

Agriculture in Brief

Powell River Regional District



Jurisdictional Makeup

Member Municipalities: Powell River & Sechelt.

Population (2011) ¹	#	19,906
Jurisdictional Land Area ²	ha	507,533
Agricultural Land Reserve (2012) ³	ha	9,699
Population Increase (2006-2011) ⁴	#	307
Population Increase (1971-2011) ⁴	#	1,770

Census of Agriculture Data		1996	2001	2006	2011
Total Farmland Area⁵	ha	1,493	1,592	1,622	1,792
Number of Farms	#	96	98	85	94
Average Farm Size⁴	ha	15.6	16.2	19.1	19.1
Farmland Use					
Crops ⁶	ha	143	162	189	215
Summerfallow	ha	6	x	0	0
Tame or Seeded Pasture	ha	162	183	166	89
Natural Land for Pasture	ha	497	597	293	284
All Other Land ⁷	ha	685	x	975	1,204
Total		1,493	1,592	1,622	1,792
Crop Area					
Hay Crops ⁸	ha	76	108	113	108
Field Crops ⁸	ha	x	5	x	4
Fruits, Berries & Nuts	ha	16	26	30	55
Vegetables	ha	17	12	20	25
Nursery Products	ha	14	10	3	6
Sod Grown for Sale	ha	0	0	0	x
Greenhouse Flower Production	m ²	5,923	3,460	2,992	377
Greenhouse Vegetable Production	m ²	x	x	1,277	2,128
Other Greenhouse Production	m ²	x	185	na	x
Mushrooms	m ²	0	x	x	x
Christmas Trees	ha	6	x	11	x
Area Irrigated	ha	x	26	46	49
Total Farm Capital		\$32,411,901	\$32,232,842	\$52,649,357	\$86,505,887
Total Gross Farm Receipts		\$1,179,989	\$1,206,151	\$1,921,378	\$1,348,646
Total Wages and Salaries Paid		\$171,359	\$192,550	\$369,759	\$212,885

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Animals on Farms	1996		2001		2006		2011	
	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Farms	Number	Farms	Number
Hens & Chickens	55	9,532	61	5,922	43	3,841	44	4,507
Turkeys	7	x	7	79	6	76	11	x
Total Other Poultry	19	432	18	429	11	x	15	183
Cattle & Calves	36	281	30	370	27	271	28	227
Dairy Cows	6	12	4	x	4	7	7	x
Beef Cows	23	100	18	x	18	98	14	x
Pigs	17	x	15	106	9	58	13	97
Sheep & Lambs	21	490	21	593	18	443	18	334
Horses & Ponies	19	91	24	127	13	53	16	59
Goats	12	107	15	162	11	76	12	62
Wild Boar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mink	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fox	0	0	0	0	na	na	na	na
Bison	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Llamas & Alpacas	3	9	2	x	4	x	1	x
Rabbits	7	130	na	na	na	na	3	x
Colonies of Bees for Honey	10	70	11	47	11	76	11	50

Credits

Source: Statistics Canada. Census of Agriculture, 1996, 2001, 2006, 2011, unless otherwise specified.

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End Notes

1 Source: Statistics Canada. Census of Population.

2 Source: Statistics Canada, Geosuite, Land Area file: <http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2006/ref/dict/tables/table-tableau-7-eng.cfm>

3 Source: Agricultural Land Commission. Agricultural Land Reserve as of January 1, 2008 (for 2006) and April 1, 2012 (for 2011).

4 Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Adapted from Statistics Canada Censuses.

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

6 Crops includes: hay crops, field crops, total vegetables, total 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 are located, and idle land.

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

Notes

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

na - indicates data is not available for a specific reference period



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