

2006 Agriculture Profile - 1. Farms and the Land

	Fairview No. 136	Alberta
Total Population	1,432	3,290,350
Urban Population	0	2,699,851
Rural Population	1,432	590,499
<i>Rural as % of Total Population</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>17.9</i>
Number of Farms	260	49,431
Average Farm Size (acres)	1,211	1,055
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	16,201	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	975,867	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	137,157	177,857
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	153,359	200,058
Area in Crops (acres)	807	577
Seeded Area of Wheat (acres)	561	549
Number of Beef Cows (head)	75	79
Number of Pigs (head)	1,370	1,302

Farm Operating Arrangements	# Farms	% Distr.
Sole Proprietorship	146	56.2
Partnership	74	28.5
With Written Agreement	8	3.1
Without Written Agreement	66	25.4
Corporation	38	14.6
Family	37	14.2
Non-Family	1	0.4
Other*	2	0.8
Total Farms	260	100.0

Farms by Total Farm Area	# Farms	% Distr.
Under 10 Acres	1	0.4
10 to 129 Acres	14	5.4
130 to 239 Acres	41	15.8
240 to 399 Acres	30	11.5
400 to 559 Acres	24	9.2
560 to 759 Acres	18	6.9
760 to 1,119 Acres	34	13.1
1,120 Acres and Over	98	37.7
1,120 to 1,599 Acres	33	12.7
1,600 to 2,239 Acres	27	10.4
2,240 to 2,879 Acres	11	4.2
2,880 to 3,519 Acres	12	4.6
3,520 Acres and Over	15	5.8
Total Farms	260	100.0

Farms by Type**	# Farms	% Distr.
Dairy	0	0.0
Cattle (Beef)	78	31.6
Hog	5	2.0
Poultry and Egg	0	0.0
Wheat	11	4.5
Grain and Oilseed (except wheat)	104	42.1
Field Crop (except grain and oilseed)	23	9.3
Fruit	1	0.4
Vegetable	2	0.8
Miscellaneous Specialty	15	6.1
Livestock Combination	3	1.2
Other Combination	5	2.0
Total Farms Classified	247	100.0

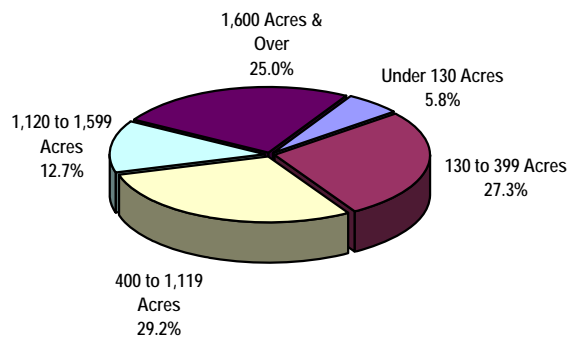
Land Tenure	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Area Owned	253	x	x
Total Area Rented/Leased/Crop Shared	144	x	x
Rented/Leased from Government	53	37,379	11.9
Rented/Leased from Others	111	x	x
Crop Shared from Others	16	5,950	1.9
Total Area of Farms	260	314,796	100.0

Farms by Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Acres
Total Land in Crops	243	196,102	62.3
Summerfallow	63	12,081	3.8
Total Pasture Land	...	76,600	24.3
Tame or Seeded Pasture	102	36,478	11.6
Natural Land for Pasture	92	40,122	12.7
All Other Land	194	30,013	9.5
Total Area of Farms	260	314,796	100.0

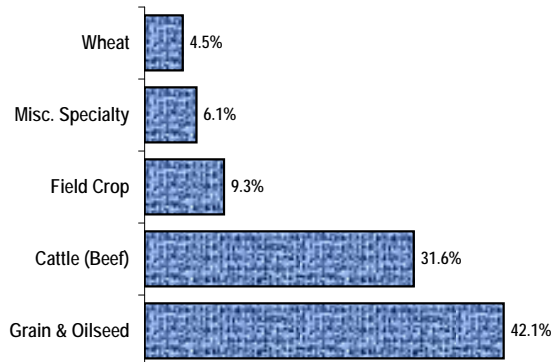
Paid Agricultural Labour	# Farms	# Weeks	% Weeks
Year Round	42	2,553	60.5
Seasonal or Temporary	68	1,665	39.5
Total Paid Labour	101	4,218	100.0

Use of Personal Computers for Farm Management	# Farms	% Farms
Number of Farms Reporting Use	127	48.8
Number of Farms Reporting Internet Use	90	34.6

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.

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2006 Agriculture Profile - 2. Financial Characteristics

	Fairview No. 136	Alberta
Number of Farms	260	49,431
Average Per Reporting Farm		
Net Farm Income (\$)	16,201	22,201
Farm Capital (\$)	975,867	1,452,150
Farm Operating Expenses (\$)	137,157	177,857
Farm Interest Expenses (\$)	8,861	14,607
Gross Farm Receipts (\$)	153,359	200,058

Farm Capital	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Machinery and Equipment	260	57,093	22.5
Livestock and Poultry	146	18,641	7.3
Land and Buildings	260	177,992	70.2
Owned	256	135,570	53.4
Rented or Leased from Others	144	42,422	16.7
Total Farm Capital	260	253,725	100.0

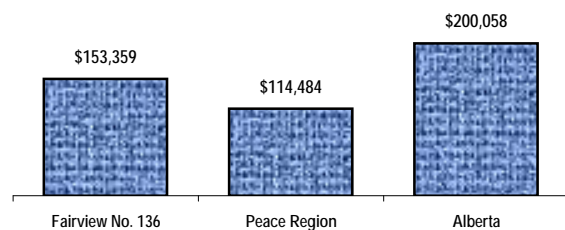
Farms Classified by Farm Capital	# Farms	% Distr.
Under \$50,000	1	0.4
\$50,000 - \$99,999	2	0.8
\$100,000 - \$199,999	15	5.8
\$200,000 - \$349,999	37	14.2
\$350,000 - \$499,999	52	20.0
\$500,000 - \$999,999	71	27.3
\$1,000,000 - \$1,499,999	37	14.2
\$1,500,000 - \$1,999,999	12	4.6
\$2,000,000 and Over	33	12.7
Total Farms	260	100.0

Farm Operating Expenses	# Farms	\$ '000	% Distr.
Farm Interest Expenses	193	1,710	4.8
Custom and Contract Work	171	1,960	5.5
Rent/Leasing of Land and Buildings	131	1,408	3.9
Rent/Leasing of Mach./Equip./Vehicles	44	173	0.5
Wages and Salaries	101	2,214	6.2
Paid to Family Members	70	1,141	3.2
Paid to all Other Persons	53	1,072	3.0
All Fuel Expenses	249	3,217	9.0
Repairs/ Maint., Mach./Equip./Vehicles	248	2,370	6.6
Fertilizer and Lime Purchases	161	6,041	16.9
Herbicides/Insecticides/Fungicides	172	3,172	8.9
Seed/Seedling Purchases	151	1,599	4.5
Livestock and Poultry Purchases	69	4,011	11.2
Veterinary Services, Drugs, etc.	128	281	0.8
Feed and Supplement Purchases	121	2,130	6.0
Electricity/Telephone/Telecom.	238	991	2.8
Repairs/ Maint., Farm Bldgs. & Fences	194	594	1.7
All Other Expenses	250	3,791	10.6
Total Operating Expenses	260	35,661	100.0

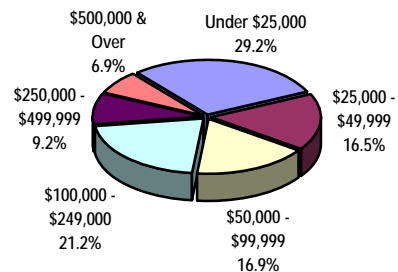
Farm Machinery (Owned & Leased)	# Farms	Total Number	Avg. Value \$/Farm
Total Tractors	240	962	67,297
Total Farm Trucks	250	847	38,086
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	238	447	22,118
Other Farm Trucks	185	401	23,014
Cars/Passenger Vehicles	134	162	16,680
Swathers/Mower Cond.	194	256	18,152
Combines	166	211	58,025
Balers	119	147	10,438
Forage Harvesters	18	19	11,767
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	204	840	33,853
Irrigation Equipment	5	...	11,900
Other*	204	...	37,312

Total Gross Farm Receipts	\$ '000	% Alta.
Total Gross Farm Receipts	39,873	0.4
Farms by Gross Farm Receipts		
# Farms	% Distr.	
Under \$10,000	35	13.5
\$10,000 - \$24,999	41	15.8
\$25,000 - \$49,999	43	16.5
\$50,000 - \$99,999	44	16.9
\$100,000 - \$249,999	55	21.2
\$250,000 - \$499,999	24	9.2
\$500,000 - \$999,999	10	3.8
\$1,000,000 - \$1,999,999	7	2.7
\$2,000,000 and Over	1	0.4
Total Farms	260	100.0

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	110	8,153	0.4
Dairy Cows	3	4	0.0
Beef Cows	109	8,149	0.4
Heifers	75	2,379	0.2
Bulls	92	379	0.3
Steers	50	2,835	0.3
Calves	99	6,519	0.3
Total Cattle and Calves	113	20,265	0.3

Pigs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Boars	4	29	0.4
Sows and Gilts for Breeding	5	1,202	0.6
Nursing and Weaner Pigs	5	4,720	0.7
Grower and Finishing Pigs	9	7,751	0.6
Total Pigs	10	13,702	0.7

Sheep and Lambs	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Rams	5	x	x
Ewes	12	x	x
Lambs	5	x	x
Total Sheep and Lambs	12	x	x

Other Livestock	# Farms	Head	% Alta.
Horses and Ponies	65	372	0.2
Goats	5	14	0.0
Mink	0	0	x
Fox	0	0	0.0
Bison (Buffalo)	7	559	0.6
Deer (excluding wild deer)	0	0	0.0
Elk	1	x	x
Llamas and Alpacas	6	27	0.2
Wild Boars	0	0	0.0

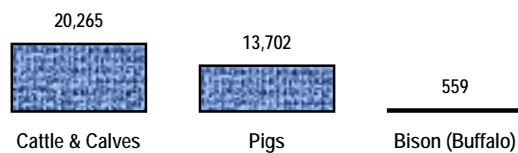
Bees	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Colonies of Bees	4	x	x
Gallons of Other Pollinating Bees	1	x	x

Poultry Inventory	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Total Hens and Chickens	11	536	0.0
Broilers, Roasters, Cornish	6	176	0.0
Pullets for Laying (under 19 wks.)	4	147	0.0
Laying Hens (19 wks and over)	8	213	0.0
Laying Hens (Hatchery Supply Flock)	0	0	0.0
Turkeys	0	0	0.0
Other Poultry	3	112	0.1

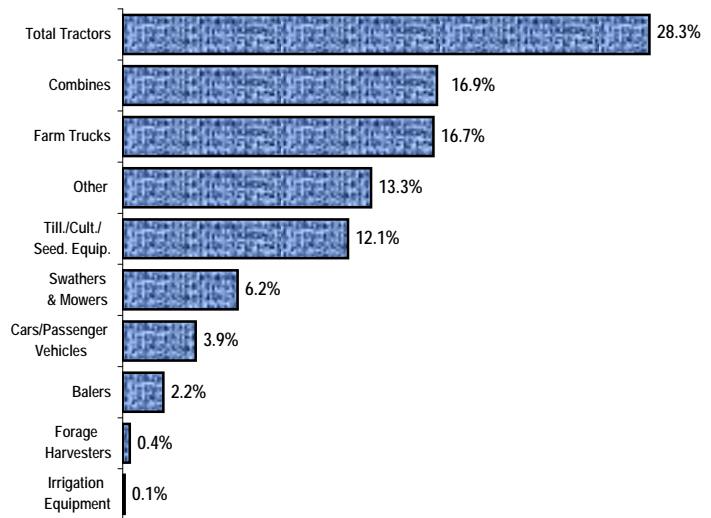
Poultry Production	# Farms	Kilograms	% Alta.
Broilers/Roasters/Cornish Production	0	0	0.0
Turkey Production	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Number	% Alta.
Chicks or Other Poultry Hatched	0	0	x

Market Value of Farm Machinery and Equipment	# Farms	Number	\$ '000
Total Tractors	240	962	16,151
Total Farm Trucks	250	847	9,522
Pick-ups and Cargo Vans	238	447	5,264
Other Farm Trucks	185	401	4,258
Cars and Other Passenger Vehicles	134	162	2,235
Swathers and Mower Conditioners	194	256	3,521
Combines	166	211	9,632
Balers	119	147	1,242
Forage Harvesters	18	19	212
Tillage/Cultivation/Seeding Equip.	204	840	6,906
Irrigation Equipment	5	...	60
Other*	204	...	7,612

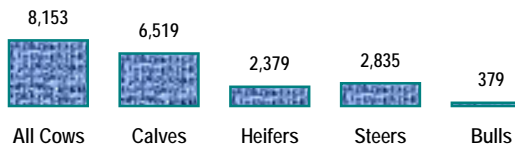
**Livestock Inventory, May 16, 2006
(Number of Head)**



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	82	46,039	0.7
Spring Wheat (excluding Durum)	81	x	x
Durum Wheat	1	x	x
Winter Wheat	0	0	0.0
Oats	56	11,938	0.9
Barley	76	20,962	0.5
Mixed Grains	3	x	x
Corn for Grain	0	0	0.0
Buckwheat	0	0	0.0
Total Rye	4	175	x
Fall Rye	4	175	0.2
Spring Rye	0	0	0.0

Oilseeds*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Canola	100	61,853	1.5
Flaxseed	4	456	0.8
Soybeans	0	0	0.0
Mustard Seed	0	0	0.0
Sunflowers	0	0	0.0

Other Field Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Potatoes	3	11	0.0
Dry Field Peas	25	7,180	1.2
Lentils	0	0	0.0
Dry White Beans	1	x	x
Chick Peas	0	0	0.0
Other Dry Beans	3	x	x
Canary Seed	1	x	x
Sugar Beets	0	0	0.0
Caraway Seed	0	0	0.0
Triticale	1	x	x
Forage Seed for Seed	48	12,266	5.0
All Other Field Crops	0	0	0.0

Hay and Fodder Crops*	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Corn for Silage	3	x	x
Alfalfa and Alfalfa Mixtures	95	22,209	0.6
All Other Tame Hay/Fodder Crops	69	11,724	0.6

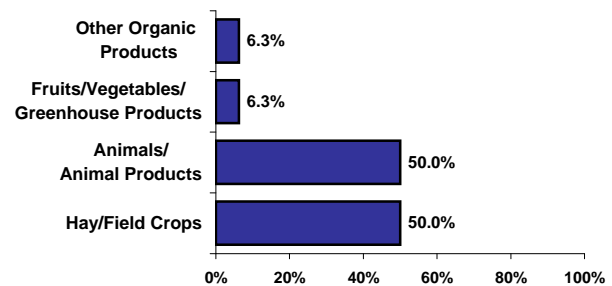
Selected Vegetables Grown for Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Sweet Corn	2	x	x
Tomatoes	2	x	x
Cucumbers	2	x	x
Green Peas	1	x	x
Green or Wax Beans	1	x	x
Cabbage	1	x	x
Cauliflower	1	x	x
Broccoli	1	x	x
Carrots	1	x	x
Rutabagas and Turnips	0	0	0.0
Beets	1	x	x
Radishes	0	0	0.0
Dry Onions	1	x	x
Shallots, Green or Seed Onions	0	0	0.0
Lettuce	1	x	x
Celery	0	0	0.0
Pumpkins, Squash and Zucchini	2	x	x

Fruits, Berries and Nuts Grown For Sale	# Farms	Acres	% Alta.
Total Fruits/Berries/Nuts	2	x	x
Saskatoons	2	x	x
Strawberries	1	x	x
Raspberries	0	0	0.0
Area of Nursery Products	0	0	0.0
Area of Christmas Trees for Sale	0	0	0.0
Sod Grown for Sale	0	0	0.0
	# Farms	Dollars	% Alta.
Sales of Forest Products	4	100,574	1.5

Greenhouse Products	# Farms	Sq. Feet	% Alta.
Total Area Under Protection	2	x	x
Area in Use on May 16, 2006	2	x	x
Flowers	1	x	x
Vegetables	1	x	x
Other Greenhouse Products	1	x	x
Mushroom House Growing Area	0	0	0.0

Organic Production (Certified and Not Certified)	# Farms	% Total Farms
Total Farms Reporting Organic Production	16	100.0
Total Hay or Field Crops	8	50.0
Total Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	6.3
Total Animals or Animal Products	8	50.0
Total Other Organic Products	1	6.3
Farms Reporting Certified Organic Production	3	18.8
Hay or Field Crops	1	6.3
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	1	6.3
Animals or Animal Products	0	0.0
Other Organic Products	1	6.3
Farms Reporting Transitional Organic Products	0	0.0
Hay or Field Crops	0	0.0
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	13	81.3
Hay or Field Crops	7	43.8
Fruits, Veg. or Greenhouse Products	0	0.0
Animals or Animal Products	8	50.0
Other Organic Products	0	0.0

Per Cent of All Organic Farms Reporting Types of Organic Production



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2006 Agriculture Profile - 5. Land Management and Farm Operators

Land Management	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Farms Reporting	260	314,796	100.0
Use of Irrigation	2	x	x
Use of Commercial Fertilizer	147	155,097	49.3
Use of Herbicides	136	138,151	43.9
Use of Insecticides	38	27,343	8.7
Use of Fungicides	12	8,158	2.6

Tillage Practices	# Farms	Acres	% Distr.
Total Area Prepared for Seeding	195	161,896	100.0
Incorporating Most Residue into Soil	84	23,682	22.7
Retaining Most Residue on Surface	77	55,965	26.9
No Tillage Prior to Seeding	70	82,249	50.3

Manure Application	# Farms	% Farms
Farms Producing or Using Manure	116	44.6
Farms Applying Manure	60	23.1

Type of Application and Use of Land	# Farms	Acres	% Area
Composted Manure Incorporated	24	1,969	0.6
Field Crop Land	16	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	9	...	...
Other Land	1	...	...
Composted Manure Not Incorporated	12	739	0.2
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	10	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Incorporated	7	785	0.2
Field Crop Land	7	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	0	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Solid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	17	1,576	0.5
Field Crop Land	2	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	13	...	...
Other Land	2	...	...
Liquid Manure Incorporated/Injected	6	1,107	0.4
Field Crop Land	4	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	2	...	...
Other Land	0	...	...
Liquid Manure Not Incorporated/Injected	2	x	x
Field Crop Land	1	...	...
Hay and Pasture Land	1	...	...
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	63	12,081	100.0
Chemical Only	12	2,672	22.1
Tillage Only	20	3,088	25.6
Tillage and Chemical Combination	34	6,321	52.3

Farms Reporting Soil Conservation Practices	# Farms	% Farms
Crop Rotation	189	72.7
Rotational Grazing	94	36.2
Winter Cover Crops	13	5.0
Buffer Zones Around Water Bodies	62	23.8
Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	153	58.8
Green Manure Crops for Plough-Down	19	7.3

Farm Operators*	Number	% Alta.
Total Operators	365	0.5
Total Operators:		% Distr.
On Farms with One Operator	155	43.1
On Farms with Two or More Operators	205	56.9
Total Male Operators	270	74.0
Total Female Operators	100	27.4

Average Age of Farm Operators	Age in Years
All Operators	51.4
On Farms with One Operator	52.8
On Farms with Two Operators	50.3

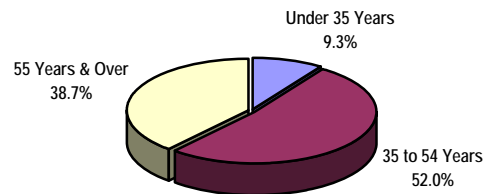
Farm Operators by Age Class	Number	% Distr.
Under 35 Years	35	9.3
35 - 54 Years	195	52.0
55 Years and Over	145	38.7

Farm Work and Non-Farm Work	Number	% Distr.
Operators Reporting No Paid Non-Farm Work	135	36.5
Operators Reporting Paid Non-Farm Work	235	63.5

Average Hours of Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	90	24.0
20 - 40 Hours	100	26.7
More than 40 Hours	185	49.3

Average Hours of Non-Farm Work per Week		
Less than 20 Hours	50	21.3
20 - 40 Hours	95	40.4
More than 40 Hours	90	38.3

Per Cent Distribution of Farm Operators by Age



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