



Population Characteristics

	Unit of Measure	2021 ¹	Share of B.C.
Population ²	#	324,005	6.5%
Population Increase since 2016 ²	#	28,071	8.0%
Jurisdictional Land Area ²	ha	1,331,934	1.4%
Agricultural Land Reserve ³	ha	71,544	1.6%

Farm Characteristics

Total Farmland Area ⁵	ha	60,350	2.6%
Number of Farms	#	2,358	14.9%
Average Farm Size	ha	26	NA
Total Farm Operators	#	3,585	15.1%
Total Farm Capital	\$	\$12,958,661,894	24.5%
Total Farm Cash Receipts	\$	\$732,182,297	18.0%
Total Number of Agricultural Workers	#	8,347	27.1%

Farmland Use

Crops ⁶	ha	36,962	6.6%
Summerfallow	ha	115	2.3%
Tame or Seeded Pasture	ha	2,619	1.5%
Natural Land for Pasture	ha	14,027	1.1%
All Other Land ⁷	ha	4,748	6.0%

Crop Area

Hay Crops ⁸	ha	10,784	6.6%
Field Crops ⁸	ha	27,367	5.3%
Fruits, Berries & Nuts	ha	6,473	23.1%
Vegetables	ha	1,843	30.5%
Nursery Products	ha	868	36.5%
Sod Grown for Sale	ha	410	62.7%
Greenhouse Flower Area	m ²	805,097	45.9%
Greenhouse Vegetable Area	m ²	1,045,118	30.1%
Other Greenhouse Production Area	m ²	102,526	14.4%
Mushroom Growing Area	m ²	119,497	37.4%
Christmas Tree Growing Area	ha	147	11.6%
Area Irrigated	ha	31,790	13.0%

Farms Reporting Organic Products for Sale⁹

		Farms Reporting	
Farms Reporting Certified Products	#	78	17.1%
Farms Reporting in Transition Products	#	0	0.0%

Farms With Written Succession Plans⁹

		Farms	
Family Members as Successors	#	327	22.5%
Non-family Members as Successors	#	14	15.4%

Sources

1 Sector Insights and Corporate Initiatives adapted from Statistics Canada. Census of Agriculture 2021, unless otherwise specified.

2 Sector Insights and Corporate Initiatives adapted from Statistics Canada. Census of Population 2021.

3 Source: Agricultural Land Commission, <https://catalogue.data.gov.bc.ca/dataset/92e17599-ac8a-47c8-877c-107768cb373c>

Fraser Valley Census Division					
	Unit of Measure	2021 ¹		Share of B.C.	
Animals on Farms		Farms	Number	Farms	Number
Hens & Chickens	#	680	15,329,188	16.0%	67.0%
Turkeys	#	33	350,544	8.8%	47.8%
Total Other Poultry	#	71	271,825	9.7%	45.3%
Cattle & Calves	#	577	106,245	12.0%	17.2%
<i>Dairy Cows</i>	#	255	49,159	41.5%	61.0%
<i>Beef Cows</i>	#	161	2,575	4.9%	1.3%
Pigs	#	59	66,965	7.5%	75.5%
Sheep & Lambs	#	133	2,509	9.4%	4.6%
Horses & Ponies	#	132	873	5.9%	4.5%
Goats	#	117	6,009	14.7%	34.8%
Mink	#	3	12,126	25.0%	22.3%
Bison	#	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Deer	#	1	35	16.7%	11.0%
Llamas & Alpacas	#	21	90	8.9%	5.4%
Rabbits	#	12	67	5.8%	3.8%
Colonies of Bees for Honey	#	99	14,113	11.6%	28.3%
Sales Direct to Consumers⁹		Farms Reporting			
Sales of Unprocessed Agricultural Products	#	548		10.6%	
Sales of Value-added Products	#	38		6.4%	
Using Farm Gate, Stands, Kiosks, U-pick	#	374		11.1%	
Using Farmers' Markets	#	63		7.4%	
Using Community Supported Agriculture	#	11		5.5%	
Through direct deliveries to consumers	#	243		9.0%	
Using off-site farm stores or stands	#	55		11.0%	
Using Other Methods	#	24		9.5%	
Technologies Use on Farms		Farms Reporting			
Robotic Greenhouse Equipment	#	11		26.8%	
Use of Automated Steering (Auto-Steer)	#	168		26.3%	
Use of GIS Mapping (e.g., Soil Mapping)	#	69		17.3%	
Use of Robotic Milking	#	76		61.3%	
Variable Rate Input Application	#	310		21.3%	
Slow-release Fertilizer	#	665		20.9%	
Soil Sample Test	#	681		24.2%	
Drones	#	39		12.9%	
Renewable Energy Systems Production		Farms Reporting			
Geothermal Electric Power Generator	#	8		2.9%	
Solar Panels	#	28		3.1%	
Wind Turbines	#	6		7.0%	
Bioenergy	#	39		5.3%	

Note: Totals may not add up due to rounding

x - indicates farms reporting but information suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act

NA - indicates data is not available or applicable

5 Total farmland area includes both workable and non-workable land on farm operations in B.C.

6 Crops include hay crops, field crops, field vegetables, fruits and nuts, sod and nursery products.

7 Other farmland area includes: woodland, wetlands, Christmas tree land, land on which farm buildings, barnyards, lanes, home gardens, greenhouses and mushroom houses, and idle land.

8 Does not include those crop areas suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act.

9 The "number of farms reporting" may not equal the sum of the parts because farms reporting more than one category (or activity) are only counted once. A new conceptual definition of a "farm" was introduced in 2021 so historical comparisons are not recommended.