

## 2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Smoky River No. 130	Alberta
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>2,442</b>	<b>3,290,350</b>
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	2,442	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
<b>Number of Farms</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>49,431</b>
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,554	1,055
<b>Average Per Reporting Farm</b>		
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
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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
<b>1,120 Acres and Over</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>43.5</b>
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
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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
<b>Total Farms Classified</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>100.0</b>

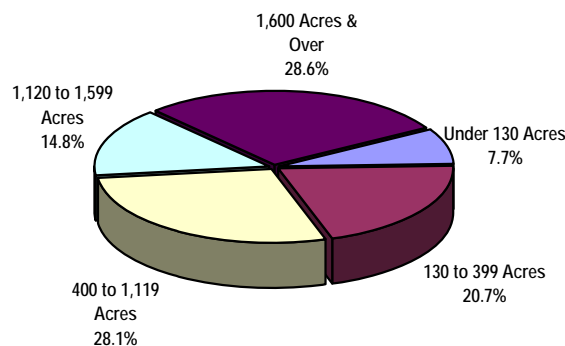
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	382	420,011	69.1
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	186	187,635	30.9
Rented/Leased from Government	52	27,771	4.6
Rented/Leased from Others	152	152,765	25.1
Crop Shared from Others	9	7,099	1.2
<b>Total Area of Farms</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>607,646</b>	<b>100.0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

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
<b>Total Area of Farms</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>607,646</b>	<b>100.0</b>

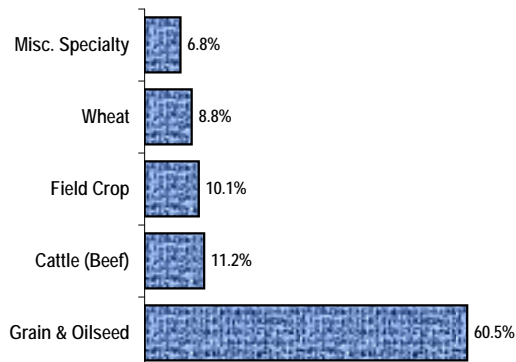
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	71	11,185	80.7
Seasonal or Temporary	116	2,669	19.3
<b>Total Paid Labour</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>13,854</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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**



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

	Smoky River No. 130	Alberta
<b>Number of Farms</b>	391	49,431
<b>Average Per Reporting Farm</b>		
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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
<b>Total Farm Capital</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>580,702</b>	<b>100.0</b>

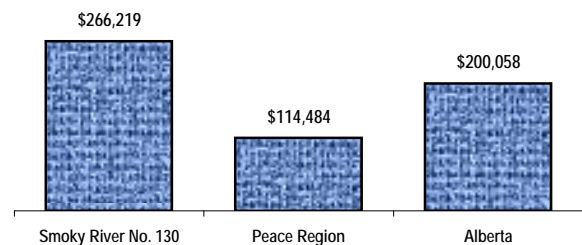
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	0	0.0
\$50,000 - \$99,999	2	0.5
\$100,000 - \$199,999	21	5.4
\$200,000 - \$349,999	54	13.8
\$350,000 - \$499,999	45	11.5
\$500,000 - \$999,999	98	25.1
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	59	15.1
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	41	10.5
\$2,000,000 and Over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

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
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>88,610</b>	<b>100.0</b>

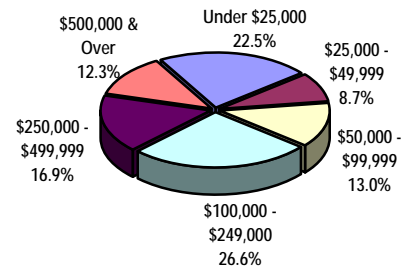
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	364	1,426	80,483
Total Farm Trucks	376	1,530	52,082
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	358	770	26,478
Other Farm Trucks	298	760	33,906
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	200	257	18,154
Swathers/Mower Cond.	285	382	25,751
Combines	269	362	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

	\$ '000	% Alta.
<b>Total Gross Farm Receipts</b>	<b>104,092</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>Farms by Gross Farm Receipts</b>	<b># Farms</b>	<b>% Distr.</b>
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
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**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	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
<b>Total Cattle and Calves</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>13,930</b>	<b>0.2</b>

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
<b>Total Pigs</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>

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

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

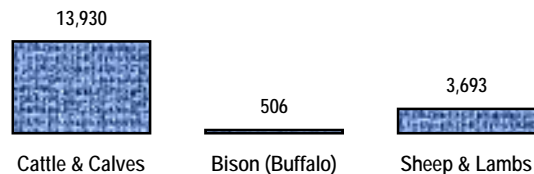
Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	15	x	x
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	2	x	x
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	4	x	x
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	15	x	x
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	2	x	x
Other Poultry	1	x	x

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

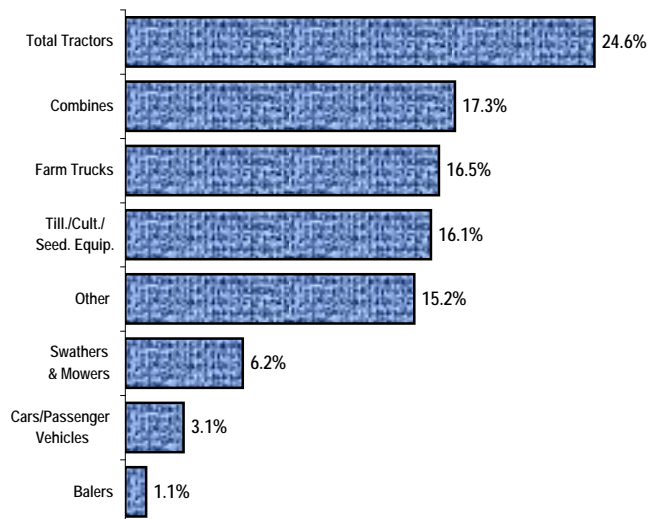
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
	0	0	x

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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**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

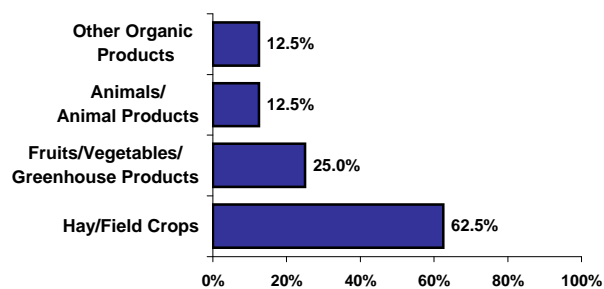
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	0	0	0.0
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	0	0	0.0
Green Peas	0	0	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	0	0	0.0
Cabbage	0	0	0.0
Cauliflower	0	0	0.0
Broccoli	0	0	0.0
Carrots	0	0	0.0
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	0	0	0.0
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	0	0	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**



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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	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

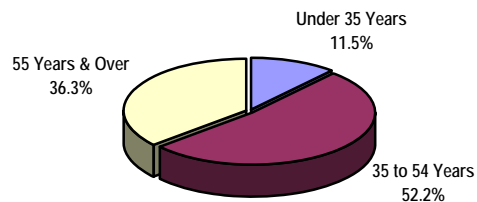
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	65	11.5
35 - 54 Years	295	52.2
55 Years and Over	205	36.3

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**



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Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture

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