

Table 106: Census of Agriculture, Alberta Farm Operators, 1996-2006

	1996	2001	2006	% of Total	% Chg. '06/'01
	Number			%	%
Total Census Farms	59,005	53,652	49,431	100.0	-7.9
Total Farm Operators (17) (18)	82,455	76,195	71,660	100.0	-6.0
Total Operators on Farms with One Operator.....	35,435	32,025	28,045	39.1	-12.4
Total Operators on Farms with Two or More Operators.....	47,020	44,170	43,620	60.9	-1.2
Average Age of Farm Operators	Years			%	%
All Farm Operators.....	48.2	49.9	52.2	...	4.6
On Farms With One Operator.....	50.2	51.7	53.8	...	4.1
On Farms With Two or More Operators.....	46.7	48.6	51.2	...	5.3
	Number			%	%
Total Operators on All Farms	82,455	76,195	71,660	100.0	-6.0
Male.....	60,585	54,565	50,190	70.0	-8.0
Female.....	21,870	21,635	21,470	30.0	-0.8
Total Operators on Farms With One Operator	35,435	32,025	28,045	100.0	-12.4
Male.....	33,110	29,530	25,670	91.5	-13.1
Female.....	2,320	2,490	2,370	8.5	-4.8
Total Operators on Farms With Two or More Operators	47,020	44,170	43,620	100.0	-1.2
Male.....	27,470	25,040	24,525	56.2	-2.1
Female.....	19,550	19,135	19,095	43.8	-0.2
Operators by Age on All Farms	82,455	76,195	71,660	100.0	-6.0
Under 35 years.....	13,485	8,900	6,290	8.8	-29.3
35 to 54 years.....	42,315	40,430	35,935	50.1	-11.1
55 years and over.....	26,655	26,875	29,440	41.1	9.5
Operators by Age on Farms With One Operator	35,435	32,025	28,045	100.0	-12.4
Under 35 years.....	4,830	3,070	2,045	7.3	-33.4
35 to 54 years.....	17,055	16,130	13,335	47.5	-17.3
55 years and over.....	13,550	12,815	12,665	45.2	-1.2
Operators by Age on Farms With Two or More Operators	47,020	44,170	43,620	100.0	-1.2
Under 35 years.....	8,650	5,825	4,245	9.7	-27.1
35 to 54 years.....	25,265	24,295	22,605	51.8	-7.0
55 years and over.....	13,105	14,050	16,780	38.5	19.4
Average Hours Per Week Worked for the Agricultural Operation					
Less than 20 hours.....	19,675	18,965	20,465	28.6	7.9
20 to 40 hours.....	21,825	21,935	19,970	27.9	-9.0
More than 40 hours.....	40,960	35,290	31,225	43.6	-11.5
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work (19)					
None.....	56,230	38,720	32,560	45.4	-15.9
Less than 20 hours per week.....	6,500	7,380	7,560	10.5	2.4
20 to 40 hours per week.....	10,915	14,750	14,190	19.8	-3.8
More than 40 hours per week.....	8,805	15,345	17,355	24.2	13.1
Total Farms Reporting Farm-Related Injuries	-	-	3,170	...	-
To the Operator.....	-	-	2,851	...	-
To Other Family Members (6).....	-	-	472	...	-
To Other Persons (6).....	-	-	176	...	-

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Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Agriculture. For more information visit the Statistics Canada web site at: www.statcan.ca