

## 2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Mountain View County	Alberta
<b>Total Population</b>	12,391	3,290,350
Urban Population	17	2,699,851
Rural Population	12,374	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>99.9</i>	<i>17.9</i>
<b>Number of Farms</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>49,431</b>
Average Farm Size (acres)	515	1,055
<b>Average Per Reporting Farm</b>		
Net Farm Income (\$)	10,365	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	1,564,505	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	107,824	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	118,189	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	348	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	295	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	61	79
Number of Pigs (head)	350	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	988	53.8
Partnership	607	33.0
With Written Agreement	70	3.8
Without Written Agreement	537	29.2
Corporation	239	13.0
Family	217	11.8
Non-Family	22	1.2
Other*	3	0.2
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	73	4.0
10 to 129 Acres	351	19.1
130 to 239 Acres	500	27.2
240 to 399 Acres	242	13.2
400 to 559 Acres	150	8.2
560 to 759 Acres	142	7.7
760 to 1,119 Acres	140	7.6
<b>1,120 Acres and Over</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>13.0</b>
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	114	6.2
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	62	3.4
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	30	1.6
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	12	0.7
3,520 Acres and Over	21	1.1
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	41	2.4
Cattle (Beef)	842	48.9
Hog	12	0.7
Poultry and Egg	13	0.8
Wheat	21	1.2
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	295	17.1
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	148	8.6
Fruit	5	0.3
Vegetable	2	0.1
Miscellaneous Specialty	285	16.6
Livestock Combination	38	2.2
Other Combination	20	1.2
<b>Total Farms Classified</b>	<b>1,722</b>	<b>100.0</b>

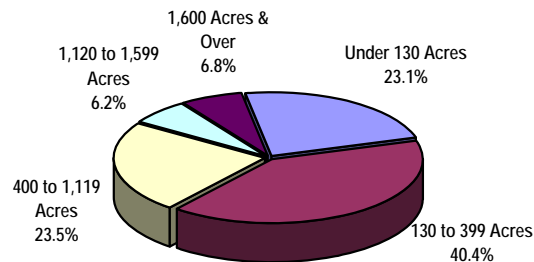
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	1,750	562,383	59.4
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	739	384,504	40.6
Rented/Leased from Government	106	82,587	8.7
Rented/Leased from Others	625	252,365	26.7
Crop Shared from Others	158	49,552	5.2
<b>Total Area of Farms</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>946,887</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	1,493	519,132	54.8
Summerfallow	166	13,070	1.4
Total Pasture Land	...	344,430	36.4
Tame or Seeded Pasture	843	129,676	13.7
Natural Land for Pasture	1,111	214,754	22.7
All Other Land	1,284	70,255	7.4
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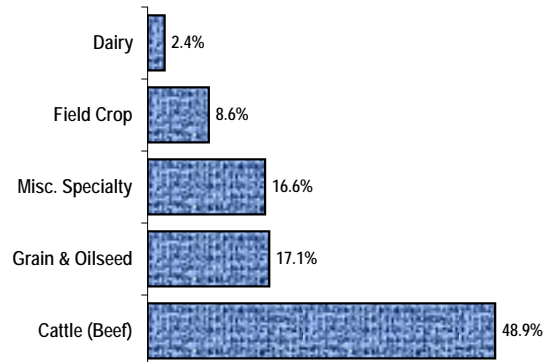
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	262	15,041	69.2
Seasonal or Temporary	388	6,692	30.8
<b>Total Paid Labour</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>21,733</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	910	49.5
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	687	37.4

**Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Size**



**Per Cent Distribution of Top Five Farm Types**



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\* Institutions, Community Pastures, etc. \*\* Farms reporting total gross farm receipts greater than \$2,500. # "Farms" refers to number of farms reporting.

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Agriculture, and 2006 Census of Population Refer to census definitions and notes for more information.

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## 2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Mountain View County	Alberta
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,837	49,431
<b>Average Per Reporting Farm</b>		
Net Farm Income (\$)	10,365	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	1,564,505	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	107,824	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	11,838	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	118,189	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	1,837	289,753	10.1
Livestock and Poultry	1,463	138,314	4.8
Land and Buildings	1,837	2,445,930	85.1
Owned	1,761	1,705,955	59.4
Rented or Leased from Others	743	739,975	25.7
<b>Total Farm Capital</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>2,873,997</b>	<b>100.0</b>

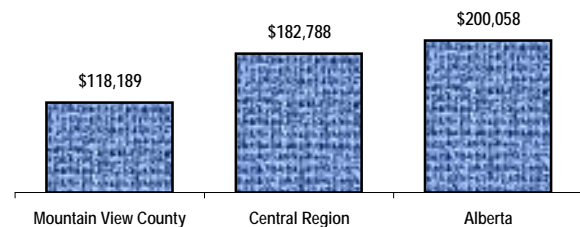
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	4	0.2
\$50,000 - \$99,999	10	0.5
\$100,000 - \$199,999	30	1.6
\$200,000 - \$349,999	126	6.9
\$350,000 - \$499,999	226	12.3
\$500,000 - \$999,999	568	30.9
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	297	16.2
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	151	8.2
\$2,000,000 and Over	425	23.1
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	1,057	12,512	6.3
Custom and Contract Work	1,133	10,487	5.3
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	609	6,428	3.2
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	337	2,106	1.1
Wages and Salaries	573	11,907	6.0
Paid to Family Members	402	7,657	3.9
Paid to all Other Persons	314	4,250	2.1
All Fuel Expenses	1,739	14,672	7.4
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	1,662	12,214	6.2
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	1,088	16,422	8.3
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	815	7,474	3.8
Seed/Seedling Purchases	885	x	x
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	769	x	x
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	1,287	x	x
Feed and Supplement Purchases	1,224	24,145	12.2
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	1,664	5,772	2.9
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	1,507	x	x
All Other Expenses	1,708	21,067	10.6
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>198,073</b>	<b>100.0</b>

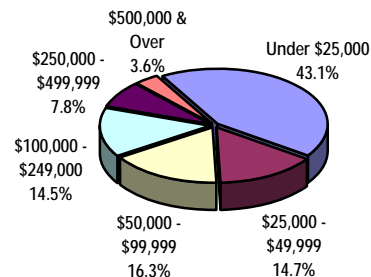
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	1,687	5,650	59,614
Total Farm Trucks	1,706	4,570	32,205
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	1,616	3,010	22,930
Other Farm Trucks	904	1,560	19,787
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	954	1,173	15,034
Swathers/Mower Cond.	994	1,585	16,421
Combines	566	708	41,416
Balers	938	1,366	14,235
Forage Harvesters	123	144	27,243
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	1,109	3,580	20,817
Irrigation Equipment	47	...	13,224
Other*	1,367	...	29,060

	\$ '000	% Alta.
<b>Total Gross Farm Receipts</b>	<b>217,114</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<b>Farms by Gross Farm Receipts</b>		
Under \$10,000	408	22.2
\$10,000 - \$24,999	383	20.8
\$25,000 - \$49,999	270	14.7
\$50,000 - \$99,999	300	16.3
\$100,000 - \$249,999	266	14.5
\$250,000 - \$499,999	143	7.8
\$500,000 - \$999,999	43	2.3
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	15	0.8
\$2,000,000 and Over	9	0.5
<b>Total Farms</b>	<b>1,837</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Average Gross Receipts Per Farm**



**Per Cent Distribution of Farms by Class of Gross Farm Receipts**



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## 2006 Agriculture Profile - 3. Livestock, Poultry and Farm Machinery

Cattle and Calves	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Total Cows	1,013	63,105	3.0
Dairy Cows	50	2,858	3.6
Beef Cows	980	60,247	3.0
Heifers	663	28,819	2.6
Bulls	819	3,345	3.0
Steers	359	26,246	2.7
Calves	1,019	60,686	3.0
<b>Total Cattle and Calves</b>	<b>1,121</b>	<b>182,201</b>	<b>2.9</b>

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	17	120	1.7
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	22	1,632	0.9
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	13	4,267	0.7
Grower and Finishing Pigs	27	6,919	0.6
<b>Total Pigs</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>12,938</b>	<b>0.6</b>

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	67	239	4.7
Ewes	86	4,580	4.4
Lambs	71	3,060	2.7
<b>Total Sheep and Lambs</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>7,879</b>	<b>3.5</b>

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	767	6,953	4.5
Goats	58	1,067	3.7
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	3	4	12.5
Bison (Buffalo)	15	x	x
Deer (excluding wild deer)	5	381	4.2
Elk	6	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	72	671	4.6
Wild Boars	2	x	x

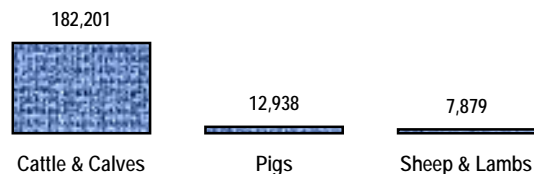
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	10	549	0.2
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	0	0	0.0

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	146	306,838	2.6
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	42	283,989	3.3
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	18	1,071	0.1
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	123	21,778	1.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	24	11,160	1.6
Other Poultry	45	8,228	3.9

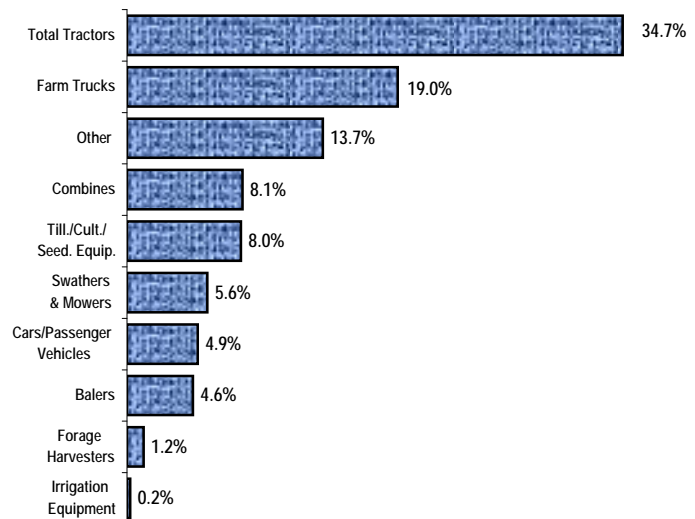
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.	
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	16	2,821,030	2.4	
Turkey Production	10	x	x	
		# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	x	

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	1,687	5,650	100,568
Total Farm Trucks	1,706	4,570	54,942
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	1,616	3,010	37,055
Other Farm Trucks	904	1,560	17,887
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	954	1,173	14,342
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	994	1,585	16,322
Combines	566	708	23,441
Balers	938	1,366	13,352
Forage Harvesters	123	144	3,351
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	1,109	3,580	23,087
Irrigation Equipment	47	...	622
Other*	1,367	...	39,725

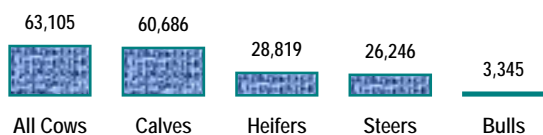
**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006  
(Number of Head)**



**Per Cent Distribution of Total Market Value of  
Machinery and Equipment**



**Cattle Inventory, May 16, 2006  
(Number of Head)**



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**2006 Agriculture Profile - 4. Crops and Organic Production**

Grains*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Wheat	193	56,846	0.9
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	187	55,905	1.0
Durum Wheat	4	710	0.1
Winter Wheat	4	231	0.2
Oats	291	23,216	1.8
Barley	588	158,826	3.9
Mixed Grains	103	15,032	4.0
Corn for Grain	1	x	x
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	28	1,263	1.1
Fall Rye	24	x	x
Spring Rye	4	x	x

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	271	64,664	1.6
Flaxseed	5	477	0.8
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	1	x	x
Sunflowers	3	3	0.2

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	6	x	x
Dry Field Peas	22	5,521	0.9
Lentils	2	x	x
Dry White Beans	0	0	0.0
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	1	x	x
Canary Seed	2	x	x
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	27	1,255	1.6
Forage Seed for Seed	8	701	0.3
All Other Field Crops	1	x	x

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	25	1,489	2.1
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	880	111,203	2.8
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	503	76,134	3.7

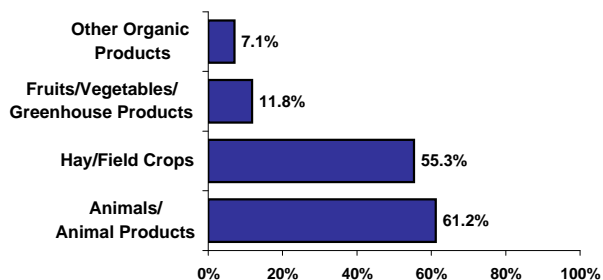
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	1	x	x
Tomatoes	4	1	1.6
Cucumbers	2	x	x
Green Peas	4	2	0.0
Green or Wax Beans	3	0	0.2
Cabbage	4	x	x
Cauliflower	2	x	x
Broccoli	3	0	0.9
Carrots	4	1	0.1
Rutabagas and Turnips	2	x	x
Beets	6	1	1.5
Radishes	5	1	0.5
Dry Onions	2	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	3	0	0.6
Lettuce	5	1	3.4
Celery	2	x	x
Pumpkins, Squash and Zucchini	3	x	x

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	26	131	4.5
Saskatoons	19	102	6.4
Strawberries	11	8	2.4
Raspberries	13	11	4.7
Area of Nursery Products	38	348	3.9
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	6	97	7.6
Sod Grown for Sale	1	x	x
Sales of Forest Products	22	206,597	3.1

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	19	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	19	x	x
Flowers	13	63,727	1.1
Vegetables	8	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	4	x	x
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	85	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	47	55.3
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	10	11.8
Total Animals or Animal Products	52	61.2
Total Other Organic Products	6	7.1
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	2	2.4
Hay or Field Crops	2	2.4
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	1.2
Animals or Animal Products	1	1.2
Other Organic Products	1	1.2
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	1	1.2
Hay or Field Crops	1	1.2
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	0	0.0
Farms Reporting Not Certified Organic Products	83	97.6
Hay or Field Crops	44	51.8
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	9	10.6
Animals or Animal Products	51	60.0
Other Organic Products	5	5.9

**Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production**



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 "# Farms" refers to number of farms reporting. "% Total Farms" refers to % of total farms reporting organic products.

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## 2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	1,837	946,887	100.0
Use of Irrigation	18	985	0.1
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	976	407,082	43.0
Use of Herbicides	708	305,537	32.3
Use of Insecticides	50	15,343	1.6
Use of Fungicides	68	42,134	4.4

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	1,061	363,074	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	656	128,522	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	267	99,720	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	249	134,832	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	1,220	66.4
Farms Applying Manure	793	43.2

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	282	13,922	1.5
Field Crop Land	170	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	115	...	...
Other Land	28	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	132	6,533	0.7
Field Crop Land	16	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	112	...	...
Other Land	9	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	288	20,432	2.2
Field Crop Land	214	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	90	...	...
Other Land	7	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	166	8,796	0.9
Field Crop Land	39	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	130	...	...
Other Land	9	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	25	2,565	0.3
Field Crop Land	23	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	4	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	20	1,933	0.2
Field Crop Land	8	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	17	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Applied by Irrigation	0	0	0.0
Field Crop Land	0	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...

Weed Control on Summerfallow	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Summerfallow Land	166	13,070	100.0
Chemical Only	22	2,119	16.2
Tillage Only	95	7,266	55.6
Tillage and Chemical Combination	57	3,685	28.2

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	1,011	55.0
Rotational Grazing	874	47.6
Winter Cover Crops	93	5.1
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	326	17.7
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	1,009	54.9
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	80	4.4

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	2,735	3.8

Total Operators:	% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	980 35.8
On Farms with Two or More Operators	1,755 64.2
Total Male Operators	1,825 66.7
Total Female Operators	910 33.3

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	52.4
On Farms with One Operator	54.6
On Farms with Two Operators	51.2

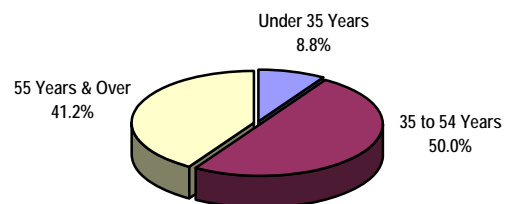
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	240	8.8
35 - 54 Years	1,365	50.0
55 Years and Over	1,125	41.2

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	1,170	42.9
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	1,555	57.1

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	885	32.4
20 - 40 Hours	775	28.4
More than 40 Hours	1,070	39.2

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week	Number	% Distr.
Less than 20 Hours	310	19.9
20 - 40 Hours	555	35.7
More than 40 Hours	690	44.4

**Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age**



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