



Unit of Measure

2021¹

Share of B.C.

Population Characteristics

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|---|----|------------|---------|
| Population ² | # | 21,496 | 0.4% |
| Population Increase since 2016 ² | # | 1,426 | 0.4% |
| Jurisdictional Land Area ² | ha | 506,789 | 0.6% |
| Agricultural Land Reserve ³ | ha | 88,569,579 | 1920.3% |

Farm Characteristics

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| Total Farmland Area ⁵ | ha | 1,127 | 0.0% |
| Number of Farms | # | 63 | 0.4% |
| Average Farm Size | ha | 18 | NA |
| Total Farm Operators | # | 90 | 0.4% |
| Total Farm Capital | \$ | \$135,252,316 | 0.3% |
| Total Sales/Farm Cash Receipts | \$ | 2,948,739 | 0.1% |
| Total Number of Agricultural Workers | # | 40 | 0.1% |

Farmland Use

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| Crops ⁶ | ha | 110 | 0.0% |
| Summerfallow | ha | 2 | 0.0% |
| Tame or Seeded Pasture | ha | 43 | 0.0% |
| Natural Land for Pasture | ha | 381 | 0.0% |
| All Other Land ⁷ | ha | 132 | 0.2% |

Crop Area

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|--------|------|
| Hay Crops ⁸ | ha | 31 | 0.0% |
| Field Crops ⁸ | ha | 41 | 0.0% |
| Fruits, Berries & Nuts | ha | 45 | 0.2% |
| Vegetables | ha | 23 | 0.4% |
| Nursery Products | ha | 1 | 0.0% |
| Sod Grown for Sale | ha | 0 | 0.0% |
| Greenhouse Flower Area | m ² | 50 | 0.0% |
| Greenhouse Vegetable Area | m ² | 10,087 | 0.3% |
| Other Greenhouse Production Area | m ² | 1,183 | 0.2% |
| Mushroom Growing Area | m ² | 16 | 0.0% |
| Christmas Tree Growing Area | ha | 0 | 0.0% |

Area Irrigated

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| | ha | 112 | 0.0% |
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Farms Reporting Organic Products for Sale⁹

Farms Reporting

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| Farms Reporting Certified Products | # | 2 | 0.4% |
| Farms Reporting in Transition Products | # | 2 | 3.5% |

Farms With Written Succession Plans⁹

Farms

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| Family Members as Successors | # | 1 | 0.1% |
| Non-family Members as Successors | # | 0 | 0.0% |

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>

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Animals on Farms

| | | Farms | Number | Farms | Number |
|----------------------------|---|-------|--------|-------|--------|
| Hens & Chickens | # | 33 | 3,016 | 0.8% | 0.0% |
| Turkeys | # | 4 | 66 | 1.1% | 0.0% |
| Total Other Poultry | # | 5 | 123 | 0.7% | 0.0% |
| Cattle & Calves | # | 10 | 94 | 0.2% | 0.0% |
| <i>Dairy Cows</i> | # | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| <i>Beef Cows</i> | # | 9 | 37 | 0.3% | 0.0% |
| Pigs | # | 13 | 117 | 1.6% | 0.1% |
| Sheep & Lambs | # | 10 | 212 | 0.7% | 0.4% |
| Horses & Ponies | # | 5 | 17 | 0.2% | 0.1% |
| Goats | # | 11 | 88 | 1.4% | 0.5% |
| Mink | # | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Bison | # | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Deer | # | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Llamas & Alpacas | # | 0 | 0 | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Rabbits | # | 1 | 3 | 0.5% | 0.2% |
| Colonies of Bees for Honey | # | 5 | 23 | 0.6% | 0.0% |

Sales Direct to Consumers⁹

Farms Reporting

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| Sales of Unprocessed Agricultural Products | # | 50 | 1.0% |
| Sales of Value-added Products | # | 6 | 1.0% |
| Using Farm Gate, Stands, Kiosks, U-pick | # | 37 | 1.1% |
| Using Farmers' Markets | # | 16 | 1.9% |
| Using Community Supported Agriculture | # | 5 | 2.5% |
| Through direct deliveries to consumers | # | 30 | 1.1% |
| Using off-site farm stores or stands | # | 4 | 0.8% |
| Using Other Methods | # | 1 | 0.4% |

Technologies Use on Farms

Farms Reporting

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|---|---|----|------|
| Robotic Greenhouse Equipment | # | 1 | 2.4% |
| Use of Automated Steering (Auto-Steer) | # | 0 | 0.0% |
| Use of GIS Mapping (e.g., Soil Mapping) | # | 0 | 0.0% |
| Use of Robotic Milking | # | 0 | 0.0% |
| Variable Rate Input Application | # | 5 | 0.3% |
| Slow-release Fertilizer | # | 13 | 0.4% |
| Soil Sample Test | # | 13 | 0.5% |
| Drones | # | 2 | 0.7% |

Renewable Energy Systems Production

Farms Reporting

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| Geothermal Electric Power Generator | # | 0 | 0.0% |
| Solar Panels | # | 9 | 1.0% |
| Wind Turbines | # | 1 | 1.2% |
| Bioenergy | # | 4 | 0.5% |

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.

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