

Agriculture in Brief

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District



MUNICIPALITIES

PORT ALBERNI, City of

TOFINO, District of

UCLUELET, District of

ELECTORAL AREA

"A" – BAMFIELD

"B" – BEAUFORT

"C" – LONG BEACH

"D" – SPROAT LAKE

"E" – BEAVER CREEK

"F" – CHERRY CREEK

NU-CHAH-NULTH TRIBAL
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE



Jurisdictional Makeup: The Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District has 3 member municipalities, 6 electoral areas and a Nu-Chah-Nulth Tribal Council Representative.

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|---|----|---------|
| Population ¹ (2006) | # | 30,664 |
| Jurisdictional Area ² | ha | 688,530 |
| Population Increase (1971-2006) | # | 68 |
| Agricultural Land Reserve ³ (2008) | ha | 7,750 |

| | | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 |
|--|----|-------|-------|-------|
| Total Area Farmed | ha | 2,480 | 2,535 | 3,171 |
| Farmland Owned ⁴ | | 84% | 87% | 75% |
| Farmland Leased ⁴ | | 16% | 13% | 25% |
| Number of Farms ⁵ Reporting | # | 80 | 81 | 89 |
| Average Farm Size | ha | 31.0 | 31.0 | 35.6 |

| Farmland Use | | | | |
|---------------------|----|-------|----------------|-------|
| Crops ⁶ | ha | 895 | 951 | 920 |
| Summerfallow | ha | 33 | x ⁷ | 0 |
| Pasture (managed) | ha | 200 | 183 | 141 |
| Pasture (unmanaged) | ha | 277 | 373 | 745 |
| Other ⁸ | ha | 1,075 | x | 1,364 |
| Total | ha | 2,480 | 2,535 | 3,170 |

| Crops | | | | |
|--------------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|
| Field Crops ⁹ | ha | 817 | 872 | 875 |
| Fruits, Berries & Nuts | ha | 9 | 10 | 18 |
| Vegetables | ha | 13 | 18 | 15 |
| Other ¹⁰ | ha | 56 | 51 | 12 |
| Total | ha | 895 | 951 | 920 |

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|---------------------|----------------|--------|---|----|
| Mushrooms (farms) | # | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| (area) | m ² | 0 | 0 | x |
| Greenhouses (farms) | # | 8 | 5 | 9 |
| (area) | m ² | 15,995 | x | x |
| Nursery Products | ha | x | x | x |
| Sod Grown for Sale | ha | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Christmas Trees | ha | 68 | x | 57 |

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| Livestock | 1996 | | 2001 | | 2006 | |
|----------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| | Farms | Livestock | Farms | Livestock | Farms | Livestock |
| Hens & Chickens | 25 | 1,466 | 32 | 2,923 | 32 | 2,310 |
| Turkeys | 1 | x | 5 | x | 5 | x |
| Total Other Poultry | 7 | x | 13 | 390 | 11 | 152 |
| Cattle & Calves | 42 | 1,661 | 32 | 1,259 | 36 | 1,416 |
| Dairy Cows | 12 | 562 | 6 | 414 | 4 | 401 |
| Beef Cows | 29 | 272 | 19 | 196 | 28 | 343 |
| Pigs | 11 | x | 7 | x | 3 | x |
| Sheep & Lambs | 10 | 190 | 13 | x | 12 | x |
| Horses & Ponies | 12 | 52 | 17 | 82 | 23 | 109 |
| Goats | 5 | 32 | 4 | 38 | 5 | x |
| Wild Boar | na | na | 0 | 0 | 1 | x |
| Mink | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fox | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bison | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Deer | na | na | 1 | x | 2 | x |
| Llamas & Alpacas | 4 | 31 | 5 | 44 | 7 | 76 |
| Rabbits | 2 | x | 0 | 0 | na | na |
| Colonies of Bees for Honey | 7 | 402 | 7 | 242 | 4 | 166 |

| | | 1996 | 2001 | 2006 |
|----------------|----|------|------|------|
| Area Irrigated | ha | 365 | 552 | 554 |

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|----------------------------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total Farm Capital | | \$ 42,423,043 | \$ 36,284,393 | \$ 65,288,472 |
| Annual Gross Farm Receipts | | \$ 4,937,331 | \$ 4,680,332 | \$ 5,491,456 |
| Annual Cash Wages Paid | | \$ 1,035,479 | \$ 1,291,448 | \$ 1,362,398 |

Source: Statistics Canada, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census of Agriculture and, where applicable, Statistics Canada, customized tabulations, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census of Agriculture.

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¹ Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Population.

² Source: www.marh.gov.bc.ca/MUNFIN/#statistics

³ ALR as of January 1, 2008 – Source: files of the Agricultural Land Commission

⁴ Source: B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Lands, Adapted from Statistics Canada, 1996, 2001 and 2006 Census of Agriculture.

⁵ Over time, the official definition of "census farm" or "agricultural operation" has changed. An explanation of these changes can be found at: www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/95-629-XIE/2007000/terms.htm#farm. In 2006, an "agricultural operation" was described generally as a farm, ranch or other agricultural operation producing agricultural products for sale or the intention of sale in the past 12 months. For a complete definition of "agricultural operation" and "agricultural products", refer to the Census glossary at: www.statcan.ca/english/agcensus2006/glossary.htm#gt3.

⁶ Field crop area does not include those crop areas not included for reasons of confidentiality.

⁷ 'x' indicates that farms reporting but further information not provided due to confidentiality.

⁸ "Other": includes 'Unimproved Land', 'Other Improved Land' and 'Woodland'

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¹⁰ "Other" Crops: also account for area figures not provided due to confidentiality.