



Unit of Measure

2021¹

Share of B.C.

Population Characteristics

Population ²	#	48,150	1.0%
Population Increase since 2016 ²	#	3,479	1.0%
Jurisdictional Land Area ²	ha	1,824,366	2.0%
Agricultural Land Reserve ³	ha	192,336,646	4170.1%

Farm Characteristics

Total Farmland Area ⁵	ha	1,564	0.1%
Number of Farms	#	55	0.3%
Average Farm Size	ha	28	NA
Total Farm Operators	#	85	0.4%
Total Farm Capital	\$	\$66,473,843	0.1%
Total Sales/Farm Cash Receipts	\$	2,596,415	0.1%
Total Number of Agricultural Workers	#	38	0.1%

Farmland Use

Crops ⁶	ha	343	0.1%
Summerfallow	ha	4	0.1%
Tame or Seeded Pasture	ha	227	0.1%
Natural Land for Pasture	ha	241	0.0%
All Other Land ⁷	ha	194	0.2%

Crop Area

Hay Crops ⁸	ha	213	0.1%
Field Crops ⁸	ha	294	0.1%
Fruits, Berries & Nuts	ha	40	0.1%
Vegetables	ha	5	0.1%
Nursery Products	ha	4	0.2%
Sod Grown for Sale	ha	0	0.0%
Greenhouse Flower Area	m ²	50	0.0%
Greenhouse Vegetable Area	m ²	8,504	0.2%
Other Greenhouse Production Area	m ²	1	0.0%
Mushroom Growing Area	m ²	0	0.0%
Christmas Tree Growing Area	ha	2	0.2%

Area Irrigated

ha	106	0.0%
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Farms Reporting Organic Products for Sale⁹

Farms Reporting

Farms Reporting Certified Products	#	0	0.0%
Farms Reporting in Transition Products	#	1	1.8%

Farms With Written Succession Plans⁹

Farms

Family Members as Successors	#	4	0.3%
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	#	25	1,258	0.6%	0.0%
Turkeys	#	4	29	1.1%	0.0%
Total Other Poultry	#	6	25	0.8%	0.0%
Cattle & Calves	#	8	165	0.2%	0.0%
<i>Dairy Cows</i>	#	1	2	0.2%	0.0%
<i>Beef Cows</i>	#	3	44	0.1%	0.0%
Pigs	#	5	14	0.6%	0.0%
Sheep & Lambs	#	9	183	0.6%	0.3%
Horses & Ponies	#	9	53	0.4%	0.3%
Goats	#	6	34	0.8%	0.2%
Mink	#	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Bison	#	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Deer	#	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Llamas & Alpacas	#	1	2	0.4%	0.1%
Rabbits	#	4	66	1.9%	3.7%
Colonies of Bees for Honey	#	7	45	0.8%	0.1%

Sales Direct to Consumers⁹

		Farms Reporting	
Sales of Unprocessed Agricultural Products	#	32	0.6%
Sales of Value-added Products	#	5	0.8%
Using Farm Gate, Stands, Kiosks, U-pick	#	25	0.7%
Using Farmers' Markets	#	7	0.8%
Using Community Supported Agriculture	#	2	1.0%
Through direct deliveries to consumers	#	13	0.5%
Using off-site farm stores or stands	#	4	0.8%
Using Other Methods	#	1	0.4%

Technologies Use on Farms

		Farms Reporting	
Robotic Greenhouse Equipment	#	0	0.0%
Use of Automated Steering (Auto-Steer)	#	0	0.0%
Use of GIS Mapping (e.g., Soil Mapping)	#	2	0.5%
Use of Robotic Milking	#	0	0.0%
Variable Rate Input Application	#	2	0.1%
Slow-release Fertilizer	#	7	0.2%
Soil Sample Test	#	4	0.1%
Drones	#	0	0.0%

Renewable Energy Systems Production

		Farms Reporting	
Geothermal Electric Power Generator	#	0	0.0%
Solar Panels	#	5	0.5%
Wind Turbines	#	0	0.0%
Bioenergy	#	0	0.0%

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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