

Westlock County

2001 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Westlock Co.	Alberta
Total Population	6,859	2,974,807
Urban Population	0	2,405,160
Rural Population	6,859	569,647
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100</i>	<i>19</i>
Number of Farms (1)	1,022	53,652
Average Farm Size (acres)	674	970
Average Per Reporting Farm	Dollars	
Net Farm Operating Income (2)	24,705	23,764
Farm Capital	847,763	1,029,903
Farm Operating Expenses	177,705	166,043
Gross Farm Receipts	198,155	184,885
Area in Crops (acres)	462	522
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	249	439
Number of Beef Cows (head)	72	74
Number of Pigs (head)	767	757

Farm Operating Arrangements (3)	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	556	54.4
Partnership	354	34.6
With Written Agreement	44	4.3
Without Written Agreement	310	30.3
Corporation	111	10.9
Family	96	9.4
Non-Family	15	1.5
Other*	1	0.1
Total Farms	1,022	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	27	2.6
10 to 129 Acres	80	7.8
130 to 239 Acres	227	22.2
240 to 399 Acres	145	14.2
400 to 559 Acres	141	13.8
560 to 759 Acres	115	11.3
760 to 1,119 Acres	123	12.0
1,120 Acres and Over	164	16.0
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	79	7.7
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	50	4.9
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	15	1.5
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	6	0.6
3,520 Acres and Over	14	1.4
Total Farms	1,022	100.0

Farms by Type (4)	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	13	1.3
Cattle (Beef)	516	52.9
Hog	19	1.9
Poultry and Egg	6	0.6
Wheat	33	3.4
Grain and Oilseed (Except Wheat)	190	19.5
Field Crop (Except Grain and Oilseed)	81	8.3
Fruit	1	0.1
Vegetable	0	0.0
Miscellaneous Speciality	69	7.1
Livestock Combination	18	1.8
Other Combination	29	3.0
Total Farms Classified	975	100.0

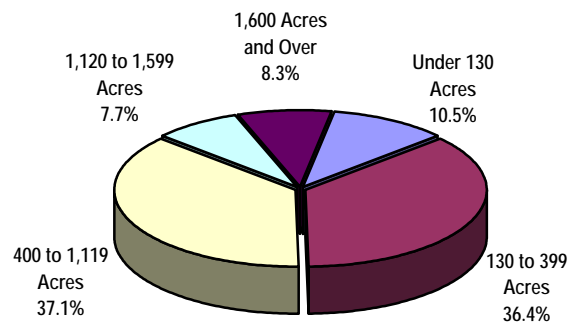
Land Tenure (5)	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	984	469,696	68.2
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	432	219,278	31.8
Rented/Leased from Government	66	41,828	6.1
Rented/Leased from Others	371	156,564	22.7
Crop Shared from Others	77	20,886	3.0
Total Area of Farms	1,022	688,974	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	915	423,060	61.4
Summerfallow	180	15,424	2.2
Total Pasture Land	...	207,383	30.1
Tame or Seeded Pasture	545	117,403	17.0
Natural Land for Pasture	456	89,980	13.1
All Other Land (6)	821	43,107	6.3
Total Area of Farms	1,022	688,974	100.0

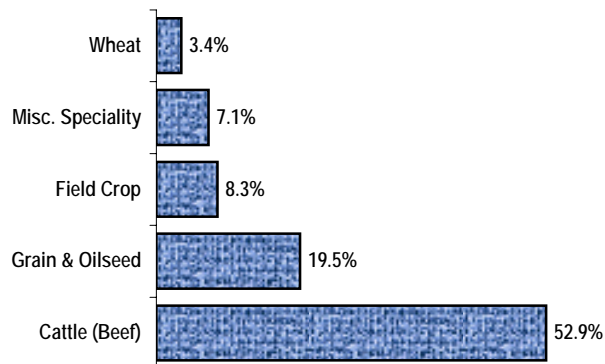
Paid Agricultural Labour (7)	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	174	13,006	70.8
Seasonal or Temporary	268	5,368	29.2
Total Paid Labour	402	18,374	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	
Number of Farms Reporting Use	364
% of Total Farms	35.6

Distribution of Farms by Size



Top Five Farm Types



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*Institutions, Community Pastures, etc. "% Distr." refers to % of total ...not available

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2001 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Westlock Co.	Alberta
Number of Farms	1,022	53,652
Average Per Reporting Farm		
	Dollars	
Net Farm Operating Income (2)	24,705	23,764
Farm Capital	847,763	1,029,903
Farm Operating Expenses	177,705	166,043
Farm Interest Expenses	14,702	14,319
Gross Farm Receipts	198,155	184,885

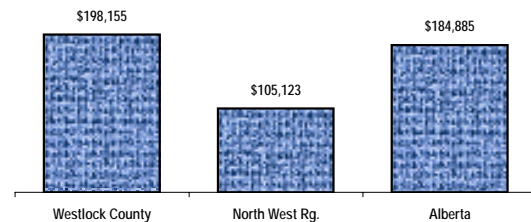
Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment (8)	1,022	163,837	18.9
Livestock and Poultry	786	130,866	15.1
Land and Buildings (9)	1,022	571,711	66.0
Owned	986	435,319	50.2
Rented or Leased from Others	432	136,392	15.7
Total Farm Capital	1,022	866,414	100.0

Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	6	0.6
\$50,000 - \$99,999	19	1.9
\$100,000 - \$199,999	106	10.4
\$200,000 - \$349,999	228	22.3
\$350,000 - \$499,999	150	14.7
\$500,000 - \$999,999	253	24.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	122	11.9
\$1,500,000 and Over	138	13.5
Total Farms	1,022	100.0

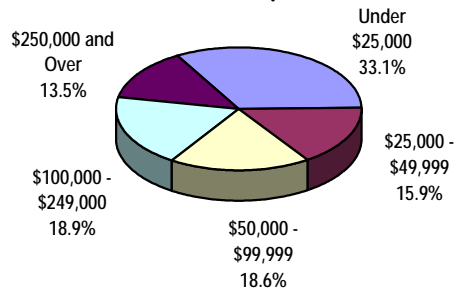
Farm Operating Expenses (10)	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	700	10,292	5.7
Custom and Contract Work	584	5,041	2.8
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	368	3,845	2.1
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	177	920	0.5
Wages and Salaries	402	7,672	4.2
Paid to Family Members	289	4,348	2.4
Paid to all Other Persons	196	3,324	1.8
All Fuel Expenses	995	8,286	4.6
Repair/Maint. to Mach./Equip./Vehicles	982	8,038	4.4
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	688	11,477	6.3
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	557	5,012	2.8
Seed/Seedling Purchases	642	3,308	1.8
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	512	72,345	39.8
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	719	4,460	2.5
Feed and Supplement Purchases	733	24,260	13.4
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	951	2,658	1.5
Repair/Maint. to Farm Bldgs./Fences	849	2,362	1.3
All Other Expenses	968	11,638	6.4
Total Operating Expenses	1,022	181,614	100.0

Owned and Leased Machinery	Total	Owned Number	Leased
Tractors	3,334	3,305	30
Farm Trucks	2,799	2,778	21
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	1,660	x	x
Other Farm Trucks	1,140	x	x
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	631	x	x
Combines	668	660	8
Swathers/Mower Conditioners	994	990	4
Balers	755	752	3
Forage Harvesters	96	x	x
Tillage/Cult./Seed./Plant. Equip.	3,192	3,175	17
		\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts (11)		202,515	2.0
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts		# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$25,000		338	33.1
Under \$10,000		171	16.7
\$10,000 - \$24,999		167	16.3
\$25,000 - \$49,999		163	15.9
\$50,000 - \$99,999		190	18.6
\$100,000 and Over		331	32.4
\$100,000 - \$249,999		193	18.9
\$250,000 - \$499,999		79	7.7
\$500,000 and Over		59	5.8
Total Farms		1,022	100.0

Average Gross Receipts Per Farm



Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts



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2001 Agriculture Profile - 3. Crops and Land Management

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	308	76,547	1.1
Spring Wheat (Excl. Durum) (12)	302	75,423	1.3
Durum Wheat	6	x	x
Winter Wheat (13)	2	x	x
Oats	268	24,729	1.8
Barley	440	108,258	2.2
Mixed Grains	45	6,417	1.6
Corn for Grain	1	x	x
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	20	1,151	1.0
Fall Rye (13)	15	983	1.1
Spring Rye	5	168	0.6

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	207	49,676	1.9
Flaxseed	6	578	1.4
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0
Safflower	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops* (14)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	7	134	0.2
Dry Field Peas	54	8,977	1.5
Lentils	1	x	x
Total Dry Field Beans	2	x	x
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	2	x	x
Canary Seed	1	x	x
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Triticale	5	780	1.1
Forage Seed for Seed	13	1,350	0.3
All Other Field Crops	1	x	x

Hay and Fodder Crops* (14)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	4	174	0.5
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	519	90,180	2.3
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	372	53,585	2.4

Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale (15)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	5	5	0.1
Tomatoes	0	0	0.0
Cucumbers	3	4	2.8
Green Peas	4	8	0.2
Green or Wax Beans	3	x	x
Cabbage	4	3	0.9
Cauliflower	2	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	6	5	0.4
Rutabagas and Turnips	1	x	x
Beets	6	2	2.5
Radishes	2	x	x
Dry Onions	7	3	0.4
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	1	x	x
Lettuces	1	x	x
Squash, Pumpkins and Zucchini	2	x	x
Total Vegetables	10	45	0.3

Fruits, Berries and Nuts	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Grown For Sale (16)			
Producing Area of Fruits/Berries/Nuts	10	15	0.7
Producing Area of Strawberries	4	6	2.0
Producing Area of Raspberries	4	3	1.5
Area of Nursery Products	10	30	0.5
Grown For Sale (17)	3	19	1.5
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	10	157,619	2.2

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	11	181,494	1.6
Area in Use on May 15, 2001	11	176,994	1.7
Flowers	9	x	x
Vegetables	1	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	1	x	x

Mushroom Houses	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Number of Farms	1,022	688,974	1.3
Use of Irrigation	12	1,205	0.1
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	590	285,526	1.7
Use of Herbicides (18)	511	239,753	1.5
Use of Insecticides (18)	25	4,386	0.5
Use of Fungicides (18)	31	11,102	0.8

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Area Prepared for Seeding	745	298,319	1.6
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	532	162,580	2.4
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	218	85,355	1.3
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	92	50,384	1.0

Manure Application (19)	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Using a Solid Spreader	360	22,905	2.2
Using an Irrigation System	0	0	0.0
Using a Liquid Spreader (On Surface)	28	4,517	2.4
Using a Liquid Spreader (Injected)	4	795	1.9

Forms of Weed Control Use on Summerfallow Land	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Summerfallow Land	180	15,424	0.5
Chemical Only	21	1,565	0.2
Tillage Only	97	6,753	0.6
Tillage and Chemical Combination	70	7,106	0.6

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices (20)	# Farms	% of Total Farms
Crop Rotation	715	70.0
Permanent Grass Cover	351	34.3
Winter Cover Crops	16	1.6
Contour Cultivation	26	2.5
Strip-Cropping	12	1.2
Grassed Waterways	167	16.3
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	272	26.6

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2001 Agriculture Profile - 4. Livestock, Poultry and Farm Machinery

Cattle and Calves (21)	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	626	45,558	2.1
Dairy Cows	22	1,625	1.9
Beef Cows	613	43,933	2.1
Heifers	453	16,440	1.4
Bulls	521	2,064	1.9
Steers	160	5,786	0.6
Calves	627	49,934	2.3
Total Cattle and Calves	670	119,782	1.8

Pigs (22)	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	35	210	2.3
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	40	4,224	2.1
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	33	15,347	2.2
Grower and Finishing Pigs	45	24,715	2.2
Total Pigs	58	44,496	2.2

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	35	73	1.1
Ewes	52	1,578	1.2
Lambs	53	6,984	4.1
Total Sheep and Lambs	60	8,635	2.8

Other Livestock (23)	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	215	1,736	1.1
Goats	33	927	2.2
Rabbits	6	81	1.4
Mink	0	0	0.0
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	9	293	0.4
Deer (Excluding Wild Deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	1	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	23	137	1.1
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

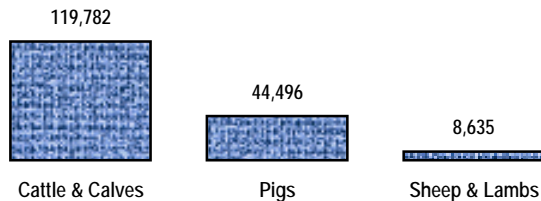
Colonies of Bees (24)	# Farms	Colonies	% Alta.
Alberta	467	209,821	100.0
Westlock County	12	8,879	4.2

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	97	301,726	2.5
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	51	157,587	1.8
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	16	26,236	2.5
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	68	117,903	5.1
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	3	17,168	3.2
Turkeys	12	375	0.0
Other Poultry	22	1,518	0.7

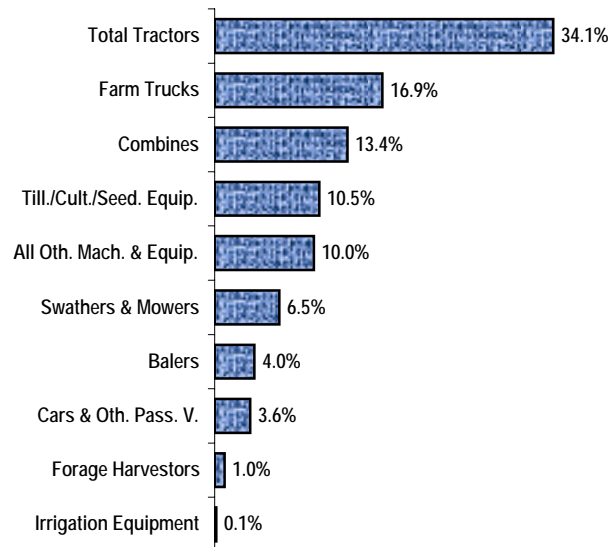
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.	
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	20	1,690,100	1.6	
Turkey Production	6	x	x	
		# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	0.0	

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment (8)	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	959	3,334	55,800
Total Farm Trucks	962	2,799	27,638
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	941	1,660	16,096
Other Farm Trucks	603	1,140	11,542
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	531	631	5,872
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	710	994	10,645
Combines	559	668	21,888
Balers	590	755	6,520
Forage Harvestors	93	96	1,633
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	775	3,192	17,254
Irrigation Equipment	20	n/a	242
Other*	779	n/a	16,345

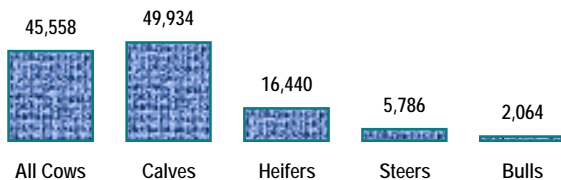
Livestock Inventory, May 15, 2001
(Number of Head)



Per Cent Distribution of Total Market Value of Machinery and Equipment



Cattle Inventory, May 15, 2001
(Number of Head)



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