peas	11	3,035	0.5
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	1	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	1	x	x
Triticale	2	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	40	12,191	5.0
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	0	0	0.0
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	92	25,239	0.6
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	83	50,131	2.4

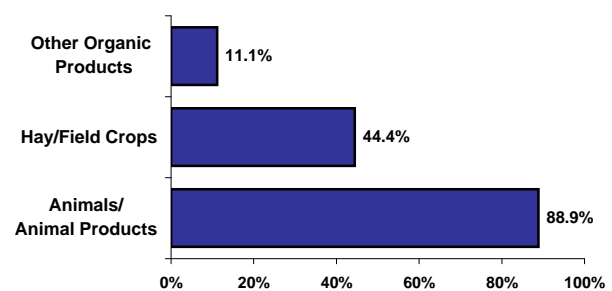
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	0	0	0.0
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	0	0	0.0
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	0	0	0.0
Cabbage	0	0	0.0
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	0	0	0.0
Carrots	0	0	0.0
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	0	0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

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

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	0	0	0.0
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	0	0	0.0
Flowers	0	0	0.0
Vegetables	0	0	0.0
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	9	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	4	44.4
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Total Animals or Animal Products	8	88.9
Total Other Organic Products	1	11.1
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	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 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	9	100.0
Hay or Field Crops	4	44.4
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	8	88.9
Other Organic Products	1	11.1

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. * seeded acreage x - confidential
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	217	332,650	100.0
Use of Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	128	162,448	48.8
Use of Herbicides	108	115,577	34.7
Use of Insecticides	38	16,244	4.9
Use of Fungicides	4	1,995	0.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	138	134,290	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	59	22,419	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	58	53,099	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	32	58,772	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	85	39.2
Farms Applying Manure	37	17.1

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	15	1,152	0.3
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	10	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	5	242	0.1
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	3	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	4	150	0.0
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	11	1,235	0.4
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	11	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	5	795	0.2
Field Crop Land	3	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2	...	...
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	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	48	10,545	100.0
Chemical Only	6	2,027	19.2
Tillage Only	19	2,312	21.9
Tillage and Chemical Combination	26	6,206	58.9

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	149	68.7
Rotational Grazing	68	31.3
Winter Cover Crops	10	4.6
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	50	23.0
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	109	50.2
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	13	6.0

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	305	0.4

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	125 41.0
On Farms with Two or More Operators	180 59.0
Total Male Operators	230 75.4
Total Female Operators	80 26.2

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.1
On Farms with One Operator	52.4
On Farms with Two Operators	50.1

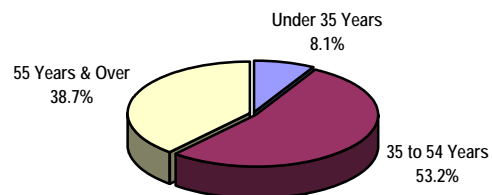
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	25	8.1
35 - 54 Years	165	53.2
55 Years and Over	120	38.7

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	100	33.9
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	195	66.1

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	70	23.0
20 - 40 Hours	100	32.8
More than 40 Hours	135	44.3

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	30	15.4
20 - 40 Hours	75	38.5
More than 40 Hours	90	46.2

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Peace No. 135	Alberta
Total Population	1,487	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	1,487	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	201	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,116	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	8,598	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	896,629	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	107,436	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	116,034	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	732	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	521	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	x	79
Number of Pigs (head)	x	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	116	57.7
Partnership	62	30.8
With Written Agreement	9	4.5
Without Written Agreement	53	26.4
Corporation	22	10.9
Family	22	10.9
Non-Family	0	0.0
Other*	1	0.5
Total Farms	201	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	5	2.5
10 to 129 Acres	18	9.0
130 to 239 Acres	29	14.4
240 to 399 Acres	22	10.9
400 to 559 Acres	21	10.4
560 to 759 Acres	7	3.5
760 to 1,119 Acres	25	12.4
1,120 Acres and Over	74	36.8
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	21	10.4
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	23	11.4
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	12	6.0
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	9	4.5
3,520 Acres and Over	9	4.5
Total Farms	201	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	1	0.5
Cattle (Beef)	67	35.4
Hog	2	1.1
Poultry and Egg	1	0.5
Wheat	15	7.9
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	60	31.7
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	12	6.3
Fruit	3	1.6
Vegetable	1	0.5
Miscellaneous Specialty	21	11.1
Livestock Combination	5	2.6
Other Combination	1	0.5
Total Farms Classified	189	100.0

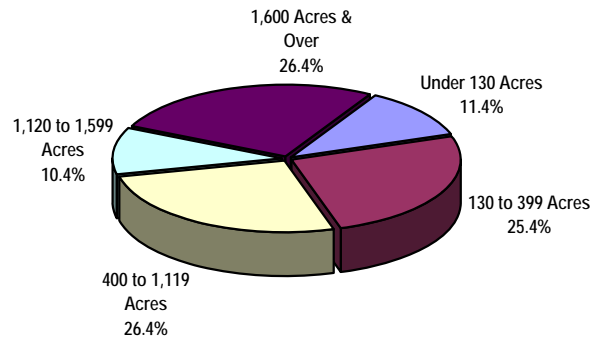
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	192	x	x
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	108	x	x
Rented/Leased from Government	45	x	x
Rented/Leased from Others	87	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	17	8,509	3.8
Total Area of Farms	201	224,340	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	176	128,783	57.4
Summerfallow	39	6,073	2.7
Total Pasture Land	...	62,899	28.0
Tame or Seeded Pasture	95	24,044	10.7
Natural Land for Pasture	88	38,855	17.3
All Other Land	159	26,585	11.9
Total Area of Farms	201	224,340	100.0

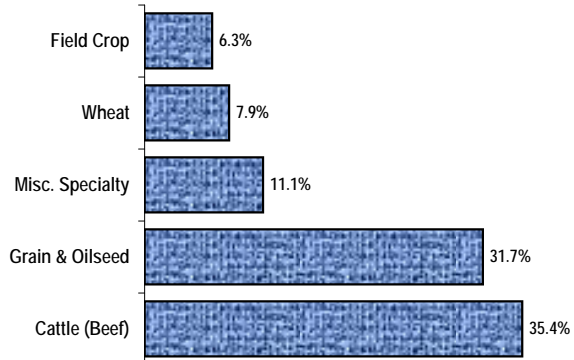
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	32	1,268	59.0
Seasonal or Temporary	50	882	41.0
Total Paid Labour	75	2,150	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	103	51.2
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	79	39.3

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

	Peace No. 135	Alberta
Number of Farms	201	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	8,598	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	896,629	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	107,436	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	11,243	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	116,034	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	201	40,252	22.3
Livestock and Poultry	137	12,107	6.7
Land and Buildings	201	127,864	70.9
Owned	193	90,492	50.2
Rented or Leased from Others	108	37,372	20.7
Total Farm Capital	201	180,223	100.0

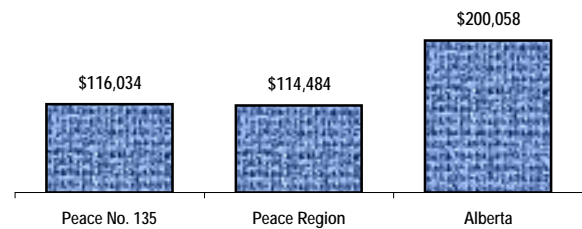
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	2	1.0
\$50,000 - \$99,999	1	0.5
\$100,000 - \$199,999	18	9.0
\$200,000 - \$349,999	30	14.9
\$350,000 - \$499,999	25	12.4
\$500,000 - \$999,999	60	29.9
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	35	17.4
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	18	9.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	12	6.0
Total Farms	201	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	134	1,507	7.0
Custom and Contract Work	121	1,149	5.3
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	93	1,140	5.3
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	48	131	0.6
Wages and Salaries	75	1,107	5.1
Paid to Family Members	51	574	2.7
Paid to all Other Persons	40	532	2.5
All Fuel Expenses	195	2,333	10.8
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	192	1,752	8.1
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	110	3,551	16.4
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	107	1,897	8.8
Seed/Seedling Purchases	112	958	4.4
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	67	1,228	5.7
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	114	229	1.1
Feed and Supplement Purchases	115	650	3.0
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	190	634	2.9
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	164	565	2.6
All Other Expenses	191	2,764	12.8
Total Operating Expenses	201	21,595	100.0

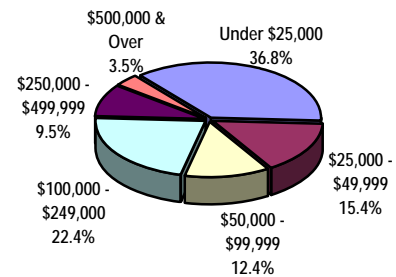
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	189	650	60,335
Total Farm Trucks	193	627	35,377
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	186	319	20,936
Other Farm Trucks	135	308	21,730
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	107	121	16,271
Swathers/Mower Cond.	145	192	14,006
Combines	115	168	44,602
Balers	114	137	12,066
Forage Harvesters	30	33	7,441
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	159	584	27,879
Irrigation Equipment	9	...	44,244
Other*	166	...	40,301

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	23,323	0.2
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	47	23.4
\$10,000 - \$24,999	27	13.4
\$25,000 - \$49,999	31	15.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	25	12.4
\$100,000 - \$249,999	45	22.4
\$250,000 - \$499,999	19	9.5
\$500,000 - \$999,999	5	2.5
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	2	1.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	0	0.0
Total Farms	201	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	103	7,336	0.3
Dairy Cows	2	x	x
Beef Cows	102	x	x
Heifers	76	1,269	0.1
Bulls	88	332	0.3
Steers	45	1,408	0.1
Calves	102	5,552	0.3
Total Cattle and Calves	109	15,897	0.2

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	2	x	x
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	2	x	x
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	2	x	x
Grower and Finishing Pigs	6	x	x
Total Pigs	7	x	x

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	10	25	0.5
Ewes	12	670	0.6
Lambs	11	384	0.3
Total Sheep and Lambs	12	1,079	0.5

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	78	447	0.3
Goats	4	11	0.0
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	5	x	x
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	1	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	5	38	0.3
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	3	2,510	1.1
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	2	x	x

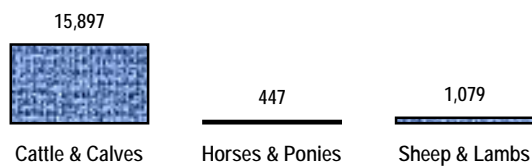
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	11	873	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	3	250	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	2	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	9	x	x
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	3	15	0.0
Other Poultry	2	x	x

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	0	0	0.0
Turkey Production	0	0	0.0

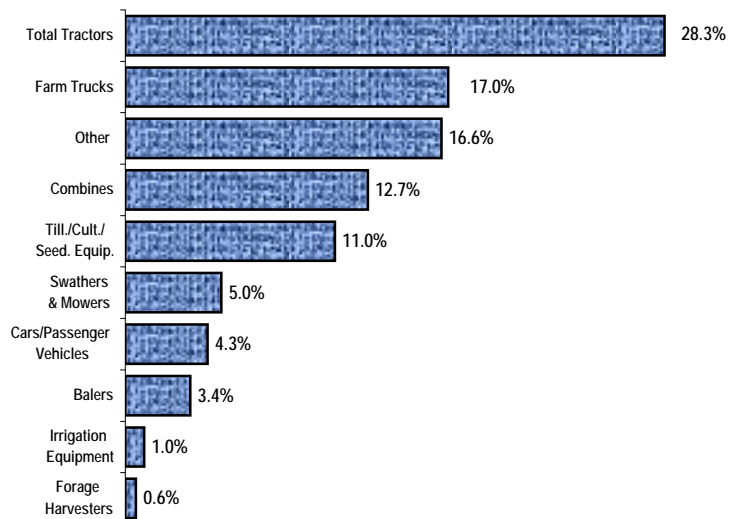
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
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Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	189	650	11,403
Total Farm Trucks	193	627	6,828
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	186	319	3,894
Other Farm Trucks	135	308	2,934
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	107	121	1,741
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	145	192	2,031
Combines	115	168	5,129
Balers	114	137	1,375
Forage Harvesters	30	33	223
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	159	584	4,433
Irrigation Equipment	9	...	398
Other*	166	...	6,690

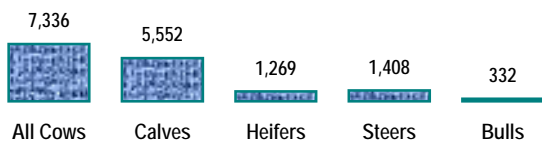
**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



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



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



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	71	36,993	0.6
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	70	x	x
Durum Wheat	1	x	x
Winter Wheat	0	0	0.0
Oats	49	6,742	0.5
Barley	45	8,875	0.2
Mixed Grains	7	993	0.3
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	1	x	x
Fall Rye	0	0	0.0
Spring Rye	1	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	62	33,361	0.8
Flaxseed	3	470	0.8
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	4	58	0.1
Dry Field Peas	30	7,008	1.2
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	0	0	0.0
Forage Seed for Seed	16	2,495	1.0
All Other Field Crops	1	x	x

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	2	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	91	18,790	0.5
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	60	11,920	0.6

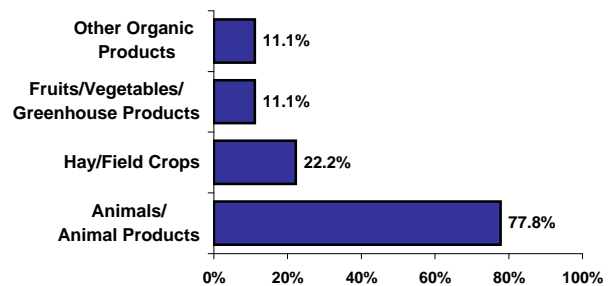
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	2	x	x
Green Peas	2	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	2	x	x
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	3	1	0.1
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	2	x	x
Radishes	1	x	x
Dry Onions	2	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	1	x	x
Lettuce	1	x	x
Celery	0	0	0.0
Pumpkins, Squash and Zucchini	2	x	x

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	5	49	1.7
Saskatoons	3	x	x
Strawberries	2	x	x
Raspberries	2	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	4	39	0.4
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	1	x	x
Sod Grown for Sale	1	x	x
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	2	x	x

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	1	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	1	x	x
Flowers	1	x	x
Vegetables	0	0	0.0
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	9	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	2	22.2
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	11.1
Total Animals or Animal Products	7	77.8
Total Other Organic Products	1	11.1
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	1	11.1
Hay or Field Crops	1	11.1
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	1	11.1
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	8	88.9
Hay or Field Crops	1	11.1
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	11.1
Animals or Animal Products	6	66.7
Other Organic Products	1	11.1

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.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	201	224,340	100.0
Use of Irrigation	8	654	0.3
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	101	96,008	42.8
Use of Herbicides	103	85,498	38.1
Use of Insecticides	25	14,985	6.7
Use of Fungicides	17	14,827	6.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	145	104,270	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	73	25,948	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	61	46,952	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	43	31,370	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	106	52.7
Farms Applying Manure	59	29.4

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	17	851	0.4
Field Crop Land	9	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	10	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	8	615	0.3
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	5	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	21	1,039	0.5
Field Crop Land	14	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	8	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	17	1,720	0.8
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	15	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	39	6,073	100.0
Chemical Only	3	454	7.5
Tillage Only	15	2,078	34.2
Tillage and Chemical Combination	22	3,541	58.3

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	132	65.7
Rotational Grazing	87	43.3
Winter Cover Crops	6	3.0
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	40	19.9
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	122	60.7
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	13	6.5

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	285	0.4

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	115 40.4
On Farms with Two or More Operators	170 59.6
Total Male Operators	195 68.4
Total Female Operators	90 31.6

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	52.8
On Farms with One Operator	54.9
On Farms with Two Operators	51.4

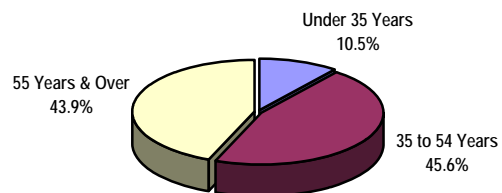
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	30	10.5
35 - 54 Years	130	45.6
55 Years and Over	125	43.9

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	130	44.1
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	165	55.9

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	65	22.8
20 - 40 Hours	95	33.3
More than 40 Hours	125	43.9

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	35	21.2
20 - 40 Hours	65	39.4
More than 40 Hours	65	39.4

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Saddle Hills County	Alberta
Total Population	2,458	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	2,458	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	498	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,186	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	11,254	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	927,687	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	108,925	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	120,180	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	687	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	475	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	81	79
Number of Pigs (head)	x	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	279	56.0
Partnership	147	29.5
With Written Agreement	12	2.4
Without Written Agreement	135	27.1
Corporation	70	14.1
Family	62	12.4
Non-Family	8	1.6
Other*	2	0.4
Total Farms	498	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	0	0.0
10 to 129 Acres	20	4.0
130 to 239 Acres	71	14.3
240 to 399 Acres	73	14.7
400 to 559 Acres	44	8.8
560 to 759 Acres	46	9.2
760 to 1,119 Acres	76	15.3
1,120 Acres and Over	168	33.7
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	60	12.0
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	41	8.2
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	23	4.6
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	18	3.6
3,520 Acres and Over	26	5.2
Total Farms	498	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	5	1.1
Cattle (Beef)	166	35.1
Hog	3	0.6
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	33	7.0
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	116	24.5
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	79	16.7
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	49	10.4
Livestock Combination	9	1.9
Other Combination	13	2.7
Total Farms Classified	473	100.0

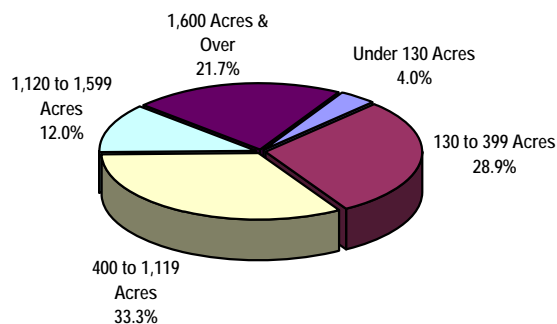
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	482	379,081	64.2
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	251	211,602	35.8
Rented/Leased from Government	91	x	x
Rented/Leased from Others	201	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	26	10,695	1.8
Total Area of Farms	498	590,683	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	457	314,181	53.2
Summerfallow	133	27,613	4.7
Total Pasture Land	...	167,270	28.3
Tame or Seeded Pasture	230	76,286	12.9
Natural Land for Pasture	197	90,984	15.4
All Other Land	404	81,619	13.8
Total Area of Farms	498	590,683	100.0

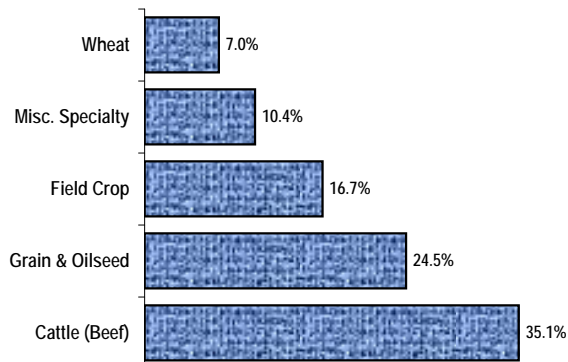
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	82	4,038	67.8
Seasonal or Temporary	122	1,919	32.2
Total Paid Labour	183	5,957	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	222	44.6
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	153	30.7

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

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Saddle Hills County	Alberta
Number of Farms	498	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	11,254	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	927,687	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	108,925	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	13,604	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	120,180	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	498	95,199	20.6
Livestock and Poultry	305	29,540	6.4
Land and Buildings	498	337,249	73.0
Owned	485	246,607	53.4
Rented or Leased from Others	254	90,642	19.6
Total Farm Capital	498	461,988	100.0

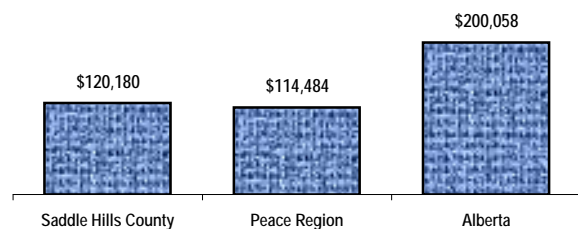
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	2	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	6	1.2
\$100,000 - \$199,999	44	8.8
\$200,000 - \$349,999	86	17.3
\$350,000 - \$499,999	82	16.5
\$500,000 - \$999,999	159	31.9
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	44	8.8
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	29	5.8
\$2,000,000 and Over	46	9.2
Total Farms	498	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	321	4,367	8.1
Custom and Contract Work	295	2,517	4.6
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	205	1,861	3.4
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	73	251	0.5
Wages and Salaries	183	3,009	5.5
Paid to Family Members	130	1,827	3.4
Paid to all Other Persons	101	1,182	2.2
All Fuel Expenses	487	6,065	11.2
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	478	5,058	9.3
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	270	7,064	13.0
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	243	3,820	7.0
Seed/Seedling Purchases	254	1,945	3.6
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	137	5,273	9.7
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	250	594	1.1
Feed and Supplement Purchases	262	3,734	6.9
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	465	1,583	2.9
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	398	1,100	2.0
All Other Expenses	475	6,003	11.1
Total Operating Expenses	498	54,245	100.0

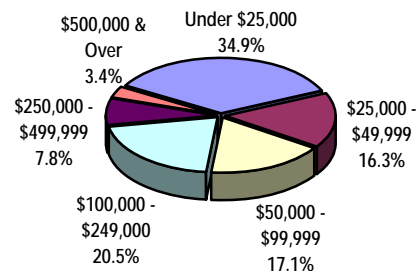
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	475	1,707	60,113
Total Farm Trucks	476	1,485	36,428
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	456	858	22,465
Other Farm Trucks	340	627	20,869
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	248	314	16,055
Swathers/Mower Cond.	373	524	15,310
Combines	294	390	42,548
Balers	255	320	10,885
Forage Harvesters	41	41	9,252
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	384	1,644	30,724
Irrigation Equipment	4	...	775
Other*	389	...	31,229

	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	59,849	0.6
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts		
Under \$10,000	85	17.1
\$10,000 - \$24,999	89	17.9
\$25,000 - \$49,999	81	16.3
\$50,000 - \$99,999	85	17.1
\$100,000 - \$249,999	102	20.5
\$250,000 - \$499,999	39	7.8
\$500,000 - \$999,999	14	2.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	2	0.4
\$2,000,000 and Over	1	0.2
Total Farms	498	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	214	17,316	0.8
Dairy Cows	9	138	0.2
Beef Cows	211	17,178	0.8
Heifers	138	3,251	0.3
Bulls	177	771	0.7
Steers	83	2,201	0.2
Calves	204	12,654	0.6
Total Cattle and Calves	222	36,193	0.6

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	6	9	0.1
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	11	96	0.1
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	5	303	0.0
Grower and Finishing Pigs	18	x	x
Total Pigs	19	x	x

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	8	39	0.8
Ewes	14	1,252	1.2
Lambs	11	926	0.8
Total Sheep and Lambs	17	2,217	1.0

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	156	1,138	0.7
Goats	7	x	x
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	24	2,743	2.8
Deer (excluding wild deer)	2	x	x
Elk	8	1,226	3.6
Llamas and Alpacas	18	61	0.4
Wild Boars	1	x	x

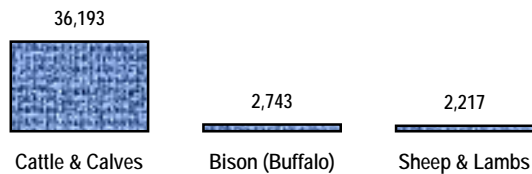
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	4	3,400	1.5
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	38	1,981	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	12	419	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	8	320	0.0
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	36	1,242	0.1
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	4	41	0.0
Other Poultry	9	45	0.0

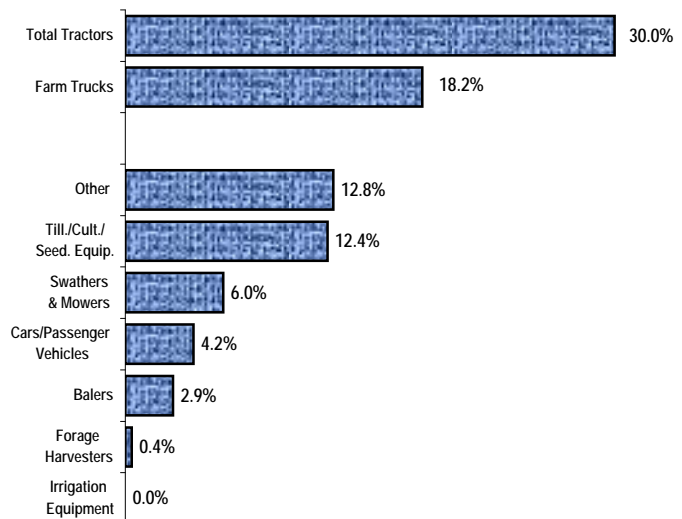
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	3	527	0.0
Turkey Production	1	x	x
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	475	1,707	28,554
Total Farm Trucks	476	1,485	17,340
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Irrigation Equipment	4	...	3
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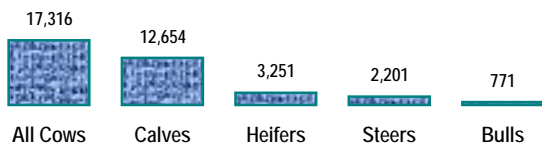
**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



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



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



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	132	62,635	1.0
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	129	60,666	1.1
Durum Wheat	2	x	x
Winter Wheat	3	x	x
Oats	162	32,590	2.6
Barley	82	15,843	0.4
Mixed Grains	9	1,065	0.3
Corn for Grain	1	x	x
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	4	720	0.6
Fall Rye	2	x	x
Spring Rye	2	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	105	58,541	1.4
Flaxseed	2	x	x
Soybeans	1	x	x
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	1	x	x

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	4	109	0.2
Dry Field Peas	15	4,464	0.8
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	1	x	x
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	2	x	x
Canary Seed	1	x	x
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	1	x	x
Triticale	3	155	0.2
Forage Seed for Seed	76	30,554	12.5
All Other Field Crops	4	x	x

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	1	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	195	54,877	1.4
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	195	50,178	2.4

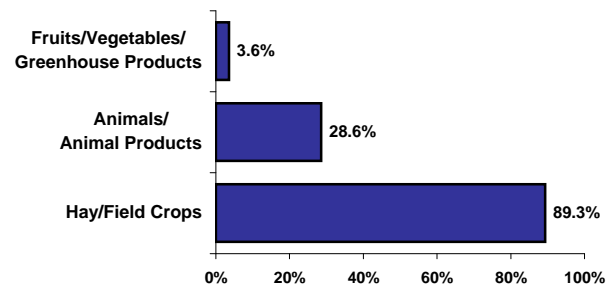
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	4	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	2	x	x
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	2	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuce	0	0	0.0
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	3	x	x
Saskatoons	2	x	x
Strawberries	1	x	x
Raspberries	1	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	3	45	0.5
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	1	x	x
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	18	276,836	4.2

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	1	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	1	x	x
Flowers	1	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	28	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	25	89.3
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	3.6
Total Animals or Animal Products	8	28.6
Total Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	4	14.3
Hay or Field Crops	3	10.7
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	2	7.1
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	24	85.7
Hay or Field Crops	22	78.6
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	3.6
Animals or Animal Products	6	21.4
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. * seeded acreage x - confidential
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	498	590,683	100.0
Use of Irrigation	1	x	x
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	238	182,672	30.9
Use of Herbicides	189	153,480	26.0
Use of Insecticides	29	14,266	2.4
Use of Fungicides	11	15,685	2.7

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	351	202,779	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	241	87,514	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	101	61,924	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	55	53,341	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	232	46.6
Farms Applying Manure	98	19.7

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	34	1,954	0.3
Field Crop Land	16	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	18	...	...
Other Land	4	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	22	865	0.1
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	17	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	24	1,821	0.3
Field Crop Land	11	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	15	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	31	2,261	0.4
Field Crop Land	5	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	24	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	2	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
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	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	133	27,613	100.0
Chemical Only	14	3,777	13.7
Tillage Only	74	13,239	47.9
Tillage and Chemical Combination	50	10,597	38.4

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	342	68.7
Rotational Grazing	192	38.6
Winter Cover Crops	17	3.4
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	103	20.7
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	287	57.6
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	88	17.7

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	740	1.0
Total Operators:		% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	270	37.0
On Farms with Two or More Operators	460	63.0
Total Male Operators	495	66.9
Total Female Operators	240	32.4

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.3
On Farms with One Operator	54.0
On Farms with Two Operators	49.6

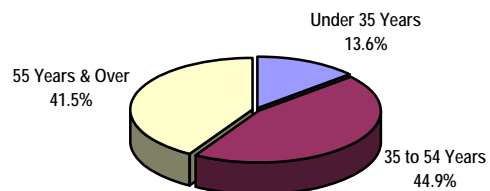
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	100	13.6
35 - 54 Years	330	44.9
55 Years and Over	305	41.5

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	305	42.1
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	420	57.9

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	185	25.2
20 - 40 Hours	230	31.3
More than 40 Hours	320	43.5

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	80	19.0
20 - 40 Hours	135	32.1
More than 40 Hours	205	48.8

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Smoky River No. 130	Alberta
Total Population	2,442	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	2,442	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	100.0	17.9
Number of Farms	391	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,554	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	39,595	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	1,485,171	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	226,624	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	266,219	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	1,387	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	627	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	x	79
Number of Pigs (head)	x	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	207	52.9
Partnership	98	25.1
With Written Agreement	18	4.6
Without Written Agreement	80	20.5
Corporation	82	21.0
Family	78	19.9
Non-Family	4	1.0
Other*	4	1.0
Total Farms	391	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	9	2.3
10 to 129 Acres	21	5.4
130 to 239 Acres	39	10.0
240 to 399 Acres	42	10.7
400 to 559 Acres	29	7.4
560 to 759 Acres	28	7.2
760 to 1,119 Acres	53	13.6
1,120 Acres and Over	170	43.5
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	58	14.8
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	39	10.0
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	30	7.7
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	14	3.6
3,520 Acres and Over	29	7.4
Total Farms	391	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	43	11.2
Hog	2	0.5
Poultry and Egg	2	0.5
Wheat	34	8.8
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	233	60.5
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	39	10.1
Fruit	2	0.5
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	26	6.8
Livestock Combination	3	0.8
Other Combination	1	0.3
Total Farms Classified	385	100.0

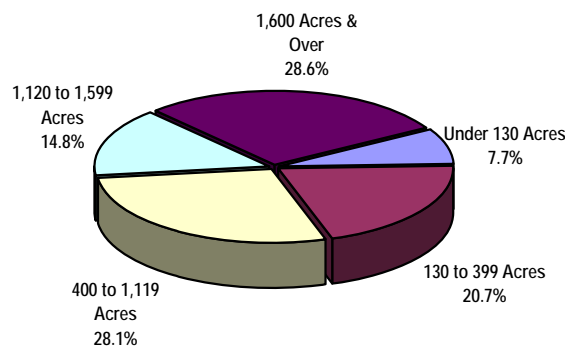
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	382	420,011	69.1
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	186	187,635	30.9
Rented/Leased from Government	52	27,771	4.6
Rented/Leased from Others	152	152,765	25.1
Crop Shared from Others	9	7,099	1.2
Total Area of Farms	391	607,646	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	358	496,610	81.7
Summerfallow	63	12,015	2.0
Total Pasture Land	...	51,315	8.4
Tame or Seeded Pasture	67	20,355	3.3
Natural Land for Pasture	64	30,960	5.1
All Other Land	288	47,706	7.9
Total Area of Farms	391	607,646	100.0

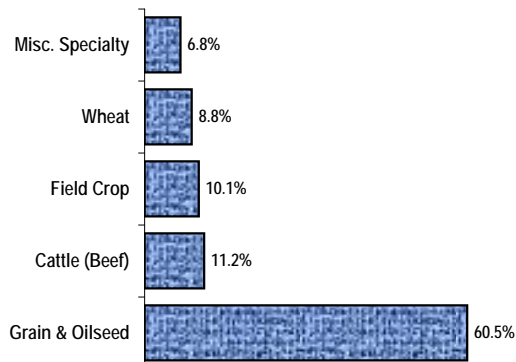
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	71	11,185	80.7
Seasonal or Temporary	116	2,669	19.3
Total Paid Labour	159	13,854	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	202	51.7
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	160	40.9

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

	Smoky River No. 130	Alberta
Number of Farms	391	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	39,595	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	1,485,171	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	226,624	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	20,155	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	266,219	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	391	119,592	20.6
Livestock and Poultry	117	21,707	3.7
Land and Buildings	391	439,403	75.7
Owned	383	346,811	59.7
Rented or Leased from Others	186	92,592	15.9
Total Farm Capital	391	580,702	100.0

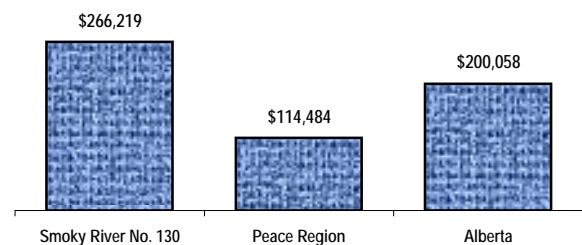
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	0	0.0
\$50,000 - \$99,999	2	0.5
\$100,000 - \$199,999	21	5.4
\$200,000 - \$349,999	54	13.8
\$350,000 - \$499,999	45	11.5
\$500,000 - \$999,999	98	25.1
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	59	15.1
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	41	10.5
\$2,000,000 and Over	71	18.2
Total Farms	391	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	291	5,865	6.6
Custom and Contract Work	269	4,124	4.7
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	165	4,195	4.7
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	108	815	0.9
Wages and Salaries	159	6,492	7.3
Paid to Family Members	104	2,780	3.1
Paid to all Other Persons	102	3,713	4.2
All Fuel Expenses	382	7,504	8.5
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	368	7,391	8.3
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	297	14,389	16.2
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	294	7,820	8.8
Seed/Seedling Purchases	270	5,411	6.1
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	64	3,363	3.8
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	99	1,244	1.4
Feed and Supplement Purchases	103	5,293	6.0
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	363	2,213	2.5
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	277	1,346	1.5
All Other Expenses	374	11,146	12.6
Total Operating Expenses	391	88,610	100.0

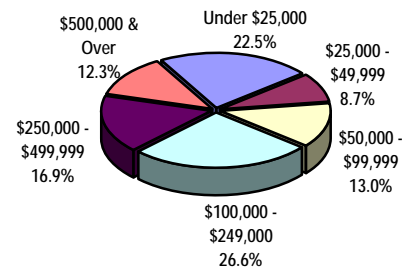
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	364	1,426	80,483
Total Farm Trucks	376	1,530	52,082
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	358	770	26,478
Other Farm Trucks	298	760	33,906
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	200	257	18,154
Swathers/Mower Cond.	285	382	25,751
Combines	269	362	76,518
Balers	97	121	13,363
Forage Harvesters	16	22	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	307	1,205	62,169
Irrigation Equipment	4	...	x
Other*	291	...	61,997

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	104,092	1.1
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	35	9.0
\$10,000 - \$24,999	53	13.6
\$25,000 - \$49,999	34	8.7
\$50,000 - \$99,999	51	13.0
\$100,000 - \$249,999	104	26.6
\$250,000 - \$499,999	66	16.9
\$500,000 - \$999,999	33	8.4
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	8	2.0
\$2,000,000 and Over	7	1.8
Total Farms	391	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	58	6,093	0.3
Dairy Cows	1	x	x
Beef Cows	57	x	x
Heifers	37	1,807	0.2
Bulls	50	263	0.2
Steers	21	1,281	0.1
Calves	56	4,486	0.2
Total Cattle and Calves	66	13,930	0.2

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	5	52	0.7
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	6	5,207	2.8
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	2	x	x
Grower and Finishing Pigs	4	x	x
Total Pigs	7	x	x

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	8	43	0.8
Ewes	9	1,548	1.5
Lambs	9	2,102	1.9
Total Sheep and Lambs	10	3,693	1.7

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	32	419	0.3
Goats	2	x	x
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	7	506	0.5
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	5	427	1.3
Llamas and Alpacas	6	159	1.1
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	14	21,387	9.3
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

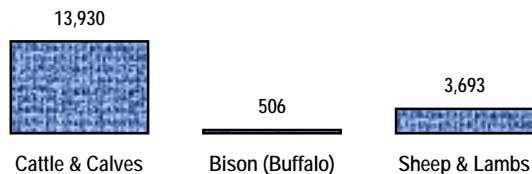
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	15	x	x
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	2	x	x
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	4	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	15	x	x
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	2	x	x
Other Poultry	1	x	x

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	3	x	x
Turkey Production	2	x	x

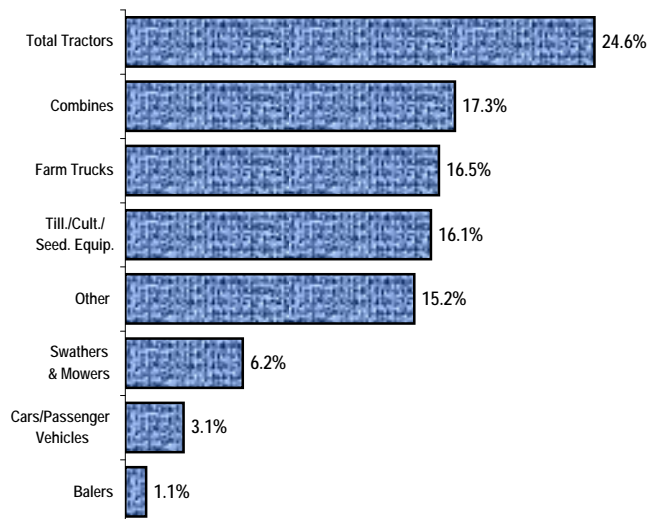
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	364	1,426	29,296
Total Farm Trucks	376	1,530	19,583
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	358	770	9,479
Other Farm Trucks	298	760	10,104
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	200	257	3,631
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	285	382	7,339
Combines	269	362	20,583
Balers	97	121	1,296
Forage Harvesters	16	22	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	307	1,205	19,086
Irrigation Equipment	4	...	x
Other*	291	...	18,041

**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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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	209	131,140	2.0
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	205	128,272	2.2
Durum Wheat	3	x	x
Winter Wheat	1	x	x
Oats	85	20,426	1.6
Barley	56	19,237	0.5
Mixed Grains	2	x	x
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	0	0	0.0
Fall Rye	0	0	0.0
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	233	188,904	4.6
Flaxseed	20	4,477	7.4
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	1	x	x
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	1	x	x
Dry Field Peas	25	9,549	1.6
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	1	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	71	19,652	8.0
All Other Field Crops	4	446	1.4

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	3	140	0.2
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	111	85,035	2.2
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	78	15,938	0.8

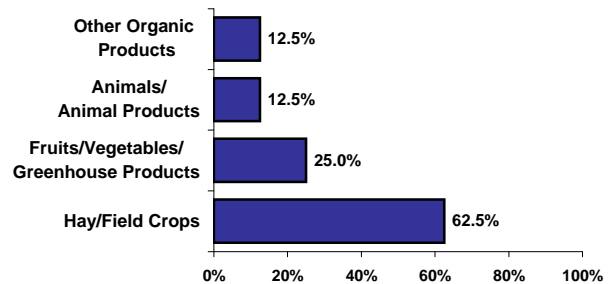
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	0	0	0.0
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	0	0	0.0
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	0	0	0.0
Cabbage	0	0	0.0
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	0	0	0.0
Carrots	0	0	0.0
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	0	0	0.0
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuce	0	0	0.0
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	7	29	1.0
Saskatoons	4	25	1.6
Strawberries	1	x	x
Raspberries	2	x	x
Area of Nursery Products	0	0	0.0
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	5	x	x

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	2	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	2	x	x
Flowers	1	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	8	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	5	62.5
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	25.0
Total Animals or Animal Products	1	12.5
Total Other Organic Products	1	12.5
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	4	50.0
Hay or Field Crops	3	37.5
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	1	12.5
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	4	50.0
Hay or Field Crops	2	25.0
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	2	25.0
Animals or Animal Products	1	12.5
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. * seeded acreage x - confidential
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	391	607,646	100.0
Use of Irrigation	4	137	0.0
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	274	400,240	65.9
Use of Herbicides	257	370,800	61.0
Use of Insecticides	83	66,358	10.9
Use of Fungicides	22	28,933	4.8
Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	310	398,565	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	122	65,098	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	115	158,624	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	129	174,843	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	77	19.7
Farms Applying Manure	33	8.4

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	11	572	0.1
Field Crop Land	5	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	3	...	...
Other Land	3	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	6	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	3	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	7	792	0.1
Field Crop Land	6	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	8	755	0.1
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	8	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	7	2,320	0.4
Field Crop Land	5	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	63	12,015	100.0
Chemical Only	6	1,158	9.6
Tillage Only	25	3,980	33.1
Tillage and Chemical Combination	32	6,877	57.2

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	324	82.9
Rotational Grazing	56	14.3
Winter Cover Crops	12	3.1
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	59	15.1
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	164	41.9
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	33	8.4

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	565	0.8
Total Operators:		% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	230	40.4
On Farms with Two or More Operators	340	59.6
Total Male Operators	430	76.1
Total Female Operators	140	24.8

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	50.5
On Farms with One Operator	52.4
On Farms with Two Operators	49.1

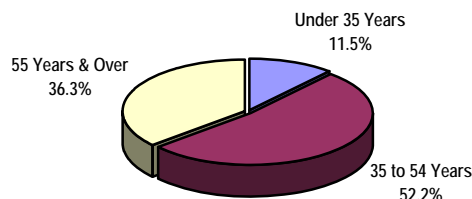
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	65	11.5
35 - 54 Years	295	52.2
55 Years and Over	205	36.3

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	285	50.0
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	285	50.0

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	140	24.6
20 - 40 Hours	160	28.1
More than 40 Hours	270	47.4

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	70	24.6
20 - 40 Hours	95	33.3
More than 40 Hours	120	42.1

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. x - confidential ... not available
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Spirit River No. 133	Alberta
Total Population	662	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	662	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	158	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,077	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	11,947	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	953,174	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	126,911	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	138,858	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	824	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	599	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	x	79
Number of Pigs (head)	x	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	99	62.7
Partnership	39	24.7
With Written Agreement	1	0.6
Without Written Agreement	38	24.1
Corporation	20	12.7
Family	20	12.7
Non-Family	0	0.0
Other*	0	0.0
Total Farms	158	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	0	0.0
10 to 129 Acres	14	8.9
130 to 239 Acres	20	12.7
240 to 399 Acres	19	12.0
400 to 559 Acres	17	10.8
560 to 759 Acres	16	10.1
760 to 1,119 Acres	18	11.4
1,120 Acres and Over	54	34.2
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	15	9.5
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	19	12.0
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	5	3.2
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	7	4.4
3,520 Acres and Over	8	5.1
Total Farms	158	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	27	18.6
Hog	0	0.0
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	20	13.8
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	58	40.0
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	21	14.5
Fruit	0	0.0
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Specialty	17	11.7
Livestock Combination	1	0.7
Other Combination	1	0.7
Total Farms Classified	145	100.0

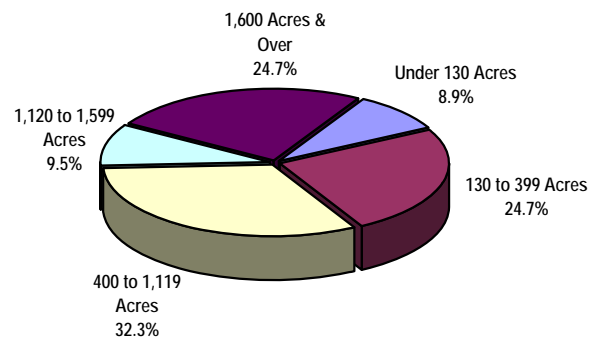
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	154	112,979	66.4
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	73	57,167	33.6
Rented/Leased from Government	17	5,137	3.0
Rented/Leased from Others	57	45,440	26.7
Crop Shared from Others	9	6,590	3.9
Total Area of Farms	158	170,146	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	152	125,296	73.6
Summerfallow	55	13,652	8.0
Total Pasture Land	...	19,085	11.2
Tame or Seeded Pasture	48	8,713	5.1
Natural Land for Pasture	55	10,372	6.1
All Other Land	110	12,113	7.1
Total Area of Farms	158	170,146	100.0

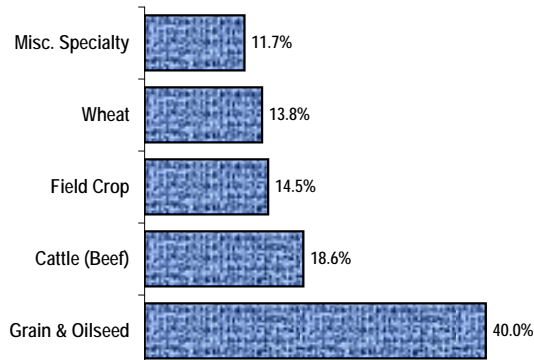
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	27	1,820	74.0
Seasonal or Temporary	46	638	26.0
Total Paid Labour	62	2,458	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	65	41.1
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	56	35.4

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.

2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Spirit River No. 133	Alberta
Number of Farms	158	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	11,947	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	953,174	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	126,911	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	14,546	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	138,858	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	158	38,765	25.7
Livestock and Poultry	76	5,357	3.6
Land and Buildings	158	106,479	70.7
Owned	154	83,288	55.3
Rented or Leased from Others	73	23,191	15.4
Total Farm Capital	158	150,601	100.0

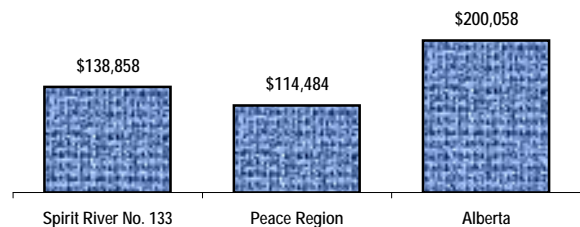
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	0	0.0
\$50,000 - \$99,999	2	1.3
\$100,000 - \$199,999	12	7.6
\$200,000 - \$349,999	22	13.9
\$350,000 - \$499,999	24	15.2
\$500,000 - \$999,999	54	34.2
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	19	12.0
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	6	3.8
\$2,000,000 and Over	19	12.0
Total Farms	158	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	108	1,571	7.8
Custom and Contract Work	87	754	3.8
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	63	1,145	5.7
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	34	259	1.3
Wages and Salaries	62	1,457	7.3
Paid to Family Members	42	810	4.0
Paid to all Other Persons	36	647	3.2
All Fuel Expenses	154	2,219	11.1
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	149	1,740	8.7
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	105	3,922	19.6
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	104	2,427	12.1
Seed/Seedling Purchases	86	1,044	5.2
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	26	315	1.6
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	63	163	0.8
Feed and Supplement Purchases	56	333	1.7
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	143	517	2.6
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	116	280	1.4
All Other Expenses	150	1,905	9.5
Total Operating Expenses	158	20,052	100.0

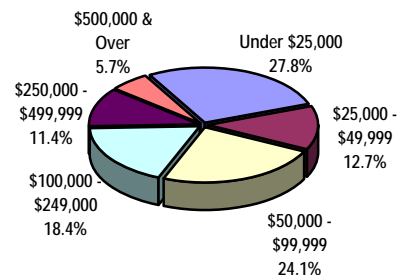
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	148	591	71,389
Total Farm Trucks	151	555	42,037
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	144	293	25,835
Other Farm Trucks	119	262	22,078
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	81	98	18,463
Swathers/Mower Cond.	120	158	19,245
Combines	109	152	58,567
Balers	65	82	10,933
Forage Harvesters	4	6	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	123	515	42,750
Irrigation Equipment	1	...	x
Other*	114	...	49,601

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	21,939	0.2
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$10,000	22	13.9
\$10,000 - \$24,999	22	13.9
\$25,000 - \$49,999	20	12.7
\$50,000 - \$99,999	38	24.1
\$100,000 - \$249,999	29	18.4
\$250,000 - \$499,999	18	11.4
\$500,000 - \$999,999	6	3.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	3	1.9
\$2,000,000 and Over	0	0.0
Total Farms	158	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

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

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	41	3,047	0.1
Dairy Cows	1	x	x
Beef Cows	41	x	x
Heifers	29	560	0.1
Bulls	34	148	0.1
Steers	14	228	0.0
Calves	39	2,204	0.1
Total Cattle and Calves	45	6,187	0.1

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	2	x	x
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	1	x	x
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	1	x	x
Grower and Finishing Pigs	1	x	x
Total Pigs	2	x	x

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	2	x	x
Ewes	2	x	x
Lambs	2	x	x
Total Sheep and Lambs	2	x	x

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	37	414	0.3
Goats	2	x	x
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	0	0	0.0
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	4	365	1.1
Llamas and Alpacas	4	x	x
Wild Boars	1	x	x

Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	4	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

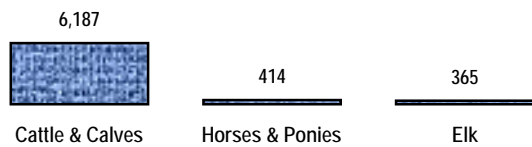
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	10	275	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	4	98	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	1	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	9	x	x
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	2	x	x
Other Poultry	1	x	x

Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	0	0	0.0
Turkey Production	1	x	x

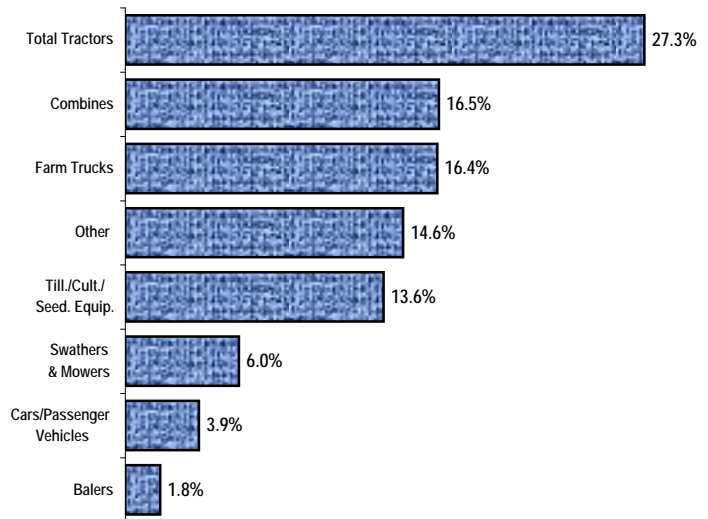
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	148	591	10,566
Total Farm Trucks	151	555	6,348
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	144	293	3,720
Other Farm Trucks	119	262	2,627
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	81	98	1,496
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	120	158	2,309
Combines	109	152	6,384
Balers	65	82	711
Forage Harvesters	4	6	x
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	123	515	5,258
Irrigation Equipment	1	...	x
Other*	114	...	5,655

**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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"# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. * Other Machinery, Workshop and Office Equipment

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	68	40,710	0.6
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	65	x	x
Durum Wheat	2	x	x
Winter Wheat	4	610	0.5
Oats	29	5,466	0.4
Barley	28	5,231	0.1
Mixed Grains	0	0	0.0
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	1	x	x
Fall Rye	1	x	x
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	60	38,067	0.9
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	2	x	x
Dry Field Peas	9	2,028	0.3
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	1	x	x
Canary Seed	0	0	0.0
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	0	0	0.0
Forage Seed for Seed	25	7,223	3.0
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	0	0	0.0
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	70	16,701	0.4
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	32	9,351	0.5

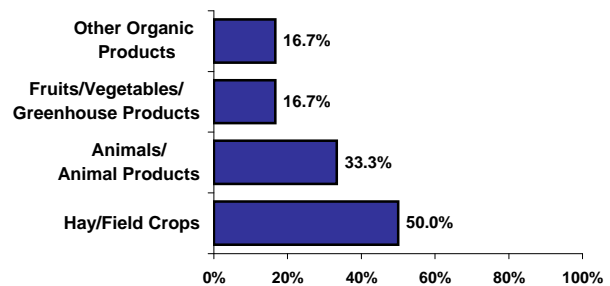
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	1	x	x
Cucumbers	1	x	x
Green Peas	1	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	1	x	x
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	1	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	1	x	x
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots, Green or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

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

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	0	0	0.0
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	0	0	0.0
Flowers	0	0	0.0
Vegetables	0	0	0.0
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	6	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	3	50.0
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	16.7
Total Animals or Animal Products	2	33.3
Total Other Organic Products	1	16.7
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	1	16.7
Hay or Field Crops	0	0.0
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	1	16.7
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	5	83.3
Hay or Field Crops	3	50.0
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	16.7
Animals or Animal Products	1	16.7
Other Organic Products	1	16.7

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	158	170,146	100.0
Use of Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	97	90,638	53.3
Use of Herbicides	86	89,091	52.4
Use of Insecticides	16	10,838	6.4
Use of Fungicides	10	10,067	5.9

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	110	100,281	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	53	18,575	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	39	38,493	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	34	43,213	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	58	36.7
Farms Applying Manure	26	16.5

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	10	385	0.2
Field Crop Land	5	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	6	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	2	x	x
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	6	825	0.5
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	5	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	7	985	0.6
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	6	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	1	x	x
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	55	13,652	100.0
Chemical Only	8	1,689	12.4
Tillage Only	21	5,678	41.6
Tillage and Chemical Combination	26	6,285	46.0

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	112	70.9
Rotational Grazing	41	25.9
Winter Cover Crops	8	5.1
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	34	21.5
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	77	48.7
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	10	6.3

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	210	0.3

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	105 48.8
On Farms with Two or More Operators	110 51.2
Total Male Operators	155 73.8
Total Female Operators	55 26.2

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	53.8
On Farms with One Operator	52.8
On Farms with Two Operators	54.7

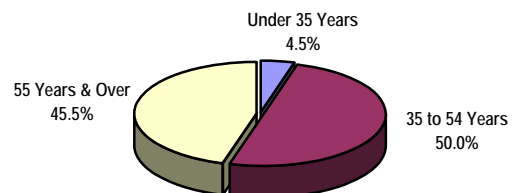
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	10	4.5
35 - 54 Years	110	50.0
55 Years and Over	100	45.5

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	90	41.9
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	125	58.1

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	55	26.2
20 - 40 Hours	50	23.8
More than 40 Hours	105	50.0

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	20	16.0
20 - 40 Hours	50	40.0
More than 40 Hours	55	44.0

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



Note: Regional data do not include municipalities where confidentiality applies. Numbers may not add up due to rounding. x - confidential ... not available
 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Area" refers to per cent of total farm land area. * Farm Operator data has been randomly rounded, therefore differences may exist between the rounded totals and the sum of their rounded components.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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