

▶ **Jurisdictional Makeup**: BC has 27 regional districts, the District of Stikine and 154 municipalities. All 27 regional districts and 107 municipalities have at least some land in the ALR.

Population¹ = 3,907,738 (2001)

Population increase: 1971 to 2001 = 1,740,931

➤ Jurisdictional Land Area² = 92,973,00 hectares

➤ Agricultural Land Reserve³ = 4,724,300 hectares

The ALR accounts for about 5 % of the land area of British Columbia.

		<u>1996</u>	<u>2001</u>
>	Total Area Farmed ⁴ (hectares)	2,529,060	2,587,118
>	Percentage of Farmland: Owne Lease		59% 41%
>	Number of Farms ⁵ Reporting	21,835	20,290
>	Average Farm Size (hectares)	115.8	127.5
>	Total Farm Capital	\$13,822,212,532	\$15,831,578,331
>	Annual Gross Farm Receipts	\$1,839,216,758	\$2,307,697,089
>	Annual Cash Wages Paid	\$339,910,599	\$405,678,748
>	Farmland Use (hectares)		
	Crops	565,738	617,545
	 Summerfallow 	39,017	36,765
	 Pasture (managed) 	240,236	233,044
	 Pasture (unmanaged) 	1,172,591	1,203,533
	 Other⁶ 	<u>511,478</u>	<u>492,211</u>

It is estimated that close to 70% of the annual gross farm receipts in BC are generated within the boundaries of municipal jurisdictions.



Total

2,529,060

2,587,118

¹ Source: http://www.statcan.ca/

Source: http://www.marh.gov.bc.ca/MUNFIN/#statistics

³ ALR as of January 1, 2001 - Source: files of the Agricultural Land Commission

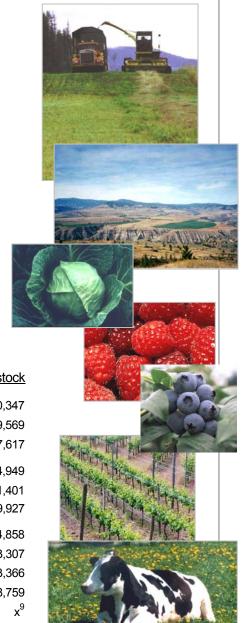
Source of agricultural statistics – Statistics Canada, Census of Agriculture Profile Data – British Columbia, 1996 and 2001

A census farm was defined (in 1996) as an agricultural operation that produces at least one of the following products intended crops, (field crops, tree fruits or nuts, berries or grapes, vegetables, seed) livestock, (cattle, pigs, sheep, horses, exotic animals, etc.) poultry, (hens, chickens, turkeys, exotic birds, etc.) animal products, (milk or cream, eggs, wool, furs meat) or other agricultural products (greenhouse or nursery products, Christmas trees, mushrooms, sod, honey and maple syrup products.

^{6 &}quot;Other": includes 'Unimproved Land', 'Other Improved Land' and 'Woodland'

>	Crops (hectares)		<u>1996</u>	<u>2001</u>	
	 Field Crops⁷ 		536,201	585,644	
	 Fruits, Berries & N 	uts	18,316	19,558	
	 Vegetables 		7,117	7,277	
	 Other⁸ 		<u>4,104</u>	<u>5,066</u>	
	Total		565,738	617,545	
>	Area Irrigated (hectares)		115,374	111,181	
>	Mushroom Growing Area: f	arms - m² -	98 243,909	91 228,579	
>	Greenhouse Production: f	_	1,290 2,880,196	1,292	
>	Nursery Products (hectares)		3,213	4,207	
>	Sod Grown for Sale (hectare	es)	936	837	
>	Christmas Trees (hectares)		9,453	6,018	
		<u>19</u>	<u>996</u>	<u>2001</u>	
>	Livestock	<u>Farms</u>	Livestock	<u>Farms</u> <u>L</u>	ives

		<u>1996</u>		2	<u>2001</u>	
•	Livestock	<u>Farms</u>	<u>Livestock</u>	<u>Farms</u>	<u>Livestock</u>	
	Hens & Chickens	4,840	13,759,261	5,198	18,820,347	
	Turkeys	601	850,680	769	819,569	
	Total Other Poultry	1,883	485,162	1,497	847,617	
	Cattle & Calves	9,185	814,103	7,726	814,949	
	- Dairy Cows	1,644	82,008	1,044	71,401	
	- Beef Cows	6,182	273,217	5,365	279,927	
	Pigs	1,144	174,169	736	84,858	
	Sheep & Lambs	1,913	71,603	1,865	83,307	
	Horses & Ponies	7,123	49,305	6,820	53,366	
	Goats	1,135	13,121	1,040	18,759	
	Wild Boar	-	-	1	x ⁹	
	Mink	23	248,602	17	266,065	
	Fox	10	1,241	8	х	
	Bison	57	6,246	98	8,964	
	Deer ¹⁰	81	19,506	41	6,263	
	Elk	-	-	7	341	
	Llamas & Alpacas	254	2,653	560	5,428	
	Rabbits	910	20,598	264	28,848	
	Colonies of Bees for Hon	ney 595	35,088	521	28,848	



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¹⁰ In 1996, Deer and Elk figures were combined but separated in 2001.



⁷ Field crop area does not include those crop areas not included for reasons of confidentiality.

^{8 &}quot;Other" Crops: also account for area figures not provided due to confidentiality.

^{9 &#}x27;x' indicates that farms reporting but further information not provided due to confidentiality.